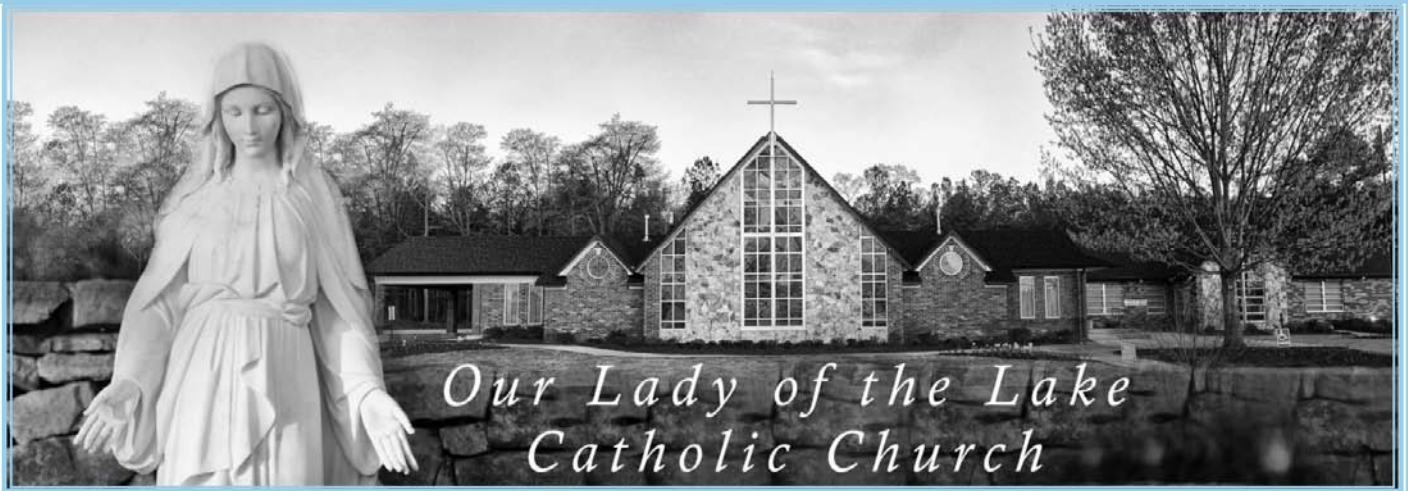




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MASSES

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.-11:00 a.m.

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION:

Third Sunday of every month at 7:00 p.m.
Exposición del Santísimo el segundo Miércoles
de cada mes @ 7:30 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

August through May. Ages 3 yrs. through
High School.

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday, January 6, 2018

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, January 7, 2018

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am



The Epiphany of the Lord

January 7, 2018

*All kings shall pay him homage,
all nations shall serve him.*

— *Psalms 72:11*



Mass Intentions

January 8 – January 14



Monday: Anne Forister by the Crapet Family †

Tuesday: Special Intentions

Wednesday: Special Intentions

Thursday: Bettye Carrico by Dcn. Terry & Rita Rumore

Friday: Kitty Gordon by the Crapet Family †

Saturday: Mary Laura Raynor by the Boyle Family †

Sunday: Judy Dawley by the Boyle Family †

****Sunday's Mass Intentions are offered
at the 11:15 am Mass****

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

*Paul Boyle, Crystal Welford, Cecil Rodgers,
Jacky Johnson, Rita Martens, Gail Layton,
Nicki Brasfield, Rene Bentel, Carolyn Marston.*

**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: sharonstice46@gmail.com.**

Please note that names remain on the prayer
list for 30 days and then are removed unless
the Church Office is notified.

