## Catholic Communities of the

# ASHLAND CLUSTER

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Our Lady of the Lake: Tues, Wed, Fri - 7:00 AM Thurs - 7:00 AM Communion Service Sat. - 6:00 PM and Sun 9:00 AM Sunday Mass 9:00 AM - Broadcast on Holy Family Radio 94.3 FM St. Mary Parish - Odanah Saturdays 4:00 PM St. Florian Parish - Ino 11:00 AM every second Sunday St. Peter Parish - Dauby Thursday 8:30 AM - Mass

11:00 AM every first, third & fifth Sunday Ss. Peter & Paul Parish - Moquah Monday 8:30 AM - Mass

11:00 AM every fourth Sunday

#### **CONFESSIONS**

Tuesdays & Fridays - Our Lady of the Lake 7:30 - 8:00 AM Saturdays - Our Lady of the Lake 5:30 - 5:50 PM

Also available by appointment, please call

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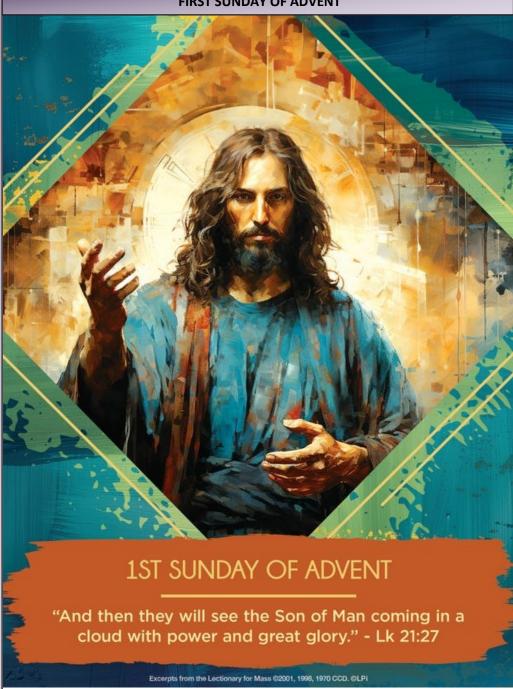
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Monday - Thursday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Friday 9:00 to noon

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#### December 1, 2024 **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**



#### Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Community Mission Statement

We, the people of Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Community, believe we are called by God to live our faith and to bring others to Christ by our words and actions.



#### Father Jerome's Message: First Sunday of Advent Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

In a particular place, a bus driver had reached a unique record. In the 23 years of his service, he had driven a bus for over 100,000 miles without a single accident. When asked how he had done it, he had just one simple piece of advice: "Watch the road!" Watching the road made him to always focus and concentrate, and to have a flawless record.

"Watching the Road" is an important refrain that we all can follow in our Christian life and thus, stay always focus on God's ways and His Kingdom. The Gospel of the day is a strong warning and a call to be on guard and "always watch the road!"

Today is the start of the Season of Advent – a time offered to all of us, to prepare meaningfully for the coming of Christ. Christ comes to us in 1. History – His life, Death and Resurrection; 2. Mystery – The Sacraments that are offered to us; 3. Glory - His Final Coming. The Season of Advent is a time to grow in our understanding of Salvation History; to experience, deeper, His love and mercy in the Mystery of Sacraments; and to prepare us joyfully for the glory of His Second Coming. Let us not get lost in the glamor and glitz of this Sacred Season. Instead, let us use this time given by the Church to grow deeper in the Love of God; and be able to truly make December 25, not merely a calendar event, but an experience of the Lord being born in our hearts. Let us always focus on God's ways and His Kingdom, and always "Watch the Road!"

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**Thought of the Week:** "We do not go to Holy Communion because we are good; we go to become good." John Bosco

**Question of the Week:** What are some of the ways that make us ready for Christmas?



## FEAST OF THE

# IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



# Solemnity of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception Monday, December 9th Holy Day of Obligation

The dogma of the Immaculate Conception asserts that, "The most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God, and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of original sin." *CCC 491* 

Join in Mass, Monday, December 9th to celebrate this Holy Day of Obligation

9:00 am Our Lady of the Lake, Ashland

Mass with students of Our Lady of the Lake School and open to all cluster parishioners

11:00 am St. Peter, Dauby

6:00 pm Our Lady of the Lake, Ashland

"The Father blessed Mary more than any other created person "in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places" and chose her "in Christ before the foundation of the world, to be holy and blameless before him in love." CCC 492

Reminder: When a Sunday and a Holy Day of Obligation fall on two successive days, attendance at a single Mass during the span of the two days does not fulfill the double obligation. Two distinct Masses must be attended within the two 24-hour periods.



