

## Our Lady of the Lake Parish

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### Mass Schedule:

Mon – Sat ..... 8:30 a.m.  
Saturday Vigil ..... 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday: ..... 7:45 a.m.  
..... 9:00 a.m.  
..... 10:30 a.m.  
..... 12:00 Noon  
Holydays: ..... 8:30 a.m.  
..... 9:30 a.m. (except Aug. 15th) and 7:00 p.m.

### Confession:

Saturday - 4 – 5:00 & 6:30 p.m. or by appointment

### Novena:

Miraculous Medal Devotion  
Sat. 8:30 a.m.

### Eucharistic Adoration:

Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.  
6:45 p.m. - Divine Mercy Chaplet, Evening Prayer and Benediction

### Sacraments

**Baptisms:** Call parish office for an appointment. Baptisms take place the First and Third Sundays at 1:00 p.m. or during a Sunday Mass.

**Marriages:** Arrangements must be made at least one year in advance. Please call Parish Office.

### Religious Education – Sundays K through Eighth.

First Session, 8:50 to 10:00 a.m.  
Second Session, 10:30 to 11:40 a.m.

### Confirmation:

9<sup>th</sup> grade: 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
10<sup>th</sup> grade: 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

## Parish Events

### ONGOING

#### SCRIPTURE CLASS

Scripture class takes place on **Tuesday mornings** following the 8:30 morning Mass. We meet every Tuesday in the Parish Library. Bring a friend as we all journey in our faith together, it will be an hour well spent.

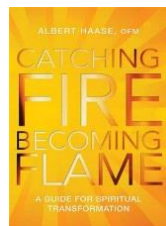
#### CARE FOR GOD'S CREATION



Join us on **Mondays from 4:00 to 5:00 PM** in the Parish Library. We will gather to pray and work in thanksgiving for the goodness of creation. We join our voices, as St. Francis of Assisi did in his Canticle of the Sun, and as Pope Francis echoed in his encyclical on the environment. "Praised be you, O Lord, for the beauty and goodness of the created world!" We thank God for the gift of creation and show our appreciation through our care. If you are interested in working with us to Care for God's Creation let us know at [LaudatoSi.OLL@gmail.com](mailto:LaudatoSi.OLL@gmail.com)

### FEBRUARY

#### Catching Fire Becoming Flame, A Guide for Spiritual Transformation



This is a six-session video presentation given by Fr. Albert Haase, OFM & it will be offered here in Cassidy Hall starting **February 6 at 7:00 PM**. Follow-up discussion & fellowship should make for an enriching Lenten experience. All are welcome.

#### MARDI GRAS – FEBRUARY 10

The Knights of Columbus Council #588 will be hosting a MARDI GRAS PARTY on **February 10<sup>th</sup>** in McKenna Hall at 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. There will be food, music and a GREAT TIME! The cost per ticket will be \$20.00. For tickets and further information please contact John Kollar at (862) 432-2391 or Don Reichert at (973) 729-3599.

### YOUTH GROUP 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAYS

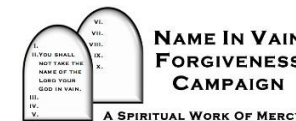
12 to 2:30 p.m.



Every First Sunday the Youth Group (9th grade and above) will meet at the Church and

attend the 12 Noon Mass. We will then meet in the Youth Room (basement of Parish Center) to focus on community, fun, and service projects. Snacks will be provided. Dates include [February 4](#), [March 4](#), [April 8](#) (since Easter is April 1), [May 6](#), [June 3](#). Summer dates to follow. This is also great time for teens to celebrate God's Word, hang out, while parents have some free time. Contact [allisono@ourladyofthelake.org](mailto:allisono@ourladyofthelake.org) if you are interested in attending.

