



Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples of Jesus Christ
OUR LADY OF THE LAKE CATHOLIC CHURCH
 Fifth Sunday of Lent

Corporal Work of Mercy: To Bury the Dead

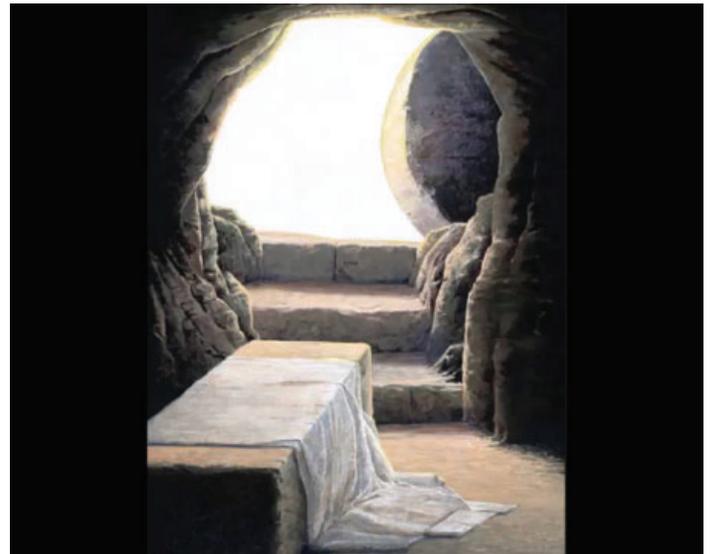
When Jesus heard about the death of his friend Lazarus, immediately he went to Bethany. Jesus wanted to make this an occasion to strengthen the faith of his disciples. In fact, Jesus was happy for their sake that he was not in Bethany when Lazarus died. By raising Lazarus from death Jesus wanted to reveal his divine power to his disciples.



While Jesus was still on the way, Martha, the sister of Lazarus, met him and expressed her deep sorrow. There takes place an emotional conversation between Jesus and Martha. She told him that if he had been there her brother would not have died. Maybe she thought that Jesus would have stopped the death of his friend Lazarus. But Jesus went beyond this physical healing and said, “Your brother will rise.” Martha replied to him, “I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day.” She expressed

her traditional Jewish belief in the resurrection of the dead on the last day. At this, Jesus explicitly told her that *he is the resurrection and life, and whoever lives and believes in him will never die.*

Death is not the end of everything rather it opens the way for a new life, a life living eternally with the Lord. **Christ died for our sins; he was buried; on the third day he was raised to life.** Christ conquered death through his death and resurrection. Life and death on this earth is only temporary and after this physical death we will be raised to a spiritual life. **As Christ was raised we too will be raised.** As St. Paul says, *if we are not raised then it means Christ is not raised.*



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WEEKDAY SERVICES

Mass at 8:30 AM Monday - Saturday

Mass at 6:30 AM Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Morning Prayer at 6:30 AM Monday, Friday

Recitation of the Rosary after Mass on Monday - Saturday

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM,
 Sunday Morning 7:30, 9:00, 11:30 AM,
 Life Teen Mass 5:00 PM

LOCATED AT

790 A Avenue
 Lake Oswego, OR 97034

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM or by Appointment

ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

First Friday of the Month
 8:45 AM to 12:00 PM in the Church

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call the Parish Office

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Bury the Dead continued

In the first reading, taken from the book of Ezekiel, we read that the Lord will open the graves and put his Spirit in them that they may live. It is the sign that the Lord is always with his people; he is compassionate, merciful and ready to forgive our sins. The covenantal relationship, 'I am your God and you are my people,' is always before the Lord.

In the second reading, taken from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans, the same mercy and compassion of the Lord is stressed. Here he brings in the contrast between flesh and Spirit. The Spirit that raised Christ from the dead will raise our mortal bodies also.

So when we bury the dead we bury them with the hope that their journey of life in this world is over, and they are

waiting for a new life to come. The dead are like seeds in the ground. When the body is buried it is mortal; when raised it will be immortal. When buried it is a physical body; when raised, it will be a spiritual body. This will happen on the Last Day. This is our hope and with this hope we bury the dead. We pray for them that if at all they have committed any sin that should be forgiven. This is the reason why we offer holy Mass for the repose of their souls. At the same time we pray to the saints who are now in heaven for our spiritual perfection and material needs during our life on earth. We call this spiritual union, "The Communion of Saints."

Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's
(Romans 14:8).

— Fr. Suresh Amalraj, Parochial Vicar

Pastoral Council Nominations



Do you or someone you know have ideas for enhancing the pastoral mission of Our Lady of the Lake? Do you want to help develop new leadership and increase participation of parishioners in the ministries of the parish? OLL's Pastoral Council is seeking nominations for membership for the next two-year term. The council meets monthly to assist the pastor in fostering activities which support the pastoral mission of the Parish including evangelization, ministries, and liturgy. Participation in Pastoral Council is a great way to Love God, Love Others, and Make Disciples of Jesus Christ. For more information or to submit a nomination, please contact Isaac at pastoralcouncil@ollministry.com. Nominations are due Saturday, April 4.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 29, 2020

For the Parishioners

Monday, March 30, 2020

+Gladys Haynes

Tuesday, March 31, 2020

+Neville Perera

Wednesday, April 1, 2020

+Robert Goodwin

Thursday, April 2, 2020

+Andrew Schappart

Friday, April 3, 2020

Saturday, April 4, 2020

+Ron Heier

Sunday, April 5, 2020

For the Parishioners

Due to COVID-19 and the cancellation of public Masses, only one Intention is able to be said per day by our pastor, Fr. John Kerns, when he presides over a private Mass. The Intentions which are not said on their originally scheduled day will be rescheduled as soon as possible. Upcoming Intentions can be viewed online at visit www.ollparish.com/intentions.

Pope Francis Speaks about Lent and Confession

In his morning homily March 20, Pope Francis implored us, “*God is able to transform us. He is able to change our heart, but it’s necessary to take the first step: to return. It’s not to go to God, no: it’s to return home.*”

Lent, the Pope pointed out, always points to this conversion of heart that, in the Christian custom, is embodied in the Sacrament of Confession.

“*It’s the moment,*” Pope Francis said, “*to let God whiten us, God purify us, God embrace us.*”

What If I Cannot Leave Home...

The Holy Father recognized that before Easter, many faithful go to Confession to meet with God again.

“*However,*” he acknowledged, “*many will say to me today: ‘But, Father, where can I find a priest, a confessor, because one can’t leave home? And I want to make peace with the Lord, I want Him to embrace me, that my Papa embrace me . . . What can I do if I can’t find priests?’*”

“*Do what the Catechism says,*” the Pope stressed, “*it’s very clear: if you don’t find a priest to hear your Confession, talk with God, He is your Father, and tell Him the truth: ‘Lord, I’ve done this, and that, and that . . . I’m sorry,’ and ask Him for forgiveness with all your heart, with the Act of Contrition and promise Him: ‘Afterwards I will go to Confession but forgive me now.’*”

If you do all this, Pope Francis said, *you will return to God’s grace immediately. As the Catechism teaches, he reminded, you yourself can approach God’s forgiveness without having a priest at hand.*

“*Think: it’s the moment! And this is the right moment, the opportune moment. An Act of Contrition well made,*” Pope Francis said, *will make “our soul become white as snow.”*

“*It would be good if today this ‘return’ resounded in our ears, ‘return to your Papa, return to your Father,’*” Pope Francis said, *underscoring: “He is waiting for you and He will celebrate you.”*

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Stay up to date with events at OLL

Read the Bulletin!

Sign up for Weekly Parish emails by calling the office!

Visit the Website at ollparish.com!

Check us out on Social Media!

Facebook @OLLCatholicChurch &

Instagram @OLLCatholicChurch

Closures and Cancellations

In these uncertain times of government restrictions on large gatherings of people, event cancellations, and other closures, we are responding as quickly as possible regarding our own Mass schedule and parish activities. We will post on our parish website whenever there are additional closures or cancellations of programs or activities. Please regularly check in at www.ollparish.com for information.

If you are not already subscribed, please sign-up (<https://bit.ly/2wwc3PY>) for our weekly and emergency emails to keep informed of parish events, changes and closures.

Finally, let’s continue to pray for all who are being affected by this outbreak and especially the medical personnel responding and researching. We offer the prayer below as one you can pray daily at home:

Covid-19: A Prayer of Solidarity

For all who have contracted coronavirus,
We pray for care and healing.

For those who are particularly vulnerable,
We pray for safety and protection.

