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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.-12:30 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 29, 2016
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, October 30, 2016
Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 30, 2016



*The LORD lifts up all who are
falling and raises up all who
are bowed down.*

— *Psalms 145:14*



Mass Intentions

October 31– November 6



Monday: Deceased KOC by KOC 12270 †
Tuesday: Marie Battaglia by Angelo Battaglia †
Wednesday: Pete Battaglia by Paul & Parma Boyle †
Thursday: Nancy Armstrong by Walton Smith
Friday: Gloria Morteck by Jim & Marcia Morteck †
Saturday: Marie Battaglia by Angelo Battaglia †
Sunday: James Hayes by Martha Hayes †

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Judy Dawley, Paul Boyle, Crystal Welford, Cecil Rodgers, Yolie Roy, Jacky Johnson, Kitty Gordon, Ruth Stanley, Bob Paulitzky, David Paulitzky, Philip Ivey, Rosalie Nebiolo, Renee & Robert Bentel, Jim Hopper.

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 ~ Oct. 31—Nov. 6

Monday:	Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde-3; Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday:	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 24:1-6; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a
Wednesday:	Wis 3:1-9; Ps 23:1-6; Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9; Jn 6:37-40, or any readings from no. 668 or from Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016
Thursday:	Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 15:1-10
Friday:	Phil 3:17 — 4:1; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 16:1-8
Saturday:	Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9; Lk 16:9-15
Sunday:	2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14; Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15; 2 Thes 2:16 — 3:5; Lk 20:27-38 [27, 34-38]

Today's Readings



First Reading — LORD, you love all things that exist. (Wisdom 11:22 — 12:2)

Psalm — I will praise your name forever, my king and my God. (Psalm 145)

Second Reading — May the name of Christ be glorified in you and you in him. (2 Thessalonians 1:11 — 2:2)

Gospel — Zacchaeus, a tax collector, considered to be a sinner, is converted to the Lord. (Luke 19:1-10)

Pastor's Message

God has the whole universe in the palm of His hand! “Before the Lord, the whole universe is like a grain from a weighing scale or a drop of morning dew come down upon the earth—and yet you love all things that are and hate nothing that you have made”. The Book of Wisdom and today's First Reading.

When the writer of the Book of Wisdom wrote this it was thought that the universe consisted of the earth at the center, with the sun, the moon, and the stars for a canopy. This was the pre-scientific age.

Copernicus, the sixteenth century astronomer puts the sun at the center with the earth orbiting the sun. A revolutionary idea. People thought it was silly.

By the early 1900's we knew that our sun was only a star and a rather minor one in the “Milky Way”, which is our galaxy. How many stars in a galaxy? Two hundred billion more or less. Physicists now estimate there are over two trillion galaxies.

We have learned that our universe is about fourteen billion years. So vast, so incomprehensible, stretching out to what seems like an infinity.

And yet, the writer of Wisdom reminds us: “The whole universe in the eyes of God is as a grain of sand or a drop of morning dew”.

Listen to an astronaut viewing our planet from space: “The earth reminded us of a Christmas tree ornament, hanging in the blackness of space. As we got farther and farther away it diminished in size. Finally, it sank to the size of a marble, the most beautiful marble you can imagine. That beautiful, warm, living object looked so fragile, so delicate, that if you touched it with a finger it would crumble and fall apart. Seeing this has to change a person, has to make a person appreciate the creation of God and the love of God”. (James Irwin, U.S. Astronaut)

We are like Zacchaeus in the Today's Gospel. We want to see Jesus. We want him to enter the home of our hearts. Our jobs take a toll on us. School can be a place of bullying. Others try to define us and judge us. But he alone knows us. He sees the good that lies within. He passes through again today as at Jericho. He wishes to visit with us through Word and Eucharist. May he be praised!

The Work Before Us: As citizens we have a sacred task—to cast our vote on November 8. The Church does not tell us for whom we should vote. This decision is ours. The Church does not remind us of the issues we should consider. Among these are safeguarding life from “womb to tomb”, poverty, war and peace, the dignity of marriage, the welfare of the family, religious freedom and immigration reform, among others. We are to strive to form our own consciences and then vote according to our conscience.

Fall Festival Today: Sponsored by our Church Youth. Hope to see you there.

