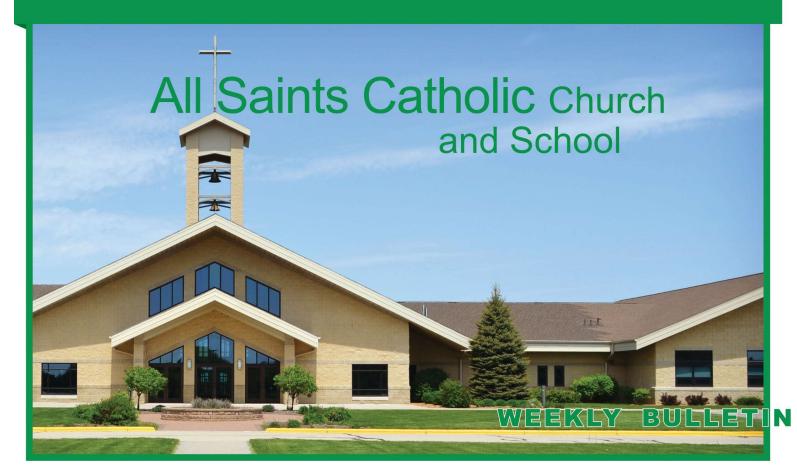


Growing in the Spirit



25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 19, 2021



Silva Linings with Father John

Our readings today bring to light the daily struggle between good and evil and how we can combat this struggle through wisdom and gratitude.

"Where do the wars and where do the conflicts among you come from? Is it not from your passions that make war within your members?" In our Second Reading, St. James is reminding us to not become enslaved to our passions. In a moment, it might feel good to jab back at someone in an argument or selfishly do what you can to gain the upper hand in life or even overindulge in

earthly pleasures. But when we step back outside of that moment, we realize we have not gained anything and lost the ability to do something great. These are moments where we must decide between good and evil.

"But the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits..." Instead, St. James encourages us to seek wisdom from above. When we seek the Lord, we will have the strength to choose good and the wisdom to properly use what we have received from Him.

In our Gospel, we see an example of how surrendering to our passions negatively affects us. Jesus was with His disciples when they began to argue amongst themselves as to who was the greatest in the group.

We can imagine the twelve apostles spent significant amounts of time together as they followed Jesus and learned from Him. The apostles were human — they had imperfections, clashing personalities, jealous and competitive natures just like we do. There were bound to be some arguments that rose among them.

If we look at our own lives, we might find many instances where we fall into the same tendencies—we constantly compare ourselves to others, out of pride we feel the need to point out another's faults or choose to fight back in an argument. We know we should act one way but choose another.

When Jesus hears what the apostles are discussing, He has them focus on a child. "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." There is much for us to take away from the example of a child, but ultimately it is centered around gratitude. If we reflect on the moment someone receives a child, oftentimes their hearts are overwhelmed with joy and gratitude for this gift. There is no jealousy or anger, just thanksgiving, and appreciation.

The apostles are busy bickering about who was the best. Their vision was clouded on something that really didn't matter and because of this, they could not even stop and be grateful for the gift to be so close to our Savior Jesus Christ and were chosen to be His closest followers.

When we are caught in the raging war of jealousy, fighting, and pride, and begin to become enslaved to our passions we are ultimately being ungrateful for what we have been given. We overlook the blessing God has given us and the gifts and talents He has entrusted to us.

And gratitude doesn't stop with the acknowledgment of our blessings. It should ultimately transform how we live our lives. In gratitude, the raging wars will subside within us, and we can begin to use the many blessings God has already given to us for His glory.

Today, let us recall that we have an infinitely loving God who cares deeply for us. Consider all that He has blessed you with, and how you can use those blessings for His glory.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

| ALL SAINTS (week 11) | | Give Your "First Fruits" Back to God! | OUR LADY of the LAKE | E (week 11) |
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| Weekly Envelope Goal <u>Actual Weekly Offertory</u> Difference: | (-\$2,435.90) | To Parish5-8% To Diocese1% To Charities1-4% Would you prayerfully consider | Weekly Envelope Goal <u>Actual Weekly Offertory</u> Difference: | \$3,673.00 <u>\$3,200.05</u> (-\$472.95) |
| Envelope YTD Goal: Actual YTD Total: Difference: | \$158,400.00 <u>\$131,913.30</u> (-\$26,486.70) | treating All Saints / Our Lady of the Lake as one of your children in your will/estate planning? Call your Parish Office for details. | Envelope YTD Goal: Actual YTD Total: Difference: | \$40,403.00 <u>\$42,534.21</u> +\$2,131.21 |
| Please note, our weekly goal is our operating offertory budget over 52 weeks. This will make our year to date numbers behind at the beginning of the fiscal year and at times depending on the week of the month. | | | | |

This is expected due to the Parish's increased income flow revolving around Christmas and Easter time.

