



OUR LADY OF THE LAKE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Sunday, December 15, 2024
3rd Sunday of Advent

We envision a church where Jesus Christ is proclaimed in a way that when parishioners are gathered, all may encounter the Living Word in their midst.

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday	December 14	5:00 pm	Paul and Earline Distler	Vigil Mass
Sunday	December 15	8:00 am	Parishioners	Third Sunday of Advent
Sunday	December 15	10:00 am	Bernard and Jean Schanzmeyer	Third Sunday of Advent
Domingo	15 de diciembre	6:00 pm	Marilyn Merlo	Segundo Domingo de Adviento
Monday	December 16	No Mass		Immaculate Conception(Dispensed)
Tuesday	December 17	No Mass		Our Lady of Loreto
Wednesday	December 18	No Mass		St. Damasus I
Thursday	December 19	No Mass		Our Lady of Guadalupe
Friday	December 20	No Mass		St. Lucy
Saturday	December 21	5:00 pm	Joseph Chaperlo	Vigil Mass
Sunday	December 22	8:00 am	Parishioners	Fourth Sunday of Advent
Sunday	December 22	10:00 am	Armella Seiter	Fourth Sunday of Advent
Domingo	22 de diciembre	6:00 pm	SI-Hank & Arlene Satea	Cuarto Domingo de Adviento

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WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to all our guests and visitors who have graced us with their presence at today's liturgy. We hope that you feel at home here; please let us know if we can be of any assistance while you are with us.

BISHOP'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION

For hope to find a home in our hearts as we embrace the joy of Christ's birth. Amid the jubilation, may we also find time in prayer to experience the calm and peace of God's presence in our lives.

Para que la esperanza encuentre un hogar en nuestros corazones al abrazar la alegría del nacimiento de Cristo. Que en esta alegría también encontremos tiempo en oración para experimentar la calma y la paz de la presencia de Dios en nuestras vidas.

HEARING IMPAIRED

For those with moderate hearing difficulties, hearing assistance units are available in the Fellowship Hall behind the Sanctuary. Please ask an usher if you need one.

WEEKLY PARISH SCHEDULE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16

OFFICE CLOSED
Welcome Seed Team Mtg (FH)
| 6:00 pm

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17

NO MASS
NO STUDY GROUP
Staff Meeting–Office Closed (L)
| 11:00 am
Book Club (FH) | 4:30 pm

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18

NO MASS
Soup Supper | 5:00 pm
Reconciliation Service | 6:00 pm

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19

NO MASS
Rosary | 8:00 am
Fellowship Breakfast | 8:30 am
Cursillo Meeting | 4:30 pm
OCIA (L)| 5:30 pm

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20

NO MASS
Adoration in Chapel |
8:30 am – 2:00 pm

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The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered Saturdays from 4 – 4:30 pm or by appointment.

From the Pastor's Desk:

Third Sunday of Advent

There will NOT be Daily Mass December 16th–20th. We will have Adoration on Friday, December 20th from 8:30am to 2:00pm. We will be saying the Rosary on Thursday, December 19th at 8:00 am in the Chapel. Please join us for fellowship breakfast immediately following the Rosary. All are welcome!

Medical Update: Father is continuing to have outpatient therapies and getting in a routine. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.
~The Office Staff

PARISHIONER NEWS

WEEKLY PARISH SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21

Reconciliation | 4:00pm–4:30pm
Mass in Church | 5:00 pm

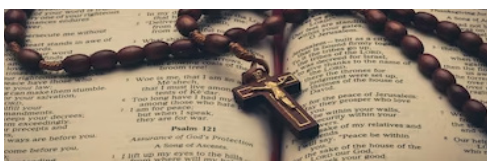
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22

Mass in Church | 8:00 am
Mass in Church | 10:00 am
Misa en la Iglesia | 6:00 pm

ROSARY AND BREAKFAST

We will be saying the Rosary on Thursday, December 19th at 8:00 am in the Chapel.

Please join us for fellowship breakfast immediately following the Rosary. All are welcome!



NO DAILY MASS THIS WEEK

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We will be having Adoration on Friday, December 20th
8:30 am – 2:00 pm

LECTOR BOOKS

If you requested a new lector book, they are available in the office. Stop by and pick it up during our office hours, Tuesday–Friday 8 am–4:30 pm. Thank you.

TODAY–DONUTS

TODAY!!!