Weekly Readings ~ Jan. 8—Jan. 14, 2018

Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1 Jn 5:1-9; Ps 29:1-4, 3, 9-10 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mk 1:7-11

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20 or 1 Sm 1:1-8 and 1 Sm 1:9-20; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Mk 1:21-28 or Mk 1:14-20 and Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10; Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25; Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-19; Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 21:2-7; Mk 2:13-17

Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

Today's Readings



First Reading — You shall be radiant at what you see, your heart shall throb and overflow. (Isaiah 60:1-6)

Psalm — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you. (Psalm 72)

Second Reading — The Gentiles are copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus. (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6)

Gospel — The magi were overjoyed at seeing the star. (Matthew 2:1-12)

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Pastor's Message

Today's feast originated in the Church of the East, hence the Greek word "Epiphany" which means a divine manifestation or a revelation. It is a feast of universal scope, reminding us that Jesus came as Saviour for all people, of every land and nation..

The story of the Magi, found in Matthew's Gospel has been embellished through the centuries. Matthew's simple "Wise men from the east" have been elevated to royalty as "Three Kings" in the Christian imagination.

The story had found its way into song, stained glass windows, Christmas pageants and literature. What child doesn't want to play the role of the Kings in the Christmas pageant?

Part of the age-old appeal of this splendid feast is that it is our story too. We are hidden in the middle of it. We are, all of us, seekers and travelers, on a restless journey for meaning and truth. The story of the Magi has universal and timeless appeal. We journey through life always in search of God who is the goal of all our journeys.

Today's feast assures us that our search is not in vain. This story is one with a happy ending and it gives us hope and courage in our own journeys.

Matthew is careful to point out that these scientists (Magi) who came from the east followed the light provided by science and it led them a long way, even to Jerusalem. However, they needed something more to complete their journey. They needed the light of the Scriptures to lead them to Bethlehem. There is a strange irony, too, in the fact that those who had Scriptures (the chief priests and the scribes) and knew where the Messiah was to be born, did not go to Bethlehem. Only the Magi went.

We live in the age when science is the dominant mode of knowledge and discovery. Our lives have been immeasurably enriched by the findings of science. Each day we witness breakthroughs in the quest for knowledge. Still, even the best scientists will tell us something more is needed if we are to fathom the ultimate questions of life. Faith enters in to complement science and give us a deeper truth.

We do not have to choose between science and faith. When we combine good science and genuine faith we come closer to the ultimate truth that is God.

Leaving Christmas Without Leaving It.

When the song of the angels is stilled.
When the star in the sky is gone.
When the kings and princes are home.
When the shepherds are back with their flock.
The work of Christmas begins.
To find the lost,
To heal the broken,
To feed the hungry,



January 7 ~ January 14, 2018

Sunday-January 7

Mass 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Epiphany of the Lord

*RE 9:45 am

*Youth Mass 11:15 am

*Parent Mtg. First Reconciliation 9:45 am

*Sr. Youth 5:30-8:00 pm

Monday-January 8

Mass 9:00 am

*Legion of Mary

*Liturgy Mtg. 6:00 pm

Tuesday-January 9

Communion Service 9:00 am

*RCIA 7:00 pm

Wednesday-January 10

Communion Service 7:00 pm

*Exposition & Adoration 7:30- 9:00 pm

Thursday-January 11

Mass 9:00 am

Friday-January 12

Mass 9:00 am

Saturday-January 13

Mass 9:00 am

*Reconciliation 3:30-5:00 pm

Sunday-January 14

Mass 8:30 am & 11:15 am

*RE 9:45 am

*Parent Mtg. Confirmation 9:45 am

*Little Ones & Jr. Youth 12:30-2:30 pm

Pastor's Message Cont.

