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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, January 3, 2015

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, January 4, 2015

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

The Epiphany of the Lord January 4, 2015

All kings shall pay him homage,
all nations shall serve him.

— Psalm 72:11



Mass Intentions Jan. 5- Jan. 11



Monday: Joe & Zackie Bosarge by The Morteles †
Tuesday: Special Intentions
Wednesday: Denny Gentry by Qua Edge †
Thursday: Andrew Centilli by Mary Esther Krantz †
Friday: Ron & Diane Ziemba by The Zielinskis †
Saturday: Trudi & Andy McClay by The Zielinskis †
Sunday: Harlan Savage by Paul & Parma Boyle †

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

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

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

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

Weekly Readings

Jan. 5 – Jan. 11

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Ps
2:7bc-8, 10-12a; Mt
4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 72:1-4,
7-8; Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 72:1-
2, 10, 12-13; Mk 6:45-
52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Ps
72: 1-2, 14, 15bc, 17;
Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-
15, 19-20; Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-
6a, 9b; Jn 3:22-30

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-
11; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10
or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6;
Acts 10:34-38 or
1 Jn 5:1-9; Mk 1:7-11



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Pastor's Message

Today's feast originated in the Church of the East, hence the Greek word Epiphany which means a divine manifestation or a revelation. It is a feast of light recalling that Christ is a light to the nations. Jesus came as Savior for all people, for people of every land and nation.

The story of the Magi, found in Matthew's Gospel has been embellished through the centuries. Matthew's simple "Wise men from the East" have been elevated to royalty as three kings with specific names in the Christian imagination.

The story has found its way into song, stained glass windows, Christmas pageants and literature. It is, of course, our story. We are hidden in the middle of it. We are, all of us, seekers and travelers, on a restless journey for meaning and truth. Today's feast assures us that we are not alone, that our search is not in vain. This story has a happy ending and it gives us hope and courage for our journey.

Matthew is careful to point out that these scientists (Magi) who came from the East followed the light provided by science and it led them a long way, even to Jerusalem.

However, they needed something more to complete their journey; they needed the help of the Scriptures to lead them to Bethlehem. We live in an age when science is the dominant mode of knowledge and discovery. Our lives have been immeasurably enriched by the findings of science. Each day we witness new breakthroughs in the search for knowledge.

Still, even the best scientists tell us, something more is needed if we are to address the ultimate questions of life. Faith enters in to compliment science and to give us a deeper truth. The best Catholic tradition has insisted on "Faith and Reason". Theology is Faith seeking understanding. When we combine good science and genuine Faith we come closer to the ultimate truth that is God.

As we enter a new year and continue on the journey of life, the adventure to the future, we can resolve to be faithful to the quest, to seek always to know more about our faith and to walk in the ways of peace and justice.

*Loving God, we do not seek a star to guide us,
Although we marvel at the heavens,
The work of your hands.
We have your Word— word of the prophet,
The teaching of Jesus, the Word made Flesh
In Him who dwells among us.
Like those in the Gospel story,
We have found the Christ.
And for this we give thanks
In His name.*

Peace and Blessings,

Fr. Sexton

Calendar of Events Jan 4 - Jan. 11

Sunday—January 4

Mass 8:30 am & 11:15 am

* **Youth Mass 11:15 am**

* RE/Class Parties

Monday—January 5

Mass 9 am

* Bridge

* Legion of Mary

Tuesday—January 6

Mass 9 am

* RCIA

Wednesday—January 7

Mass 7 pm

* SR Youth 5:30 pm

Thursday—January 8

Mass 9 am

Friday—January 9

Mass 9 am

* Bible Study 10 am

Saturday—January 10

Mass 5 pm

* Women at the Well 10 am

Sunday—January 11

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

* **Baptism of Our Lord**

* RE

* Pro Life Rosary/Spanish

* Adult Ed

* Little Ones in Christ PK3-Gr3

12:30-2:30 pm

FINANCE NEWS
July 2014-June 2015
Last week

	Actual	Budget
Offertory:	\$ 5000.00	\$ 5481.00

Year-to-date

Offertory:	\$ 147,087.68	\$ 137,025.00
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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 - 88 cans.

The Legion of Mary



The Legion of Mary is a worldwide organization of Catholic men and women, who offer their services to their pastor to assist in performing spiritual works in the parish. Meets Mondays following Mass.

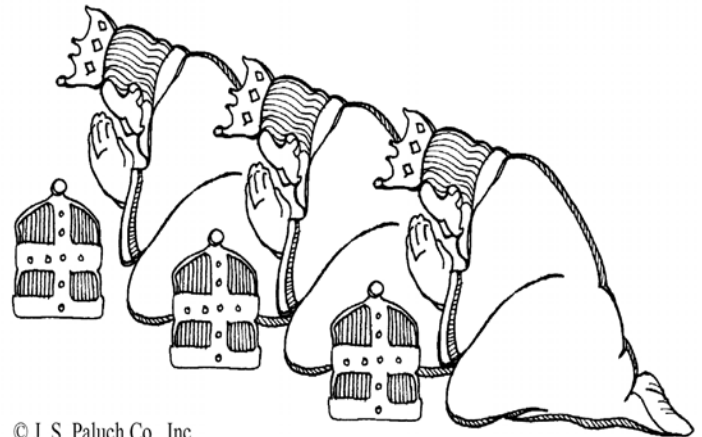
Contact: Audrey Springer 205-365-0211



Offertory Envelopes

2015 Offertory Envelopes are ready for pick up in the Parish Hall. Please call the Church Office 205-525-5161 if yours is not there!