Donut/Youth Sunday, Have a donut or 2 and some bagels, coffee, juice and milk after Mass. **Donations made will help defray the cost of National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC)2025.**



MASS TIMES FOR CHRISTMAS

Christmas Eve Mass
4:00 pm

Christmas Day Mass
10:00 am

TRAVELING VOCATIONS CRUCIFIX

Please continue to sign-up. We are wanting to promote this in our parish for an entire year. We just need 52 parishioners/families to sign-up to accomplish this! Stop at the Welcome Center in Fellowship Hall and commit to one week of praying for vocations.

The following are those scheduled for the Vocations Crucifix: This week is Diane Elia. The week of December 21st–27th is Elaine Tracy.

Please sign up!

THIS WEDNESDAY!!!



Our Lady of the Lake Reconciliation Service

Wednesday, December 18th
6:00 PM

Soup Supper in Fellowship Hall
before from 5:00 pm –6:00 pm

Multiple Priests available
for reconciliation.

SOUP ANYONE?

If you would be interested in providing a soup or salad fixings or a dessert on Wednesday for our Reconciliation Service, please contact the office.

If you would like to donate Christmas Flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one, please drop an envelope with your donation in the collection baskets or donate online using the Flower Account. Either way you chose, please include a note with the name(s) of those you wish to honor or memorialize.

Bulletin announcements should be into the office by Wednesday at 4:00 PM for publication in that weekend's bulletin.

WORSHIP COMMISSION

Chair: Julie Mercurio

LITURGICAL ROLES FOR NEXT WEEK

	Saturday 5:00 PM	Sunday 8:00 AM	Sunday 10:00 AM
Mass Coord.	Kathy Cotter	Doug Blevins	Joan Wolf
Reader	Bill Farfan	Scott Gudeman	Marlene Matyshak
Eucharistic Ministers	Brian Hamrin Kelly Hamrin	Karen Blevins Kay Boyd	Larry Bayliss Linda Bayliss
Greeter/ Usher	Tom Ziegler Bob Cotter Steve Konuch	Mary Dorge Diane Elia Duke Dorge	Chris Hermann Lusica Hankins 1 Sub Needed
Streamer			Luke Wolf

All liturgical assistants should sign in the book in Fellowship Hall prior to Mass: Greeter/Ushers 30 minutes prior, Extraordinary Ministers no later than 5 minutes prior. Mass Coordinators are instructed to fill any open spots at these times. Thank you for all your help participating in celebrating the Eucharist.

WE NEED YOU!!!

HELP!!!

LIVE STREAMERS NEEDED

WE NEED USHERS!!

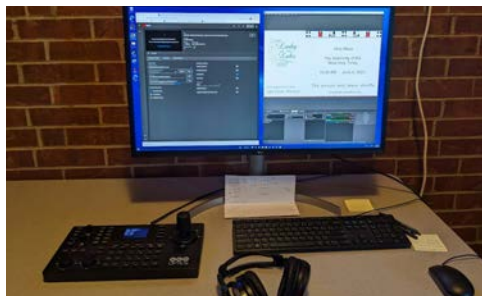
We need ushers for all Masses but are in desperate need of Head Ushers at 8:00 am Mass. Please contact the office if you would be interested. It is a great way to get involved.

We are in need of people who would like to assist with live streaming our Masses. You must be good with computers and be at least high school age or older. Please call the office if you are interested.

SCAM ALERT!

Staff and parishioners have received some scam texts and emails purported to be from Father Penn and staff. PLEASE DO NOT RESPOND TO THEM! Fr. Penn nor staff will send emails or text messages requesting money or gift cards. If you receive an email from any staff member the email address will have our @ourladylakeozark.org. at the end. You can always call the office if you have a concern or question.

Please be careful and aware!



MASS COORDINATORS NEEDED

Want to get involved in Mass? This is a great opportunity to participate and help celebrate the Mass. We are in need of Mass Coordinators. You must be an active Eucharistic Minister to become a Mass Coordinator. It is easy to be trained. If you are interested, please contact the office. Thank you!

Sing with the Choir!

Any parishioners who would like to sing with the choir on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, please contact Stacy Gier at Stacy@ourladylakeozark.org

THE PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

Please join us in reciting the prayer to St. Michael the Archangel after the recessional song at every Mass.

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen



PRAYERS FOR THE MILITARY

Please pray for our active duty military members:

Logan Rackers
U. S. Air Force

Commander Christopher Boehm
Navy

LCpl Christian Fisher
Marine Corps

Pvt Harrison Fisher
Marine Corps

SPC Owen Onstott
Army

Are you or a family member ill, in the hospital, or in hospice and would like to be in the bulletin for prayers needed? Please contact the office. Names will be listed for one month unless the office is notified otherwise.

