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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 8, 2016  
Mass 5:00 pm*

*Sunday, October 9, 2016  
Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am*



*Twenty-eighth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
October 9, 2016*

*If we have died with [Christ Jesus]  
we shall also live with him;  
if we persevere  
we shall also reign with him.*

*— 2 Timothy 2:11-12a*



*Mass Intentions*

October 10– October 16



**Monday:** Patricia Williams by Jeanie Reid  
**Tuesday:** Evelyn McGuire by Kathy Bryant †  
**Wednesday:** Frank Connell †  
**Thursday:** Tommy Zopfi by KOC 12270 †  
**Friday:** Marie Battaglia by Angelo Battaglia †  
**Saturday:** Marie Battaglia by the Stice Family †  
**Sunday:** Tommy Zopfi by the Brazzolottos †

*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](mailto: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. 10—Oct. 16*

**Monday:** Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 — 5:1; Ps 113:1b-5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32

**Tuesday:** Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-48; Lk 11:37-41

**Wednesday:** Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:42-46

**Thursday:** Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1-6; Lk 11:47-54

**Friday:** Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lk 12:1-7

**Saturday:** Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-7; Lk 12:8-12

**Sunday:** Ex 17:8-13; Ps 121:1-8; 2 Tm 3:14 — 4:2; Lk 18:1-8

*Today's Readings*



**First Reading** — Naaman, cleansed from his leprosy, returns to Elisha and pledges his belief in and allegiance to the LORD. (2 Kings 5:14-17)

**Psalm** — The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power. (Psalm 98)

**Second Reading** — Remember Jesus Christ, who was raised from the dead. If we persevere, we shall reign with him. (2 Timothy 2:8-13)

**Gospel** — After ten lepers are cleansed by Jesus, only one, a Samaritan, returns to give him thanks. (Luke 17:11-19)

## Pastor's Message

What happens when powerful and successful people come up against mortality and limits? Naaman, in the First Reading (2 Kings 5:14-17) was such a person. As a general in the army of his king, he commanded respect and wielded considerable power. He had everything going for him.

Then something happened. Naaman was stricken with leprosy. It could be a fatal disease unless he found a healing. Someone told him about the famous prophet, Elisha who was known to have healing power because he was so close to God.

Naaman was encouraged by his king to travel from Syria to Israel to meet Elisha and ask for a healing. Distance was not a problem. Powerful people are not restricted by the limitations of ordinary people.

When Naaman arrived in Israel and went to meet Elisha he was told to do a simple thing. He was told to go and bathe seven times in the river Jordan. At first he was insulted and angry by such a simple request. After he got rid of his pride he did as he had been asked and was miraculously healed (Through the intercession of Elisha).

Naaman is truly grateful for his healing, confesses his faith in the God of Israel and offers Elisha a gift which the prophet refuses.

As Naaman returns home to Syria with his retinue of attendants, he has one final request. He took two mule loads of dirt back to Syria so he could build an altar to God, the God of Israel.

In a subtle way the story of Naaman makes the point that Yahweh, the God of Israel is the God of all.

The Gospel Reading from Luke's Gospel (Lk 17:11-19) stresses that gratitude is the proper attitude to God's blessings. We are to be always grateful for life's blessings.

Luke is also reminding us of the universality of God's saving concerns. All are to receive the messianic blessings of healing and wholeness, even the Samaritans who were often despised and hated. The Samaritan was not only healed physically: he was also saved.

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**Stewardship Sunday:** This weekend at all the Masses we will be making a commitment to be good stewards of God's gifts by pledging to share our time and talent with our Church through our varied ministries—educational, liturgical, out-reach and social concerns. If you are already serving in one of these ministries we ask you to recommit for another year. If you are new to our Church or were not in a position in the past to commit to a Church ministry, we encourage you by all means to sign up now and share your time and talents. The Parish cannot be like a filling station where we come to fill-up every week: it must be a vibrant community of faithful parishioners where all are willing to share and serve so as to build up the Church. Thanks for your ministry or ministries.