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS FOR OLOL / ALL SAINTS

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| | All Saints | Our Lady of the Lake |
| SAT 9/18 | 4:30 pm Fr. John Lee Slack † | 5:00 pm Fr. Tony Frank & Helen Cirino † |
| SUN 9/19 | 7:30 am Fr. John Deceased Members of Leon & Katherine Kurczek Family † | 8:00 am Fr. Tony OLOL Parish Family |
| | 10:00 am Fr. John All Saints Family | 10:00 am Fr. Tony Deceased Members of the Timler Family † |
| MON 9/20 | No Mass | No Mass |
| TUE 9/21 | No Mass | No Mass |
| WED 9/22 | No Mass | No Mass |
| THUR 9/23 | 9:15 am Special Intention for Fr. David | 8:00 am Richard Marcin † |
| FRI 9/24 | 8:00 am Deceased Members of the Karamitis & Carriveau Families † | 8:00 am Ned Seelhorst † |
| SAT 9/25 | 4:30 pm Fr. McNamee All Saints Family | 5:00 pm Fr. John Ann Hartman † |
| SUN 9/26 | 7:30 am Fr. McNamee Loretta Dolata Bultman† | 8:00 am Fr. John Lucille Wagner † |
| | 10:00 am Fr. McNamee Ray Kraft † | 10:00 am Fr. John OLOL Parish Family |

This week, both Fr. John and Fr. Tony will be attending the Diocesan Presbyteral Assembly. Therefore there will be NO Mass at either church on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday this week. And there will be NO Adoration or Confessions at All Saints on Tuesday evening.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Back to School Bash All Saints Social Hall Sun 9/19, after 10am Mass
- KC Mtg All Saints Social Hall Tue 9/23 6:30pm
- TMIY All Saints Social Hall Wed 9/22 5:30am
- Religious Ed Classes- All Saints Wed 9/122
 3:30pm and 6:00pm
- Finance Council OLOL Thur 9/23 5:30pm
- Parish Council OLOL Thur 9/23 6:30pm

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

| SATURDAY 9/25 | All Saints 4:30 pm | Our Lady of the Lake 5:00 pm |
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| Lector | Joel Spaulding | Betty Rowley |
| Usher(s) | | Tina & Dan Ciukaj |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Sue LaBuda Beth Nighbor | Betty Rowley |
| SUNDAY 9/26 | All Saints 7:30 am | Our Lady of the Lake 8:00 am |
| Lector | Donna McMartin | Art Egbert |
| Usher(s) | | Hal & Sheila Pohlman |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Donna Petit Anita Youngbauer | Bob Klatt |
| | All Saints 10:00 am | Our Lady of the Lake 10:00 am |
| Lector | Cindy Wiegel | Bobbie Erdmann |
| Usher(s) | | Verbanac Family |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Greg & Celeste Blaskowski | Betty Keipe |
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MEMORIAL LIGHTS

All Saints Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of the Deceased Members of the Soda & Chikowski Families





CONFESSIONS & ADORATION

All Saints Confessions: Saturday: 4:00 pm Sunday: 9:30 am Tuesday: 5:45-6:15 pm Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday: 5:45-6:45 pm

Our Lady of the Lake Confessions: Saturday: 4:30 pm Sunday: 7:30 & 9:30 am

Eucharist Adoration: Friday: 8:30-9:30 am

THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH



NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! - Ryan Davey as the new maintenance person at All Saints Church! We are happy to have you as part of our team!

Wedding Banns II Brett Mittlestedt & Danielle Turner

Rest in Peace Josh Schmitz and Ann Young who was buried from All Saints Church this past week. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.



