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OUR LADY OF THE LAKE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Hearing the Good Shepherd

Jesus said: "Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate but climbs over elsewhere is a thief and a robber. But whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has driven out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice.

~ John 10:1-4 ~

This Sunday is frequently referred to as "Good Shepherd Sunday" as we recall the words of Jesus declaring himself as the "gate for the sheep" in St. John's Gospel account. We prayerfully reflect on that same image as we sing the beloved and most remembered Psalm 23, "*The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.*" And St. Peter's letter reminds the early disciples, "*By his wounds you have been healed. For you had gone astray like sheep, but you have now returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.*"

The protection and care of the Good Shepherd take on new meaning this year as the entire planet confronts pandemic. Where can we turn for a sense of true direction for our lives amidst the competing voices that permeate our days of isolation?

Following the Good Shepherd requires *listening for the Good Shepherd's voice*. We do that in prayer but too often our prayer time can be overly filled with our own words, recitation and petitions for what we need. This doesn't mean we should abandon our basic prayers, or traditional devotions. But a simple truth is that we can't listen when we are talking. Silence allows us to hear the voice of the Good Shepherd, to ponder the stirrings in our heart, and to reflect on the urgings of the Holy Spirit.



How can we take more time for silence as prayer, and within our daily prayer? Creating a special prayer space in the home, with Bible, cross and candles, icons of saints, or photos of loved ones, can help to focus our attention. Setting aside a designated time each day for prayer can also give us the mental "space" for silence.

Finally, one of the hidden blessings of these difficult days of quarantine, is the opportunity to connect with extended family members, parents, grandparents, distant friends, classmates, and even local neighbors by phone, Facetime, Zoom, Skype or social media. Consider this: sometimes the voice of the Good Shepherd may come to us through the loving expressions of friends and family reassuring us, comforting us, and praying with us.

Dearest Good Shepherd: "It's so good to hear your voice!"

WEEKDAY SERVICES AT OLL

Daily Homily by Fr. John Kerns available at www.ollparish.com or view on Facebook @OLLCatholicChurch

Prayer - Church open daily from 6:00 AM to 5:00 PM for individual silent prayer. Please be mindful of social distancing.

SUNDAY MASSES

Livestream Saturday Vigil at 5:00 PM available at www.ollparish.com
Recording available Sunday Morning

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Wrap up on the Socks Drive: Thank you, Thank you!



When the COVID-19 crisis happened soon after the start of Lent, the Health Ministry thought that our **Socks for Souls Drive** would be dashed. We found ourselves in a very sad situation. An empty church on Sundays. Who could have ever imagined? But low and behold, the socks kept showing up! We were amazed.

Each week when we arrived at church to sort and count; the boxes were overflowing with brand new socks! And what is truly amazing is the mercy you have shown toward our homeless while you were all going through your own trials with this unprecedented crisis.

You, our parishioners, continued to be mindful of some of the most vulnerable population in our community. Thank you for your generosity and kindness in not forgetting those less fortunate.

We miss all your smiling faces and can't wait for the Sunday that we will all gather as a community again; for "*This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice in it and be glad.*" Psalm 118:24

The Parish Health Ministry has wrapped up the **Socks for Souls Drive** and are thrilled to report that our Parish has contributed **2,978 pairs of socks** to the homeless in our community. Well done good and faithful servants.

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 Hall, or at the Parish Office. If you have questions, feel free 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.

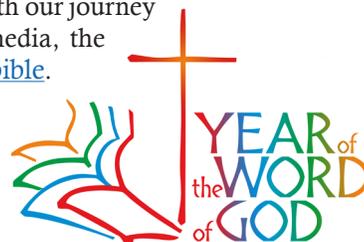
This Week's Readings

Sunday, May 3 • Day 99: Deuteronomy 27:1-28:46

(Instructions on building an altar after entering the Promised Land; consequences of not obeying God.),

Psalm 100, and Acts 27:27-44 (Paul shipwrecked on his

way to Rome). Visit us on Social Media to share what you are learning!



40 Cans for Lent



Knights of Columbus Food Drive
for St. Vincent de Paul



Thank you for your support of the Food Drive!

SVDP feeds the hungry year round and your donations are always appreciated. Visit our page on the parish website to learn more about what we do and how you can help.

www.ollparish.com/svdp

Liturgy, Music, & Prayer

Praying the Regina Caeli

The Prayer to *Regina Caeli* ("Queen of Heaven") is an ancient Latin Marian hymn of the Catholic Church. While the authorship of the *Regina Caeli* is unknown, the hymn has been traced back to the 12th century. It was in Franciscan use, after Compline, in the first half of the following century.

It is one of the four seasonal Marian antiphons of the Blessed Virgin Mary, prescribed to be sung or recited in the Liturgy of the Hours at the conclusion of the last of the hours to be prayed in common that day, typically Evening or Night prayer (Compline or Vespers). The *Regina Caeli* is sung or recited in place of the *Angelus* during the Easter season, from Holy Saturday until Pentecost.

Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.

The Son whom you merited to bear, alleluia.

Has risen, as He said, alleluia.

Pray for us to God, alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.

