Catholic Communities of the

ASHLAND CLUSTER

Ashland • Odanah • Moquah • Dauby • Ino

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MASS TIMES

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 - Radio 94.3 FM & Facebook

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

CONFESSIONSTuesdays & 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 Fr. Jerome: 715-685-1727

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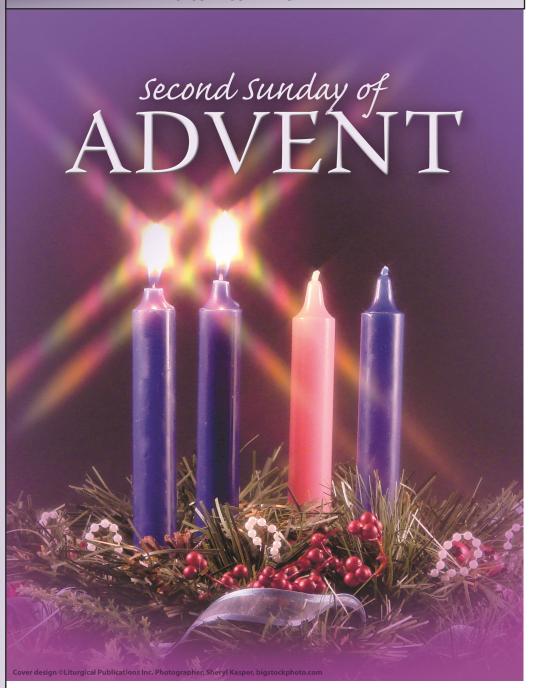
Monday - Thursday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Friday 9:00 to noon

OLL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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December 4, 2022 SECOND 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 ... Wilderness Act (Mt 3:1-12)

John did not go to the towns and villages to preach. He remained in the wilderness. People, including Sadducees and Pharisees, went to the wilderness to listen to him. John preached and baptized in the wilderness. He had a singular message: Repent! Change your ways! Prepare the way for the Lord! In the fast-paced world we live in, it is hard to pause and reflect. But we must necessarily "withdraw into the wilderness" periodically. It is over the long years of life in the wilderness that Yahweh shaped Israel into a certain level of spiritual maturity before they entered the Promised Land. Once in the wilderness, we must listen to the prophetic voice that emerges from within, asking us to change our ways. What do I need to repent from? What must I do to prepare myself to play host to the Lord when he comes visiting? These are questions we must honestly confront ourselves with. Advent is that time of the year when we should make this retreat to the wilderness and discern with John the Baptist.

Today, you might want to identify some three areas in your life where you need to make definitive changes for the better. Plan out, with God in prayer, how to effect the change.

Thought of the Week: "The reason most of us are what we are – mediocre Christians, "up" one day, "down" the next – is simply because we refuse to let God work on us." (Fulton Sheen)

Question of the Week: What are those relationships that you are not happy with and want to mend in your life?

Evangelii Gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel) is a 2013 apostolic exhortation by Pope Francis "On the proclamation of the Gospel in today's world."

CHAPTER ONE: THE CHURCH'S MISSIONARY TRANSFORMATION

IV. A mission embodied within human limits

44. Moreover, pastors and the lay faithful who accompany their brothers and sisters in faith or on a journey of openness to God must always remember what the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches quite clearly: "Imputability and responsibility for an action can be diminished or even nullified by ignorance, inadvertence, duress, fear, habit, inordinate attachments, and other psychological or social factors".[49] Consequently, without detracting from the evangelical ideal, they need to accompany with mercy and patience the eventual stages of personal growth as these progressively occur. [50] I want to remind priests that the confessional must not be a torture chamber but rather an encounter with the Lord's mercy which spurs us on to do our best. A small step, in the midst of great human limitations, can be more pleasing to God than a life which appears outwardly in order but moves through the day without confronting great difficulties. Everyone needs to be touched by the comfort and attraction of God's saving love, which is mysteriously at work in each person, above and beyond their faults and failings.

