# Our Lady of the Lake & St. Ann

PARISH CULLABURATIVE

MARCH 3, 2024 | 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

**PASTOR: FR. RAJ J. NATHAN, MSFS** 

## Our Lady of the Lake Parish Community

24832 US Highway 12 East
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Rectory and Parish Office:
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Reaching up to God, reaching out to one another, through prayer, service and friendship.

## Mass Times at Our Lady:

Saturday 4:30 pm Sunday 8:00 am and 11:00 am

## **Daily Masses:**

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:30 am

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 3:30 - 4:00 pm 30 minutes before weekday Mass

## St. Ann Parish Community

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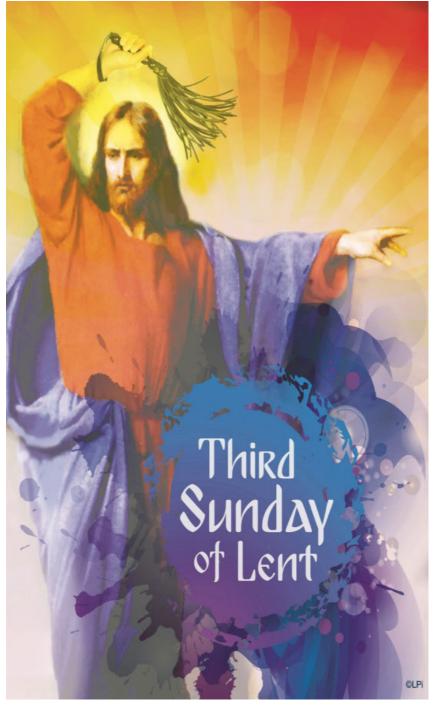
Website: www.stanncass.com Parish Office: 269-445-3000

## Mass Times at St. Ann:

Sunday and Tuesday 9:30 am

Adoration and Confession: Tues. 9 am

Rosary: Tues. 10 am



Welcome Visitors & New Parishioners

#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

#### **3rd Sunday of Lent**

Our readings call us to roll up our sleeves and persevere through the remainder of Lent by committing to a more faithful life with Christ.

In today's Gospel, Jesus purifies the temple area because it is being misused as a marketplace. He becomes angry at their lack of reverence for God. He spills the coins of the money changers and overturns tables, saying, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace."

Jesus witnessed the way people mistreated the temple the place to worship God and God alone. He drives out evil and works to purify all that is sinful in that place. This is what Jesus wants to do for us this Lenten season. He wants to remove all impurity and evil in our lives and hearts so that we may have a proper dwelling place for the

Holy Spirit. Let us ask ourselves, what areas of our life need cleansing? Let us name those areas and invite Jesus to purify us. He became man to carry our burdens and wipe away our sins. He has given us boundless mercy, but we must do our part to seek it and commit to living a more faithful life as a disciple of Christ. With this knowledge, let us seek to be purified from our sins so that our hearts might be a true temple of the Holy Spirit.

This season of Lent is only halfway done — there is still time to work through our shortcomings and purify our hearts for Easter morning. But let us not waste another moment. Let us name our shortcomings, seek God's mercy and invite Him to transform our hearts.

- Stewardship Reflections by Catholic Stewardship Consultants

#### MAKING A REPORT OF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT

The Diocese of Kalamazoo has and will continue to cooperate with the Michigan Attorney General's investigation and encourages anyone with information related to misconduct to call the reporting number set up by the Michigan Attorney General's office at (844) 324-3374. The Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service (CBAR) has been established to receive reports of sexual abuse and related misconduct by bishops and to relay those reports to proper Church authorities for investigation. To make a report, visit ReportBishopAbuse.org or phone (800) 276-1562. When a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential.



#### **EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS**

Please use the specially designated

envelopes in your church envelope packet for the purpose of arranging Easter Flower Memorials at Our Lady and St. Ann. Extra Easter Flower Offering envelopes may be found at the church entrances. For each deceased person (or couple) you would like remembered, print the names on the front of the Easter Flower Envelope. We suggest an offering of \$5 or more. Just drop the envelope into the collection basket anytime before March 24th. As in the past, the list of names enrolled through the Easter Flower Memorial will be printed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday.

## **PRAYERS FOR** OUR CONFIRMATION **CANDIDATES**

Please keep the Confirmation

students from Our Lady in your prayers as they spend Saturday in retreat. They are in the final preparations for their Confirmation with Bishop Lohse.

