

**Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church**

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**Fr. Tony O'Neill,  
Pastor**



**March 18, 2018**

**Fifth Sunday of Lent**

***"I will be their God and they shall be my people." -- Jeremiah 31:33***

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

March 13 marked the fifth anniversary of the election of Pope Francis. What an impact he has made. He challenges all of us to live an authentic life of radical discipleship. From the very first days of his papacy, it was clear that things were different. He has caught the attention of the whole world and created unprecedented media attention and the ironic thing is that he really doesn't want the attention to be on himself.



Pope Francis says that there are three ways to tell if we are living the fruit of the Eucharist;

1. How do we see others – when we are here at Mass, do we see those around us as brothers and sisters? Through the Eucharist am I reaching out to people – especially those in real need?
2. The second way to tell if we are reaping the fruits of the Eucharist is – do you feel forgiven and able to forgive others? “We go to Mass because we are sinners and we want to receive God’s pardon, to participate in the redemption of Jesus, in his forgiveness.”
3. The third way to tell we are living the fruit of the Eucharist is that it changes us, it transforms us. He says “A celebration may be flawless on the exterior, very beautiful, but if it does not lead us to encounter Jesus Christ, it is unlikely to bear any kind of nourishment to our heart and our life. Through the Eucharist, however, Christ wishes to enter into our life and permeate it with his grace, so that in every Christian community there may be coherence between liturgy and life.”

As we continue our journey through Lent, let’s give thanks for the gift of Pope Francis and let us daily renew our encounter with Christ.

God bless,  
Fr. Tony

***Stations of the Cross During Lent***

***Friday, March 23, at 7:00pm • Cor Jesu at 7:30pm on March 23 (following Stations of the Cross) and Good Friday, March 30, at 3:00pm***

**Holy Week Schedule**

***Palm Sunday, March 25***

Mass • 5:00pm (Sat.)  
8:30am & 10:30am

***Holy Thursday, March 29***

Mass of the Lord’s Supper • 7:00pm

***Good Friday, March 30***

Stations of the Cross • 3:00pm  
Good Friday Service • 7:00pm

***Holy Saturday, March 31***

Easter Vigil • 8:30pm

***Easter Sunday, April 1***

Mass • 8:30am & 10:30am

***MISSION STATEMENT To proclaim Christ by celebrating the Eucharist, the Sacraments, and other liturgies and rites of the Catholic Church; To educate and enrich children and adults in living out our Catholic faith through worship, Faith Formation, a Catholic School, and by our example; To welcome, assist and reach out to the stranger, the forgotten, and those in need in our local community; and support social justice efforts here and elsewhere; and To use our talents and resources, given by God, justly and wisely.***

## Library -- Grand Re-Opening!

The Library is now open during all of the weekend Masses. Stop by and discover the great resources that are available! We also have a listing of the books on our parish website, under the Resources tab. If you are looking for something and can't find it, contact Carla at 952-472-8204 or [clabore@ourladyofthelake.com](mailto:clabore@ourladyofthelake.com).

### **OLL Cemetery**

*Please remove winter decorations from the graves of your loved ones by Friday, March 30. Thank you!*



**Rosary Intention:**  
*Die to Ourselves for Another's Sake*

### **Mass Intentions for the Week**

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| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>March 18</b>       |
| 8:30am           | ✠Ed Mahoney           |
| 10:30am          | Parish                |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>March 19</b>       |
| 8:00am           | Communion Service     |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>March 20</b>       |
| 6:30pm           | ✠James Stello         |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>March 21</b>       |
| 9:00am           | ✠James Stockinger     |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>March 22</b>       |
| 8:00am           | ✠Michael Hughes       |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>March 23</b>       |
| 8:00am           | ✠John & ✠Teresa Taffe |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>March 24</b>       |
| 5:00pm           | ✠Pat Roth             |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>March 25</b>       |
| 8:30am           | Parish                |
| 10:30am          | ✠Adrian Meuwissen     |

### **Scripture Readings for March 25**

*Palm Sunday*

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| Reading 1 | Mark 11:1-10       |
| Reading 2 | Philippians 2:6-11 |
| Gospel    | Mark 14:1-15, 47   |

Visit [usccb.org/bible/readings](http://usccb.org/bible/readings) for the daily readings.

