

**CLOSING PRAYER:**

**~ A Prayer for Fulfillment ~**

God grant me  
the serenity  
to accept  
the things I cannot change,  
courage  
to change the things  
I can  
and wisdom  
to know the difference.  
Living one day at a time,  
enjoying one moment  
at a time;  
accepting hardship  
as a pathway  
to peace.  
Taking,  
as Jesus did,  
this sinful world  
as it is —  
not as I would have it.  
Trusting  
that You will make  
all things right  
if I surrender  
to Your will;  
so that I may be  
reasonably happy  
in this life  
and supremely happy  
with You forever  
in the next.  
Amen.

# Our Lady Chapel



*Our Lady Chapel is a Roman Catholic community founded in the love of the Father, centered in Christ, and rooted in the Holy Cross tenets of building family and embracing diversity. We are united in our journey of faith through prayer and sacrament, and we seek growth through the wisdom of the Holy Spirit in liturgy and outreach, while responding to the needs of humanity.*

**CAMPUS MINISTRY OFFICE:**

The Campus Ministry Office is located in **Our Lady Chapel**.  
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**WELCOME TO OUR ALUMNI & CHAPEL MEMORIAL MASS:**

November is the month of Thanksgiving. It is also traditionally the month set aside to remember our deceased. What better way to offer thanks than to remember the special people in our lives who have gone before us to the Lord — our lives are built on the heritage they have left behind. As the *Catholic Catechism* reminds us: “We who journey together on our earthly pilgrimages, must accompany each other at our journey’s end and surrender each other into God’s hands” [CC, #1683].



In order to properly celebrate for our November remembrance, we are going to celebrate a **Memorial Mass this Sunday at 10:00 AM at Our Lady Chapel**. We are particularly remembering **all of our alumni who have passed away within this past year. We are also remembering all members of our Chapel and school families who have gone to the Lord. Please place the names of your loved ones whom you would like to remember in our Memorial Basket located on the table in the narthex of the chapel.**

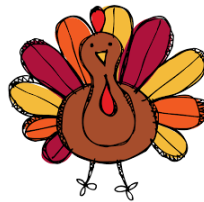
**Please join us following Mass for a special Coffee & Donut Reception in the Commons.**

**THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE:**

Again this year, the Chapel will be participating in Gilmour Academy’s Thanksgiving Food Drive for the poor. Gilmour is creating baskets to provide families with all the fixings for a Thanksgiving meal. They are also including some staple items to help the families with ongoing needs.

**Here is a list of items for the Baskets: Canned vegetables, canned fruit, canned soup, tuna, creamy peanut butter, jelly, boxed stuffing, cereal, macaroni & cheese, jars of gravy, tea, pudding, and boxed milk. We also want to provide each family with a potato peeler and liquid dish soap.**

We are also accepting monetary donations to aid in purchasing perishable items each family will receive (the turkey, milk & potatoes). If you would like to help, please place your donation in the Offering Box. **We will have bins in the Chapel Lobby to collect your food donations this weekend & next.** Thank you in advance for your generosity and spirit of sharing!

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. **But because the fast falls on the first Sunday of Advent, it is moved to Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. It REMAINS a holy day of obligation.** This is an important feast day because Mary, under the title of her Immaculate Conception, is the **patroness of the United States. This Feast is also at the heart of the Advent Season. We will not have a Vigil Mass on Sunday.** We will have 3 Masses on **Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup> — 9:00 AM** [Lower School]; **10:25 AM** [Middle School], and **5:30 PM**. All Masses will take place in the chapel. We have much to pray for in our nation at this time. Please mark your calendars so that you will be able to join us for Mass on this important Feast Day.

**FAITH EDUCATION — NOVEMBER and DECEMBER DATES:**

**Our Faith Education Program has begun. Meeting dates for November are: 17-24. Meeting Dates for December are: 8-15.**

Our Sessions go from **8:45—9:45 AM, on Sunday mornings**, with the hope that our children would then **participate in our 10:00 AM Family Mass**. Thank you for taking care of this important responsibility.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:**

Jesus calls us to pray for one another. Please keep all these people in your prayers.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:**

