

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 30, 2011



Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

Weekend Mass Times
Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 10:30 am

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Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Weekend Mass Times
Saturday 7:00 pm Sunday 8:30 am

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Big Lake, MN 55309-0100

Parish Telephones
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The Sermon on the Mount

For the next few weeks the gospel passages will be taken from that portion of Matthew's Gospel known as the Sermon on the Mount. Just as Moses went up a mountain (Sinai) to receive the Law from God, so Jesus gathers his disciples around him on a hillside to teach a new law. Today's passage consists of the opening words of Jesus' sermon.

What is set before us today is often called the "Beatitudes." The challenge before us is to figure out what they mean. There are no easy answers. Some think that these are ideals that are not attainable, but that we must try to take up their challenges nonetheless. Others think that they only apply to the really holy people in our midst. A more recent reflection has been to refer to them as "Be Attitudes." This stresses the idea that our attitude must be like the attitude of Christ.

Jesus uses words like poor, meek, hunger, thirst, mercy, peacemakers, persecute and insult. He then tells us that these attitudes will result in us being blessed. We may wonder if Jesus was saying that to be his followers we must become wimps. Is he asking us to be weak? Is this a program for losers. Admittedly, our ideas of meekness, persecution and mercy are not ideals that which many of us would care to strive for.

Jesus is not giving his disciples a system that tells them to grit their teeth and endure. Instead, he places them midst of the real world and its conflicts, and he promises a reward, but not as the world sees rewards.

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When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them.

Matthew 5:1-2

STEWARDSHIP

Offering January 22 & 23

Adult (98)	\$ 2,912.00
Loose	\$ 283.10
Youth (3)	\$ 3.50
Children (2)	\$ 1.97
Total	\$ 3,200.57

Building Fund (3) \$ 160.00

Amount needed each week for:

Operating Budget	\$ 5,476 per week
Capital Campaign/Building Fund	\$ 2,077 per week

THE "YOUTH OF TRUTH" NEWS

Thought for the week:

For all you do....His blood's for you!!

Reminder: Breakfast and an inspirational start to your day every Friday morning for grades 9-12 @ Youth Center from 6:45am-7:50am.

◇ Sun. Jan. 30—"Youth of Truth" Bingo

Lunch will be served immediately following 10:30 Mass. Hot Dogs, Sloppy Joes, Chips, Pop, Coffee, Water and other goodies.

Bingo will run from 12:00—3:00

Grand Finale Black-Out for \$100.00

Meat Raffle for Turkey and Ham

Door prizes throughout the day including

\$100.00 Gift Certificate and \$50.00 Certificate

◇ Wed. Feb. 2—Youth Group @ Youth Center

Grades 5-8 6:00-8:00

(Movie Night)

Grades 9-12 8:00-10:00

(Movie Night)



◇ Thur. Feb. 3—Youth Advisory Meeting 8:00 @ Youth Center

◇ **Adults needed to help chaperone Castaway Retreat or to be part of the "Work Crew" at Castaway. Please let me know if you are interested!! We need your help to continue this great opportunity for our Youth!!**

◇ **Adults interested in going on our Boundary Waters Retreat with the Youth contact me ASAP.**

◇ Anyone in need of odd jobs done around the house, please contact Angie Kraus for help from our Youth Group. 763-261-5077

Christ's Peace to all,

Doug Watercott

FAITH FORMATION

Wednesday, February 2, 6:15-8 p.m.

February is Catechist Appreciation Month

All catechists are invited to come for *hors d'oeuvres* and *desserts* any time after 6:15 p.m.

The **Bread for Journey** session will begin around 6:50 p.m. During the February session on the 9th and 16th, we will be looking at **Jeremiah** and some of the other prophets as we explore **Voices of Hope and Vision!** *How do these "voices" challenge us?*



If you wish to review the past months with your family, there are extra issues remaining on the shelf near my office. Some of the inserts are excellent learning material for different ages.

We will be viewing the Safe Environment DVD prepared by the diocese for the youth and children. Students in grades 6-11 will be watching their assigned DVD at 6:30 followed by a video about Jeremiah. Students in grades K-5 will view their DVD at 7:45 p.m.

