

Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community

Pastor......Rev. Timothy Koester Pastor Emeritus.....Rev. John Kwiecien

Parochial Vicars

Rev. Ross Syracuse -- Rev. Michael Johnson Rev. Johnson Machado

Permanent Deacons

Deacon Joseph Gray -- Deacon Bill Walkowiak Deacon Neal Linnan -- Deacon Steven Schumer

MPB Parish Staff

Pastoral Care.....Elizabeth Emhof (716-262-4782)
Trustees.....Elizabeth Duzen & Conrad F. Piskorz
Business Manager.......Mary Lou McEvoy
RCIA......Marie O'Connor (716-549-1818)
Faith Formation.....(716-549-1818)
Liturgy Ministries Coordinator......Corinne Best
Parish Secretary......Pat Maiorana
Sacristan.....Diann Hosler
Parish Council Chair.....John Latimore

MPB Rectory Office Hours

Monday & Friday......9:00 a.m. -- 1:00 p.m

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil:	4:00 p.m.
Sunday:	8:00 a.m.
Weekdays: Monday, Wednesday, Friday:	8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENTS

Infant Baptism: During weekend Masses. Parents must be practicing Catholics and attend a Pre-Baptismal Class. Call the rectory office to register.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Call the rectory office.

Reconciliation (Confessions): Tuesdays 5:30-6:30 p.m. or by appointment, in the Chapel.

Marriage: Couples contemplating marriage must make an appointment to meet personally with the Pastor before a definite wedding date may be scheduled. Church arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to the wedding. No wedding date will be scheduled over the phone.

Anointing of the Sick: Anyone who is seriously ill is invited to contact the rectory to request the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion.

Parish Devotions

Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesdays: immediately after morning Mass. First Friday Devotions and Benediction: 8:30-11:00 a.m.

Letters of Recommendation: Registered parishioners in good standing for a minimum of 3 months and active, who are confirmed, and if married, did so in accordance with the Church's regulations, will be issued letters on request. One week prior notice is required.

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Saturday, June 22

Vigil: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 PM - Thomas Schoemann - req. MPB Staff

Sunday, June 23 - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 AM - Philip Whelan - reg. MPB Staff

Monday, June 24

8:00 AM - All Faithfully Departed

Wednesday, June 26

8:00 AM - People of the Parish

Friday, June 28

8:00 AM - Jeanette Sennessey - req. Daughter Vern

Saturday, June 29

Vigil: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 PM - Larry Croscutt - reg. Esther

Sunday, June 30 - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 AM - Jenny Zulke - req. Donald Latimore

In your prayers, please pray for the deceased of the parish.

When a weekend Mass is celebrated in the intention of a loved one, please inform one of the ushers that you would like to bring up the gifts in the offertory procession

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 23



JOB 38:1, 8-11
PSALM 107
2 CORINTHIANS 5:14-17
MARK 4:35-41

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 30

WISDOM 1:13-15; 2:23-24
PSALM 30
2 CORINTHIANS 8:7, 9, 13-15
MARK 5:21-43

A Vocation View

"Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come." Is St. Paul speaking to you? Is it time to put aside a former life and embrace a radical call from Jesus to Church service? Call Fr. Dave Baker at 716-847-5535 or visit buffalovocations.org.

A Message from the Pastor



Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time: In the Storm

As we continue in Ordinary Time, our reading today is taken from the Gospel of Mark, the primary Gospel reading in Lectionary Cycle B.

Mark's Gospel presents a vivid portrait of Jesus, whose words and deeds show that he is the Son of God. Today's reading describes how Jesus calmed a storm at sea. It is the first of four miracles that are presented in sequence at this point in Mark's Gospel. "Do you not yet have faith?" Our Lord's question in today's Gospel frames the Sunday liturgies for the remainder of the year, which the Church calls "Ordinary Time."

In the weeks ahead, the Church's liturgy will have us journeying with Jesus and His disciples, reliving their experience of His words and deeds, coming to know and believe in Him as they did. Notice that today's Psalm almost provides an outline for the Gospel. We sing of sailors caught in a storm; in their desperation, they call to the Lord and He rescues them.

Mark's Gospel today also intends us to hear a strong echo of the story of the prophet Jonah. He, too, was found asleep on a boat when a lifethreatening storm broke out that caused his fellow travelers to pray for deliverance, and then to marvel when the storm abated. But Jesus is something greater than Jonah. And Mark wants us to come to see what the Apostles saw -- that God alone has the power to rebuke the wind and the sea. This is the point of today's First Reading. If even the wind and sea obey Him, shouldn't we trust Him in the chaos and storms of our own lives?

