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Sunday 8:30 am

Weekday Mass Times:

Wed & Fri - 9:00 am

Confession:

Sun - before Mass & Wed after Mass

Holy Hour Adoration:

Wed - after Mass



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presence of Jesus in the
Eucharist.

Welcome Blessings

Whether you are visiting, recently moved here or are returning to your Catholic faith, we want to welcome you to Our Lady of the Ozarks.

Our parish is committed to inviting and supporting every parishioner to become a disciple of Christ, building His Kingdom through prayer, fellowship and service to others.

We look forward to meeting you and encourage you to connect with the people and ministries of our parish community. Please call the parish office and let the friendship begin.

Serving with the joy of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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Our Lady of the Ozarks Mission Statement

We are called to walk with Christ, serving with joy, love and mercy. We bring our talents and shortcomings, our histories, and our hopes.

But most of all, we bring our shared faith and love of Jesus. We are blessed to belong to Our Lady of the Ozarks Catholic Church.

Weekly Financial Report			
6/17/2025			
	Last Week	Month Total	YTD
Income:		June	
Envelopes	\$515.00	\$3,684.00	\$87,183.00
Plate (loose)	238.21	748.21	12,696.54
Maint. & Repair Fund	260.00	1,482.00	33,027.00
Diocesan Collections	150.00	5,151.60	21,251.94
K of C & PCCW			12,162.75
Trust Fund Withdrawal			
Other Income	20.00	390.00	16,541.24
Total Income	1,183.21	11,455.81	182,862.47
Expense:			
Salary, Benefits, Mileage		2,909.00	64,077.04
Maintenance	30.00	509.01	16,688.42
Telephone & Utilities	248.33	2,343.23	23,740.21
Insurance		800.00	21,224.36
Diocesan & Special Collections	150.00	5,151.60	22,409.94
Trust Fund Deposit		170.09	
Other Expenses	153.66	1,635.89	18,998.79
Total Expenses	581.99	13,518.82	167,138.76
Increase (Decrease) Funds	\$601.22	-\$2,063.01	\$15,723.71
Cash in Bank, 7/1/24			\$16,364.25
Cash in Bank, current			\$32,087.96
Unpaid Bills & Designated Funds			\$21,561.30

Safe Environment - Report Abuse

If you suspect or have a concern regarding misconduct or abuse, use the Report Abuse online access via the Diocesan webpage, www.dioscrg.org, then click on Report Abuse, and/or call the Director of Child and Youth Protection: William Holtmeyer, 417-866-0841

Sacrament Preparation

Have questions regarding the Sacraments or seeking information about the Catholic Church?

Please contact the Office / Dcn. Dan.

Marriage: Requires at least six months advance notice for preparation and scheduling. (If you have been married before, an annulment may be necessary.)

Infant/Youth Baptism: Your family needs to be registered in the parish and it is necessary to have had class / catechesis regarding baptismal preparation.

OCIA Adult Baptism/Confirmation: Interested in becoming a Catholic or are a Catholic adult who has not been Confirmed? Let's talk about your next steps.

Visitation of the Sick: If you know someone who is homebound and desires Communion, call Deacon Dan. Anointing of the Sick: please call Our Lady of the Lake Church (417) 334-2928 and request to speak to a priest.

Prayers Requested from Parishioners

We pray for those who are ill, those in despair, and the homebound. We ask for the heavenly intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary. May she envelope them with her maternal protection.

For parishioners; for health-related issues: Denny & Darlene Bissell, Mary Bloomgren, Penny O'Connor, Kathy Strader, Leonard Gross, Carla Schmitz, Jim Schafer, Debbie Davis, and Jackie Niekirk.

For family & friends: Carla Schmitz's nephew Bruce, Sandy Schumacher's daughter Stormy and Sandy's brother, Kirk, and their niece Lisa, Carolyn Townsend's husband Bud, Patt Strom's niece Shannon and granddaughter Jennifer, David and Carol Sanchez's nephew Jullian, and Gary Hickox's wife Sharon.

