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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, April 4, 2015

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, April 5, 2015

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

### Easter Sunday

April 5, 2015



I shall not die, but live,  
and declare the works of the  
LORD.

— Psalm 118:17



### Mass Intentions April 6– April 12



**Monday:** John Landman by Terry & Rita Rumore †  
**Tuesday:** Dan Centilli by Mary Esther Krantz †  
**Wednesday:** Jim Gregg by The Brazzolottos †  
**Thursday:** The Morteck Family by Jim & Marcia Morteck  
**Friday:** Intentions from St. Joseph's Table  
**Saturday:** Dorothy Zielinski by The Zielinskis †  
**Sunday:** Andrew Centilli by Mary Esther Krantz †

#### 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. Mars-  
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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 pray-  
er list for 30 days and then are removed un-  
less the Church Office is notified.

### Weekly Readings April 6 – April 12

**Monday:** Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15

**Tuesday:** Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18

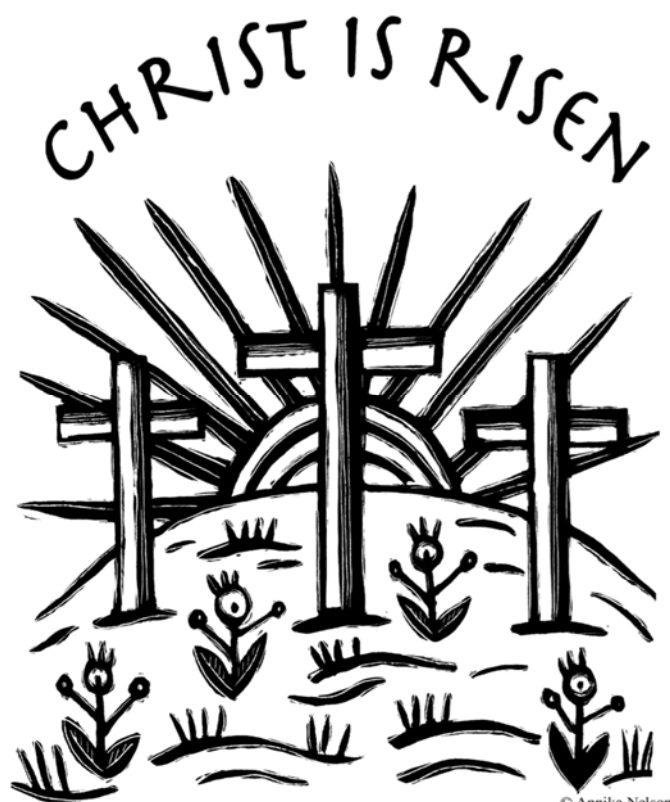
**Wednesday:** Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35

**Thursday:** Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48

**Friday:** Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a; Jn 21:1-14

**Saturday:** Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-21; Mk 16:9-15

**Sunday:** Acts 4:32-35; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31



## *Pastor's Message*

**“This is the day the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad.”** This joyful refrain-part of the Responsorial Psalm for the Easter Sunday Mass-captures well the meaning of the day. Christ is risen. Death has died. Life can be lived with hope and meaning.

In Rome on this Easter Sunday the 400 bells of the city ring out repeatedly the joy of the Resurrection. May the bells of Easter ring in your hearts this Easter time, with its message so unbelievable and yet so wonderful to believe.

In the Gospel of Easter Sunday (John 20:1-9) we see the beginning of Easter Faith. It is tentative at first but grows with time. Mary Magdalene ran from the empty tomb, to tell Simon Peter and John, “They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him”. That’s a long way from “He is Risen” but it is a beginning.

Simon Peter and John, the beloved disciple, ran to the tomb to see for themselves. Peter “went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there”.

While Peter saw everything, all the details of the tomb; in another sense he saw nothing. He had not yet come to faith. “John also went in and saw and believed”. Faith came easily to John, the beloved disciple.