May the Lord bless them and their families on their spiritual journey.

## OUR LADY OF THE LAKE This Week at Our Lady MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 2 4:30 pm | Jean Connell

Sunday, March 3

8:00 am | Carolyn Vogel 11:00 am | Linda DeBroka

Monday, March 4

9:30 am | Stan & Marilyn Wieczorek

Wednesday, March 6

9:30 am | All Souls in Purgatory

Friday, March 8

9:30 am |

Saturday, March 9

4:30 pm | Eugene Dobransky

Sunday, March 10

8:00 am | For the Parish 11:00 am | John Davis

#### **OUR LADY PRAYER LIST**

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Tim & Janice Ackerson, Vicenta Baker, Marilyn Cobb, Ryan Clark, Dale Deditch, Lenni DeCraene, Dorothy Derringer, Maryann Dobransky, Ed Drone, Bob and Eva Jenkins, Pat LaBre, Frank Napowocki, Debra Swiental, Ryan Vogel, and all those in our prayer intention book!

#### PRAY WITH THE HALLOW APP THIS LENT

The Hallow App has spiritual learning for the whole family. Don't forget to check out the daily Gospel meditation and music too! Go to Hallow.com/pray to find out more.

## OUR LADY FINANCES

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

**Budgeted Weekly Amount** 

Collection for February 25 .....\$5,817.63

**Budgeted Weekly YTD** 

.....\$224,000.00

Total Actual Year To Date

.....\$207,215.42

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100-Year \$100,000 Campaign

.....\$46,245.66

Saturday, March 2

3:30 pm Confession

Sunday, March 3

Donuts, Coffee & Conversation

9:45 am Religious Education

9:45 am Confirmation Class

11:00 am Children's Liturgy of the Word

Monday, March 4

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

Tuesday, March 5

NOON EFP Leadership Meeting

6:00 pm Bishop Barron The Creed

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meet

Wednesday, March 6

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

Friday, March 8

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

6:00 pm Soup Supper

6:30 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 9

10:00 am Confirmation Retreat

3:30 pm Confession

Sunday, March 10

Donuts, Coffee & Conversation 9:45 am Religious Education

11:00 am Children's Liturgy of the Word



### **DIOCESAN PRIESTS RETIREMENT** COLLECTION

The Diocese of Kalamazoo is blessed with many senior priests. Although retired they continue to serve through prayer, assisting in parishes with Masses and confessions. visiting nursing homes and in countless other ways. Diocesan priests live independently during their retirement, and they use their pension for basic needs, such as food, housing and transportation. Envelopes can be found at the church entrances or in your mailed envelope packets. Please prayerfully consider your gift.

## ST. ANN MASS **SCHEDULE**

Sunday, March 3 9:30 am | For the Parish Tuesday, March 5 9:30 am | Tim Almack Sunday, March 10 9:30 am | Barbara Scalise

#### This Week at St. Ann

Sunday, March 3

9:30 am **RE Mass and Class** 

Tuesday, March 5

9:00 am Adoration/Confession

10:00 am Bishop Barron The Creed

Thursday, March 7

10:00 am **Daughters Meeting** 

Friday, March 8

12:30 pm Stations of the Cross

1:00 pm Simple Lunch

Sunday, March 10

9:30 am RE Class (TBD)

#### ST. ANN PRAYER LIST PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Frank & Vickie Kalina, Gene Karnes, David Kuemin, Michael Lasiewicz, Carla Novotny, Mike Petersen, Tony Rosser, Bud & Maryanne Scheilbelhut, Vance Stratton, and all those in our prayer intention book!



#### **TIME CHANGE**

Be sure to move your clocks ahead 1 hour next Sunday morning - March 10.

## ST. ANN FINANCES

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

**Budgeted Weekly Amount** 

.....\$2,330.00

Collection for February 25

.....\$1,398.00

**Budgeted Weekly YTD** 

.....\$81,550.00

Total Actual Year To Date

.....\$83,476.00

Give online at: <u>stanncass.com</u>

#### FIFTEEN SIMPLE ACTS OF LOVE FROM POPE FRANCIS

- 1. Say hello. (every time and everywhere)
- 2. A thank you (even if you're not "expected").
- 3. Remind others how much you love them.
- 4. Say hello to people you see every day.
- 5. Listen to each other's stories without prejudice, with love.
- 6. Stop by to help yourself. Pay attention to those who need you.
- 7. To lift someone's spirits.
- 8. Celebrate the good sides or successes of others.
- 9. Choose what you don't use and donate it to someone who needs it.
- 10. When it is necessary to help another instead of resting.
- 11 . Remind with love, don't keep silent out of fear.
- 12. Getting deep with those close to you.
- 13. Wash what I use at home.
- 14 . Helping others overcome obstacles.
- 15. Call your parents if you are lucky enough to still have them.



