



Calendar for the Week of November 22nd, 2015

Monday - November 23rd
 6:30pm Bible Study - Church Library
Tuesday - November 24th
 1:30pm Bible Study - Church Library

3:00pm Eucharistic Adoration -
 John Paul II Chapel
 7:00pm Parish Council Meeting - Fireside Room
Thursday - November 26th
 9:00am Thanksgiving Day Mass - Church

Calendar subject to change without notice.

Mass on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 26th, is at 9:00am.



Parish Advent Retreat • Saturday, December 5th • 9:00am - Noon

Please join us for our Parish Advent Retreat on Saturday, December 5th, from 9:00am to noon. We'll begin with Mass, followed by a light breakfast and fellowship. After breakfast there will be a presentation by Fr. Nate LaLiberte, Pastor at St. Maximillian Kolbe in Delano. We will have Eucharistic Adoration with the opportunity for confessions. Please plan on attending this Advent Retreat!

Tuesday, December 8th, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation. We will celebrate Mass at 9:00am & 6:30pm.

Advent Communal Reconciliation Service
Thursday, Dec. 17th, 6:30pm

*Rosary Intention:
 Rejoice in
 Christ our King*

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve - Thursday, Dec. 24th
 4:00pm Mass & 9:00pm Mass

Christmas Day, Friday, Dec. 25th
 8:30am Mass & 10:30am Mass

Mass Intentions for the Week beginning Monday, November 23rd

Mon.	8:00am	Communion Service
Tues.	6:30pm	Gretchen Chilson
Wed.	9:00am	✠Joanne Piché
Thurs.	9:00am	✠Scott Kempf
Fri.	8:00am	Communion Service
Sat.	5:00pm	✠Marge Subialka
Sun.	8:30am	✠Carl Widmer
	10:30am	Parish

Christmas Needs & Wishes

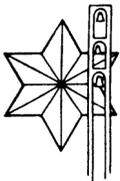
Parishioners at Our Lady of the Lake continue the tradition of preparing Christmas baskets and giving to families in need. Gifts are listed on the tags on our Giving Tree, located near the Baptismal Font. Gifts are delivered to families submitted by WeCAN and other gifts are brought to parishioners who are homebound or recently have had life challenges. When you pick tags off the Tree and return your gifts, you are indeed bringing good news, a ray of sunshine, and the Light of Christ.



We pray for those in need. May the Lord comfort them in their time of sickness and bless those who care for them. Please keep the following individuals in your prayers:

Chris A., Alan Blackwell, Bob Blake, Bill & Joyce Blume, Tim Daly, David Filippi, Mark Fliss, Kathy Gnitka, Fred Hanley, Greg Howard, Clarence & Connie Korbel, Joe Lofrano, Ted Mateski, Andra Olson, Bobby Reil, Ben Renteria, Adam Richardt, Monica Savage, Mike Schulz, Laura Sohns, Mike & Kim Sorensen, Warren & Louise Spigler, and John Ziminske

We Pray for Those in the Military: David B., Nicholas J., Benjamin M., Christopher P., Braden T., Darrell V., and Noah V.



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A Message from Deacon Del

Brothers and Sisters,

This weekend we reach a triumphant end to our journey through the year from last Advent Sunday to this Feast of Christ the King. Through the year we have been hearing the stories about Jesus and his life among us. Our journey has taken us through many different landscapes.

There've been the open plains of day-to-day life in ordinary times when we've heard the extra-ordinary stories of what Jesus said, how he healed the sick and reached out to the most unlikely members of society. There've been shadowy valleys of temptation, betrayal, and death on the cross, wilderness times of despair and devastating suffering. There've been mountain tops of breath-taking excitement, resurrection, ascension, and the coming of the Holy Spirit.

Next year, like this year, we'll each be on our own journey. We, too, will walk through plains of ordinary day-to-day living, through our own valleys of shadow, and up to our own high places of good news, joy, and excitement. There'll be times in the journey when we'll get lost or discouraged, confused or stuck, and those are the very times when we'll need this vision of Christ the King to give purpose and meaning to our journey. As we celebrate the eternal presence of Christ the King in the bread and wine of the Eucharist this weekend, let us pray that His spirit will bring us refreshment, peace, and whatever our hearts need for the journey that lies ahead. Have a Blessed New Year.