We need the message of Easter now more than ever. Easter must work its way into our hearts and ignite fresh hope. The growing spiritual hunger and dislocation of our age will not be satisfied by false promises and quick fixes. Plastic eggs hidden in the front lawn will hardly be a substitute for our deepest longings. Nor will we be satisfied with celebrities or personalities who claim our allegiance but cannot bear the weight of our hopes. Only God can do that.

Easter needs a community of witnesses. The risen Christ lives in the witness of faith-filled people who can testify to the hope that fills their lives. Pope Francis exhorts us to be “Missionary Disciples of Gospel Joy”.

Easter means there is hope even in the bleakest and saddest of days. Yes, even when planes fall out of the sky and innocent believers are beheaded in wanton cruelty, even then, and especially then, there is ultimate victory. In rising from the dead Jesus has changed the world forever.

### **An Easter Prayer**

**Father, we come to you this Easter day  
From the passion of our lives.  
We come and proclaim the Resurrection.  
We shout with all our hearts  
“Christ is Risen”.  
For this Resurrection hope,  
For this Good News that rings like Easter bells  
Over the cries of sorrow and the din of strife.  
We give you thanks  
Through Christ our Lord.**

A blessed and joy-filled Easter to you and yours.

*Fr. Sexton*

## *Calendar of Events April 5 - April 12*

### **Sunday-April 5**

#### **EASTER SUNDAY**

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

- \* No RE Youth Mass 11:15
- \* Egg Hunt between Masses

### **Monday-April 6**

**Mass 9 am**

- \* Bridge
- \* Legion of Mary

### **Tuesday-April 7**

**Mass 9 am**

- \* RCIA 7 pm - Pot Luck

### **Wednesday-April 8**

**Mass 7 pm**

### **Thursday-April 9**

**Mass 9 am**

### **Friday-April 10**

**Mass 9 am**

### **Saturday-April 11**

**Mass 5 pm**

- \* Women at the Well 10 am

### **Sunday-April 12**

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

#### **Divine Mercy Sunday**

- \* RE
- \* Pro life Rosary/English
- \* Reconciliation 2 pm Divine Mercy
- \* Divine Mercy Chaplet 3 pm
- \* Little Ones in Christ PK3-GR3  
12:30-2:30 pm
- \* JR Youth GR3-6, 5:00-7:00 pm

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

<b>*Offertory:</b>	<b>Actual</b> \$ 4843.00	<b>Budget</b> \$ 5481.00
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Year-to-date

<b>*Offertory:</b>	<b>\$ 255,172.63</b>	<b>\$ 219,240.00</b>
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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 - 149 cans.**



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*Ministry Spotlight*



All ministries need volunteers to help in many ways.  
 Are you involved in the life of our Parish?

*Hospitality*

Our Mission is fellowship! Help us gather people together for fun and fellowship through social events.

**For more information please contact:**  
**Karen Hand @ 205-338-9737 or**  
**Gloria Rodgers @ 256-487-1966**



**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](http://www.ollkofc.com).**

**Next meeting April 27th, 7:00 pm.**

*Scholarship Awards*



The Knights of Columbus Council #12270 are now accepting applications for their annual scholarship(s) to be given on Senior Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. **The application forms may be requested by sending an email to: [jwilli@coosahs.net](mailto:jwilli@coosahs.net).**

The scholarship is available to all high school seniors that are OLL members.



**Pro Life Corner**

**YARD SALE**



**Saturday, April 11, 2015**

**Benefitting Ann's New Life Center**

Donations are now being accepted during normal business hours: Tue./Thur. 9:00-4:00, or **call ANLC 205-338-4580 to schedule your drop off.**

## Announcements

### New Pictorial Directory!



Sign up will begin in May.  
Photography will take place:  
**June 10, 11, 12 & 13.**

Each family photographed will receive a free 8X10 and a free directory.

