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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, October 24, 2015

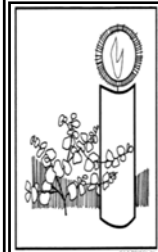
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, October 25, 2015

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Weekly Readings October 26– November 1

Monday:	Rom 8:12-17; Ps 68:2, 4, 6-7ab, 20-21; Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday:	Rom 8:18-25; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday:	Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 6:12-16
Thursday:	Rom 8:31b-39; Ps 109:21-22, 26-27, 30-31; Lk 13:31-35
Friday:	Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Lk 14:1-6
Saturday:	Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18; Lk 14:1, 7-11
Sunday:	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 25, 2015

The LORD has done great things for us; we are glad indeed.

— *Psalm 126:3*



Mass Intentions

Oct 26– Nov.1



Monday: Communion Service

Tuesday: Marlene Catalino by Sam Catalino †

Wednesday: Nora McClay by the Zielinskis †

Thursday: Helen Zielinski by the Zielinskis †

Friday: Sara & Larry Reese in celebration of 50th Anniversary by Patricia & Frank Norris

Saturday: James Hayes by Paul & Parma Boyle †

Sunday: All Saints Day

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Dianna Markevich, Anne Forister, Alice Reid, Lexie Smith, Gene & Walton Smith, Daniel Centilli, Hildie Bowman, Matt Joiner, Pat Roberts, Mary Adams, Jay Benson.

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.

Today's Readings



First Reading — I will lead the people to brooks of water, on a level road, so that none shall stumble. (Jeremiah 31:7-9)

Psalm — The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy. (Psalm 126)

Second Reading — It was not Christ who glorified himself, but rather the one who said to him: You are my son: this day I have begotten you. (Hebrews 5:1-6)

Gospel — Immediately the blind man received his sight and followed Jesus on the way. (Mark 10:46-52)

Pastor's Message

It is said of Bartimaeus in today's Gospel reading from Mark that "He threw aside his cloak, jumped up and came to Jesus". This is an exuberant Gospel so luminous and illuminating.

Bartimaeus emerges as a forthright and attractive character. He is presented as a model of faith in Jesus. The irony is that the disciples in Mark's Gospel heard all, yet heard nothing; they saw all (in the company of Jesus) and yet they were blind. It is Bartimaeus, the blind man, who really sees and becomes a disciple as he follows Jesus "on the way".

It was Bartimaeus too who proclaimed Jesus as Messiah and Son of David. And didn't they know that when the Messiah came he would open the eyes of the blind? Bartimaeus seized the graceful moment when he encountered Jesus and was asked what he wanted him to do for him. Without hesitation he answered: "Master, I want to see". Immediately he received his sight.

We are all like Bartimaeus on the road of life. We move from darkness to light; from blindness to sight; from fascination to faith. Discipleship is a way of seeing. "Lord, that I may see" must be our constant prayer.

That I may see when sorrow comes, when age presses in, when life is uncertain, when I can't make sense of life. That I may see when I'm confused and I can't stand one more campaign ad on television.

The reading from Jeremiah (31:7-9) has Israel coming home from exile out of bondage to take up its vocation again, amid shouts of gladness and tears of joy. Now they see with fresh eyes. They departed in tears; some were blindfolded according to Babylonian tradition. But now there is the joy of homecoming.

Teilhard De Chardin, priest and scientist said: "Seeing is everything". Lord, that I might see.

Annie Dillard, the novelist and creator of *Lovely Words* wrote: "I see something, or something sees me—and some enormous power brushes me with its clean wing and I resound like a beaten bell". Yes, we come to see that God is gracious and real and forgiving and sustaining us and that we have nothing to fear. We have those moments of insight. Numinous and epiphany like.

Pope Francis in a Homily in Washington, D.C.:

"Harsh and divisive language does not befit us. Dialogue is our method out of fidelity to the God who never wearies of visiting the marketplace, even at the eleventh hour, to propose His offer of love". How lovely these words!

A Great Big Thanks: To Brenda Rochford and Sharon Stice for outstanding work in coordinating the Yard Sale this weekend. Thanks too to all the volunteers and to all who donated items or purchased items. Thanksgiving and Christmas will be brighter for many families this year because of you!

