

Growing in the Spirit





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2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 15, 2023



Gilva Linings with Father John

Today's readings provide clear and inspiring reminders of the most fundamental aspect of our identity — that of servants of our most high and holy God, His modern-day disciples and stewards.

In the first reading, from Isaiah, we hear the voice of the "Suffering Servant" — prophetic words of Jesus Christ. "Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb." How beautiful! Even from the first moment of his conception in the womb of our Blessed Mother, Jesus' saving mission had begun. This is true for each one of us. The Father has called each of us from the moment of our conception for a unique mission to further His kingdom on the earth. Each one of us can truly say the Father has "formed me as his servant from the womb."

To be his servant is all that truly matters in this life, for ourselves and for our children. Career paths, athletic accomplishments, the school we attend or the city in which we live — all are secondary to the thing that matters most — that we have been called from the womb for the privilege of being God's servants. Do our daily lives reflect this high calling? Do we use the gifts of our time, talents and treasure in service of God's kingdom, and do we guide our children to do the

same, for that is why God has entrusted these things to us?

Our second reading, from St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians, gives us another reminder of our true identity as God's servants and the high calling we have as Christian stewards. St. Paul greets the Corinthians, and us as well, with this description: "To you who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be holy..." We are called to nothing less than holiness. After all, only the holy can enter heaven.

John the Baptist recognized the holiness of Jesus and the response due to Him when he encountered Christ in person on the day they met at the Jordan River. His response, which we read in our Gospel passage from St. John was, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world... He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me."

What a powerful description of our Lord and the place He should rightfully have in each of our lives. He is truly our Savior, the only one who can free us from our sinfulness. We are utterly and completely dependent on His power, love and mercy. Therefore, He truly does "rank ahead" of us; he deserves to be first, above all other priorities and plans in our lives. Again, let us examine our daily lives, and encourage our children to do the same.

Does the way I spend my time reflect that God comes first? Do prayer and weekly Mass, regular confession and time with my family "rank ahead" of everything else on my calendar? Do I use my talents, skills and energy to serve my family, parish and community in thanksgiving and recognition that God's kingdom ranks ahead of any other goals or ambitions? Do I spend my money and use my material possessions so as to glorify God?

Challenge questions, to be sure. But questions worthy of our high calling as Christian stewards offered a glorious mission in service of our Lord and His kingdom. What will our response be?



Eucharistic Adoration

All Saints Church has Adoration on Wednesdays from 8:30am—3:30pm. *We invite anyone who has time to stop in for a visit with our Eucharistic Lord.*

You are welcome to come any time, for any amount of time, whether it's an hour or only a few minutes.

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS FOR ALL SAINTS & OUR LADY

Saturday, January 14

4:30 pm All Saints (Fr. F) - SI of the Hoesley Family 5:00 pm Our Lady (Fr. J) - Deceased and Forgotten Souls

Sunday, January 15

7:30 am All Saints (Fr. F) - Jim and Tom Konen † 8:00am Our Lady (Fr. J)- Dale, Dolores, Steve, & Jim Walker † 10:00 am All Saints (Fr. F) - All Saints Parish Family

Monday, January 16 - No Mass

Tuesday, January 17

Our Lady - NO MASS

5:15 pm All Saints - Lawrence Besaw †

Wednesday, January 18

8:00 am Our Lady - Dec'd members of Our Lady CCW † All Saints - NO MASS

Thursday, January 19

Our Lady – NO MASS

9:15 am All Saints – Ken & Alice Parsons †

Friday, January 20

8:00 am Our Lady - David Meier †

All Saints - NO MASS

Saturday, January 21

4:30 pm All Saints - (Fr. J) - Roberta Silva and Marlene Obert† 5:00 pm Our Lady - (Fr. J.P.) - The Wagner Family

Sunday, January 22

7:30 am All Saints (Fr. J) - All Saints Family

8:00 am Our Lady (Fr. J.P.) - Our Lady Parish Family

10:00 am All Saints (Fr. J) - Robert Blazel †

Daily Mass Schedule Changes

Please check the weekly Mass schedule above for weekday Masses. We will be having guest priests with us to celebrate weekend Masses, so the weekend Mass schedule will remain the same. Confession and Adoration schedules will also remain the same.

This weekend we welcome Fr. Ken Fritsch, retired priest from the Diocese of Madison, to celebrate Masses at All Saints. Next weekend we welcome Fr. Jay Poster to celebrate Masses at Our Lady of the Lake. Fr. Poster is the current pastor of St. Joseph in Baraboo.

