



Love God. Love Others. Make Disciples of Jesus Christ.

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Epiphany of the Lord

Whom Will You Seek?

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

- Matthew 2:1-2

Happy New Year. As we enter 2022, full of hope but mindful of all the challenges that we face, our liturgy this Sunday places us back in Bethlehem and following the Magi in their search for the Christ. These seekers from the East give us reason to ask a critical question: *whom do we seek?* Our culture and social media give us many personalities, opportunities, and diversions to "follow" but *whom* will we choose to seek in 2022?

The act of seeking is an ancient spiritual practice and, in many ways, describes an openness to learn and discover. We will hear early seekers approach John the Baptist and ask: *"Are you the Christ?"* (Luke 3:15) Later, John sends two of his disciples to Jesus to ask: *"Are you the One who is to come, or shall we wait for another?"* (Luke 7:19)

In an age when we can ask our "smart phone" any question and instantly get an answer and information, we may have unintentionally disconnected our desire or ability to ponder a deep, spiritual question through prayer, discipline, or silence. Sometimes we have to simply *love the question* knowing the answer will come in God's time.

The Gifts of the Holy Spirit

The Magi followed a star and were led to Bethlehem to encounter Our Lord. Through Confirmation, we have been given the gifts of the Holy Spirit, especially wisdom, understanding, and counsel (prudence) to help us discern our spiritual path to follow Jesus. Perhaps our

best understanding might be that the Holy Spirit is guiding us, as individuals and as a Church as we navigate the troubled waters of our current world.

We have prayed through Advent and now Christmastide to better know how *God is in our midst.* (Zeph. 3:17) What spiritual practices will you embrace in the new year

to spend time with Our Lord in prayer, seeking direction for your life? Sometimes seeking requires sitting still. In the words of St. Paul: *"The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."* (Philippians 4:4-7).

- Tom Tomaszek, Pastoral Associate



WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday & Thursday 6:30 AM
Monday-Saturday 8:30 AM
Tuesday 6:00 PM

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
7:30, 9:00, & 11:00 AM

LOCATED AT

790 A Avenue,
Lake Oswego, OR 97034

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9:15-10:00 AM or by Appointment

ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

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

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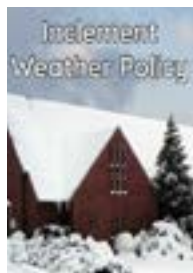
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Parish Information



INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

Our inclement weather policy is that Mass in Church will not be cancelled for weather emergencies. We will celebrate Mass with the liturgical ministers and people who are able to safely attend. No one should put themselves or their family at risk to fulfill a ministerial assignment or attend Mass.

For parish programs or events: the decision to cancel or postpone will be made by the event or ministry leader. Check with them directly or the website for updates.

Parish Office Hours Mon-Fri, 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM

The doors to the Parish Center are locked to ensure the safety of our students. We continue to welcome parishioners to visit the Parish Office when necessary but are encouraging you to make an appointment to ensure staff is available to assist you. As always we are available during office hours by phone, or email. The Parish Offices are on the second floor of the Parish Center.

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic School

YOU'RE INVITED!

Open House 2022 - Sunday, January 9th
10:30 AM - 11:15 AM: Pre-K - 4th grade
11:15 AM - 12:00 PM: 5th-8th grade

<https://oll.school> • 650 A Avenue Lake Oswego, OR 97034 • 503-636-2121

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(503) 307-4483 | www.lendingteam.com

CHURCHILL MORTGAGE

Update Parish Records

Notify the office of any family changes such as address, phone number or email, as well as family additions. Contact Georgeann by calling the parish office at 503-636-7687 or by emailing her at office@ollparish.com.

This Week

Monday, January 3, 2022

Alcoholics Anonymous 6:30 AM PC-LIB
Boy Scouts 7:00 PM PH-CARP

Tuesday, January 4, 2022

Gospel of Mark 9:30 AM PC-NAZ
ACTS Core Team 7:00 PM PC-NAZ
Caperaum Young Life 7:00 PM PH-CARP

Wednesday, January 5, 2022

Alcoholics Anonymous 6:30 AM PC-LIB
Exodus 90 7:00 AM PC-BOARD
EPIC-Church History Study 9:30 AM PH-CARP
Charismatic Prayer Group 11:00 AM PC-LIB
RCIA (Adult Initiation) 7:00 PM PC-NAZ