[49] No. 1735

[50] Cf. John Paul II, Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation Familiaris Consortio (22 November 1981), 34: AAS 74 (1982), 123.



How We Make a Difference Together...



- Our Lady of the Lake Community Thanksgiving Dinner: We would take great pleasure in publishing a list of volunteers who made our Thanksgiving dinner an AMAZING!!! success, but we wouldn't want to forget to identify someone and so... thank you, thank you, thank you for the tremendous generosity, camaraderie and giving spirit of all the volunteers. From the contributors of the cookies and desserts—the volume and quality of delectable treats was stunning, to the set-up crew - who transformed the social hall into a beautiful Thanksgiving dining room - to Chef Ed and those who helped prepare and serve food, to the team who delivered meals to the elderly and homebound, to the clean up crew, so many helping hands, we needed each and everyone of you to assist us in providing this wonderful service to our community. Thank you for giving of your time and talent to ensure a wonderful Thanksgiving meal for nearly 250 people! You are a blessing to our faith community and we appreciate your stewardship - putting your faith in action.
- God Speed, Father Andy: It is with sincere appreciation that we say Thank you! to Father Andy for taking over the parochial administration of our parishes while Father Jerome visited family in India. With a joyful spirit, Father Andy stepped into our busy parish community. What a blessing to have him with us. Please keep Father Andy in prayer, that he may continue to live his (retired) vocation as an instrument of divine grace.
- Christmas Tree Team: We are grateful for the team of volunteers who assist with our annual Christmas Tree Sale. The team is ever-ready, and on standby, for the trees to arrive to prepare for unloading and setting up the sales lot. Thank you to the volunteer organizers and salespeople who coordinate this important fund raiser for Our Lady of the Lake School. We appreciate you!
- Our Lady of the Lake Quilters: We are "sew" thankful to the OLL Quilters for their \$1,000 donation to Our Lady of the Lake School. The donation will help offset the cost of new computers for teachers. Blessed are the piecemakers!
- Shop early for your holiday gift cards!: Please remember our RaiseRight (SCRIP) gift card program as you plan for your holiday gift giving this year. Cards are available in a variety of denominations, from \$5 stocking stuffers to \$100 merchandise cards. You are sure to find something for everyone on your Christmas list! Stop in at the

Pastoral Center during weekday business hours, or go online to shopwithscrip.com, to get your gift cards. To ecember ensure delivery of cards for Christmas gifting, orders must be placed by Monday, December 12th.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Advent 8:00 am OLL KC Prayer Service 9:00 am Mass Our Lady of the Lake Family of Faith & RCIA Rite of Passage 11:00 am Mass St. Peter - Dauby Hospitality Sunday RaiseRight. Formerly ShopWathScrip	6:00 - 8:00 pm Women's Fellowship Reconciliation 6:00 - 8:00 pm Scouts Meeting OLL Social Hall	BINGO 5:30 pm Doors Open 6:30 pm Games Begin	No OLL School Mass Today 4:00 pm Vigil Mass St. Mary's Odanah 5:00 - 8:00 pm OLL Religious Education CGS, & Youth Ministry	7:00 am OLL Mass 9:00 am OLL School Mass Open to All No Mass @ Court Manor 11:00 am Mass St. Peter - Dauby	Moquah Thrift Shop Open 9:30 am - 1:00 pm 6:00 pm OLL School Christmas Pageant for Grades K - 8 Christmas Pageant	10 Moquah Thrift Shop Open 9:30 am - 1:00 pm
9:00 am Mass Our Lady of the Lake ————— 11:00 am Mass St. Florian's - Ino Christmas Dinner with Bake Sale And Crafts	6:00 pm OLL Advent Communal Penance Service With Individual Confession 6:00 - 8:00 pm Scouts Meeting OLL Social Hall Scouts	BINGO 5:30 pm Doors Open 6:30 pm Games Begin	5:00 - 8:00 pm OLL Religious Education CGS, & Youth Ministry	10:00 am Mass Ashland Health Services	Moquah Thrift Shop Open 9:30 am - 1:00 pm Last weekend for winter sales.	Moquah Thrift Shop Open 9:30 am - 1:00 pm 4:00 pm Mass St. Mary's - Odanah 6:00 pm Mass OLL - Ashland RaiseRight Formerly ShopWithScrip



AWAKEN US!

