



OUR LADY OF THE LAKE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

It's Time to Come Back

"Make the Lord's Day at Sunday Mass the greatest priority of your week."

After we were able to hold public Masses again (as vaccines became available and COVID cases decreased) we have increased our numbers at church from 10 to 25 to 50 (in the early efforts) and now, *as many as can come*.

But we have plateaued at OLL at about 2/3 of our Sunday Mass attendance before COVID. We offer one less Mass in the Sunday schedule, but the others still have plenty of room. Some parishioners still have legitimate health reasons to stay home, but for many others... *it's time to come back*.

Dispensation: For those who have health risks, or have family members with health risks or struggles, it has always been the case that there are common sense reasons to stay home. They are dispensed from the Sunday obligation. Communion could be brought to your home by a family member or a masked Eucharistic Minister. *Please call the parish office to make those arrangements.*

Out of the Habit: Many have just broken their Sunday routine. I have had numerous conversations with parishioners who have said to me: "We just realized that we were going to restaurants, large gatherings, weddings, movies, etc. But we are not going to church. *We need to return.*"

The Body of Christ Cannot be Livestreamed: To receive the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist is impossible

without attending. I am genuinely concerned for our parish's spiritual health and nutrition. Some of us are spiritually starving and do not know it. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is a Sacred Meal and, online, can only be experienced as a mere shadow. *Come to the Feast!*

Keep Holy the Lord's Day: It's the Law. The 3rd Commandment makes it clear that God knew that our spiritual relationship with Him and with each other cannot really grow and foster without actually being together in the same space once a week – at a minimum! *Make the Lord's Day at Sunday Mass the greatest priority of your week!*

I (We) Miss You: When I see an individual or family whom I haven't seen for a year or more, my heart literally skips a beat! I love you and miss you! Other parishioners at OLL love and miss you, too. We are a parish, a community, a family of faith. We are the Church. *We need each other.*

So, please, I beg of you, if you haven't made Sunday Mass your "normal" practice, since before COVID, then stop and think about what is most important about this life and the next.

It's time to come back.

Your brother in Christ,

Fr. John Kerns, Pastor



EASTER VIGIL 2022

THIS WEEK

Saturday, September 17

8:30am Mass
9:15am Reconciliation
10:30am First Sacraments Orientation
5:00pm Mass

Sunday, September 18

7:30am Mass
9:00am Mass
10:00am CDC (Catholic Deaf Community)
Faith Building Class
11:00am Mass

Monday, September 19

8:30am Mass
10:00am Centering Prayer - PC:Naz.
6:00pm "Pappy's God Shots" - PC:Naz.
7:00pm Boy Scout Meeting - PH:Carp.

Tuesday, September 20

8:30am Mass
6:00pm Mass
7:00pm Capernaum Young Life - PH:Carp.

Wednesday, September 21

6:30am Mass
7:00am Exodus 90 Group
8:30am Mass
11:00am Charismatic Prayer Group - PC:Lib.
6:30pm OCIA (formerly "RCIA") - PC

Thursday, September 22

6:30am Mass
8:30am Mass
4:45pm Alcoholics Anonymous - PC:Lib.
5:00pm Wedding Rehearsal
6:00pm Walking with Purpose - PH:Carp.
7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous - PH:Front

Friday, September 23

8:30am Mass
4:00pm Wedding
8:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous - PH:Carp.

Saturday, September 24

7:00am Mercy Teams Street Ministry
8:30am Mass
9:15am Reconciliation
10:30am First Sacraments Orientation
5:00pm Mass

Sunday, September 25

7:30am Mass
9:00am Mass
10:00am CDC (Catholic Deaf Community)
Faith Building Class
11:00am Mass

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

SUPPORTING AND INSPIRING FAMILIES TO GROW IN THEIR CATHOLIC FAITH.

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.



Jesus Will Always Search for Us

In the Bible story, the shepherd is like God, the sheep are like people, and the lost sheep is like us making bad choices. When we

act like a lost sheep and stray from God, he will always search for us. God is so happy when we come back to him.

Check out the "[Faith In The Home](#)" section on our website for more faith activities for children.