- For John Zippay, family friend of Bernadette and Stephen Ritley, who is seriously ill.
- For Jill Thompson, who is undergoing treatment for mental health issues.
- For Mike Heryak, husband of Janet, father of Lillian [‘09], Rosa [‘12] and Edwin [‘17] Heryak, who is seriously ill.
- For Debbie Langer, friend of Cindy Frimel, who was diagnosed with brain cancer.
- For Nada Kucmanic, who is seriously ill.
- For Josephine Fernando, who is seriously ill.
- For Cathy Force, mother of Erika DiCello Lacroix [‘90], Grandmother of Andre [‘23] and AJ [‘25] Lacroix, who is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- For Father Ray Sutter, pastor emeritus of St. Matthias Parish, who is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- For Sheldon Gray, who is suffering from a-fib, a recent fall, and has a brain bleed.
- For Janet Sterrett, who is confined to care in assisted living.
- For Cathy Lough, friend of Cyndi Frimel, who is undergoing health struggles.
- For Dave & Elaine Tanaski, who are suffering with dementia and other health complications.
- For Nick Chiacchiarri, father of Mark Mark Chiacchiarri [‘94], father-in-law of Michelle Chiacchiarri [‘96], and grandfather of Aurelia [‘28], and Olivia [‘30] Chiacchiarri, who is recovering from open heart surgery.
- For Kip Apel, who is recovering from surgery.
- For Sabrina Kumar, who is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- For Margaret Thompson, friend of Joyce Toth, who is under the care of hospice.

**PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED:**

- For Frank McCamley, former Gilmour teacher, father of Brian [‘03] and Lauren [‘08] McCamley.
- For David DeLaney [‘81].
- For Johanna Flaherty, grandmother of Nathan [‘22], Kevin [‘24] and Megan [‘30] Flaherty
- For Jim Klick, uncle of Linda Monitello, great uncle of Anthony [‘17] and Angeline [‘19] Monitello
- For Courtney Kuhl.
- For Father James Watzke, C.S.C.
- For Duane Gardner.
- For Barbara Pophal.
- For John Shear

**PRAYERS FOR OTHERS:**

- For the Antonelli family, recovering from family difficulties.
- For the people of the Philippines who are affected by Tropical Storm, Trami, and Typhoon, Kong-rey
- For the victims of the flooding in the South-eastern states as a result of Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton.
- For an end to political polarization.
- For an end to the war between Israel and Hamas.
- For an end to the war between Russia and Ukraine.

**OLC “ADOPT A FAMILY” PROGRAM FOR CHRISTMAS:**

For many years, Our Lady Chapel community has worked with St. Adalbert Parish in adopting families to help them celebrate the Christmas Season. In recent years, we have begun this project earlier in order to take advantage of pre-Christmas sales, etc. So again this year, St. Adalbert has begun to collect the names of families—the need is greater than ever. St. Adalbert identifies families — most often single parent, below poverty-level families. We are given the grade levels of the children & other family information. **Since the pandemic, we have been limited to gift cards, but this year we are opening it up to gift cards or actual gifts.** We do ask that you provide a Christmas meal for the family in the form of Gift Cards for Wal-Mart, Dave’s or Aldi [or purchase non-perishable items and place them in a basket] . Those from our Chapel family who participated in this project last year spoke very highly of the benefit of this project to their own families. This is a project that the entire family can get involved in. Families can be matched according to family size, ages, etc. It was truly inspiring. Adopt-a-family gifts should be WRAPPED. **Please call Patty at the Chapel Office [440-473-3560 or szaniszlop@gilmour.org] if you and your family would like to participate in this program, or if you have any questions.**



**ATTENDANCE:**

If you attend Mass regularly here at Our Lady Chapel, it would be helpful if you filled out a Registration Form [name, address, phone number, children, etc.] indicating this fact, if you have not already done so. Such information not only helps us to know who is attending Our Lady Chapel; it also is of great assistance to us in record keeping [for our friend, the IRS] of any contributions which you may make.

**ENVELOPES:**

- When you need a **new supply** of envelopes, please feel free to take a supply of them from the table in the vestibule, or call Father John at the Campus Ministry Office [473-3560].
- When you **use** your envelope, please make sure that **your number** is on it. If you need to know your number, please call the Campus Ministry Office. Thanks.

**WEEKLY OFFERING:**

Baskets are located on the pillars just inside the center door when you enter the chapel. Please place your offering in the basket. Baskets will not be passed during the offertory time. Your offering will help offset chapel daily operating expenses. When you choose to use the envelopes, you can request a printout of your offerings for the year to submit to the IRS. God bless you.