Dear Lord God, awaken us, that we may be ready when your dear Son comes, that we may receive him with joy and serve you with pure hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

In preparation to welcome the Lord Jesus with a pure heart, we are given the opportunity to celebrate God's gift of forgiveness through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Monday, December 5 6:00 pm Our Lady of the Lake Women's Fellowship Group - All women invited!

Monday, December 12 6:00 pm Our Lady of the Lake **Ashland Cluster Parishes Communal Penance Service & Individual Confessions**

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

A variety of Christmas tree sizes are available for your family to choose the perfect tree. 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

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 Special thanks to the Christmas tree unloading crew pictured below.



Ashland Knights of Columbus **Announce Pig Raffle Winners**

Quarter Pig Cut & Wrapped

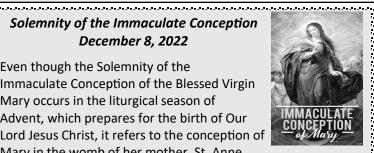
Ed Monroe Ashland, WI Pat Nemec Ashland, WI Teresa Ochsenbauer Ashland, WI Ruby Santana Ashland, WI

\$100 Cash Winner

Steven Yoshikane Ashland, WI

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception December 8, 2022

Even though the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary occurs in the liturgical season of Advent, which prepares for the birth of Our Lord Jesus Christ, it refers to the conception of Mary in the womb of her mother, St. Anne.



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."*

The feast day of the Immaculate Conception, Thursday, December 8th, is a Holy Day of Obligation and will be celebrated during the following Mass times:

4:00 pm Wednesday, Dec. 7th St. Mary's, Odanah 7:00 am Thursday, Dec. 8th Thursday, Dec. 8th 9:00 am 11:00 am Thursday, Dec. 8th

Our Lady of the Lake, Ashland Our Lady of the Lake, Ashland

St. Peter's, Dauby



*Catechism of the Catholic Church 491

Come Celebrate! St. Florian's Christmas Dinner Sunday, December 11 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. Bring your family and friends. Adults \$12.00 Youth 6 to 12 \$6.00 Children 5 and under Free

Raffles, Silent Auction, Bakery and Crafts will be available.

Proceeds from the dinner and activities will be used for maintenance and winter heat expenses at St. Florian's. Questions please call

Loretta Skaj 715-765-4744 or Glory Bizub 715-746-2311



Annual Community Christmas Concert Sunday, December 4th at 4:00 pm **Presbyterian/Congregational Church** 214 Vaughn Avenue, Ashland

Usher in the Advent season with music by area churches, community choirs and Northland College musicians. The concert will feature a choir made of voices from our Ashland Catholic Cluster. The concert is free and open to the public.

Mass Attendance - November 26 - 27



58 people St. Mary's 106 people OLL - Sat Night OLL - Sun Morning 151 people Ss. Peter & Paul 40 people

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL UPDATE

We are grateful to parish families who have contributed or pledged to our 2022-23 goals for the Catholic Services Appeal. For us to achieve our goals it will require the active involvement and personal sacrifice of all members of our faith community. If you have not yet responded to the CSA, please prayerfully consider a gift amount that reflects your blessing.

