

Our Lady of Lake Huron Church



WEEKLY SCHEDULE Saturday, December 30th

3:30 p.m. Confessions at OLLH 4:30 p.m. Mass at OLLH for Anthony Vigari, Sr., given by the Men's Club

Sunday, December 31st

8:30 a.m. Mass at OLLH for the people of the parish

10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Anthony for Marvin Volmering, given by Paul Holdwick

Monday, January 1st

6:30 p.m. Mass at OLLH Tuesday, January 2nd No Mass Wednesday, January 3rd

No Mass

Thursday, January 4th

8:00 a.m. Student Mass at OLLH for Cheryl LaPine, given by Pat & Betty Miljour, followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 9:00 p.m.

Friday, January 5th

No Mass

Saturday, January 6th

3:30 p.m. Confessions at OLLH 4:30 p.m. Mass at OLLH for the people of the parish

Sunday, January 7th

8:30 a.m. Mass at OLLH for Susann Smaglinski, given by Mike & Beth Guza 10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Anthony for Bill Roggenbuck, given by Bob Roggenbuck

A Message from Fr. Kevin:

Thanks again for all the Christmas cards, meats, and well wishes. I'm blessed to be your priest! I enjoyed a relaxing time with family for a couple days.

I will be heading out on some vacation time this week. After Mass on Monday night for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God at 6:30 PM at OLLH (NOT a holy day of obligation this year), I will start making my way down to Alabama. I have a good friend who's in the process of walking across the country right now! He started out in New Jersey this summer and now he's in Alabama. I'll stay with him for a week at the beautiful shrine that Mother Angelica (from EWTN) founded. Pray for safe travels and a relaxing time. There will be no daily Mass Tuesday or Wednesday, a guest priest will be here Thursday for school Mass and exposition, no Mass Friday, and next weekend Fr. Bob Schikora will be here for confessions and Mass.

I advertised last weekend that our website was updated, but we weren't quite able to get it live in time for Christmas. We will let you know once it's live.

O & A with Father K

Q: What do you think about what the Vatican apparently said about blessing samesex couples?

A: I'm limited on space here, so I'll just touch on the basics.

First, know that most of the secular media did not accurately report on what was actually said.

Second, the document specifically states from the start that the Church still upholds its perennial teaching that marriage is and always will be between one man and one woman and that homosexual actions are not and never will be approved by the Church.

Third, I believe that what the document was trying to do was, on the one hand, clarify that we can't have a formal, liturgical set of prayers for blessing people in any irregular relationship (including a same-sex couple). On the other hand, it seemed to be trying to avoid the opposite extreme of shutting those folks out as if they can never receive prayers or blessings. I believe the document was intending to offer a middle ground solution to the two extremes.

I do think parts of the document were confusing, so I'm hoping clarifications continue to come as time goes on. If you're confused or concerned by what was shared, just allow the dust to settle and trust that the Holy Spirit will guide us in the ways of truth (as He's guided the Church these last 2,000 years).

Q: According to Luke 6:24: "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation." Does that mean that rich people can't get into heaven?

A: There are many passages in the Gospels where Jesus gives warnings to the rich. He essentially tells them: Own money, but make sure you don't let money own you. If you are rich, you can be a good steward of your riches and be able to bless others with what you've been blessed with. Money in and of itself is not evil, but as 1 Timothy puts it: "Love of money is the root of all evil." Greed can make a person want more and more and never be satisfied, being careless about the dignity of others and ruining relationships in the process. Being rich has the potential to lead one to become selfreliant as well as blind to one's inner poverty and fundamental dependence. It has the potential to lead a person to think "I don't need a Savior. With enough time and money, I can save myself." Rich people can get into heaven, but they have to constantly be on guard that they own money and that money doesn't own them.

question If you have а for "Q & Α with Fr. email it Κ," to frkevin@holynameofmaryparish.org or ask in person.

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Volunteer Schedule

January 6/7

4:30 p.m. Mass

- L: Dan Messing B: Lori Murawske
- C: Marge Lemanski
- C: Cindy Oparka
- A: Elizabeth Geiger
- A: Drew Nickrand A: Volunteer
- U: Dan Lemanski
- U: Triatan Webb

8:30 a.m. Mass

- L: Kathy Kirsch
- B: Lori Murawske
- C: Madelyn Stacer
- C: Amanda Hallock
- A: Jacob Siemen
- A: Nathan Siemen
- A: Evan Siemen
- U: Dan Roggenbuck
- U: Wade Mazure

