

Our Lady of the Lake

ALL ARE WELCOME

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Thurs. 2:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m. Closed Fridays



Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays 4:15 p.m.-4:45 p.m.; and by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Sundays at 11:15 a.m. A pre-baptismal meeting for parents and godparents is arranged. Contact the pastor.

Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Celebrated with Grade 2 in May. Candidates are expected to be first enrolled in grade one.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Preparation begins during high school years and is celebrated in the spring of grade 11. Adult requests, contact the pastor.

Sacrament of Matrimony

There are preparatory stages leading up to the wedding date. Arrangements should be made up to a year in advance. Contact pastor for an appointment.

OUR MISSION

*We, Our Lady of the Lake
Roman Catholic
Church, seek to have a
living faith in Jesus Christ.
Nourished by the Eucharist
and guided by the Holy
Spirit, we share the gospel,
encourage our youth and
embrace and welcome
everyone in need.*



MASS SCHEDULE:

Sat. Vigil 5:00 p.m.

Sun. 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Mon., Tues. 8:30 a.m. Thurs. 6:30 p.m.

And Fri. 8:30 a.m.

First Saturdays 9:00 a.m.

Liturgy of Word & Communion

Wed. 8:30 a.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

1st Friday every month after a.m. mass until 5 p.m.

Sacrament of Anointing

of the Sick: Anyone with a potentially life-threatening serious condition or serious surgery can be a recipient. Please do not hesitate to call the pastor.

Home and Hospital Visits

Deacon David oversees this ministry.
Call 539-0486

BIBLE STUDY— Deacon David

Tuesday 9:30-11:00 a.m. & Home of
Deacon Dave Thurs. 6:30- 8:00 p.m.

Soup Kitchen Outreach:

2nd Tues. of month – Sign-up sheets in
Marian Hall

AA Meeting: Wed. 7:30 p.m. Marian
Hall

Knights of Columbus #11178

1st & 3rd Thursdays 7:15 p.m.

Praise & Worship

Group meets the
1st Tuesday 7:00 p.m. in the Marian Hall.

Prayer Line:

Diana at (413) 569-3718
or email intentions to:
myprayerrequest555@gmail.com.

FAITH FORMATION- See inside
bulletin for ongoing info

DEVOTIONS:

Miraculous Medal Novena
After Tuesday 8:30 a.m. Mass

St. Jude Novena
After Thursday 6:30 p.m. Mass

Bethlehem Prayer Group
After Thursday St. Jude Novena

Chaplet of Divine Mercy
Fridays at 3:00 p.m. followed by Litany,
consecration to Sacred Heart and Rosary.

Marian Cenacle of Prayer
Saturdays 8:00 a.m.

*Today's Scripture Readings***First Reading**

Isaiah 49:3,5-6; God's servant, Israel, will be made a light to the nations.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 40:2,4,7-10; God desires obedience.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:1-3; Paul greets the Church in Corinth.

Gospel Reading

John 1:29-34; John testifies that Jesus is the Lamb of God, God's own Son.

Message from Father Matthew:

Liturgical Q & A:

Q. Dear Father, I noticed over the past few weeks that the priest has worn different colors of vestments. Why is this so?

A. The priest wears different colors in accordance with the seasons, feasts, and solemnities that are celebrated throughout the liturgical year. Here is an explanation of when and why each color is used:

Purple/Violet is the color of penance and is used during Advent and Lent in anticipation of Christmas & Easter.

Rose/Pink is the color of anticipation & joy and is only used on the third Sunday in Advent and the fourth Sunday during Lent (Gaudete & Laetare Sundays).

Green is the color of hope, life, and growth and is used throughout Ordinary Time.

Red is the color of sacrifice and is used during Passion (Palm) Sunday, Good Friday, Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Pentecost, and the feasts of the apostles and the saints who were martyred.

White/Gold is the color of joy & purity and are used during the Easter and Christmas seasons as well as the feasts of the Blessed Virgin Mary, angels, and saints who were not martyred.