Peace and Blessings,

Fr. Sexton

Calendar of Events Oct. 25- Nov. 1

Sunday-Oct. 25

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

* No RE

* Fall Festival & Saint Walk 12:30-3:30

Monday-Oct. 26

Communion Service 9 am

* Bridge

* Legion of Mary

* Knights of Columbus Mtg. 7 pm

* Ladies Auxiliary Mtg. 7 pm

Tuesday-Oct. 27

Mass 9 am

* RCIA 7 pm

Wednesday-Oct. 28

Mass 7 pm

Thursday-Oct. 29

Mass 9 am

Friday-Oct. 30

Mass 9 am

* Bible Study 10am

Saturday-Oct. 31

Mass 5 pm

Reconciliation 3:30- 5:00 pm

* Parish Council Retreat 9 am – 12 pm

** Turn Back Your Clocks tonight!**

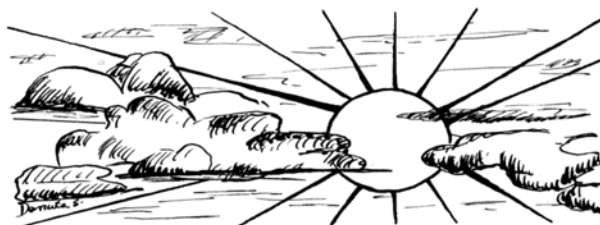
Sunday-Nov. 1

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

* RE

* Youth Mass 11:15 am

* Adult Ed 9:45 am



FINANCE NEWS
July 2015-June 2016

Last week

	Actual	Budget
*Offertory:	\$ 6960.80	\$ 5769.23

Year-to-date

*Offertory:	\$ 93,020.58	\$ 87,696.00
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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 – 118 cans

Fall Festival

Sunday Oct. 25th 12:30 – 3:30



Costume contest, Trunk or Treat, Hayride, Cakewalk, Games, Bingo, and Music.

Come Join the Fun!!!



Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday; World Youth Day

Wednesday: Ss. Simon and Jude

Saturday: Halloween; Blessed Virgin Mary



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Pro Life Corner

Our Lady of the Lake Spiritual Adoption Program

Month 5

I am 5 months old now. I am 12 inches long and weigh about one pound. I'm really getting big and mommy can now feel me kick and move around! Hey! Someday maybe I'll play soccer! Keep praying for me.....

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.



Announcements



ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



The food drive begins **Saturday, Oct. 24th through Sunday, Nov. 22nd**. Brown grocery bags, with an attached recommended food list, will be located in each foyer. Please take a bag, fill with as many items as possible, and return the filled bags to the Church Foyers.

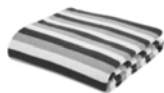
The situation that causes the need to be greater this year also makes the giving that much more difficult. The loving generosity of this wonderful Parish always seems to come through to make it possible to feed many needy families.

**“What you do for the least
of these my Brothers you do for Me.”**

Thank You from the Social Concerns Committee

ANNUAL OCTOBER USED AND NEW BLANKET DRIVE

Sponsored by the Hispanic Committee



BRR! The weather is starting to turn, and we need used and new blankets for our annual blanket distribution to those who are cold. Last year we passed out over 100 blankets!

Please place used or new blankets and air mattresses in the containers provided in the vestibules, or call **Mari Culver, 205-525-0071** for pickup.

Assignment List Oct. 28- Nov. 1

**WEDNESDAY MASS 10/28/2015
7:00 PM**

Altar Servers *
Lectors Sarah Brazzolotto

**SATURDAY MASS 10/31/2015
5:00 pm**

Altar Servers Larry Reese, Stephen Reese
Greeters Bill/Loretta Frost, Tammy McRae
Lectors Ron Zielinski, Micky Zielinski
Ministers Deacon, Allen Ross, Phyllis Ross
Ushers Jerry Noto, Jim Dale, Jim Gorman,
Bob Nicholas

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

Altar Servers Andrew Thomaston, Will Thomaston,
Matt Frey, Brennan Cardenas
Greeters Rosemary Mateer, Jimillia Sayles
Lectors Carey Monistere, Bernie Funderburg
Ministers Deacon, Michael Gagliano, Teri
Gagliano, Ronnie Gagliano, Carly
Gagliano
Ushers *

11:15 AM Youth Mass

Altar Servers James Lewis, Will Pittman, Ryan
Murphree
Greeters Amanda Manuel, Katie Luter
Lectors Travis Cooley John Himmler
Ministers Deacon, Jimmy Pittman, Ashley
Himmler, Sawyer Stice
Ushers Angel Fredrick, Destiney Markevich

If you cannot keep your assignment

PLEASE find a substitute.