Our homebound includes those in care facilities: Janice Elledge, Ann Forster, Mary Lamp, Trini Scholefield, and Joyce Stenger.

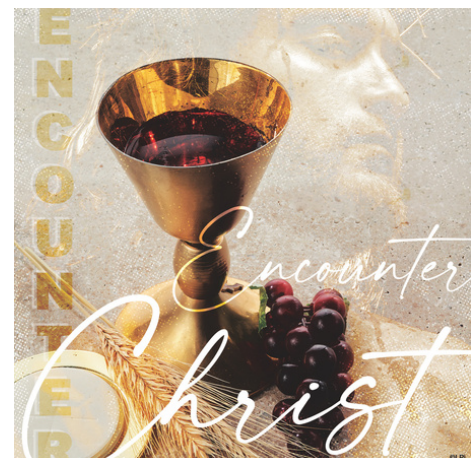


Date	Mass Intention	Lectors	Gift Bear
Sun 6/22	Cesar Lampong +	Marilyn / Tom	Caroline Carr, Mike and Gloria Obranovic
Wed 6/25	John Kartheiser +	Charlene	
Fri 6/27	4 Keating Sisters +	Nancy	
Sun 6/29	Shirley Lang +	Carolyn / Charlene	Knights of Columbus
Wed 7/2	Mike Stenger +	Marilyn	
Fri 7/4	Janet Mantsch +	Kay	

Parish Calendar of Events

Date	Time	Event
Wed 6/25	9:35 am	No Eucharistic Adoration
Wed 6/25	9:40 am	Parish Council Mtg – Priority Planning
Fri 6/27	9:00 am	Mass- Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Sun 6/29	8:30 am	2 nd Collection – Peter's Pence (The Pope's Annual Appeal)
Sun 6/29	9:45 am	OCIA / Parish Faith Formation – Sin & Salvation
Wed 7/2	9:35 am	Eucharistic Adoration Holy Hour
Fri 7/4	9:00 am	Mass – 4 th of July

Check each week for updates as things do change.





OFFICE OF CHILD & YOUTH PROTECTION

Safe Environment Requirements for Clergy, Employees and Adult Volunteers

Before engaging in diocesan, parish and school-sponsored activities for minors and vulnerable adults, all clergy, employees and adult volunteers are required to be in compliance with the diocesan Safe Environment Requirements which include:

1) A Background Screening, 2) Safe Environment Training, and 3) a Code of Conduct.

The Code of Conduct is required annually and is made available at the beginning of each fiscal year, July 1. The Code of Conduct can be accessed through the diocesan webpage <https://dioscg.org/child-youth-protection/> and through VIRTUS: <https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/>.

The Code of Conduct is to be read, signed, and submitted to the local Safe Environment Coordinator at the parish or school: that's me, Deacon Dan, your parish compliance officer.

For new employees and volunteers, to begin the process, an account must first be created in VIRTUS. There the Background Screening Application will be prompted and is now completed online through their VIRTUS account. The training, which includes "Protecting God's Children" and "Mandated and Ethical Reporting", are accessible through their VIRTUS account and are also completed online.

Any questions --- talk to Deacon Dan or contact the Associate Safe Environment Coordinator, Shelly Ferry, sferry@dioscg.org or the Director of Child and Youth Protection, The Catholic Center, (417) 866-0841.



Religious Freedom Week 2025: June 22- June 29 Witnesses to Hope

Religious freedom allows the Church, and all religious communities, to live out their faith in public and to serve the good of all. Beginning June 22, the feast of Saints Thomas More and John Fisher, the USCCB invites Catholics to pray, reflect, and act to promote religious freedom.

