

St. Mary's of the Lake



January 24, 2021

The Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time

As he passed by the Sea of Galilee,
he saw Simon and his brother
Andrew casting their nets into the
sea; they were fishermen. Jesus said
to them, "Come after me, and I will
make you fishers of men."

- Mk 1:16-17

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!



Welcome!

The Lord has called all of us to a new way of living under His wonderful grace as our Savior. May joy and peace be yours as we praise our Lord and grow close to God and one another. It is a pleasure to have you worshipping with us.

Mass Intentions



Saturday, January 23, 2021

4:00pm Lakewood: Bob Liebsch✠
5:30pm Silver Cliff: The People of St. Mary's & St. Ambrose

Sunday, January 24, 2021

7:30am Crooked Lake: Vernon & Carol Kostichka✠
9:00am Lakewood: The Mainczyk Families

Tuesday, January 26, 2021

8:30am Lakewood: Percy Knaub✠✠

Wednesday, January 27, 2021

8:30am Lakewood: Bob Yadro✠

Thursday, January 28, 2021

8:30am Lakewood: Larry Goffard✠

Friday, January 29, 2021

8:30am Lakewood: Bob Mainczyk✠

Saturday, January 30, 2021

4:00pm Lakewood: Cathy Davies✠
5:30pm Silver Cliff: A Special Intention

Sunday, January 31, 2021

7:30am Crooked Lake: The People of St. Mary's & St. Ambrose
9:00am Lakewood: Bob Mainczyk✠

MinisTree Program

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!



Prayer Requests . . .

For healing and good health of mind, body, and spirit: Ken Kesner, Barb Mainczyk , Joe Kampf, Gary Wagner, Merle Verhagen, Myra Verhagen, Mary Wagner and Ralph Fritsch

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

Ron Turk, Eileen School, Marty Kruger and Frank Mainczyk

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

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Lakewood.....	\$2892.50
Silver Cliff	\$693.00
Crooked Lake.....	\$200.00
Total.....	\$3785.50

God Bless You For Your Sharing & Thank You!

God's Gift!

Every good and perfect gift comes from above.

-James 1:17

We will have baby bottles to pick up to help support the Hope Life Center in Antigo. Please fill your bottle with coins, bills or checks. The Center provides physical, emotional and spiritual support in a confidential, judgment-free environment. They offer free pregnancy testing, limited OB ultrasound, counseling, abortion recovery support, and parenting education. The Baby Bottle's will be collected in February. If you are not able to come to church you may send in your contributions. Checks made out to Hope Life Center. Thank you in advance for helping with God's little gifts!



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

Two important events happen in January annually:

◆ **CHRISTIAN UNITY:** Every year we observe a WEEK OF PRAYER OF CHRISTIAN UNITY from Jan 18 to Jan 25. This observance started in 1908 and has been an ecumenical & international observance. As a matter of fact, all Christian churches in the world are reminded of what Jesus prayed for in John 17, 'that they may be ONE!' As followers of Christ, we Christians are all called to celebrate the 'common ground' of our faith in God and in Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. May I invite you to pray that among Christians there be more understanding & love, respect & UNITY. May we know our faith, value and live our faith, while reaching out to others, realizing the goodness & many things we do have in common, and pray for one another. In all practicality, along with our prayers, may we see more all the similarities that may unite us rather than all the differences that may divide us. May we lead our Christian life in such a way that what Jesus teaches becomes true among us: 'This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.' (John 13: 35) .

◆ **ROE vs. WADE:** Every year on January 22 we observe the anniversary of the Supreme Court decision Roe vs, Wade in 1973, which legalized abortion in this Country. In other words, this year is the 48th Anniversary of this unfortunate decision, with the result of over 60 million babies being



denied the Right to Life. The Anniversary should remind us that human life is the precious gift from God, and to be valued, defended and respected 'from the womb to the tomb' – i.e from conception to natural death. In John 10:10 Jesus promised us, 'I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly.' Jesus came so

that, as His followers, we may have a meaningful life here on earth and eternal life in heaven. However, the question is: What would happen when human life is not respected and is terminated even from the beginning? In the *General Instructions to the Roman Missal* (GIRM #373) we read, on this anniversary all dioceses of the United States shall observe a 'day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion'. It is suggested that the Mass 'For Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life' is celebrated this day. Let us continue to pray for more respect for Life.

Fr. Philip

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Gospel Meditation

It was a normal day by all accounts, but John just wasn't feeling himself. He was a little lightheaded and out of sorts.

Later in the afternoon, he experienced a sharp pain in his chest and arm. Quick thinking and action brought John to the emergency department with a diagnosis of a significant heart attack. Surviving this ordeal, he found himself face to face with his cardiologist, having an honest conversation about things that needed to change. "I came close to death," John found himself thinking. Then came the remorse. He was a young man with a loving wife and children who were very close to facing life without him. John found himself with intense sorrow for living an unchecked and self-indulgent life that almost brought him to his demise. He wanted to change.

We all have our wake-up calls. We have experiences and encounters that force us to really think twice about choices we have made and directions we have taken. Often, we find ourselves looking at those we have hurt square in the eye and wallowing in our foolishness. We regrettably realize that we have allowed our needs to lure us into making some cruel mistakes. We impulsively say things and flip-flop do things that reveal our unredeemed and unhealed self. It is a self we stumble over and try to tame but can't quite seem to master and control. Help!

We spin our wheels, naively thinking that we will somehow, perhaps through persistence, get ourselves unstuck. But, we don't. We just get out of the car, feeling very helpless, and ignorantly look at the mess we got ourselves into. Did we ever think to ask someone for help? Or, taken the advice of One who is wiser and avoid this route altogether? "Come after me," are words that Jesus says to all of us. In order to heed his invitation, we must leave our ego-self behind and follow.

When we really see and understand the freedom, peace, justice, and love he offers, we find ourselves with such sorrow in our hearts for how foolish and silly we have been. All the misguided choices and sinful actions come full view and we see how risky our random impassioned behaviors really have been. Repentance is beautiful. When done with a sincere and contrite heart, it directs us to the glory that can be ours, ignites us with the challenge of living a life in service of others and reminds us that all is well.



Love in our Works

Our Lord does not care so much for the importance of our works as for the love with which they are done.

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