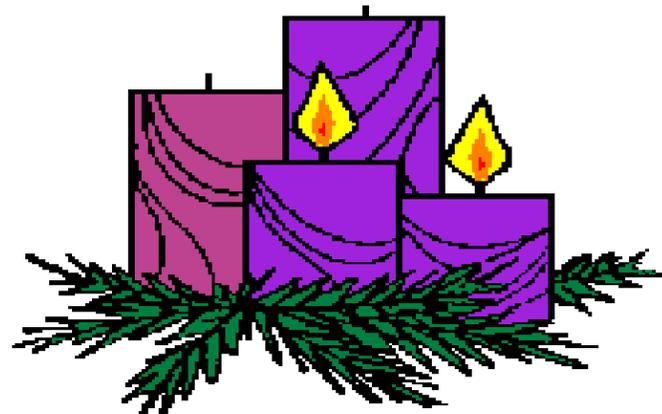


The Community of Our Lady of the Lake



The Second Sunday of Advent
December 9, 2018

Pastor
Rev. Monsignor Marion J. Makarewicz
Paul Poulter, Deacon

Mission Statement:

The Faith Community of Our Lady of the Lake fosters growth in God by spreading and nurturing the message of Christ, through full, active, conscious participation in the Eucharist by outreach and service to those in need and strengthening and promoting community.

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Weekend Mass Times:
Saturdays-5 PM
Sundays-8:00 A.M. and 10:00 A.M.
Reconciliation
Saturdays- 4-4:45 PM
Sundays-7:30 AM and 9:15-9:45 AM

Daily Schedule:

*Mondays-No Mass, Tuesday-8 AM,
Wednesday-6PM, Thursdays-8 AM, Fridays-8AM
Adoration on Wednesdays at 5PM
Baptisms & Weddings: Contact the Parish Office*

Mass Intentions for December 8-December 16, 2018

Saturday	Dec. 08	5:00 p.m.	Parishioners
Sunday	Dec. 09	8:00 a.m.	Judy Medved
Sunday	Dec. 09	10:00 a.m.	Tom Kelly
Monday	Dec. 10	No Mass	
Tuesday	Dec. 11	8:00 a.m.	Fred Ressel
Wednesday	Dec. 12	6:00 p.m.	Special Intention (MB)
Thursday	Dec. 13	8:00 a.m.	Patricia Ressel
Friday	Dec. 14	8:00 a.m.	Special Intention (MM)
Saturday	Dec. 15	5:00 p.m.	Ralph Franklin
Sunday	Dec. 16	8:00 a.m.	Julie Short
Sunday	Dec. 16	10:00 a.m.	Parishioners



During the season of Advent Monsignor will be offering the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturdays from 4-4:45, Sundays at 7:30 AM and 9:15-9:45AM. Reconciliation will also be offered at:

Sunday, December 9 at 4:00 PM St. Ann in Warsaw
Wednesday, December 12 at 6:30 PM Our Lady of Snows in Mary's Home
Thursday, December 13 at 7:00 PM Sacred Heart in Eldon and at 7:00 PM at St. Patrick in Sedalia
Sunday, December 16 at 3:00 PM at St. Anthony in Camdenton
Sunday, December 23 at 4:00 PM at St. Lawrence in St. Elizabeth

Please pray for:

Ed Evers, Kathleen Stewart, Jon Vona, Earline Distler, Russ Russell, Patricia Scherer, Carol Heckman, Lucille Needham, Tessie Gentges, Laverne Koch, Laura Penner, Rick Sefcik, John Balazs, Kitty McCarthy, Ralph Franklin, Sue Cotter, Shaun Otto, and Kitty Bagby.

May they place their trust and confidence in the Lord Jesus Christ!



Retrouvaille, a weekend retreat, is for couples with marital problems seeking help. Those who are considering marriage separation and those who are already separated or divorced are encouraged to consider the Retrouvaille program. There is always hope of reviving your relationship. The next weekend is available in Kansas City Jan. 25-27. You can find more information online at www.helpourmarriage.org.



Thank you to everyone who helped with the success of the Reconciliation Soup Supper. It was the best one yet and it is because of everyone's help.