R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray.

*O God, who through the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ
gave rejoicing to the world*

*grant, we pray, that through his Mother, the Virgin Mary,
we may obtain the joys of everlasting life.*

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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R E-gi-na cæli * læ-tá-re, alle-lú-ia: Qui-a
quem me-ru- isti portá-re, alle-lú-ia: Re-surréx-it,
si-cut dix-it, alle-lú-ia: Ora pro no-bis De-um,
alle-lú- ia.

Connect with us!

Besides reading the Bulletin, we encourage you to visit the Website at ollparish.com and click on these images for more ways to connect throughout the week.



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.

Offertory

We thank all those who contribute to the support of Our Lady of the Lake Church. Our fiscal year runs July 1 through June 30.

THIS YEAR: *Week ending 4/26/2020*

Weekly Collection: \$31,636

Fiscal Year to Date: \$1,269,851

LAST YEAR:

Weekly Collection: \$24,040

Fiscal Year to Date: \$1,280,839

BUDGET:

Fiscal Year to Date: \$1,306,041

PARISH OFFICE AND CENTER CLOSED DURING COVID-19

Parish phones available
Monday-Friday from 9:00 AM to
4:00 PM at 503-636-7687.

Visit our website for more
information about closures at
www.ollparish.com.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 3, 2020

For the Parishioners

Monday, May 4, 2020

+Rolando Dungca

Tuesday, May 5, 2020

+Mr & Mrs Robert Easley

Wednesday, May 6, 2020

+Georgette Murray

Thursday, May 7, 2020

+Antoinette Merolla

Friday, May 8, 2020

+Blake Perrin

Saturday, May 9, 2020

Int Joseph and Patricia Gibney

Sunday, May 10, 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 are being rescheduled as soon as possible. Upcoming Intentions can be viewed online at visit www.ollparish.com/intentions.

Mercy Teams

Street Ministry to the Homeless

Thanks to the 7 parishioners that came out on the street Saturday, April 25. While our breakfast has been toned down, the sub sandwiches, hard boiled eggs and other goodies were taken fast by 60 friends on the street.



Sack Lunch Meals of Mercy

Parishioners generosity and interest has propelled this outreach beyond expectation.

Thanks to your generosity, we collected nearly 1,000 meals with the Drive Through Drop-Off on Sunday. By this weekend we will have delivered over 3,000 Meals of Mercy to our most vulnerable.



Meals go to St. Francis Dining Hall, Union Gospel Mission's Search & Rescue, The Fathers Heart, St. Michael the Archangel Meals Ministry, Clay Street Station, Salvation Army Female



Emergency Shelter, Clackamas County Sheriffs Homeless Outreach. We deliver to workers at a Long-Term Care Facility that has dealt with COVID-19. We will be adding Life Change for Women and their Children next week.

Respect Life

40 DAYS FOR LIFE SPRING CAMPAIGN RESULTS

- 484 babies saved WORLDWIDE
- 4 babies saved in Portland!

At the Lovejoy Surgicenter in Portland, we noticed a significant decrease in the number of clients which is probably why the clinic is now closed on Wednesdays and only open three days a week.

INTERNATIONAL TOTALS SINCE 40 DAY FOR LIFE BEGAN

- 17,226 baby's lives saved
- 107 abortion centers closed
- 206 abortion workers have quit their jobs!

Even though we had an abbreviated campaign, we are blessed by the results. Our presence is making a difference!

What is Walking with Moms in Need?

March 25, 2020 marked the 25th Anniversary of St. Pope John Paul II's landmark encyclical,

Evangelium Vitae (Gospel of Life).

That anniversary also launched

the U.S. Conference of

Catholic Bishops (USCCB) Pro-Life Secretariat's national initiative entitled, **Walking With Moms in Need: A Year of Service.**



Walking with Moms gives us a wonderful opportunity to assess, expand, and communicate resources to pregnant and parenting moms and families in need, so that our parishes and ministries can serve as "islands of mercy in the midst of a sea of indifference" (Pope Francis).

Week 7: Did You Know?? The group, Precious Children of Portland (PCOP) exists to help pregnant women and families who are facing challenges in raising their babies. PCOP along with the pro-life community (including the OLL Respect Life Committee) helps women with emotional support and resources such baby items, housing, rent and utilities. Recently, we gave a baby shower for a woman who delivered a baby girl in February. She was also helped with housing and transportation.

We'd love for you to join us during this year of **Walking with Moms in Need.** For more information, call Sharon at 503-675-1874.



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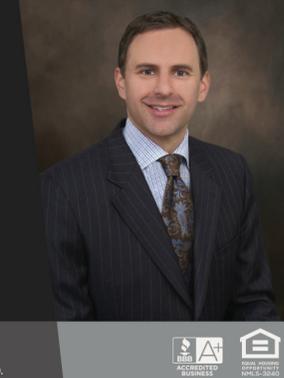
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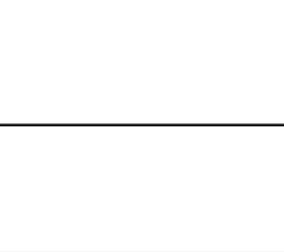
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