As with the Apostles, the Lord has asked each of us to cross to the other side, to leave behind our old ways to travel with Him in the little ship of the Church. In their fear today, they call Him "Teacher." And it is only faith in His teaching that can save us from perishing. We should trust in Christ, and trust like Christ -- who was able to sleep through the storm, confident that God was with Him. We should live in thanksgiving for our salvation, as today's Second Reading tells us -- as new creations, no longer for ourselves but for Him who died for our sake.

In the middle of our storm it is always our Faith: we should trust in Christ and trust like Christ now and always and forever.

Choicest Blessings,

Fr. Tim

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Pray For the Healing of the Sick

Diane Cooke, Eugene Frometa,
Jane Granville, Pauline Landes, Karen Schiavone,
Vigo Meyer, Linda Muscato, Anthony Genovese,
Dorothy Genovese, Lucille Zoda Galfo,
Joseph Schiavone, Marlene Petrie, Kim Borkowski,

Anna Geidel, John Yerney, Mary Ann Hartzell, Evelyn Paradiso, Carol Penski, Joyce Prisco, Angela Jones, David Skoczylas, Doreen Miller, Mary Ann Barrett, Karl Trembath, Kenny Drag.

Fall Split Club

Tickets for the 2024 Fall Split Club will be available in July. After letters are sent to Spring Split Club members with the opportunity to renew their ticket numbers, tickets will be on sale in the Rectory Office. Dates for purchasing tickets will be published in the bulletin.

Chicken BBQ at St. Anthony's

St. Anthony's Parish will host a Drive-Thru Chicken Barbecue by Chiavetta's Sunday July 7 from 11:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.The dinner includes 1/2 chicken, boiled red potatoes, chef's salad, and roll. The price of the dinner is \$15.

Weidner's Chicken at St. Francis Parish

St. Francis Parish will sponsor a Weidner's Chicken Barbeque Sunday, July 21 beginning at Noon. Dinners are \$15 each. There will also be basket raffles and other raffle opportunities.

Krispy Kreme Donut Sale

Krispy Kreme Donuts will go on sale at St. Anthony's Church Hall Sunday, July 21 before and after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. The cost is \$15 per dozen of glazed donuts. Because of the limited number of donuts for sale, please pre-order by emailing igg924@yahoo.com.

Volunteers Needed at Catholic Health

Catholic Health is looking for compassionate, active volunteers 18 and over at all hospital sites and skilled nursing facilities. Needed are friendly visitors, greeters and much more. Catholic Health LIFE center is also seeking senior companions. For more information, call Lisa Carey at 716-862-1106 or visit

Community Garden at St. John Paul II

St. John Paul II garden ministry meets the first and third Mondays of the month at 6:30 p.m. to tend the garden. All are welcome to participate.



Road to Renewal

This week, the parish councils at Saint Mary of the Lake and Saint Anthony will meet with me in conversation to discuss the proposals for our Family, and draft the frame-

work for our decision-making. This will then be brought to the family pastoral council for discussion. I want to remind you that we are in process to help us in discerning the way ahead. Any advice or ideas are welcome now through the Parish Councils. The final decision is to come by September with our input.

Origen of Alexandria, also known as Origen Adamantius, was an early Christian scholar, ascetic, and theologian who was born and spent the first half of his career in Alexandria. He once said "To those who ask us whence we have come or whom we have for a leader, we say that we have come in accordance with the counsels of Jesus to cut down our warlike and arrogant swords of argument into plowshares, and we convert into sickles the spears we formerly used in fighting."

The Lord Jesus will continue to walk with us and guide us as we continue to love Him and serve Him above all else. For we cannot cultivate the land we were given or build and grow the richness provided to us if we allow ourselves to fall back onto the sword we just came off. The Church will be ok, She will not leave us, and we need to continue to work with Her. Stay faithful and depend on prayer.

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Fr. Tím

OLV Human Services Information

Do you have concerns about your child's development, or do you suspect your child may have an autism spectrum disorder?

