

# Faith Formation

## Respect Life Essay Contest—BE NOT Afraid

Supporting all life all ways!

**ESSAY CONTENT:** In thinking about respecting all life & the theme BE NOT Afraid, explain what it means to you by writing an essay or a poem.

**WHO MAY ENTER:** Students in Grades 5 through 12

**REQUIREMENTS:** 150-200 words - Students in Grades 5,6,7,8

200-300 words - Students in Grades 9,10,11,12

Entries must include an Essay ID ½ page. You can get one of the ID pages from your parish office.

**SEND ESSAYS TO:** Debra Lieberg / RESPECT LIFE OFFICE

Diocese of Superior PO Box 969 Superior, WI 54880

**POSTMARK DEADLINE:** Wednesday, February 14, 2018

**FURTHER QUESTIONS:** Debra Lieberg @ 715-394-0240 or [dlieberg@catholicdos.org](mailto:dlieberg@catholicdos.org).

Quotes from the essays will be included in the Catholic Herald Newspaper. Prizes awarded to those essays chosen by the judging committee.

## Scholarships for Women

The Superior Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will award two (2) \$500 scholarships to women completing their second year of post high school education by the spring of 2018 or continuing their education for career advancement, or returning to the work field.

Applications may be obtained by contacting the SDCCW Scholarship Committee Chair, Gail Grassel, 10103 State Road 27, Hayward, WI 54843; 715-634-0042, [riveredg@cheqnet.net](mailto:riveredg@cheqnet.net) or on our website: [www.sdccw.me/programs/scholarships/](http://www.sdccw.me/programs/scholarships/).

The Committee will notify the winners by phone or mail. The recipients will be recognized at this year's joint SDCCW & Duluth Convention on May 22, 2018, at St. Scholastica in Duluth, MN. Applications will be accepted starting Feb. 1, 2018 and postmarked no later than March 15, 2018.

## Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who helped support the youth of our parishes that are going on the Mission Trip in June. All of your donations and purchases of popcorn will help relieve the cost. Popcorn will be in at the end of the month and can be picked up at your parish.

## Faith Formation Calendar

Date	Time	Event
2/18	9:00 am	Classes Gr. PrK-5 @ SJ
2/21	5:30 pm	Social Hour @ OLL & SJ
	6:30 pm	Classes Gr. K-11 @ OLL
	6:30 pm	Classes Gr. 6-11 @ SJ
	6:30 pm	Altaration Video @ OLL
2/25	9:00 am	Classes Gr. PrK-5 @ SJ
2/28	5:30 pm	Social Hour @ OLL & SJ
	6:30 pm	Classes Gr. K-11 @ OLL
	6:30 pm	Classes Gr. 6-11 @ SJ
	6:45 pm	Pivotal Players @ SJ
3/4	9:00 am	Classes Gr. PrK-5 @ SJ
3/7	5:30 pm	Social Hour @ OLL & SJ
	6:30 pm	Classes Gr. K-11 @ OLL
	6:30 pm	Classes Gr. 6-11 @ SJ
	6:30 pm	Bread making @ OLL for 2nd Grade Student in both parishes

## Weekly Reading Compass

### Sunday, February 18

GN 9:8-15/1 PT 3:18-22/MK 1:12-15

### Monday, February 19

LV 19:1-2, 11-18/MT 25:31-46

### Tuesday, February 20

IS 55:10-11/MT 6:7-15

### Wednesday, February 21

JON 3:1-10/LK 11:29-32

### Thursday, February 22

1 PT 5:1-4/MT 16:13-19

### Friday, February 23

EZ 18:21-28/MT 5:20-26

### Saturday, February 24

DT 26:16-19/MT 5:43-48

# Sacraments

## Baptism

Call Melissa @ SJ 715-268-7717 or Sally @ OLL 715-405-2253 for information regarding getting Baptized.

## Reconciliation

Confessions heard:

St. Joseph: Sat. 3-3:30 pm or by appointment.

Our Lady of the Lakes: Sundays 8-8:15 am;

2nd Thurs. after 9 am Mass or by appointment.

## Marriage

Preparation is required at least 6 months prior to the wedding. Call the church as soon as possible after engagement for an appointment.

