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

HIRTY-SECOND SUNDA IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 6, 2022

Serving, Praying, and Sharing 2022

"How can I make a return to the Lord for all the good he has done for me?"

Psalm 117

od has a plan for this world. He wants the message of salvation through his Son Jesus Christ to reach the ears of every human person, and to spiritually transform every soul. This has always been God's plan, even during the pandemic. How does God accomplish that plan? Through all of us. Through our service and prayer, and through our ministries made possible by your financial support of our parish. As our OLL Parish Mission states:

Love God · Love Others · Make Disciples of Jesus Christ

We live that mission out by *Serving, Praying* and *Sharing.* We *Serve* by getting involved in parish activities for spiritual growth, faith formation, retreats, and when we minister to other parishioners at Mass or in the office, or even assist those we may never meet who are served through St. Vincent de Paul or our Mercy Teams Sack Lunch Program. We *Pray* when we gather for Mass on Sunday, or daily and at School Masses, and when we gather in small prayer groups or offer our own private devotions. We *Share* when we support our parish financially, when we serve a meal to someone who is homeless, or through our support of other organizations with our Outreach Fund (3% of our Offertory).

Today, in this letter, I need to focus on our monetary gifts. I am proud of how our parish pursued our mission during COVID and grateful for your continued contributions during difficult times. Still, our income has definitely dipped. Currently, we remain behind budget, especially due to this year's larger than average cost of living salary increase nationally, and a 20% rise in our insurance and utilities. Over the years we have limited staffing by natural attrition and reorganization to control costs.

Therefore, at this time, I need to ask you to consider increasing your contributions so that we can meet our 2022-2023 budget by the end of the fiscal year. I understand that some parishioners have had downturns in their income and may need to cut back. But here I am letting you know what our needs are so that you can adjust your support of the parish as you are able. (See budget projections on the back side.) If you give \$20/week, can you give \$25? If you give \$50/week, can you give \$60? If you give \$100/week, can you give \$120. One way you can augment your gift is through online giving or automatic bank transfers.

Psalm 116 says: How can I make a return to the Lord for all the good he has done for me? To be a steward means to recognize that everything I have is a gift from God that has been placed in my care for the good of my household and for others. Therefore, in a spirit of gratitude I am called to make a commitment to give back to God—for the sake of God's mission—a portion (percentage) of what I have received.

Thank you in advance for your commitment to Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church. May God bless you and your loved ones.

Your brother in Christ,

Rev. John W. Kerns

Pastor



THIS WEEK

Saturday, November 5

8:30am Mass

9:15am Reconciliation

10:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry 11:00am Joan Myers Funeral

5:00pm Mass

Sunday, November 6

7:30am Mass 9:00am Mass

10:00am CDC (Catholic Deaf Community)

Faith Building Class - PC:Lib.

11:00am Mass

1:00pm Confirmation

Monday, November 7

8:30am Mass

10:00am Awakening Faith Small Group -

PC:Lib.

10:00am Centering Prayer - PC:Naz.

6:00pm Hospital Ministry Annual Mtg. -

PC:Beth.

7:00pm Men's God Shots Recovery Group -

PC:Naz.

7:00pm Boy Scouts - PH:Carp.

Tuesday, November 8

8:30am Mass

9:30am Scripture Study, Julia Miller -

PC:Naz.

6:00pm Mass

7:00pm Liturgy Committee Mtg. - PC:Naz. 7:00pm Small Faith Community - PC:Beth.

7:00pm Awakening Faith - PC:Lib.

Wednesday, November 9

6:30am Mass

7:00am Exodus 90

8:00am Julie Arndorfer Small Group -

PC:Naz.

8:30am Mass

9:30am Vatican II - PH:Carp.

11:00am Charismatic Prayer Group - PC:Lib.

6:30pm OCIA (formerly "RCIA") - PC

6:30pm ACTS Men's Team Wrap up - School

Library.

6:30pm OLL Choir Rehearsal

7:00pm Epic Church History - PH:Front

Thursday, November 10

6:30am Mass

8:30am Mass

4:45pm Alcoholics Anonymous - PC:Lib.

6:00pm Mass for Deceased Children

6:30pm Walking with Purpose - PH:Carp.

7:00pm Facilities and Development

7:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous - PC:Naz.

