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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.

CONFESIONS:

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, July 25, 2015

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, July 26, 2015

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 26, 2015

*The eyes of all look hopefully to
you, and you give them their
food in due season.*

— *Psalm 145:15*



Mass Intentions

July 27– August 2



Monday: John Landman by the Stice Family [†](#)

Tuesday: [†](#)

Wednesday: [†](#)

Thursday: [†](#)

Friday: [†](#)

Saturday: Jenny Hand Rolling by Karen & Bob Hand [†](#)

Sunday: Sydney Sellers by Bob & Karen Hand [†](#)

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, Mildred Brownlow.

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 un-
less the Church Office is notified.

Weekly Readings

July 27– August 2

Monday:

Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps
106:19-23; Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday:

Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9,
28; Ps 103:6-13;
Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday:

Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7,
9; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk
10:38-42

Thursday:

Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps
84:3-6a, 8a, 11;
Mt 13:47-53

Friday:

Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16,
27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-6,
10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58

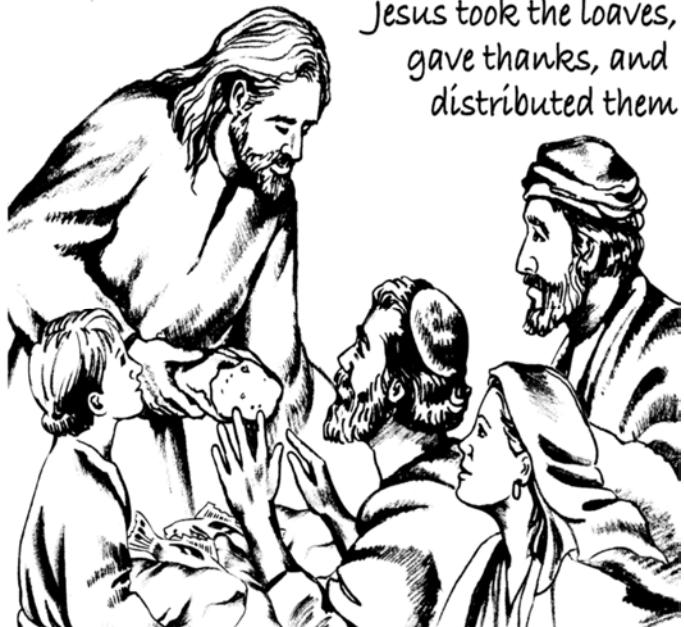
Saturday:

Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-
3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12

Sunday:

Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps
78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Eph
4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

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Pastor's Message

"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?"

We do not know the boy's name or why he had five loaves and two fish, nor do we know how he ended up in the crowd following Jesus. He is one of those Scripture enigmas—a fleeting reference with a blank face and no opportunity to speak.

How amazing it is that in Jesus' presence, an unnamed child saves the day when his humble meal becomes a banquet for the multitude. Here is the truth that is larger than life. Of such is the kingdom of God! In the company of Jesus and in union with Him, our own poverty can be transformed into abundance and the crumbs of our lives can be food for the world.

"God feeding His people" is the theme of today's readings, a theme which we will hear repeated in the next four Sundays as read from the famous chapter six of John's Gospel. With our sensibilities for Sacraments and our identity as a Eucharistic people these readings should be rich fare for us.

And who was the man in the first reading today (2 Kings 4:42-44) who brought twenty barley loaves to the prophet Elisha? Why did he give the loaves to the prophet? Some have guessed that they were meant to be offered as a sacrifice to God. Elisha, seeing the hunger of the people, directed that the loaves be given to the people to eat. Surely God was glorified and praised in this act of kindness. Barley loaves were the food of the poor but when they were shared they seemed to multiply and a hundred people were fed. And, oh yes, there was some left over. There is always more than enough when we share. It is in giving that we receive.

Gratitude and Appreciation in Big Measure: To Parma Boyle who has resigned from her position as Parish Director of Religious Education to take care of family needs. For thirteen years Parma has served our Parish with uncommon dedication and wholehearted service as she guided the Faith formation of our children and youth. She brought a generous supply of faith and enthusiasm to all her ministry. With a wonderful smile and endless energy she worked with parents and catechists and children, always going the extra mile. We thank you Parma a thousand times.

A Big Welcome - -To Tammy Ingels of our Parish who has graciously agreed to serve as our new Director of Religious Education. Tammy has previously served in Parishes in the Diocese of Biloxi, Mississippi, in Pastoral Ministry. She brings a great love for the Church and a prayerful and contemplative heart to her new Ministry. We are delighted to welcome Tammy to our Parish Staff.

