# Our Lady of the Lake

224 Sheep Pasture Road: P.O. Box 1150, Southwick, MA 01077-1150 Pastor: Rev. Matthew S. P. Guidi **Deacon David Przybylowski** 

### **MASS SCHEDULE:**

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m. Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. See below for Reconciliation schedule and other devotions.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.; and by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism: Sundays at 11:15 a.m. Contact the pastor, Father Matthew.

Sacrament of First Holy Communion: Celebrated with Grade 2 in May. Candidates are expected to be first enrolled in grade one.

Sacrament of Confirmation: Preparation begins during high school years and is celebrated in the spring of grade 11. Adult requests, contact the pastor.

Sacrament of Matrimony: There are preparatory stages leading up to the wedding date. Arrangements should be made up to a year in advance. Contact pastor for an appointment.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick: Anyone with a potentially lifethreatening serious condition or serious surgery can be a recipient. Please do not hesitate to call the pastor.

Adoration: First Saturday of the month, 12:00 p.m.—3:30 p.m.

Home and Hospital Visits: Deacon David oversees this ministry. Call 539-0486.

Bible Study: Deacon David Tuesday's after morning Mass in Marian Hall

Faith Formation: See inside bulletin for

### OTHER MINISTRIES:

Soup Kitchen Outreach: 2nd Tuesday of the Month in Fr. Shea Hall, meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Knights of Columbus #11178: 1st and 3rd Thursday each month in the St. Matthew room at 7:15 p.m.

Praise & Worship: 1st Tuesday of the month 6:30 p.m. in the main church.

Prayer Line: Diana at (413) 569-3718 or email intentions to:

myprayerrequest555@gmail.com

Caring Calls: On going need for our homebound/ elderly. If needing calls or would like to take time to call someone please contact Diana for details 569.-3718.

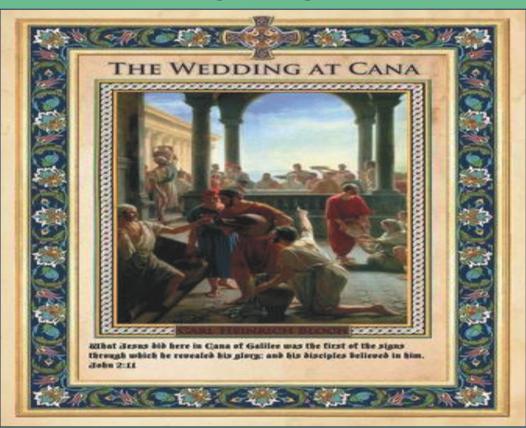
#### DEVOTIONS:

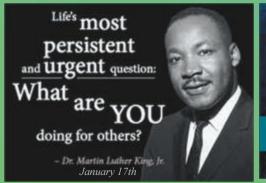
Miraculous Medal Novena: After Tuesday 8:30 a.m. Mass

St. Joseph Novena: After Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Mass

St. Jude Novena: After Thursday 8:30 a.m., Mass

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, January 16th







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Office hours: Monday—Wednesday 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.; Thursday 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

### **OUR MISSION**

## Today's Scripture Readings:

First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5

God delights in Israel and will rejoice as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride.

over his bride.

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Psalm 96:1-2,2-3,7-8,9-10* A song in praise of God's marvelous deeds.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

All spiritual gifts originate from the same Spirit.

Gospel Reading: John 2:1-11

Jesus performs his first sign at a wedding feast in Cana.

### A Message from Father Matthew:

#### It Takes All Kinds

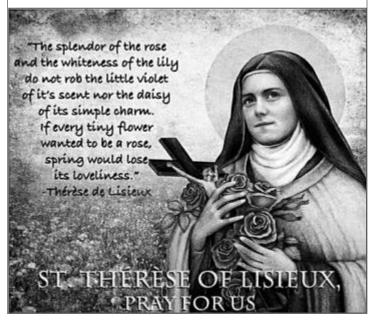
"If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness."

Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a saint.

But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues" might falter in the expression of wisdom.

Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you," her words apply to all.

Today, are we called to be the servers — do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word? Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us. — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS* 





Saturday, January 15

**4:00 p.m. Maureen Rankin,** req. by the Rankin Family *Sunday, January 16* 

8:00 a.m. Helen Willis, req. by Richard & Robbin 10:00 a.m. Elizabeth "Betty" Robertson, req. by Father Matthew

Monday, January 17

8:30 a.m. The People of Our Lady of the Lake *Tuesday*, *January 18* 

**8:30 a.m. Douglas Wilk,** req. by the Guidi Family *Wednesday, January 19* 

**8:30 a.m. Dennis Testoni**, req. by Keith & Diana David *Thursday*, *January 20* 

8:30 a.m. The People of Our Lady of the Lake

Saturday, January 22

**4:00 p.m. Simone Ward-Horner,** req. by Her Children *Sunday, January 23* 

**8:00 a.m. Alice Bogus,** req. by Keith & Diana David **10:00 a.m. Julia Lech,** req. by the Smilgys Family





If you would like to donate Altar Flowers, please contact Darillyn Patterson at 413.569.1614.