God Bless, Deacon Del

*As many of you may know, our **Maintenance Director, Dan Entinger**, was diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's disease (ALS) several months ago.*

Dan has been employed with Our Lady of the Lake for the last 21 years. I have been fortunate to have worked with him for every one of those years. He has been a loyal, reliable and extremely talented employee, and we have all learned so much from him. But certainly the most important thing that Dan has taught us is how to have great courage, dignity and strong faith in the face of this diagnosis. The ALS has been advancing, and it is very obvious to Dan that he can no longer do the work his job here requires.

We want to host a 'thank you' reception for Dan on Sunday, Dec. 13th, after the 10:30AM Mass. Please plan on attending to honor Dan for all he has done for the Our Lady of the Lake community. Dan's wife, Cynthia, is in remission after a two-year cancer fight. In the near future, they plan to spend their time traveling to destinations of interest as time allows.

Thank you all,

Rhonda Eurich, Administrator 952-472-1284 ext. 161 reurich@ourladyofthelake.com



Pastoral Ministry

Light for the Week: Blessed are You, Creator Lord, who in Your infinite goodness bless us with all the gifts that flow day and night into our lives. Whether these be joy or sorrow, You embrace us in our humanity and we give thanks.

West Suburban Grief Coalition meets at Spirit of Hope United Methodist Church, 7600 Harold Avenue, Golden Valley, MN 55427. The group meets on Thursdays from 4:30-6:00pm.

Dec. 3rd: Whatcha Gonna Do

Dec. 10th: Grief at the Holidays

Dec. 17th: Holiday Grief

"TO" Committee members sponsor our Christmas outreach, and during the year volunteers involved with "TO" offer help to those who need short-term assistance. We may very well be the first responders when someone needs a ride to an appointment, a mandatory errand, or other service as needs arise. **We need to refresh our list of volunteers.** Volunteers need to be available during the day. Please call Sr. Carrie if you can help. Thanks!



Faith Formation

First Reconciliation is on Saturday, Nov. 21st, at 10:00am. There will be additional priests here from neighboring parishes to hear confessions. Please dress in your Sunday best! All family members are encouraged to participate in the celebration of this sacrament.

Children's Liturgy of the Word meets today, Sunday, Nov. 22nd, at the 10:30am Mass. All children, ages Preschool through Grade 4, are invited after the Opening Prayer to join us as we explore the Scripture readings at an age-appropriate level and apply the lessons to their lives. No registration is required.

There will be no Faith Formation Classes meeting this Wednesday, Nov. 25th. Have a Happy Thanksgiving as you celebrate with family and friends!

Our next opportunity to serve at Loaves and Fishes is Tuesday, Nov. 24th, at St. Gabriel's Church in Hopkins. Volunteers are needed to serve and clean up following the meal. The time commitment is from 5:00pm until approximately 7:30pm. Please contact Kathy Hejna at 952-472-1284 ext. 147 or khejna@ourladyofthelake.com to sign up or if you'd like more information about this ministry.



The date is set for the 3rd annual Guatemala Mission Trip! We will be serving in San Lucas from July 19th to July 27th, 2016. Applications are due December 14th. This trip is open to both high school and adult members of the parish. To obtain an application form or receive more information on the trip, please contact Theresa Zweber at tzweber@ourladyofthelake.com or 952-472-1284 ext. 144.

Adult Education: This week we will continue to study the encyclical of Pope Francis, Laudato Si (On Care for Our Common Home). Discover how his concern for the environment is directly tied to his concern for the poor and disadvantaged. Our faith requires us to protect and care for all of creation, especially those who cannot care for themselves. Please share your thoughts and suggestions on how we can do this at the classes on Mondays at 6:30pm or Tuesdays at 1:30pm.



Beginning January 6th, we will begin a 9-week course from Financial Peace University, a DVD program coordinated by Dave Ramsey. This is a faith-based class that helps you learn to manage your money, one of the many blessings that God has given to you. Financial pressures can affect your marriage and family life. This program will help you to budget and manage your resources. Classes will be on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm. Watch future bulletins for more information, or contact Carla at 952-472-1284 ext. 145 or clabore@ourladyofthelake.com.

