

Our Lady of the Lake Parish Family

All are welcome

**224 Sheep Pasture Road
Southwick, MA 01077-1150**

Pastor: Rev. Henry L. Dorsch

Deacon David Przybylowski

Catechetical Leader: Lynda Daniele 569-0162

Bookkeeper: Rosemarie Ricco

Parish Secretary: Maxine Matos (Fri. 8 am - 4 pm)

**Tel: 569-0161- email: OLLake7@aol.com - Best rectory
office hours Thurs 9 am-noon & Fridays 8 am to 4 pm**



*If you are new to the parish, please introduce yourself
after Mass and arrange to register at the rectory office*

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays 4:15-4:45; Sundays and
Thursdays after evening Mass and
by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism: Sundays at

11:15 am. A pre-baptismal meeting
for parents and godparents is
arranged. Contact the pastor.

**Sacrament of First Holy
Communion**

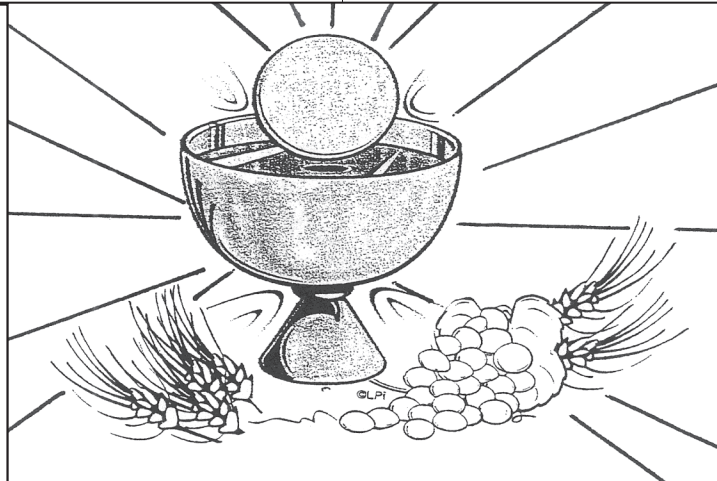
Celebrated with Grade 2 in May.
Candidates are expected to be first
enrolled in grade one.

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.



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

Prayer Line: Diana at (413)

569-3718 or email intentions to:
myprayerrequest555@gmail.
com.

DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena

After Tuesday 8:30 am Mass

St. Jude Novena

After Thursday 6:30 pm Mass

Bethlehem Prayer Group

After Thursday St. Jude Novena

Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Fridays at 3 pm followed by
Litany, consecration to Sacred
Heart and Rosary.

Prayer Cenacle 3rd Tues. 7-8

Marian Cenacle of Prayer

Saturdays 7:30-8:25 am

BIBLE STUDY – Deacon David

Tuesday 9:30-11 am & Home of
Deacon Dave Thurs 6:30-8 pm

Religious Education-See inside
bulletin fourth column for
ongoing info

Youth Programs; See inside
bulletin 4th column

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday April 6TH- 5 PM

Sunday April 7TH- 8 am 10 am & 7pm

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

***Lord's Day:* Sat Vigil 5 pm, Sun. 8, 10 & 7 pm**

Mon, Tues, 8:30 am Thurs 6:30 pm Fri, 8:30 am

Sat 8:30 am

Liturgy of Word & Communion Wed. 8:30 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

1st Friday of the month after a.m. Mass til 5pm



Faith Formation Center

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.**

Soup Kitchen Outreach: 2nd
Tues. of mo. – Sign-up sheets in
south side vestibule

AA Meeting: Wed @ 7:30 pm
Fr. Shea Hall

Knights of Columbus #11178
1st & 3rd Thursdays 7:15 pm

Parish Council : Maxine
Matos, Chairperson

Praise & Worship Group
meets the 1st Tuesdays @
7 pm in the Marian Hall.

Today's Scripture Readings

Isaiah 43:16-21 The mystery of the Passover will be made new.

Psalms 126 "The Lord has done great things for us, we are filled with joy".

Philippians 3:8-14 Paul desires a share in the paschal mystery of Christ.

John 8:1-11 No one is without sin except our merciful judge.