## Anointing of the Sick

If you or someone in your family is hospitalized and would like to receive communion or anointing, please call the parish office. **Due to patient privacy laws, no one can visit unless the patient or family requests it.**

## St. Joseph Church - Amery

Masses: Sun. 10:30 AM; Sat. 4:00 PM

Wednesdays at 9:00 AM

Mass is televised on Local Access Cable

Channel 6 Tuesdays at 9:00 am & 1:00 pm

Building Use:

All use of the church building must be CONFIRMED in advance with the parish office.

Office Staffed Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

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## Our Lady of the Lakes - Balsam Lake

Masses: Sun. 8:30 AM; Sat. 6:00 PM

Thursdays at 9:00 AM

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The deadline for articles / announcements / changes to be included in the bulletin is **4:00 p.m. every MONDAY afternoon**. Contact 715-268-7717 for more information.

February 18th, 2018

# First Sunday of Lent

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH ✦ OUR LADY OF THE LAKES

## FIRST SUNDAY

## OF LENT



## Diocese of Superior Mission Statement

The Catholic Diocese of Superior is a people of diverse ethnic and cultural traditions called in unity by the love of Christ to proclaim the Gospel, celebrate the sacraments, and give witness through joyful lives of prayer and service in Northern Wisconsin and throughout the world.

## St. Joseph Mission Statement

We the Roman Catholic Faith Community of St. Joseph Church in Amery, Wisconsin declare our parish mission is to know God, to love Him and to serve Him in this world. We pursue this mission by celebrating the Eucharist and sharing our faith, love, time, talents, and treasures with our families, our communities and the world.

## Our Lady of the Lakes Mission Statement

The Catholic Parish of Our Lady of the Lakes in Balsam Lake, Wisconsin is a people of multiple ethnic and cultural traditions called to instill the teachings and love of Jesus Christ through proclamation of the Gospel, celebration of the sacraments, and by our works and actions in our parish community, and our civic community.

**PASTOR:** FATHER GENE MURPHY

**DEACON:** LARRY AMELL

Welcome to our Parish Cluster

We're glad you're here!

# Saint Joseph Church

## Liturgical Roles



### Sat., February 24th - 4:00 pm

**Reader:** Gwen Dado  
**Ushers:** Gary & Cindy Moe, Jim & Sandy Noll  
**Servers:** Jaqueline Bergan, Sally Suckut  
**Music:** Men's Choir

### Sun., February 25th - 10:30 am

**Reader:** Michael Kalista  
**Ushers:** Eric & Kim Wojchik Family, Mark & Rachel Rasmussen Family  
**Servers:** Allison Oman, Lydia Monson, Ella Schmidt  
**Music:** Anne White and Tom Hemauer  
**Video:** Baldwin's

## Stewardship Update

\*includes ice fishing income

St. Joseph Parish General Fund	Monthly Income		YTD Income	
	Jan. 2017	Jan. 2018	FY 16/17	FY17/18
<b>Actual Income</b>	\$40,435.93	*\$43,635.38	\$219,339.32	\$261,428.90
<b>Actual Expenses</b>	\$29,397.06	\$28,213.72	\$228,452.23	\$225,158.89
<b>Difference</b>	\$11,038.87	\$15,421.66	-\$9,112.91	\$36,270.01
<b>Children's Collection</b>		\$135.80		\$2,378.80
<b>Mortgage Balance</b>	\$426,165.50	<b>Mortgage Contributions</b>		\$2,243
<b>CSA Assessment:</b>	\$31,490	<b>Pledges to Date:</b>		\$16,361

## Backpack Fundraiser

The Salvation Army sends backpacks home to students in need. They are collecting personal hygiene products to be added to the backpacks. The thought behind it is that children are being targeted for bullying in schools because of personal hygiene issues. For the month of **February we will be collecting Toothpaste**. We will have a basket for the collection in the gathering area by the bulletin board.

## Neighbors Helping Neighbors

The Polk County Homeless Shelter in Balsam Lake, WI is great resources for the people in need in our county. Donations of cleaning supplies, toilet paper, copy machine paper, paper towels, coffee and sugar are needed. There will be a collection basket in the gathering area for these items.

## \*\*Winter Weather Notice\*\*

Remember when school is cancelled, activities at church are also cancelled during the day and evening. This includes communion services, Mass, faith formation classes, Bible Study, and meetings. If school is two hours late, morning communion services, Masses and activities in the morning are cancelled. If school is closed early due to weather, there will be no evening communion services, Mass, or activities.