# Offertory Envelopes

Each week there will only be ONE collection, however some weeks there are multiple envelopes. Please drop all envelopes into the one collection. The list below are all the upcoming offerings for those that may not receive envelopes.

Each month there is always an envelope for the Improvement Fund and Utilities & Energy Expense Fund.

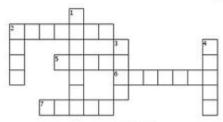
January 16<sup>th</sup> - Regular
January 23<sup>rd</sup> - Regular
January 30<sup>th</sup> - Regular
February - Utility & Energy Costs
February 6<sup>th</sup> - Improvement Fund
February 6<sup>th</sup> - Regular
February 13<sup>th</sup> - Regular
February 20<sup>th</sup> - Regular
February 27<sup>th</sup> - Regular

As always, THANK YOU for all you do!!!

# Jesus Turns Water Into Wine

"Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now." John 2:10 (NIV)





#### ACROSS

- A ceremony joining a man and woman as husband and wife
- 5. To eat or drink a small amount
- One who is employed to perform services for someone else

miracle

Low in cost; of poor quality; inferior

wedding

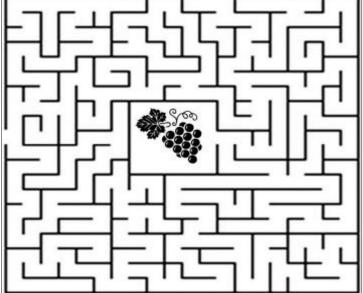
### DOWN

taste

- An event that cannot be explained by the laws of nature
- A beverage made of the fermented juice of grapes
- Of the highest quality; One that surpasses all others
- A clear, colorless, odorless, and tasteless liquid, H2O

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There are no Faith Formation classes this weekend due to the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. Classes resume next week on Sunday, January 23rd.

### SAFE ENVIRONMENT WEEK



The weekend of February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022, we will have our "Safe Environment Week" for grades 1 – 9. Students will be learning about keeping safe, being always aware of their environment, and internet safety. These programs

are mandated for all parishes in the diocese of Springfield. All Faith Formation volunteers have been trained in the Virtus Training Program required by the diocese. As always, parents / guardians are welcome to attend classes at any time. FMI call Lynda @ (413-569-0162).

### PARISH FAMILY WINTER DANCE

(Formerly- Father/Daughter Valentine's Day Dance)



On Saturday evening, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022, we would like to have a PARISH FAMILY WINTER DANCE from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. in Fr. Shea Hall. If interested in attending or volunteering to decorate etc.,

please let Lynda know. We'd like to have an idea of attendance before we plan further. This has been a great success in the past and we welcome any input you may have. Community Service Hours will be available. Thank you! Lynda Daniele (413) 569 – 0162 or

E-mail - ReligiousEducation@ollsouthwick.com

Mrs. Daniele, Director of Faith Formation, O.P.



# round Diocese

Sign ups begin for Bishop Robert Barron's THE CREED 7-week study. Classes start in March and will be on Saturdays 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.in the Pine Room at 12 Park St. – St. Elizabeth of Hungary in North Adams. Contact Deacon John at dcnJLMurray@gmail.com or 413-323-6272 x 4.

#### 1/18/22

Saint Monica's Club for men & women choose morning or evening session, 9:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m. at St. John the Evangelist church in Agawam. If you are suffering the pain of a loved one leaving the Faith, you might feel very alone; but you are not. Prayer & fellowship. Starts January 18th and continues every 3rd Monday of the month.

#### 1/22/21

Deadline to Sign up for 6-week program "Catching Fire Becoming Flame" starts February 10th. We will meet on Thursdays from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. There will be a \$10 fee for materials. St. Francis of Assisi Parish of Belchertown. Info call Gil or Celeste DaCosta at 413-323-7896.