Peace and Blessings,

*Fr. Sexton*

October 9- October 16

### **Sunday-Oct. 9**

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

**Respect Life Sunday**

\*RE 9:45 am

\*Stewardship Fair between Masses

### **Monday-Oct. 10**

**Mass 9 am**

\*Legion of Mary

\*Bridge

\*Bible Study 6:30 pm

### **Tuesday-Oct. 11**

**Mass 9 am**

\*RCIA 7 pm

### **Wednesday-Oct. 12**

**Mass 7 pm**

\*Memorial Mass for Frank Connell

### **Thursday-Oct. 13**

**Mass 9 am**

### **Friday-Oct. 14**

**Mass 9 am**

### **Saturday-Oct. 15**

**Mass 5 pm**

\*Reconciliation 3:30-5:00 pm

### **Sunday-Oct. 9**

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

\*RE 9:45 am

\*Sr. Youth Social 5:00 pm

\*Praise & Worship 6:30 pm

\*Holy Hour 7:00 pm

**FINANCE NEWS**  
July 2015-June 2016

Last week

|                    | <b>Actual</b>     | <b>Budget</b>     |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>*Offertory:</b> | <b>\$ 6117.37</b> | <b>\$ 5653.85</b> |

Year-to-date

|                    |                     |                     |
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| <b>*Offertory:</b> | <b>\$ 86,479.81</b> | <b>\$ 79,153.90</b> |
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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 – 63 cans**

## STEWARDSHIP

### Realize God Will Point the Way.

Once a person actively commits herself or himself to the first step—becoming a conscious or intentional steward—the next steps and portions of the stewardship journey will reveal themselves. In people they meet, situations they see, words they hear, they will begin to hear the soft, gentle call of God, asking them to respond.

## Parish Council

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mmcrae237@yahoo.com

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To our Parish Family,



May God reward you for your generous thoughtfulness of us during our lengthy illnesses. Such powerful prayers, delicious foods, and encouraging messages of love and concern!

We are greatly blessed for having chosen OLL Parish for our retirement years! We are confident our dear Lord will bless each of you for your generosity.

Sincerely,

Yolie & Betty



## Pro Life Corner

### 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....

#### 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:** *Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
- Monday:** *Canadian Thanksgiving Day; Columbus Day*
- Tuesday:** *St. John XXIII; Yom Kippur (Jewish Day of Atonement) begins at sunset*
- Friday:** *St. Callistus I*
- Saturday:** *St. Teresa of Jesus*



## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

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You can get more information or register online at [www.ALFL-wwme.org](http://www.ALFL-wwme.org) or by calling:

**Bob & Joy Hernandez: 678-985-0125.**

## Our Lady of the Lake Thanksgiving Food Drive

Please help feed the hungry this year! We hope to feed 150 families. Needed items are on the list in the foyers and available online. Thank you for your generosity!



Social Concerns Committee

## Assignments—Oct. 12- Oct. 16

**WEDNESDAY 10/12/2016**  
**7:00 PM**

Altar Servers  
Lector Bernie Funderburg

**SATURDAY MASS 10/15/2016**  
**5:00 PM**

Altar Servers Tom Graffo, James Raynor  
Greeters Kathy Shivers, Allen/Phyllis Ross  
Lectors Marguerite Gorman, Larry Foltz  
Ministers Deacon, Allen Ross, Phyllis Ross  
Ushers Bob Hand, Karen Hand, Clayton Martin

**SUNDAY MASS 10/16/2016**  
**8:30 AM**

Altar Servers Sophie Poteracki, Natalie Newcomb, Bailey Nail, Jacob Wiley  
Greeters Jacky/Tommie Johnson, Teri Gagliano  
Lectors Karen Reese, Gloria Raynor  
Ministers Deacon, Chris Gallegly, Janice Stella, Ron Sellers, Jennifer Sellers  
Ushers Michael Gagliano, Cristy McKinney, Belia Solis, Edith Pavez

**11:15 AM**

Altar Servers Peyton Foreman, Will Pittman, Brooks Boyle, Destiny Markevich  
Greeters Lydia Jimenez, Mattie Osborne  
Lectors Robert Lewis, Bernie Funderburg  
Ministers Deacon, Ken Otto, Edie Otto, Lee Walser, Maria Jimenez  
Ushers Don Frederick, Ron Sellers, Jennifer Sellers, Alex Walser