Thursday, January 6, 2022

Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00 PM PH FRONT

Friday, January 7, 2022

Alcoholics Anonymous 6:30 AM PC-LIB
1st Friday Adoration & Holy Hour 9:30 AM CH
Alcoholics Anonymous 8:00 PM PH-CARP

Saturday, January 8, 2022

Reconciliation 9:15 AM CH

Sunday, January 9, 2022

Family Faith Formation 10:00 AM PH-CARP
Confirmation Class 12:15 PM PH-CARP

PC=Parish Center Building—Cana, Nazareth, Bethlehem and Jerusalem Rooms; SCH=School—Multipurpose Room, Gym; PH=Parish Hall—Front, Mid, Carpet, Child Care, Cook CH=Church—Church, Loft, Narthex; OTHER=Off Campus Event

The Epiphany of the Lord Blessing your Home

An Epiphany custom is to bless your home, using chalk to write **20 + C + M + B + 22** above the main doorway. The number of the New Year, 2022, is split at the beginning and the end. C, M, and B are the initials of Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar, the traditional names of the three Magi. The initials also represent the Latin: *Christus mansionem benedicat*, "May Christ bless this house."



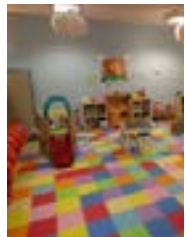
To bless your home, gather your family and sing "We Three Kings of Orient Are." Then read Matthew 2:1-12.

As you write the numbers on the doorway to your home, pray: "May Christ bless this house."

Envelopes with chalk and these instructions are available for you to take home today. You'll find them in baskets at the entrances/exits to the church.

Prayer after Communion on Epiphany

Go before us with heavenly light, O Lord,
always and everywhere,
that we may perceive with clear sight
and revere with true affection
the mystery in which you have willed us to participate.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen



OLL NURSERY - CLOSED

OLL Sunday Nursery during the 9 AM Mass will be closed for the holiday season and will resume on Sunday, January 23rd.

Miss a Homily?

Did you know our homilies are available anytime to watch on YouTube or listen to online? Visit www.ollparish.com/homily for more.

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:

November 2021: \$125,337
Year to Date: \$561,128

BUDGET:

Year to Date: \$586,629

LAST YEAR:

November 2020: \$125,337
Year to Date: \$478,103

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:

Campaign for
Human Development: \$2,412.53

Checks Payable To:

As a friendly reminder, please make checks payable to **Our Lady of the Lake**. If you'd like to specify a particular ministry or program, please note this in the memo line of your check.

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 3, 2022

8:30 am Int. Pam Reis

Tuesday, January 4, 2022

8:30 am † Mina Lieb
6:00 pm Int. Sabina Kahn

Wednesday, January 5, 2022

6:30 am † Donna Kuzelka
8:30 am Int. John O'Malley

Thursday, January 6, 2022

6:30 am † Thelma Stone
8:30 am † Carl and Marcella Doerner

Friday, January 7, 2022

8:30 am † Albert Cereghino

Saturday, January 8, 2022

8:30 am † Jim Eberle
5:00 pm † Tim Schallberger

Sunday, January 9, 2022

7:30 am For the Parishioners
9:00 am † Lorraine and Stanley Kowalski
11:00 am † Jamal Hanoudi

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

Family Faith Formation

Since faith begins at home, we encourage families to eat, pray, and live their faith together. That is why we provide online lessons for parents to share with their children at home.



December 25 - Christmas The Birth of Jesus

The Christmas season is a season full of joy. It begins on Jesus' birthday, December 25. We decorate the church and the priest wears gold or white. At Mass, we celebrate that Jesus, God's son, came 2000 years ago to save us from sin so we could live with him forever. Jesus is the best gift that God gave to the world!

This is the real meaning of Christmas.

To learn more, check out our ["Faith in the Home"](#) activities

Coming January 2022 - Exodus 90 @ OLL

2021 has been a year of change. A pivotal moment in our lives. Is your heart restless? Are you ready this New Year for a personal challenge to grow in faith?

If so, then join us in 2022 and take part in the challenge of Exodus 90.

Join a group of 5-7 men and journey together to discover a path to freedom through a program of: daily readings from the book of Exodus prayer reflection, asceticism, and fraternity.

