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Ministry(s) Interest: _____ Worship Site: _____

***Our Lady of the Lakes Parish
 Ministries Directory
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 St. Michael's
 180 N. Main St.
 Naples, NY 14512
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 Mass Times:
 Sat. 5:00pm
 Sun 10:00am***

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 Mass Times:
 Sun. 8:00am***

***St. Michael School's
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 Penn Yan, NY 14527
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 Penn Yan, NY 14527
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 Sat. 5:00pm
 Sun. 7:00am
 9:30 am***

***St. Theresa's
 2050 Route 245
 Stanley, NY
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 Mass Times:
 Sun. 11:00am***

St. Michael's Catholic School

St. Michael's School has a long tradition of excellence both academically and spiritually. Since its beginning in 1882, the school has provided a Catholic education for the children of St. Michael's Church and now those of Our Lady of the Lakes Parish. St. Michael's School prides itself in providing students in pre-school through grade five with the foundations of life and education with an emphasis on the fundamentals of reading, writing, and mathematics balanced with a daily routine that begins each morning with prayer.

The school is now open to boys and girls of all faiths and offers a wide ranging curriculum that includes art, music, physical education, and Spanish classes for all students. In addition to a traditional approach, St. Michael's School also offers computers, interactive smart boards, and high tech learning in each classroom and all children in grades 3-5 have their own laptop computer provided by the school. Students are allowed to keep those computers as their own once they graduate from St. Michael's after fifth grade.

The teachers at St. Michael's are all New York State certified and are at the core of the outstanding reputation that St. Michael's enjoys. Known for its nurturing, safe, and family oriented school culture, St. Michael's School relies on tuition, fundraising, and the generous donations of its many alumni and supporters. Enrollment ranges from approximately 95 to 115 students each year and small class size and individual attention make the environment at St. Michael's one that is very conducive to learning for all boys and girls.

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Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus was formed to render financial aid to members and their families. Mutual aid and assistance are offered to sick, disabled and needy members and their families. Social and intellectual fellowship is promoted among members and their families through educational, charitable, religious, social welfare, war relief and public relief works.

The history of the Order shows how the foresight of Father Michael J. McGivney, whose cause for sainthood is being investigated by the Vatican, brought about what has become the world's foremost Catholic fraternal benefit society. The Order has helped families obtain economic security and stability through its life insurance, annuity and long-term care programs, and has contributed time and energy worldwide to service in communities.

The Knights of Columbus has grown from several members in one council to more than 14,000 councils and 1.8 million members throughout the United States, Canada, the Philippines, Mexico, Poland, the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Panama, the Bahamas, the Virgin Islands, Cuba, Guatemala, Guam and Saipan.

Catholic Daughters the of Americas

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas is one of the oldest and largest organizations of Catholic women in the Americas. They donate to charities, administer scholarship programs and strive "to be helping hands where there is pain, poverty, sorrow or sickness."

The CDA motto is "Unity and Charity."

The CDA was formed over 100 years ago and today numbers 95,000 dues-paying members in 1,250 courts in 45 states across the country, and in Puerto Rico, Mexico, the Dominican Republic, Guam, and the Virgin Islands.

Catholic Daughter women enjoy each other's company at meetings and work hard for their parishes and communities. Deeply spiritual, together they share faith, love of God and a distinctly feminine spirituality alluded to by Pope John Paul II when he spoke of the necessity of "feminine genius" in today's world.

The program includes concerns of today's church and society as well as issues that affect the well-being of women and children.

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Pastor's Welcome

Welcome to Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Community! Our parish is made up of a number of Catholic churches who have come together to form one parish. This notion embodies, for me, St. Paul's words in the letter to the Romans: "...so we though many, are one body in Christ." I think you will discover, regardless of which church in the parish that you attend, a warm welcoming spirit. The pastoral staff of Our Lady of the Lakes is here to answer any questions you may have and to serve you. I do believe that God calls this community to be a gift to you. I also believe that in your choice to be here God is also inviting you to be a gift to the community. On the following pages you will find all sorts of ways the community ministers to all sorts of people in the name of the Lord. I hope that you will join us in being good stewards of God's many gifts. A parish is as weak or as strong as those who make it up. We need the full participation of each and every person if we are to live out God's call. I look forward to getting to know you as we seek to worship God and serve God together. May the one who nourishes us with the Body and Blood of Christ help us to become what we receive!