### **Calendar for the Week of March 18, 2018**

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| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>March 18</b>                                  |
| 10:30am          | Children's Liturgy of the Word - Church          |
| 6:30pm           | Confirmation Class - PACE Center                 |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>March 19</b>                                  |
| 8:30am           | Eucharistic Adoration - John Paul II Chapel      |
| 6:00pm           | 5 Weeks on the Catholic Faith - Presentation Rm. |
| 7:00pm           | Boy Scouts Meeting - School Cafeteria            |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>March 20</b>                                  |
| 8:30am           | Eucharistic Adoration - John Paul II Chapel      |
| 10:00am          | Grief Support Group - Church Library             |
| 5:15pm           | Maintenance Committee Meeting - Fireside Room    |
| 7:00pm           | Knights of Columbus General Meeting - Fireside   |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>March 21</b>                                  |
| 7:00am           | Finance Committee Meeting - Fireside Room        |
| 9:00am           | Mail-Out Bulletin Assembly - Presentation Room   |
| 5:00pm           | Handbell Choir Practice - Church                 |
| 5:30pm           | Confirmation Dinner - Fr. Jager Room             |
| 6:00pm           | Children's Choir Practice - Church               |
| 6:30pm           | Adult Choir Practice - Church                    |
| 6:30pm           | Faith Formation Classes - Classrooms             |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>March 22</b>                                  |
| 8:30am           | Eucharistic Adoration - John Paul II Chapel      |
| 9:00am           | Communion Ministry at Lake Minnetonka Shores     |
| 6:30pm           | RCIA - Fr. Jager Room                            |
| 7:00pm           | Social Action Committee Meeting - Fireside Room  |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>March 23</b>                                  |
| 7:00pm           | Stations of the Cross - Church                   |
| 7:30pm           | Cor Jesu - Church                                |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>March 24</b>                                  |
| 9:00am           | Easter Egg Hunt - Campus Grounds                 |

### **Ministers Needed for Holy Week**

If you are able to assist during any of the Holy Week Services, please contact Char at 952-472-8206 or [cnee@ourladyofthelake.com](mailto:cnee@ourladyofthelake.com). Thank you!

### **Communion Ministers Needed at LMS Easter Morning**

Would you like to share the joy of Easter with the residents of Lake Minnetonka Shores? We need volunteers to bring Communion to them on Easter morning from 7:30 - 8:15am. If interested, please leave your name and phone number with Dana in the Church Office at 952-472-8200, and you will be contacted with the details. Thank you!

### **Grief Support Group**

**Tuesday, March 20 • 10:00am • Church Library**

If you have recently (or not so recently) experienced the loss of a loved one, please join with others who are also trying to cope with a loss. It is generally easier to walk this road with someone else who understands and has learned a few ways to deal with the pain. Please stop by!



## Liturgy

### Seeking God, Encountering God

Lent - Sacred Triduum - Easter - Pentecost  
The Fifth Sunday of Lent

Dying to self takes on many forms, some rather trivial-sounding, like giving up your favorite snack for Lent. How silly.

The grain of wheat metaphor in today's Gospel speaks of real death. Jesus was not quite ready for this moment. His example of letting go is a model for us. From this Gospel we realize that we, too, are not masters of our own fate. It's an illusion to think we are. The list of dyings include prejudices, ambitions, fears, and despair. The risings include wisdom and grace.

Jesus teaches us that it is only by dying do we rise to new life.

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The **Sacred Triduum** is soon upon us. The word Triduum comes from the Latin meaning "three days." These three days have been described as the backbone of our faith. Pope Francis speaks of the Triduum as "the pinnacle of our Christian life... a source of light filling the whole liturgical year with its brilliance." Our hope of eternal life is based totally on this mystery we celebrate from Holy Thursday evening until Easter Sunday evening. Holy Week is not about a reenactment of the past; it is about the present. Pope Benedict XVI in an Easter Vigil homily, said, "The Resurrection has reached us and seized us. We grasp hold of it, we grasp hold of the risen Lord, and we know that he holds us firmly even when our hands grow weak." Resurrection is now.

Jesus calls this fullness of time "My hour." Please plan to participate fully these holy days. --Sr. Carrie Link

**We pray for those in need. Please keep the following individuals in your prayers:**

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| Chris A.          | Jennifer Lacy   |
| Russell Barger    | Andra Olson     |
| Bob Blake         | Mike Paxton     |
| Jim Carlson       | Maddie Poranski |
| Michelle Chalmers | Bobby Reil      |
| Dan Entinger      | Adam Richardt   |
| Kathy Gnitka      | Mike Schulz     |
| Dolores Kelly     |                 |

**We pray for those in the Military:**


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| Travis B.   | Freddie M.  | Darrell V. |
| Nicholas J. | Nicholas R. |            |

### Adoration of Our Lord

*"The Lord, your God, shall you worship and Him alone shall you serve." -- Matthew 4:10*

Please feel free to stop in to the John Paul II Chapel for silent prayer and worship during the hours of Eucharistic Adoration, or schedule your own hour online at [adorationpro.org/lakemn](http://adorationpro.org/lakemn). Click on "Weekly Commitment" and "Sign Up." For more information, call Jane at 952-472-3825.