# The Bulletin Board



- Advent: Lord, As we prepare for Your arrival, align our hearts and homes to Your will. Pour into us Your grace, as we wait in joyful expectation. Amen ~ LPi
- <u>December Intention of Pope Francis</u>: The Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. We are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and join people worldwide in praying for the December intention for pilgrims of hope: We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope. For more information visit <u>popesprayerusa.net</u>.
- Immaculate Conception, December 8th, falls on the Second Sunday of Advent. Because the Sundays of Advent rank higher, the date of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is transferred to Monday, December 9th. Previously in these situations when the date of the Solemnity was transferred from the 8th to the 9th, the obligation to attend Mass on the 9th was abrogated (eliminated). This abrogation is no longer true. In 2024 and into the future, Mass celebrated on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception will always be obligatory, regardless of which day of the week it falls. Why the change? Earlier this year, Bishop Thomas J. Paprocki, Chairman of the USCCB's Committee on Canonical Affairs and Church Governance, wrote to the Holy See seeking clarification about the obligation to attend Mass when a holy day of obligation in Advent, Lent, or Easter falls on Sunday and the Solemnity is transferred to Monday. In a memo to the U.S. bishops dated Thursday, October 10, 2024, Bishop Paprocki communicated the Dicastery for Legislative Text's response: "the feast must be observed as a day of obligation on the day to which it is transferred." Therefore, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on Monday, December 9, 2024 is to be observed as a holy day of obligation. Information provided by the Diocese of Superior November Chancery Bulletin
- Moquah Thrift Shop: The Moquah Thrift Shop volunteers wish to thank parishioners of the Catholic Communities of the Ashland Cluster for visiting the shop and supporting the shop with donations of items for resale. The Thrift Shop had a great 2024 season. The shop will close for the winter months after the weekend of December 15-16. Watch the bulletin for announcements for the shop to reopen in the spring of 2025.
- <u>BINGO Volunteers:</u> Looking for a fun way to volunteer that requires just a few hours once a month? Please consider offering your time to assist the BINGO crew at Our Lady of the Lake. Openings are now available, one Tuesday evening each month, for Bingo card sellers. No special skill required, just the desire to be of service with a friendly smile. You will join a team of great volunteers! To offer your time or for any questions call the Pastoral Center: 715-682-7620 or Mary Fall: 715-209-4881.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 First Sunday of Advent 9:00 am Mass, Ashland Family of Faith ————————————————————————————————————	5:00 pm Scouts Social Hall	S:30 Doors Open 6:30 Games Begin	9:00 am OLL School Mass Hosted by Grade 4 5:15-6:30 pm CGS 6:00-7:30 pm OLL HS Formation Grades 9 - 12	8:30 am OLL Buildings & Grounds Mtg -HF 9:00 am Quilters 10:00 am Mass Court Manor Health Services	6 First Friday 9:30 - 1:00 pm Moquah Thrift Shop 6:00 pm OLL School Christmas Program	9:30 - 1:00 pm Moquah Thrift Shop 4:00 pm Mass St Mary's, Odanah 6:00 pm Mass, OLL Ashland  RaiseRight
8 Second Sunday of Advent 9:00 am Mass, Ashland ———— 11:00 am Mass St. Florian, Ino Roast Beef Dinner See page 4 for details!  RaiseRight. Formerly ShoppWithScrip	9 Immaculate Conception of Mary 9:00 am OLL School Mass - Open to All 11:00 am Mass St Peter, Dauby 6:00 pm Mass Our Lady of the Lake 6:00 pm Scouts Social Hall	5:30 Doors Open 6:30 Games Begin	NO OLL SCHOOL MASS 5:15-6:30 pm CGS 6:00-7:30 pm OLL HS Formation Grades 9 - 12	9:00 am Quilters  10:00 am Mass Ashland Health Services  6:00 - 8:00 pm Women's Fellowship Adoration and Reconciliation	9:30 - 1:00 pm Moquah Thrift Shop 7:00 pm OLL Messiah Concert  Messiah	9:30 - 1:00 pm Moquah Thrift Shop ————— 4:00 pm Mass St Mary's, Odanah ————— 6:00 pm Mass, OLL Ashland





#### Come Celebrate! St. Florian's Christmas Dinner Sunday, December 8 Serving Noon - 3:00 pm

Everyone is invited to a delicious roast beef dinner after 11:00 am Mass at St. Florian's. The dinner includes roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetables, desserts and beverages.

