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The Ascension of the Lord

You Will Be My Witnesses

You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

~ Acts 1:8 ~

To give witness, to be a witness requires a bold spirit and a sense of responsibility and purpose. Whether in a court of law or in a spirited conversation with friends or foreigners, when we are asked for what we know or have seen to be true, we need to speak from the heart with conviction. It takes courage to be a witness.

This weekend we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord into Heaven and hear St. Luke's account of how the first apostles *witnessed* Jesus' being taken up from their sight. I love the next line: "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky?" Basically, "The Men in White" call out the disciples for standing around when they just heard Jesus tell them to go to the "ends of the earth" to tell the Good News. Of course, we know the Holy Spirit did inspire them on Pentecost to go forth, and we are beneficiaries of their bold sacrifice through the ages to pass on the faith.

Tell the Stories of Grace and Blessing

One of the five essential tasks of Christian disciples is to tell the stories of grace and blessing that we have received from Our Lord. Even in our darkest times – seasons of grief, physical difficulties, or life challenges, there are still glimpses of the light of Christ reaching us in small, yet significant ways. What are the ways God's love has been revealed to you in the recent past? Maybe a friend or family member has done something special for you. Maybe a child or parent called to check in or send greetings. When we take time to recall these simple gifts, we'll be amazed at our



blessings. Don't look at the sky but find ways to tell others of God's graces.

Using Our Gifts for Others

One of the best ways to share God's grace and blessings is to use our God-given talents to help others. Some may say: "Pay it forward." This is the work of the Church and each of our responsibilities as disciples. In today's second reading we hear St. Paul encourage the Ephesians to use their gifts "to build up the body of Christ" (Eph. 4:12). In the next few weeks, we'll be exploring how we can put the Gifts of the Holy Spirit to work in these challenging times in our parish and in the world. After all, they are not "gifts" if we don't find ways to give them away. How has God blessed you, and how are you being called in this moment to bless others?

~ Tom Tomaszek, Pastoral Associate

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Sign up online at www.ollparish.com to attend Weekend Mass in person.

Mass at 8:30 AM Monday - Saturday

Mass at 6:00 PM Tuesday - Thursday

Prayer Church open Monday - Friday, 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM for individual silent prayer.

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM,
Sunday Morning 9:00 & 11:30 AM
Sign up to attend.

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9:15-10:30 AM or by Appointment

ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

First Friday of the Month (*subject to change*)
9:30 AM to 8:00 PM in the Church

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call the Parish Office for an appointment.

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Parish Office Hours

The Parish Office will continue to be remote Mondays and Fridays. The phones are answered between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM. If you need to reach a staff member, we highly encourage you to email them. Email addresses are listed on page 2.

The Parish Office will be open for appointments only on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Walk-ins are not allowed at this time due to COVID-19 safety for Parish and School Staff, School Children, and Parishioners. Call the parish office to make an appointment.

OLL School has extended their day to 3:00 PM. Pick up is 2:30-3:30 PM each day (1:30-2:30 PM on Tuesdays). Please do not park in the middle of the back section so school parents can form carline.

The Parish Needs Your Input for Our Future

We are on the verge of retiring our \$3.6 million debt! We have less than \$500K yet to pay off and we have pledges from parishioners to cover that over the next 14 months. AND we have the new roof on the church. All of this is due to the generosity of parishioners like you. Back in 2016, when we started this campaign the debt was the main priority, but we raised enough in pledges for a new roof, too. We also wanted to remodel the hall and make some adaptations to the church, but that needed to wait. Now we need your input as to how we should proceed so that we can accomplish those "Phase II" projects.



The Facilities and Development Committee is hosting virtual focus groups on May 18 and 19 at 7:00 pm. We are seeking input from parish members as we review our strategic plan and get ready for our post COVID future.

As the Focus Group will be virtual, attendance is limited. To register, visit our Events page at ollparish.com/events and click on "Facilities and Development Focus Group." Follow the instructions on the sign up page. More groups will be added as needed. You will receive a Zoom link in the confirmation email. Contact Kristen Young, Business Manager, at kristeny@ollparish.com, with questions.

Mass Registration • Weekends Only!

Registration is now only needed for: Saturday Vigil, 5:00 PM • Sunday, 9:00 AM & 11:30 AM • Special Masses/Holy Days

Weekday Masses requiring no registration: Monday-Saturday, 8:30 AM • Tuesday-Thursday, 6:00 PM

Reminder: Wednesday 8:30 AM Mass now reserved for OLL school students and staff only and is not open to parents and parishioners during school year (until mid-June). Watch the livestream online!

Register for Weekend Masses at www.ollparish.com/mass

One Sacrifice of Christ

As we celebrate the Solemnity of Jesus' Ascension into heaven, we reflect on his dual natures as both human and divine. Here is a beautiful hymn that puts these theological understandings in poetic contemplation. We'll sing this song as our Communion hymn at Mass this weekend.