## Please Pray For

Bonnie Hegg, Brooke Lawrence, Carolyn Anderson, Colleen Hartmann, Charlotte Skidmore, Debbie Morelock, Doris Nihiser, Dorothy Hill, Earl Lovejoy, Gabriel Bauer, Gordon Delong, Jane VanAmber, Jean Bazille, Jenny Sabelko, Jim Chevalier, JoAnne Sabelko, Joel Rivera, Jon Otto, Karen Hampton, Kathy Mulvaney, Larry Ploszay, Levi Stephens, Libby Henrikson, Logan Traynor, Mary Losness, Mary Nevala, Pat Sabelko, Pierce Steen, Richard Hahn, Rose Maus, Ruth Ann DuBoise, Sandra Tollefson, Shannon Niccum, Violet Hahn, William Schmitt, Our Military Personnel\*\*\*

## SJ Calendar

**Tuesday, February 20th**  
Stations of the Cross after 9 am CS  
**Friday, February 23rd**  
Stations of the Cross 5:30 pm  
**Monday, February 26th**  
Blood Drive 10 am to 3 pm  
**Tuesday, February 27th**  
Stations of the Cross after 9 am CS  
**Wednesday, February 28th**  
Stump the Chump after 9 am Mass  
Staff Meeting 10:30 am  
Pivotal Players Video Series 6:45 pm  
Spiritual Life & Worship Meeting 7 pm  
**Friday, March 2nd**  
Stations of the Cross 5:30 pm  
KC Fish Fry 4-7:30 pm

## Lenten Fish Fry

First Four Fridays in March, Knights of Columbus will host Lenten fish fry from 4:30-7:00 pm or until sold-out! Menu includes deep-fried battered cod, baked cod, baby red potatoes, veggie, coleslaw, buns, macaroni and cheese, and a dessert! Refreshments includes coffee, milk and lemonade. Beer will be offered for an additional cost! Adults \$10.00, 65+ \$9.00, children 6-12 years \$5.00, under 5 free with a max cost of \$35.00 per family! We are looking for people to donate cookies, bars, cupcakes, etc., and to be dropped off before Friday noon, March 2, 9, 16 & 23. Thank you!

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

Wednesday, February 21st from 2 pm—4 pm., at the home of Rosemary Myers, 310 George Avenue, Amery. New members are always welcome. Monetary donations for yarn and supplies are always appreciated. Please notify Rosemary if you know someone who could use a shawl. For more information or any questions, call Rosemary at 715-268-7330.

## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Saturday, February 17**  
4:00 pm † Marlene Grasser by Kim Grasser SJ  
6:00 pm † Mike Otto by His Family OLL  
**Sunday, February 18**  
8:30 am † Perry Koeppen by Larry/Juanita Koeppen OLL  
10:30 am † Caron Fellner by Mark Fellner SJ  
**Monday, February 19**  
9:00 am No Communion Service SJ  
**Tuesday, February 20**  
9:00 am Communion Service SJ  
9:00 am Communion Service OLL  
**Wednesday, February 21**  
9:00 am † Evelyn Jackelen by Sidney Jones SJ  
**Thursday, February 22**  
9:00 am † Polly Shafer by Marion Eldredge OLL  
**Friday, February 23**  
9:00 am Communion Service SJ  
**Saturday, February 24**  
4:00 pm † Ed/Kay Klescewski by Tom/Barb Hemauer SJ  
6:00 pm † Roland Belisle by Gary & Shelly Hines OLL  
**Sunday, February 25**  
8:30 am † Cheryl Dado by Her Family OLL  
10:30 am † Archie & Mary Mugerauer by R Mugerauer SJ

Key: † - Deceased, SJ - St. Joseph Church, OLL - Our Lady of the Lakes Church, WR - Willow Ridge, Amery GAM - Golden Age Manor, AMC—Amery Memory Care Unit. **Please note:** Requested dates for Mass intentions are subject to change based on the Mass schedule. **\*\*\*Prayer Lists:** Please contact the SJ or OLL Office to add names to the prayer list. **Names stay on the list for 4 months and are then removed unless the office is notified that they should remain.**

## Blessed Palms

The blessed palms you received last Palm Sunday are now sacramentals, which are sacred signs instituted by the Church. Sacramentals should be treated with respect and never be thrown away. Palms may only be burned or buried. We invite you to bring your Blessed Palms to church. Please place your Blessed Palms in the basket in the gathering space as you enter church. The palms will be respectfully burned and prepared to be used as the ashes for next years Ash Wednesday.