**Total Offerings: Saturday [11/9/24] \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 280.00**  
**Total Offerings: Saturday [11/10/24] \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 782.00**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

Father John is available to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with you. Please call him [440-473-3560] to arrange for this experience. All social distancing will remain in place. Always remember the Lord’s invitation: “I will give them a heart with which to understand that I am the Lord. They shall be my people and I will be their God, for they shall return to me with their whole heart.” [Jeremiah 24:7].

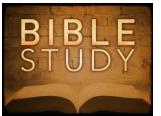


**IT BEGINS HERE:**

“In life, recognizing oneself as little, is a starting point for growing. If we think about it, we grow, not so much on the basis of our successes and the things we have, but above all in difficult and fragile moments. There, in our need, we mature; there we open our hearts to God, to others, to the meaning of life. Let us open our eyes to others. Let us open our eyes, when we are little, to the true meaning of life.” —Pope Francis

**NEXT BIBLE STUDY — WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4<sup>th</sup>:**

**Our next Virtual Bible Study will be on Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.** Bible Study continues to meet bi-weekly. The Bible Study is open to everyone — all middle and high school students, college students, young adults, and all adults. We will all come together to be enriched by God’s word. It’s a great time, and a good witness of our faith to others. If you can’t come at 6:30, come when you can. Gather your favorite snack and/or drink, but be prepared to be nourished on God’s word.



**Our topic: The Humanity of Jesus**

Mark your calendars and be part of this wonderful activity that will deepen your spiritual journey. **We will meet every other week — topic to be decided at the end of the previous meeting.** Join us. You’ll have a blast, and celebrate your faith along the way..

**SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK:**

Sunday, November 17: 33 <sup>rd</sup> Week in Ordinary Time	10:00 AM In-Person & Live Stream
Monday, November 18:	NO MASS
Tuesday, November 19:	NO MASS
Wednesday, November 20:	NO MASS
Thursday, November 21: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	NO MASS
Friday, November 22: St. Cecilia	NO MASS
Saturday, November 23: 34 <sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time	5:00 PM In Person only
Sunday, November 24: 34 <sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time	10:00 AM In-Person & Live Stream

**MAKE YOUR FAMILY’S ADVENT WREATH:**

Again this year, we are going to be making family Advent Wreaths on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> following Mass, at 11:30 AM [location TBA]. **Cost of the Wreath Kit is \$25** — this includes trimmings, candles, and everything else you will need. Please know that cost is not a reason for not making an Advent Wreath; please contact **Father John**. **The Sign up Sheet for making Advent Wreaths is on the Easel in the Narthex.** So start thinking about participating in this wonderful Advent activity.



On the day we make Advent Wreaths, we will also have **Coffee & Donuts in the Commons following Mass.** You may reserve your Wreath Kit by signing up on the easel, or by calling the Chapel Office [440-473-3560], or sending an email to Patty at: szaniszlop@gilmour.org. Please sign up early because we have to have time to purchase the supplies & kits. If you have any questions, please contact the Chapel office.

**SERVING THE LORD IN THE POOR — DECEMBER 21<sup>st</sup>:**

Our Savior Lutheran Church — across the street from the Chapel — has a Food Pantry which distributes food to the community on **the third Saturday of each month**. They welcome volunteers. **On Saturday morning at 9 AM, they need help unloading the trailers and setting up items for distribution and preparing for the food pantry to open. It serves around 150 clients each time. The food pantry serves clients from 9:30 AM—1:30 PM on Saturday.**



Our Savior Lutheran's Food Pantry was formed to serve those in emergency situations and/or with on-going need in the cities of Mayfield Heights, Mayfield Village, Highland Heights and Gates Mills. The Food Pantry respects social and cultural diversity and upholds the worth and dignity of those it serves. All those in the area with need will be served equally, as supplies allow. The food pantry is a member of the Greater Cleveland Food Bank. Please join us for a great experience.

**Please let us know in the chapel office [440-473-3560] if you would like more information or if you would like to help.** This is a wonderful way to serve others. Please consider this opportunity.