Sacred Path: Two by Two - Seasons of Change A Retreat Weekend for Married Couples

How has your marriage weathered the changes and challenges of the past three years? What are the foundations of faith that sustain you and your family? Join us at the Oregon coast for Sacred Path Two by Two – A Retreat Weekend for married couples – to reflect on our individual relationships with God, and in our married lives, as we weather these current Seasons of Change. (Note to previous attendees: join us for a “repeat retreat” - these will be new sessions and opportunities for reflection.)

Led by Tom and Kimi Tomaszek, co-directors of The Five Loaves Apostolate and Our Lady of the Lake staff members, and Fr. Charles Zach, OLL Parochial Vicar as Spiritual Director, this weekend retreat includes engaging presentations, prayer, personal reflection time and as a couple, and group fellowship. We will celebrate Sunday Mass, a Nuptial Blessing, have opportunity for individual confession, and special time to explore lovely Cannon Beach during the weekend.

The retreat fee is \$475 per couple which includes two dinners, two breakfasts, retreat fees and two nights housing at the beautiful Cannon Beach Christian Conference Center. Each couple has a private room and bath. The retreat begins Friday, November 18 at 4 PM and ends Sunday the 20th at Noon. For information contact Tom Tomaszek, tomt@ollparish.com or 503-636-7687. Register at www.ollparish.com/couples-retreat.

Changes to Livestream and ASL Interpreted Mass

On March 14, 2020—the start of the pandemic shutdown—we videorecorded Saturday evening Mass for the parish to attend with picture-in-picture of our ASL (American Sign Language) interpreter, Jilene Modlin for the Catholic Deaf Community who were scheduled to join us for Mass that weekend. It was a first for us and initially took many hours each weekend to edit and upload the video to our website until our livestream camera system was ready. We have provided a livestreamed ASL interpreted Mass ever since. Many deaf or hearing-impaired people around the country join us for ASL Mass online each week.



INITIAL RECORDING SETUP IN APRIL 2020, AMID THE PANDEMIC



CURRENT LIVESTREAM SETUP IN THE CHOIR LOFT (PHOTO TAKEN DEC. 2020)



9 AM LIVESTREAM MASS WITH ASL, SUNDAY 9/11/22

Catholic Deaf Community and ASL Mass Now on Sundays at 9 AM

Members of our Catholic Deaf Community asked to move the ASL Mass to Sundays at 9 AM since some of them have difficulty driving in the dark during winter months. We agreed to make the change and so starting September 4th, we shifted our weekly livestream with ASL interpretation to Sunday 9 AM each week.

Changes to Livestream Mass Schedule

Now that most parishioners can attend Mass in person, we are using this occasion to make additional changes to our weekend livestream Mass schedule. Our Saturday 5 PM

evening Mass and Sunday 11 AM Mass are now livestreamed automatically only with one wide camera angle of the sanctuary through the whole Mass.

We continue to livestream daily Mass at 8:30 AM, Monday through Saturday, and on Tuesday evening at 6 PM. These are also automatic broadcasts with one stationary camera angle of the priest, altar, and ambo. We hope these

livestreamed Masses allow the homebound and medically at-risk parishioners to stay connected to the community and attend Mass virtually. Please keep them in your prayers.

Sound and Tech Crew at Weekend Masses

We are grateful to Brant Crabbe and Steven Taylor who have faithfully helped operate our livestream cameras over the past two years and continue to do so. We are looking for additional teens or adults willing to set up and monitor sound for our choir or ensembles or to help with the livestream at weekend Masses. Training will be provided. A rotating schedule allows you to choose which days you can help. Please consider being part of our music and liturgy team!

Contact Tom Tomaszek at the parish office for more information.



Archbishop Sample's Pastoral Visit to OLL - This Tuesday!

Come and meet your shepherd! Archbishop Sample is making his way around the archdiocese, visiting parishes and meeting the members of his flock. He will make a visit to Our Lady of the Lake on **Tuesday, September 20**. After meeting and praying with our parish staff that afternoon, he will preside at the 6pm Mass that evening, followed by a casual Town Hall chat at 7pm—all are invited!

