

St. Joseph Parish, Middletown

Our Lady of the Lake Mission

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Schedule of Services:

Reconciliation

Friday 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. English
7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Spanish
or by Appointment

Baptisms

Preparation for parents required:
See Pastor after Mass

Marriages

By appointment at least six months
in advance

Anointing of the Sick

For those who are elderly, seriously
ill, or scheduled for surgery, please
call the parish office.

Parish Office Hours:

Wednesday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
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MASS SCHEDULE

Our Lady of the Lake Mission – 12836 Hwy 175, Loch Lomond
Saturday Mass 4:00 pm

Sunday Masses

St. Joseph Church – Middletown, 9:30 a.m. (English)
St. Joseph Church - 4:00 p.m. (Spanish)

St. Joseph Church Weekday Schedule

Mass Tuesday through Friday 8:30 a.m. (English)
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday 6:30 p.m. Mass (Spanish)
7:00 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday only

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m. Mass (Spanish)

28th Sunday in the Ordinary Time

Excerpt from the Spiritual Reflection of Pope Francis, Angelus Message, October 11, 2020

GOD INVITES US ALL TO SHARE IN HIS HEAVENLY BANQUET

With the narrative of the Parable of the Wedding Banquet, in today's Gospel passage (cf. *Mt* 22:1-14), Jesus outlines the plan that God envisaged for humanity. The king who "who gave a marriage feast for his son" (v. 2) is the image of the Father who prepared for the entire human family a wonderful celebration of love and communion around his only begotten Son. Twice the king sends his servants to call the invited guests, but they refuse; they do not want to go to the feast because they have other things to think about: fields and business. We often also put our interests and material things ahead of the Lord who calls us — and he calls us to a feast. But the king in the parable does not want the hall to remain empty, because he wants to offer the treasures of his kingdom. So he tells his servants: "Go therefore to the thoroughfares, and invite to the marriage feast as many as you find" (v. 9). This is how God reacts: when he is rejected, rather than giving up, he starts over and asks that all those found at the thoroughfares be called, excluding no one. No one is excluded from the house of God

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However, the Lord places one condition: to wear a wedding garment. Let us return to the parable. When the hall is full, the king arrives and greets the latest guests, but he sees one of them without a wedding garment, that kind of little cape that each guest received as a gift at the entrance. The people went as they were dressed, as they were able to dress; they were not wearing gala attire. But they were given a type of capelet, a gift, at the entrance. That man, having rejected the free gift, excluded himself: thus, the king could do nothing but throw him out. This man accepted the invitation but then decided that it meant nothing to him: he was a self-sufficient person; he had no desire to change or to allow the Lord to change him. The wedding garment — this capelet — symbolizes the mercy that God freely gives us, namely, grace. Without grace we cannot take a step forward in Christian life. Everything is grace. It is not enough to accept the invitation to follow the Lord; one must be open to a journey of conversion, which changes the heart. The garment of mercy, which God offers us unceasingly, is the free gift of his love; it is precisely grace. And it demands to be welcomed with astonishment and joy: **"Thank you, Lord, for having given me this gift."**

Domingo 28 en el Tiempo Ordinario

Extracto de la Reflexión Espiritual del Papa Francisco, Mensaje del Ángelus, 11 de Octubre de 2020

DIOS NOS INVITA A TODOS A COMPARTIR SU BANQUETE CELESTIAL

Con la narración de la Parábola del Banquete de Bodas, en el pasaje del Evangelio de hoy (cf. *Mt* 22:1-14), Jesús describe el plan que Dios previó para la humanidad. El rey que dio una fiesta de matrimonio para su hijo" (v. 2) es la imagen del Padre que preparó para toda la familia humana una maravillosa celebración de amor y comunión alrededor de su Hijo unigénito. Dos veces el rey envía a sus sirvientes a llamar a los invitados, pero se niegan; no quieren ir a la fiesta porque tienen otras cosas en las que pensar: campos y negocios. A menudo también ponemos nuestros intereses y cosas materiales delante del Señor que nos llama, y él nos llama a una fiesta. Pero el rey de la parábola no quiere que la sala permanezca vacía, porque quiere ofrecer los tesoros de su reino. Así que le dice a sus siervos: "Ve, pues, a las vías, e invita a la fiesta del matrimonio tantos como encuentres" (v. 9). Así es cómo reacciona Dios: cuando es rechazado, en lugar de darse por vencido, comienza de nuevo y pide que todos los que se encuentran en las calles sean llamados, excluyendo a nadie. Nadie está excluido de la casa de Dios.