Special Thanks - -To these parishioners who worked so hard to install the new and improved lighting in our Sanctuary: Rodney Martin, Mike Aiello, Jay Benson, Jeff Smith, Greg Becnel, Jacky Johnson, Clayton and Retha Martin, Gisela Scruggs, Tom Michaels and Tom Graffo. We are all indebted to you for a beautiful work. You are a light for all of us.

A Grief Observed: We offer our sympathy and prayers to Joe Hoffert of our Parish on the death of his father,

Calendar of Events July 26—Aug. 2

Sunday-July 26

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Monday-July 27

Mass 9 am

* Bridge

* Legion of Mary

Tuesday-July 28

Communion Service 9 am

Wednesday-July 29

Communion Service 7 pm

Thursday-July 30

Communion Service 9 am

Friday-July 31

Communion Service 9 am

Saturday-August 1

Mass 5 pm

Reconciliation 3:30– 5:00 pm

Sunday-August 2

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

* Youth Mass 11:15 am

* Blood Drive— Hall 8 am

Pastor's Message-cont.

John Francis Hoffert... Also to Brenda Rochford on the death of her mother, Barbara McNamara. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

Away Far Away: I will be on vacation in Ireland until August 14th. Priests from St. Bernard Abbey will be here on the weekends. Deacon Terry and Deacon Serge will lead Communion Services and help with Pastoral care in my absence. You will be in good hands!!

Peace and Blessings,
Fr. Sexton

FINANCE NEWS
July 2014-June 2015
Last week

	Actual	Budget
*Offertory:	\$ 4009.00	\$ 5769.23
<u>Year-to-date</u>		
*Offertory:	\$ 16,748.80	\$ 16,443.00



School Supply Drive

School starts the first week in August, and we will be collecting supplies during July. If your child needs supplies, applications are available in the Church office. Please turn in your child's application and supply list to the office.

Needed donations include:

Computer Paper	Eraser Packs
Backpacks	Folder, Plastic with brads all colors
Glue, Liquid or stick	Jump Drive
Notebook, Comp & Spiral	Markers, All types
Pencil Sharpener, hand	Pencil, Pouch zippered, 3 ring
Page Protectors/Tab Sheets	Pencils, Colored
Binders, 1 inch	Binders, 3 inch
Paper, Lined	Watercolors
Scissors, metal (Fiscars)	Kleenex Tissue
Crayons	Paper, Graph

For more info contact the office or
Mari Culver: 205-525-0071.



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 – 53 cans.

Ministry Spotlight



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

Knights of Columbus #12270

The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal organization open to Catholic males, 18 and older, in good standing with the Faith. The Knights meet on the forth Monday of the month and perform many activities for the Church and the community including a Charity BBQ, College Scholarships, Knight's Mass on fifth Sundays, and an annual Tootsie Roll Drive that benefits those with Intellectual Disabilities. The Knights of Columbus also has several fantastic insurance policies.

For more info please contact:
James Raynor 205-884-1777.

Ladies Auxiliary of Knights of Columbus

The Ladies Auxiliary assists the Knights in many of their charitable activities. The Ladies also raise funds through additional activities for Ann's New Life Center, Steele Migrant Center, and various Church sponsored fund-raisers. We also meet on the forth Monday of the month at 7:00 pm, usually in the Parish Hall.

For more info please contact:
Janice Stella 205-338-7158.

Announcements



BLOOD DRIVE August 2nd

Give the Gift of Life!

The Red Cross is conducting a Blood Drive at Our Lady of the Lake on August 2nd in the Parish Hall.

Blood supplies are always lower during the summer months and the need is critical.

Thanks to the Red Cross and to Jennifer Sellers for coordinating this effort!

Your donation of life-saving blood is needed now!



Pro Life Corner

Our Lady of the Lake Spiritual Adoption Program Month 2

Keep on praying for me. I am 2 months old now and 2 inches long. I am now called a fetus which means "little one". My teeth, fingers and toes are developing, and my ears, nose, lips, and tongue can now be clearly seen. I will use them to experience God's world after I am born. I can even suck my thumb!

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.