OLL YOUTH MINISTRY

CONFIRMATION PREP

2022-2023

**7 CLASSES
3 SOCIALS
1 RETREAT**



Now for 9th grade and up!

Register at ollparish.com
or email lukeb@ollparish.com

In October 2022:
Register at ollparish.com

HIGH SCHOOL Youth Group

*Understanding, being personally transformed
by, and living out The Gospel, in community*

**2 SUNDAYS/MONTH
5-6:30PM**

PRAY/FOOD/TALK/FRIENDS

Catholic Friendship Group

Singles, ages 40-60. Eucharistic Adoration followed by a talk and discussion led by Fr. Joshua Clifton. Next topic: The Apostolic Fathers. Our group continues to grow! Come join us for our next gathering. **Friday, September 23rd.** NEW START TIME: 6:30pm-8:00pm. Visit www.catholicfriendshipgroup.com for more details. Location: St. Birgitta Catholic Church, 11820 NW St. Helens Rd, Portland. RSVP to: CatholicFriendshipGroup@outlook.com

OLL School Opening for Extended-Care Aide



Need a part-time job and love kids? Apply to join the OLL School extended-care team. Hours are Monday-Friday, 3:00-6:00 PM. Must be 16 or older to apply. Contact Kristen at kristeny@ollparish.com.

OLL YOUTH MINISTRY

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Becoming friends with
Jesus and each other



**Starts
October 2022**

REGISTER AT OLLPARISH.COM

AWAKENING FAITH SMALL GROUP INVITES YOU TO...

FILL THE HOLE IN
YOUR LIFE THAT ONLY GOD CAN FILL...

KNOW GOD MORE PERSONALLY...

UNLOCK THE MYSTERIES
OF CATHOLICISM!



Returning and Searching Catholics: Know God More Personally Through Awakening Faith

For more information go to our website ollparish.com/adults. Call me, Margaret Jamieson at 503-635-2915 or email me at maggieandmargaret@gmail.com.

We will meet in the Parish Library on the 2nd floor of the Parish Center, **beginning Monday, September 26th at 10am—and Tuesday, September 27th at 7pm** for those who work during the day.

OLL Parish Center – Open House

Sunday, October 2, 8:30 am – 12:30 pm

You're Invited! Now that construction is complete ... come take a look at the new and renovated areas of our Parish Center. You can see the updated parish offices, meeting rooms, and beautiful pre-K classroom, which will serve as a nursery during Sunday Mass.

Parish staff members will be available to answer your questions.



Animal Blessing - Sat. Oct 1

We are celebrating our annual Animal Blessing on Saturday, October 1st at 11:00 am in the grassy quad area, rain or shine. Fr. John and Fr. Charles will facilitate the event. If for any reason your pet is unable to attend, please bring a picture of them or their collar and we will pray for peace and/or healing for them. Those without pets are welcome to bring a stuffed animal if they wish.



All pets must be leashed, haltered, crated, or caged.

Upcoming Men's and Women's



RETREATS

ACTS stands for Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service. Join us to revitalize your faith life, spend time with our Lord, and bond with your sisters and brothers in Christ. Come and experience three days of joy, prayer, authenticity, and holy friendship. These retreats will take place at the Father Bernard Youth Center in Mt. Angel.

Men's ACTS Retreat October 6-9, 2022

REGISTER NOW ON OUR
WEBSITE OR SCAN HERE



SAVE THE DATE

Women's ACTS Retreat April 27-30, 2023

Find current retreat info at
ollparish.com/retreats

ATTENTION ACTS COMMUNITY MEMBERS:

A volunteer signup email was sent recently. If you didn't receive it and would like to volunteer, please email us at: ACTSretreats@OLLMinistry.com

RESPECT FOR LIFE



"THE RIPPLE EFFECT IS IMMEASURABLE"

For three decades, Cottage Grove resident Lori Eckstine struggled with the effects of her teenage abortion. It wasn't until she attended a retreat for post-abortive mothers in 2000 that she began to heal from her long-ago decision.

The retreat led Eckstine to begin Project Aurora the following year. The nonprofit is dedicated to helping post-abortive parents, primarily accomplished through weekend retreats like the one Eckstine experienced. So far, more than 600 women and men have attended approximately 50 of the three-day Project Aurora events.