Helping Those Who Help:

Helping Hands Homeless Shelter is the only facility in the area with a mission specifically for the corporal work of mercy giving shelter to the homeless. They make a difference in the lives of their clients in helping them transition to work and a stable residence. At this time, they are in need of assistance in making their operating expenses. If you are looking for a worthy charity this Christmas, they sure could use your help. Their address is 68 Holden Dr, Camdenton, Missouri 65020 and phone number is (573) 346-4968.



Bishop's Prayer Intention for December

For the blessing of family life; that as a community we may safeguard this basic cell of society in public policy, and as a Church we may support those struggling to provide a home filled with faith, hope and love."

"Por la bendición de la vida familiar; que como comunidad podamos salvaguardar esta célula básica de la sociedad en la política pública, y como Iglesia podamos apoyar a aquellos que luchan por brindar un hogar lleno de fe, esperanza y amor."

STEWARDSHIP & ADMINISTRATION

Collection for December 2, 2018: \$7,625 Last Year: \$7,574

Envelopes: \$ 5,902 Loose: \$1,723



**The Catholic Stewardship Appeal continues at Our Lady of the Lake Church.
+As of November 29, 2018, Parishioners have donated \$22,302 of our \$29,289 goal.**

Upcoming Masses and Services

- Wednesday, December 12-Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe 6 PM Mass in the Parish Hall followed by fellowship
- Monday, December 24 Christmas Eve Mass at 5 PM
- Monday, December 24 Midnight Mass
- Tuesday, December 25 Christmas Day Mass 10 AM
- Monday, December 31 Solemnity of Mary Vigil (holy day of obligation) 5 PM
- Tuesday, Jan. 1, Solemnity of Mary Mass (holy day of obligation) 9 AM

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe:

Wednesday, December 12

Please join in the celebration of the most famous Marian apparition of the Americas in Mexico City. Our Lady's appearance to Juan Diego marked a turning point in the evangelization of the Americas. We continue that process of helping Mary bring Christ into the world by celebrating this feast with our Hispanic brothers and sisters. Mass will be celebrated in Bestgen Hall at 6 PM followed by song, rosary, prayer and fellowship. Everyone is welcome.

Save the Date!

Our newest parish ministry, Sisters of Spirit is offering a one day Women's Lenten Retreat on February 23, 2019. All women of the parish are invited to come renew their spiritual journey.

Christ Has the Everlasting Hope

"Blessed are those whose help is in the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God" (Psalm 146:5)

The popularity of angels seems to take surges in our cultures regardless of which country we live in or where we were born. Angels are especially prominent at Christmas as tree ornaments or tree toppers. We also find them in jewelry and paintings of guardian angels. A very dear friend gave me a very special glass angel that I always carry with me. I think it's significant that angels guard us. Hebrews tells us they are, "...ministering spirits, sent to serve people who will inherit salvation" (1:14). So, their presence does not always depend on the Christmas season. They are always here among us, carrying out God's will on earth as it is in heaven.

We are probably most familiar with how angels were privileged to announce and praise our Savior's birth. But they also upheld the Lord Jesus after he was tempted by Satan in the wilderness, and as he struggled in prayer on the night he was betrayed. After Jesus's resurrection, an angel rolled back the stone that sealed his empty tomb and announced that he had risen from the dead. Yet, for all their might and power, the angels are eagerly watching the Holy Spirit working out the story of our salvation (1 Peter 1:12).

Angels are created beings. They were created by God to serve him, offer him unceasing praise, and to carry out his holy will in heaven and on earth. Angels are mighty beings, but they serve the same master we do.

To some of us, Christmas will not be the same because of the loss of a loved one. Holiday shopping may have lost its priority, and the lights of Christmas may have lost their glamour. But, even so, God's gentle hand can draw us out of the darkness of our loss. No matter how painful the circumstances, our hope remains secure in the light of God's truth which always reveals his unchanging, caring character. Psalm 146 affirms what God reminds us of on those difficult Christmas mornings; our endless hope is in the Lord, our helper, our strength, our healer. Our mighty and merciful God is our ultimate comforter in difficult times (146:5).