### Diana Wall To Speak At April 18<sup>th</sup> Magnificat Luncheon At Prince of Peace Catholic Church

The **Magnificat Prayer Luncheon** will be held on Saturday, April 18th, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Deasy Hall at Prince of Peace Church. The speaker, Diana Wall, freely professes, "God can take your biggest challenge and make it your biggest blessing," as she sought help for her autistic son.

Tickets are \$10 and are available by contacting Catherine Patton (205) 680-6007, and from Alpha Church Supply and from any Service Team Member. Ticket sales end April 15th at 5:00 p.m. No tickets will be sold at the door.



### Old Women at the Well

No meeting in April

Info for May's meeting coming soon!

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

*Faith*

*Fellowship*

*Friendship*

## Assignment List April 8 – April 12

### WEDNESDAY MASS 4/8/2015 7:00 PM

Altar Servers  
Lectors

### SATURDAY MASS 4/11/2015 5:00 pm

Altar Servers Jim Gorman, Marty Poteracki  
Greeters Janice/Lance Stella, Kathy Shivers  
Ministers Deacon,  
Ushers Jerry Noto, Jim Dale, Jim Gorman, Bob Nicholas

### SUNDAY MASS 4/12/2015

#### 8:30 AM

Altar Servers Matthew Reese, Jimillia Sayles, Amelia Reese, Danielle McKinney  
Greeters Rosemary Mateer, Jimillia Sayles  
Lectors  
Ministers Deacon,  
Ushers Michael Gagliano, Chris Gallegly, Joe Stanley, Ruth Stanley

#### 11:15 AM

Altar Servers Sawyer Stice, Monica Liverman, Payton Forman, Will Pittman  
Greeters Frank Troncalli, Shirley Skeivelas  
Lectors  
Ministers Deacon,  
Ushers Don Frederick, Ron Sellers, Jennifer Sellers

**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.

**Easter Sunday \* 4/5/15 \* Theme:** Jesus has risen.

**Question for Youth:** Even the disciples had a hard time understanding Jesus' Resurrection – it is that surprising. What does Resurrection mean to you? What does Easter mean to you?

**Question for Adults:** In what ways has God called you to die in Christ? How is this expressed in your own life?

**Pregunta para los jóvenes:** La Resurrección de Jesús es un hecho tan sorprendente que hasta los mismos discípulos han tenido dificultades para entenderlo. ¿Qué significa la Resurrección para ti? ¿Qué significa la Pascua para ti?

**Pregunta para los adultos:** ¿De qué maneras lo ha llamado Dios a morir en Cristo? ¿Cómo se expresa esto en su propia vida?

**Religious Education 2014-2015**

**Every Sunday at 9:45 am.**

Grs PreK4 thru 12



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

**4/5 Easter Sunday NO RE HAPPY EASTER!!**

Masses 8:30 & 11:15am

**EASTER EGG HUNT BETWEEN THE MASSES**

**4/7 RCIA 7pm POT LUCK and Ministries**

**4/12 RE 9:45am**

Divine Mercy Sunday Confessions 2pm

Divine Mercy Chaplet 3pm

**LITTLE ONES IN CHRIST** Grs PK-Gr2

12:30-2:30pm Lunch Served

**JR YOUTH** Grs 3-6 \* 5-7pm Dinner Served

**4/15 SR YOUTH** Grs 7-12 5pm Dinner Served



**JOIN THE FUN \* MAKE NEW FRIENDS**  
Be apart of our **YOUTH GROUPS**

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

**JOIN US AT OUR YOUTH GROUPS**

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

**Next Mtg: APRIL 12 12:30-2:30pm**

Contact Joanna Murphree 473-1444

**JR YOUTH** Grs 3-6 **LAST MTG: APRIL 12\* 5-7pm**

**WE CAN USE YOUR HELP...** If you would

like to help prepare next years Youth Meetings please Contact Sonya Lewis 863-7305.