Contact Neal Corbett at ngcorbett@gmail.com for more information and to learn about joining the next group of men for Exodus 90 in 2022.



SAVE THE DATES - ADULT FAITH!

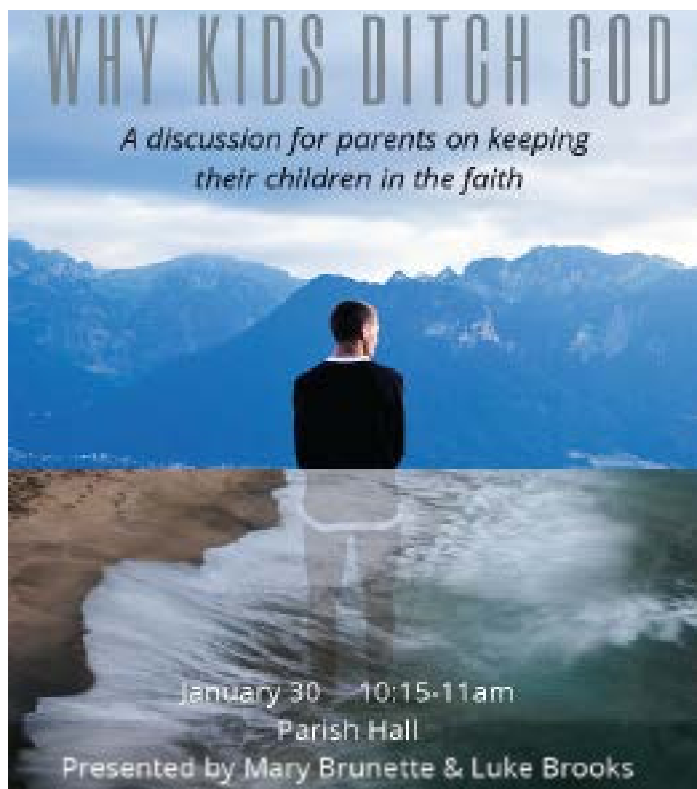
AS THE NEW YEAR UNFOLDS, JOIN US HERE AT OUR LADY OF THE LAKE TO GROW IN FAITH, HOPE AND CHARITY WITH THE BODY OF CHRIST!

January 20: Join us for Deacon Harold's presentation; Healing Through Love a Catholic Response to Racial Injustice

February 27-28: Parent Baptism Preparation Classes – held on Zoom

March 2: Ash Wednesday – Take time now to pray about joining and or leading a small Lenten Group, stay connected for upcoming details

March 10-13: Women's ACTS Retreat, This popular spiritual getaway is already taking shape and reservations are going quickly. We would love to have you join us.



HEALING THROUGH LOVE:

A CATHOLIC RESPONSE TO RACIAL INJUSTICE

THURS. JAN. 20, 2022
7PM - 9PM

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church
650 A AVE, Lake Oswego OR 97034

Talk will be located in the church.

Join us for an unforgettable evening with **Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers** as he examines our Catholic history on racial justice, celebrates Catholic heroes, and offers an authentic Catholic response to issues surrounding racial injustice.

Register online at

[tinyurl.com/
deacon-harold](https://tinyurl.com/deacon-harold)

Tickets

- Individual - \$15
- Bring a Friend -
2 for \$25
- Student - \$10

Scholarships available.
Contact Laura at
laurap@ollparish.com or
503-303-4215.



Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, *"The Dynamic Deacon"* is an internationally renowned speaker, author and preacher. He is the co-host of several popular series on EWTN, is a featured presenter in the acclaimed *"Chosen"* series for Ascension Press and co-hosts the national weekly radio program *"Living Stones"* on Mater Dei Radio. He is author of several books including *Father Augustus Tolton: The Slave Who Became the First African-American Priest* and *Ignite: Read the Bible Like Never Before*.

Respect for Life

“Every life is sacred: the lives of mothers and the lives of the unborn. Not only does this decision further the tragic taking of unborn lives but it does little to care for the well-being of women in need. Far from the accompaniment that women in crisis pregnancies deserve, this decision would leave women alone in the midst of trauma, often without any medical attention or follow up care. I call on leaders of every level of government to stand with women in need by promoting policies that recognize the value and human dignity of both mother and child.” To read the entire article, go to www.usccb.org

For ways to help in our own community, please go to: <https://www.ollparish.com/serve/love-others/> and click “Find Help.”

