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### **MASSES**

**Saturday Evening: 5 p.m.**

**Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.**

**Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 a.m.**

**Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m.**

**OFFICE HOURS: Monday—Thursday 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.**

#### **CONFESSIONS:**

Saturday 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. or  
by appointment.

#### **MARRIAGES:**

Must be scheduled with the Priest  
at least 6 months in advance.

#### **MORNING ROSARY:**

8:30 a.m. before Mass.

#### **MONDAYS:**

Miraculous Medal Novena following Rosary.

#### **EVERY FIRST FRIDAY:**

Novena To The Sacred Heart  
of Jesus - before 9 a.m. Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

#### **HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION:**

Third Sunday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:**

August through May. Ages 3 yrs. through  
High School.

## Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday, December 20, 2014

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, December 21, 2014

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

### Fourth Sunday of Advent December 21, 2014

The child to be born will be called holy,  
the Son of God.

—Luke 1:35



#### Mass Intentions Dec 22—Dec. 28



Monday: Special Intentions

Tuesday: Bert & Amy Lampton by Mary Esther Krantz †

Wednesday: Special Intentions

Thursday: Special Intentions

Friday: Marlene Catalino by Sam Catalino †

Saturday: Yvonne Reese by Tom Graffo †

Sunday: Adela Amaya by Gloria Rodgers †

#### Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Dianna Markevich, Anne Forister, Alice Reid,  
Lexie Smith, Gene & Walton Smith, Daniel Centilli,  
Wilson Fletcher, Hildie Bowman, Matt Joiner,  
Pat Roberts, Antoinette Bruno, Richard F. Marston,  
Rita Martens

Please pray for all our loved ones who are ill  
and our shut-ins. To add a name, call the  
church office; or to add to the Prayer Hot Line  
call Sharon Stice at 205-338-0207, or email:  
[cocoapuff@centurytel.net](mailto:cocoapuff@centurytel.net)

Please note that names remain on the  
prayer list for 30 days and then are removed  
unless the Church Office is notified.

## Weekly Readings

Dec. 22- Dec. 28

**Monday:** 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd;  
Lk 1:46-56

**Tuesday:** Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-  
10, 14; Lk 1:57-66

**Wednesday:** 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps  
89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79

**Thursday:** Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17,  
27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt  
1:1-25 [18-25]

Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13;  
Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6,  
11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb  
1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

**Friday:** Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-  
4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

**Saturday:** 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12;  
Jn 20:1a, 2-8

**Sunday:** Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-  
3; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9;  
Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or Hb 11:8, 11-  
12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]

May it be done to me  
according  
to your  
word



## Pastor's Message

We stand so near to Christmas on this fourth Sunday of Advent. The grace-filled season of Advent draws to a close.

Mary, the Mother of Jesus stands at the center of today's Gospel reading from St. Luke. (1:26-38). Whatever plans she may have had for her young life are now called into question as she receives the amazing message of the angel Gabriel. Such are the ways of God. Our plans like our ideas are so inadequate in the face of God's future.

King David in the first reading (2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8-12) has plans that seemed reasonable and right. He wanted to build a temple to house the Ark of the Covenant, the visible sign of God's dwelling among his people. David himself was living in a palace. He thought it only fitting that God should have a noble dwelling place, a temple.

The prophet Nathan was instructed to tell King David that God had a different plan. He wanted to build up the dynasty of David that would endure through the ages. "Your house and your kingdom shall endure before me; your throne shall stand firm forever."

From King David's line the Messiah would one day come. Surely God's ways are not our ways!

The Gospel story of the Annunciation as found in Luke's Gospel, shows Mary gradually coming to her "yes" to God. Before the "yes" came two questions. She was greatly troubled and wondered what this message could possibly mean. What is the meaning of this, she seems to ask.

And then a second question: How can this be since I am not married? Mary wanted a clarification. She is uncertain whether God's call can really be meant for her. Only after she has experienced her doubts does she feel free to give her "yes".

