



Our Lady of the Lakes

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Welcome To Our Lady of the Lakes

Our Mission Statement

“We the people of Our Lady of the Lakes are called to live and proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ through Eucharistic celebration and adoration. We strive to build a community of faith by the recognition of the God-given dignity of the human person and the sacred value of human life from its very beginning until its end, and to be disciples committed to carrying out the mission of Jesus in our own time and place. We collaborate freely through the use of time, talent and treasure to be a parish of true stewardship and human development.”

Pastor

Rev. Gerald H. Dziedzic

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Chacko Kumplam

Parish Staff

Kim G. Buser, Secretary,

ourladyofthelakes@aohct.org

Beryl Gribbin, Bookkeeper

Karen O'Donnell, Director of Religious Ed.,

ourladyofthelakes@aohct.org

Margaret Fitzgerald, Music Ministry Leader

Anne Flynn, Youth Minister

Robert Rella, Youth Minister

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Telephone

Office (860) 354-5239 Fax (860) 354-2968

Religious Education (860) 355-5365

Rectory (860)799-7449

Masses

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 & 10:00 a.m.

Monday, Thursday & Friday 9:00 a.m.

Morning Prayer

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

and by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the Parish Office for information.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements for marriage are made at least six months before the marriage date.

Sacrament of Holy Orders

Is the priesthood for you?

Call: Office of Vocations (860) 242-5573

or visit: www.vocationshartford.org

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 5

5:00 p.m. Patricia Hajeck
Req. by Todd and Nanci Zimmerman

Sunday, January 6

8:30 a.m. Intentions of Lolly Hickcox
10:00 a.m. Brenda Butt
Req. by the Flynn family

Monday, January 7

5:00 p.m. William Theobald
Req. by Al & Carolyn Critalli

Thursday, January 10

9:00 a.m. Roald Larsen
Req. by Tim & Beryl Gribbin

Friday, January 11

9:00 a.m. Thomas Taylor
Req. by The Gilbert Family

Saturday, January 12

5:00 p.m. Nicholas Moscatiello
Req. by the Fitzgerald Family

Sunday, January 13

8:30 a.m. Intentions of Roz Pricola
10:00 a.m. Pat MacDonald
Req. by Lois Chludzinski



**Join Us For a Day Trip to
Mohegan Sun Casino**

Wednesday, January 23, 2019

**8 a.m. Bus departs from
3 Old Town Park Road**

Our Lady of the Lakes Church

3:30 Bus departs from Mohegan Sun

Cost is \$35.00 per person

You are given back \$15 for lunch and \$15

Chance on the Big Wheel

Call Soraya (203)470-5715

to reserve a spot

(Deadline to register is January 13th)

Ministries

January 12 & 13

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

E.M.'s B. LaPoint, R. Toscano, S Murphy
Greeters Mahon family
Lector R Quinn
Servers:
Usher J. O'Donnell

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

E.M.'s S.Keaney, B Urso, J. Hickey
Greeters Leclair family
Lector C. Brandorff
Servers
Usher J. Klous/T. Sweeney

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

E.M.'s J & E Buchheit, P.Teixeira
Greeter Bergner family
Lector L. Ross
Servers
Usher Rob Flynn

CPR / AED Certification

January 27, 2019—11:30 a.m.

We will offer a CPR/AED Certification Class at the Church. This is open to any parish member on a first come first served basis.

Pre-registration is required by calling Joe Buchheit at (860) 355-2433. Registration deadline is January 20, 2019.

2018 Tax Statements

If you would like to receive a statement of your 2018 contributions for tax purposes, please call the office at (860)354-5239. If it is after regular business hours, you may leave a message on the answering machine or email your request to ourladyofthelakes@aohct.org. Please note: only registered parishioners can receive this letter.

January 6, 2019
Epiphany of the Lord

“We Three Kings”: Wise Men Indeed!”

Who were these guys? Were they kings? Were they astrologers? Were they simply very smart people? The Gospels don't tell us much, except that they weren't Jews, they were Gentiles and they brought 3 gifts: Gold; a gift given to a king by a king, for it was a symbol of royalty. Frankincense, the finest incense, which was something used then and now by the High Priest, for sacrifice. Giving it to Jesus meant they recognized Him as the 'High Priest'. The third gift was Myrrh which was something used to embalm bodies for burial. To be sure, an unusual gift to give a baby. Mary and Joseph must have wondered about that gift!

We learned their names not from the Bible, but from folklore. They are Balthasar, Melchior & Caspar. The fact that they came from “far off lands”, shows the depth and scope of the “Good News” proclaimed by the angels. They were followers of the Persian Zarathustra and were used to ‘miraculous events’. They were watchers of “all things in the heavens above”, so they made their journey following a star until they found “The Star” to end all stars! Traditionally, we celebrate Epiphany on the 12th Day of Christmas; for the convenience of the people, Epiphany has been moved to the nearest Sunday.

Parish Council Meeting

Sunday, January 13, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.

Your Help Is Needed!

All Parish Members are Welcome

Topics for discussion include but are not limited to:

- Where do we see our Parish in the future?
- How do we encourage more participation in our ministries such as: Altar Servers, Greeters, Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers.
- Faith based functions and service at Our Lady of the Lakes and a visible presence in our community.
- Encouraging the youth of our parish to participate in our Parish Council.
- Make our Parish more fun, welcoming and engaging to continue to grow our Stewardship way of life.

FAITH FORMATION

Sunday, January 20, 2019

**2nd Grade Rite of Enrollment &
Parent Meeting**

2nd Grade Rite of Enrollment at 10 a.m. Mass. Parents will meet after Mass. Information will be given on the upcoming retreat and First Reconciliation.

Sunday, January 27, 2019

**3rd Grade Rite of Enrollment &
Parent Meeting**

3rd Grade Rite of Enrollment at 10:00 a.m. Mass. Parent meeting will be held immediately following the Mass to review the upcoming retreat and First Eucharist.



Next Regular meeting is **January 13, 2019. Final Payment for Lock-in is due.**

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?

If you are someone who is a member of another faith denomination and are being called to the Catholic Church...

If you are someone who has been coming to the Catholic Church but have never been baptized...

If you have been baptized but have not received religious education or your other sacraments...

If you know anyone who fits one of these descriptions...

Please consider RCIA. Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process whereby adults enter the Church. You can contact the parish office at (860)354-5239 or speak with Fr. Gerry.

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