All Saints Harvest Takeout Dinner - Sunday, October 3rd. This will be a takeout meal, so we will need some enthusiastic volunteers to help! We will need: Pie Cutters, Meal Servers, Meal Packagers, Order Packagers, Outside Runners, Traffic Directors, and a Clean-Up Crew. Please use this link <u>https://</u>



<u>www.signupgenius.com/go/60B094AABA823A1F49-harvest1</u> to read descriptions and sign-up to volunteer. **Attention Confirmation Students**, this is an excellent opportunity to earn service hours! If you have questions, please contact Amy Slonecker: 414-416-1538 or amyslonecker@yahoo.com

We are also looking for people to take a few **Harvest Dinner posters** to the following towns: Ripon, Omro, Redgranite, Wautoma, and Princeton. If you can do this please contact Mary Seaman at 920-290-0177.

Dinner tickets are \$12 each and will be available for sale in the gathering space after all the Masses for the next 3 weekends. You can also purchase them during the week at the parish office, Ladybug Floral, Fortifi Bank, and Farmers & Merchants Bank.

Pie tins are available for those who can bake a pie or two for our homemade dessert! We are asking for the following kinds of pies: blueberry, apple, lemon, pumpkin, pecan, cherry.

We are also looking for people to donate baskets for the **in-person basket raffle.** If you can donate a basket, please call Mary Seaman at 920-290-0177 or Sharlene Parsons at 920-361-0435. We are looking to have at least 15-20 baskets. Baskets will be accepted through Tuesday, Sep. 21, and you may bring them to the parish office. You may view baskets and purchase tickets in the gathering space after all Masses on Sep 25-26 and Oct. 2-3. The drawing will be Oct. 3rd

Our Lady of the Lake Meetings - Our Lady of the Lake will have a Finance Council Meeting on Thursday, 9/23 at 5:30pm followed by a Parish Council Meeting on 9/23 at 6:30pm

KC News: This month the KC meeting at All Saints will be at 6:30pm on Tues, Sept. 21 instead of Sept. 14.

BINGO! Sunday evenings at All Saints Parish Hall. Doors open at 5:30 pm for refreshments and BINGO begins at 6:30. Contact the parish office if you'd like to make a cake or help in the kitchen! Thank you.

Food Drive to "Can Hunger" - Team up with Thrivent for a food drive to benefit the Berlin Food Pantry on Friday, Sep. 24, from 11am - 1pm, at Riverside Coffee in Berlin. For every item you donate, Thrivent will donate \$3, up to \$3,000. Items most needed are: Canned Meats, Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Canned Meals, Soups, Peanut Butter, Paper Products. All donations are welcome! *Bonus:* All those that donate will receive Riverside Coffee Company sandwich samples and Baked: Cakes by Design cookies!

Dr. Edward Sri is Coming to Oshkosh! National speaker and author, Dr. Edward Sri will speak on *Discipleship: Walking Closely with Jesus* at St. Raphael the Archangel in Oshkosh on Saturday, Oct. 9, 7:45am – 1pm.. Dr. Sri will speak on several various aspects of being a disciple. This is a great opportunity to bring someone to Christ who has not committed him/herself to being a disciple of Jesus. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased from the St. Raphael website raphael.org/tickets or at the St. Raphael parish office. Come to grow closer to Jesus--and leave as a disciple with a heart closer to His.

October is Respect Life Month! WRTL will host a Baby Bottle collection, Oct. 9-10 to benefit local organizations that help mothers choose life! They will also host a silent, prayerful walk at Nathan Strong Park in Berlin to raise awareness for the unborn, Sun. Oct. 10 from 2-3pm. All are welcome!

Mission Appeals to take place in October - Our scheduled missionary priest for All Saints unfortunately will not be able to join us at in person this year. Instead we will take up a second collection on Oct. 2-3. See next week's bulletin for an insert describing the mission we will be supporting. Our Lady of the Lake will welcome a missionary priest from the Missionary Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament Oct. 23-24.

Job Opportunity - The Catholic Herald, official newspaper of the Diocese of Madison, is looking for a fulltime reporter. Full job posting can be viewed here: https://madisoncatholicherald.org/images/classifieds.pdf Applications accepted until October 15th. No phone calls, please.

ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL AND FAITH FORMATION

Prayer Pals

At All Saints Catholic School, we have been discussing our relationship with God. As part of that relationship, we know that God wants us to think about others, and pray for others. We would like to let you know about a prayer program that we have here at All Saints Catholic School. Students and Families can let us know if someone is in special need of our prayers. We then send the person a colored picture with a prayer on it, and let them know that we are thinking and praying for them.