In many Eastern Churches, this Wednesday, December 24, is the feast of Adam and Eve. As the Spirit hovered over the water at the dawn of the first creation, so the Holy Spirit "will come upon Mary" to inaugurate the new creation, the new humanity. What mystery and wonder is hidden here in God's unsearchable ways.

**A Special Thanks:** To all who volunteered time and food to make the Christmas Dinner so special. A big thanks to Karen Hand and Gloria Rodgers for coordinating this lovely occasion. Gracias to the members of the Hispanic community for sharing authentic Mexican food.

**A Grief Unspeakable and A Loss Too Great:** Our hearts and prayers go out to Jennifer and Ronnie Sellers on the loss of their lovely daughter, Sydney. She was "the fairest flower in all the field", so young and so vivacious with music in her soul. We will not soon forget her nor cease to care for her loving parents. This Christmas will be tinged with sadness for all of us in the loss of one so young and so special. May she live among the angels.

Peace & Blessings,

*Fr. Sexton*

## Calendar of Events Dec. 21 - Dec. 28

### *Fourth Sunday of Advent*

#### **Sunday—December 21**

**Mass 8:30 am & 11:15 am**

\* No RE

\* Holy Hour 7 pm

#### **Monday—December 22**

**Mass 9 am**

\* Bridge

\* Legion of Mary

#### **Tuesday—December 23**

**Mass 9 am**

\* NO RCIA

### **CHRISTMAS EVE**

#### **Wednesday—December 24**

**Mass 4:30 pm & 8:30 pm**

\* Vigil Youth Mass 4:30 pm

\* Carols begin at 4:00 pm

\* Blessing of the Babies

\* Carols at 8:00 prior to Mass

### **CHRISTMAS DAY**

#### **Thursday—December 25**

**Mass 9 am Only**

#### **Friday—December 26**

**Mass 9 am**

#### **Saturday—December 27**

**Mass 5 pm**

\* Confessions 3:30pm- 5pm

#### **Sunday—December 28**

**Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am**

**Feast of the Holy Family**

\* No RE

**FINANCE NEWS**  
July 2014-June 2015  
Last week

	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>
*Offertory:	\$ 5000.00*	\$ 5481.00

Year-to-date

*Offertory:	\$ 142,633.68*	\$ 126,063.00
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**Wednesday, December 24**

**CHRISTMAS EVE**

Vigil Youth Mass  
4:30 pm.

Carols begin at 4:00 pm.  
Tribute to Jesus  
Blessing of Babies

Mass  
8:30 pm  
Carols begin at 8:00 pm.

**Thursday, December 25**

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

Holy Day  
Mass at 9:00 am.

**Wednesday, December 31**

**NEW YEAR'S EVE**

Vigil Mass 5:00 pm.

**Thursday, January 1**

**NEW YEAR'S DAY**

Holy Day  
Mary Mother of God  
Mass at 9:00 am.

**The Love Pantry**



The Love Pantry has requested that we bring cans of soup each week to help meet the needs of our Community.

**Total cans last week - 50\* cans.**

***Advent Wreath Candle Lighters***

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 20th - 5:00 pm Mass  
Bob & Karen Hand

Sunday, December 21st  
8:30 Mass - Michael & Teri Gagliano & Family

11:15 am Mass  
Gloria Rodgers & Children & James Raynor

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**Pro Life Corner**

**Our Lady of the Lake  
Spiritual Adoption Program**

Month 8



Thank you for praying for me. I am  
8 months old now. I've got long fingernails  
And I'm busy getting ready for my birthday.  
I can't wait to see my Mom and Dad.  
Thanks to you and your prayers, I will see them very soon!

**A Reminder:**

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion

Please remember to pray daily for your Spiritual Adopted Baby and the baby's mother and father.



