

# *St. Mary Our Lady of the Lake*

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February 7, 2021 ~ Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Celebrated by Father Michael Cambi, pastor

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

SATURDAY (vigil): 4:30pm

SUNDAY: 9:00am

MONDAY: NO MASS

TUESDAY: 12:00pm

WEDNESDAY: 8:00am

THURSDAY: 8:00am

FRIDAY: 12:00pm

Reconciliation ~

Saturdays, before the Vigil Mass:

3:00-4:00pm

St Mary's live stream channel:

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## LENT BEGINS WITH ASH WEDNESDAY ON FEBRUARY 17

### FAST AND ABSTINENCE

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting (limiting the consumption of food) and abstinence (refraining from eating meat). As a sign of our penance, there is also the custom of not eating meat on the Fridays of Lent. Therefore, all Catholics, 14 years of age and older are obliged to refrain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and the other Fridays of Lent. All Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59 are obliged to fast. Fasting refers to the quantity of food eaten. Traditionally, fasting allows for eating only one full meal per day. Two additional, smaller meals may be eaten and there is no eating in between meals.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fr. Michael will lead Stations of the Cross on **Fridays at 7pm** throughout the Lenten season. A virtual Stations of the Cross will be available on St. Mary's YouTube channel. Use the link on the front of the bulletin for archived Masses.

### LENTEN STUDY PROGRAM

Fr. Michael will host a study program on **Tuesday evenings during Lent at 7:00 pm on Zoom**. If you would like to participate, please email him to sign up: [pastor@stmaryscoop.org](mailto:pastor@stmaryscoop.org). Program details to follow.



#### First Reading:

I am filled with restlessness until the dawn. (Jb 7:4)

#### Psalm:

Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted. (Ps 147)  
Or Alleluia.

#### Second Reading:

I have become all things to all, to save at least some.  
All this I do for the sake of the gospel, so that I too may  
have a share in it. (1 Cor 9:22-23)

#### Gospel:

He cured many who were sick with various diseases,  
and he drove out many demons, not permitting them  
to speak because they knew him. (Mk 1:34)



#### Saturday, February 6

4:30pm Christine and Samuel Trophia  
Req. by Diane and Sal Grigoli

For the People of the Parish

#### Sunday, February 7 ~ 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Elizabeth W. Clark  
Req. by Jack and Gayle Smith

#### Monday, February 8 ~ NO MASS

#### Tuesday, February 9

12:00pm Special Intention  
Req. by Jack and Gayle Smith

#### Wednesday, February 10

8:00am Eleanor Lesser  
Req. by Fr. Michael

#### Thursday, February 11

8:00am Paula Ann and Constance Ligato  
Req. by Fr. Michael

#### Friday, February 12

12:00pm Mark Conklin, Sr.  
Req. by Susie Conklin

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#### Saturday, February 13

4:30pm For the People of the Parish

#### Sunday, February 14 ~ 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Sigmund and Helen Gralinski  
Req. by John and Deborah Gralinski

Elizabeth and William Clark  
Req. by Diane and Sal Grigoli

*The Mass is one of the greatest gifts God has given us!  
Share that gift with others by having a Mass said for  
them!*

*Intentions can be made by calling the office.*

## 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him. - Mk 1:32-34

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for the sick and homebound of our parish:

Maureen Brennan ~ David Butler ~

Fr. Kenneth Doyle ~ Richard Dabrowski ~

Robert Davenport ~ Richie Davy ~ John Dillion ~

Michelle Gargiulo ~ Stephen Markuson ~

Fr. Peter Pagones ~ Senator Jim Seward ~ Sarah Tarr

Pray for members of the military from our families

Liam Dolan-USMC ~ Ryan Barrow

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## GOSPEL MEDITATION

If I only knew then what I know now, how different life would be. This sentiment, expressed in myriad ways, is found on every human being's lips at one point or another. Life may have brought us to a vulnerable place where we see some of the poor choices we made and the effects they are having. Perhaps we fell into some destructive and dysfunctional relationships or behaviors and are finding how they held us captive. Our zeal and passion for life may have drifted away and we are waking up to the reasons apathy has taken hold. Life can be hard. In fact, some would describe their lives as a drudgery. They walk through each day with an anxious unsettledness, wondering when their restlessness will cease. There is a temptation to believe that what I see is all I will get. Mortality and hopelessness await the dawn. If I could only have known what would come in the future, I could have made better choices and avoided all of this misery!

Really? While we can certainly give into weakness, sin, impulsiveness, and idiosyncrasies that cause us to stumble over ourselves, life is really a journey. If we don't make the mistake of wallowing in the mire of self-pity and realize the new life God is calling us to, then there are thrills, adventures, surprises, and soul-searching graces we can surely miss. We are not tethered to our past nor are we bound to the ills life can bring upon us. We are never hopeless or helpless. The problem is that our myopic vision only allows us to see the misery and misfortune that is before us, not the potential that can come from choosing healthier and more life-giving options. Jesus came that we might have fullness of life. We need to learn how to reach for Jesus' hand and let him help us to our feet.

We need to allow God into our pain and heal our past. We have to wrestle with our histories, agonize and search and cry out for the Divine healing we need to restore our faith, hope, and love. Job could not see how his story would end or trust the guidance of the God who called him. We live in that same blindness and suffer from the same lack of confidence. Once we allow ourselves to be touched by God's healing power, we begin to see that all of the pieces of our lives are necessary parts of a greater whole. Along the way of our lives, God uses our omissions and failures to create new things and possibilities. When doors close, others open and we can be amazed by the joyful and unexpected surprises we receive. Once we know the power of God's creative, healing, life-giving, forgiving, and dynamic presence, it is no wonder we want to put ourselves at the service of others and show them what life can be.

**Thank you for your generous support**

**January 30 / 31**

Attendance: 130 9

Offertory: \$1,120.95 / E-giving: \$1,312.19

If you would like to receive a statement of your 2020 contributions to St. Mary's, call Kitty at the office or email [office@stmaryscoop.org](mailto:office@stmaryscoop.org)



Please consider giving to our annual Souper Bowl of Caring Collection this weekend. All proceeds benefit our local Cooperstown and Hartwick Food Pantries.

### Our Annual Diocesan Appeal is underway.

Thank you to all who have made a gift or pledged a donation for this years Diocesan Appeal which ends on June 30, 2021.

St. Mary's has made donations of \$ 30,571.00 with another \$ 6,395.00 in pledges! Our Target is \$ 45,244.

If you haven't already made a pledge, please prayerfully discern how the Lord is asking you to support the appeal. When you're ready, you may pledge online at [www.rcda.org](http://www.rcda.org), (click on Diocesan Appeal) or contact the parish office for a pledge envelope @ 547-2213. Watch Fr. Michael's 11/14-15 homily on YouTube for more information on how the appeal helps folks throughout the diocese. Thank you very much!

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