For all who experience fear or anxiety,
We pray for peace of mind and spirit.

For affected families who are facing difficult decisions
between food on the table or public safety,
We pray for policies that recognize their plight.

For those who do not have adequate health insurance,
We pray that no family will face financial burdens
alone.

For those who are afraid to access care
due to immigration status,
We pray for recognition of the God-given dignity of all.

For our brothers and sisters around the world,
We pray for shared solidarity.

For public officials and decisionmakers,
We pray for wisdom and guidance.

Father, during this time may your Church
be a sign of hope, comfort and love to all.

Grant peace.
Grant comfort.
Grant healing.
Be with us, Lord.

Amen.

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Life Kids Beginners

Every Sunday • 8:45–11:30 AM
Nursery for 9 Months – 3 Years Old
Parish Hall Transept

Life Kids

Seeking volunteers to help with teacher activities,
especially in preschool and kindergarten.

Sundays 10:20 to 11:15 AM

Preschool—5th Grade

Where children are inspired with prayer, song,
and faith-filled learning

www.ollparish.com/life-kids

For more information about Children's
Ministry, contact Mary at maryb@ollparish.com
or call the parish office.



EDGE Middle School Ministry, Confirmation, and
Life Teen events are currently NOT MEETING due to
restrictions from the Coronavirus COVID-19 Outbreak.

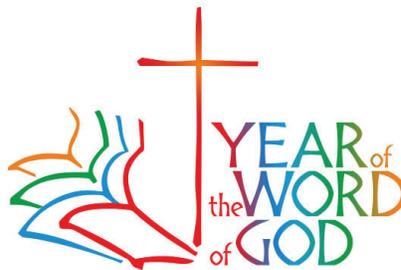
Parents will be emailed directly with information, re-
sources and resumed schedules.

Parents: if you are not receiving emails through Flock
Note, send an email youthministry@ollparish.com to
sign-up. If you have questions about Youth Ministry
programs at OLL, contact Paul, the interim youth di-
rector, at youthministry@ollparish.com.

YEAR OF THE WORD OF GOD

This year we are encouraging you to
read the Bible. Reading Plans available
in the Narthex, at the Welcome Desk in
the Parish Office, or at the Parish Office.
If you have any questions, feel free to
stop by the Parish Office or Welcome
Desk and we'd be happy to help as well
as offer encouragement!

Remember, don't worry about getting
behind or starting at a later date. You
can go at your own pace or begin
where we are. Follow along with our
journey of **Reading through the Bible**
this year on social media, the weekly
emails, and online at [ollparish.com/
read-the-bible](http://ollparish.com/read-the-bible).



This Week's Readings

**Sunday, March 29 • Day 64: Leviticus
21-22** (Sanctity of the Priesthood and
Priestly Purity), **Psalm 66**, and **Acts
6** (Assigning of Deacons). Visit us on
Social Media to share what you are
learning!

Bible Reading Encouragement

Last week, we began the book of Acts,
which includes Pentecost and the
disciples sharing all things in common.
How, in this time of social distancing,
can we still share all things in common,
like the disciples? Visit us on Instagram
or Facebook to share your thoughts or
ask your questions about these stories!

Socks for Souls Lenten Drive



The Parish Health Ministry, in collaboration with Mercy Teams, is reaching out to you this Lent asking socks. Why socks? Socks are the #1 most requested and needed items in homeless shelters.

We would like to fulfill that need this Lent for the homeless in our community. Without socks the homeless are at a higher risk for disease and exposure to the cold.

Socks Boxes are located in the **Church Narthex**, **Parish Hall entrance**, and **Parish Center School lobby**. Please bring new socks only. White crew socks are preferred for men, women and children. This Lent, we invite you to consider offering socks for alms. Help us warm the soles of the souls in need.



**Stations of the Cross
Soup Supper
Speaker**

CANCELED

Easter Environment Offerings



In this sacred season of giving, we encourage you to consider an offering in any dollar amount in remembrance of loved ones. These gifts will be used to enhance the environment of the Church during the Easter Season. Baskets containing envelopes are in the Narthex, upstairs in the church near the elevator entrance, and in the Parish Hall. Please fill out the information requested in a readable manner. Your offerings may be made “in memory of” or “in thanksgiving for.” Envelope may be placed in the collection basket or bring to the Parish Office. The cut-off date is Sunday, April 5. Thank you for helping us to create a festive and holy place this joyous Easter season.