Upcoming Events in the Archdiocese

1/19-1/27 9 Days for Life begins, www.respectlife.org

1/22 West Coast Walk for Life, walkforlifewc.com

1/29 Oregon Right to Life’s March for Life, www.ortl.org



OLL Parish Men’s Retreat: *Growing in Friendship with God*



January 28-30, 2022

Retreat Begins with Abbey Vespers Friday at 5:20 PM and concludes with lunch on Sunday at Noon.

Bishop Peter Smith will be our retreat master and offer five reflection presentations during the course of the retreat days. Bishop Smith, currently Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Portland, was a Parochial Vicar at Our Lady of the Lake and is remembered for inspiring homilies, pastoral wisdom and his sense of humor.

Fee: \$280, Includes all lodging, meals and materials. Retreat “fee subsidies” are available upon request. Registration link ollparish.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/1092714

Contact Tom Tomaszek at tomt@ollparish.com or 503-636-7687 for more information.

Saint Luke Productions Presents

Tolton

From Slave to Priest

Thursday, January 13
7 pm

Performed Live by
Jim Coleman

Christ the King Church

11709 Southeast Fuller Road, Milwaukie, OR 97222

Admission:
Free-Will Offering

Information:
Christ the King Parish
(503) 659-1475
office@ctk.cc

Suitable for Ages 10 & Up

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www.ToltonDrama.com

Pray the Rosary for Evangelization and Conversion

Every third Saturday, join parishioners at 12:00 PM at Lake Oswego's Lower Millennium Park (next to the railroad tracks) to pray for evangelization and conversion in our community and nation. We will pray for about 30 minutes, rain or shine! Join us this coming third Saturday, January 15. Contact parishioner, Dave Moser at dmoser4208@aol.com, for more information.



MERCY TEAMS

Adopt A Mission

Missions we now serve every week through Adopt a Mission:

1. Martha Mercado's ministry to the Latino Working Poor
2. The Fathers Heart Day Shelter in Oregon City
3. Rose Haven Shelter for Women & Children
4. Salvation Army Female Emergency Shelter
5. First Christian / Home PDX Portland

Missions we now serve once a month through Street Ministry or Knights of Columbus:

1. Street Ministry guests at 4th Sat. Breakfast under the Bridge.
2. Portland City Teams 4th Sat. "Love Fest" for Portland Unsheltered
3. Union Gospel Mission Sacks only for Search & Rescue

HOW CAN YOU HELP our Adopt a Mission Teams?

1. Donate lunches -we will distribute to adopt a mission teams
2. Donate homemade PB&J sandwiches to distribute to the teams
3. Join an existing Adopt a Mission Team and help them directly.

To donate and assemble sack lunches, please provide:

- School lunch sack, apple sauce cup, granola bar, bag of chips,
- 16 oz bottle of water, plastic spoon, and napkin.

Street Ministry to The Unsheltered

Next Street Ministry Saturday, November 27th. Meet at the parish hall at 7:15am and leave at 9:00 to be back by 12:00 PM.

Sign up for projects at <https://www.ollparish.com/serve/love-others/>

ParishSoft Giving Changes

We recently transitioned our online giving to a new platform. Giving to Our Lady of the Lake is now simpler and is even more secure. Here is what that means for you:

- When you go to ParishSoft Giving to make a donation, it will look a little different than it used to. You can get to our new ParishSoft Giving site from the OLL Website on the Giving Page, [HERE](#).
- If you had an account with our previous Online Giving program, you'll need to set up a new password by clicking "forgot password" the first time you log in. Or, you can create a new account on the "sign-in" tab.

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Thank you for your continued generosity and support to Our Lady of the Lake.

Need any help? Contact our accounting department at accounting@ollparish.com or (503) 636-7687



Double Your Donation With Company Matching

Many employers offer a Matching Gift Program that will match an employee's donation to a local charitable organization like Our Lady of the Lake. Most of these programs match contributions dollar for dollar, and some will even double or triple the amount of your gift. Check with your HR Department to see if your company offers a Matching Gift Program so you can double your impact! More in formation at <https://www.ollparishcomgiving/>



Connect with us!

Stay up to date on all the changes and exciting things happening at Our Lady of the Lake, by connecting with us on Instagram and Facebook @ollcatholicchurch and subscribing to weekly emails at ollparish.com/subscribe.