Assignment List

WEDNESDAY MASS

7/29/2015

7:00 PM

Altar Servers

Lectors Bernie Funderburg

SATURDAY MASS

8/1/2015

5:00 pm

Altar Servers Tom Michaels

Greeters Gloria/Red Albright, Karen Hand

Lectors Ron & Micky Zielinski

Ministers Deacon, Larry Reese, Sara Reese

Ushers Jerry Noto, Jim Dale, Jim Gorman, Bob Nicholas

SUNDAY MASS

8/2/2015

8:30 AM

Altar Servers Matthew Reese, Amelia Reese, Carson Falkner, Danielle McKinney

Greeters Laura Headley, Mike/Kitty Gordon

Lectors Carey Monistere, Joe Stanley

Ministers Deacon, Michael Gagliano, Teri Gagliano, Ronnie Gagliano

Ushers Michael Gagliano, Cristy McKinney, Belia Solis, Edith Pavez

11:15 AM

Youth Mass

Altar Servers James Lewis, Troy Rosato, Jimillia Sayles

Greeters Jack Euler, Tad Euler

Lectors John Himmler, Travis Cooley

Ministers Deacon, Ann Marie Freeman, Sophie Poteracki, George Hannah,

Ryan Murphree

Ushers Don Frederick, Chris Gallegly, Rafael Perez, Omar Torres, Alex Torres, Karla Perez

If you cannot keep your assignment

PLEASE find a substitute.

**Reflecting
On Today's Readings****Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

July 26, 2015

Today's readings had a central theme; did you catch it?

We are always called upon to "feed" the world in the literal sense; but our mission as Church tells us that others are also fed by the way we live and act each moment of each and every day.

How are you "feeding" the world?

In the upcoming Soup Drive you will be called upon to "feed" others literally.

St. Paul urged the Ephesians to live in a manner worthy of the call they received (Eph 4:1-6).

Take a few minutes and think about it. How are you and the life you are leading "feeding" the world?

M.Y.C. MARK YOUR CALENDAR

August 2 Youth Mass at 11:15am

August 5 SR Youth at 5:30pm

August 6 Feast of the Transfiguration

**August 7 First Friday Adoration
9:30am—12:30pm**

**August 9 Religious Education Resumes
9:45am**

August 9 Soup Drive Kick Off!

Ask Jesus
what He wants from you
and
be brave!

-Pope Francis

CCD**Religious Education 2015-16**

Forms available in the foyers
and on our Web Page @
www.ollpellcity.com
under the Education link.

Return forms to Tammy or place
them in the collection basket labeled "Attention
Tammy". **Help us pass on the Faith.**
Don't wait till the last minute.

Register NOW!**GET READY!**

*Its almost
that time of year again!*
**Our Soup Drive begins
Sunday, August 9th.**

**Little Ones in Christ**

Grades Pre K—Grade 2

Resumes Sept. 13th,
12:30-2:30pm
To help contact
Joanna Murphree at 473-1444.

Junior Youth

Grades 3-6

Resumes Aug. 9th, 5 PM—7 PM
We welcome our new
JR Youth leader Isabel Cooley.
To help contact Isabel 753-9820.

Senior Youth

Grades 7-12

1st & 3rd Wednesdays
Food, Fun and FAITH!
See you August 5th at 5:30PM.
Contact Peter Boyle 613-5435.

Today's Readings



First Reading — Elisha feeds a hundred people with twenty barley loaves (2 Kings 4:42-44).

Psalm — The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

Second Reading — Paul urges the Ephesians to live in a manner worthy of the call they received (Ephesians 4:1-6).

Gospel — Jesus feeds a large crowd with five barley loaves and two fish (John 6:1-15).

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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 August 24th at 7:00 pm.

Ladies Auxiliary Meets Aug. 24th, 7:00 pm.

Saints & Special Observances

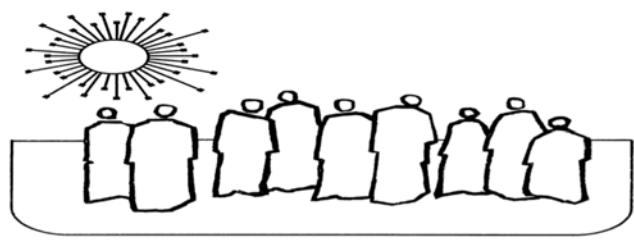
Sunday: *Seventeenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

Wednesday: *St. Martha*

Thursday: *St. Peter Chrysologus*

Friday: *St. Ignatius of Loyola*

Saturday: *St. Alphonsus Liguori;
First Saturday*



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