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week. Easter is drawing nearer. Today's reading from Isaiah reminds us that God is always doing something new. Even in these last days of Lent, God's merciful love reaches out to us in new ways. Our forty-day journey of conversion and reconciliation is drawing to a close. It is never too late to return to God with our whole hearts. In the gospel, when the woman caught in adultery is brought before Jesus, he saves her from condemnation and sends her forth to live a new life, free from sin, God wants to do this the same with us. He wants to send us forth, free from our sin, gracing us to be someone new, a better version of our self. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is precisely the way to own up to our weakness and sin, confess it, and be free and made anew. Hopefully before the season of Lent is over, everyone will have availed themselves of this wonderful sacrament. Confessions are heard here every Saturday afternoon at 4:15 pm or by request after Masses or by appointment. All local churches with a 4 pm Mass have confessions at 3 pm. The last regional penance service will take place here on Tuesday evening of Holy Week with several additional priests available for the Sacrament. Imagine how much better our world would be if everyone owned up to their wrong doings, confessed them and worked to –with the grace of God – amend their lives! It is always beautiful and lifting to hear the words: ***"I absolve you from your sin in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Your sins are forgiven, go in peace!"***

Prayer for Healing and Reconciliation

O God of abounding love, we pray for your healing and forgiving Spirit.

May you heal our hearts and give comfort to our inner-being

We ask your compassion and tenderness on those who have been abused, emotionally, physically, sexually and spiritually.

May they experience your enduring presence and peace.

Help us to become a stronger and loving Church; one that is actively committed to protecting the most vulnerable people of our society and respects the dignity of all

Merciful God, our hope and our strength on whom we lean, enable us to create an atmosphere of openness and trust, where healing and reconciliation will take place. Amen

**Today at St. Michael Cathedral in Springfield
2 pm: A Diocesan Service of Healing and Reconciliation**

MASS INTENTIONS

5th Sunday of Lent

- Saturday April 6
- 5:00 PM ELAINE ANDREWS, req. by her husband, John
- Sunday April 7
- 8:00 AM MARION L. DAVIS, req. by Roberta Haywood
- 10:00 AM CESARE MOLTA, req. by his sister-in-law Dorothy Molta
- 7:00 PM PARISHIONERS & VISITORS



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- Monday April 8
 - 8:30 AM JOHN CARROLL, 12th anniversary, req. by the Carroll family
 - Tuesday April 9
 - 8:30 AM SOULS IN PURGATORY, req. by a friend
 - Wednesday April 10
 - 8:30 AM Liturgy of Word/Communion Service
 - Thursday April 11
 - 6:30 PM **Open Intention**
 - Friday April 12
 - 8:30 AM **DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE MAILLOUX; BERGERON; TANGUAY & MUCHA FAMILIES, req. by Marie Anne & Gary Forni**
 - 6:30 pm Stations of the Cross**
 - Saturday April 13
 - 7:30 AM Marian Prayer Cenacle
 - 8:30 AM Mass Intention of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Palm Sunday

- Saturday April 13
- 5:00 PM HOWARD & MARIA CHEAL, req. by Carolyn Laptik
- Sunday April 14
- 8:00 AM James and Mary Rossetti, req. by Keith, Diane and family
- 10:00 AM PARISHIONERS & VISITORS
- 7:00 PM MARIE O'NEILL, req. by her family

Stewardship of Treasure

March 30th & 31st Reg. Offertory: \$3725.35

Catholic Relief Services: \$1,671.75

Thank you for making up missed envelopes from bad weather

The bread and wine for the month of April are in memory of KENNETH JARRY, requested by his wife Dorothy, children Nicole, Todd & Thomas

Easter Flowers: We are accepting memorial contributions for **Easter Flowers**. If you would like to remember your loved ones, both living and deceased with flowers on the altar please enclose your gift of \$10 for each memorial in an envelope marked in the following way: "Easter Flowers" In memory of _____. Gifts received over and above our Easter needs help us with other seasonal décor and sanctuary needs.

ON LINE GIVING: Any parishioner interested in on-line giving is requested to sign your name on the exit clipboard

Easter Basket Parish Family Project: Help us fill Easter and Spring Baskets for the children at Shriners Hospital in Springfield. Check out the bulletin board in the Marian Center Hall for details.

