

Our Lady of the Lakes

Catholic Community

January 7, 2018



Weekend Mass Schedule

St. Michael's

Liberty St., Penn Yan

Confession 4-4:30pm Sat.

5:00pm Saturday

9:30am Sunday

St. Theresa's

Route 245, Stanley

11:15am Sunday

St. Januarius

Route 21, Naples

Confession 4-4:30pm Sat.

5:00pm Saturday

10:00am Sunday

St. Patrick's,

N. Main St. Prattsburgh

8:00am Sunday

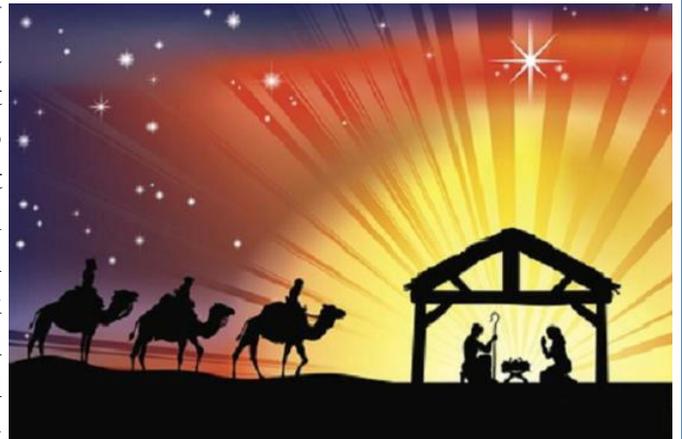
On the Feast of the Epiphany, we tell, and retell, the heart-warming story of the wise men who blindly follow a star in the sky, confident that it has a special meaning and that it will lead them to something extraordinary. And, as the story goes, their journey ends in Bethlehem, where they present their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Homilists have found all sorts of meanings in this story. Some explain it as absolute fact rather than symbolic. Some preach of Jesus as someone extraordinary—a king of all kings. Others point out that only true believers in Jesus are privileged to see the star. I like to think that this story has a deeper-but-simple lesson for all of us.

We are ALL called to find Jesus, not in a stable, or in the tabernacle in church, but in those around us: in our immediate families, our neighborhoods, our town. And the message of today's feast is that we bring our gifts to those people.

It might be the gift of phoning aging parents every week, or of writing a real letter (not an email) to a shut-in. It might be welcoming a new neighbor with some cookies, or offering help shoveling snow or raking leaves. It might be volunteering some time for an after-school tutoring program. These are our gifts, meant to be shared.

The Feast of the Epiphany is our call to see, not a bright, mysterious star, but that everything leads us to God. The moment that we look at everyone and everything as a revelation of God, and to say “thank you” for them, wars will cease to exist, racism will disappear and world hunger will end. The meaning of today's feast is that we are called to be gifts to one another.



Laudetur Jesus Christus ! *Fr. Felician*

Mass Schedule

Sun., Jan. 7

8am St. Patrick's
9:30am St. Mike's
10am St. Januarius
11:15am St. Theresa's

The Epiphany of the Lord

Alicia Pacheo by Lucia Barahona
Joseph Donahoe by Carolyn & Bob Foster
Don Leysath by Jackie Leysath
Deceased Parishioners of St. Theresa's

Mon., Jan. 8

8am St. Januarius
8am St. Michael's

The Baptism of the Lord

For the Baptism of the Lord
For All Of Our Lady of the Lakes

Tues., Jan 9

8am St. Januarius
8am St. Michael's

Weekday

Deceased Parishioner's of St. Januarius
Pete Chester by Margaret Calder

Wed., Jan 10

8am St. Januarius
Noon St. Michael's

Weekday

For the OLOL Priests & Deacons
Deceased Parishioners of St. Michael's

Thurs., Jan. 11

8am St. Januarius
8am St. Michael's

Weekday

Parishioner's of St. Januarius
Bob & Helen; Kathleen & Michael Sullivan
by Maureen & Ralph Ebert

Fri., Jan. 12

8am St. Januarius
Noon St. Michael's

Weekday

Communion Service
Claudia & Patrick Sullivan by Family

Sat., Jan. 13

5pm St. Januarius
5pm St. Michael's

Weekday

John, Ina, & Tim Keohane by Walt & Chris Zerrahn
William T. Prendergast by Betty

Sun., Jan. 14

8am St. Patrick's
9:30am St. Mike's
10am St. Januarius
11:15am St. Theresa's

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jose Molina by Lucia Barahona
Kathleen Emperor by Lou Tyrrell
Don Leysath by Walt & Chris Zerrahn
Deceased Parishioners of St. Theresa's

