

St. Mary's of the Lake



December 27, 2020

The Holy Family of
Jesus, Mary and Joseph

“For my eyes have seen your
salvation, which you prepared in
the sight of all the peoples, a light
for revelation to the Gentiles, and
glory for your people Israel.”
- Lk 2:30-32

LAKWOOD CHURCH
CROOKED LAKE CHAPEL
SILVER CLIFF CHAPEL

Incorporated
12 February 1918 – 12 February 2018
Under the Title
St. Mary's of the Lake

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Parish Mission Statement
We the members of St. Mary's of the Lake
are called by Jesus to be the light of the
world, through the mission and ministry
of His Catholic Church; to discover Him,
follow Him, worship Him, and share His
love.

To Join the Parish: Contact the Office

Sacraments



Reconciliation

Lakewood: First Fridays 9am, Sat. 3:30pm
Silver Cliff: after 5:30pm Mass on the
1st Saturday of the month
Crooked Lake: after 7:30am Mass on the
2nd Sunday of the month

Baptism

Preparation program required,
please contact the office

Confirmation

Usually confirmed in the junior
and senior year of high school

Marriage

Make arrangements with the pastor
six months prior to desired date

Anointing of the Sick

Individual arrangements can
be made through the parish office

First Friday

Mass at 8:30 am
Exposition from 9:00am - 10:00am
Reconciliation from 9:00am - 10:00am
Benediction at 10:00am

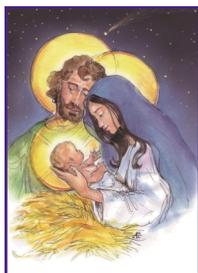
Religious Education Classes

Wednesday Evenings October - May
1st-6th 4:00pm-5:30pm
7th-12th 6:30pm-8:00pm

The Rosary

Lakewood: Wednesdays & Fridays at 8am
Silver Cliff: Saturdays before 5:30 Mass.

Christian Thrift
Store is in need of
paper bags!



Mary, the Holy Mother of God

January 1st is the oldest celebration of Mary in the Catholic Church. The custom of honoring the Virgin on the first day of the New Year originates in the sixth century, when her celebration was tied to the octave day of Christmas, the eighth day after December 25. In doing so, ancient preachers would remind their congregations about the role that Mary played in the history of salvation. Jesus was

born of a woman, and so, as Eucharistic Prayer 4 states, "Made incarnate by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary, he shared our human nature in all things but sin." The human nature of Christ is rooted in his being born like us. As we round out the Christmas celebration with its Octave Day on January 1st, we venerate the woman who gave birth to him.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 26, 2020

4:00pm Lakewood: Robert, Catherine & Vicki VerVoort✠

5:30pm Silver Cliff: Deceased Members of the
Lester Joachim Family✠

Sunday, December 27, 2020

7:30am Crooked Lake: The People of St. Mary's & St. Ambrose

9:00am Lakewood: Tanya Klobucar✠

Tuesday, December 29, 2020

8:30am Lakewood: Dave Hurlbut✠

Wednesday, December 30, 2020

8:30am Lakewood: Percy Knaub✠

Thursday, December 31, 2020

5:30pm Silver Cliff: Deceased Members of the Hoenig Family

6:00pm Lakewood: For the Mainczyk Families

4:00pm St. Ambrose in Wabeno

Friday, January 1, 2021 Mary Mother of God

7:30am Crooked Lake: The People of St. Mary's & St. Ambrose

9:00 Lakewood: Gerry Bohl✠

10:30am St. Ambrose in Wabeno

Saturday, January 2, 2021

4:00pm Lakewood: Bill Dutton✠

5:30pm Silver Cliff: Tom Helling✠

Sunday, January 3, 2021

7:30am Crooked Lake: The People of St. Mary's & St. Ambrose

9:00am Lakewood: Larry Goffard✠



Prayer Requests . . .

For healing and good health of mind, body, and spirit: Ken Kesner, Barb Mainczyk, Ed Vejvoda, Joe Kampf, Sandra DeGoey, Gary Wagner, Gwen Wilson, Audrey Hallada, Julie Biese Bane, Joyce West, Tom Boettcher, Merle Verhagen, Myra Verhagen and Marty Kruger

For eternal rest, and for God's blessings on their families:

Dolores Rzepka

For all the prayer requests written in our Parish Book of Petitions.