Bibles for \$5.00

A company is selling simple New American Bibles, the same as we are using at the BFJ adult session, for \$5.00. Please sign on the sheet by my office if you are interested in buying one.



Children's Liturgy of the Word

It was wonderful to have a catechist for each of the 3 groups on Sunday—thanks to Deb, Carla, and Tanya!

Lesson plans are available each Sunday for children to participate in the readings on their level. It would be great if every parent would do it once a month or every six weeks.



Monday, February 7, 6-7:30 p.m.

Confirmation 2011 candidates and mentors meet.

**Blessings of Peace, Joy and Hope,
Julie Schleper, OSB**

STEWARDSHIP

Offering January 22 & 23

Adult (108)	\$ 2,891.00
Children (3)	\$ 3.00
Loose checks	\$ 610.00
Loose plate	\$ 329.00
Total	\$ 3,833.00

Weekly budget amount needed \$ 6,180.25

YOUTH MINISTRY

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- Wed. 2/2;** 6:30-8:00 pm; 6th-12th grade; Prayer, singing, making valentine cookies for next weeks meeting; Start making Service Project (sacrifice & love) for valentine party. PASS OUT parent permission slips and agenda for Feb. 25th 6th-8th grade lock-in.
 - Sun. 2/6;** 3:30-5:30 pm; ALL FAMILY SKATING PARTY; hockey rinks; DOGS, CHIPS, BAKED BEANS; come join in the fun!
 - Wed. 2/9;** 6:30-8:00pm; 6th-12th grade; prayer, singing, Valentine Party-bring little brothers & sisters (serve them) appreciation snack; turn in 6th-8th grade lock-in material;

*Richard Adams, Youth Minister Coordinator
dadams@ourladybiglake.org*

MUSIC & LITURGY NOTES

Liturgical Ministers: All liturgical ministers should have received a mailing this past week with new rosters for 2011 and other important reminders. . If you did not receive the mailing or have any questions about the information, please contact Gretchen or discuss your concerns with one of the sacristans. *Thank you for your continued commitment to liturgical ministry at OLOL!*

We Need You! We are currently in need of additional liturgical ministers in all areas—particularly Eucharistic ministers, ushers and servers. *Please prayerfully consider how you might participate more fully in liturgy and give back to the parish community by becoming an active minister.* If you would be willing to serve in any ministry, or would like more information, please contact Gretchen as soon as possible.

Liturgy Committee: Next meeting is Thursday, Feb. 10, at 7:00 pm. In Christ, **Gretchen Roe**

Office Hours: Wed. 9-3 and Thurs. 9-1 or by appointment

FAITH FORMATION

What's Your Catholic IQ?

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* teaches us that “everyone should look upon his neighbor (without any exception) as: a) another self” b) an obstacle” c) an equal” d) more important than ourselves” (*answer below*)

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

This week's questions are based on the Gospel (Matthew 5:1-12a)

Question for Children: Choose one of the Beatitudes and share how you will make it part of your life.

Question for Youth: Jesus gives us a plan for our happiness in the beatitudes. Do the things that make you happiest also lead you towards God? Do they follow God's plan?

Question for Adults: How do you describe what it means to be "blest" in your own life?

Faith Formation Calendar

- Feb. 2 (Tues) 7:00 pm: First Eucharist Parent Introductory Session (for those who did not attend the session on Jan. 26)
- *Feb. 5 (Sat) 9:00 am – 12:30 pm: Session I K-6
- *Feb. 6 (Sun) 1:00 – 4:30 pm: Grades 7-10
CONFIRMATION SPONSORS ATTEND AT 3:00 pm with candidates
- *Feb. 12 (Sat) 9:00 am – 12:30 pm: Session II K-6
- *Feb. 23 (Wed) 7:00 pm: Confirmation Candidate/ Parent evening

Barb Olson, Director of Faith Formation
Office hours: Tues.-Fri. 8:30 am-3:00 pm
Email: barb@ourladybiglake.org

Catholic IQ answer: a) n. 1931 of the Catechism, states: “Respect for the human person proceeds by way of respect for the principle that “everyone should look upon his neighbor (without any exception) as ‘another self,’ above all bearing in mind his life and the means necessary for living it with dignity.”