To release the prisoner,
To rebuild the nations,
To bring peace among brothers and sisters,
To make music in the heart.
(Author Unknown)

Peace and Blessings in the New Year,

Fr. Sexton

Weekly Offertory

July 2017 — June 2018

	Actual*	Needed
Last Week	\$13,228.51	\$5702.00
Year to Date	\$170,185.90	\$153,954.00

*Please note the actual total includes Seminarian Fund, 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 – 172 cans

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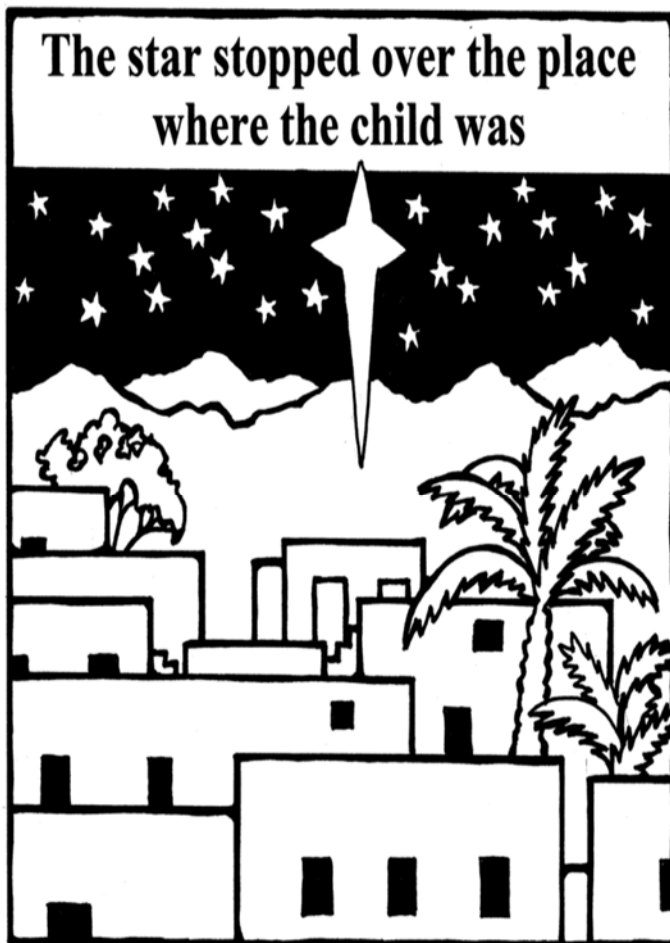
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Assignments—Jan. 10~ Jan. 14

WEDNESDAY MASS

1/10/2018

7:00 PM

Altar Servers *
Lectors Charmaine Welch

SATURDAY MASS

1/13/2018

5:00 PM

Altar Servers Michael Gagliano, Tom Michaels
Greeters Becky/Darren Freeman, Karen Hand
Lectors Sonia Dale, Kathy Bryant
Ministers Deacon, Gloria Albright, Connie Hertrich
Ushers Bob Hand, Karen Hand, Bob Nicholas, Clayton Martin

SUNDAY MASS

1/14/2018

8:30 AM

Altar Servers Amelia Reese, Anthony Emerick, Matthew Emerick
Greeters Belia Solis, Phillip/Bit Thomaston
Lectors Karen Reese, Robert Lewis
Ministers Deacon, Stephen Reese, Matthew Reese, Tom Graffo, Catherine Lewis
Ushers Lance Stella, Bit Thomaston, Phillip Thomaston, Paul Emerick

11:15 PM

Altar Servers Will Pittman, Peyton Foreman, Brooks Boyle
Greeters John Himmler, Mattie Osborne
Lectors Martha Hayes, Miranda Jacks
Ministers Deacon, Wayne Adams, Mary Adams, Tommie Ann Johnson, Chris Gallegly
Ushers Don Frederick, Jennifer Sellers, Ron Sellers, William Ngambou



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Little Ones in Christ

Grades Pre K—Grade 2

Contact Joanna Murphree (205) 473-1444

2nd Sunday 12:30—2:30pm

Junior Youth

Grades 3— Grade 6

Contact Jordan Murphree (205) 863-5787

2nd Sunday 12:30—2:30pm

Senior Youth

Grades 7-12

Contact Carly Gagliano (205) 837-8888

1st and 3rd Sunday 5:30—8:00pm

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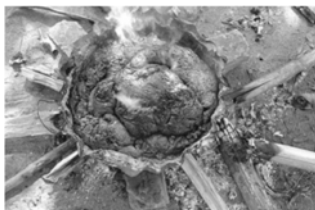
Parent Meeting

