



# St. Mary of the Lake Church

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## October 2nd, 2022

### PASTORAL STAFF

**Pastor:** Rev. Edward (Fr. Ted) Jost  
**Deacon:** Deacon William Walkowiak  
**Pastoral Associate/Youth Ministry:** Julia Dressler  
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#### Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday, 9am-1pm  
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Bulletin/Email: secretary@smolparish.org

#### Faith Formation Office

Phone: 627-7700 Fax: 627-1255

#### Daily Masses:

Mon: 5:30 pm  
Tues-Thurs.: 8:15 am  
Fri: 8:15am Communion Service

#### Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:15 - 4:00 pm

#### Weekend Masses:

Saturday - 4:30 pm  
Sunday - 9:00 am & 11:00 am



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2022

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

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." - Lk 17:5-6

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass, ©2001, 1998, 1970, CCC.

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### *Our Mission Statement*

The mission of St. Mary of the Lake Church is to be a welcoming, vibrant community, living the gospel of Jesus through loving service, while sharing our Catholic faith with future generations.

#### ST. MARY OF THE LAKE PARISH

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\_\_\_\_ I would like to join St. Mary's  
\_\_\_\_ I would like to learn more about the Catholic faith  
\_\_\_\_ I would like a Priest to visit someone in my family  
\_\_\_\_ Here is my address  
\_\_\_\_ I am moving; please remove me from the mailing list



**Faith Formation News!**

**Faith  
Formation 2022-2023!**

***Substitutes NEEDED!***

**Calligraphy**

Faith Formation is Looking for a volunteer to do Calligraphy. If you possess this talent, we need your skills to write student names on certificates for reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Please Contact Bill Nistor at FaithFormation1@smolparish.org or Helene Friend at Faithformation@smolparish.org ASAP

**Service Hours Opportunity**

We are also in desperate need of students (or anyone else) help organize the Faith Formation Supply Closet. This is a great opportunity for students in grades 6-11 to fill their ten hours of community service.

**Thank You!**

Our Youth Program Fundraiser the "BIG Board!" Has raised over \$4,000 dollars already! We are so excited to roll out new ideas for our amazing youth program this year and many years to come here at St. Mary of the Lake! If you still have envelopes they can be dropped at our parish office or in the collection during mass. A Huge Thank you from Pastoral Associate & Youth Minister Julia Dressler!

*A Note About Collections*

**Please consider joining our  
"Electronic Giving" program**

*Call the office (627-3123) or go to our Website  
Smolparish.org for more information.*



**Weekly Mass Intentions**

**Mon, Oct 3:** Eleanore Kaczmarczyk, by family

**Tues, Oct 4:** Robert Wischerath Sr., by John & Shelley Mckendry

**Wed, Oct 5:** Craig "Hutch" Hutchinson, by family

**Thu, Oct 6:** Anne Baldassari, by family

**Fri, Oct 7:** Communion Service (*No Mass*)

**Sat, Oct 8:** Gerard Grassie, by Sam & Sylvia Costanzo

**Sun, Oct 9:**

**9am:** Dick Scott, by Mary Scott

**11 am:** Vincent Guaghan & John Bowman,  
by Guaghan Family

**Please remember in your prayers:**

Suzanne Frydrych, , Gary Hayes, Marvin LaHood, Rick Maguder, Diane Furlini, Brandon Gaffy, Chris Cashmone, Donna Mumm, Staci Gustino, Paul McKey, Luisiana Vazquez, Frances McKey, Bill Scott, Ronald Stoj, Christina Lacagnina, Fred Nappo, Mike Peglau, Joseph Pritzky, Mary Jane Jakiel, Nick Nowak, Reagan Lombardi, and those who have nobody to pray for them. Pray also for those are sick with or who have died from the Coronavirus. May all who suffer disease and illness be united in strength with the grace of God's unending, heal-

## *Pastor's Corner*

*"I cry out to you, 'Violence' but you do not intervene."* The prophet Habakkuk is shocked at the destruction all around him and God's response to it. There is a lot of shock and outrage these days about many things in our world. Sadly, one of them doesn't seem to be the scourge of abortion. Our readings on *"Respect Life Sunday"* encourage us to fight the good fight and remind us that *"God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control."* Sometimes we can feel pressure to be in with the popular crowd and have people admire us; but that is not what our Lord, Jesus experienced in his life. So, St. Paul encourages us to *"not be ashamed of your testimony to our Lord."* Today we remember and defend the gift of life. That might not be a safe or popular topic; nor is our Catholic response to it. I hope you will challenge yourself to be open to our Christian understanding of the sanctity of all life and not be pressured into the worldly stance toward this controversial topic. After the 11 am Mass (at 12:00) today, I will bless any "furry (and feathered) friends" you bring to the front of church in honor of the Feast of St. Francis. After that we will pray for an even more precious thing; the unborn *child's* right to a safe and healthy birth as each of us becomes an important "link" in our annual (national) *"Life Chain."* This year we will be participating in the *"Southtowns Life Chain"* which will convene at Nativity Church in Orchard Park, from 2:30 to 3:30. ***This is a change in the information we had last week and I apologize for any inconvenience or confusion.*** Please meet at 2 pm in the SMOL parking lot (to car-pool) or we will see you there at Nativity Church at 2:30 pm. I would love to see our teens and young families there. But even if you cannot make it today, please pray that as *"unprofitable servants"* of Jesus we will always *"do what we are obliged to do"* for as God reminds Habakkuk and us today, *"the just one, because of his faith, shall live."*

See you in church,

*Fr. Ted*

## *The readings this Sunday are:*



Habakkuk 1:2-3  
2 Timothy 1:6-8  
Luke 17:5-10

## **2022 Public Square Rosary Crusade!**

Join us for the 2022 public Square Rosary Crusade at St. Mary's of the Lake Parish Saturday, October 15th 2022. Where we will pray through the intercession of his Blessed Mother! For more information please call the office 716-627-5501.