Adults \$15.00 Youth 6 to 12 \$6.00 Children 5 and under Free Raffles, Silent Auction, Bakery and Crafts will be available.

Proceeds from this event will be used for maintenance and heating expenses at St. Florian's.

Questions please call Loretta Skaj 715-765-4744 or Glory Bizub 715-746-2311

# Our Lady of the Lake **Annual Christmas Tree Sale**

Christmas trees are now on sale! A variety of sizes are available for your family to choose the perfect tree. Shop early for the best selection! Trees are sold in front of Our Lady of the Lake School on Lake Shore Drive.

> **Hours for Christmas Tree Sales** Monday - Friday: 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm Saturdays & Sundays: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Volunteers are still needed to sell trees. To volunteer, or for more information, please contact: Shelly Brevak, 715-682-4406, email: brevaks@gmail.com All proceeds benefit Our Lady of the Lake School

Joey Crouse from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads, and renewing advertisements, for our bulletin this week. We count on our business community to make our bulletin successful. We sincerely appreciate the support of our business sponsors. 80% of bulletin advertisers renew their ads with LPi year after year to contribute to our parishes.

If you are a business owner, or work for a business, that is not included on our full color sponsor pages, please contact Joey at jcrouse@4lpi.com/320-491-8441 to obtain information about this cost effective way to advertise 52 times per year and attract customers from our parishes.

#### Mass Attendance November 16 - November 17



St. Mary's 62 people 120 people **OLL** - Sat Evening OLL - Sunday 253 people St. Peter's 34 people



Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Community Scan the Code at Left For **Electronic Stewardship** 





Our Lady of the Lake School is now collecting new or gently used gift items for all ages to offer in the "Christmas Store". The "Christmas Store" will be open for students to shop for special gifts for their family members on Tuesday, December 17th. A collection cart is located in the north entry hallway to collect gift items. Donations of Christmas wrap and gift bags are also welcome. No clothes please.

Volunteers are needed to help with the store and gift wrapping for the students. All volunteers must complete Safe Environment Training and a background check. Five to seven days are required for the training and background check review. Please contact the school office if you wish to volunteer for this highly anticipated event, 715-685-1732.



**Knights of Columbus Children's Christmas Party** Saturday, December 15th

2:00 pm to 5:00 pm **Knights of Columbus Hall** 1600 3rd Street West, Ashland Santa arrives at 3:00 pm

A light lunch will be served after Santa's visit.

Cluster parish families, with children 12 and under, are cordially invited to attend the Knights of Columbus Christmas Party. For any questions please call Bill, 715.682.5942

#### **Ashland Knights of Columbus Council 832** "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest

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Area youth, ages 5 to 14, are invited to participate in the Knights of Columbus International "Keep

Christ in Christmas" poster contest. By engaging the creative talents and imagination of our young people, the Knights of Columbus hope youth will come to a deeper understanding of the true, spiritual meaning of Christmas. The contest will be conducted locally with winning entries advancing to the state, national and international levels. The winning entries will serve as the basis for a series of new Christmas posters that encourage a deeper understanding of the holiday.

For rules of the contest, judging fact sheet and an entry form, contact Paula Sherck, Director of Religious Education, 715-685-1720 or Our Lady of the Lake School, 715-682-7622.

Poster entries are due Monday, December 16th. Please deliver to the Pastoral Center or School offices.



#### SING-ALONG CONCERT Friday, December 13, 2024 Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Celebrate the 22nd Anniversary of this annual event, where you can sing along to selections from Handel's masterwork, Messiah, accompanied by a chamber orchestra.

This concert is a gift to the community with FREE admission. Choral scores may be borrowed, free of charge, at the door. Free will donations are greatly appreciated.

**Presented by the Ashland Chamber Music Society** 



ACMS is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization providing concerts in a variety of musical styles by small ensembles.



#### **Advent Reconciliation**

Jesus entrusted the ministry of reconciliation to the Church. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is God's gift to us so that any sin committed after Baptism can be forgiven. In the sacrament we

have the opportunity to repent and recover the grace of friendship with God. It is a holy moment in which we become reconciled to God and the Church. Be renewed this Advent through the grace of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



Women's Fellowship Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and **Individual Confession** 

Thursday, December 12th 6:00-8:00 pm Our Lady of the Lake, Ashland

Fellowship and Desserts to Follow A dessert to share is welcome, but is not necessary to attend.