Christmas Flower correction for Our Lady of the Lake: A donation was made by David & Nancy Chikowski.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE ALL SAINTS & OUR LADY

Saturday All Saints Our Lady			
Jan. 21		30 pm	5:00 pm
Lector	Tammie I	Rau	Shirley Patin
Eucharistic Ministers	Sharlene Parsons Beth Nighbor		Betty Rowley
Ushers			Diane Wagner John Teachout
Sunday Jan. 22		Saints 30 am	Our Lady 8:00 am
Lector	Mary Sea	aman	Michael Stellmacher
Eucharistic Ministers	Leanne Hansen Anita Youngbauer		Nancy Chikowski
Ushers			Hal & Sheila Pohlman
Sunday Jan. 22 Lector Eucharistic Ministers			All Saints 10:00 am
		Bob Malchetske	
		Greg & Celeste Blaskowski	

MEMORIAL LIGHTS FOR THIS WEEK

All Saints Sanctuary Lamp
burns in memory of
Bert & Irene HallmanOur Lady Sanctuary Lamp
burns in memory of
Pat Green



UPCOMING EVENTS

Confirmation Class - Sun 1/15 - 8am—noon NO School ASCS - Mon. 1/16 TMIY - Wed. 1/18 - 5:30 am - All Saints social hall.

INIT - Wed. 1/18 - 5:30 am - All Saints social hall.

Religious Ed. - Wed. 1/18 - 3:30 & 6:00 pm - All Saints

Candlelight Rosary-Wed 1/18- 6pm- All Saints Church

PAC - Thur 1/19 - 7pm - All Saints meeting room

Bingo - Sun. 1/22 - 6:30 pm - All Saints social hall

Save the Date! Bishop Hying is traveling the Diocese of Madison this spring to preach kerygmatic missions, helping people rediscover the life-changing message of the Gospel. In most instances, his talk begins each evening at 7:00pm and is preceded by a holy hour. All Saints will be hosting Bishop Hying February 5-7, 2023. Please mark your calendars to attend one or both days of the parish missions event.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



BINGO! Join us for Bingo on Sunday evenings. Doors open at 5 PM for food and refreshments. Bingo begins at 6:30.

Jan. 15 - KC's Cakes: Cindy Stobbe, Louise Seaman Jan. 22 - CCW Cakes: Therese Snell, Jane Seiler Kitchen: Therese Snell, Jane Seiler

Baby Jesus Shower - Our CCW, in conjunction with Green Lake County-WI Right to Life, is once again collecting baby items to help local families in need care for their babies. Bassinets are set up at the entrance to All Saints Church for you to leave your donation. All baby items are appreciated and there is a suggested list posted at the bassinets. We will take donations through the end of January. All donations will be going to Bella Medical, a pregnancy care center in Oshkosh. Thank you in advance for supporting families who have chosen to bring their babies into this world and need a little help in meeting all of their needs. May God bless you!

For Your Marriage

- Yee-Haw!! Callin' all married couples to a Worldwide Marriage Encounter SQUARE DANCE on Saturday, Jan. 21 at 6:30 in St. Ann's gym (323 N Van Buren, Stoughton). Potluck dinner (no nut/peanuts please) followed by 2 hours of guided square dancing by an official Square Dance Caller. There is no cost to attend, but free-will donations will be accepted. Registration is requested but not required (Amy & Jim @ 608-215-5197 or awollangk17@gmail.com)
- Retrouvaille Weekend Is your marriage coming apart? Does separation and divorce seem inevitable? There is hope. Madison Area Retrouvaille is a ministry for struggling marriages. Couples have rediscovered each other and their marriages through this program. A Retrouvaille program is scheduled January 27-29, in Green Lake, WI. Visit www.helpourmarriage.orf for more information and/or for registration.

Holy Name Pancake Breakfast - Sunday, February 5th. Pancakes, sausage, apple sauce and scrambled eggs. Serving 8 AM until noon in the All Saints Social Hall. Cost is \$7, children under six eat free.

Registration for Camp Gray opens on January 24th for returning or waitlisted campers and January 25th for the general public. Register at https://campgray.com/summer-camp/registration/

All Saints Capital Campaign

\$8,418,964.70 raised as of As of January 10, 2022!

Thank you for your generosity

Rest in Peace - Joseph Chikowski, who was recently buried from Our Lady of the Lake Church. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord.

Baptism - Evelyn Rose Mashack, daughter of John and Andrea (Roder) Mashack was baptized at All Saints Church on Jan. 8th. God bless this child and her family.

All Saints Regional Catholic School and Religious **Education Center Building Update**



Progress continues to be made on our future All Saints **Regional Catholic School and Religious Education** Center. Cranes have been putting the structural steel beams in place. Pictured is the front entrance to the school. Thank you to all those who have supported and made generous donations towards the building project!