**ASSIGNMENTS LIST FOR  
Dec. 24 - Dec. 28**

**CHRISTMAS EVE**

**WEDNESDAY MASS 12/24/2014**  
**4:30 PM Youth Vigil Mass**  
**\*Carols begin at 4:00 pm**

Altar Servers Stephen Poteracki, James Lewis, Ryan  
 Murphree, Brennan Cardenas  
 Greeters Katie Luter, Amanda Manuel  
 Lectors Paul Boyle, Blair McGouirk  
 Ministers Monica Liverman, Layne Monistere,  
 George Hannah, Taylor Struzik  
 Ushers Danielle McKinney, Sawyer Stice,  
 Sophie Poteracki, John Himmler

**WEDNESDAY MASS 12/24/2014**  
**8:30 PM**  
**\*Carols begin at 8:00 pm**

Altar Servers Tiffany Rochford, Monica Liverman,  
 Jimillia Sayles, Travis Cooley  
 Greeters Patsy LopezdeVictoria, Patrick Cowart  
 Lectors Betty Huetteman, Yolie Roy  
 Ministers Deacon, Larry Reese, Sara Reese,  
 Lloyd Brown, Terri Brown  
 Ushers Chris Gallegly, Rosemary Mateer

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

**THURSDAY MASS 12/25/2014**  
**9:00 AM**

Altar Servers Matthew Reese, Amelia Reese, Michael  
 Emerick, Anthony Emerick  
 Greeters Jay/Enid Willi, Janice/Lance Stella  
 Lectors Sonia Dale, Joe Stanley  
 Ministers Deacon, Jim Dale, Ruth Stanley  
 Ushers Bob Hand, Karen Hand, Bob Nicholas

**ASSIGNMENT LIST FOR  
Dec. 24 - Dec. 28 cont.**

**SATURDAY MASS 12/27/2014**  
**5:00 PM**

Altar Servers Peter Boyle, James Raynor  
 Greeters Kathy Shivers, Bill/Loretta Frost  
 Lectors Karen Hand, David Springer  
 Ministers Larry Reese, Sara Reese, Gloria Albright  
 Ushers Cecil Rodgers, Bob Hand, Karen Hand,  
 Jerry Noto

**SUNDAY MASS 12/28/2014**  
**8:30 AM**

Altar Servers Matthew Reese, Andrew Thomaston,  
 Will Thomaston, Natalie Newcomb  
 Greeters Mike/Kitty Gordon, Dennis Veigl  
 Lectors pending  
 Ministers pending  
 Ushers Michael Gagliano, Rosemary Mateer,  
 Mike Gordon, Isabel Loera

**11:15 AM**

Altar Servers Monica Liverman, Sawyer Stice, Will  
 Pittman, Ethan Young  
 Greeters Grace Troncalli, Frank Troncalli  
 Lectors Bernie Funderburg, John Stice  
 Ministers Deacon, Teri Gagliano, Tommie Ann  
 Johnson, Maria Jimenez, Marisol Loera  
 Ushers Don Frederick, Johnny Armstrong,  
 James Pittman, Layne Monistere



**If you cannot keep your assignment  
PLEASE find a substitute.**

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BY: PARMA BOYLE, DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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Take time for a Holy Pause

*Family Questions of the Week*

Questions are based on Sunday Readings.

Fourth Sunday of Advent December 21, 2014

**Theme:** God's Spirit comes to us in ways we least expect.

**Question for Youth:** Gabrielle's greeting to Mary was "Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you." This is God's greeting to each of us – he loves us just as we are. What are some of your personal strengths that God rejoices in?

**Pregunta para los jóvenes:** El saludo del ángel Gabriel a María fue, "Alégrate, llena de gracia, el Señor está contigo. Éste es el saludo de Dios para cada uno de nosotros también: Dios nos ama tal como somos.

¿Cuáles son algunas de tus fortalezas personales por las que Dios se regocija?

**Question for Adults:** Name one area of your life where God has surprised you with love, abilities, or even a pregnancy. How is God's Spirit upon you in this dimension of life?

**Pregunta para los adultos:** Mencione un área de su vida en la que Dios le haya sorprendido con amor, capacidades, inclusive con un hijo/a. ¿Cómo ha obrado el Espíritu de Dios en usted en esta dimensión de su vida?