Don't forget, "The Lord is with you!"

Mission Statement



With Mary as our model, Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Community seeks to be a welcoming parish. While recognizing that we are made up of diverse rural communities, we strive to live as members of the one Body of Christ, ministering to each other, and working together to nurture our God-given talents in order to reach out to others in a caring and compassionate manner that witnesses to our fervent love for God.

Grandma's Kitchen: is a program that provides Penn Yan Academy's high school students a healthy snack option after school twice a week during the months of January and February. This is a collaborative with area churches, Pro Action of Steuben and Yates, Inc. and the Penn Yan School.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Provide an opportunity for parishioners to gather and pray as they create prayer shawls and lap robes for those who are in need of comfort, care and love.

St. Pauley Textile Box: Located at St. Theresa's, clothing and other textile articles can be dropped off to be reused. Money collected from the use of this box goes to support our youth.

Holy Mowers: Parishioners from St. Januarius volunteer to mow the grounds around St. Jan's. Each volunteer's commitment is approximately 3 times per mowing season for about 2 hours.

Helping Hands Funds: Financial assistance is available to those in need by contacting one of the parish offices. These funds go directly to vendors to assist with rent, utility bills, medical bills and other emergency needs.

PARTICIPATING

Coffee Hour Teams: Provide a setting for socialization and fellowship following the Sunday Mass. Core volunteers are responsible for set-up and clean-up of this weekly hospitality event.

Martha's Ministry: Provides a helpful meal for the grieving family at the church after the funeral service. Teams coordinate, set up, prepare, serve and clean up reception and may contribute hot/cold dishes and desserts.

Church Cleaners: Provide cleaning and organization to the church and facility.

Counters: Pairs or small groups count the weekend liturgy offerings and prepare necessary accounting and bank paperwork.

Knight's of Columbus:

CARING

Social Ministry: Encourages parishioners to apply gospel principles which promote social justice in a way that: increases awareness of human needs and social issues, provides opportunities for parishioners to advocate for social justice and empowers parishioners to demonstrate their faith in God through service to others. On-going projects include: Christmas Giving Tree, Work of Human Hands Sales, diocesan advocacy projects, education on social issues, as well as others.

Equal Exchange: Through this outreach the parish supports families and individuals in third-world countries by buying at fair trade prices such products as coffee, tea and chocolate bars that are produced by these families and individuals.

St. John's Kenyan Outreach: St. John's Small Home in Kenya, Africa was established to provide adequate housing and basic needs such as medical care and food to disabled children in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Nakuru, Kenya. Through the on-going financial support from Our Lady of the Lakes we are able to support the needs of these wonderful children.

My Brother's Keeper Quilt Group: Our Brothers Keeper Quilt Group meets every other Monday from 10 a.m. to 2 pm. at St. Michael's Church hall to make beautiful quilts for distribution through the Christmas for the Needy program in Penn Yan. They average 200 quilts annually for this ministry. If you can tie a knot, you can be an integral member of our ministry. Bring your lunch, all supplies are provided. (Meets September to June)

Casa Del Nino Orphanage Project: began in 1999 to meet some of the needs of the boys living in an orphanage in San Pedro Sula, Honduras. Funding comes from donations and fundraisers. Funds provide for school supplies/uniforms, entertainment, shoes, clothing, bedding and unusual medical expenses. Occasional funding has provided for emergency needs. New members and sponsors are always welcome.

Pastoral Committees

Parish Pastoral Council:

The Parish Pastoral Council is a consultative body that collaborates with the pastor in setting the pastoral direction of the parish community. The council seeks to listen to the Holy Spirit to discern what is best for the parish in the light of the Gospel, the Church's teaching, and the experiences and needs of parishioners and the surrounding community. The Parish Pastoral Council strives to achieve consensual agreement on recommendations that affect future directions for the spiritual growth and pastoral activity. The Council, whose membership is discerned annually, meets monthly.