- June 22: Political Polarization: Pray that Catholics will have the courage to put the truth of the gospel and fidelity to the Church above partisan politics.
- June 23: IVF Mandates: Pray for couples who suffer fertility challenges, and that political leaders would promote therapies that respect the dignity of all human persons.
- June 24: Catholic Healthcare: Pray that governments will respect the consciences of all people who care for the sick and vulnerable.
- June 25: Nicaragua: Pray for Christians in Nicaragua, where the Catholic Church faces brutal government persecution.
- June 26: Parental Choice in Education: Pray that governments would strengthen the ability for parents to direct the education of their children.
- June 27: Immigration Services: Pray that the Lord would protect vulnerable migrants and refugees, and that the Church enjoy the freedom to carry out the ministries that Christ has handed to her.
- June 28: Freedom to Serve the Common Good: Pray that government leaders would recognize the contributions that religious charities make to the common good.
- June 29: Nigeria: Pray for our brothers and sisters in Nigeria who are suffering violent religious conflict.

Hey Deacon!

By Deacon Dan Vaughn

Feast of Corpus Christi - Why it matters

In reflecting on this beautiful feast day celebration, I came across an article posted by Catholic Answers. The following are some key points about the feast that I wish to share.

The Feast of Corpus Christi, also known as the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, is a Catholic celebration of the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist—and thus a sacred reminder that, in every Mass, Jesus' one sacrifice on Calvary is sacramentally made present and offered anew for "the forgiveness of the sins we daily commit." (CCC 1366)

While Holy Thursday recalls Christ's institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper, Corpus Christi gives Catholics a joyful opportunity to honor our Eucharistic Lord Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. This includes public devotion apart from Mass.

When Is the Feast of Corpus Christi celebrated?

Corpus Christi was celebrated on the Thursday following the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. However, in the United States, and in many other countries, the celebration was transferred to the following Sunday so that more of the faithful can participate. (This year it is on June 25.) And despite the move to Sunday, the feast remains anchored in its traditional Thursday observance on the Church's liturgical calendar -- as a second remembrance of Holy Thursday and the Last Supper.

Why does the Catholic Church celebrate Corpus Christi?

The Church celebrates Corpus Christi to profess and adore our Eucharistic Lord. Jesus is truly present body, blood, soul, and divinity in the Eucharist. At every Mass we partake of the Lamb of God, the New Covenant Passover sacrifice. This feast highlights the sacramental and sacrificial reality of Christ's presence and affirms the Church's teaching on transubstantiation. It invites the faithful into deeper Eucharistic devotion.

How did the feast begin?

The visions of St. Juliana of Liège (modern day St. Juliana) inspired the Feast of Corpus Christi. St. Juliana, a 13th century Norbertine religious, saw a moon with a dark spot in a vision. This symbolized to her the absence of a liturgical feast to specifically honor the Real Presence. With the support of theologians and other Church leaders, particularly Archdeacon Jacques Pantaléon—the future Pope Urban IV—Corpus Christi was first celebrated in the Diocese of Liège in 1246.

Fast forward to 1263, when a Eucharistic miracle occurred in Bolsena, Italy. Pope Urban IV was so convinced of this miracle that he instituted Corpus Christi as a universal feast in the Church the following year. He did so through his papal bulletin 'Transiturus de hoc mundo'.

So, what was the miracle of Bolsena?

The Miracle of Bolsena occurred when a German priest known as Peter of Prague was struggling with doubts about the Real Presence. He prayed fervently against these doubts. Then during one Mass, right after he pronounced the words of consecration, he noticed blood seeping from the host. The blood stained the corporal (a small linen cloth on the altar), Fr. Peter later brought the host and corporal to Pope Urban IV who was residing in nearby Orvieto. This Eucharistic miracle further affirmed Catholic teaching on the Real Presence, while directly leading to the global celebration of the Corpus Christi Feast.

Many pilgrims and tourists today continue to visit the Basilica of St. Christina in Bolsena, where this Eucharistic miracle took place, and the Cathedral of Orvieto where the miraculous, blood-stained corporal is reserved.