## Hall & Table Rental

If you need to borrow tables from for garage sales or other events, please *call in advance* to reserve them. They are available for a free-will offering. The social hall is also available to rent for graduation & other parties. Ask for JoAnne. 715-268-7717

## Please Pray For

Anne Davenport, Anne Yourchuck, Becky Zahler, Ben Buck, Bev Carpentier, Bob Schwartz, Brenda Mayer, Cher Wirth-Thompson, Chris Manke, Chuck Olesen, Dave Markert, Don Gruber, Dorothy Wells, Eugene Ince, Gloria Breault, Greg Maier, Jacqui Bibeau, Jean Thompson, Jim Einberger, John Harren, John Thompson, Judy Markert, Julie Bibeau, Kathy Larsin, Kathy Long, Kathy Schneider, Kelly Mcmall, Larry Coen, Leon Walker, Loraine Manke, Marcella Kalning, Mary Jo Walker, Mike Kelly, Mike Thompson, Pat Davis, Pat Williams, Ramona Tauer, Sara Thompson, Sr. Margaret Kramer, Taylor Foeller, Ty Spencer, Virginia Youngman, our Military Personnel\*\*\*

## OLL Calendar

**Monday February 19th**  
CCW Meeting 9 am  
**Tuesday, February 20th**  
Stations of the Cross after 9 am CS  
**Wednesday, February 21st**  
Altaration Video Series @ 6:30 pm  
**Thursday, February 22nd**  
Stump the Chump after 9 am Mass  
**Tuesday, February 27th**  
Stations of the Cross after 9 am CS  
**Wednesday, February 28th**  
Staff Meeting 10:30 am @ SJ  
**Thursday, March 1st**  
Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick  
**Tuesday, March 6th**  
Stations of the Cross after 9 am CS  
**Thursday, March 8th**  
Ladies Luncheon

# Our Lady of the Lakes

## Liturgical Roles

### Sat., February 24th – 6:00 p.m.

**Reader:** Jim Beistle  
**EMC:** Joan Ouellette, Dc Larry  
**Ushers:** Jim Otto, Natalie Otto  
**Servers:** Fred Koslowski, Shane Vollrath  
**Cantor:** Rita Creuzer  
**Sacristan:** Sally Christiansen

### Sun., February 25th - 8:30 am

**Reader:** Mike Bauer, Katy Johnson  
**EMC:** Susan Ammann, Sandy Schommer, Pam Garvey, Tom Delwiche  
**Ushers:** Dick Tourville, Theresa Barstow  
**Servers:** Kenny Lepak, Michael Lepak  
**Cantor:** Ron Lepak  
**Sacristan:** Kathy Delwiche



## Hospitality Schedule



February 25th: Greg & Monica Riley & Family

## Stewardship Update

Income for February	Last Weekend	MTD
<b>Adult/Youth</b>	\$1,988	\$4,191
<b>BLDG Fund</b>	\$413	\$878
<b>Visitor/Loose</b>	\$284	\$535
<b>Total Income-Actual</b>	\$2,685	\$5,604
<b>Income Budgeted for the Month</b>		\$24,500
<b>Total</b>		<b>Total</b>
<b>Mortgage Balance</b>		\$550,411.14
<b>Total Construction Cost</b>		\$3,200,000.00

## Parish Cluster & Community News

### Grief Support

St. Croix Regional Medical Center will be offering a free, six week grief support group. The group will meet every Tuesday starting February 13th and go through March 27th with the exception of March 13th. There will be two groups. Both groups will meet at the St. Croix Regional Medical Center in St. Croix Falls, WI. The first group will meet from 10:30 am to 12 pm in the Valley Conference Room. The second group will meet from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm in the Glacier Conference Room. Preregistration is requested. Please call Kevin at 715-483-3261 extension 2016. The next set of meetings will be from May 1st through June 5th.

### CSA

Each year the Diocese of Superior has a Catholic Services Appeal. All parishes are required to support the appeal. This is an opportunity for us to join together to do the work of the Lord. This year our assessment @ SJ is \$31,490. So far we have raised \$16,361 leaving a balance of \$15,129. OLL has an assessment of \$29,658. So far we have raised \$21,560, leaving a balance of \$8,098.

### Red Cross Blood Drive

**Monday, February 26th,**  
10 am to 3 pm at St. Joseph Church.  
To schedule an appointment, please call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit redcross-blood.org.