Peace and Blessings,
Fr. Sexton

October 30- November 6

Sunday-Oct. 30

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

*RE 9:45 am

*Knight's Mass 8:30 am

*Fall Festival 1:00-3:00 pm

Monday-Oct. 31

Mass 9 am

*Legion of Mary

*Bridge

*Bible Study 6:30 pm

Tuesday-Nov. 1

Mass 9 am & 7 pm

All Saints Day

Holy Day of Obligation

*No RCIA

Wednesday-Nov. 2

Mass 9 am & 7 pm

All Souls Day

*Sr. Youth 5:30 pm

Thursday-Nov. 3

Mass 9 am

Friday-Nov. 4

Mass 9 am

*First Friday Adoration 9:30 am-12:30 pm

Saturday-Nov. 5

Mass 5 pm

*Reconciliation 3:30-5:00 pm

***Turn back your clocks tonight!**

Sunday-Nov. 6

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

*RE 9:45 am

*Youth Mass 11:15 am

FINANCE NEWS
July 2015-June 2016

Last week

	Actual	Budget
*Offertory:	\$ 6072.91	\$ 5653.85

Year-to-date

*Offertory:	\$ 103,547.20	\$ 96,115.45
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**Please note the actual total includes Burse Club, Building Fund & Special Collections which are not part of the general operating budget.*



The Love Pantry

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

Goal -100 cans/week.

Total cans last week – 50 cans

The Gordon Family wishes to express our sincere gratitude to this wonderful Parish for the many prayers and gifts during Kitty's illness. We have seen your prayers and God's hand at work in an unusual improvement in her condition over the past several weeks. The power of prayer and parish community is an awesome thing.

*Gratefully yours in Christ,
 Mike & Kitty*



**ANNUAL
 THANKSGIVING
 FOOD DRIVE**



**Feeding the
 Community**

The food drive is now in progress **through Sunday, Nov. 20th.** Orange flyers with a recommended food list, will be located in each foyer. Please purchase as many items as possible and return the items to the collection bins located in the Church Foyers and the Parish Hall.

We are also accepting monetary donations for produce and poultry.

"If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one."

~Saint Teresa of Calcutta



**Thank You!
 Social Concerns
 Committee**

Matthew Brazzolotto

Many of you have asked for contact info for Matthew in England. He would love to hear from all of you while he is on his Mission Trip.

**Matthew Brazzolotto
 52 Orrell Road
 Bootle
 L20 6DZ
 United Kingdom
 mcbrazzolotto@gmail.com**



Pro Life Corner

Spiritual Adoption Program



Month 6

I'm 6 months old now. I just opened my eyes. Before today they were sealed shut for protection.

**I wonder what you look like?
 I can hear sounds too! It's great to have someone praying for me.**

Prayer

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.



Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: *Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday*

Monday: *Halloween*

Tuesday: *All Saints*

Wednesday: *The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)*

Thursday: *St. Martin de Porres*

Friday: *St. Charles Borromeo; First Friday*

Saturday: *First Saturday; Blessed Virgin Mary*

Assignments—Nov 1- Nov. 6, cont.

WEDNESDAY **11/2/2016**
9:00 AM **All Souls Day**

Altar Servers
 Lector Weekday Lector, Sara Reese
 Ministers Weekday EM, Maria Jimenez,
 Tommie Ann Johnson

Ushers

WEDNESDAY **7:00 PM** **11/2/2016**

Altar Servers
 Lector Gloria Raynor, Joe Yester
 Ministers Sarah Brazzolotto, Ronnie Sellers,
 Jennifer Sellers

Ushers

SATURDAY MASS **11/5/2016**
5:00 PM

Altar Servers John Stice, Sawyer Stice
 Greeters Connie Hertrich, Janice Stella
 Lectors Allen Ross, Phyllis Ross
 Ministers Deacon, Gloria Albright, Connie
 Hertrich

Ushers

SUNDAY MASS **11/6/2016**
8:30 AM

Altar Servers Sophie Poteracki, Natalie Newcomb,
 Bailey Nail, Jacob Wiley
 Greeters Jennifer Euler, Julie/Bob Paulitzky
 Lectors Bart Perry, Gail Perry
 Ministers Deacon, Michael Gagliano, Teri
 Gagliano, Carly Gagliano, Ronni
 Gagliano

Ushers

11:15 AM **Youth Mass**

Altar Servers James Lewis, Paul Boyle, Will Pittman,
 Destiny Markevich
 Greeters Youth
 Lectors Youth
 Ministers Deacon, Youth, Maria Jimenez,
 Martha Hayes
 Ushers Don Frederick,

If you cannot keep your assignment PLEASE find a substitute.