10:30 a.m. Mass

- L: Connie Wolschleger B: Doug Roggenbuck C: Debbie Roggenbuck C: Maria Essenmacher
- A: Kason Volmering
- A: Landon Volmering
- U: Les Volmering
- U: Troy Volmering

L: Lector B: Body of Christ C: Chalice A: Altar server U: Usher



Do you have a desire to serve during Mass? We are always in need of volunteers to lector. altar serve. sing. Eucharistic minister, usher, count money, etc. If you interested. are please contact the parish office at 479-3393, or email jess@holynameofma ryparish.org





Sunday, December 31st Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 Monday, January 1st Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21 Tuesday, January 2nd 1 Jn 2:22-28/Jn 1:19-28 Wednesday, January 3rd 1 Jn 2:29-3:61/Jn 1:29-31 Thursday, January 4th 1 Jn 3:7-10/Jn 1:35-42 Friday, January 5th 1 Jn 4:11-21/Jn 1:43-51 Saturday, January 6th 1 Jn 5:5-13/Mk 1:7-11 Sunday, January 7th Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/ Mt 2:1-12

Douglas Maurer

Craig Jahn

Elayne Kraska

Ann Brown

Joanne Getz

Mallory Mock

Paul Wehner

Frank Insana

Bill Holdwick

VadaWilkowski

Natalie Morgan

Beverly Maul

Derek Pfaff

Amey Ball

Henry Callender

Barbara Jewell

Tammy Razo

Ruth Kriewall

Marian Badgley

Donna Barclay

Ellie Weiss

Virginia Leisse

Doc Hentschl



Mike Cousneu Holly Suerwier Warren Geiger John Bouchard Renee Howard Tim Terwillegar Daniel Polega Liz Booms Callen Williamson Robert Capling Cindy Roggenbuck Dave Oloff Tina Siemen Gerald Wisenbaugh Judy Wells Joann Sutton Shawna Wilkowski

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PARISH LIFE OF GRACE

Sacrament of Baptism: the sacrament is celebrated during the weekend Mass as requested by the family. At least one of the parents of infants to be baptized must be a practicing Catholic and at least one parent must be a registered parishioner for at least 6 months and regularly attend weekend Mass. Please call the office to schedule a pre-baptism class for parents.

Sacrament of Reconciliation. Saturday 3:30 pm-4:15 pm at OLLH, and First Saturdays at 8:30 am, or by appointment.

Sacrament of Anointing and Care of the Sick: Please do not hesitate to call the office whenever a family member needs anointing, last rites or a visit from the priest, whether at home or at the hospital.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Catholics intending to celebrate the sacrament of Matrimony must fill out a form of registration with the Parish at least 6 months before the proposed wedding date. They are to register for premarital catechesis or course. At least one party must be a parishioner (regular weekend Mass attendance).

Faith Formation: Faith formation is for children from kindergarten through the sixth grade, with sacramental preparation for those in the second grade. Faith formation is a journey of faith for both parents and their children. It is a structured process offered by the parish for parents to pass on the faith to their children even as the children are eager to know their faith. Please, call or stop by the office to get your children registered.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP: December 23-25, 2023

Collection	Actual	Target	+ or -	Last Week
Adult/Holy Days	\$14,870.00	\$6,321.00	+\$8,549.00	+\$2,366.00
Loose	1,667.00	671.00	+996.00	+43.00
Youth	254.00	16.00	+238.00	+52.00
Total	\$16,791.00	\$7,008.00	+\$9,783.00	+\$2,461.00

192 Regular and Holy Day Envelopes used.

Property & Maintenance: 4 families contributed \$765.00. Thank you for your continued support!

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE

"Whatever you do," says St. Paul to the Colossians, "...do it in the name of the Lord Jesus. Give thanks to God the Father through Him." And so it is that we offer our gifts in the Eucharist "through Him with Him, and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit.'

From our youth-My good deed was: Blake-help mom make cheesy potatoes; Brady-bringing water up from the basement; Bryce-playing with Rex nicely. Thanks kids, keep up the good work and deeds!



HOLY NAME OF MARY ANNOUNCEMENTS

THANK YOU to everyone who donated to the OLLH Giving Tree. Your generosity helped us to provide Christmas gifts and cookies to 43 individuals and families. Your support is heartwarming and greatly appreciated!

MEN'S CLUB will meet Sunday, January 7th at 7:00 pm at Helena Hall. On the agenda: election of officers, Palm Sunday Breakfast, and Raffle. All men of the parish are members of the Men's Club. Please consider attending, let's have a good turn out!

THE K OF C SUPERBOWL BREAKFAST will be on Sunday, February 11th. If you wish to donate a hog (\$150), please contact Bob Wruble at 989-553-4670. You will receive a sliced pork loin for your donation.