Friday, November 11

8:30am Mass

8:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous - PH:Carp.

Saturday, November 12

8:30am Mass

9:00am Second Saturday Sisterhood - PH

9:15am Reconciliation

5:00pm Mass

6:00pm Wine & Cheese Social

Sunday, November 13

7:30am Mass

9:00am Mass

10:00am CDC (Catholic Deaf Community)

Faith Building Class - PC:Lib.

10:00am Parent Presentation "Why Kids Ditch

God" Pt. 2. - PH

11:00am Mass

2:00pm Capella Romana Concert

2:00pm ICDA Meeting 5:00pm High School Group

ABBREVIATIONS KEY

PH - Parish Hall: Front/Mid/Carpet; PC - Parish Center: Parish Office, Nazareth, Bethlehem & Jerusalem

Rms., Parish Library

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.



Always Say and Do What Is Good

Jesus loves us so much that he gives us what we need to be strong. He wants us to always

say and do what is good. We do this by praying to God every day and by depending on him in every situation.

Check out the <u>"Faith In The Home"</u> section on our website for more faith activities for children.



Saint Vincent de Paul

Thanksgiving Box Program

On the weekends of Nov.5-6 and 12-13 (if needed), we will distribute 109 boxes to our parishioners who wish to participate in this outreach. Along with the box, you will

receive a flyer listing the items needed to provide a Thanksgiving meal for a family of 6, as well as suggestions for making your box more enjoyable for the recipient. These suggestions might include adding food items, notes of encouragement, cards, and your children's artwork. Children's participation will be a great opportunity to teach the true meaning of the holiday.

Return your filled and sealed box to the Parish Hall on: Saturday, November 19, 3-6pm or Sunday, November 20, 10am-12pm. The boxes will be transported to Saint Peter's Parish in SE Portland and distributed on Monday, Nov. 21. OLL's Saint Vincent de Paul Conference will contribute a \$20 gift card to accompany each box. This will go towards the purchase of a turkey, ham or other protein of the recipient's choice.

Our Saint Vincent de Paul thanks you for your continued generosity and asks you to please consider this worthwhile family outreach.

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FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 PARISH MISSION HIGHLIGHTS

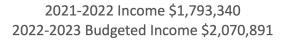
Maintaining our parish mission to *Love God. Love Others. Make Disciples of Jesus Christ* from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022, was challenging as we emerged from Covid restrictions and gradually resumed programs, outreach, and liturgical services. We registered 98 new families for a total of 1,571 active parish families. Our parish continues to experience growth despite family transitions.

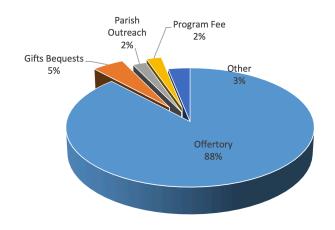
Mass Participation: Attendance at the four weekend Masses averaged 750 in-person, half the pre-Covid numbers, with an average of 300 unique views of livestream Mass joining each week through online syndications. Our online giving increases helped to reduce the substantial loss of weekend offertory collections.

Faith Formation, Sacraments, and Retreats: Staff resumed Children, Family, Youth and Adult Faith Formation offered through a combination of online and in-person events. There were 89 Baptisms, 140 First Communions, 103 Confirmations, 32 Marriages, and 25 adults become Catholic through the RCIA. We held ACTS retreats for both men and women, and parish Men's and Women's retreats which were all full and brought a new energy to parish life. 275 children were enrolled in our K-8th grade parish school.

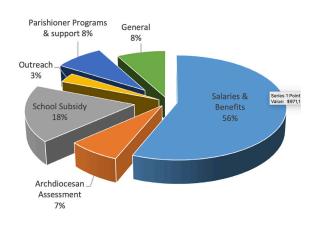
Outreach: Parishioners responded generously to our Mercy Teams sack lunch distributions, and St. Vincent de Paul food, utilities, and housing efforts. 3% of offertory was allocated to our Outreach Fund grants to deserving partner organizations. The Pastoral Council offered three special events to bring greater awareness to aspects of Catholic Social Teaching.

Staff and Facilities: COVID cleaning expenses stretched our budget as our 9 full-time and 5 part-time staff members adapted and maintained programs and services throughout the year.