The musical meditation on the last days of Christ, His Last Days will be presented again this year here during Wednesday evening of Holy Week at 7 pm. While we have key participants for the key songs, we are in need of others to be part of the crowd and a few others with non-speaking and technical roles. To express interest, come to a meeting after the 10 am Mass this weekend or speak with Fr. Henry

40 Days for life is currently underway during this Lenten season. There is proposed legislation by pro-abortion activists to have Massachusetts Law as liberal as what is now in law in New York. **We are encouraged to contact our senator and legislator to work against this bill.**

PROLIFE VIGIL Thursday, **April 11th at 10 a.m.** in the Holy Spirit Chapel, St Michael's Cathedral in Springfield. Noon will be Benediction followed by Daily Mass. FMI call 567-6085. **Saturday, April 13, 3 PM to 7 PM** the #ProtestPP is organizing simultaneous candlelight vigils throughout the United States at hundreds of facilities operated by Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion chain. Our vigil will be held at Springfield's Planned Parenthood, 3550 Main St. Pro-Life of Pioneer Valley annual Breakfast **April 27th 10 a.m. to 12 Noon** at the Pioneer Valley Chapter 8 located at 104 West State St. Rte 202, Granby, MA 01033. Tickets are \$25 or \$20 membership. Ticket/membership together will be \$35. You need not have a member to attend the breakfast, the speaker is Christopher Duffley. <http://www.christopherduffley.com.Christopher> To order tickets call Monica at 413-746-0655.

“PRESENCE: The Mystery of the Eucharist” “Presence explores the radical mystery of God's love expressed in the Eucharist and shows how in this sacrament God is really present to help and strengthen us in life's journey. Join us for this 4 wk. study starts Wed., **April 10th 9:30 to 11 a.m. at St. Mary's Parish Ctr, 86 Mechanic St.**

Holy Trinity Church, 335 Elm St. Westfield Rosary Society will have its Annual Bake Sale & Raffle Saturday, April 13 - 3 to 5:30 pm & on Sunday, April 14 - 7:30 am to 12 noon.

St. Mary Church, Westfield MA – Wed, April 24th 7 to 8:30 p.m. a new Bible Study, “The Passion and Resurrection Narratives of Jesus”. Video based 7 week program. Everyone is welcome to join this study, no matter the level of Biblical knowledge. FMI call Joanne at 562-5484, or jbagge@stmsaints.org to register.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS**HIGH SCHOOL & GR 7 & 8 FAITH FORMATION**

Grades 7, 8, 9 & 10 and Confirmation Class meets this Sunday evening.

Scholarship applications for graduating seniors are now available. Cf Fr. Henry or Lynda Daniele

First Communion Parents & Guardians –If your child was not baptized here at Our Lady of the Lake Church, please turn in a copy of your child's baptism Cert. to their teachers.

First Communion dates to remember –

First Communion Parent Meeting with Fr. Dorsch and Children's Rehearsal – Mon., April 29th, 6:30 pm.

First Communion Children's Rehearsal – Sat., May 4th, 10 am in the church.

First Communion – Sat., May 11th at 10 am. with a reception in Marian Hall after Mass. FMI – (413) 569 – 0162.

Stations of the Cross & Soup & Bread Supper

On Friday, April 12th at 6:30pm we will have Stations of the Cross in the church and a Soup and Bread Supper in Fr. Shea Hall. Also, there will be a presentation of the **Good Samaritan** and the **Caring American** during the supper. It will be a free will offering night with proceeds / canned goods going to the *Southwick Food Pantry*. Spread the word! If anyone would like to help out, please call (413) 569 – 0162. Thank you!

GET CREATIVE ART VBS (Vacation Bible School)

Come and join us July 1st – 3rd from 9:30am – 3pm for VBS on the **Creation Story** depicted in art.

Art Venture will join us again and the 3 day camp will be packed with fun artwork and a great time for all!

The fee is \$30 / child (lowered from \$40.) and scholarships are available. Bring your own lunch, snacks will be provided. Volunteers are needed and Teen Community Service Hours are available. Please call (413) 569 – 0162 to volunteer.

Also, please save for VBS – shoe boxes, jewelry boxes and Soda Stream flavor mix plastic containers for art projects. Please leave them in the office in Marian Hall labeled “VBS”.

Why I am Catholic speaker series at Blessed Sacrament Church in Westfield continues this Wednesday 6:30-7:30 with speakers Mar & Noreen DiPerri Tolosky. Mark is a former Baystate Health CEO and oreen is an RN/author. Pro-active parishioners at St. Mary, Longmeadow parish

Wanted Organist/Cantor - HOLY NAME PARISH in Springfield is looking for an organist/cantor or organist FMI 413 250-7812 or Fr. David Aufiero at 733-5823.

Wanted: Head of Maintenance position at St. Mary Church, Westfield. See John Parker for specific info.

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