OLL is now selling coffee from San Lucas Mission to support our Mission Trip Building Projects. There are three varieties (light roast ground, light roast whole bean, & dark roast whole bean) and cost \$12 per pound with proceeds benefiting the 2016 Mission Trip Project. There are forms available in the Church Office for pre-orders and there will be limited varieties available during the Nov. 22nd Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast. For more information or questions, please contact Stephanie Greene at 612-759-3332.



Our Lady of the Lake School News: SAVE THE DATE for the Our Lady of the Lake Catholic School Information Night! Join us and learn why Our Lady of the Lake Catholic School may be the right choice for your child. This informative event for parents will be on **Wednesday, December 2nd**, from 6:30-7:30pm at the School. Parents will have the opportunity to meet and talk with our Principal, Becky Kennedy, parents of OLL, teachers, and students. Let your friends know about this great opportunity to learn more about our wonderful school. For more information, please contact Shawn Hogan at 952-472-1284 ext. 156 or shogan@schoololl.com.

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Stewardship Thought

"Jesus answered, 'My kingdom does not belong to this world.' " - John 18:36

How often do we put all our time and energy into building a kingdom here on earth, forgetting that life here is short? The real kingdom is in the next life. Yet, how much time and energy do we invest in working for that eternal kingdom?

Financial Stewardship

Collection totals for Nov. 14th - 15th, 2015

Envelopes	\$10,676
Plate	384
Electronic	555
Annual	3,000
Total	\$14,615
Weekly Budget	\$ 15,856
Fiscal YTD Actuals:	\$274,553
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Thank you for your generosity to Our Lady of the Lake!

Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection: The collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) provides funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor in the United States. CCHD's grants improve education, support economic development, and create affordable housing in low-income neighborhoods. Help us continue to defend human dignity and build communities of solidarity. Please give to the CCHD Collection. Thank you.

2016 Pledge Forms & Volunteer Opportunity Forms: If you have not yet done so, please return your 2016 Pledge Form and your Volunteer Opportunity Form. You can drop them off in the Collection Basket during Mass, or stop by or mail them to the Church Office. Thank you for making stewardship a way of life!

The Westonka Food Shelf is Grateful and Thankful! During the upcoming holiday season the Westonka Food Shelf will provide nearly 600 baskets to local families with the ingredients for an enjoyable meal on Thanksgiving and Christmas. Your donation of \$30.00 will provide a basket to a family in need.

While counting our many blessings, we would like to thank our wonderful volunteers and our board of directors for their countless hours of dedication and work to ensure we serve our patrons as graciously and effectively as possible. We thank Our Lady of the Lake Church and parishioners for your tremendous generosity in providing our facility and working tirelessly on our new home, the Grace Family Center. We are blessed to receive abundantly, both food and financial donations, from OLL and our many local churches and their congregations. We are extremely grateful for the ongoing support of Gale Woods Farms, Jubilee Foods, and Lund's and Byerly's Navarre. Finally, we thank our donors, local businesses and organizations who generously support our mission to end hunger in our area. Together we make a difference in the lives of many!

Christmas Flower Memorials



Help us decorate the Church at Christmas with a gift of flowers. Consider a gift In Honor Of or In Memory Of a special person in your life. Please fill out the following information and put it in the Collection Basket, or stop by or mail it to the Church Office, by Noon on Monday, December 14th. Thank you!

_____ \$15.00 _____ \$25.00 _____ Other

In Honor Of / In Memory Of:

Name _____
(please print)

Donor _____
(please print)

Please note: Both of the above names will be published in a future bulletin.





WELCOME to our **new parishioners** who recently joined our parish community!

Alan & Andrea Bear and Family
 Christopher & Patricia Conroy
 Andre & Kara LeMire and Family
 Timothy & Lillian Rote and Family

Immediate need for Foreign Exchange Host Family – German boy, very good student at Mound Westonka High School! When you open your home and heart to an exchange student, your family will develop a new perspective, make memories, and gain a new family member for life!
 612-419-7355 marilyn.hostetler@icloud.com

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COMMUNITY RESOURCES

PennyWise Shop 952-472-1284 ext. 182

PennyWise is currently closed.

Westonka Food Shelf 952-472-5599

WeCAN (Western Communities Action Network) 952-472-0742