**FIVE WEEKS on the CATHOLIC FAITH** In this last session, Monday, March 19, we will talk about the Eucharist, the center and focus of our faith. The Bread of Life Discourse (John 6) is broken down into parts that are easy to understand -- I am God, and I can change bread and wine into my Body and Blood. If this mystery can be explained, this is the best one I have heard. Please come and learn about this critical and uniquely Catholic part of our faith. Soup & salad at 6:00pm and video at 6:30pm. Questions? Contact Carla at 952-472-8204 or [clabore@ourladyofthelake.com](mailto:clabore@ourladyofthelake.com).

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| <p><b>EASTER<br/>EGG HUNT</b></p> <p><b>Saturday, March 24</b></p> | <p>Join us for Our Lady of the Lake's annual Easter Egg Hunt! <b>Registration begins at 9:00am -- Easter Egg Hunt starts promptly at 9:20am.</b> Crafts &amp; cookies afterwards for the kids. For more information, contact Cathleen Reffkin at <a href="mailto:cathleen_reffkin@hotmail.com">cathleen_reffkin@hotmail.com</a>.</p> |  |
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**Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration • Sunday, April 8 • 1:30 - 3:00pm**

Celebration includes Eucharistic Adoration, reciting the Divine Mercy Chaplet in song and word, readings from the diary of St. Faustina and time for silent prayer and reflection. Join us for any portion of the celebration. More details to follow.

**The PennyWise Thrift Shop needs volunteers!** Shifts are usually three hours a week on a regular basis. If you are interested, please contact Pam at 952-992-0311 or Ingrid at 952-472-2106. Thank you!

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| <p><b><u>This Week's Classes: Week of March 18</u></b></p> <p><b>Children's Liturgy of the Word</b><br/>Sundays at the 10:30am Mass<br/><i>No Class on March 25 and April 1</i></p> <p><b>Faith Formation Classes Gr. 1 - 5</b><br/>Wednesday, March 21 9:30 - 10:30am<br/><i>No Class on March 28 -- Spring Break</i></p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>UPCOMING EVENTS</b><br/><i>(Contact Kathy at 952-472-8202 for more information.)</i></p> <p><b>LOAVES &amp; FISHES • Tuesday, April 10 • 5:00 - 7:00pm</b><br/>Join us on the second Tuesday each month to help serve dinner to those struggling in our community.</p> <p><b>Rolling River Rampage Vacation Bible School June 11 - 15, 2018</b> For more information go to:<br/><br/>ourladyofthelake.com/vacation-bible-school</p> |
| <p><b>Visit the kiosk by our parish library to pick up some Lenten resources, including Stations of the Cross reflections, CD's, and a variety of excellent books for your spiritual journey. Mass bags are also available for the little ones to use during Mass.</b></p>   |   |

**FORMED • Online Catholic Resource**

Parish Code: P Y W Y W J

The following resources are suggested for the month of March:

**March 13 - Anniversary of the**

**Election of Pope Francis**

Watch: Francis: The People's Pope  
Watch: Conclave: How a Pope is Elected  
Watch: Who is Pope Francis?

**March 17 - St. Patrick**

Watch: Patrick: Brave Shepherd of the Emerald Isle  
Read: St. Patrick's Summer

**March 19 - Solemnity of St. Joseph**

Study: Symbolon: Living the Faith, Session 5: Matrimony & Holy Orders  
Watch: Joseph of Nazareth  
Read: The Father of the Family

**March 25 - Palm Sunday**

Watch: Holy Week in Rome  
Read: Meditations for Lent  
Listen: The Resurrection of Jesus Fact or Fiction

**March 29 -- Holy Thursday**

Study: Footprints of God, Jesus: The Word Became Flesh  
Study: Lectio: Eucharist  
Study: Symbolon: Knowing the Faith, Session 6: The Paschal Mystery  
Study: Symbolon: Living the Faith, Session 3: Walk Through the Mass  
Watch: Mary of Nazareth  
Read: Sacraments in Scripture  
Listen: The Body and Blood of Christ  
Listen: The Lamb's Supper  
Listen: The Fourth Cup  
Listen: Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist

To Register: Go to Formed.org and click on "Register." Enter the Parish Code P Y W Y W J and set-up your login.