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Sin embargo, el Señor impone una condición: usar una prenda de boda. Volvamos a la parábola. Cuando la sala está llena, el rey llega y saluda a los últimos invitados, pero ve a uno de ellos sin una prenda de boda, ese tipo de pequeña capa que cada invitado recibió como regalo en la entrada. La gente asistió como estaba vestida, ya que eso era lo que podían vestir; no llevaban ropa de gala. Pero se les dio un tipo de capa, un regalo que se les entregó en la entrada. Ese hombre, habiendo rechazado el regalo gratuito, se excluyó a sí mismo: por lo tanto, el rey no podía hacer nada más que echarlo. Este hombre aceptó la invitación, pero luego decidió que no significaba nada para él: era una persona autosuficiente; no tenía ningún deseo de cambiar o de permitir que el Señor lo cambiara. La prenda de la boda, esta capa simboliza la misericordia que Dios nos da libremente, es decir, la gracia. Sin gracia no podemos dar un paso adelante en la vida cristiana. Todo es gracia. No es suficiente aceptar la invitación a seguir al Señor; uno debe estar abierto a un viaje de conversión, que cambie el corazón. La prenda de misericordia, que Dios nos ofrece incesantemente, es el regalo gratuito de su amor; es precisamente la gracia. Y exige ser recibido con asombro y alegría:

"Gracias, Señor, por habernos dado este regalo".



Please pray for the sick in our parish

and those who care for them.... Larry Boll, Lourdes Borzoni, Cheryl Elliehausen, Hector Guerra, Alysia Hash, Jasmine Hash, Linda Hoogendoorn, John Johnson, Andre Kelley, Judy Knight, Helen Kruljac, Coleen McCluskey, Elsa Meyer, Shirley Milner, Karen Ness, Don Nielsen, Andres Ochoa, Joaquina Ortega, Tyrone Rivera, Melody Royvel, Kirt Smartt, Judith Spears, Debbie Spicart, Leslie Thomas, Toni Vecellio, and **special intentions for all who suffer from cancer.**

**MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR:
REV. LAWRENCE MENDOZA**

We all had fun at the Annual Feast in the Vineyard, didn't we? Let us all thank God for granting us another successful and fun-filled event!

I can't thank you enough for your continued support ... and for your attendance. I know that even those who could not make it were with us in spirit and prayers. Your support, presence and prayers contributed to an enjoyable, colorful and a beautiful event we can all be proud of.

Thank you so much to the organizers and committee members especially to Jose and Sonia Ramirez, the Servidores de Maria, Jane Cauley and Debbie Heidary, and to those who donated food especially to Hardester's and the Rosales Market, to Mr. and Mrs. Ed and Remy Tandoc, Lyn Schindler, Ofelia Paulson, Yvette Scalese and Delia Neilson; to those who donated cakes and pastries for the silent auctions and to those who bought the items.

Thanks, too, to those who bought tickets for the "Priest Prepares the Feast" raffle. Congratulations to the drawn winners, Matthew Hoogendoorn and Mo and Glynis Fernande. It is inspiring being trusted to cook a special meal and I am excited to put on a new hat ... and be a chef for a change!

You made my birthday and ordination anniversary truly memorable and meaningful. What a great blessing, indeed! In gratitude, I pray to God that you and your families be more greatly blessed in return.

Sign-up sheets available in the back of St. Joseph for Eucharistic Adoration scheduled every first Friday of the month from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Mass Intentions



Saturday, October 14, 4:00 p.m.

Ben Coyne+

By: Our Lady of the Lake Guild

Sunday, October 15, 9:30 a.m.

Anna Theresa Butler+

By: Tony & Mary Ann Arnold

Mass intentions available for all masses, envelopes in the back of both churches. complete the information and put in the collection basket or bring to the church.

**A message from Jane Cauley
Fundraising Chair**

a HUGE THANK YOU to everyone that jumped in to help our "ailing" committee! ❤️❤️❤️. It truly "takes a village," which is the people of St. Joseph's Parish ❤️. Another successful event thanks to EVERYONE!

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **THERE WILL BE NO WEEKDAY MASSES** next week, October 16 through the 20. Fr. Lawrence will be away attending the Clergy Annual Retreat.
- **ALL SOULS DAY** will be celebrated on November 2. It is a time to remember not only our parents and grandparents, but also all those we have known and loved. We will be distributing All Souls Envelopes beginning this weekend.
- The **Servidores de Maria** committee, will be selling tamales on November 20th at Saint Joseph Church. \$30.00 for a dozen \$15.00 1/2 dozen Chicken and Pork Vegetarian and Vegan upon request More information will be available later. Please, consider supporting this fundraising by buying
- El comité de Servidores de María va a vender tamales el día 20 de Noviembre en la Iglesia de San José. \$30.00 la docena \$15.00 1/2 docena Pollo y Puerco Vegetarianos y Veganos avisar (es orden especial) Tendremos más información más adelante. Por favor, considere apoyar comprando



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