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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, November 26, 2016

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, November 27, 2016

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am



First Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2016

*"You . . . must be prepared,
for at an hour you do not expect,
the Son of Man will come."*

— Matthew 24:44



Mass Intentions

November 28– December 4



Monday: Frederick Frey by Terry & Rita Rumore †

Tuesday: Tommy Zopfi by Terry & Rita Rumore †

Wednesday: Tom & Rita Fleming by Terry & Rita Rumore †

Thursday: Eleanor Tomaszewski by Jim & Marcia Morteck †

Friday: Marie Battaglia by the Stice Family †

Saturday: Edward Smallwood by Bob & Karen Hand †

Sunday: Ross Rumore by Terry & Rita Rumore †

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

*Paul Boyle, Crystal Welford, Cecil
Rodgers, Jacky Johnson, Kitty Gordon,
Jim Hopper, Anne & Cary Forister,
Rita Martens, Gail Layton.*

**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 ~ Nov. 28—Dec. 4

Monday: Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17;
Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a;
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 —
10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17;
Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

Today's Readings



First Reading — All the peoples shall stream toward the LORD's house. (Isaiah 2:1-5)

Psalm — Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord. (Psalm 122)

Second Reading — It is the hour to cast off the dark and clothe ourselves in the light. (Romans 13:11-14)

Gospel — Stay awake! Be prepared! The Son of Man will come when you least expect. (Matthew 24:37-44)

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Before the Second Vatican Council in the mid-1960s, Advent had a strong penitential tone, reminiscent of Lent. From as long ago as the fourth century, some Christians began a solemn fast on St. Martin's Day, November 11. This "Saint Martin's Lent" extended all the way to Christmas, and was widely followed in the dioceses of France and Germany, and in the Middle Ages in England. Fasting was required, and dancing and similar activities were banned for the duration. The fast had a social function, too, assuring that the winter food supplies would stretch into spring.

At the Second Vatican Council, some bishops argued that a revival of the long winter's fast would give the Church a chance to establish the message and themes of the Incarnation long before the holiday hubbub took hold. This proposal didn't pass, and Advent emerged as a four-week period of reflection, expectant waiting, and joyful preparation for the coming of the Lord. The season has two principal phases, with the first beginning this Sunday. The second phase commences on December 17, when the liturgy begins to unfold the story of the Savior's coming. Interestingly, the Eastern Church maintains a strongly penitential note in Advent, which is called "Winter Lent," "The Nativity Fast," or "Christmas Lent," and has laws forbidding people to absent themselves from liturgy from December 17 onward.

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Peace and Blessings,

Fr. Sexton

Sunday-Nov. 27

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

*NO RE



Monday-Nov. 28

Mass 9 am

*Legion of Mary

*Bridge

Tuesday-Nov. 29

Mass 9 am

*RCIA 7 pm

Wednesday-Nov. 30

Mass 7 pm

Thursday-Dec. 1

Mass 9 am

*Choir Practice 7 pm

Friday-Dec. 2

Mass 9 am

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

Saturday-Dec. 3

Mass 5 pm

*Reconciliation 3:30-5:00 pm

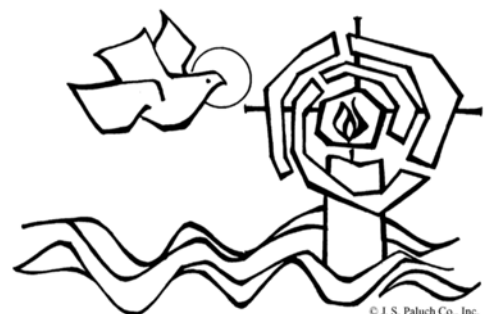
Sunday-Dec. 4

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

*RE 9:45 am

*Youth Mass 11:15 am

*Parish Christmas Party- Celebrations 4:30p



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FINANCE NEWS
July 2015-June 2016

Last week

	Actual	Budget
*Offertory:	\$ pending	\$ 5653.85

Year-to-date

*Offertory:	\$ 124,071.20	\$113,077.00
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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 – * cans

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

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Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: First Sunday of Advent

Wednesday: St. Andrew

Thursday: World AIDS Awareness Day

Friday: First Friday

Saturday: St. Francis Xavier; First Saturday



Giving Tree

As we journey through Advent, our thoughts and prayers go to those who struggle through Christmas.

If you would like to help a needy family this year, please choose an angel from the tree and purchase the item hoped for.

All gifts need to be returned unwrapped with the angel tag firmly attached.

If you would like to help sort the gifts, please call -

**Sharon Stice: 205.338.0207 or
Brenda Rochford: 423-242-5029.**



Pro Life Corner

Spiritual Adoption Program



Month 7

Thank you for praying for me. I am 7 months old now. I am growing every day. I'm between 14 and 17 inches long and weigh about 4 ½ pounds. I move around a lot, but it's getting crowded in here! Sometimes I even get hiccups! I can hear and recognize my mother's voice.

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.