The feast of Corpus Christi is a testament to the Catholic Church's belief in the true presence of Christ in the Eucharist – the source and summit of our faith. May it continue to nourish our minds and souls.



2025 DIOCESAN DEVELOPMENT FUND
**ONE CHURCH,
Anchored in Christ**
DDF SUNDAY MAY 4, 2025

Diocesan Development Fund (DDF) 2025 Update

Having completed Week 6 of the DDF Annual Appeal, OLO has recorded \$13,502 in financial pledges (85% of \$15,790) and 42 in pledge cards returned (78% of 54). We are making headway. Thank you!

Reminder letters were mailed this week to parishioners who have yet to respond. (We have a tendency to forget things as we age.) Please do not take offense if you get a reminder letter and have already returned your pledge card. Mail time-travel is difficult to navigate.



Corpus Christi Procession, Litany and Eucharistic Benediction

will be held at

Our Lady of the Cove, Kimberling City

Sunday, June 22nd

directly following the 10:00 am. Mass.

Procession will be lead by the Knights of Columbus #7588.

and should take about 30minutes.

SAVE THE DATE

IT'S BACK! CATHOLIC NIGHT

**Plan to attend Catholic Night
with the Springfield Cardinals
Sun., Aug. 3, 6:05 p.m.**

**Ticket information and other
details will be available soon!**



STARS ACROSS AMERICA 2025 CONCERT TOUR



JUNE
25

Our Lady of the Lake
Branson, Missouri

Concert: 6:00 PM

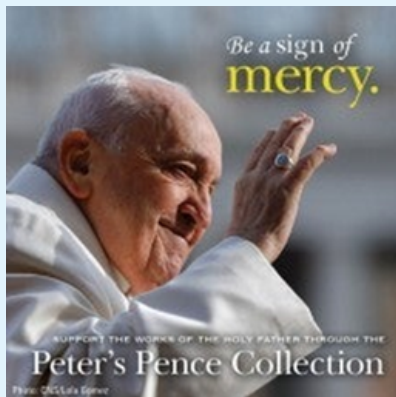
**June 25th after the 5:30 Mass at
Our Lady of the Lake.**

The North Star Boys Choir from Maple Grove Minnesota will perform.

The North Star Boys' Choir is devoted to the traditional boy choir repertoire including sacred music of all periods, dating back to the 5th century, classical works, spirituals, and folk music from around the world.

Free will offering





2025 Peter's Pence Collection 2nd Collection – Sunday, June 29

Starting with the first disciples of Jesus and his Apostles and continuing today, Christians have given of their resources to support the Church's mission of preaching the Gospel and providing for the needs of the poor.

As the Church has grown and spread across the world, Christians have long expressed their unity with the Holy Father and their commitment to his mission of mercy through this annual appeal called Peter's Pence.

Today, Catholics who contribute to the Peter's Pence Collection continue this legacy of church unity and care for the poor. Supporting the Holy Father's appeal helps fulfill the two aims of Peter's Pence: (1) to proclaim the Gospel through integral works of human development, education, peace, and (2) to support the numerous charitable works or mercy to families facing difficult challenges, living in regions afflicted by natural disasters and wars, or in need of basic humanitarian assistance.

Pray for the Holy Father, for those he serves in compassion, and for the success of his appeal. And please give if you are able. Even a small gift can go a long way in supporting the work of the Holy See.

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"Blessed be Abram by God Most High,
the creator of heaven and earth;
and blessed be God Most High,
who delivered your foes into your hand." (Gn 14:19-20)

Psalm:

You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek. (Ps 110)

Second Reading:

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup,
you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes. (1 Cor 11:26)