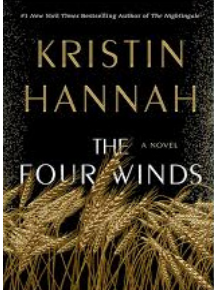
SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMISSION

Chair: Deacon Jim Hankins Email: deaconjim@ourladylakeozark.org

BOOK CLUB

The Our Lady of the Lake Book Club next meeting will be: Tuesday, December 17th at 4:30 pm We will meet in the Church Fellowship Hall.

We will be discussing the book,



The Four Winds
by Kristen
Hannah

ALL ARE
WELCOME!

In Celebration of Christmas, please bring an appetizer or dessert to share with the other ladies. We will have tea and water there but if you would like anything else to drink, please feel free to bring whatever beverage you prefer.

If you have questions please call or text Lusica 915-490-5765.

BLOOD DRIVES

Thursday, December 19, 2024

Four Seasons POA
2750 Horseshoe Bend Pkwy
Four Seasons
12:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Friday, December 20, 2024

Knights of Columbus Hall
547 West 54 Highway
Camdenton, MO
12:30 pm – 5:30 pm

HOPE HOUSE

Please remember to bring your unused, nonperishable, **non-expired** food donation each week. Food related items ONLY. Hope House **discards** any food item without an expiration date.

Hope House can **NO LONGER** accept **Egg Cartons** at this time.
WE DO NEED: PLASTIC BAGS

Donations for December 7th – 8th
32 Cans & 16 Misc.
8 Total Bags
Plus: 5 Large Bags of Bags

We **CANNOT** accept clothes or home items here at the church.

Please take donations for the thrift store directly to
Hope House,
40 Lakeland Rd, Lake Ozark.
More info:
www.hopehouseofmillercounty.org
To Volunteer Contact:
Annette Miller @573-280-7244

Bring your CAN
to Church.



HOPE HOUSE THRIFT STORE

We continue to welcome all new volunteers and our veteran volunteers who would like to assist at the front registers or elsewhere in the thrift store. Hope House is an amazing place to be!

Designated Our Lady of the Lake days:
January 2, 3, and 4

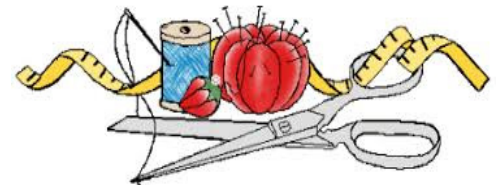
LET ME KNOW which days you can help! Thank you!!

Contact chair: Karen Blevins
573-291-1363 or
kdblevins1966@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY WORKSHOP

Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy Blessed New Year. Will **NOT** meet again until January 8th.

Join us every Wednesday morning from 8:30 – 11:00am to cut, iron, stuff, sew, stamp, stitch, and draw. We meet in Bestgen Hall, first room on the left. If you have any questions, contact Vivian Petro at 309-824-5626.



O Come
O Come

Emmanuel



STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

Chair: Gay Ann Christy Email: stewardship@ourladylakeozark.org



The Third Week of Advent is Gaudete Sunday, (Gaudete is Latin for Rejoice). Our scriptures this week take on a joyful tone as we continue our preparations for the feast of our Savior's birth. This week we light the pink candle on our advent wreath as a reminder that the Advent season is a season JOY.

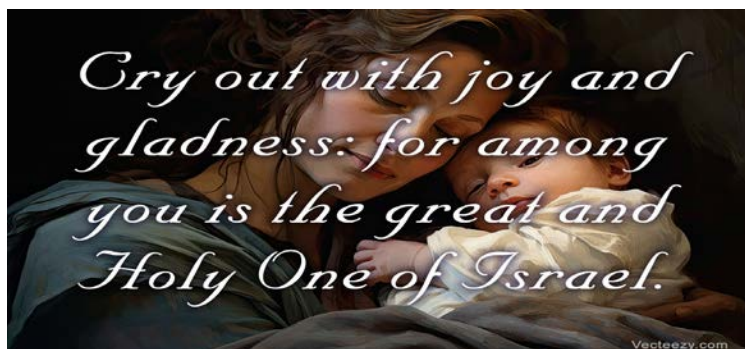
Our Second Reading gives us cause for joy as Paul reminds us, "The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all..." He gives us a prescription for maintaining peace: "In everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus."

This reminds us we can and should go to God with all our needs and present them to Him with thanksgiving. The Gospel passage from Luke shows us how to live out this sense of thankfulness, making our lives a gift to Christ in joyful response to His love for us. This guidance is a reflection of a stewardship way of life, gratitude to God in response to His great love and countless gifts to us.

