

## FOLLOW JESUS

**Let us begin with a bold question. Does faith make a difference in your life? Is your relationship with Jesus a real, living reality, or do you go through the motions by occasionally coming to Mass or mumbling a prayer before meals, and leave all thoughts of faith behind the rest of the time?**

Faith in Jesus Christ is to be the deriving force in our lives. Being a Christian should shape our daily decisions, attitudes, and actions. Yet, for many, something else is needed first — a “flash of insight” or a real encounter with Jesus. Whether your faith is deep or needs to be renewed, take a leap of faith and open your heart and mind to Jesus Christ. With the certainty that Jesus desires a meaningful relationship with us, we can be ready to follow him.

### LIVE IN MISSION

**Following Jesus is not only about an interior relationship with the Lord. Christ calls us into mission — to share God’s love, mercy, forgiveness, compassion, and life with others.**

What is the impact of faith in your life? Do you show love to family members and friends, even when you would rather focus on yourself? Do you serve others through a parish ministry or local outreach organization? Do you give as a way of thanking God for all you have been given? Jesus is the love of God, poured out freely for all who will receive it. This is the Good News, the Gospel, of the Lord. Jesus gave completely of himself, holding nothing back. We cannot be passive recipients of this great gift! Disciples who are good stewards embody and express the one mission of Christ: to do God’s will, to proclaim the Good News of salvation, to heal the afflicted, to care for one’s sisters and brothers, to give life — life to the full — as Jesus did. (SDR, 14)

### CAUSE AN EFFECT

**When we live our faith “out loud,” sharing our gifts and caring for others, we have the opportunity to cause a positive effect, to allow God’s love to be known and experienced through us.**

We are sometimes hesitant to recognize the impact of our words and actions on others. Yet we know in our hearts that what we do makes a difference, for ill or for the better. As disciples, we can make a difference, in the lives of individual people and in the life of the Church, our city, and world. What impact will your stewardship make in the life of another? How will you cause an effect for the good of others, as you share in Christ’s mission to bring life, light, mercy, and peace through your words, actions, service, and ministry?

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Saturday, October 21

9:00am – 2:00pm

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Who's keeping an eye on who?



The back side looks pretty good.  
What will we find to put on these shelf?



Total money raised by pies....\$1,901.85

New walk in cooler and freezer are here. Filling up with food and ready for next get together!

*Stewardship*

We are called to be ever **grateful** for the **gifts** that **God** has given us. Not only are we called to be grateful to God, but we also must be grateful to one another. We thank God; with **gratitude, recognition and appreciation** we also thank those who continue to **give generously** to the support of **Our Lady of the Lakes**. By sharing our gifts and ourselves, we can make a **real difference**. The end of summer is fast approaching and we greatly appreciate those who remember us in prayer and help with our expenses throughout the winter months.

*God bless you all.*