One Sacrifice of Christ

by Robert Feduccia and Rick Modlin

- 1 One sacrifice of Christ,
one throne above the heavens.
Christ has risen as he said,
and will come to wake the dead.
Christ will return to set us free.

One sacrifice of love,
one message for the nations:
Jesus suffered, died and rose,
and ascended to the throne.
Christ will return to save the world.
- 2 One gaze we lift above,
where Love was drawn to heaven.
We stand watchful through the night
for our King to come in light,
heirs to the glory of the Lamb.

One mighty Word of truth:
Christ did arise in triumph.
Now he sits upon the throne;
God's right hand is he alone.
Christ reigns in splendor over all.
- 3 One banquet richly set
for all God's holy people.
We will dine in joy and peace,
and our song will never cease,
praising the Lamb upon the throne.

One shout of joy we raise,
one voice in exaltation.
For in glory Christ has gone,
and in hope we now are drawn
to one sacrifice of Christ,
one sacrifice of Christ.

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Connect with us!

Besides reading the Bulletin, we encourage you to connect with us on Instagram and Facebook @ollcatholicchurch and to subscribe to weekly emails at www.ollparish.com/subscribe.

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 5/9/2021

Weekly Collection: \$46,429

Fiscal Year to Date: \$1,224,261

LAST YEAR:

Weekly Collection: \$29,329

Fiscal Year to Date: \$1,351,907

BUDGET:

Fiscal Year to Date: \$1,310,901

Have you had any changes in your family this year?

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.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 16, 2021

9:00 AM +Pius and Veronica Chow

11:30 AM For the Parishioners

Monday, May 17, 2021

8:30 AM +Molly Niebergall

Tuesday, May 18, 2021

8:30 AM +Patricia Haslach

6:00 PM +Fr. Glenn Boarman, CSC

Wednesday, May 19, 2021

8:30 AM +Robert Goodwin

6:00 PM Int Marina Abramovic

Thursday, May 20, 2021

8:30 AM +David Jones

6:00 PM +Patricia Haslach

Friday, May 21, 2021

8:30 AM +Tony Platt

Saturday, May 22, 2021

8:30 AM +Randolph Weber

5:00 PM Int Maude Roark

Sunday, May 23, 2021

9:00 AM +Jim Mattechek

11:30 AM For the Parishioners

To view upcoming Intentions or request an Intention online, visit www.ollparish.com/intentions.

Lifelong Faith Formation

Following Christ is a lifelong commitment to know, love and serve. At Our Lady of the Lake we invite disciples of all ages to explore their faith individually, in families, with peer groups, with spouses and friends, in small faith sharing groups, and through parish community opportunities.

We invite you to visit our Lifelong Faith Formation at www.ollparish.com/faitH-formation where you can explore your faith through online resources, prayer, and activities.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

Our goal is that each child, from infancy through fifth grade, can know, love, and follow Jesus in their life.

We are pleased to offer online resources for families to grow in their faith. Parents can access customized weekly lessons from the Family Playlist to do with their children at home.

Find the Family Playlist at ollparish.com/family-playlist.

For information, contact Mary at maryb@ollparish.com.

THIS WEEK'S LESSON

"Jesus is Taken Up to Heaven"

Sunday, May 16
Ascension of the Lord

Big Idea

Jesus is still with us, even though he went to heaven.

Sunday Bible Passage
Mark 16:15-20



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Our Lady of the Lake is committed to providing opportunities for faith formation for all adult ages. Each stage of life offers occasions to encounter the Lord, to grow deeper in understanding our Catholic faith, and to that faith through prayer and action individually and with others.

We invite you to explore at ollparish.com/adult-formation.

The Search

Life's purpose? Why are we here? What happens when you die? What's life all about? To stream all episodes in the "Search" video series, visit ollparish.com/the-search.

Monthly Playlist

Steps to Encounter and Prayer: This month's playlist offers 4 steps to prepare for the vigil of Pentecost. **Step 2: Make a Good Confession**



Find the Playlist at ollparish.com/playlist.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Register for Youth Group at www.ollparish.com/youth.

High School Youth Group

9th-12th Grades
Every Sunday, 6:30 to 8:00 PM
Parish Hall
Register now!



Middle School Youth Group

6th-8th Grades
Every Tuesday, 5:00 to 6:30 PM
Parish Hall
Register now!

Contact youth minister Luke Brooks for more information at lukeb@ollparish.com.



FORE!
JOIN US FOR THE OLL
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GOLF TOURNAMENT!

All proceeds will go to the OLL Endowment Fund to help support our families with tuition assistance.

Date: Friday, May 21 • Tee Time: 4:30 PM

Location: RedTail Golf Center, Beaverton, OR

Register online at oll.school/golf.
Sponsorship forms available.