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by learning and living our Catholic Faith.

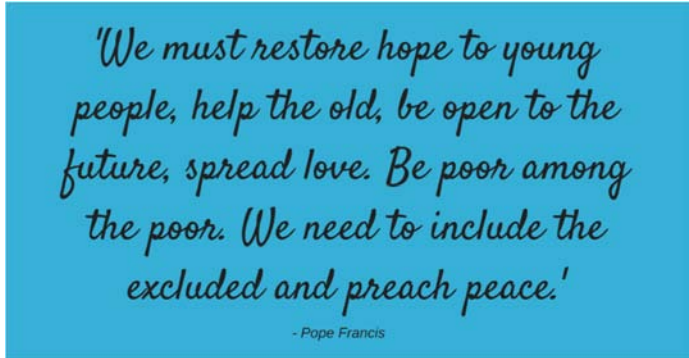
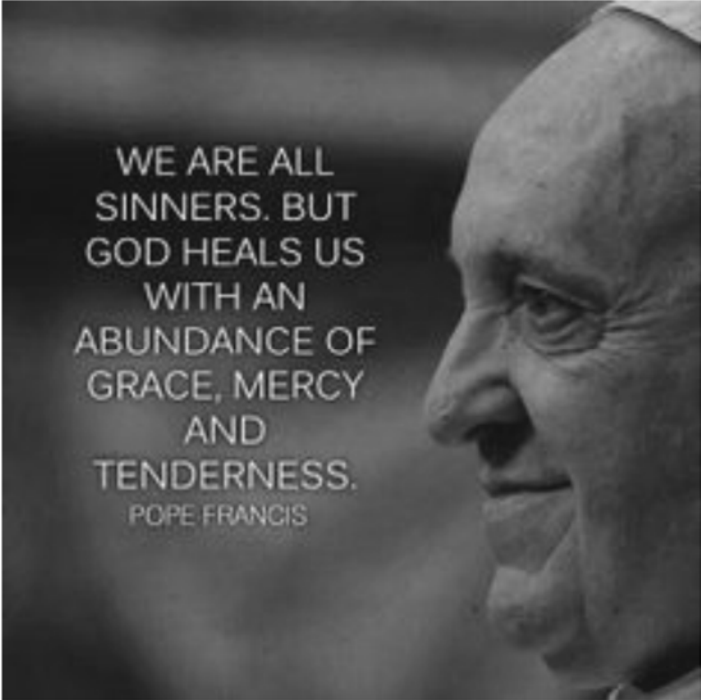
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VIII. A HOME FOR THE WOUNDED HEART

155. In the Church, the first priority is to bring people to an encounter with the Divine Physician. Any encounter with Christ brings healing to fallen humanity, and the Holy Spirit can always be invited into our hearts to enable repentance and conversion. In the words of Pope Francis: **"I invite all Christians, everywhere, at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting Him encounter them; I ask all of you to do this unfailingly each day. No one should think that this invitation is not meant for him or her, since 'no one is excluded from the joy brought by the Lord.'**" *Evangelii Gaudium*



M.Y.C. MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October 25 Fall Festival & Saint Parade

October 25 NO Religious Education

November 1 All Saints Day

& Youth Mass at 11:15 am

November 2 All Souls Day

November 4 Sr. Youth at 5:30pm

November 6 First Friday Adoration from
9:30am –12:30pm



Little Ones in Christ

Grades Pre K—Grade 2
Joanna Murphree at 473-1444.

Junior Youth

Grades 3-6
Every 2nd Sunday from 5-7pm
Contact Isabel Cooley at 753-9820.

Senior Youth

Grades 7-12
1st & 3rd Wednesdays—Sr. Youth Meetings
& Every 3rd Sunday—Social Night
Contact Peter Boyle 613-5435.

Called to *Serve*

Our Lady of the Lake Church

Lector & Eucharistic Minister Training

When: Saturday, November 7th
(Changed from October 17th)

Lector Training: 10:00 am

Lector & Eucharistic Minister Formation: 10:30 am

Eucharistic Ministers Training: 11:00 am

Thank you for committing or re-committing to serve as Lector and/or Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion. We will be having our annual training for both Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers at the above listed time in the OLL sanctuary.

Please plan to attend both the formation and the training for your ministry.

If you have any questions or cannot attend please contact

Terri at 205.405.4747 or beachdreaming2@aol.com.

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