Religious Education 2014-2015  
Every Sunday at 9:45 am.

Grs PreK4 thru 12



**COMING UP \* MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!**

Dec 21 No RE \* Holy Hour 7pm

Dec 23 No RCIA Happy Thanksgiving

Dec 24 Wed Christmas Eve Vigil Youth Mass 4:30pm  
Carols at 4pm

Mass 8:30pm Carols at 8pm

Dec 25 Thur Christmas Mass 9am

Dec 28 No RE MERRY CHRISTMAS

Dec 30 No RCIA

Dec 31 Wed Vigil Mass for New Years 5pm

Jan 1 Thurs Holy Day Mary Mother of God Mass 9am

Jan 2 First Friday Adoration 9:30-12:30pm

Jan 4 RE RESUMES 9:45am

Class Christmas Parties

Youth Mass 11:15am

Jan 6 Tues RCIA 7pm

Jan 7 Wed SR YOUTH Mtg Grs 7-12 \* 5:30pm

Jan 11 RE Baptism of our Lord Christmas season  
comes to an end



Adult Ed with Deacon Terry

LOIC Mtg Grs PK-Gr 2 12:30-2:30

Jr Youth Mtg Gr 3-6 \* 5-7 pm

Jan 12 Mon First Reconciliation 6pm w/reception

JOIN US AT OUR YOUTH GROUPS

**LITTLE ONES IN CHRIST** Grs PreK-Gr 2

**Next Mtg:** Jan 11 12:30-2:30pm

Contact Joanna Murphree 473-1444



**JR YOUTH** Grs 3-6 **Next Mtg:** Jan 11 \* 5-7pm

Contact Sonya Lewis 863-7305.

**SR YOUTH** Grs 7-12 Meets every 1st & 3rd Wed

**Next Mtg:** DEC 17\* 5:30pm. Dinner served.

Contact Peter Boyle 613-5435

**ALL YOUTH CHURCH BASKETBALL LEAGUES**

have begun. Schedules will be posted on the Youth Bulletin Board going into the RE bldg.

GOOD LUCK, PLAY FAIR AND HAVE FUN!!!



**The Religious Education Department**

Wishes everyone a Happy, Holy Christmas season!  
May your Christmas stockings overflow with Christ's peace, love and joy!

A [heartfelt thank you](#) goes out to all our teachers, aides, helpers, youth leaders and adult educators. [You are hands and heart of Christ!](#)

PreK 4 & K5 Brenda Rochford & Connie Luter

1<sup>st</sup> Grade Miranda Jacks & Jordan Murphree

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Julie Smith & Carl Rochford

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Jimmy Falkner & Wendy Struzik

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Laura Headley & Jennifer Rosato

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Jennifer Sellers & Anna Rosato

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Robert Lewis & Matthew Allor

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Sonya Lewis & Rosemary Mateer

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Sharon Stice & Francie Poteracki

9<sup>th</sup> Grade Stephen Reese, Ron Sellers & Tom Zopfi

10-12<sup>th</sup> Grade Teri Gagliano, Paul Emerick

Hall Monitor Paul Boyle Jr.

Sr Youth Leader Peter Boyle

Jr. Youth Leader Sonya Lewis

Little Ones in Christ Leader Joanna Murphree

RCIC Gisela Scruggs

Thank you for all you do for our Youth!

**Merry Christmas!** Parma Boyle, DRE

**Fourth Sunday of Advent — the Week of Love!**



The Advent wreath is now fully alight with the warm glow of love. It urges you not to be loving...not to be loved...but to **BE LOVE**.

Love itself came to earth on Christmas Day.

Emmanuel was born. God, who IS love, dwelt among us, giving us the ability to BE LOVE in this world! Go forth and be HIS hands and feet!

**Together light the fourth candle on your Family Advent Wreath.**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS!**



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**Contact:**

**James Raynor 205-884-1777) or  
J.P. Willi (205-338-3131).**

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No meeting during December.

Next meeting January 26th, 7:00 pm.



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