

# St. Mary's of the Lake



**January 3, 2021**  
The Epiphany of the Lord

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.  
- Mt 2:10-11

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

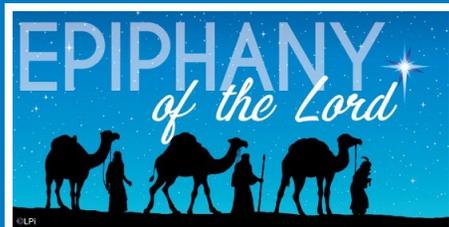
## Religious Education Classes

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!



## We Have Come to Worship the King

Today the Wise Men see the little child and Mary his mother. With them, Lord, we wish to discover you in the midst of our brothers and sisters. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! Today they prostrate themselves before you and adore you. With them, Lord, we wish to adore your holy will for us. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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## 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, Eugene Fencil and Bill Bohlmann

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



## Mass Intentions



### 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✘

### Tuesday, January 5, 2021

8:30am Lakewood: Bob Mainczyk✘

### Wednesday, January 6, 2021

8:30am Lakewood: Margaret Armstrong✘

### Thursday, January 7, 2021

8:30am Lakewood: Jeanne Castaneda & Julia Busch✘

### Friday, January 8, 2021

8:30am Lakewood: Bob Yadro✘

### Saturday, January 9, 2021

4:00pm Lakewood: The Mainczyk Families

5:30pm Silver Cliff: Bernice Gruenke✘

### Sunday, January 10, 2021

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

9:00am Lakewood: Dave Hurlbut✘

## 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

### Fourth Sunday of Advent

Lakewood.....	\$4619.62
Silver Cliff .....	\$683.00
Crooked Lake.....	\$162.00
Total.....	\$5464.62
Religious Retirement Fund.....	\$240.00
Typhoon Relief.....	\$455.00

### The Nativity of the Lord

Lakewood.....	\$1402.00
Silver Cliff totals will be reported next week	
Crooked Lake.....	\$636.00
Total.....	\$2038.00
Religious Retirement.....	\$35.00

### The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Lakewood.....	\$3031.55
Silver Cliff totals will be reported next week	
Crooked Lake.....	\$577.00
Total.....	\$3605.88
Maintenance Fund.....	\$500.00

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

The Glory of God Shines Upon You

## The Holy Star

O Father, may that holy star  
Grow every year more bright  
And send its glorious beams  
afar.



The Gift of the Newborn King



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

[Below is part of Pope Francis' Reflection during the Angelus on Jan 6, 2020]:

We celebrate the SOLEMNITY OF EPIPHANY in memory of the Magi who went to Bethlehem from the Orient, following the star, in order to visit the newborn Messiah. At the end of the Gospel story, it says that the Magi, being warned in a dream not to return to Herod..., departed to their own country by another way.' (Mt 2:12). **By another way!**

◆ After traveling a long time, these wise men from distant lands find the one they wished to meet, after seeking him for so long, undoubtedly through exertion and danger. And when they finally reach their destination, they prostrate before the Child, they praise him and offer him their precious gifts. After that, they resume their journey without delay to return to their lands. **But that encounter with the Child has changed them.**

◆ The encounter with Jesus does not hold back the Magi. Indeed it instills in them a renewed thrust to return to their countries to recount what they had seen and the joy they had



felt. There is a demonstration of God's style in this, of his way of manifesting himself in history. The experience of God does not block us, but frees us. It does not imprison us, but rather

puts us back on a journey and delivers us to the familiar places of our lives. The places are and will continue to be the same. However, **after the encounter with Jesus, we are no longer the ones we were.** The encounter with Jesus changes us, transforms us. The Evangelist Matthew highlights that the Magi returned 'by another way' (v. 12). They were led to change their path after the angel's warning, so as not to run into Herod and his network of power.

Each experience of encounter with Jesus leads us to take a **different road** because from him comes a good power that heals the heart and separates us from evil.

◆ There is a wise **dynamic between continuity and newness**: the Magi return 'to their own country' but 'by another way'. This indicates that we are the ones who have to change, to transform our way of living albeit in our everyday environment, to modify our criteria of judgment over the reality that surrounds us....

**THANK YOU** for your prayers & gifts to me on the occasions of Xmas & New Year. God Bless: *Fr. Philip*

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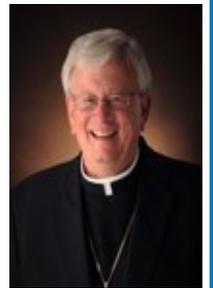


### Heavenly Father,

In this time of new beginnings, we recall how the heavens celebrated the birth of Christ. We think back to the new kingdom he proclaimed and remember the new life we gained in our baptism. In this time of new beginnings, and at the beginning of this New Year, may we always act as good examples of the new life in you that all Christians have and be the same for others. Give us the joy that is ours as adopted members of God's family. Amen.

### REASONS FOR HOPE:

◆ Below is part of Bishop Ricken's article on HOPE in the COMPASS on Dec 23, 2020 "One of the best encouragements we can give to one another is to point to our reasons for hope. Take some time this Christmas season to reflect on your reasons for hope. Let the grace of the Holy Spirit flow into your mind and heart, and then share your reasons with others. This, friends, is a way to build up each other and build the church."



### MinisTree Program

January 1st and we are able to start again! If you bring in food for the food pantry, or come in to clean the sacristy, etc. please fill out a MinisTree card (found on the bulletin board in the back corner of the church). The first time you fill out a card please fill in all of the info requested (name, address, phone, age). After that just fill in your name and the activity (if that is not already indicated on the card). Put your completed card in the manila envelope that is on the board. Each completed card will earn \$5 for the Religious Education Program. Thank you so much for giving & volunteering!



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Let us, with the wise men, pay homage to our newborn King.