This Third Week of Advent is the perfect time to preach and teach the "JOY" of stewardship. May we lead by example and lead with Joy, sharing as good and generous stewards all God's gifts. As the great feast of Christmas draws near, let us rejoice in Christ's extravagant love. Let us look carefully at our lives, making sure we are indeed making of them a gift fitting for Him.

Advent Prayer

Heavenly Father, fill our hearts with the joy that only comes from knowing your love. May we rejoice in the good news of salvation and generously share that joy with others during this season of Advent. Amen.



LADIES AUXILIARY

Contact: Theresa Brown
Cell: 417-425-5185

2024 has been a great year. Thank you for the many hours you have volunteered. Your support and assistance has been much appreciated!

We want to wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy New Year!

If you'd like to join our group, please contact Theresa Brown at 417-425-5185 for more information.



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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Contact: Ken Gray
Email: kgray1947@gmail.com

Thank you for all those who have volunteered in getting Bestgen Hall ready for the new flooring.

Planning meeting, January 7th
at 6:30 in Bestgen Hall.



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knights-of-columbus/](http://ourladylake.diojeffcity.org/knights-of-columbus/)



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EDUCATION COMMISSION

Chair: Michele Haggerty – michele@ourladylakeozark.org

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION CORNER

Wednesday, December 18 we will be offering a family **Advent Reconciliation Service**. We will be serving soup, salad, and desserts from 5:00–6:00 with the Reconciliation Service to follow. If you would be interested in assisting with a soup, salad ingredient, or dessert, please contact Kelly Hamrin in the parish office (573) 365–2241 to sign up.

Here's a reminder of the little things we can all do to make a difference:

- ~Make Someone Smile—Monday
- ~Treat Someone with a Compliment—Tuesday
- ~Worship with Vigor—Wednesday
- ~Thank the Lord—Thursday
- ~Forgive Others—Friday
- ~Surprise a Loved One—Saturday
- ~Sing at Mass—Sunday

- **TODAY Sunday, December 15 – 9:30** – all 5th and 6th graders are welcome to come and practice and then sing in the choir at the 10:00 Mass. We will be offering this opportunity to all 5th & 6th graders on the third Sundays of each month for the remainder of the school year.
- **TODAY Sunday, December 15—Donut Sunday/Youth Sunday** after 8:00 and 10:00 Masses. ALL YOUTH get a FREE Donut! Donations help defray the cost of sending our high school youth to National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) in November 2025.
- **Wednesday, December 18—6:00 Reconciliation Service**/from 5:00–6:00 a Soup, Salad, and Dessert bar will be offered. If interested in assisting with the soup, salad or dessert, please contact Kelly Hamrin in the parish office.
- **Wednesday, December 25—Merry Christmas**
- **Wednesday, January 1—Happy New Year**
- **Wednesday, January 8—5:15–7:00** back to FFF after the holidays.

Questions or comments, please call Michele Haggerty, DRE at (816) 210-8223 or (573) 365-2241 ext. 4.

TUESDAY STUDY GROUP

The Bible and the Virgin Mary is the Tuesday Morning Group Study topic. They are discussing the new book of the Virgin Mary on December 17th. They meet in the St. Theresa room on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 am. All are welcome.



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4. Find Our Lady of the Lake, Lake Ozark or type 65049 in for the zip code.
5. Enter your email – and you are in!

YOUTH GROUP 2024: SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

Please look over the NCYC Covenant. Let Michele or Karen know if you have any questions. TY!

December Events:

*DONUT SUNDAY: TODAY!! December 15th after 8 and 10 mass

*NEXT Sharing the Good News: January 12th 11:00am–12:30pm

*Hope House volunteering: any day you can in December! Last day is Dec. 21.

Contact Karen Blevins with any questions!
573-291-1363 or kdblevins1966@gmail.com



IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS AND DATES

- TODAY December 15th Donut Sunday
- December 17th Book Club 4:30 pm
- December 18th Communal Reconciliation Service at 6pm
- December 19th Rosary and Breakfast 8:00 am
- December 24th Christmas Eve 4:00 pm Mass
- December 25th Christmas Day 10:00 am Mass

The next bulletin will be a double issue for the weekends of December 21st–22nd and December 28th and 29th. Please let the office know by Wednesday, December 18th if you have anything for the bulletin for these 2 weeks.

DEADLINE!

The Parish Office will be closed on the following dates for the holidays: December 24th through January 1st. The office will be open on January 2nd at 8:30.

THANK YOU!

The Advent by Candlelight Planning Committee would like to say a huge thank you to all who assisted in making our event once again... amazing! It was a beautiful evening with Scripture readings, prayer, songs of praise, Christian fellowship, a dessert bar and lights. Lots of lights and Nativities! It was a lovely evening that could not have happened without our parishioners' support! Special thanks to Karen Blevins for her leadership in making this beautiful event a success.