	(Goal	Bala	nce Due
Our Lady of the Lake	\$ 4	41,564	\$:	27,956
St. Florian, Ino	\$	2,600	\$	2,500
St. Mary, Odanah	\$	2,651	\$	1,614
St. Peter, Dauby	\$	5,469	\$	4,749
Ss. Peter & Paul, Moquah	\$	3,567	\$	3,266



The new storage garage at Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Church, in Moquah, is nearly completed. The building sits on a new concrete pad and awaits installation of an overhead door. The garage was built with many hours of volunteer service from parishioners and friends. Congratulations to the Moguah parish for the much needed addition to their parish facilities. Photo contributed by Deanna Vinson



November 28th through December 16th Our Lady of the Lake School will be 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 20th. A collection cart will be placed in the north entry hallway to collect gift items. 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, 715-685-1732.

Thank you for supporting our school! 43343333333333333333333333333333333



THE ADVENT WREATH

Each season in the liturgical calendar comes with its own local and regional rituals. During the Advent season, wreathes adorn church sanctuaries and family dining room tables. You may have said Advent wreath prayers in childhood or taken a turn lighting the candles. The Advent wreath is full of symbolism about Christ and his coming at Christmas. The wreath is made of evergreen boughs, reminding us that the life of grace doesn't falter with the changing seasons. It always remains fresh and new. Similarly, a circular wreath reminds us of the eternal, never-ending nature of God's love.

Candles remind us that Christ is the light of the world, the One who "shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." We use four candles to represent each week of Advent. Traditionally they come in the liturgical colors of the season. Purple has historically represented penance and sacrifice. We see the same color for the season of Lent. On the third Sunday of Advent, however, we light a rose color. The priest will wear rose vestments at Mass. This is Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete means "rejoice" in Latin. On the third Sunday of Advent, we're roughly halfway through the season. The Church chooses the midpoint to remind us to celebrate in the midst of our anticipation! Whatever the color and whatever the day, the Advent wreath is a beautiful practice to focus our attention on Christ's coming at Christmas

Mass Attendance - November 19 - 20



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34 people St. Mary's OLL - Sat Night 108 people 170 people OLL - Sun Morning St. Peter's 31 people

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS - November 19 - 20

Regular Collections	OLL	<u>Dauby</u>	<u>Moquah</u>	<u>Ino</u>	<u>Odanah</u>
Sunday Collection	\$3,692	\$676	\$122	\$135	\$270
Electronic Giving	\$520				
Total for the Week	\$4,212	\$676	\$122	\$135	\$270
Renovations	\$165				
School	\$17				
Loan Campaign	\$1,432				
Catholic Herald					
All Saints	\$10				
Fuel		\$120			
Other	\$110	\$120			\$30
Grand Total	\$5,946	\$916	\$122	\$135	\$300

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VENDOR	%	VALUE	QTY	VALUE	VENDOR	%	VALUE	QTY	VALUE
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Cenex	3%	\$25			Ace Hardware-wash	4%	\$25		
Cenex	3%	\$100			Ace Hardware-wash	4%	\$100		
Holiday	4%	\$10			Amazon.com	4%	\$25		
Holiday	4%	\$25			Amazon.com	4%	\$100		
Holiday	4%	\$100			Apple Store	5%	\$15		
Krist Oil	5%	\$50			Barnes & Noble	9%	\$25		
Kwik Trip	4%	\$25			Bath & Body Works	13%	\$25		
Kwik Trip	4%	\$50			Gap / Old Navy	14%	\$25		
Kwik Trip	4%	\$100			Kohl's	4%	\$25		
Shell/Local Wagner	10%	\$25			Maurices	7%	\$20		
Shell/Local Wagner	10%	\$50			Menards	3%	\$25		
Shell/Local Wagner	10%	\$100			Target	2%	\$25		
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Chequamegon Coop	3%	\$100			American Eagle	10%	\$25		
Super I	2%	\$25			Bed Bath & Beyond	18%	\$25		
Super I	2%	\$50			Best Buy	3%	\$25		
Super I	2%	\$100			Cabela's	11%	\$25		
Walgreens	6%	\$25			Childrens Place	12%	\$25		
Walgreens	6%	\$100			Claires	9%	\$10		
Walmart / Sams Club	2.5%	\$25			Color Center	5%	\$25		
Walmart / Sams Club	2.5%	\$50			Dress Barn	8%	\$25		
Walmart / Sams Club	2.5%	\$100			Dunham Sports	8%	\$25		
Walmart / Sams Club	2.5%	\$250			Eddie Bauer	10%	\$25		
Star Liquor	3%	\$25			Foot Locker	9%	\$25		
Star Liquor	3%	\$50			Gander Mountain	8%	\$25		
Restaura	nts - Food	& Drink			Home Depot	4%	\$100		
Applebee's	8%	\$25			J.C. Penney's	5%	\$25		
Arby's	8%	\$10			LL Bean	15%	\$25		
Ashland Family Rest.	20%	\$25			Lands End	16%	\$25		
Black Cat	10%	\$10			Menards	3%	\$100		
Breakwater	10%	\$20			Sports Hollow	10%	\$25		
Burger King	4%	\$10			Sports Hollow	10%	\$100		
Dairy Queen	4%	\$10			Taco Bell	5%	\$10		
Deep Water Grille	10%	\$25			TJ Maxx	7%	\$25		
Deep Water Grille	10%	\$50			True Value	10%	\$29		
Domino's	8%	\$10							
Hugo's Pizza	10%	\$20							
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DAILY READINGS