Prayer Shawls

If you would like to receive a prayer shawl, or know of someone who would, please call the parish office. A prayer shawl has been blessed by Father and helps to remind us of God's love and care and the prayers of our faith community to know that we are not alone.



Pray the Rosary

Join us every Wednesday before Mass at 8:00am to pray the Rosary for the sick of the parish and on Fridays at 8:00am for Peace.

Your Sharing

Totals will be reported next week.

*God Bless You For Your Sharing
& Thank You!*

Thank You!

Thank you to all who gave generously last weekend to our brothers and sisters in the Philippines.

The Most Perfect Gift

No blanket of snow to cover the ground, no pines brightly glowing with lights all around.

No presents tied gaily with ribbon of red, just a pillow of straw for the infants sweet head.

A mother's sweet song broke the silence that night. A brilliant, white star, turned darkness to light. The birth in the manger, pure love we recall; God's most perfect Christmas gift to us all.

**Merry Christmas!
Happy New Year!**



Come let us adore Him

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Mary's of the Lake:

◆ This Sunday (Dec 27), in union with the universal Church, we celebrate the FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY. Speaking of the HOLY FAMILY, we may be tempted to think of the Holy Family as not really part of our human family. They were often portrayed in the holy pictures as so holy, so perfect, so unreal: All wearing shining haloes. However, looking behind those perfect pictures, we have to say that: Despite their unique positions & missions in God's plan of salvation, the Holy Family (*from the human point of view*) also shared the same common lot with all the ups & downs of all human families! Both Joseph & Mary were poor, simple people --leading a



common, simple life in an ordinary family. However, this poor & ordinary couple was HOLY in a sense that they always wanted to discern & fulfill the Will of God. With the grace of God, together they helped create an atmosphere in the family appropriate for the development of the child Jesus, especially in the 3 major areas: wisdom, age and grace.

Through the intercessions of our Blessed Mother and St.

Joseph, may God bless all our families in our effort to discern & fulfill the Will of God. With the grace of God, may parents & older people create & nourish an atmosphere in the family, appropriate for the development of the children --especially in the 3 major areas: age, wisdom & grace.

◆ This coming Friday January 1st will be our NEW YEAR DAY and also the SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD. Isn't it so fitting & appropriate that the Feast of Mary, Mother of God is celebrated at the beginning of a New Year? For just as January 1st is the beginning of our new year, the Blessed Virgin Mary brought Jesus to the world to mark a beginning of a new phase in our salvation history. St. Paul proclaims: 'When the fullness of time had come, God sent His Son, born of a woman.' (*Gal 4:4*). That woman is the Blessed Virgin Mary, who is indeed the 'Theotokos' or 'God Bearer' or 'Mother of God.'

◆ Normally, the Solemnity of Mother of God is a holy day of obligation. Nevertheless, because of Covid-19, the obligation is lifted this year. If you are able to, however, plan to go to church for the Feast either on New Year Eve or New Year Day to glorify God, to honor Mary, and to ask God, through the powerful intercession of Mary, to bless us in our New Year 2021 (Check the Mass Schedule for Mass time).

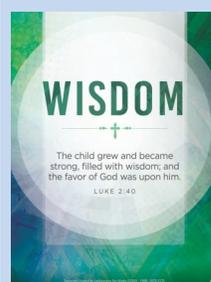
A BLESSED & HAPPY NEW YEAR



filled with
HOPE, PEACE, JOY & LOVE

Speaking of a New Year, we are speaking of the precious gift of TIME [1 year, 12 months, 52 weeks, 365 days, 8760 hours, 525,600 minutes, or 31,536,000 seconds]. At the beginning of our New Year shall we pray to God: 'Teach us to count our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart.' (*Psalms 90:12*).

Fr. Philip



God, you became human through the obedience of a simple young woman named Mary. Mary is our model of faith. May we be faithful to your word as Mary was. Give us the courage to face each day with the yes that Mary gave to you. We ask this through the incarnate God, who comes to us again during this Christmas season.

Amen.

Happy New Year!

We know, O Lord, that our times are in your hands. While we live on Earth, enable us to please you in all things. Especially now, as we enter a new year, we pray for strengthened spirits that we may praise you properly by our thoughts, words and deeds. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.



The Glory of God Shines Upon You

Pray For Peace