2021-2022 Expenses \$1,921,947 2022-2023 Budgeted Expenses \$2,070,141



2022-2023 BUDGET AND INCOME PROJECTIONS

Our 2021-2022 parish operating income, which included offertory pledges, gifts, and donations to outreach and program service fees, was \$1,793,340. Our expenses for the year were \$1,921,947 on a budget of \$1,844,021, resulting in a loss of \$128,608. Most of the unexpected expenses were due to COVID-related maintenance and cleaning costs. Our normal expenses included personnel costs, services to parishioners, facilities, and outreach. To balance the budget last year, we had to dip into our savings, which decreased our available reserves.

Our 2022-2023 budget expenses continue to rise, with an overall 8% increase over last year's budget. Major increases include personnel (cost of living raises), insurance and utilities (20% increase), technology and building maintenance. We are counting on a \$277,555 increase in income to balance this year's budget. With your increased financial support, we can meet our 2022-2023 budget and end the year in good financial shape as we continue to maintain and grow our parish mission.



Wine & Cheese Hospitality after 5pm Mass Sat. Nov. 12

Come downstairs and enjoy a sip of wine or other beverages and a bite to eat while spending quality time with your OLL family.









CELEBRATING BLACK CATHOLIC FAITH

LEARN. DISCUSS. PRAY. ACT.

EVENT PROGRAM

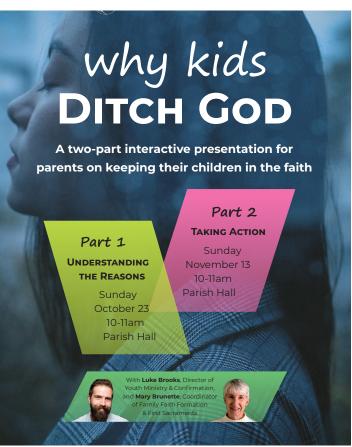
VENUE Zoom DURATION 5:30pm - 7pm PST REGISTRATION



Register today at: https://saintlysix.eventbrite.com/

Inquiries and ADA accommodations can be found on the event Web site.





Mass for Deceased Children

Thursday
November 10
6:00pm



NOVEMBER 6, 2022

Adult Confirmation 2023

Confirmation is one of the three Sacraments of Initiation and is the way God pours out his strength and wisdom to us. For this reason, we are encouraged to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church prior to receiving the sacrament of marriage. In this way, we are equipped with God's grace for unity. It is also a requirement when becoming a Catholic Godparent. Starting January 19, Adult Confirmation Prep will meet Thursday evenings twice a month. Confirmation will take place in May of 2023. Sign up on our website. Contact Laura Patton for questions at laurap@ ollparish.com.



Recall of Pyx and Burses Our Lady of the Lake is actively

returning to our pre-COVID outreach to the homebound in providing the Eucharist. This involves three pastoral ministries: 1. the hospital; 2. home visits; and 3. the EMHC for Masses. We have nearly 100 ministers! I am asking all of our OLL parishioners to respond to our need for the following:pyx and burses. If you no longer need the one (s) you have, would you kindly bring them to Mass or to the parish office. God bless you!

-Fr. Charles, Parochial Vicar



Mercy Teams Sack Lunch Meals of Mercy

Drive-Thru Drop-Off held twice every month.

Donate PB&J sandwiches or sack lunches
containing granola bar, chips, Capri Sun fruit
punch, apple sauce cup. Pledge sheets and

details are available on the parish website for drop-off dates of **November 6 and 20**.

Mercy Teams 4th Saturday Street Ministry to the Unsheltered

Every 4th Saturday we share love, socks, and clothing items, along with a hot breakfast and a sack lunch. Fruit smoothies are served, and water and hygiene kits are handed out. This is a tremendous hands-on service opportunity for all ages. We come together to service our brothers and sisters in Christ and celebrate our common humanity. Our guests look forward to the time we spend and the love we share. Come see the face of Jesus in those you will be serving. Sign up links for **November 26th Street Ministry** are now available on the parish website, ollparish.com/serve-others (click Mercy Teams). We will be collecting used winter jackets, sweatshirts, and new socks during our drive through events, or drop them off in Mercy Teams space in the parish hall.