"For whatever you do, to the least of my brothers,

that you do unto me"

This informal program has been very well received. We have heard stories of people who have turned away from God in anger, and the notes and prayers from our students have warmed them back into His flock. We have heard stories of lonely, sad parishioners who smiled when they received a hand colored prayer. It helps us because it allows us to think of others, and it helps the person by letting them know that our school cares about them. If you know of anyone in special need of prayers, (does not have to be a parishioner.) Just fill out the following form and we will send a nice note out right away. Anything you can tell us would be most helpful.

Please send this form back even if you sent one last year. We would like to update the prayer binder, so we will need a new form for anyone you would like us to send a prayer picture to. You can also email dtrochinski@allsaintsberlin.org or call the school office 920-361-1781 with the following information.

Name:

Address:

Submitted by:

Anything additional information you can give us (illness, name of hospital, approximate time in hospital, etc.):

We would love to send messages to those who are in the military and in college as well! Thank you!

Sincerely, The Staff at All Saints Catholic School





Sunday Sept. 19 after 10am Mass at All Saints Parish Hall. Please join us!

Registration for Religious Education and Confirmation Programs for All Saints and Our Lady of the Lake are now open. It's Not Too Late!

Parents may register your child(ren) by visiting our website allsaintsberlin.org or our FaceBook page. You can also find the updated schedule on the website as well.

Classes are on Wednesdays after school



You can always buy SCRIP online through our website: shopwithscrip.com. Our ScripNow code is EDB23A4F82L2 Questions? Contact our scrip coordinator at: scrip@allsaintsberlin.org Use AmazonSmile to shop and select All Saints Catholic Congregation in Berlin, WI as your charity of choice.



ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

Little Saints Tuition Assistance Fund Berlin Catholic School Endowment Fund, Inc.

Principal Jana Dahms All Saints Catholic School 151 S. Grove St. Berlin, WI 920-361-1781 https://school.allsaintsberlin.org





Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church



530 Ruth Street Green Lake, WI 54941

ESTABLISHED IN 1908

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE MASS: Saturday 5:00 PM & Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

OLOL OFFICES

| Rectory/Parish Office | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Parish Secretary | Carolyn Zentner |
| (Monday and Tuesday 8:30AM | 1 - 12:30PM) |
| Parish Email | OLGLCatholic@gmail.com |
| Website | https://www.olol.center |

All Saints Catholic Church and School

| Pastoral Council Chair | Nathan Polcyn |
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| Finance Council Chair | Stephen Prissel |
| Financial Secretary | Betty Rowley |
| Building & Grounds | Hal Pohlman |
| Council of Catholic Women | |



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ALL SAINTS MASS: Saturday 4:30 PM, Sunday 7:30 AM & 10:00 AM

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| Rectory | |
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ST. MICHAEL CEMETERY

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ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Fr. Anthony Thirumalareddy 920-294-6440/920-361-5252

SCHEDULING EVENTS

All parish activities or meetings need to be scheduled on the parish calendar. Please call the parish office.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Tuesday – Noon

DEACON Deacon Jim Hoegemeier Jim.Hoegemeier@ madisondiocese.org DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS ED. Michelle Wolff 920-361-5252 mwolff@allsaintsberlin.org

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you to our parish family. Please stop by or call the parish office for information about registering as parish members.

SACRAMENTS

PENANCE/RECONCILIATION

Private Reconciliation is offered on Tuesdays from 5:45 to 6:45 PM during Adoration and Saturday at 4:00PM, 9:30AM before Mass at All Saints. There is private reconciliation at 4:30PM, 7:30AM & 9:30AM before Mass times at OLOL. Communal Celebrations are scheduled during the seasons of Advent and Lent.

MARRIAGE

To schedule a wedding date, call the parish office. The common policy of the Diocese of Madison requires a 6-month minimum notice. We strongly recommend at least one year in advance.

BAPTISM

Baptism dates are arranged through the parish offices. First time parents are required to attend a baptism preparation program before the baptism of their child. Please call the parish office for more informaton.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Individual celebrations can be arranged by calling the parish office.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

We are happy to bring Holy Communion to those confined to their homes. Please notify the parish office.