Liturgical Ministers

NOTE: Please remember that you are responsible for your ministry when scheduled. You are asked to find a replacement for your ministry when you are unavailable to serve.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Saturday, February 5th, 5:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Lil Boser, Laura Schmitz,
Amy Chmielewski
Hospitality Ministers: Anna Perry, Melanie Perry,
Joey Pickar, Terri Pickar
Servers: Bridget Buchholz and Tyler Schmitz
Lector: Lil Boser

Sunday, February 6th, 10:30 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Tim & Cindy Adelman,
Deb Wegeleben, Donna Weiland,
Deb Yoerg
Hospitality Ministers: Brad Kohorst,
Mark Lefebvre, Andy & Karen Lipski
Servers: Brady Gruenhagen and Matt Yoerg
Lector: Deb Goenner and Steve Hammer
Nursery: Lindsey Baloun and Nicole Winter



BINGO
JANUARY 30TH
12:00-3:00 PM

(Concessions open at 11:30 am)

At Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

All proceeds support

“Youth of Truth” activities

Meat raffle-Door prizes-\$100 blackout finale

Concessions: Hot dogs, sloppy joes & more

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE

Saturday, February 5th, 7:00 pm

Eucharistic Ministers: Kimberly Johnson,
Norb Vossen, Vickie Cote
Greeters: Harland Hinricks
Annex: Michele Wagner
Ushers: Duane Marsolek, Ernie Kroll,
Emily Freeman, Randy Anderson
Servers: Brandon Quast
Lectors: Jamie Swanson and Laura Swanson
Sacristan: Donna Forge 263-3996
Scheduler: Alice Kantor 263-0071

Sunday, February 6th, 8:30 am

Eucharistic Ministers: Bruce & Brenda Kuechle,
Peter Schmidt, Keith Klein, Becky Grandalen,
James Ledwith, Barb Gardetto
Nursing Home: Frank and Denise Barger
Greeters: Sue, Samantha, Michael & Nick Perovich
Annex: Maurice Meyer
Ushers: Geary Keppel, Nathan Overby,
Gerald Fisher, Marcel Osowski
Annex: Bruce Erickson and Dan Bell
Servers: Isabella Kallas and Michael Loeffler
Lectors: Deb Bell and Stephen Gingras
Sacristan: Mary Kimmes 263-2971
Scheduler: Alice Kantor 263-0071



BULLETIN DEADLINE

<u>Bulletin Date</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
Sunday, February 6	Monday, January 31
Sunday, February 13	Monday, February 7
Sunday, February 20	Monday, February 14
Sunday, February 27	Monday, February 21

Please note these dates and send bulletin information to Terri at imccc@sherbtdel.net

SAVE the date...

Mardi Gras

**At Immaculate Conception
Friday, March 4th**

- 6:30 pm Social**
- 7:00 pm Spaghetti Dinner**
- 8:00 pm Fun**



**Tickets are \$10/person
and will go on sale
Starting February 5th**

2011 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

The Annual Diocesan Appeal helps to fund diocesan ministries that support the efforts of our parish in providing pastoral care to our parishioners. For example, we all know of our need for priests in the diocese. Your contribution to the Annual Diocesan Appeal helps fund the efforts of the Vocations Office including such things as vocation camps and vocation presentations to our young people. Please prayerfully consider how you will respond as a member of the Body of Christ and as a faithful steward of the gifts that God has given to you. Celebrate our continuing commitment to the Appeal by pledging your support with the materials you will receive in the mail.

**Marriage Encounter ~
a Very Special Weekend Together:
February 19-20, 2011 and April 2-3, 2011**

This Weekend is an experience designed to help married couples communicate more intimately with one another. It's a weekend away from home, family and responsibilities where in a comfortable environment a couple is guided in the discovery of effective ways of communicating and sharing with one another. Marriage Encounter is a weekend about LOVE. The Marriage Encounter Weekend is held at St. Francis Center in Little Falls, MN and begins Saturday morning and ends Sunday afternoon. Please call (320) 252-3220 to register or for more information, our website is: www.stcloudme.org

A "Town Hall" Merger Meeting

There will be a "Town Hall" meeting at Our Lady of the Lake on Sunday, January 30th at 2:00 pm to provide an update on the OLOL/ICCC merger and give parishioners an opportunity to ask questions. ALL parishioners from Our Lady of the Lake and Immaculate Conception are welcome to attend.