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#### Wednesday January 19, 2022

St. Michael's Cathedral 260 State Street, Springfield



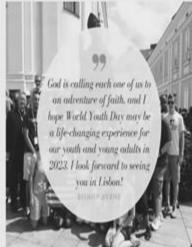
10:00 am-Mass with Bishop William Byrne

Walk for Life to immediately follow Mass (approximately 11:00 am)

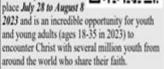
For those who are not able to walk, a pro-life rosary will immediately follow the Mass

Lunch will be served in the Bishop Marshall Center immediately following the March

# WORLD YOUTH DAY REGISTRATION FOR WORLD YOUTH DAY NOW OPEN



Registration for the 2023 Diocese of Springfield trip to World Youth Day has now opened. Our official pilgrimage to Fatima and Lisbon Portugal for World Youth Day will take



For more information, to watch the recording of the November 16 virtual info session, or to register, go to: https://www.youngandcatholic.org/ get-involved/worldyouthday or scan the QR code.

### ANNUAL MEN'S RETREAT

An Annual Retreat for Men will take place the weekend of February 25-27, 2022 at the Holy Family Retreat Center in West Hartford, CT.

Join the many men of St. John the Evangelist Parish who have participated over the years and brought many graces back to their families, their friendships, their workplaces, our town of Agawam, and our parish. This year's theme:

"In the Spirit of Trust"

For more information, visit HolyFamilyRetreat.org.





Zephaniah 3:17 (NIV)

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice

cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.



Please join us every week for our Rosary conference calls on Sunday, Wednesday and Friday at 6:50 p.m.

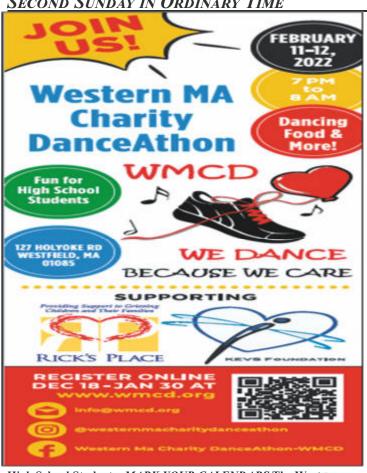
**Conference Phone to Call:** 712-432-3900 Conference ID: 226058

- 6:50PM the Conference Bridge will open for "Social Time."
- 7:00PM Most callers will be muted for preparation.
- 7:05PM the Rosary will begin lead by Fr. Matthew or someone chosen in his absence.
- At the end of the Rosary, callers will be unmuted for several moments until the Conference Bridge is closed.

Hand outs are available in the Marian Hall. Please take one on your way out!



Holy Trinity Church on Elm Street in Westfield has Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday evenings from 6:00-7:00 p.m.



High School Students: MARK YOUR CALENDARS The Western MA Charity DanceAthon is Friday & Saturday, February 11th & 12th at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish Center, 127 Holyoke Rd., Westfield. All proceeds will go to two local charities: KEV'S Foundation and Rick's Place.

If you're ready for 13 hours of non-stop music, dance, games, and challenges, then you'll find more info and can register at: www.wmcd.org to join us!

Blanket/Sleeping Bag Drive to benefit Families/Friends at the Westfield Soup Kitchen/Community Center

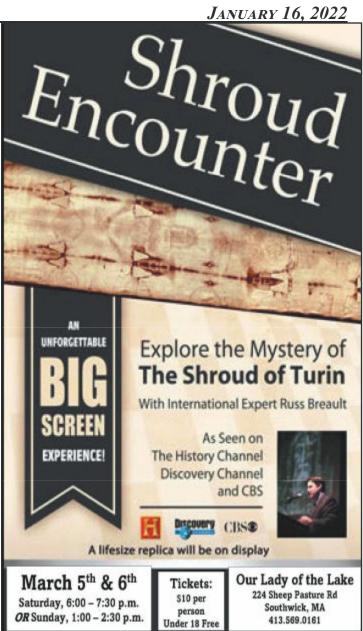
As everyone cleans out their closets, basements, and house for tag sales or downsizing, PLEASE save any new or gently used blankets

and sleeping bags for a collection we will be doing in January. Items can be dropped off at the church in the box marked BLANKETS/ SLEEPING BAGS. We will be distributing to those in need at the end of January.

If you have any questions please contact Diana at 569-3718 or email dlmdavid555@gmail.com

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT IN ALL OF OUR PARISH ACTIVITIES.





### YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

"Oh, if men loved You, all the churches would be continually filled with people prostrate on the ground adoring and thanking You and burning with love for You at seeing You with the eyes of faith hidden in the tabernacle. But no; men forgetful of You and of Your love, leave You, O my Lord, abandoned and alone. Inflame me with Your love so that from this day forth, I may live only to love and to please You." St. Alphonsus Liguori, The Holy Eucharist: Octave of Corpus Christi, Meditation I.

For more information and videos check out www.yearoftheeucharist.net





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