"The retreat process is a safe, uplifting and life-restoring experience," Eckstine says. "It is conducted in a confidential, supportive environment where people can unpack and heal from grief, guilt and abortion-related trauma."

Project Aurora is affiliated with Rachel's Vineyard, a Pennsylvania-based post-abortive ministry. Retreats take place around Oregon and are offered in both English and Spanish. Each weekend costs \$250 for lodging, meals and materials, and scholarships are available.

"I have seen the damage to hundreds of people and their loved ones caused by abortion," says Eckstine. "The ripple effect is immeasurable."

Yet Project Aurora is helping reverse that tide, one weekend at a time.

"Everyone should be pro-life, since they have been given the gift of life," she says. "God loves every life and asks us to do the same."

To learn more about Project Aurora, including retreat registrations, donations and volunteering, visit project-aurora.org. Article used with permission from Oregon Right to Life.

Come on an Upcoming Healing Retreat:

Eugene: October 25-27, 2022. (weekdays)
call Alyson 541-350-6960
Info@project-aurora.org

Portland: February 17-19, 2023.
call Lori 541-350-7859
Info@project-aurora.org

Upcoming Events in the Archdiocese:

9/28 40 Days for Life: You're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life—40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil on the sidewalk in front of the Lilith Abortion Business in the Portland Medical Center, 511 W 10th Avenue, Portland. Please sign up 40DaysforLife.com/Portland or email ruesinktherese55@gmail.com.

10/2 Respect Life Sunday/Respect Life Month

JPII YOUNG ADULT CREW MINI GOLF

**SEPTEMBER 25 10:30 MASS AT ST. PHILIP BENIZI
18211 S HENRICI RD. OREGON CITY, OR 97045
MINI GOLF AT EAGLE LANDING TO FOLLOW**

**COST IS \$8 PER PERSON. MEET IN THE HALL AFTER MASS TO
HEAD OUT FOR MINI GOLF.**

QUESTIONS? TEXT ABBY WILLIAMS 971-277-0954
OR VISIT [HTTPS://WWW.PHILIPBENIZI.COM/YOUNG-ADULT](https://www.philipbenizi.com/young-adult)

Parish Office Hours

Mon.-Fri. 9am-4:30pm
Located on the 2nd floor
of the OLL Parish Center.

Phone: 503-636-7687

Weekend Mass

Schedule

Sat. 5:00pm
Sun. 7:30am, 9am, 11am

Daily Mass Schedule

Mon.-Sat. - 8:30am
Tues. - 6:00pm
Wed. & Thurs. 6:30am

Church Open Hours

For quiet prayer
Mon. - Fri.
9:30am - 4:30pm

Church Location

790 A Avenue
Lake Oswego, OR 97034

Mailing Address

650 A Avenue
Lake Oswego, OR 97034

Reconciliation

Saturday 9:15 - 10:30am
and by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

First Fridays 9:15am-8pm

Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick

Contact the office

Bulletin Insert Deadline

Thursday at 12pm
(1 ½ weeks before)
Email information to
annb@ollparish.com.

Mass Intentions

September 17-25, 2022

Saturday, September 17

8:30 am † Lloyd Cua
5:00 pm Int. Margaux Tecson (Living)

Sunday, September 18

7:30 am *None listed*
9:00 am Int. For the Parishioners
11:00am † Pius and Veronica Chow

Monday, September 19

8:30 am † Robert Goodwin

Tuesday, September 20

8:30 am † Walter Choruby
6:00 pm *None listed*

Wednesday, September 21

6:30 am † Robert Bonthuis
8:30 am † Carlo Dungca

Thursday, September 22

6:30 am † William D. Doody
8:30 am † Walter Choruby

Friday, September 23

8:30 am † Pat McVeigh

Saturday, September 24

8:30 am *None listed*
5:00 pm † Jeanne Freeman

Sunday, September 25

7:30 am Int. For the Parishioners
9:00 am *None listed*
11:00am † Lorraine & Stanley Kowalski Jr.

*To view the Mass Intentions Calendar or request an
intention online, visit ollparish.com/intentions.*

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