OLV Human Services has a new evaluation and treatment center that offers multidisciplinary assessments evaluations, and treatment. The center is located at 790 Ridge Rd., Lackawanna. The Evaluation and Treatment Center provides timely evaluations so that children are able to receive the proper treatment and support needed to live their best possible lives. For more information and/or to make an appointment, email etcintake@olvhs.org or call 716-828-7586.

Patriotic Rosary July 4

A Patriotic Rosary will take place at St. Anthony Church Thursday, July 4 at 9:30 a.m.

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MPB Calendar

Saturday, June 22

4:00 p.m. - Vigil Mass

Sunday, June 23

8:00 a.m. - Sunday Mass

Tuesday, June 25

5:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Primary Election - Gym 5:30 p.m. - Reconciliation - Chapel

Wednesday, June 26

8:30 a.m. - Holy Hour (Following Mass) - Chapel

Saturday, June 29

4:00 p.m. - Vigil Mass

Sunday, June 30

8:00 a.m. - Sunday Mass

Vacation Bible School Planned In LS Catholic Faith Community

Two parishes will offer Vacation Bible School this summer for children within the Lakeshore Catholic Faith Community.

St. John Paul II Parish, 2052 Lakeview Rd., Lake View will have VBS Scuba, diving into friendship with God, July 8-12 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Daily lessons are designed for children ages 3 to 10. The cost is \$30 for all five days.

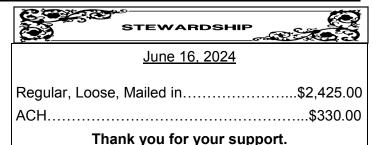
St. Anthony RC Church, 421 Commercial St., Farnham, will present its Vacation Bible School, *Come to the Table*, August 19-23 from 9:30 until 11:30 a.m.

Registration forms may be downloaded at lakeshorecatholicfc.org by those interested in having their children participate in these summer Bible Schools.

'Respect Life' Drive at MPB

The Respect Life Committee will have a donation drive for St. Gianna Molla Pregnancy Care Outreach Center Saturday, July 27 and Sunday, July 28 The collection site will be across from Most Precious Blood Church, in the parking area in front of the Hall's gym entrance. The drive will take place Saturday from 3:30 p.m. until 5:15 p.m. and Sunday from 7:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.

Needed are receiving blankets, towels, washcloths, bibs, diapers, onesies, clothing, socks, bonnets and bottles. Gently used clothing items (no stains) are acceptable. Cribs and beds are not acceptable. Monetary donations may be made by check to St. Gianna Molla Pregnancy Outreach Center.



Father's Day Prayer Requests

Honoring Father's Day prayer requests, we pray for fathers who are living:

Brendan E. Conboy, Anthony J. Emhof, Jr., John P. Emhof, Michael J. Emhof, Jr., Tony LaRusso, Chris McGuire.

We honor and pray for the following fathers who are deceased:

Ronnie Adams, Alfred Brinkhus, Edward J. Conboy, Sr., Samuel Chancey, John M. Connors, Joseph F. Cosentino, Pasquale Cosentino, Delbert Croscutt, Kenny Croscutt, Larry Croscutt, Louis Di Flavio, Anthony J. Emhof, Robert Emhof, Sr., William Emhhof, Jr., William Emhof, Sr., Richard Geitner, Thomas Geitner, John Kujawski, Marco LaRusso, Francis Lochren, Leonard Monks, Brian O'Shei, Sr., Joseph O'Shei, Valentine Pietrzak, Joseph Polichette, Rev. Dennis P. Shea, Frank J. Schad, Donald Snyder, John P. Spanogle, Rev. James Stabel, Eugene Strianese, Vincent Sullivan, Edward Sutton, Paul Weitz, Harry Watkins, Adam Zlotek.

Operation Storm Heaven The next Rosary date is Monday, J

The next Rosary date is Monday, July 1 at 5:30 p.m. at the Little Church at St. John Paul II. All are welcome.

Catholic Charities

A lot has changed since the founding of Catholic Charities 100 years ago in October of 1923. But one thing has remained a constant throughout the years: Catholic Charities is here and ready to help -- now. If you have an urgent need or you or your family are facing a crisis situation, please give your local Catholic Charities office a call or visit www.ccwny.org to complete an online assistance form. Help and HOPE are available.

June 29 & 30	MPB Extraordinary Ministers	Lectors
4:00 p.m.	J. Sack, M. Wargula, R. Wargula	R. Scaglione
8:00 a.m.	L. Feider, J. Barone, S. Vail	J. Sedor