**A YOUNG ADULT GROUP:**

The Young Adult group will be holding their **next meeting at 11:45 AM on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> in the Lennon Board Room.** We will be making our Advent Wreaths, and then engaging in some discussion. Here is an opportunity to get together, share some time in faith, and also to support each other in life's journey, as we continue to grow and become the people that God wants us to be. If you are interested and would like to be part of this new adventure, please join us at our next meeting, or contact Richard Jones, Stephanie Leonor, Joe Gurney, or Edwin Heryak. Of course, you can also contact Father John at the chapel if that would be easier for you. God bless you.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:**

<b>Monday:</b>	Revelation 1:1-4; 2:1-5, Luke 18:35-43
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Revelation 3:1-6; 14-22, Luke 19:1-10
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Revelation 4:1-11, Luke 19:1-10
<b>Thursday:</b>	Zechariah 2:14-17, Matthew 12:46-50
<b>Friday:</b>	Hosea 2:16bc, 17cd, 21-22; Matthew 25:1-13
<b>Saturday:</b>	Revelation 11:4-12, Luke 20:27-40
<b>Feast of Christ the King:</b>	Daniel 7:13-14, Revelation 1:5-8, John 18:33b-37

**TIMES CHANGE, AND SO MUST WE:**

When I was about 3 or 4 years old, there came a terrific storm of thunder and lightning that made the windows and doors shake. I was terrified. To comfort me, my mother put me on her lap with her arms around me so we could watch the storm together. Lightning would strike and she would exclaim: "Ooh aah!"— just as if we were watching fireworks. Then she would hug me very tight and say: "Listen! It's going to come now!" And the thunder would bellow and roll. She not only cured me of my fear, but, for the rest of my life, thunder and lightning would stir up feelings of joy, excitement, love and safety.

Daniel — the very one whom God protected while he spent the night in the lair of some hungry lions [see Daniel 6] — predicted the coming of "a time unsurpassed in distress since the nations began" [Daniel 12:1-3]. After slumbering with the beasts, what more could ever worry him?

When we read the whole passage, we see that Daniel's message was not about horror and destruction, but consolation: "But at this time your people — everyone whose name is found written in the book — will escape. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake. Those who are wise shall shine brightly like the splendor of the heavens; and those who lead others to righteousness, shall be like the stars for ever."

Daniel's encounter with the lions was actually a foretaste of universal history. In spite of those who preach gloom and damnation, apocalyptic literature agrees with Julian of Norwich: "All shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well."

In Mark's Gospel, we hear Jesus preach just before entering into the events of his passion. He had already warned his followers that he was going to be captured and killed. When that finally happened, the sun did go dark and even Jesus cried out to God by whom he felt abandoned. With his resurrection, God proclaimed the definitive apocalyptic message: God's love and faithfulness are invincible, no matter what [Mark 13:24-32].

We cannot deny that, in Mark's Gospel, Jesus seems to be promising a quick end to the world — "This generation will not pass away." Was he just simply wrong? Or might it be that the "things" he mentioned had begun to take place with his life and death, and especially his resurrection?

The Letter to the Hebrews says that after Christ, there is no more need for sacrifice, for "by one offering, he has made perfect forever those who are being consecrated" [Hebrews 10:11-8]. Jesus proclaimed that God's future was and is now in process. It is happening among those who "are being consecrated." They are part of the world God is constantly drawing toward union with one another and the triune God.

Jesus says: "Learn a lesson from the fig tree." Pope Francis improvised on that in a meditation titled *Times Change*. His opening line is: "Times change and we Christians must constantly change." He went on to call Christians to learn to understand the signs of our times — that is to pay close attention to what is happening in our world and to seek God's saving presence in it. To do that, he said: "Silence is necessary; we need to observe, and afterwards to think." The Pope added: "Times change and we Christians must continually change. We must change, steadfast in the faith in Jesus Christ; our approach must constantly move according to the signs of the times."

The Scripture Readings for this 33<sup>rd</sup> Week in Ordinary time could hardly be more appropriate for us as we live through this change of era. Theologian, Sister Ilia Delio, OFM, describes our time saying: "The feeling of a destabilized world is creating global depression and anxiety."

In this world in which the media keeps death and disaster constantly in front of us, we Christians have an apocalyptic vocation. Faith leaves us no room to moan or spread fear about what is happening, but to cultivate attitudes and behavior that proclaim: "God does not abandon us."

In order to do that in a credible way, we need to listen deeply to Jesus' promise that when things seem to be falling apart and the very forces of nature seem to wreak death, God is near, the reign of God is truly among us. Christ invites us to read our frightening moment of history as a promise that God is here, ready to transform fear into joy.

—taken from the writings of Sister Mary McGlone, C.S.J., which appears on the internet