Knights of Columbus Scholarships - The Knights of Columbus, Berlin Council 1547, are offering two \$1000 scholarships and also one \$1000 special needs scholarship to children or grandchildren of a member of our local council, who proves enrollment in a 4 year college or accredited technical program. To qualify for the special needs scholarship, an individual would have had to previously been identified by school district personnel with an educational disability and determined to be in need of, or has received past educational services to address his or her needs. Any qualified student in the Berlin Area School District may apply for the special needs scholarship. Applications must be submitted by March 30. Please call Bob Markofski at 920-376-1296 with any questions or for an application.



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ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL AND FAITH FORMATION

Epiphany Blessing at All Saints Catholic School

Father Andrew Showers visited our school on January 6, the traditional date of the Epiphany. He explained the tradition of blessing our doors with blessed chalk on this feast day and then blessed all the classrooms. He is pictured here with the 3K students.

The inscription above each door is: 20+C+M+B+23

The numbers stand for the year in which the blessing is inscribed (2023). The letters stand for the names traditionally given the Magi: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. They are also an abbreviation for the Latin blessing: Christus mansionem benedicat. or "Christ bless this dwelling." The plus signs represent the cross.





Registration for Middle School LBH is open! Students in grades 6th-8th are welcome to attend. This year we will be traveling to Cassville, WI, to St. Charles Borromeo Church from July 17th-20th. Contact Michelle Wolff to register: mwolff@allsaintsberlin.org or 920-361-5252.

A Men's Retreat is being offered at the Jesuit Retreat House in Oshkosh January 19-22, 2023. Jesus calls us and invites us to take time off to rest... The weekend includes daily Mass, periods for private reflection and devotions, spiritual direction, and reconciliation and healing services. Register at www.jesuitretreathouse.org or call 920-231-9060. Space is limited so register soon.



Calling all Catholic youth! Freshly Brewed the Podcast is back!! Listen along on Google Podcasts or Apple podcasts to FRESHLY BREWED hear from many familiar voices of Love Begins Here! This season we will be covering the mysteries the rosary! Also check out

@freshlybrewedmedia on Instagram!

Candlelight Rosary- Everyone is invited to join our Middle School Religious Ed Students this Wednesday, Jan. 18 at 6:00 pm in All Saints Church as the students lead a beautiful candlelight rosary service.

ALL SAINTS (week 27)

*Weekly Envelope Goal <u>Actual Weekly Offertory</u> Difference		\$14,600.00 \$25,467.18 \$10,867.18
Envelope YTD Goal: Actual YTD Total:	\$3	94,200.00 78,408.63
Difference:	(-\$	15,791.37)

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Give Your "First Fruits" Back to God! To Parish5-8% To Diocese1% To Charities.....1-4%

Would you prayerfully consider treating All Saints / Our Lady of the Lake as one of your children in your will/estate planning? Call your Parish Office for details.

OUR LADY of the LAKE (week 27)

*Weekly Envelope Go	
Actual Weekly Offerto	ry \$3,324.00
Difference	(-\$ 566.00)
Envelope YTD Goal:	\$105,030.00
Actual YTD Total:	<u>\$107,329.34</u>
Difference:	\$ 2,299.34

* Envelopes can be dropped off at either Parish The Parish's expected increased income flow revolves around Christmas and Easter time.





Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church



530 Ruth Street Green Lake, WI 54941

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

OLOL OFFICES

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

All Saints Catholic **Church and Regional School**





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

ALL SAINTS OFFICES

Office/School 151 S. Grove Street, Berlin, WI 54923 Parish Office 920-361-5252 Office Hours Tuesday - Friday 8 AM - 4 PM Parish Email parishoffice@allsaintsberlin.org

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SCHEDULING EVENTS

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

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday - Noon

NEW PARISHIONERS

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

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

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

SACRAMENTS

CONFESSION/ADORATION

All Saints Confession: Saturday: 4:00 PM Sunday: 9:30 AM Tuesday: 5:45-6:15 PM Wednesday: 5:45-6:45 PM

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday: 5:45-6:45 PM Wednesday: 8:30 AM-3:30 PM Our Lady of the Lake Confession: Saturday: 4:30 PM Sunday: 7:30 AM Friday: 8:30-9:30 AM

Eucharistic Adoration: Friday: 8:30-9:30 AM

Communal Penance Celebrations are scheduled during the seasons of Advent and Lent.

BAPTISM

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

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.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the parish office to arrange individual celebrations.

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ALL SAINTS REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

School Office 920-361-1781 School Website https://allsaintsberlin.org/catholic-school School Principal Jana Dahms