#### **OTHER SUGGESTIONS**

- Refrain from insults and pass on kind words
- Fast from discontent and fill yourself with gratitude
- Fast from anger and fill yourself with gentleness and patience
- Fast from pessimism and fill yourself with hope and optimism
- Fast from your worries and fill your trust in God
- Fast from complaining and fill your life with simple things
- Fast from pressure and fill yourself with prayer
- Fast from sorrow and bitterness, and fill your heart with joy
- Fast from selfishness and fill yourself with compassion for others
- Fast from unforgiveness and fill yourself with attitudes of reconciliation
- Fast from words and fill yourself with silence and listening to others.

If we all live this fast, our everyday lives will be fulfilled: PEACE, TRUST, JOY AND LIFE

Pope Francis

## **PARISH DIRECTORIES**

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Mike Petersen



## SATURDAY, APRIL 20 6:00 PM **OUR LADY'S SOCIAL HALL**

#### Come for fun and prizes!

Be the team with the Most Creative Team Name and win a prize at the Our Lady Family Trivia Night on April 20 at 6:00 pm. Test out your knowledge of **Disney Movies, Sports, History** and more. Registration forms can be found in the gathering spaces at Our Lady and St. Ann. Sign up today!



## DAUGHTERS OF ST. ANN MARCH 7 AT 10:00 AM

All ladies of the parish are invited to join the next St. Ann Daughters' meeting on Thursday, March 7 at 10:00 am.

#### **ALL WOMEN WELCOME!**

## **FELLOWSHIP** AND PRAYER

Thank you to all who attended the Simple Supper at Our Lady and helped with serving and cleanup. Also, thank you for participating in the Religious Education Stations of the Cross. It was a prayerful evening and one of pleasant company.

**SPRING BAZAAR** Sat. March 9, 9:00-2:00 pm St. Anthony's Church 509 W. 4th St. Buchanan

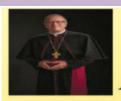


#### TREE OF LIFE

During the season of Lent, it is our hope that as a parish community we continue to explore the symbol of the Tree of Life and how it connects to Christ's Paschal Mystery and to the themes of life, death, and resurrection that are a part of our everyday lives.

#### **Third Sunday of Lent**

The Tree of Life is buffeted by the storms of the world, by illness, grief, and loss. Like the tree, we can become weak and withered through sin and neglect. Lent gives us the opportunity to heal and strengthen ourselves through acts of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.



#### THE CREED

Come let Bishop Robert Barron guide you into the depths of The Creed.

Tuesdays 10 am St. Ann & 6 pm Our Lady

#### NOW IS THE TIME!

Catholics believe that Confession is necessary for the forgiveness of post-baptismal sins because Christ instituted the Sacrament of



Penance for this purpose (John 20:22-23). Church Canon Law states: "All the faithful who have reached the age of discretion are bound faithfully to confess their grave sins at least once a year." (CIC, 989). Catholics who confess their sins have the assurance of Christ Himself that their sins are forgiven (Matt 18:18; John 20:23).

Two opportunities for the communal celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation are available in our Collaborative:

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

St. Ann - Noon

Our Lady - 7:00 pm

#### ST. MARY'S IN NILES, MI IS HIRING!

St. Mary's is seeking a full-time lead preschool teacher. The start date for this position is March 11, but it is also open for the 24-25 school year. We offer full benefits including; holiday and sick pay, FREE health insurance and a pension. Please contact Principal Che Warner at c.warner@stmarysniles.com or call 269.683-9191

#### FR. RAJ'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Come for cake and help Fr. Rai celebrate his birthday after the 11 am Mass on Sunday, March 10 at Our Lady. St. Ann will help Fr. Raj celebrate at the February Birthday Blessings & Celebration Sunday which will be held on March 17. (New date because of Holy Week.)

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS & SIMPLE MEALS** FRIDAYS OF LENT

St. Ann - 12:30 pm

**Stations then Simple Meal** 

Our Lady - 6:00 pm **Soup Dinner then Stations** 



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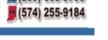




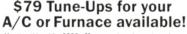
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