Parish Finance Council:

The Parish Finance Council is a consultative body which aids the pastor in the administration of: financial resources, buildings and grounds. Members of the Finance Council provide expertise in finance, administration and law. The five to seven people who have membership on the Finance Council are appointed by the pastor and serve for a term of five years.

Care of the Community Committees:

The Care of the Community committees gather at each worship site to discuss issues relevant to that specific site. Issues raised are then given to the Pastoral Council for discussion and input. These are information sharing opportunities and all parishioners are welcome to attend.

Stewardship Committee:

Formed in August 2011 as our newest committee, the Parish Stewardship Committee serves to increase understanding among parishioners of how, as Christian Disciples, we are called to be good stewards of the time, talent, and treasure that God has given to us. As such, the Stewardship Committee seeks to develop methods of communicating the principles of stewardship to increase participation from our parishioners in the life of our community. Vital in this is helping our parishioners recognize the gifts they have been given and help them realize how they might use their gifts in our parish community.

CELEBRATING

Eucharistic Ministers: Assist in the distribution of communion at Mass and/or take communion to the sick. Training is required.

Lectors: Proclaim the word of God at weekend and other liturgies. Requires the ability to read well and to proclaim God's word effectively. Initial and ongoing training sessions required.

Sacristans: Assist in setting up for weekend liturgies. This includes unlocking the church one half hour before mass times. Assuring that wine, bread, cups and necessary items are in place for the start of Mass, and putting things away afterward.

Altar Servers: Assist the priest at weekend liturgies. Must attend a training session. This ministry is open to all children who have celebrated their first Eucharist as well as adults.

Arts & Environment: Establishes and maintains an appropriate setting for liturgies consistent with the church calendar, holidays, and events to enhance all liturgical and parish events by the beautification of our worship space and buildings.

Music Ministry: Provides music at Masses to help bring God's people closer to God through sung prayer. Individuals should have an interest in different styles of liturgical music and be interested in expanding their vocal abilities and/or instrumental talents. Must be willing to attend rehearsals and trainings.

Ushers: Assist in welcoming and helping people gathered for worship including the collection of offerings and seating people.

Greeters: Assist in greeting guests, newcomers, and parish members, welcoming them to our parish family. Greeters are asked to arrive 20 minutes prior to the Mass.

Liturgy Committee: Our liturgy committee is responsible for planning for Sunday Mass, and liturgical celebrations for Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, Pentecost, and penance and anointing services. No special training is required, and anyone interested in joining a liturgy committee is welcome to attend.

TEACHING

Faith Formation: Provides families and individuals with opportunities to learn about Catholic doctrine, Traditions and Christian spirituality.

Programs offered:

- + Religious education for pre-K through grade 5
- + Family faith program for the entire family to learn about our faith together
- + Junior high youth group for grades 6-8
- + Senior high youth group for grades 9-12
- + Preparation for Sacraments of baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation, Reconciliation and Marriage
- + Adult education

Gather Our Children: Provides a Liturgy of the Word program for children at the Sunday Mass. Individuals assist the core team in offering an age specific lesson on the scripture readings of the Mass.

Monthly Youth Liturgy: Provides a monthly Sunday Mass applying the Gospel message to a young person's understanding. Children and youth serve in the liturgical ministries. St. Michael's youth mass is the 1st Sunday of each month at 9:30. St. Januarius' youth mass is on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 10:00.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA):

Catechists and core team members provide a process for those seeking baptism or seeking to become members of the Roman Catholic faith. The team facilitates faith sharing presentations on various topics of faith.

Fruit of the Vine Conversation Series:

Once a month from May through October we travel through the local Finger Lakes Region visiting local wineries for wine tasting and adult faith formation. Presenters are invited from around the diocese to share their faith in relaxing and inviting forums.