Also 2015 calendars are available in both foyers. Please take one per family. Thank you!



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The month of January is dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus.

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.

Surfsiders: A Ministry of Fun!

Meets every third Wednesday of the month in the Church hall. Games begin at 10am. Potluck lunch at 11:30.

For more information call:

Larry Martens 256-338-6927.



Announcements



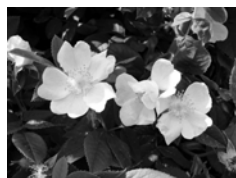
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Centering Prayer Introductory Retreat

An Introduction to Centering Prayer retreat will be held at the Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center in Cullman January 16-18, 2015. This form of Christian prayer is rooted in the ancient Christian contemplative tradition and is intended to foster a deeper intimacy with Christ. Private rooms and the ability to maintain silence are required.

The cost for the weekend is \$210/person; lodging, meals, and linens are included. For registration information and other details, please contact the Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center at (256) 734-8302 or by e-mail at retreats@shmon.org.

**Mark Your Calendars
For The
OLL Women at the Well
Saturday, January 10, 2015
10:00 am**



Should you have any questions, or need additional information, please contact Elizabeth (Bit) Thomaston at (205)338-1080 or email at phillip050@centurytel.net.

Faith Fellowship Friendship

ASSIGNMENT LIST FOR Jan. 7 - Jan. 11

WEDNESDAY MASS **1/7/2015**
5:00 PM

Altar Servers
Lectors Sarah Brazzolotto
Ministers

SATURDAY MASS **1/10/2015**

Altar Servers
Greeters Janice & Lance Stella, Kathy Shivers
Lectors Bernie Funderburg, David Springer
Ministers Larry Reese, Tom Graffo, Sara Reese
Ushers Cecil Rodgers, Bob Hand, Karen Hand, Jerry Noto

SUNDAY MASS **1/11/2015**
8:30 AM

Altar Servers
Greeters Rosemary Mateer, Jimillia Sayles
Lectors Meagan Freeman, Teri Gagliano
Ministers Deacon, Barbara McGowin, Janice Stella, Anna Emerick, Chris Gallegly
Ushers Michael Gagliano, Dennis Veigl, Joaquina Reyes, Joe Yester

11:15 AM

Altar Servers
Greeters Patrick Cowart, Patsy Lopez de Victoria
Lectors Yolie Roy, Betty Huetteman
Ministers Deacon, Rosemary Mateer, Lee Walser, Ken Otto, Edie Otto
Ushers Don Frederick, Ron Markevich, Johnny Armstrong, Jimmy Pittman

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

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Take time for a Holy Pause

Family Questions of the Week

Questions are based on Sunday Readings.

Solemnity of the Epiphany January 4, 2015

Theme: The mystery of the incarnation - Jesus is a gift to all humanity.

Question for Youth: Life can sometimes be rough: losing your home, moving, feeling fear or danger. How do you experience God being and staying with you in such times?

Pregunta para los jóvenes: En los Colosenses, San Pablo expone una forma de vida para los seguidores de Cristo. Al leer esta lista, ¿para ti cuál es la más difícil de seguir? ¿Cuál es la más fácil?

Question for Adults: How this past week did you demonstrate God's love at home and at work?

Pregunta para los adultos: En esta semana que pasó ¿cómo demostró el amor de Dios en casa y en el trabajo?

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

Grs PreK4 thru 12



COMING UP * MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

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 9 Fri 10am Bible Study resumes w/Romans

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

Jan 13 Tues RCIA 7pm

Jan 16 Fri 10am Bible Study Book of Romans

Jan 18 RE*Scapular Sunday for Communion Students.

Jan 20 Tues RCIA 7pm

Jan 21 Wed SR YOUTH Mtg 5:30pm dinner served

Jan 22 Thurs March for Life WADC trip Pray for our students and leaders.

Jan 23 Fri 10am Bible Study Book of Romans

Jan 25 RE * Religion Bowl 9:45am in church



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: JAN 7* 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 Feast of the Epiphany "Arise Jerusalem



for your light has come and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you..." Jesus is the light of the world.. Jesus is the star that the wise men followed. The theme of "the Star" con-

tains a rich meaning. The Star represents the light of God, the grace of God, the work of God in the heart and soul of every man, guiding every man to Christ. Yes, even today, God will continue to watch over us just as He looked over the Magi as they, like us, journey towards Jesus. **Has your journey through the Christmas Season brought you to the Star?**

A Prayer for Epiphany: In my life too, there is a grace that guides me to the discovery of Jesus... Have I the courage to follow it where ever it leads me? Guide me, soft Light, one step, just one more step, towards you! Amen.

May each day of the New Year fulfill that prayer! Be BLESSED in 2015!!



Remember we are still celebrating the Christmas Season. Liturgical Colors will remain in the white and the Christmas decorations remain thru next Sunday, the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord. Enjoy the season and together with the Wise men continue to follow the star.



Knights of Columbus Council 12270

The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal service organization open to Catholic men, 18 and older, in good standing with the faith. Being a Knight is more than camaraderie: it is being involved with your community; it is supporting your church, while enhancing your family life. Come see what we are all about.

Contact:

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

Our website is : www.ollkofc.com.

Next meeting January 26th, 7:00 pm.

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