St John's Abbey, Collegeville is hosting a Benedictine Day of Prayer on Friday, February 18, on the topic of "Discernment of Spirits." The day begins at 7 am and concludes around 3:30 pm and includes breakfast and lunch. The cost for the day is \$50. To register, call 320-363-3929 or register on-line at www.abbeyguesthouse.org and click the retreats.

K.C. Super Bowl Bingo VII, Sunday February 13, 2011 starting at 2:00 pm at Mary Queen of Peace Hall, St. Martin campus-downtown Rogers.


- ◇ Kids are welcome to play!
 - ◇ \$7-1 card, \$12 - 2 cards, \$15 - 3 cards
 - ◇ 25 regular games with \$10 - \$50 prizes
 - ◇ \$100 Cover-all game
 - ◇ PLUS 5 "half the take" games
 - ◇ Snacks & beverages available
- Sponsored by NW Hennepin KC Council #11941

**Purity Ball at Immaculate Conception Parish
in Rockville**

This semi-formal event for fathers and their daughters ages 13 and up will be held on Saturday, February 5 from 4:00 pm to 10:30 pm. The evening begins with the celebration of the Eucharist at 4:15 pm followed by a social, dinner, speaker, and dance lessons by Fr. Gregory Mastey. Cost is \$30 per couple and \$16 for additional daughters. Call 320-252-4721, or email omf@gw.stcdio.org

Parish Cell Phone

The cell phone number below is for use in both parishes. Use it **after regular hours for pastoral needs or emergencies**. Please continue to use the regular land line numbers for all other parish business. The number (Verizon) is:

 **763-250-0233**

Pastor
Fr. Gene Doyle

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Shelly Kasper

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Bookkeeper/Parish Census
Patti Kroll

Custodian
Merwin (Pee Wee) Metzger

Church Housekeeper
Danette Toenies

PRAYER LIST

Guidelines - A) Names may be placed on the prayer list for three weeks. B) Names can be listed as often as one wishes but the request must be renewed each time. C) The person whose name appears on the list must give permission and/or be informed before his/her name is listed.

Parish Prayer Lines

Irene Ring (ICCC) 763-261-4565
Betsy Dupay (OLOL) 763-263-7901
Rose Knowlton (OLOL) 763-295-5911

<u>Week 1</u>	<u>Week 2</u>	<u>Week 3</u>
Ryan Thorn	Lisa Fradette	John Holtz
Daryl Roy	Ina Kelly	Jason Treptau
Dave Nelson	John Zimmel	Sharalyn Pfaff
Daryl Blais	Larry Svir	Zalini
	Sue King	
	Vicki Kral	
	Millie Rieland	
	Sue Johnson	

PARISH COUNCIL

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Dick Pursley	Angie Fuller
Rick Kraus	Dave Maiers
Theresa Quinn	Lu Schuette
Lisa Thelen	
Trustees: Mary Jo Cobb and Brad Kohorst	

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE

Dan Loegering	Dennis Nagorski
Dan Bell	Keith Klein
Kristen Jacobs	Rose Knowlton
Bruce Kuechle	Chuck Reichert
Laura Swanson	
Trustees: Juanita Johnson and Kevin Thompson	

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Hebrews 11:32-40 Mark 5:1-20
Tuesday:	Hebrews 12:1-44 Mark 5:21-43
Wednesday:	Malachi 3:1-14 Hebrews 2:14-18 Luke 2:22-40
Thursday:	Hebrews 12:18-19,21-24 Mark 6:7-13
Friday:	Hebrews 13:1-8 Mark 6:14-29
Saturday:	Hebrews 13:15-17,20-21 Mark 6:30-34
Sunday	Isaiah 58:7-10 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 Matthew 5:13-16

MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES

Travis Barrett	Robert Lambrecht III
Kelly DeWein	Corey Smith
Jim Sunderlin	Ben Kroll
Ed Waskosky	Amy Long
James Vandenuval	William Pace
Paul Waskosky	Kory Lindbom
Melissa Schake	Justin Wire
Amy (Long) Wierman	Zach Wierman
Robert Wroblewski III	Michael Wilts

(continued from front) The spirit of poverty Jesus speaks of is that without God we can do nothing. The meek are able to touch the world without force. Those who mourn yearn for a world that will no longer oppress the downtrodden. Righteousness will be satisfied and merciful action will result in mercy received. Jesus links justice and humility. The clean of heart are those who are single minded in their efforts to be creators with God and see the world as God sees it.

A Way of Life, Not a Program

In the Beatitudes, as well as the rest of the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus is not laying out a program as much as he is a way of life. Through the centuries many systems have promised peace, justice and happiness. Sadly, those same systems also required violence against the so-called “enemies” of justice and peace. Often force and violence were used in order to “make” people good.

This is not the teaching of Jesus. He gives this New Law on a peaceful hillside in Galilee, not on the slopes of Mount Sinai in sight of a pulsing volcano in the desert. How surprisingly God works, calling the weak to be heroic. He asks us not to tame the universe, but to tame ourselves. History has shown this to be a difficult task. *Fr. Geno Doyle*

CALENDAR OF EVENTS for the WEEK

- Monday, January 31
OLOL 5-9 pm KC District Meeting
- Tuesday, February 1
OLOL 6:30 pm LOWC Meeting
OLOL 7:00 pm AA & Al Anon Meeting
- Wednesday, February 2
OLOL 5-6 pm Youth Ensemble Practice
ICCC 6:15 pm BFJ Catechist
OLOL 6:15 pm Cantor Practice
ICCC 6-8 pm Youth Group - Grades 5-8
OLOL 6:30-8 pm UJAM 6th-12th Grade
OLOL 7:00 pm Adult Choir Practice
ICCC 8-10 pm Youth Group - Grades 9-12
- Thursday, February 3
OLOL 5-6 pm Children’s Choir Rehearsal
ICCC 6:00 pm Cantor Rehearsal
ICCC 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
ICCC 8:00 pm AA & Al Anon Meeting
- Saturday, February 5
OLOL 9-12:30 pm Session I K-6

MASS SCHEDULE for the WEEK

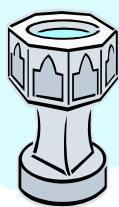
- Monday, January 31, St John Bosco, priest
ICCC & OLOL No Liturgies
 - Tuesday, February 1, Weekday
OLOL 7:00 pm † Louis Thieschafer
 - Wednesday, February 2, The Presentation of the Lord
OLOL 8:00 am † Lorraine Morris
Bible Study follows
 - Thursday, February 3, Weekday, St Blaise, bishop & martyr , St Ansgar, bishop
OLOL 8:00 am Word & Communion Service
ICCC 8:15 am † Roger Schotl
 - Friday, February 4, Weekday
OLOL 8:00 am Word & Communion Service
ICCC 8:15 am Special Intentions
 - Saturday, February 5 — St Agatha, virgin & martyr
3:00 pm No Sacrament of Reconciliation
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- Saturday, February 5 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
ICCC 5:00 pm † Joan Kolbinger
OLOL 7:00 pm † Patrick J. Toenies
 - Sunday, February 6
OLOL 8:30 am † Jerry Eull
ICCC 10:30 am Mass for the People

Welcomed into the Church through the waters of Baptism

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at Our Lady of the Lake

Madelyn Ann Torrence
 daughter of Jason & Stephanie Torrence



Knights of Columbus Breakfast



Come join the KC’s at **Becker** for a omelet breakfast.

Serving from 8:30 am - 12:30 pm
 Sunday, February 6th

Sacrament of Reconciliation Schedule

- First Saturday 3:00 pm - Becker, ICC**
- Second Saturday 3:00 pm - Big Lake, OLOL**
- Third Saturday 3:00 pm - Becker, ICC**
- Fourth Saturday 3:00 pm - Big Lake, OLOL**

Note: Regular confession times are now at 3:00 pm.