I pray that he may impart his angel servants to carry his gift of heavenly grace through the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin to bring deeper peace to those for whom the birth of he son was the dawning of salvation. It was, after all, an angel who announced the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ in a stable in Bethlehem because there was no room in the inn. Therefore, let us celebrate with joy, the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, for from her arose the sun of Justice, Christ our God; and his name is Emmanuel—God with us. Alleluia.

"In every heart, there is an inner room, where we can hold our greatest treasures and our deepest pain" (Gunther F. Skaletz).

Faith step: Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for those who belong to Christ Jesus (1 Thessalonians 5:18).

Gunther F. Skaletz is also the author of his autobiography, *Life on Both Sides of the Wall*, and is the author of innumerable manuals for the Hospitality Industry as well. His book is available in the church office.

Travel Trivia Night

Saturday, Feb. 2, 2019

Bestgen Hall

Buy a team table for \$80 and up to 8 people can play or individuals for \$10 and we will place you with a team. Bring your own beverages and we'll provide amazing food and an evening of FUN and cash prizes.

Call the church office to reserve table now! 573-365-2241

All table must be paid for by 1/25/19 to hold your reservation.



All Giving Tree gifts, wrapped and labeled, should be returned to church no later than noon this Sunday, December 9 so that we can distribute them to those in need. This project is a huge success thanks to your generosity.

HOPE HOUSE: Thank you for your ongoing generosity! Last week there were 32 cans and 40 misc. items. Don't forget to bring your non-perishables and NON-EXPIRED donations as part of our "bring your can to church!" each week.

Volunteers NEEDED for Food Pantry 1st two weeks each month on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday for our biggest volumes of clients seeking help. Volunteers are also needed for cash register coverage on our assigned days.

To show interest in volunteering, sign up at the Hope House table in our fellowship hall or call OLL coordinator Janet Bischler 374-2313.

Visit: www.hopehouseofmillercounty.org to learn more.



If you would like to make a donation to the Christmas decorations in memory of a loved one, please place your donation in one of the specially marked envelopes found at the entrances of the church and place it in the offertory basket or bring it by the office. All donations must be in by Dec. 21, 2018.



All Women of the Parish

You are invited to a **Christmas Party** Sunday, December 16 From 2 to 4 PM, in Bestgen Hall

Festivities will include: Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest, White Elephant Re-gift Exchange Games & Fun

Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

Beer, wine, lemonade, coffee & water provided.

BYO anything else.

Hope to see you there!



PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

PV2 Aaron Helms, Sgt. George Thomas Gross, SPC Austin Nye, SSgt. Matthew Willis, LCDR Tony Wolfe, LCDR Christopher Boehm, 1st Sgt. Christopher Metz, Sgt. John Cobb, Lt. Nicholas Zahn, S/Sgt. Daniel E. Reynolds, Sgt. Justin C. Thomas, A1C Ethan DeGraffenreid, A1C Jacob Zahn, Major Michael Lucky, Tech Sgt. Kevin Reilly, Jayson D. Osborne Air Force, Capt. Dan Collini, S/Sgt. Adam Rentsch, CW4 Kent Rackers, (Mo National Guard), Corp. Christian P. Rodriguez, CPO Derek Hotop, Tech Sgt. Ryan Fisher, A1C Logan Rackers Air Force, AFC Cody Griffy USAF, CPO Matt Culver USN-SEAL 6, and CW03, Leroy F. Gilbert-Army.

If you have a family member, loved one or friend in the Military and wish to have their name added to this list, please call the office at 365-2241.

Thank You for your Service!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Day	Date	Time	Event	Location
Sunday	Dec. 09	after Masses	K of C Coffee and Donuts	Fellowship
Sunday	Dec. 09	3 PM	Christmas Program/Christmas Cookie Decorating	Church/Hall
Monday	Dec. 10	No Mass		
Tuesday	Dec. 11	8 AM	Mass	Chapel
Wednesday	Dec. 12	5 PM	Adoration	Church
Wednesday	Dec. 12	6 PM	Feast of Guadalupe Mass and Celebration	Hall
Wednesday	Dec. 12	6:45-8PM	PSR	
Thursday	Dec. 13	8 AM	Mass	Chapel
Friday	Dec. 14	8 AM	Mass	
Sunday	Dec. 16	8-11:30 am	K of C Donuts	Fellowship