**MASS INTENTIONS****Second Sunday in Ordinary Time****Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday January 18th
 5:00 p.m. **Mary Mastroianni**, req. by Mary-Rose O'Neill
Sunday January 19th
 8:00 a.m. **Pauline & Walter Fedora**, req. by Mary-Rose O'Neill & Gina Petraitis
 10:00 a.m. **Leon Papageorge, 2nd Anniversary**, req. by His Wife, Dorothy
 7:00 p.m. **Parents**, req. by Rosa Vega

Monday January 20th
 8:30 a.m. **Domenica & Thomas Battistoni**, req. by Bette Blanchard
Tuesday January 21st
 8:30 a.m. **Simone Ward-Horner**, req. by Her Children
Wednesday January 22nd
 8:30 a.m. **Litury of the Word/ Communion Service**
Thursday January 23rd
 6:30 p.m. **Hank Kochanski**, req. by His Wife & Family
Friday January 24th
 8:30 a.m. **Parishioners and Visitors**
Saturday January 25th
 8:00 a.m. **Marian Prayer Cenacle**

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday January 25th
 5:00 p.m. **Simone & Osmond Ward-Horner**, req. by Their Children
Sunday January 26th
 8:00 a.m. **Alice Bogus**, req. by Keith & Diana David & Family
 10:00 a.m. **Anthony L. Vedovelli, Sr.**, req. by Lisa, Christine & Amy
 7:00 p.m. **Parishioners and Visitors**

**OFFERTORY FOR WEEKEND**

January 4th and 5th:

Regular Collection: \$ 3,504.52

Thank you!!

World Day of the Sick

Mass of Healing and Anointing

On **Tuesday, February 11th**, *Sacred Heart Parish* in Feeding Hills will be hosting once again the annual *Mass of Healing and Anointing*. The observance of the *World Day of the Sick* was instituted in 1992 by

St. John Paul II who designated that day – February 11th – the *Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes* – as a special day in which to pray for those who are sick and suffering in any way. All are invited to join us in this special liturgy at **6 PM**. The *Sacrament of the Sick* will be available as well as the opportunity to be prayed over by one of the many priests and deacons that we hope will be there for this event. Following the Mass there will be a reception at the *Parish Center*. The *Church* is located at 1065 Springfield St. and is accessible for the physically challenged as well the *Parish Center*.



WINTER PICNIC

Rev. Thomas A. Shea Council Knights of Columbus 11178 will sponsor a Winter Picnic in Fr. Shea Hall at Our Lady of the Lake Church on **Saturday, February 8th** from **6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

Menu includes hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken, potato salad, baked beans, chips, beverage and dessert.

Adult to age 13 - \$8; age 5 to 12 - \$5, age 5 and under free - Max. cost per family - \$25.

FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

NEW CONFIRMATION DATE



MONDAY
APRIL 27, 2020
6:30 P.M.



Our annual **Father Daughter Valentine Dance** will be held on Friday, February 7th from 6:30 - 8:30pm in Fr. Shea Hall. (*Snow Date is Saturday, February 8th at the same time.) There is a \$5 / couple admission at the door. The evening will include music with DJ Jeff Ravoli, dancing, and snacks / drinks. Please bring healthy snacks to share. Donations of juice boxes, and small water bottles would be greatly appreciated. We will be decorating the hall on Thursday, February 6th at 7pm. Volunteer and teen community service hours are available. Please call (413) 569 - 0162 to volunteer.

Valentine Decorations

We are looking for Valentine decorations for our Father Daughter Valentine Dance. New or gently used decorations would be greatly appreciated. Streamers, cut outs, centerpieces, etc. Also, we are looking for a donation of a mirror ball and strobe light for our dancing area. If you are able to donate these items, please drop them off in Marian Hall. Thank you so much!! FMI ~ (413) 569-0162

CIRCLE OF GRACE

On February 2nd and 9th our students will have lessons on our new safe environment program called Circle of Grace. This course is mandated by the **DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD** and will teach our students to always to be aware of their surroundings and also will teach them about media / internet safety. All classes are open to parents and guardians to come at any time. Opt-out forms are available if parents / guardians choose not to have their children participate. Please call our Faith Formation office FMI at (413)569-0162

YOU ARE NEVER ALONE**INMATE PRAYER MINISTRY**

Joe DeGrande, Beth's husband and a Certified Lay Minister, is presently part of a prison ministry where he visits the inmates in correctional facilities and establishes a "prayer" relationship with those who are willing to participate. He spreads the news that we are all one community of faith giving praise and glory to an awesome God and that there are people willing to pray for them. Joe thought of us as at Our Lady of the Lake Parish as we have such an active and powerful prayer group. His hope is that as he visits the inmates, he will make them aware that we are praying for them and that by word of mouth will result in more prayer requests. Please check out the bulletin board as there will be a list of prayer requests with copies to take home and pray for. For more information please call Diana at 569-3718.