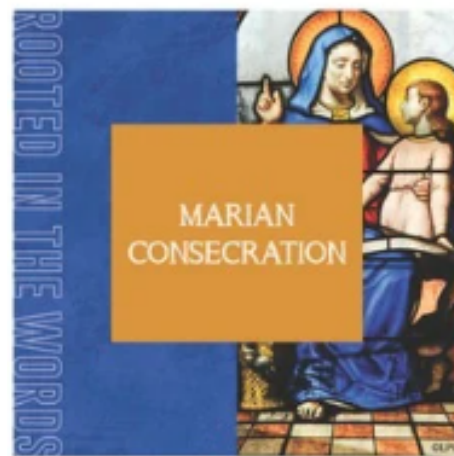
Gospel:

Jesus spoke to the crowds about the kingdom of God,
and he healed those who needed to be cured. (Lk 9:11b)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Five loaves and two fish: a measly portion of food
for such a large crowd of people. But we must
remember that it doesn't matter what the size of
our offering is. If we only lay it before Christ, he
will take it and make it a mighty bounty.



Devotions, Explained!

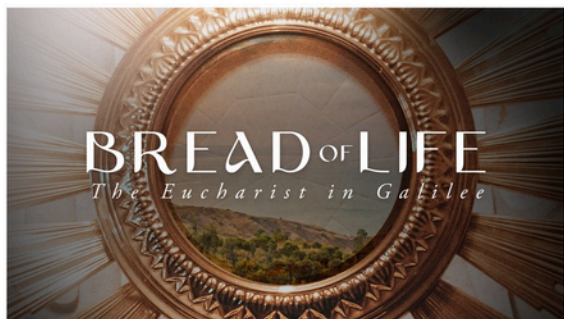
Marian consecration is the
act of consecrating oneself to
Jesus through the intercession
of his Blessed Mother and is
rooted in the words of Jesus
himself when he beseeched
the Apostle John to look upon
Mary as his mother (John
19:27).

Prayer for the True Presence

Jesus,
What a gift we have in your True
Presence: the assurance of your
friendship, your company, your
grace, your love. Increase our
thirst for you as you, also, desire
to draw closer to us.
Amen.

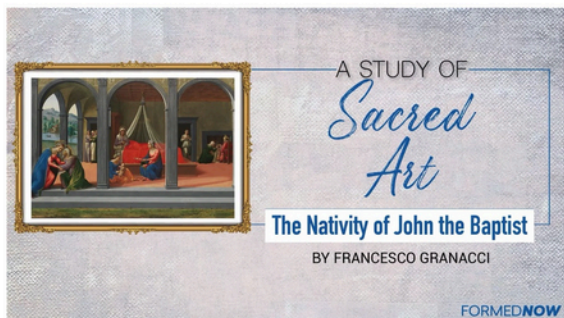
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Week of June 22, 2025



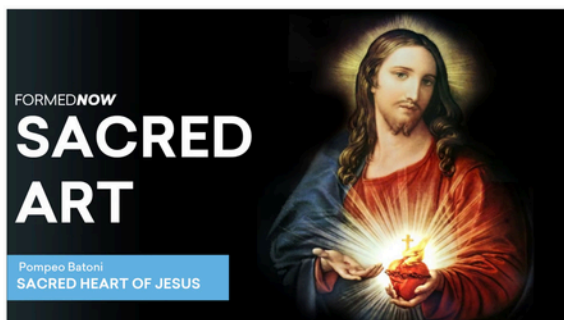
Bread of Life: The Eucharist in Galilee

Christ's teaching about the Eucharist is the crescendo of Jesus' entire ministry: all his work in Galilee prepared for and pointed to the Eucharist. Join Dr. Tim Gray for an exciting five-part series about Jesus' teaching on the Eucharist.



The Nativity of John the Baptist

On the Nativity of John the Baptist, join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they sit down and discuss a piece of Sacred Art depicting this holy event.



The Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart

Do you have a devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus? Deepen your devotion by listening to this discussion of sacred art pieces depicting the heart of Christ.

To access our Parish Formed Subscription (which is offered free to all parishioners), visit formed.org/signup and select our Parish by searching zip code 65616. (Our Lady of the Cove/Lake/Ozarks)



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