



SAINT MARIANNE COPE PARISH

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF LAKELAND AND SOLVAY

The Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

Sunday, September 19

- 8:00am OLOPC † Cal Pierce-Bernice Rolince & Family
† Marijane Caslake-by Family
- 10:00am SCC † Rudolph & Mary Capella-by Family
† Alfred Chemotti, Sr.-by Family
† Joseph Fragnito-Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Bianchi
† Dominick, Mary, Rita & Linda Demperio-Karen O'Connell

Tuesday, September 21

8:00am OLOPC **No Scheduled Masses on this Date**

Wednesday, September 22

8:00am SCC **No Scheduled Masses on this Date**

Thursday, September 23

8:00am OLOPC † Cal Pierce-Holy Name Society

Friday, September 24

8:00am SCC † Carmine Baratta-Judy & Fernando Tosti

Saturday, September 25

4:00pm SCC † Joseph Cavedine-by Family
† Emil & Mary DeLorenzo-by Family

Sunday, September 26

- 8:00am OLOPC † Hedwig Klementowski-Janet Erardi & Family
† Roslyn Cerio-Marie Iadanza
† Josephine & Mathew Michalski-
Jennifer & Mike Ryan
† Cal Pierce-OLOP A&R Society
- 10:00am SCC † Joseph Fragnito-Saint Cecilia Altar Rosary Society

Memorials

Church Sanctuary Lamps

Jane DeMarchi by Family
Oresta & Ada Chemotti by Family
Marijane Caslake by Family

Flowers

Marijane Caslake by Family



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IMPORTANT NOTICE:

There will be **no scheduled masses** on Tuesday, September 21st or Wednesday, September 22nd as Father Clemente will be attending the annual Clergy Conference.

(There was one mass intention scheduled at OLOP on Tuesday, 9/21; that mass has been moved to 9/28).

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 19, 2021

From Father Clemente:

This is a very important point of information for all parishioners. After the three town meetings and discussions with our parish Trustees and advisory bodies, I have decided to discontinue any consideration of the offers to purchase the Our Lady of Peace Church building and property. The two offers presented to us contained too many negative aspects both spiritually and financially for the parish. I have to consider all the ramifications of every decision I make on your behalf. Bishop Lucia concurs with the Trustees and me and supports my decision.

This decision, of course, does not address the fundamental issue of running two church buildings with low attendance and inadequate funding. The Finance Committee, Trustees and I will have to continue to address this. I am going to pay very precise attention to attendance and stewardship. Attendance is the crucial issue but also stewardship of time, talent and treasure is just as important. Larger parishes have paid staff to do a lot of things that make a parish run effectively. Smaller parishes like ours rely on volunteers to run ministries and events. Without volunteers we can't continue to be vibrant. I have discussed with the Parish Pastoral Council that I often find myself needing assistance but no one is available or willing to help. I'm glad that both Altar Rosary Societies have met so that they can begin to coordinate again their volunteer functions in the parish. I greatly appreciate their support and contributions. I realize that Covid-19 shutdown halted a lot of things. We are trying to revitalize committees and ministries as much as we can but find that some former committee members are no longer willing to help. This is cause for concern.

I will monitor levels of involvement, Mass attendance, building use and finances for a few months and then make decisions regarding how we need to proceed. Believe me, I don't want to make decisions that hurt anyone but one can only do what he has the resources to use to produce an effective product. The product is the salvation of your souls. That is not contained in buildings or territories but comes from your faith and its expression in charitable good works. I said at the Pastoral Council Meeting this past week, that Onondaga County has approximately 40 Catholic Church buildings. If you consider the population of the area and the number of people going to Mass, it will shock you to see that we probably only need 20 of these buildings. Just think of this. If you put all the people of our parish who are currently attending Mass on the weekend they would only take up one half of St. Cecilia's and less than one half of Our Lady of Peace. St. Cecilia's seats 405 and Our Lady of Peace seats 450 with the pews removed in the west transept.