Advent Wreath Candle Lighters



First Sunday of Advent

Saturday, November 26th

5 pm Mass - [selected before Mass](#)

Sunday, November 27th

8:30 am Mass - [selected before Mass](#)

11:15 am Mass - [Jennifer & Ronnie Sellers](#)

Second Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 3rd

5 pm Mass - [selected before Mass](#)

Sunday, December 4th

8:30 am Mass - [selected before Mass](#)

11:15 am Mass - [selected before Mass](#)

Third Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 10th

5 pm Mass - [selected before Mass](#)

Sunday, December 11th

8:30 am Mass - [selected before Mass](#)

11:15 am Mass - [selected before Mass](#)

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 17th

5 pm Mass - [selected before Mass](#)

Sunday, December 18th

8:30 am Mass - [selected before Mass](#)

11:15 am Mass - [selected before Mass](#)

Assignments—Dec. 7- Dec. 11

WEDNESDAY

12/7/2016

7:00 PM

Altar Servers

Lector

Bernie Funderburg

THURSDAY MASS

12/8/2016

9:00 AM

Immaculate Conception

Altar Servers

Greeters

Lectors

Ministers

Ushers

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Frank Troncalli, Janice Stella

Sara Reese, Rose Ballard

Deacon, Parma Boyle, Chris Gallegly

Chris Gallegly, Gregg Becnel

7:00 PM

Altar Servers

Greeters

Lectors

Ministers

Ushers

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Allen/Phyllis Ross, Dennis/Sandi Veigl

Martha Hayes, Tony Hollis

Deacon, Janice Stella, Tommie Ann

Johnson

Michael Gagliano, Lance Stella, Bit

Thomaston, Phillip Thomaston

SATURDAY MASS

12/10/2016

5:00 PM

Altar Servers

Greeters

Lectors

Ministers

Ushers

Bernie Funderburg, Cory Funderburg

Bill/Loretta Frost, Tammy McRae

Connie Luter, Micky Zielinski

Deacon, Tom Graffo, Connie Hertrich

Jim Gorman, Bob Nicholas

SUNDAY MASS

2/11/2016

8:30 AM

Second Sunday of Advent

Altar Servers

Greeters

Lectors

Ministers

Ushers

Anthony Emerick, Matthew Frey, Carson

Falkner, Jon Paul Raynor

Amelia Reese, Alexis Allor

Teri Gagliano, Karen Reese

Deacon, Anna Emerick, Chere Lowery,

Stephen Reese, Tommie Ann Johnson

Michael Gagliano, Phillip Thomaston, Bit

Thomaston, Chris Frey

11:15 AM

Altar Servers

Greeters

Lector

Ministers

Ushers

James Lewis, Peyton Foreman, Brooks Boyle,
Teresa Ray

Grace Troncalli, Brittany Washburn

Mary Adams, Miranda Jacks

Deacon, Sarah Brazzolotto, Chris

Gallegly, Ken Otto, Edie Otto

Don Frederick, Larry Foltz, Wayne

Lowery, Jeanne Macon

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Evangelii Gaudium – "The Joy of the Gospel"

Discipleship Today

- Just 7% of Catholics contribute over 80% of all volunteerism and financial support in any parish.
- 24% of Catholics in the U.S. attend Mass every week.
- 32% of the people at Christmas Mass only come to Church once a year.
- 78% of Catholics in the U.S. say they go to Confession less than once a year ... OR NEVER.
- Nearly 9 out of 10 Catholics from 18 to 46 years of age are NOT in Church on Sunday.

**"Jesus did not come
to die on a cross so that
we might be
cultural Catholics."**

—ARCHBISHOP GOMEZ
LOS ANGELES

**NOVEMBER:
Dedicated to the Holy Souls**

**M.Y.C. MARK YOUR
CALENDAR**

November 27 First Sunday of Advent

NO P.S.R. (R.E.) Classes

December 4 Second Sunday of Advent

P.S.R. Classes at 9:45am

December 11 Third Sunday of Advent

P.S.R. Classes at 9:45am

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 Sunday—Social Night

Food, Fun, and Faith!



REYdeer Run 2016

BIRMINGHAM, Alabama – The Advisory Council of Holy Family Cristo Rey Catholic High School in Ensley will host a 5K run on **Sunday, December 18th at 2 p.m.** to raise money for the school's "nutrition fund," which provides lunches for students who can't afford them.

The 3rd Annual Reyndeer of Hope Run will begin at Cahaba Brewing Co. located at 4500 5th Avenue South in Birmingham.

The cost of registration is \$20. Participants in the run will receive a T-shirt, a small-batch beer from Cahaba Brewing and a raffle ticket for prizes. There will also be food and beverages available at the event.

"Supporting the Nutrition program at Holy Family Cristo Rey Catholic High School is one way our Advisory Council and the broader community can accompany students on their path to college and beyond," says Burton Dunn, President of the HRCR Advisory Council.

"It's a common sense approach to improving student learning and thus achievement, access to quality food and snacks helps our students stay focused and healthy in mind, body, and spirit," says Fr. Jon Chalmers, President of Holy Family Cristo Rey.

Holy Family Cristo Rey Catholic High School in Birmingham, Alabama combines academic rigor and a corporate work-study program to empower students from economically challenged families to graduate high school prepared to persist in college and flourish in life. The Cristo Rey Network includes 32 Catholic, college preparatory schools which serve more than 10,700 students across 21 states and the District of Columbia.

Runners can register the day of the event or online at www.eventbrite.com.

To learn more about Holy Family Cristo Rey, call (205) 787-9937 or visit www.hfcristorey.org.

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