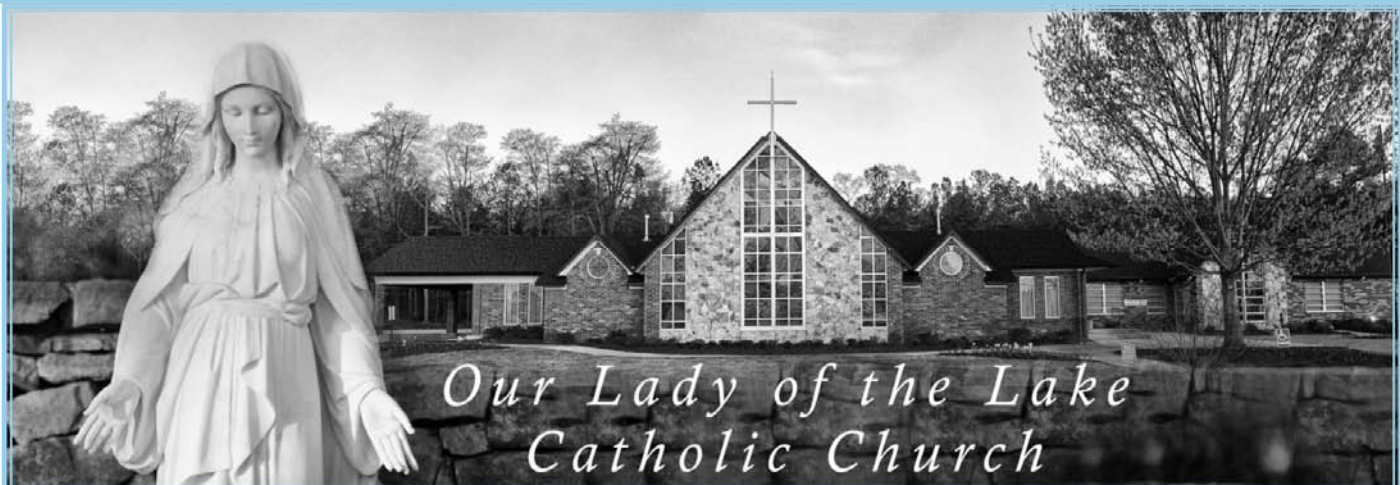




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MASSES

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 13, 2018

Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, January 14, 2018

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 14, 2018

*Your body is a temple of the
Holy Spirit within you.*

— 1 Corinthians 6:19a



Mass Intentions

January 15 – January 21



Monday: Andrew Smith by Parma & Paul Boyle †
Tuesday: Yogi Caterinichia by the Crapet Family †
Wed.: Dcn. Sam & Carolyn Amzalone by the Rumores
Thursday: Jeanie Reid by Susan Moseley
Friday: Frances Humphrey by Jennie Haynes
Saturday: Joe Stanley by Parma & Paul Boyle †
Sunday: Adelaide Burger by Parma & Paul Boyle †

****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. 15—Jan. 21, 2018

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

Today's Readings



First Reading — Speak, for your servant is listening. (1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19)

Psalm — Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will. (Psalm 40)

Second Reading — Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you? (1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20)

Gospel — Andrew found his brother Simon and brought him to Jesus. (John 1:35-42)

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Pastor's Message

An important question! In today's Gospel Reading (John 1:35-42), John the Baptist proclaims that Jesus is the Lamb of God, the one who takes away our sins, the Promised One of God.

When two disciples run up to Jesus, he asks them, "What are you looking for?". This is a critical question for each of us. What are we looking for in life? What is our greatest hunger, our deepest need? What is most important to me at this time? To grow spiritually, to find deeper commitment, to make a difference to others. As the young Samuel answered in the First Reading, we too might say: "Speak Lord, for your servant is listening".

The following reflection on life appeared recently in the magazine, *Give Us This Day* by Sister Melanie Svoboda: "Life is a miracle. The fact that it even exists is a miracle".

Scientists say the chances of life, as we know it, ever occurring were highly improbable. Why? Because conditions had to be perfect for life to "happen". Take the location of our planet. Earth resides in what scientists call the "Goldilocks Zone". Earth's distance from the sun means it is neither too hot nor too cold to support liquid water, a key ingredient of life. Thus, earth's location is "just right".

Earth's orbit is also "just right". It is circular and not elliptical, thus avoiding extreme variations in temperature that would have prevented life from occurring. Earth's size facilitates life too. Its gravity is "just right" to retain an atmosphere essential to life. That all these variables—location, orbit, size, atmosphere are "just right" is indeed a miracle.

There are more miracles too. Take diversity. Earth is home to 100 million unique species of living things. Amoebas, daisies, ladybugs, salmon, wheat, oak trees, chickadees, blue herons, turtles, otters, dogs, cats, polar bears, elephants and whales. There seems to be no limit to God's imagination.

And what about human life? More miracles abound: our brains have 100 billion neurons that direct our ability to walk, talk, wonder, work and learn. We are also capable of loving—not only our own family and clan but also strangers, people far away, and generations yet to be born.