**If you cannot keep your assignment PLEASE find a substitute.**

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## THE DYNAMIC CATHOLIC PRAYER

Loving Father, I INVITE YOU INTO MY LIFE **TODAY**  
& MAKE MYSELF **AVAILABLE** TO YOU.  
HELP ME TO BECOME *the Best Version of Myself*  
BY SEEKING YOUR WILL & BECOMING A LIVING EXAMPLE  
OF YOUR **LOVE** IN THE **WORLD**.  
*Open* my Heart TO THE AREAS OF MY LIFE THAT **NEED** Change.  
IN ORDER FOR ME TO CARRY OUT THE **MISSION**  
& EXPERIENCE THE **JOY** YOU HAVE IMAGINED FOR MY LIFE.  
**INSPIRE** ME TO LIVE THE *Catholic faith* IN WAYS THAT ARE  
**DYNAMIC** & **ENGAGING**.  
SHOW ME HOW TO **BEST** GET INVOLVED IN THE LIFE OF MY PARISH.  
MAKE OUR COMMUNITY **HUNGRY** FOR BEST PRACTICES  
AND *continuous* **LEARNING**  
GIVE ME **COURAGE** WHEN I AM **AFRAID**,  
*hope* WHEN I AM **DISCOURAGED**,  
AND CLARITY IN TIMES OF **DECISION**.  
*Teach* ME TO **ENJOY** UNCERTAINTY & LEAD YOUR CHURCH  
TO BECOME *all you* **IMAGINED** IT WOULD BE  
FOR THE **PEOPLE** OF OUR TIMES.  
*Amen.*



**YOUTH  
GROUP**

### **Little Ones in Christ**

Grades Pre K—Grade 2

Joanna Murphree

(205) 473-1444.

### **Junior Youth**

Grades 3-6

Contact Jordan Murphree

(205) 863-5787

### **Senior Youth**

Grades 7-12

1st & 3rd Wednesdays—

Sr. Youth Meetings

&

Every 3rd Sunday—

Social Night

Contact Peter Boyle 613-5435.



## Pro Life Washington D.C. Trip

Depart: January 25, Wed. afternoon

Return: January 29, Sunday morning

Staying at the Embassy Suites in Alexandria, VA.

**COST: \$300**

First payment due Oct. 2 (ASAP) - \$75

Second payment due Nov.1 - \$75

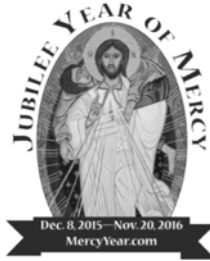
Remainder will be raised in annual Turkey & Ham Sale.

Please either drop off money at the Church office or give to Chris Frey.

Trip is open to all 9th-12th graders. Open to 8th graders only with a parent attending with them.

All adults must be C.P.Y.I. certified no later than December 2, 2016.

Please contact Chris Frey for more details: 205.473.4661.



## Works of Mercy

**Comfort the Sorrowful**  
Spiritual Works of Mercy

When we comfort someone who is sorrowful, we console the heart of Jesus who suffered on the Cross and who continues to suffer with us here on earth. What are some of the ways that we could “comfort the sorrowful” in our midst? Helping a widow or widower to learn skills that they now need. A widow might need to learn more about household finances (especially if her husband always took care of that area), or she might need to learn some basic mechanical skills. A widower might need to learn how to cook, or do the laundry, or to properly clean a kitchen. We could work on fulfilling the “Honey Do” list for a new widow — what an act of charity, to finish out those projects that her husband was never able to finish! Listening to someone who is hurting from abuse (often, we don’t need to talk at all, but only to listen), and helping them to find a good counselor or therapist. Helping a woman or man who is hurting from abortion to find help or who just needs a person to listen and pray. Sharing with a person who is sorrowful over the past about the Love and Mercy that is available to them in the Sacrament of Confession .

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