



Our Lady of the Lakes

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS

SINCE 1990 | NEW MILFORD, CT

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:30am & 10:00am
Monday, Thursday & Friday: 9:00am

MORNING PRAYER

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:30 am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday: 4:00 -4:30pm
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?
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or visit: www.vocationshartford.org

PASTOR

Rev. Gerald H. Dziedzic

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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."



THE HOLY FAMILY

He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. - Lk 2:51-52

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Saturday, December 25

10:00 a.m. Allen Williams III

Req. by Daniel Buser

Sunday, December 26

8:30a.m. Gary Arconti

Req. by the Keaney family

10:00 a.m. Mary Meary

Req. by Virginia Condon

Monday, December 27

9:00 a.m. Marie Abbate

Req. by John & Jeannie Hickey

Thursday, December 30

9:00 a.m. Evo Scattolini

Req. by Fred & Carolyn Critelli

Friday, December 31

9:00 a.m. Antonio Serangel, LMC

Req. by Joan Kick

5:00 p.m. John Kirk

Req. by Linda Connolly

Saturday, January 1

10:00 a.m. Emilio Olabarrieta

Req. by his wife

Week of January 1 & 2

Saturday 10:00 a.m.

E.M.'s G. Flynn, C. Bellagamba

Greeters

Lector T. Sweeney

Usher J. O'Donnell

Sunday 8:30 a.m.

E.M.'s J. Larkin, R. Cook

Greeters

Lector S. Keaney

Usher T. Sweeney

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

E.M.'s G. Flynn

Greeters

Lector R. Portelance

Usher J. Buchheit

From Fr. Gerry,

The Forward with Faith Campaign will ensure our parishes are prepared with the necessary resources to nurture the next generation of Catholics. That is why this campaign is not only, or even principally, about the Archdiocese. 50% of funds collected through each local parish campaign will remain with the parish. Parishes that exceed their goals will receive 80% of those additional funds collected. This is an incredible opportunity for us to help our Archdiocese prepare for the future while taking care of our own parish needs.

Just a reminder, to please fill out the pledge card for the **'Forward with Faith'** or **Bishop's Foundation** before the end of the year.

Thank you so much and,

God Bless & Merry Christmas

Fr. Gerry



Solemnity of Mary

January 1st

Mass times for the

Holy Day of Obligation are:

Dec 31st Vigil—5:00 pm

January 1st—10:00 a.m.



The Parish Office and the Office of Religious Education will be closed as of December 24th and will reopen Monday, January 3rd.

DECEMBER 26, 2021

THE HOLY FAMILY, JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

A Christmas Prayer

Heavenly Father,

We celebrate the birth of Your Son, Jesus, remembering the words of the angels on the night of His birth,

“Peace on earth to all of good will.”

Today, as never before, Almighty God, we pray for Your loving peace.

May peace be the guiding force in the hearts of our world leaders. May peace reign in every corner of the globe and in the hearts of every man, woman and child upon this earth.

This Christmas and always, may we embrace Your wonderful gifts with courage and conviction. In so doing, we will also be embracing Your greatest gift to us,

Your Son, the Prince of Peace!

Amen



Religious Education

Confirmation Classes will begin in February 2022. Teachers will contact students and their families in January.



INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

Your safety is the of the utmost importance to us. Your common sense is the best factor when deciding to attend Mass.

Daily Mass will be cancelled *ONLY* if the New Milford Public Schools are Closed due to inclement weather. Check the television news to confirm this information.

Weekend & Holy Day Masses will be held as scheduled unless the Governor declares a State of Emergency.

Parish Office & Office of Religious Education will be closed if the New Milford Public Schools are closed due to inclement weather. If there is a two hour delay the office will also delay opening by two hours.



The candy cane reminds us of Jesus. Its shape is like a shepherd's staff. Its wide red stripes remind us that Jesus shed his blood for our sins. Its narrow red stripes remind us that "By his stripes we are healed." Its white stripes stand for purity. The peppermint flavor is similar to hyssop which was used in biblical times for purification. Turn it upside down and it becomes a "J" for Jesus.

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