Our Lady of the Lakes Parish

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Rev. Philip Clement

Parish Administrator



Parish Worship Sites

St. Luke's Church: 19 Lake Street, Rangeley, ME St. John's Church: 76 Main Street, Stratton, ME

Our Lady of the Lakes Church: 43 Rangeley Avenue, Oquossoc, ME (Seasonal - Memorial Day Weekend to the Second Weekend in October)

Bell Chapel at Sugarloaf: 5085 Access Road, Carrabassett Valley, ME (Seasonal - December Through March)

Welcome!

Third Sunday of Advent

December 11, 2022

Scripture Readings for the Weekend

Isaiah 35:1-6a,10 Psalm 146:6-7,8-9,9-10 James 5:7-10 Gospel – Matthew 11:2-11

<u>Click Here</u> to view the weekly readings online or go to https://bible.usccb.org.

Mass Schedule Weekend Masses

<u>Saturday</u>

Bell Chapel at Sugarloaf 4:30 PM St. John, Stratton 6:00 PM

<u>Sunday</u>

St. Luke, Rangeley 8:00 AM St. Luke, Rangeley 9:30 AM

Weekday Masses:

Wednesday St. John, Stratton 6:00 PM Thursday St. Luke, Rangeley 9:00 AM Friday St. Luke, Rangeley 9:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday St. John, Stratton 5:00 to 5:45 PM Thursday St. Luke, Rangeley 8:15 to 8:45 AM and

By Appointment – Please call the rectory

Cluster Mass Schedules

St. Rose in Jay Saturday at 4:00 PM

Sunday at 8:30 AM

St. Joseph in Farmington Sunday at 10:30 AM

Sunday at 6:00 PM

Confessions at 4:00 PM on Sunday at St. Joseph

Sacraments

<u>Baptism</u> – Please contact the Rectory Office to schedule a baptism. Parents are required to participate in a baptismal catechetical session prior to the celebration of the sacrament.

<u>Marriage</u> – Arrangements with the parish must be made at least six months prior to the wedding. Fulfillment of a Diocesan, pre-marriage program is required.

Anointing of the Sick - The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is one of the healing sacraments of the Church and is not meant only for those who are at the point of death. An illness, a serious injury, impending surgery or advanced age is sufficient reason for the celebration of the Sacrament. Requests for the Anointing of the Sick should be made by calling the rectory at 207-864-3795.

Mass Intentions

To request a Mass, please submit the name of the intention, indicating whether they are living or deceased. Also, include your name, a telephone number and the date you would like the Mass to be celebrated. The usual offering is \$10.00. Please place the information in an envelope and mail it to the rectory or hand it to Father Clement. There are openings for Mass intentions on the parish calendar.

Bulletin Submissions

Submissions for publication in the bulletin must be given to Father Clement ten days before the date publication.

Contact Information

If you are new to the parish, WELCOME, or if you have been a member of Our Lady of the Lakes Parish for a number of years, please help us update contact information by filling out a registration form. These forms can be found in the Welcome Packets that are available at the entrance of the church.

Mass Intentions For The Upcoming Week

Saturday, December 10, 2022

4:30 PM Bell Chapel at Sugarloaf 6:00 PM St. John Church in Stratton

Sunday, December 11, 2022 Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM at St Luke Church in Rangeley Kathleen Mikell Webb Birthday by Carole Mikell 9:30 AM at St. Luke Church in Rangeley People of Our Lady of the Lakes Parish

Monday, December 12, 2022

No Mass

Tuesday, December 13, 2022

No Mass

Wednesday, December 14, 2022

6:00 PM St. John Church in Stratton Rosemarie Mallis by Carole Mikell

Thursday, December 15, 2022

9:00 AM St. Luke Church in Rangeley

Friday, December 16, 2022

9:00 AM St. Luke Church in Rangeley **Saturday, December 17, 2022**

4:30 PM Bell Chapel at Sugarloaf

6:00 PM St. John Church in Stratton

Sunday, December 18, 2022 Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM at St Luke Church in Rangeley. People of Our Lady of the Lakes Parish 9:30 AM at St. Luke Church in Rangeley

 $\,$ + deceased members of the Grenon & Glidden families by Carmen Glidden.

Mass is livestreamed from St. Luke Church every Sunday at 9:30 AM on YouTube. To access the livestream, <u>CLICK HERE</u> or type "Our Lady of the Lakes Oquossoc" in the YouTube search bar.

