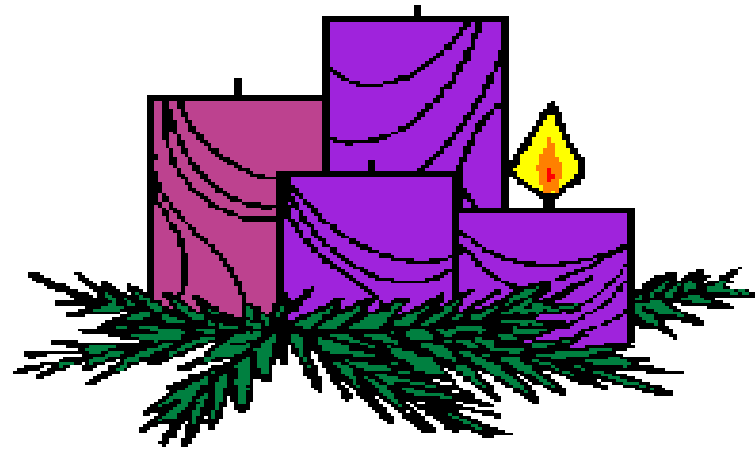


The Community of Our Lady of the Lake



The First Sunday of Advent
December 2, 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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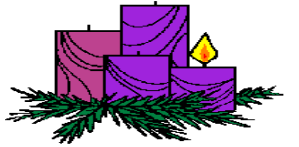
Weekend Mass Times:
Saturdays-5 PM
Sundays-8:00 A.M. and 10:00 A.M.
Reconciliation
Saturdays- 4-4:45 PM
Sundays-7:30 AM and 9:15-9:45 AM

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 1-December 9, 2018

Saturday	Dec. 01	5:00 p.m.	Dick Folsom
Sunday	Dec. 02	8:00 a.m.	Parishioners
Sunday	Dec. 02	10:00 a.m.	Katherine Shepherd
Monday	Dec. 03	No Mass	
Tuesday	Dec. 04	8:00 a.m.	Mary and Leo Burke
Wednesday	Dec. 05	6:00 p.m.	Carl Bradford
Thursday	Dec. 06	8:00 a.m.	Jack Graessle
Friday	Dec. 07	8:00 a.m.	Joseph and Mildred Chaperlo
Saturday			
Immaculate Conception	Dec. 08	9:00 a.m.	Parishioners
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



**Saturday, December 8 is the
Feast of The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed
Virgin Mary, a holy day of obligation.**
Mass will be at 9 AM on Saturday,
December 8th.

Prepare the Way of the Lord
**The Advent Communal Reconciliation Service will be
Wednesday, Dec. 5 at 7 PM, in the church. There will be
several priests available for reconciliation. This is a special
time we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ.**
There will be a soup and salad dinner served
beforehand at 5:30.

**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 2 at 4:00 PM St. Patrick in Laurie
Tuesday, December 4 at 7:00 PM Annunciation in California
Wednesday, December 5 at 7:00 PM Our Lady of the Lake in Lake Ozark and also St. Andrew in Tipton
Thursday, December 6 at 6:30 PM at St. Anthony in St. Anthony
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

Candles in the Sanctuary: To conform with current liturgical law and to take advantage of having a deacon and more servers, the candles in the sanctuary will be rearranged. The General Instructions of the Roman Missal make no allowance for a permanent placement of candles near the ambo. While highlighting the importance of the Word of God is laudable, the custom of the Church has been to reserve candles in the sanctuary to highlight the various presences of Christ. The altar is a symbol of Christ and the place of sacrifice from which we receive His Body and Blood. The Easter Candle is the Light of Christ brought into a darkened world. The sanctuary lamp near the tabernacle reminds us of the enduring presence of Christ in the Eucharist. The Gospel is the privileged Word of God dwelling among us. Thus it is suitable to follow the practice of having a procession of lighted candles from the altar to the ambo for the proclamation of the Gospel. Starting the First Sunday of Advent, Our Lady of the Lake will conform to this directive in the arrangement of the sanctuary and in the actions of the ministers during Mass. We especially request two servers at every weekend Mass and Solemnity so that we can carry out this practice.

Please pray for:

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!