**Our Lady of the Lake School**

The 2018 Starlight Gala is just one month away! This year's Gala is at the Wayzata Country Club on Saturday, April 14, from 6:00pm - 11:00pm. Please join us for an evening of fun and fellowship, while raising money for our wonderful school.

Activities of the evening include:

- Enjoy hors d'oeuvres while you find something of interest in the Silent Auction.
- Fr. Tony will lead us in prayer and introduce a short video from the students.
- Dinner - choice of a meat, a starch and a vegetable.
- Enjoy the Live Auction, plus delicious desserts!
- Opportunity for Donation through the Fund-A-Need campaign.

You are welcome to stay and socialize following the program, warm up by the fire, and enjoy the outdoor beauty of the Wayzata Country Club. Thank you for your continued support of Our Lady of the Lake Catholic School. We look forward to seeing you on the 14<sup>th</sup>! Questions? Contact the Starlight Gala Co-Chairs: Tara Collins 612-239-4110 • tcollins@grenergy.com • Amy Roelofs 612-801-7670 • amyroelofs@gmail.com



*Discipleship ... Faith In Action*

**Stewardship Thought**

***"I will be their God and they shall be my people." -- Jeremiah 31:33***

What does it mean to be God's people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our neighbors and the world, just as God cares for us.

|                                  | <u>Actuals</u> | <u>Requirements</u> |
|----------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|
| March 10 & 11, 2018              | \$ 15,747      | \$ 17,000           |
| Fiscal YTD (07/01/17 to present) | \$628,617      | \$681,500           |

**Global Solidarity Sunday** On March 10 and 11, we collected \$1,341.96 during Global Solidarity Sunday. Our struggling brothers and sisters in Africa, Latin America, Central and Eastern Europe, and all those who received much needed aid through Catholic Relief Services thanks you for your support and generosity.



**Thank You, PennyWise/CCW**, for donating the Thrift Store proceeds from Thursdays to Our Lady of the Lake School. We appreciate your loyal commitment to our School!

**2018 Catholic Services Appeal** Our parish is now conducting the 2018 Catholic Services Appeal for the 18 Collective Ministries of the Archdiocese that no one parish can support on its own. The CSA recognizes each parish itself as a ministry integral to the daily life of the Archdiocese. Our parish really is our second home; we see our brothers and sisters in Christ every week as together we celebrate the Mass. It is also where we are prepared and supported as disciples to go forth to preach the Gospel. Thus, our parish is a benefited ministry of the CSA; we receive 25% of the dollars we collect in our parish if we reach our parish goal. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge to help us reach our goal! Please go to [csafspm.org](http://csafspm.org) to learn more about the ministries supported by the 2018 Catholic Services Appeal. Thank you.

**Parish App Feature-of-the-Week**



Parish Info

- Easily contact our parish
- Helpful list of parish staff
- Connect with staff at the touch-of-a-button

Learn more or download our parish app at [myparishapp.com](http://myparishapp.com)

\*Available on Apple and Android Phones.

**App Feature of the Week: PARISH INFO**

Want to contact our parish easily? Is there somebody in particular you are trying to reach? The app allows you to send an email or make a phone call to the person you are looking for in a snap!

*Get our app on your phone now for this and so many other handy features... Go to [www.myparishapp.com](http://www.myparishapp.com) from your phone to start using it today!*

**Westonka Food Shelf** is seeking volunteers for 2 positions on Mondays:

**Monday mornings: 9:30am - Noon** -- greet patrons, stock shelves, weigh outbound products.

**Monday mornings: 7:50am - 9:15am** -- Food Rescue: Drive your vehicle to local grocery stores to pick up boxes of "food rescue" groceries. Deliver, unload & stock these 30-pound boxes at WFS for our patrons.

*These positions involve an every week or every other week commitment.*

Interested in helping us feed the hungry? Please call Cindy at 952-457-9738.

**PennyWise Thrift Shop 952-472-1773**

Tuesday: 10:00am - 4:00pm

Wednesday: 6:30pm - 8:30pm

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday: 9:30am - 3:00pm

Friday: 10:00am - 4:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am - 1:00pm

*Donations are accepted during store hours.*

*Please do not leave donations at the door.*

*Thank you!*

**Westonka Food Shelf 952-472-5599**

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday:

9:30am - 12:00pm & 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Wednesday: 9:30am - 12:00pm & 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Friday: 9:30am - 12:00pm

Saturday: 10:00am - 12:00pm

***The Food Shelf needs your gently used paper bags. Please leave them in the Food Shelf bins near the Church exits. Thank you!***