Another miracle: the Incarnation. Jesus the author of life became human, walking our roads, drinking our water, gazing up at our stars. Jesus taught us that life is a precious gift to be nourished and shared. Thus, babies must be welcomed, and children must be cherished and educated.

Yes, life is a miracle, a precious gift pouring forth from our Creator's love. And we give thanks for this miracle by reverencing life in all its splendor and beauty.

Peace and Blessings,
Fr. Sexton

January 14~ January 21, 2018

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

Monday-January 15

Mass 9:00 am

*Legion of Mary

Tuesday-January 16

Mass 9:00 am

*RCIA 7:00 pm

Wednesday-January 17

Mass 7:00 pm

*Surfsiders 10:00 am

*Parish Council after Mass

Thursday-January 18

Mass 9:00 am

Friday-January 19

Mass 9:00 am

Saturday-January 20

Mass 9:00 am

*Reconciliation 3:30-5:00 pm

*Baby Bottle Drive for Ann's New Life

Sunday-January 21

Mass 8:30 am & 11:15 am

*RE 9:45 am

*Adult Ed with Deacon Lee 9:45 am

*Baby Bottle Drive for Ann's New Life

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

*Holy Hour 7:00 pm

Weekly Offertory

July 2017 — June 2018

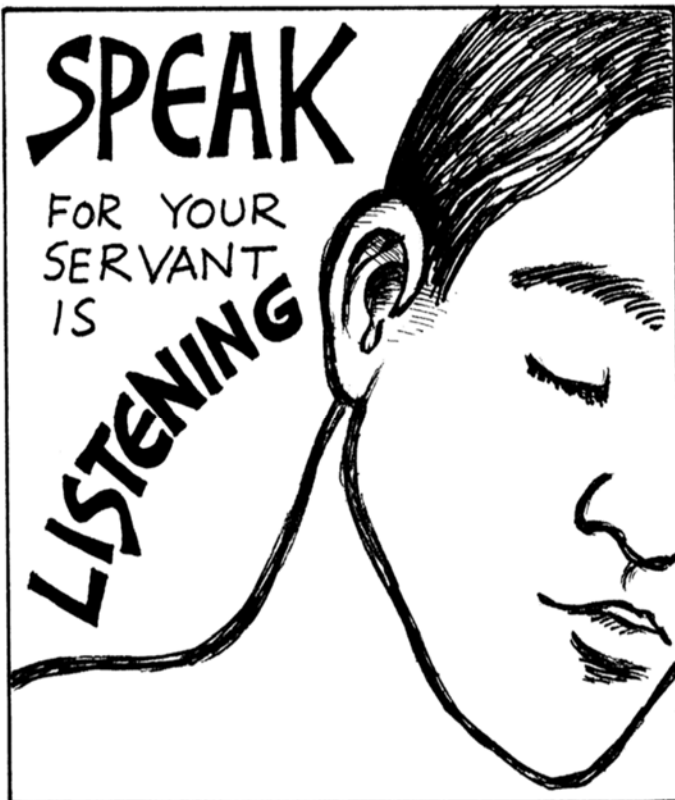
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Year to Date	\$177,570.29	\$159,656.00

*Please note the actual total includes Seminarian Fund, Building Fund & Special Collections which are not part of the general operating budget.

Please Note:

Cold & flu season is upon us once again. If you have any symptoms or have been recently exposed, please refrain from the cup.

Thank you & God



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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.

Goal -100 cans/week.

Total cans last week – 50 cans

The 2018 Offertory envelopes are ready for pickup in the North Foyer.

If you do not see your box, please contact Kathy in the Church Office: 205-525-5161.



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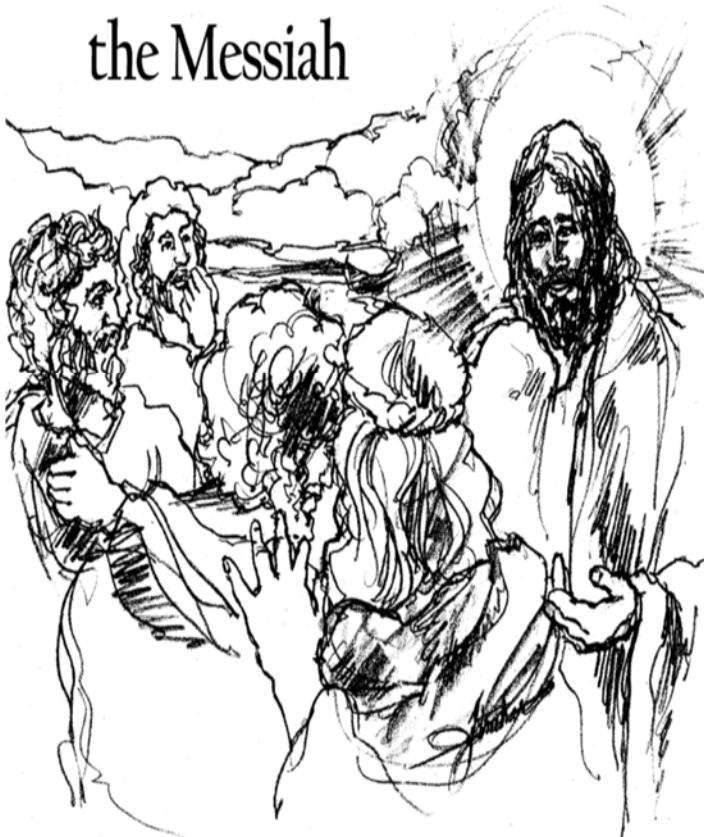
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Assignments—Jan. 17 ~ Jan. 21