"Winter Weather Worries"

Winter weather with ice & snow may make it difficult to get to church. But parish bills increase with heating costs & snow removal expenses. Please make sure your parish support doesn't stop just when we need it the most. Check out our simple, safe & secure online giving program at <https://ourladyofthelakescc.weshareonline.org> or on the OLOL Website www.ourladyofthelakescc.org

Please Pray for: *Matt Alexander, Tim Dennis, Jim Snyder, Marcia Rogoff, Eliza Batton, Mary Sierotowicz, Walt Zerrahn, Yvonne Eie, Connie Reagan, Ely Shriver, Bonnie Clawson, Steve Eberly, Doris Fitzpatrick, Jan Berna, Robert Osborn, Grace Sinebox, Marian Strickland, Cecelia Wolff, Larry DeVos, Bev Reese, Jennie Petrizzi, Daria Malanga, Betty Rogers, Mary Feeny, Walter Mc Cullough, Jerry Golden, Mary Cook, Irene Soper, Judi Kramer, Jill Petrovich, Lee Carnan, Beverly Hall, Jim Urbanik, Phyllis Loucks, Francis Feeley, James Cramer, Laura Baum, Pauline Stachowiak, Steven Richardson, Erica Harp, Bill Thomas II, Scott Thomas, John Houston, Sal Pernicano, Roger Miller, John Giordano, Michael Burke, Anne Gascoigne, Kerry Welker, Joe Monago, Pam Morris, Tom Taylor, Blake Gauss, Ray West, Bob Wallace, Sally Shiffer, Jane Hibbard and C. J. Miller.*

Requiescat in Pace: *Dorothy Barry*

Event Schedule

Sunday, January 7, 2018

10:30am Catholic Emblem Class—St. Michael's Parish Ctr
10:30am Faith Formation—St. Michael's Church Hall

Monday, January 8, 2018

10AM January 14, 2018 Bulletin Copy Deadline

1-3pm SMS Gym Class—St. Michael's Church Hall
4pm Come Pray with Mary—St. Mike's Chapel
7pm OLOL Book Club—St. Michael's Parish Center

Tuesday, January 9, 2018

1-3pm SMS Gym Class—St. Michael's Church Hall
6pm SMS PTO Meeting—SMS 3rd Grade Classroom
8-9pm AA Meeting—St. Mike's Parish Ctr.

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

8:30am Prayer Shawl Ministry—St. Januarius
12-1pm AA Mtg.—St. Mike's Parish Ctr.
1-3pm SMS Gym Class—St. Michael's Church Hall
5:30pm Weight Watcher's Meeting—St. Januarius
7-8:30pm Hispanic Faith Sharing Group— St. Mike's Parish Ctr

Thursday, January 11, 2018

8:30-12pm Adoration—St. Michael's Chapel
1-3pm SMS Gym Class—St. Michael's Church Hall
7pm Knights Meeting—St. Michael's Hall Meeting Room

Friday, January 12, 2018

8:30-12pm Adoration—St. Januarius
10am SPC Food Truck Ministry—SPC Parking Lot
1-3pm SMS Gym Class—St. Michael's Church Hall
6-7pm AA Meeting —St. Michael's Parish Ctr.

Saturday, January 13, 2018

9am Naples Running Group —St. Januarius
9am CDA Brunch Meeting—St. Mike's Church Hall

Sunday, January 14, 2018 ~ Knights Breakfast

8:30am Faith Formation—St. Januarius
10:30am Catholic Emblem Class—St. Michael's Parish Ctr

The OLOL Parish Offices will be Closed, Monday, January 15th for Martin Luther King Day.

OLOL Weekly Collections:

The 4th Sunday of Advent & Christmas collection totals will appear in the January 14th Bulletin.

Our Lady of the Lakes Mission Statement

With Mary as our model, Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Community seeks to be a welcoming parish. Recognizing that we are made up of diverse rural communities, we strive to live as members of the one Body of Christ, ministering to each other, and working together to nurture our God given talents in order to reach out to others in a caring and compassionate manner that witnesses to our fervent love for God.

**Reading I: Isaiah 60: 1-6***Your light has come.***Reading II: Ephesians 3: 2-3a; 5-6***We are copartners in the promise.***Gospel: Matthew 2: 1-12***The magi pay homage.*

Today's Gospel reading reveals the story of the magi who come from the east to pay homage to Jesus, the newborn king. The story of the magi teaches Christian stewards three Christmas truths: God, in the person of Jesus Christ is present and active in the world, and stewards must follow his star. Second, each of us, no matter our circumstances or station in life, has a gift to bring to the Lord. And finally, our life's journey always leads to Christ, even when at times we do not know where the road is heading.