Contact Michael Backus with questions at mercyteams@ollministry.com or call 503-708-9503

Winter Coats, New White Cotton Socks Needed

Mercy Teams is now starting to collect new or lightly used winter coats, warm sweaters, sweatshirts and hoodies. We continue to collect and distribute new white cotton crew socks. These items are distributed during each Street Ministry outing and whenever a mission requests this help.



30th Annual

Santa's Treasures Holiday Bazaar Nov. 12-13

Sponsored by YLI

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church 10955 SE 25th Ave, Milwaukie

Sat, Nov 12, 9am-4pm and Sun, Nov 13,

8:30am-3pm. Food, arts, crafts, jewelry, soap, candles, homemade jams & salsa, raffle, and more!

November is National Hospice and Palliative Care Month



Caring for Loved Ones at Life's End

We are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when loved ones approach life's end, we may not know how to provide compassionate care. Surround your friend or family member with love, support, and companionship that are "anchored in unconditional respect for their human dignity, beginning with respect for the inherent value of their lives" (To Live Each Day with Dignity, USCCB).

Reach out! Here are 10 tips on how we can compassionately care for them.

- 1. Invite God in.
- 2. Listen.
- 3. Inform yourself.
- 4. Be steadfast in compassion.
- 5. Help them achieve closure.
- 6. Provide opportunities for resolution.
- 7. Reminisce.
- 8. Provide a peaceful atmosphere.
- 9. Show tenderness.
- 10. Bear their transition patiently.

Read the full version at www.usccb.org/resources/rlp-18-caring-for-loved-ones-at-lifes-end-english-color.pdf.

Cardinal Gerald Lacroix of Quebec has suggested that individuals should speak with people who are nearing the end of their lives..."tell that person that he or she has a great worth in your eyes and will always be able to count on your presence," the Canadian primate suggested. He said that the results of these conversations would shed light on the question of assisted suicide, because when people facing terminal illness feel that they are loved, they rarely wish to end their own lives. The demands for assisted suicide, the cardinal said, "disappear when someone is well accompanied." catholicculture.org

Steve Karlen Event: Thank you to all who attended this interview-style talk. If you weren't able to attend, please go to <u>OLLParish.com</u> to view a video of the event which includes the question and answer period.

Pregnancy Help: To help pregnant moms in our own community, please go to: <u>ollparish.com/serve/love-others</u> and click "Find Help."

Healing After Abortion: If you are suffering after abortion, experience a Rachel's Vineyard healing weekend sponsored by Project Aurora. www.project-aurora.org. Upcoming Retreat: Eugene: October 25-27, 2022. Call Alyson 541-350-6960 or Info@project-aurora.org.

Upcoming Events in the Archdiocese

11/12 Pro-Life Rosary at Planned Parenthood, 14601 SE Division Street, Portland at 10:30 AM. There will be an interdenominational prayer service following the rosary.

11/14 OLL Respect Life Committee Meeting in the Nazareth Room at 4 PM. All are welcome!

OFFERTORY

THIS YEAR:

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September 2022: \$92,753

Year to Date: \$329,524

Transfer to Outreach:

LAST YEAR:

BUDGET:

\$2,783

September 2021: \$89,123

Net September: \$89,970

Year to Date: \$306,961

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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

November 5-13, 2022

Saturday, November 5

8:30 am Int. Alber & Jennifer Diaz 20th Wedding Anniversary (Living) 5:00 pm Int. Joyce Shiarella (Living)

Sunday, November 6

7:30 am + Shirley Wizer 9:00am Int. For the Parishioners 11:00am + Frank Putz

Monday, November 7

8:30 am † Fadhell Hanoudi

Tuesday, November 8

8:30 am + Antoinette Merolla 6:00 pm int. Angel & Felicity Martinez (Living)

Wednesday, November 9

6:30 am † Maria Martha Ohy 8:30 am Int. Kathy Malik (Living)

Thursday, November 10

6:30 am † Souls in Purgatory 8:30 am † Walter Choruby 6:00 pm † Deceased Children

Friday, November 11

8:30 am + Cmdr. John "Skip" Yocum

Saturday, November 12

8:30 am † Marie Hong Tran 5:00 pm † Punky Stebbins

Sunday, November 13

7:30 am Int. For the Parishioners

Faris Moosa 9:00am

11:00am + Clarence & Marian Feltes

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

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