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 November 25, 2018: \$5,481 Last Year: \$13,944

Envelopes: \$3,573 Loose: \$1,908

**The Catholic Stewardship Appeal continues at Our Lady of the Lake Church.
+As of November 26, 2018, Parishioners have donated \$21,702 of our \$29,289 goal.**



Upcoming Masses and Services

- Wednesday, December 5– Advent Penance Service at 7 PM– Soup Supper at 5:30 PM
- Wednesday, December 12–Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe 6 PM Mass in the Parish Hall followed by fellowship
- Saturday, December 8– 9 AM Immaculate Conception-(holy day of obligation)
- 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

Christmas Parade – This year the Religious Education Commission is entering a float in the Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 8th. The schedule is: 9 AM Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception Immediately Following: Begin Float Construction
12 PM Pizza Lunch, 1:30 PM Line up for Parade, 3 PM Parade Begins

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.

**Start to Finish
By Gunther F. Skaletz**

“Having begun by the Spirit, you are now being perfected by the flesh” (Galatians 3:3).

An athlete makes a good start in a race, feet placed carefully in the starting blocks, hands behind the starting line, and leaps forward at the sound of the starter’s pistol. So far, so good; but when the runner glances right and left to check the positions of the other runners he loses precious seconds. Time, yes time is a very precious commodity. Another runner surges ahead and finishes first.

Born again through water and Word in Holy Baptism, Christians are raised to a new life in Christ. The Holy Spirit calls us through the Gospel and we make a good start. But over time, like a worried runner in a race, our attention wanders and curves inward. We may, at times, become proud of our piety and think just perhaps, that God admires our piety as well. We may not exactly bargain with God, but during especially difficult circumstances, we may think that God’s favor can be restored if we volunteer more hours at church, hospital, or in our community, or perhaps if we study the Bible a bit more often our circumstances will improve. But our steps falter until the Holy Spirit again call us through the Word to repentance and turns our eyes to Jesus. Our Savior is the Alpha and the Omega (Rev. 1:8). He is “A to Z”, the beginning and the end, and everything in between. Christ has redeemed us, our every breath, each and every moment, from start to finish. Yes, we are destined by his grace to finish the race that we were commended to do. Remember, each race begins with that first step.

“He who hesitates to start the race, will never win the race” (Gunther F. Skaletz).

Faith Step: Holy Spirit, strengthen and keep us in the one true faith. Amen.

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.



Please return your wrapped and labeled Giving Tree Gifts to church no later than noon, Sunday, December 9, 2018.

If you chose an ornament with an ID# starting with OR, please return those gifts to church as soon as possible as indicated on the ornament.

Many children and adults will be very happy on Christmas morning because of your generosity. Thank you all.

HOPE HOUSE: Thank you for your ongoing generosity!

Last week there were 48 cans and 36 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.

PLEASE NO EXPIRED ITEMS, HOPE HOUSE WILL NOT ACCEPT!

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.



The Lady Wednesday Workshop that meets every Wednesday has created 436 stuffed animals this year and donated them to the Lake Regional Hospital to be distributed to children throughout the hospital. They also made and donated 6 walker caddies to the Rehab center.

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.



Main Street Christmas Show

Sunday, Dec. 9 at 3 pm.
Adults-\$17, Children 6-12-\$13,
Children under 5-free.

Please call Colleen Parise at 573-365-2580 and leave a message. The deadline for ticket reservations is Monday, Dec. 3



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				
Sunday	Dec. 02	after Masses	K of C Coffee and Donuts	Fellowship
Monday	Dec. 03	No Mass		
Tuesday	Dec. 04	8 AM	Mass	Chapel
Wednesday	Dec. 05	5 PM	Adoration	Church
Wednesday	Dec. 05	5:30 PM	Soup Supper before Reconciliation	
Wednesday	Dec. 05	6 PM	Mass	Church
Wednesday	Dec. 05	7 PM	Advent Reconciliation Service	Church
Wednesday	Dec. 05	6:45-8PM	PSR	
Thursday	Dec. 06	8 AM	Mass	Chapel
Friday	Dec. 07	8 AM	Mass	
Friday	Dec. 07	10 AM	Nursing Home Mass	Lakeside Meadows
Sunday	Dec. 09	8-11:30 am	K of C Donuts	Fellowship
Sunday	Dec. 09	3 PM	Christmas Program/Christmas Cookie Decorating	Church/Hall