Adults: Who might be the "magi" be in your life? - "outsiders" who help you see Christ's presence?

Children: How do you tell others about God?

Looking Ahead**Reading I: 1 Samuel 3: 3b-10, 19***Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.***Reading II: 1 Corinthians 6: 13c-15a, 17-20***Glorify God in your body.***Gospel: John 1: 35-42***We have found the Messiah.*

As you read through the Gospel of Mark, watch how people become disciples—Like Samuel in our first reading, or Peter in our Gospel, they are called. Discipleship is God's initiative, God takes the first step. But will we follow? That is the question to consider! What will responding to the call mean to us? Looking ahead, it means ultimate victory, but not without suffering and persecution on the way.

Practice of Charity

After the lights and carols of Christmas, Ordinary Time—which actually means counted time (we number the weeks of Ordinary Time) - can seem so, well, ordinary. But it is in the ordinary days of our ordinary lives that God asks us to build his Kingdom. The Lectionary readings during these weeks take us through the life of Christ. Striving to live Jesus' example of love, reconciliation, and healing can transform our ordinary moments into extraordinary moments of Charity. St. Therese of Lisieux wrote: "What matters in life is not great deeds, but great love." Therese's gift was recognizing God in the little, everyday moments. Take time this week to look for God in the ordinary moments of your life. Write in your journal about where you find him and give thanks! What ordinary moments in your life repeatedly invite frustration? Brainstorm ways to invite God into these moments. Notice what happens when you do!

OLOL Mass Schedules 2018

Beginning THIS weekend January 6th & 7th, 2018 and until Memorial Day, St. Michaels: will have a Saturday 5pm and **ONE** Mass Sunday at 9:30am with the exception of Easter Sunday ONLY. St. Theresa's Sunday Mass will change to 11:15am (**note Mass time change**). There will be no changes to St. Patrick's (Sunday 8am) or St. Januarius (Saturday 5pm & Sunday 10am) at this time. St. Michael's 7am Mass will then return to the Our Lady of Lakes Mass schedule beginning Memorial Day and end the weekend after Labor Day.

A Thank You To All the OLOL Parishioners

Thank you for joining us this Christmas! It is a joy to see families from elsewhere, friends and neighbors all coming to share in the celebration of our salvation, in the Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord! On the previous page we include such down to earth, practical things as the Mass intentions for the coming week, the schedule of events, the attendance and financial support we received the previous Sunday. The costs of heating our churches, insuring them, health care for employees, as well as the many other costs of being a parish continue to rise as they do for each and everyone of you. We are grateful and thankful for your continued support through the regular weekly donations as well as our Feasts and Holy Day collections. While the warmth of gathering to celebrate God's love is a powerful thing, never to be underestimated in how it can change our lives, it is nice to be able to be warm and keep all the day to day duties going. We hope that in 2018 you will continue your generous support of all Our Lady of the Lakes parishes. God Bless you all.

Lenten Program 2018

We have a new program called 'The Journey' and the focus will be 'My encounter with Jesus'. It provides a way for each of us to deepen our sense of the experience of Jesus. It is a six week program that includes reflection, prayer and sharing and will take place during lent starting Sunday, February 11th the week of Ash Wednesday. Groups meet once a week for a total of six sessions. Included in the program is a daily devotional book with reflections. What a great way to grow as a disciple of Jesus, deepen our experience of Jesus and the way of life he invites us to undertake. Groups can set up their own meeting time so as to be more convenient. Sign up sheets will be available at each worship site soon. Be listening for more announcements at Mass and information in the bulletin. You also contact me at atule@peoplepc.com or 315 536-7155. *Cathy Matulewicz*

Teen Retreat

Retreat for Senior High teens is 1/13-14 at Camp Stella Maris, Livonia. It's not too late to register. Do so at <http://conta.cc/2hxbf59> From 1 PM Saturday to following Sunday's 3 PM closing Mass. OLOL will subsidize half the cost (\$34.50) for any teen who wants to attend.



January ~ Humanity of the Unborn

To commemorate / observe this special time and in conjunction with the Annual March for life, the Social Ministry Committee will have Precious Feet lapel pins, which depict the actual size and shape of the tiny feet of an unborn child at 10 weeks after conception, available at the four Our Lady of the Lakes worship sites January 13-14 for a free will donation. These Precious Feet lapel pins are used by millions of people worldwide to demonstrate the humanity of the unborn. The donated funds will be given to the community Pregnancy Centers that OLOL supports. Pick up some extra pins to share with family and friends.