The Light is on for You

Christmas Season Confession Schedule

Wednesday December 14^{th} at St John in Stratton 5:00-5:30 pm and 6:30-7:30 pm Thursday December 15^{th} at St Luke in Rangeley 6:00-7:00 pm Friday December 16^{th} at St Luke in Rangeley

6:00-7:00 pm

Please Pray For Our Sick

Lisa & Michael Beaulieu, Roy & Carol Henrickson, Kit & Linda Caspar, Pete Smith, Patty Simpson, Marie Sutherland, Sheila Williams, Kandi Cuples, Lily Pratt, Rolande Begin, Eva McMillan, Joanne Blais, Jazmine Rivera, Joan Masse, JoAnn F. Lund, Jan Schum, John Richards, Barry Stanton, Allison Mansmann, Roger Mislove, Patrick Connolly, Howard Myers, Caleb Derosier, Jasmine Glidden Brown, Brian Moroney, Melissa Pare, Ryan Dougan, Tony Marcellino, Don Factor, John Brinkman, Leah Devine, Alex Amaral, Matt Marino, Sandi & Angelo Chipouras, Barbara Basta, Jean Nutile, Daniel Conrad, Irene Swanton, Claudette Dumas, Peter Devine, Carol Andrews, Ed Andrews, Julie Bolduc, Debbie Graul, Katie Devine, Sheila Raymond, Martha Lesnick, Michael Lesnick, Sam Levesque, Charles Bartlett, Sandy O'Neill, Lee Henderson, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera.

Adding a Name to the Prayer List

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, you must first obtain the person's permission to include them. Please place their name, along with your name and your telephone number in and envelope and mail it to the rectory or hand it to Father Clement.

Stewardship: Offertory

Second Collections:

This week is for the Retirement Fund for Religious Next week is for winter heating fuel and snow removal

Thank you for the support of our parish and the propagation of our Faith.



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https://ollme.weshareonline.org

From the Pastor

Gaudete Sunday — Rejoice!

This week our Advent journey takes a turn. While we have been encouraged over the last two weeks towards hope and joy, the theme for this week is to put that into action and to "Rejoice." Rejoice is a verb; it compels us to do something. What does it compel us to do? Well, if we look at a definition of rejoice, we see that it means "to feel or show great joy or delight." Another, older, definition of the word "Rejoice" means "to cause joy to," that is, to cause joy in another.

If we are to cause joy in another, we must first allow joy to live within us. How are we to do that? By opening our hearts to receive the deep, abiding love that Jesus has for us. He is the source of our Joy, and His birth into our world is the beginning of this journey when He will — upon the Cross — show us the immensity of that love.

Therefore, as we do continue our preparation for the coming of Our Lord, we pause this week to remind ourselves that we are the recipients of His great love; it is us whom He loves and desires to save.

This lightening of the mood, if you will, is reflected in the rose-colored candle of the Advent wreath, as well as the rose-colored vestments of the priest. As we lighten the color, we lighten the mood and take solace in the Joy of the season.

"Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I say, rejoice! Indeed, the Lord is near.

"With prayers for your holiness and God's abundant blessings,

Fr. Philip

Retirement Fund for Religious Collection

Each year, the National Religious Retirement Office (NRRO) coordinates the annual Retirement Fund for Religious. The NRRO strives to support, educate, and assist religious institutes in the U.S. to care for their elderly and frail members now and in the future. Please generously support the needs of the retired religious women and men throughout our country this weekend.

Bambinello Sunday

In Rome, the Third Sunday of Advent is affectionately called "Bambinello" Sunday, referring to the baby Jesus. On this day, the Pope has traditionally blessed the baby Jesus figurines from home manger scenes.

<u>This weekend</u>, December 11-12, the Third Sunday of Advent, we will also bless your baby Jesus figurines from your home manger scenes. If you would like to have your baby Jesus blessed, please bring your figurine to Mass that weekend, and Fr. Philip will bless them after Mass.

Walk to Bethlehem in Rangeley

This Sunday, December 11th, the Rangeley community will hold their annual Walk to Bethlehem. Starting at the Rangeley Inn at 5:30 walking, looking for room at the inn and singing carols. Ending up at the Church of the Good Shepherd at 6:00 pm for music, dance, and Christmas pageant. All are welcome to this free event.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Saturday, Christmas Eve

4:30 PM Bell Chapel at Sugarloaf 6:00 PM St. John Church in Stratton 9:00 PM Our Lady of the Lakes in Oquossoc

Sunday, Christmas

9:00 AM at St Luke Church in Rangeley (not 9:30!)