**Catholic Communities of the Ashland Cluster** Communal Penance Service & **Individual Confession** Monday, December 16th 6:00 pm Our Lady of the Lake, Ashland

You are invited to attend the

# 102nd **Annual Community Christmas**

# CONCERT

#### Sunday, December 1st at 4 PM at the

#### Presbyterian/Congregational Church

214 Vaughn Ave. | Ashland, WI

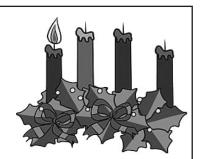


Featuring music to usher in the Advent season by area churches, community choirs and area high school and college musicians.

This concert is free and open to the public.

This concert originated in 1918 by the Wednesday Music Club to bring area church choirs together .

# **Prepare** The



#### St. Paschal Baylon Adoration Chapel

Would you consider spending one hour of dedicated time, in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, to strengthen your relationship with the real and loving presence of our Lord, Jesus Christ? If so, the Adoration Chapel at Our Lady of the Lake has openings, beginning the first week of December and through the winter months, for a variety of hours including the Thursday, 3:00 pm hour.

For questions, or to offer your time, please contact Teresa Ochsenbauer, 715-292-2819

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# COMING IN 2025, SAVE THE DATE...



Let's come together to discover the beauty of God's plan for human love. A life-changing event for teens & adults (ages 13+).



### **EVENT INCLUDES:**

**Eucharistic Adoration** Sacrament of Reconciliation Free resources for every attendee! Tickets \$25

Music by Aly Aleigha

6:00 - 9:15 PM March 26, 2025 |

Our Lady of the Lake **Catholic Church** 201 Lake Shore Dr. E | Ashland, WI

Tickets: chastity.com/purified

Info: annarichardson11@gmail | 715-685-1720

Doors open at 5:30pm





Sunday, December 1 First Sunday of Advent

Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14/1 Thes 3:12 - 4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

#### Monday, December 2

Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11

#### Tuesday, December 3

Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24

#### Wednesday, December 4

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 15:29-37

#### Thursday, December 5

Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday, December 6 St Nicholas, Bishop

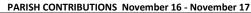
Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31

#### Saturday, December 7

Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday, December 8 Second Sunday of Advent

Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6



Collections	OLL	Dauby	Moquah	Ino	Odanah
Sunday Collection	\$4,036	\$410	\$380	\$70	\$367
Electronic Giving	\$440				
Total for the Week	\$4,436	\$410	\$380	\$70	\$367
Renovations	\$88				
School	\$72				
St. Joseph Capital Campaign	\$669				
All Saints Day	\$35				
Fuel		\$50			
Other	\$162				
Grand Total	\$5,462	\$460	\$380	\$70	\$367



#### Saturday, November 30 4:00 pm St Mary, Odanah

Hope

Vicki (Tolliver) Faegre † Jerry Teague †

#### 6:00 pm Our Lady of the Lake

Donald Kupczyk † (Birthday 12/04) Ethel Kupczyk † (Anniversary 12/04)

#### Sunday, December 1 First Sunday of Advent 9:00 am Our Lady of the Lake Walter & Doris Jellish † David Kegel + (Anniversary) 11:00 am St Peter, Dauby

David Skulan † Agnes Stipetich †(Anniversary 12/09)

Monday, December 2 8:30 am Ss. Peter & Paul, Moquah Robert Ochsenbauer †

End to Abortion Tuesday, December 3

7:00 am Our Lady of the Lake Carl & Patty Anderson † Mary (Hathaway) Behan †

Wednesday, December 4 7:00 am Our Lady of the Lake John Gregor Sr. †(Birthday 12/05) William "Bud" Schroeder † Thursday, December 5 7:00 am Our Lady of the Lake Communion Service 8:30 am St Peter, Dauby Tony Johanik † Joseph Stipetich † (Birthday 12/02)

Friday, December 6 7:00 am Our Lady of the Lake Jovanna Gregor † (Anniversary) Dolores Suminski †

Saturday, December 7 4:00 pm St Mary, Odanah Helen Hansen † Buddy & Punky Soulier † 6:00 pm Our Lady of the Lake Stan BeBeau † (Birthday 12/06) Joseph Westerlund † (Birthday 12/09)

Sunday, December 8 Second Sunday of Advent 9:00 am Our Lady of the Lake Holly Nemec + (Birthday 12/09) Bob Pufall † (Birthday 12/10) 11:00 am St Florian, Ino George Bizub†