Assignments—Nov 1- Nov. 6

TUESDAY **11/1/2016**
9:00 AM
All Saints Day **Holy Day of Obligation**

Altar Servers
 Greeters Jay/Enid Willi, Janice Stella
 Lectors
 Ministers Deacon,
 Gallegly, Parma Boyle

Ushers

TUESDAY **11/1/2016**
7:00 PM

Altar Servers
 Greeters Tammy McRae, Shirley Skeivelas
 Lectors Weekday Lector, Mary Adams
 Ministers Deacon, Weekday EM, Chris
 Ushers

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*by learning and living
our Catholic Faith.*

NOVEMBER:

Dedicated to the Holy Souls

Remember to pray for our dead.

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YEAR of
Mercy



FALL FESTIVAL

Today, Oct. 30th
1:00pm—3:00pm

*Brought to you
by Jr. Youth*

M.Y.C. MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October 30 P.S.R. (R.E.) Classes 9:45am
(Yes, we still have class!)

October 30 Fall Festival

Today

November 1 **ALL SAINTS DAY**

***** Holy Day of Obligation*****

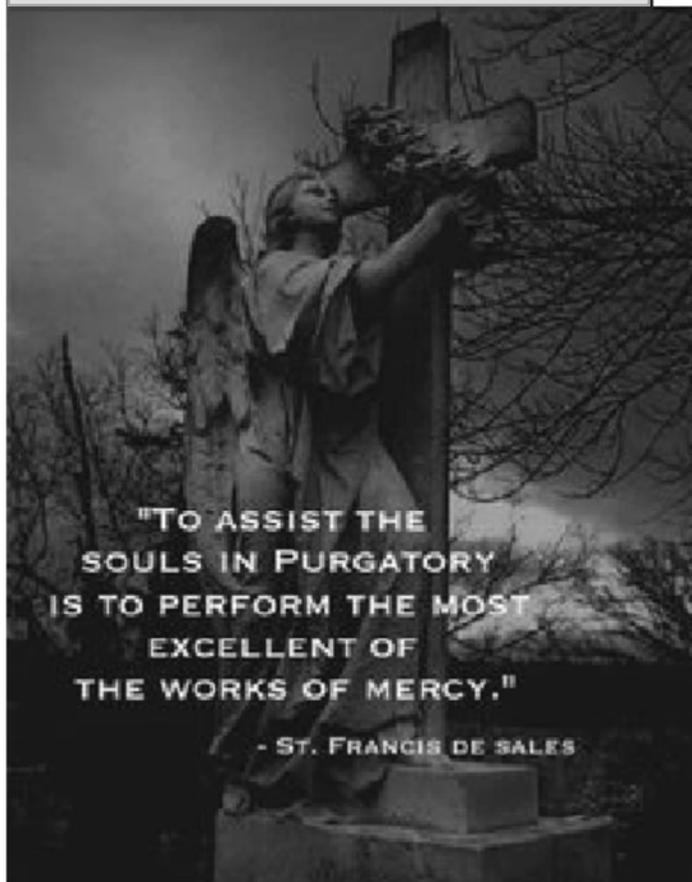
November 2 **ALL SOULS DAY**

November 4 First Friday

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

November 6 P.S.R. (R.E.) Classes

November 6 Youth Mass at 11:15am



"TO ASSIST THE
SOULS IN PURGATORY
IS TO PERFORM THE MOST
EXCELLENT OF
THE WORKS OF MERCY."

- ST. FRANCIS DE SALES



**We must
empty
Purgatory
with our
prayers.**

-St. Padre Pio



Little Ones in Christ Grades Pre K—Grade 2

Contact Joanna Murphree (205) 473-1444.

Junior Youth Grades 3—Grade 6 Contact Jordan Murphree (205) 863-5787

Senior Youth Grades 7-12 Contact Peter Boyle (205) 613-5435

1st & 3rd Wednesdays—Sr. Youth Meetings & Every 3rd

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When: Oct. 30th

Time: 1:00-3:00



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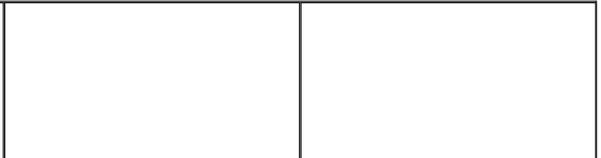
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