WEDNESDAY MASS

1/17/2018

7:00 PM

Altar Servers *
Lectors Sarah Brazzolotto

SATURDAY MASS

1/20/2018

5:00 PM

Altar Servers Bernie Funderburg, Cory Funderburg
Greeters Kathy Shivers, Karen Hand
Lectors Marguerite Gorman, Sara Reese
Ministers Deacon, Jim Dale, Sonia Dale
Ushers Bob Hand, Karen Hand, Jerry Kern, Brenda Kern

SUNDAY MASS

1/21/2018

8:30 AM

Altar Servers Natalie Newcomb, Bailey Nail, Jacob Wiley
Greeters Crapet/Landman/Freeman
Lectors Bart Perry, Gail Perry
Ministers Deacon, Janice Stella, Brenda Rochford, Ruth Stanley, Anna Emerick
Ushers Michael Gagliano, Dennis Veigl, Jim Gorman, Tommie Ann Johnson

11:15 PM

Altar Servers James Lewis, Destiny Markevich, Jhon Paul Rogers
Greeters Sonya Lewis, Lydia Jimenez
Lectors Robert Lewis, Chere Lowery
Ministers Deacon, Sawyer Stice, Maria Jimenez, Martha Hayes, Lee Walser
Ushers Don Frederick, Chris Gallegly, Brian Young, John Smith



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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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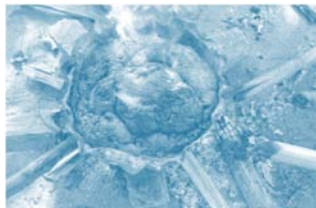
Parent Meeting

**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. 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

Feb. 11—Burning of Palms after 8:30 Mass

Feb. 18—No RE

Rite of Sending 11:15 Mass

Sr. Youth 5:30—8:00

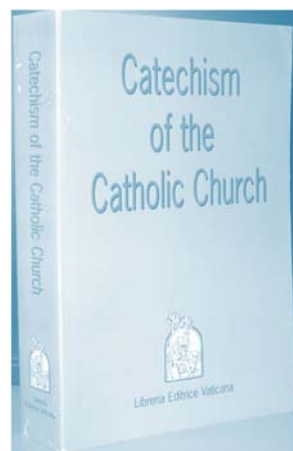
Holy Hour 7:00

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:	<i>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
Monday:	<i>Martin Luther King, Jr., Day</i>
Wednesday:	<i>St. Anthony</i>
Thursday:	<i>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins</i>
Friday:	<i>Julian Calendar</i>
Saturday:	<i>Theophany (Epiphany) St. Fabian; St. Sebastian</i>



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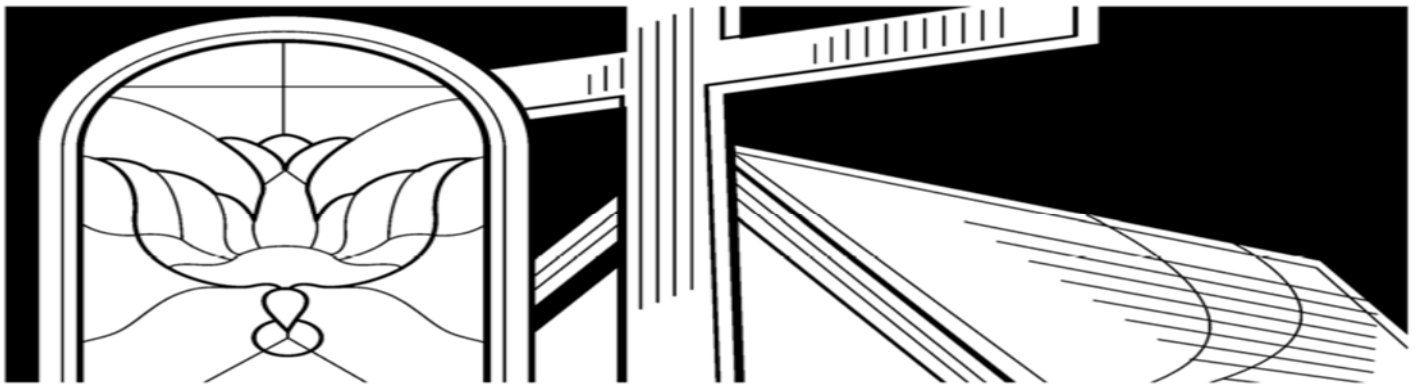
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