### NAME IN VAIN CAMPAIGN



### A LENTEN OPPORTUNITY SO SIMPLE – SO DOABLE – SO BENEFICIAL!

For the third year in a row, we are asking all parishioners to participate in a parish-wide, "Name In Vain Forgiveness Campaign." It is a very easy yet effective way to exercise your love of God and love of neighbor during Lent. Here's how it works - any time you hear someone taking the name of our Lord in vain, you silently yet sincerely pray a simple, one sentence prayer on behalf of that person, to ask for God's mercy. Namely, "Father forgive them, they know not what they do."

We will provide you with a package containing the prayer, the simple instructions, and even a "Name In Vain" wristband for you to wear during Lent, to help you remember. All you need to do is wear the wristband or keep the prayer card in a place where you will see it every day as a reminder. Then, as you go about your normal day, any time you hear anyone taking the name of the Lord in vain, immediately pray this one-sentence prayer for him or her, in the silence of your heart. It's that simple!

**PARISH MISSION – FEBRUARY 26-28**



Join us for this Lenten Mission. Our Mission Speaker will be Paul Rymniak. Mr. Rymniak will speak briefly at all the Masses on February 25<sup>th</sup>. There will be opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation each night of the Mission, we'll pray the

Holy Rosary on Monday and Wednesday, and there will be a Healing Service for seriously ill people. Set aside some time for a spiritual experience.

**MARCH**

**SAINT PATRICK'S DINNER/DANCE**



Our Lady of the Lake is happy to announce that our annual St. Patrick's Night will be held on the actual feast day – **March 17<sup>th</sup>**. Tickets are \$35 each and may be purchased at the parish office.

**PARISH COMMUNAL PENANCE**



We will have our Parish Communal Penance Service on **Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** There will be additional priests available to hear confessions. This is a perfect opportunity to fulfill your Easter duty.

**APRIL**

**WOMEN'S CORNERSTONE RETREAT  
April 20 and 21**



Cornerstone is a 26-hour journey that brings women of the parish together for a brief and wonderful time to revitalize and deepen their spiritual lives through a combination of quiet reflection, discussion and prayer. Come to the Living Water. Come, renew and focus your spiritual life while enjoying camaraderie of other women. Registration forms may be found on our website.

**LENTEN & EASTER SCHEDULE**

**Wed. Feb. 14 – Ash Wednesday**

8:30 a.m. – Mass  
12:00 Noon – Prayer Service  
4:00 p.m. – Prayer Service  
7:00 p.m. – Mass

**Welcome Home Confessions**

7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on  
February 19, 26,  
March 5, 12, 19,  
March 27<sup>th</sup> – Communal Penance Service

**Stations of the Cross**

Fridays at 7:00 PM

**March 29 - Holy Thursday**

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 p.m.

**March 30 - Good Friday – NO MASS**

12:00 noon – 7 Last Words of Christ  
2:00 p.m. – The Passion of Our Lord  
3:30 p.m. – Divine Mercy Novena  
7:00 p.m. – Livings Stations of the Cross

**March 31 - Holy Saturday – One Mass**

12:30 p.m. Divine Mercy Novena  
1:00 p.m. – Blessing of the Food  
8:00 p.m. – Easter Vigil Mass

**April 1<sup>st</sup> - Easter Sunday**

7:45 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon in Church  
10:35 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. in McKenna Hall

**COMING HOME**

During Lent, all parishes in the Diocese of Paterson will have Confessions every Monday night from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.



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*Celebrating the Season of Lent*

February, March, April

**Parish Staff**

- Rev. David McDonnell.....Pastor
- Rev. Marcin Bradtke.....Parochial Vicar
- Rev. Mr. Krzysztof Ślimak.....Deacon
- Mr. James McGovern .....Deacon
- Mr. Anthony (Sonny) Curcio .....Deacon
- Elizabeth Heldak..... Dir. of Religious Ed
- Allison Ognibene ..... Youth Minister/  
..... Confirmation Coordinator
- Krzysztof Kowalewski ..... Music Director
- Denise Aldana..... Social Ministries
- Ellen Ormond Mueller..... Bookkeeper/Sec.
- Joanna Mattos.....Secretary