Sunday, December 4 Second Sunday of Advent

Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

Monday, December 5

Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday, December 6

Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday, December 7

Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday, December 8 Immaculate Conception

Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Friday, December 9

Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday, December 10

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday, December 11 Third Sunday of Advent

Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS - November 26 - 27

Regular Collections	OLL	Dauby	Moquah	<u>Ino</u>	<u>Odanah</u>
Sunday Collection	\$4,304	\$725	\$1,289.66	\$50	\$457
Electronic Giving	\$250				
Total for the Week	\$4,554	\$725	\$1,289.66	\$50	\$457
Renovations	\$10				
School	\$10	\$100			
Loan Campaign	\$80				
Catholic Herald					
All Saints					
Christmas Flowers	\$530	\$40			
Other					\$16
Grand Total	\$5,184	\$865	\$1,289.66	\$50	\$473



Saturday, December 3 4:00 pm - St Mary's - Odanah

Robert Wartman † Charlie Wiggins †

6:00 pm - Our Lady of the Lake

Carl "Cully" Carlson + (Anniversary)

Marilyn & Sue Zunker †

Sunday, December 4 9:00 am - Our Lady of the Lake

Stan Bebeau † (Birthday) Anton Kucinski † (Anniversary) 11:00 am - St Peter - Dauby David Skulan †

Joe Stipetich † (Birthday 12/02)

Monday, December 5 8:30 am Ss Peter & Paul-Moquah Steve Rindo †

Tuesday, December 6 7:00 am Our Lady of the Lake

Jovanna Gregor † Dorinda Peterick †

Wednesday, December 7 7:00 am - Our Lady of the Lake

Living & Deceased † Members of the Ernest Gentry Family 4:00 pm - St. Mary's - Odanah Intentions of Faith Community

Thursday, December 8 Immaculate Conception

7:00 am - Our Lady of the Lake Intentions of Faith Community 9:00 am - Our Lady of the Lake End to Abortion

11:00 am - St. Peter - Dauby Tony Johanik †

Friday, December 9

7:00 am - Our Lady of the Lake Joseph Westerlund †(Birthday) Chris & Holly (Birthday) Nemec †

Saturday, December 10 4:00 pm - St Mary's - Odanah

Helen Hansen † (Birthday 12/09) George & Philomene McBride Family

6:00 pm - Our Lady of the Lake Joan Nagro †

Joseph Westerlund †

Sunday, December 11

9:00 am - Our Lady of the Lake Brian Leciejewski † David leciejewski †

11:00 am - St Florian - Ino

Martin Skaj † (Anniversary 12/12) Eleanor Pauline Visocky-Gallik † (Anniversary)