All we ask is that you pray.....

"...And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you? And the King will answer them 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me....'"

Matthew 25:38-40

HOLY WATER**A means of Spiritual Wealth**

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We do not take advantage of the benefits derived from holy water.

LET US CULTIVATE ITS USE

Untold spiritual wealth is concentrated in a tiny drop of blessed water.

And we give it so little thought!!!

If we realize— now, as we shall realize after death, the many benefits which may be derived from holy water, we would use it far more frequently, and with greater faith and reverence!!!

LOST AND FOUND

If you have lost any items, please check with the Parish Office. ALL items will be placed in the office for a two week period; after that time, the items will be donated or disposed of. Thank you!!

Holy Items are valued and sacred. Please do not leave excess items in the church, library or Marian Hall. We have made great efforts in cleaning our Parish; please help us to keep it this way. If you need to discard a Holy Item (prayer cards, medals, statues, etc.) the proper method is to burn it or bury it in your back yard. Thank you for understanding!!!



To follow up on Father Matthew's previous message Please consider your many gifts and what you can do with us in the parish to help with so many ministries. We are in need of you and your gifts. There will be a list of different ministries and activities we provide on the bulletin board. Please take a moment with GOD to pray; HE will respond!!

In keeping with "cleaning" around the church. We will be asking all parishioners to complete a new census form. We need to correctly report our census numbers and this is the best way for us to accurately record our parishioners. These forms will be available next week at each entrance to the church. (Look for the bright yellow paper!) Please complete and return to the office as soon as possible.

MERCY SUPPORT GROUP

This free weekly grief support group is for people who have experienced the loss of a spouse, partner, family member or friend.

All are welcome! Meets every Monday except major holidays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Join us at the Mercy Medical Center, 299 Carew Street, Springfield (Deliso Center - O'Hare Room - lower level).

March for Life

Pro-Life of Pioneer Valley along with Pope Francis High School will be sponsoring a "Local March for Life" on **January 22, 2020** on the anniversary of Roe v Wade. The March will begin with a Mass at 10:30 AM with Celebrant Father Ryan Rooney at St. Michael's Cathedral followed by the march down State Street to City Hall, Springfield. After, a light lunch will be served in the Bishop Marshall Center. This march is in solidarity with the Washington, D.C., March for Life. For more info. email: prolifepioneervalley@gmail.com.

JANUARY BLOOD DRIVE

Sacred Heart Parish will once again be hosting the Baystate Health Center Blood Drive on **Saturday, January 25, 2020, from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.** Sacred Heart Blood Drives have now saved 756 adult lives or up to 1,410 babies since we began in July of 2016. Let us strive to save even more lives at this next Blood Drive. Please donate the gift of life. To sign up, please call our Pastoral Minister, Deb Briancesco, RN, at 786-8200, ext. 3.

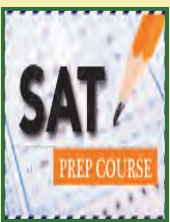


St. Mary's High School

will host a MEET & GREET for prospective high school students on **Tuesday, January 28th at 6:00pm**. Please join us to learn about our new, innovative curriculum offerings and

scheduling, meet our students, faculty and coaches, and tour our school. Administration will be on hand to answer all of your questions. Need based financial aid is available. We would love to share more with you at our MEET & GREET! If you have any questions or would like to schedule a private tour and information session, contact Kimberlee Jaszek

kjaszek@stmsaints.org 413-568-5692
www.stmsaints.org



St. Mary's High School will be hosting an SAT Prep Class for high school students beginning **Wednesday 1/29/20 from 6 until 9pm**. Classes will be held every Wednesday through April 29th.

STM students SAT Prep fees are covered in their tuition. The fee for this class is \$250 for any student outside of STM wishing to enroll. If interested, please contact Jen Gomes, Director of Guidance. jgomes@stmsaints.org 413-568-5692 www.stmsaints.org



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