**Jan. 14—Confirmation (8th & 9th grade)
meeting 9:45am in the parish hall**



**Bring in last year's Palms and place
them in the baskets in the foyers.**

**A Palm Burning
Ceremony will take
place Feb. 11 after
8:30 Mass.**



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Religious Education

Jan. 7—RE 9:45—11:00

First Reconciliation parent meeting

Youth Mass 11:15

Sr. Youth 5:30—8:00

Jan. 14—RE 9:45—11:00

Confirmation parent meeting

Jan. 21—RE 9:45—11:00

Sr. Youth 5:30—8:00

Holy Hour 7:00

Jan. 28—RE 9:45—11:00

Jan. 29—First Reconciliation 6:00pm

Feb. 4—RE 9:45—11:00

Youth Mass 11:15

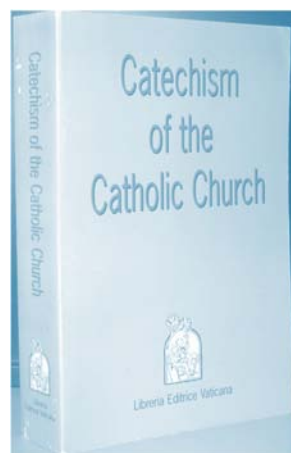
Sr. Youth 5:30—8:00

Adult Education

9:45 in the parish hall

**Jan. 21—Learn more about the
Catholic faith with Deacon Lee**

**Bring your book “Handbook for Today’s
Catholic” and Catechism**





Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: *The Epiphany of the Lord;
National Migration Week;
Julian Calendar Christmas*

Monday: *The Baptism of the Lord*

Tuesday: *First Week in Ordinary Time
begins*

Saturday: *St. Hilary;
Blessed Virgin Mary*



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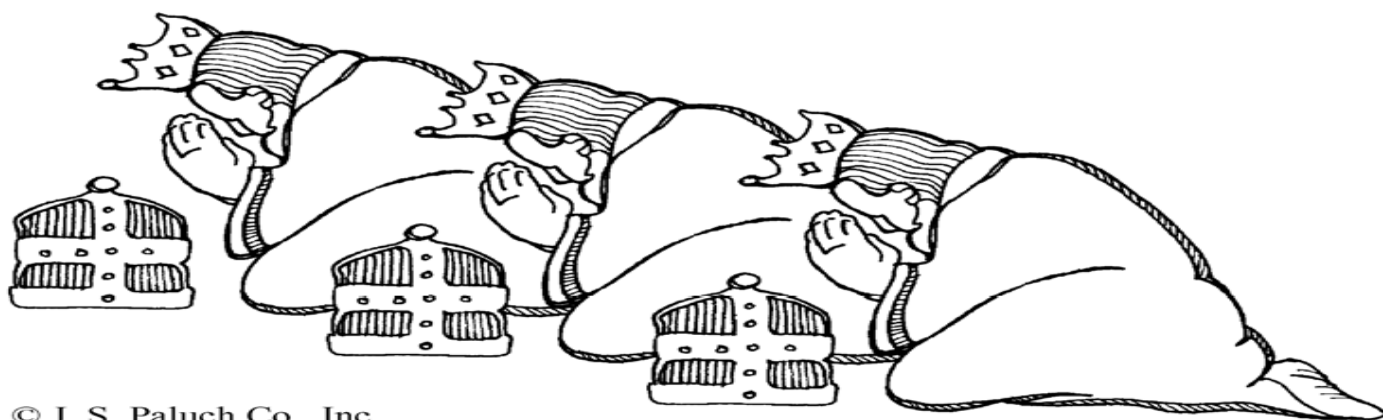
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