## **Blessing of the Animals**

In honor of the Feast of St. Francis, we will be offering a blessing of pets and animals on Sunday, Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12 noon outside the main doors of the church. Please bring you furry friends for their annual blessing!

## **Our Faith Community's Gifts to God**

***Total for the week of September 26th***  
***\$6,195.74***

*This week Regular 9/26/22 - \$5,125.00*  
*Last Year Regular: 9/25/21 - \$6,766.00*

### **VANCO E-Giving**

*This weeks Total 9/26/22 - \$1,070.74*  
*Last Years Total 9/25/21 - \$509.87*





## Youth Ministry

All High School Age Students are invited to join us October 5th from 7 PM – 8:15 PM for Brownies and Bible study! We will meet outside of the parish center!

## LENDING LIBRARY



**Officially Open!** The new "SMOL Lending Library" is now officially open for your reading pleasure. Located in Fr. Ted's Reconciliation Chapel, you will find a wonderful selection of religious books available for you to enjoy. Come and check it out!

## Catholic Non violence Just War & Peacebuilding After Ukraine?

Friday September 30th 2-022 Gerald F. Powers Internationally Renowned Author & lecturer will Present at 7Pm in the Glynn Family Conference center OLV Charities Amin Building on 780 Ridge Road Lackawanna, Ny 14218. No cost to attend just RSVP to (716) 82809616.



## Bible Study

You're invited to join our **Free 7 Week Parish Wide Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark!** We will have two sessions, Tuesdays from 11 AM – 12 PM or Thursdays from 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM beginning October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Simply register for the one that best fits your schedule! To register, call the parish office at 716-627-3123 or email [pastoralministry@smolparish.org](mailto:pastoralministry@smolparish.org). This bible study is for all parishioners (and friends of parishioners) ages 18 and up. Any questions, contact Pastoral Associate Julia Dressler



## A Message from The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Our conference would like to express our appreciation and to thank everyone, for all of your recent donations of personal care items, cleaning supplies, and household items. We will be distributing these item with our 2022 Thanksgiving offering on November 12th. We are still in need of the following Items: HE Laundry Detergent, Regular laundry Detergent, Dryer sheets, Dish towel, toilet paper, Q-tips, napkins, Plastic wrap, tin foil, dish sap, Band-Aids, paper towels, garbage bags, & hand soap. Please drop off at any of the above items in the gathering space. Look for large plastic tote under the bulletin board. Thanks in advance for your help and generosity, helping out our neighbors in need.



## Life Chain

The annual "Life Chain" is a peaceful protest of the evil of abortion. This year, the Southtowns Life Chain will be at Nativity Church in Orchard Park, from 2:30 to 3:30 pm. . Meet there or meet at the SMOL parking lot at 12:30 to carpool together. Bring a friend!

## "Life in the Spirit Seminar"

This is happening NOW! It's not too late to join the group on Wednesday! It takes place in the Parish Center Sept 21 - Nov 2, every Wed from 6:30pm-8:30pm ! This will be held in the gym! We hope you can join people from all over the Diocese for this wonderful opportunity to share our faith!

## Lector Schedule

	Lector	Time/	Lector
4:30 10/1	Annamarie Przybysz	4:30 10/15	Joe Pietrocarlo
9:00 10/2	Dave Calveric	9:00 10/16	Chris Wells
11:00 10/2	Mary Ellen Burke	11:00 10/16	Peter Blake

## Eucharistic Ministers Schedule

Time	E.M's	Time	E.M's
4:30 10/8	Peter Blake Mike Czombel Patty Viglione	4:30 10/15	Peter Blake Mike Czombel Patty Viglione
9:00 10/9	Deacon Bill Don Busha Marion Schmidt	9:00 10/16	Deacon Bill Don Busha Marion Schmidt
11:00 10/9	Dennis Conklin Joan Conklin Carolyn Rosier	11:00 10/16	Dennis Conklin Joan Conklin Carolyn Rosier

## Southtowns Prayer Group

The Southtowns Prayer Group which meets each third Thursday of the month, will have its next meeting Thursday, 10/20 from 7 - 8:15 PM in the student lounge. Please join us for an evening of song, sharing and prayer. Be sure to bring a friend!



## *"New" Altar Servers Training Sessions*

Is your son/daughter interested in becoming an **altar server**? Great! We are in need of more servers and the opportunity has arrived! Two dates for training are being provided for your convenience. Please choose the date of your choice. The sessions will be held on Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Both sessions are held from 9 AM – 11 AM in the church and will be conducted by Deacon Bill.

Simply contact the Faith Formation Office (716-627-7700) between 9 AM – 1 PM (Mon. – Thurs.) or call Deacon Bill directly at (716) 725-4085 to register. Thank you for encouraging your child to be part of this wonderful parish ministry that is exclusively for our youth!

## *Community News*

Beef and Brews—There will be a “gift giving” party at Southtowns Catholic School on Friday, September 30th at 7 pm. Please bring a gift of \$50 value to donate. It can be a gift card or other item.

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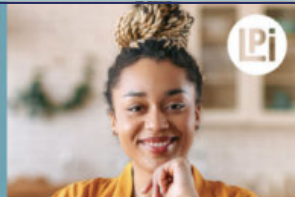
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