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

**Next Mtg: APRIL 15 \* 5:30pm Dinner served**

Contact Peter Boyle 613 5435



**Join us at our Annual Easter Egg Hunt!**

**Easter Sunday** after 8:30 Mass

Children 1 thru 10 years of age are invited to hunt for eggs! Meet in the hall! All ages are invited to meet the Bunny and

share together the joy of new life and new beginnings as we

**Celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ!**

Contact Sonya Lewis 863-7305.

The Religious Education Staff wishes you and yours a **VERY HAPPY HOLY EASTER! REJOICE IN THE RESURRECTION ! HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED!** The Easter Season continues until Pentecost Sunday May 24th.



**ATTN!!! PARENTS OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION STUDENTS**

**THE FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENT MEETING**

**Will be Monday \* April 13th \* 7pm**  
Communion Banners are due!

**DATES AND INFORMATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

May 6 & 7 **Personal Interviews** with Fr Sexton.  
4-6:30pm

May 11 **Dinner with Bishop Baker**

4:45pm Candidates only.

**Sacrament of Confirmation**

Mass 7pm



**NEXT SUNDAY APRIL 12TH DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

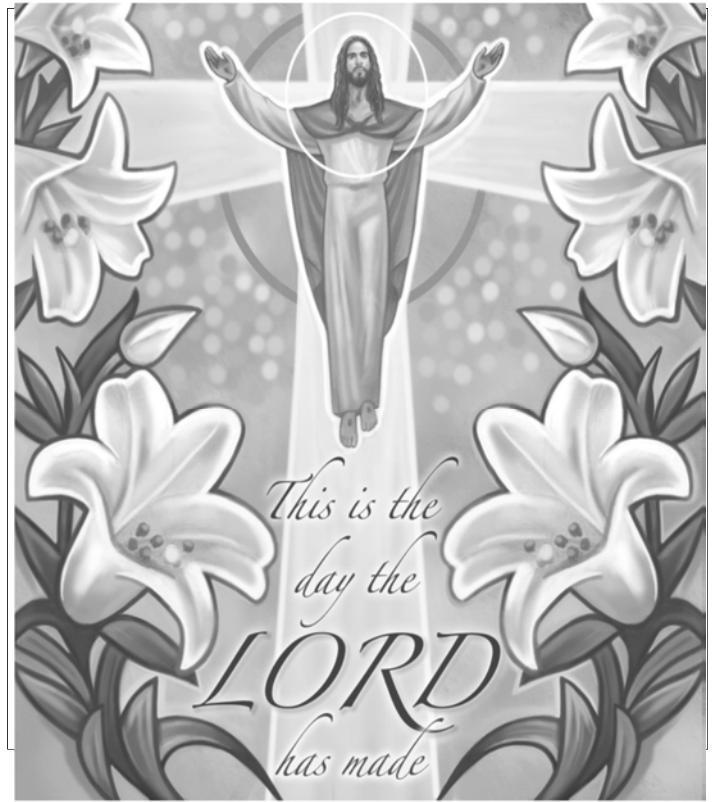
**Confessions** beginning at 2pm with **The Divine Chaplet** prayed at 3 pm. Don't miss this family devotion to gain the graces our Lord so longs to give.

*Eternal Father, I offer you the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of your dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. For the sake of His sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.*

**A HUGE WELCOME to our newest Members to the Catholic Church, God bless you as your Journey of Faith and Knowledge continues.**

We also thank their Sponsors who have journeyed with them.

**Armando Arellano** sponsor Teri Gagliano; **Renee Bentel** sponsor Kathy Bryant; **Meleah Boyle** sponsor Mark Boyle; **Jody & Tiffany Harkins** sponsors Ron & Jennifer Sellers; **Jatoya Pattom** sponsor Janice Stella; **Jerome & Anna Schell** sponsors Mark & Tammy McRae; **Toni Smith** sponsor Sue Poteracki, **Jennifer White** sponsor Micky Zielinski, & **Arlivia Adderhold** sponsor Mark Smith (not pictured).



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*For I remember it is Easter morn,  
And life and love and peace are  
all new born.*

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