Happenings !



One of the longest running Christmas light displays at the Lake of the Ozarks returns this year, beginning Nov. 28, 2024 through Jan. 5, 2025. The National Shrine of Mary, Mother of the Church, 176 Marian Drive in Laurie, will be offering the display to the public, free of charge, from 5–10 p.m. each night. On Fridays, 6–8 p.m., the gift shop will be open and free hot cocoa and candy canes will be offered, starting Nov. 29.

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Through the Christmas Special Collection



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Or, look for the envelope in the December 6 issue of *The Catholic Missourian* and bring it to Mass or the parish office



Desde el escritorio del pastor

Tercer domingo de Adviento

No habrá misa diaria del 16 al 20 de diciembre. Tendremos adoración el viernes 20 de diciembre de 8:30 a. m. a 2:00 p. m. Rezaremos el rosario el jueves 19 de diciembre a las 8:00 a. m. en la capilla. Únase a nosotros para el desayuno fraterno inmediatamente después del rosario. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

Actualización médica: el padre continúa con terapias ambulatorias y está adoptando una rutina. Por favor, continúen manteniéndolo en sus oraciones. ~ El personal de la oficina

RINCÓN DE FORMACIÓN EN LA FE FAMILIAR

El miércoles 18 de diciembre ofreceremos un servicio de reconciliación familiar de Adviento. Serviremos sopa, ensalada y postres de 5:00 a 6:00 p. m. y luego se realizará el servicio de reconciliación. Si le interesa ayudar con una sopa, un ingrediente para una ensalada o un postre, comuníquese con Kelly Hamrin en la oficina parroquial (573) 365-2241 para inscribirse.

Aquí hay un recordatorio de las pequeñas cosas que todos podemos hacer para marcar una diferencia:

- ~Hacer sonreír a alguien—lunes
- ~Hacer un cumplido a alguien—martes
- ~Adorar con vigor—miércoles
- ~Agradecer al Señor—jueves
- ~Perdonar a los demás—viernes
- ~Sorprender a un ser querido—sábado
- ~Cantar en la misa—domingo (si su familia asiste a la misa los sábados, inter cambie sábado y domingo;)

~Domingo 15 de diciembre - 9:30 - todos los estudiantes de 5.º y 6.º grado están invitados a venir a practicar y luego cantar en el coro en la misa de las 10:00. Ofreceremos esta oportunidad a todos los estudiantes de 5.º y 6.º grado el tercer domingo de cada mes durante el resto del año escolar.

~Domingo 15 de diciembre: Domingo de la dona/Domingo de los jóvenes después de las misas de las 8:00 y las 10:00. ¡TODOS LOS JÓVENES reciben una dona GRATIS! Las donaciones ayudan a sufragar el costo de enviar a nuestros jóvenes de la escuela secundaria a la Conferencia Nacional Católica de Jóvenes (NCYC) en noviembre de 2025.

~Miércoles 18 de diciembre: Servicio de reconciliación a las 6:00 p. m. De 5:00 a 6:00 p. m. se ofrecerá una barra de sopa, ensalada y postre. Si está interesado en ayudar con la sopa, la ensalada o el postre, comuníquese con Kelly Hamrin en la oficina parroquial.

~Miércoles 25 de diciembre: Feliz Navidad

~Miércoles 1 de enero: Feliz Año Nuevo

~Miércoles 8 de enero: De 17:15 a 19:00 horas, regreso a FFF después de las vacaciones.

**Si tiene preguntas o comentarios, llame a Michele Haggerty, DRE
al (816) 210-8223 or (573) 365-2241 ext. 4.**

GRUPO DE JÓVENES 2024: COMPARTIENDO LA BUENA NOTICIA

Por favor, revise el Pacto de NCYC. Avíseme a Michele o a mí si tiene alguna pregunta. ¡GRACIAS!

Eventos de diciembre:

*PRÓXIMO Compartiendo las Buenas Nuevas: 11:00-12:30 8 de diciembre: Celebrando la Navidad y las Bienaventuranzas. ¡Planifique estar allí!

*Voluntariado en Hope House: ¡cualquier día que pueda en diciembre! El último día es el 21 de diciembre.

*Domingo de donas: 15 de diciembre después de las misas de las 8 y las 10: Necesitamos algunos miembros del grupo de jóvenes para pasar el rato después de ambas misas.

¡Comuníquese con Karen Blevins si tiene alguna pregunta! 573-291-1363 o kdblevins1966@gmail.com