40 Cans for Lent



Knights of Columbus Food Drive
for St. Vincent de Paul



Thank you to all who have donated food so far! This is a very challenging time and we so appreciate your willingness to drop off donations for those in our area who experience food insecurity. We will continue to collect 40 Cans for Lent food donations through Easter and distribute them to families and individuals. We also have an urgent need for financial contributions at this time for St. Vincent de Paul to continue the work of helping PREVENT homelessness. SVdP can use your financial contributions, in any amount, to purchase grocery gift cards to be mailed out to clients who cannot get to their local food pantries. Please make checks payable to St. Vincent de Paul, but mail them to OLL. Your continued support for the food drive during this time of great need is much appreciated.



Bulletin entries must be submitted two Fridays prior to publication date.

Send submissions via email to karab@ollparish.com. Entries may be edited for purposes of clarity and space. For information contact Kara.

Please notify the office of any family changes such as address, phone number or email, as well as family additions. Contact Georgeann at 503-636-7687 or office@ollparish.com.

Refugee Resettlement Requests Donations

The Refugee Ministry is looking for the following items to be donated for Refugee families in need: **kitchen knives, pots and pans (new or lightly used), coffee tables, end tables, and rugs (must be clean)**. These donated items would be most helpful and appreciated. Contact Rod at rodneysacsonaghi@gmail.com, with any questions.

Please Note: Presently we do not need bedding/sheets, but if donated, **they must be new** (sheets) and in **excellent clean condition** (Blankets/comforters).

Mercy Teams

Family Lenten Service Opportunities March & April

With an abundance of caution, we hope to continue serving the needs of our brothers and sisters in Christ. After consultation with several parish medical professionals, we have added several layers of protection to our protocol for Mercy Teams gatherings and outreach. Please email mercyteams@ollministry.com with any question, suggestions or concerns.

Street Ministry to the Homeless – Saturday, April 25, and May 23. A popular outreach with parish young families. Share your love with those struggling with chronic homelessness. You can assist with just preparation or join us on the street to minister to the homeless.

St. Andrew Nativity School Family Service Opportunity Saturday, May 30, 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. We will assist with indoor Library cleaning, organization and special projects for our youth as well as outdoor yardwork.



Respect Life

The US Catholic bishops have launched a nationwide effort called “Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of Service” to assist pregnant moms and families in need. The Respect Life Committee invites you to join us in this effort, and we will be providing more information in the bulletin each week. For more information go to www.walkingwithmoms.com.



Week 2: Did You Know?? “A Prayer for Pregnant Mothers” is available on prayer cards in the Narthex. Please take one and join with the Respect Life Committee and US Catholic bishops to say the prayer during this year of Walking with Moms in Need. The prayer is also found out www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/a-prayer-for-pregnant-mothers.cfm.

ONLINE GIVING IN 3 EASY STEPS

If you are already using online giving skip step 1 and 2.
(If you forgot your user ID or password click the forgot button and a new password will be emailed to you.)

STEP 1 - REGISTER

- From OLL website www.ollparish.com
- Click “Giving” in top right navigation bar
- Click on “Give Now:
- Click on **CREATE A NEW ACCOUNT**.
- Fill in the information boxes that contain a red asterisk. Make sure to write down your User ID and Password (put in a secure and safe place.)
- **Submit. You will receive an email to confirm your information.**



STEP 2 – SET UP PAYMENT METHOD

- Now log into your account, click on **MY PAYMENT METHOD**.
- You will need to **ADD NEW BANK ACCOUNT** (if using your checking account) OR **ADD NEW CREDIT CARD** (if using your credit card).
- Provide all the information requested. Then click **SUBMIT**.

STEP 3 – SET UP DONATION

- OPTIONS:** You can choose multiple funds (RE, Building Maintenance, SVDP)
- Now return to **MANAGE MY ACCOUNT** and choose **GIVE A NEW GIFT**.
 - Choose **OFFERTORY** (fund), then select gift type **RECURRING**.
 - Select payment and frequency and start date.
 - Select the account (check or credit card), then enter amount and frequency.
 - Click **NEXT** (at the bottom of the page)
 - In the **CONFIRM MY GIFTS** window, review the details to insure all is correct. Click **SUBMIT**.