I also want you to consider the effects of closing Church buildings in neighborhoods. This is a letter written by a

Baptist Pastor in the post Covid-19 time. I may not agree with everything he says but it's food for thought in light of our situation:

I am sure Satan is laughing as the church retreats into hiding and God's people stay away from the church. Satan knows if he can keep folks from church, from fellowship, and from the preaching of God's word long enough they become weak and vulnerable to his attacks. When the church does reopen many will not return!

Church is an essential service! It is essential to the spiritual and mental well being of our community. This is why God commands his people to "not forsake the assembling together" as the church. We must come together to "provoke one another to love and to good works... exhorting (lifting up) one another..." (Hebrews 10:23-25) especially in these last days. In the gospels he speaks to the fact that in the last days there will be many plagues and diseases. God's command to assemble is unconditional, come what may, we as the church are commanded to assemble together.

Our forefathers understood the importance of the church assembling. The very first amendment clearly states that no law shall be made to prohibit the free exercise of religion or the right for the people to peaceably assemble. Pastors do not take this lightly! What may seem the "best for all concerned" now, Satan can turn into destruction!

Any time the government forces churches to close their doors it is not good! When the church surrenders to the control of government it will not bode well for the church (Acts 4:19,20; 5:29). I never thought I would see the day in America that the police would enter the church and force its closing but it is happening and the citizens have no problem with allowing it to take place. This is a very dangerous precedent, mark my word, this will be great trouble for the church in the days to come!

As many businesses and services, good and bad, continue to operate in our nation it is unwarranted to close churches. Abortions are still being performed, alcohol is still being sold, and marijuana is still available in much of our country. People are still shopping at their local Walmart, neighborhood convenience stores, and working out at their local fitness centers on a daily basis. If these are taking place on a daily basis, which makes the populace vulnerable to the virus, how can church on Sunday be nearly as bad?

I am in much prayer that the fear and hysteria of this virus passes soon. The coronavirus, just as the swine flu and other diseases, are here to stay, we must not live in fear and hiding. God warns of the last days' pestilence but the church must remain strong and faithful!

Mike House, Pastor

**St. Marianne Cope Parish
The Week of September 19th**

Sunday (09-19-2021)

8am Mass ~ Our Lady of Peace Church
10am Mass ~ St. Cecilia Church
(live-streamed)

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Thursday (09-23-2021)

8am Mass ~ Our Lady of Peace Church
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Friday (09-24-2021)

8am Mass ~ St. Cecilia Church

Saturday (09-25-2021)

4pm Mass ~ St. Cecilia Church

Sunday (09-26-2021)

8am Mass ~ Our Lady of Peace Church
10am Mass ~ St. Cecilia Church
(live-streamed)

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Please call Rea Carver for information at 315-475-5422 or you can email her at rcarver@franchishouseny.org. Thank you!

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The Holy Name Society will be meeting on Tuesday, September 28 at 6:00pm at Our Lady of Peace Church basement. All men of the Parish are invited and encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be available.

Any questions, please call Billy at 315-436-8278 or Joe at 315-488-3713.

Ministers of the Liturgy

Sept. 25-26	4pm Mass	8am Mass	10am Mass
Lector	Mary Sagneri	Michelle Musengo	Donna Bove
EMC	Fr. Clemente, Dc. Bowden	Fr. Clemente, Dc. Bowden	Fr. Clemente, Dc. Bowden
Server	Alan Patapow	Bill Michalski	Tony Bove



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Lakeland Campus (Our Lady of Peace)
203 Halcomb Street, Lakeland
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We look forward to seeing you, your family and a friend who hasn't been to church in a while. Everyone will be strengthened and refreshed, and no one will struggle alone.

Refreshments & Music provided.

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PARISH REGISTRATION

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PARISH E-MAIL FOR BULLETIN SUBMISSION

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CHURCH PHYSICAL LOCATIONS **(For GPS purposes, not mailing addresses)**

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