Diocesan Mass for Life

All are invited to join Bishop Matano at the Diocesan Mass for Life, Saturday, January 13, 4:30pm, at St Patrick's Church, 115 Maple Ave., Victor. Light reception to follow. Come to this Mass to support the dignity of human life from the moment of conception to natural death, in preparation for the national March for Life in Washington, DC.

Why do we March?

On January 22, 1973, the United States Supreme Court decision in the Roe vs. Wade case declared unborn children to be non-persons, thereby legalizing abortion for any reason throughout all nine months of pregnancy. Throughout history, the label of non-person has been employed by various groups to advance agendas which promote the exploitation of certain members of our human family – Blacks, Jews, and in our current time, unborn children. Since 1973, over 50 million unborn children have been killed by the abortion business in the United States. Every year on the anniversary of that court decision, we peacefully march with over 350,000 of our fellow pilgrims to pray for human rights to be restored to unborn children.

March for Life DC

Join the largest pilgrimage in the country to march for the dignity of all human life near the anniversary of Roe Vs Wade, which has tragically led to the greatest loss of human life ever. Buses leave Thursday night, January 18 and return Friday, January 19 by midnight. Come to the 10 AM Mass at the Basilica with Archbishop Chaput, principal celebrant and our own Bishop Matano, homilist. Then gather with others from our Diocese to march with Bishop Matano. Buses leaving from Webster/Penfield: committee4forlife@yahoo.com, 585-503-3256 or http://march4life.gmsander.info; Greece: ghubbel@frontiernet.net or 585-317-8686; Chemung/Schuyler/Steuben: saspaul@stny.rr.com or 607-739-9282. Questions? Contact Suzanne Stack, Life Issues Coordinator, suzanne.stack@dor.org or 585-328-3210 x1304.

More About the March for Life 2018

The 45th annual March for Life, with the theme "Love Saves Lives," will begin on the National Mall between Madison Drive and Jefferson Drive at 11:30am, January 19, 2018 with a musical opening, followed by the rally program at noon. The march up Constitution Avenue to the Supreme Court and the U.S. Capitol will begin at 1pm. Due to heightened security, marchers are encouraged to be in place for the rally before 10:30am. "May the efforts of all across this great nation to lift up the value and dignity of each human life continue to bear fruit, and may we all experience God's blessings in this noble undertaking," Cardinal Wuerl and Bishop Burbidge.

Our Gifts



A Stewardship Resolution for 2018: Living with Compassion

January is traditionally the time for new beginnings, fresh starts. For the Christian steward, the grace of being given another day, or God willing, a whole new year, stirs our deep gratitude. But it also calls us to ask what a "resolution" should really be. Our first resolve should always be to involve ourselves more intimately in the life of Christ, and how better to do that than by embracing Christ's call to be compassionate? After all, Jesus himself instructed us, "Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate" (Luke 6:36). Clearly, we strive now to live and give compassionately, as we generally understand the term. We try to be kind, considerate and understanding individuals. We share with others. But Jesus' words challenge us to embrace a compassion that is much deeper, much more radical than our general understanding. The word compassion, at its root, means "to suffer with." This goes beyond merely writing a check, offering a prayer or sending a note. Suffering is not a popular notion in our society and we strive to avoid it. But now we hear Christ instructing us to "suffer with" the poor, the vulnerable, the powerless, the neglected, the weak. How can we possibly choose such a journey, this challenge to be truly present to those who suffer? All things are possible with God, and it is through a commitment to a life of discipline, discipline in action and discipline in prayer, that we move towards the goal of true compassion. The Christian steward is committed to the Eucharistic life, and it is through this life which Christ offers us that we gain the courage and the will and even the need to follow him in his own example of compassion. Compassion is the doorway to a more responsive stewardship and a committed discipleship. Through our deepening sense of compassion in 2018, may we resolve to be the kind of Christian stewards who bring Christ's presence to a suffering world.

"God prospers me not to raise my standard of living, but to raise my standard of giving." ~ Randy Alcorn

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REGISTRATION

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BAPTISM

Please call 315-536-7459 to enroll in the required Baptismal Program at least 2-3 months in advance.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish office to begin formal marriage preparation, at least 6 months in advance of your proposed wedding date.

HOLY ORDERS

Please contact one of our priests to discuss how God may be calling you to ordained ministry.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the parish office, one of our priests Mass that you wish to receive the sacrament of the sick.

PRAYER LINE

315-536-7459

If you want to be on the prayer line, you or a family member with your permission must make the request. In accordance with NYS Hippa Laws.

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