MERCY TEAMS

Sack Lunch Meals of Mercy

Volunteer to Make sandwiches, collect, organize, or deliver sack lunches to those experiencing Food Insecurity.



Between April 2020 and January 2021, your support of our parish Mercy Teams Sack Lunch Meals of Mercy facilitated the delivery of meals serving 67,500 individuals, including food insecure families and unsheltered individuals in need. Family meals were delivered to many Boys & Girls Clubs, St. Andrew Nativity School, L.O. Hunger Fighters, and a Ministry serving Working Poor Latino families

Donate Sack lunches – 16 Oz water, granola bar, fruit/apple sauce cup/pouch, bag of chips, plastic spoon, & napkin.

Street Ministry to The Unsheltered

Next Street Ministry Saturday, May 22. Meet at the parish hall at 7:15 AM, leave at 9:00 AM, and back by 12:00 PM.

New White Cotton Socks

Mercy Teams supports UGM's Sock Exchange in Unsheltered Camps, with 100 to 200 pairs of socks each week. You can donate new white cotton socks during the Sunday Drive-Thru Drop-Off.

Sign up for these and other projects at www.ollparish.com/mercy-teams.

St. Vincent de Paul at OLL: Donate Your Car — Help a Neighbor!

Did you know that the Portland Council of St. Vincent DePaul has a car donation program? Do you have an unwanted vehicle taking up space in your driveway? The Council's newly formed Marketing Committee is ramping up its efforts to promote this charitable tax deductible event for parishioners that will also benefit the Portland Council and your OLL SVdP Conference with the proceeds earmarked to support emergency food, rent and utilities assistance programs.



More information can be found on parish bulletin boards or the parish website at www.ollparish.com/svdp.

Contact OLL SVDP President Jerry Foley for more details at ollsvdp@ollministry.com.

Respect Life



Oregon Health Authority Releases 2020 Death with Dignity Report:

- There was a 25% increase in residents requesting lethal prescriptions for assisted suicide.
- 370 people received lethal prescriptions. Of that group, 245 died from ingesting the lethal medication (up from 188 in 2019).
- Since the law was passed in 1997, doctors have written 2,895 lethal prescriptions. 1,905 people have committed assisted suicide after ingesting the medications.
- Of the 142 physicians who wrote lethal prescriptions in 2020, approximately 112 provided 1 or 2 prescriptions.
- At least one doctor provided lethal prescriptions for 31 people.
- Only 3 patients were referred to psychological counseling.
- 74 percent of patients were covered by Medicare or Medicaid insurance.
- Despite being billed as the reason for the Act in the first place, uncontrollable pain is not listed as one of the top seven reasons assisted suicide is sought

"Oregon's so-called 'Death With Dignity' Act has raised serious concerns, including Oregon's failures to address mental health concerns," said Lois Anderson, ORTL executive director. *"Out of 370 Oregonians prescribed with life-ending drugs in 2020, only three were referred for psychological or psychiatric help. Financial concerns are also a part of this decision."* Read the entire article at www.ortl.org.

Upcoming Events in the Archdiocese

Month of May, Catholic Charities Traveling Crib: Please place your baby items in the crib outside the Parish Hall. For details, go to ollparish.com/respect-life

6/6 Human Trafficking Silent Prayer Vigil: Join us to pray for victims and an end to human trafficking. We will meet at 11:00 AM on the sidewalk in front of St. Andre Bessette Catholic Church, 601 West Burnside Street, Portland.

Lecture Series



AFLAME

THE HOLY SPIRIT

June 10: Who exactly is the Holy Spirit?

June 17: The Spirit in the Life of the Individual

June 24: The Spirit in the Life of the Church

www.ollparish.com/events

Cemetery Clean-Up Day

Saturday, May 22 • 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Sacred Heart Cemetery
17201 SW Stafford Road, Lake Oswego

Our cemetery — Sacred Heart — is in need of your care and attention! Join us for a morning clean-up to freshen up our sacred place.

Email Cemetery Director, Kimi Tomaszek, to sign at kimit@ollparish.com.



LIGHT VOLUNTEER DUTY: Suitable for families and individuals (Volunteers Needed – 20)

WORK DESCRIPTION:

1. Clean headstones, columbarium, and statues.
2. Spread mulch in designated areas. Mulch will be supplied.
3. Remove debris and dead flowers from gravesites.

PLEASE BRING:

- Buckets, rags or old towels, brushes
- NO CHEMICALS. USE WATER ONLY.



HEAVY VOLUNTEER DUTY: Suitable for strong adults only (Volunteers Needed – 6)

WORK DESCRIPTION:

1. Pile up the downed branches from the recent ice storm.
2. Help spread existing wood chips around trees and the path.

PLEASE BRING:

- Work gloves, Work boots
- Clippers, Shovels, Garden rakes
- Wheelbarrow and shovel if possible



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