SPRING CARD PARTIES (a fundraiser for OLLH School) will be held Sundays in 2024: January 7th, February 4th, March 3rd, April 7th, and May 5th, beginning at 1:00 pm at Bad Axe Senior Center (150 Nugent Road). \$8.00 admission per person. Sponsored by Daughters of Isabella Circle 608.

INTERESTED IN POSSIBLY BECOMING CATHOLIC? Catholic, but need to catch up on your sacraments? Divorced and have questions about the annulment process? Reach out to Father Kevin (frkevin@holynameofmaryparish.org) to begin having conversations.

BIBLE STUDY for High School students offered every Thursday of the school year at 7 am in the OLLH School library. Entrance is door 4 (southwest corner of the school).

WANT TO RE-LISTEN TO A HOMILY from Father Kevin, or listen to one you were out of town for? Want to share it with someone who might be blessed by it? You can now listen to and share weekend homilies on the parish Facebook page, on the podcast "Holy Name of Mary Parish Homilies" available on Apple Podcasts and Spotify, in your weekly email update c/o Flocknote, or on your browser at: https://holynameofmaryparish.buzzsprout.com/

CAN WE SEND YOU OCCASIONAL TEXT and email updates from the parish? No passwords, accounts, fees, or apps necessary! Just text HNMP to 84576 and, in the text that responds to you, follow the link to share your name & email.

WE ARE ON FACEBOOK! Please "like" Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic School and Holy Name of Mary Parish on Facebook. Stay updated on news, announcements, and events. Please share our Facebook pages with your friends & family!

SIGN UP FOR ONLINE GIVING! Any giving you do now, can be done online or by text! To register online, visit https://www.shelbygiving.com/app/giving/hnomphb or to register by text: 989-342-2424.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon on Tuesday to get your announcement in for that weekends bulletin. Bulletin items also may be emailed to jess@holynameofmaryparish.org.

PLEASE NOTE: For all of you with weekly contribution envelopes, PLEASE remember to mark the envelope with the amount. Every week we have some that are not marked, and if it is overlooked by the money counters, we cannot give you proper credit.

PRAYER CHAIN: If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, we have a dedicated group of volunteers who would love to include your intentions in their daily prayers. To have a name or intention placed on the Parish Prayer Chain, please call Lori Murawske at 989-712-0909. Please note that the Prayer Chain is not the same as the Prayer List in the bulletin. All requests will be kept confidential, as the intentions are only shared within our group of volunteers.

ARE YOU A CATHOLIC SCHOOL ALUM?





Join our Catholic School Alumni community by scanning the code above or visiting **bit.ly/3njqVvz**

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

FISH FRY will be held Friday, January 12th from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Bad Axe Knights of Columbus Hall (1038 S. Van Dyke). Serving Deep Fried Pollock Fish, Baked Fish, Scalloped Potatoes, Baked Potatoes, Baked Beans, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Tuna Salad, Colored Pasta Salad, Rolls, and Choice of Desserts. Dining room open, must come inside to pick up take-outs. Adults \$14.00, children ages 5-12 \$5.00, ages 4 & under free. Future fish fry dates: February 9th & 23rd, March 8th, and April 12th.

RUTH K OF C EUCHRE PARTY will be held Sunday, January 14th starting at 1:00 pm in the Ruth K of C Hall. \$6 admission, includes cash prizes and a hot lunch!

EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL NIGHTS hosted by Holy Family Parish in Sanilac County will be held on February 15th at St. John in Peck; and April 25th at St. Joseph in Sandusky. All at 7pm. Eucharistic adoration with praise and worship. Preaching by Fr. Stephen Blaxton. Contact Holy Family for more information: 810-648-2968.

EMMAUS MINISTRY FOR GRIEVING PARENTS (whose children of any age have died by any cause, no matter how long ago) is offering a 1 Day Spiritual Retreat for parents on March 16 (Good Shepherd Parish in Ubly) or April 6 (Holy Spirit Church in Saginaw). Contact Beth 989-797-6655 or www.emfgp.org for more information.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR: The Huron County Right to Life is hosting a pro-life teen rally on Sunday, March 17, 2024 from 2pm-5pm in Bad Axe. Doors open at 1:30pm. There will be food, prizes, ice breakers, breakout sessions, free t-shirts, and more. This entire event is free. Additional information to follow soon.

DISTINGUISHED CATHOLIC GENTLEMEN: If you are looking for an opportunity to serve the Lord or to answer the Lord's calling, consider the Knights of Columbus. Please contact Gary Polega, Grand Knight, at 989-670-3380.

