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Director of Religious Education Kelly Cardenas

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 a.m. Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday—Thursday 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:50 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 Mass.

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. Second Wednesday of every month— 7:30 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, December 19, 2020 Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, December 20, 2020

Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am

Fourth Sunday of Advent December 20, 2020



The child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. —Luke 1:35



Dec 21 - Dec 27

Monday: Bill Estock by the Brazzolottos †

Tuesday: Tom Lucas by Lee & Cheryl Robinson †
Wednesday: Fr Bill Lucas by Lee & Cheryl Robinson
Thursday: Theresa Mary Wolff by Tabor Wolff †
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Saturday: Malvina Cueria & Ethel Nunez †

by Susan Moseley

Sunday: For the People

Tom Lucas by Bob & Karen Hand †

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Paul Boyle, Jacky Johnson, Peggy Gessler, Gail Layton, Diana Markevich, Dorothy DiMattia, Walton Smith, Juanita Crowson, Kelly Dale, Toni James, Bob Walsh, Sarah Svetlay, Charles & Libby Lafleur, Fred Brown, Jan Bowman, Silvia Moten, Wayne Adams, Herb Kuntz, Bill Frost, Audrey Springer, Patsy de Victoria, Christine Jaks, Jeanie Read, Ron Markevich, Joe Svetlay

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 please email Sharon Stice at sharonstice46@gmail.com or call 205-613-1053.

Weekly Readings ~ Dec 21—Dec 27

Monday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-

8a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-

21; Lk 1:39-45

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-

8abcd; Lk 1:46-56

Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4

-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-

66

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a,

16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk

1:67-79

Friday: Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-

3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14 <u>Day</u>: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn

1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

Saturday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps

31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc,

17; Mt 10:17-22

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-

6; 21:1-3; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or Hb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 [22,39-40]

Today's Readings



First Reading — I will fix a place for my people (2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16).

Psalm — For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 89).

Second Reading — To the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, be glory forever and ever (Romans 16:25-27).

Gospel — Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word. (Luke 1:26-38)

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Meditation from Pope Francis

(This meditation was originally delivered on March 27, 2020. It is a message of hope that applies equally well today.)

Lord, you are calling us, calling us to faith. Which is not so much believing that you exist but coming to you and trusting in you. You are calling us to seize this time of trial as a time of choosing. It is not the time of your judgment but of our judgment: a time to choose what matters and what passes away, a time to separate what is necessary from what is not. It is a time to get our lives back on track with regard to you, Lord, and to others.

We can look to so many exemplary companions for the journey, who, even though fearful, have reacted by giving their lives. This is the force of the Spirit poured out and fashioned in courageous and generous self-denial. It is the life of the Spirit that can redeem, value and demonstrate how our lives are woven together and sustained by ordinary people- often forgotten people -who do not appear in newspaper and magazine headlines nor on the grand catwalks of the latest show but who without any doubt are in these very days writing the decisive events of our time: doctors, nurses, supermarket employees, cleaners, caregivers, providers of transport, law and order forces, volunteers, priests, religious men and women, and so many others who have understood that no one reaches salvation by themselves.

In the face of so much suffering, where authentic development of our people is assessed, we experience the priestly prayer of Jesus: "That they may all be one" (John 17, 21) How many people every day are exercising patience and offering hope, taking care to sow not panic but a shared responsibility. How many fathers, mothers, grandparents and teachers are showing our children in small everyday gestures how to face up to and navigate a crisis by adjusting their routines, lifting their gaze and fostering prayer. Prayer and quiet service: These are our victorious weapons.

Because this is God's strength: turning to the good everything that happens to us, even the bad things.

Offertory Collection

July 2020 — June 2021

Actual Needed

Last Week No report for December 13

Year to \$137,841 \$127,834 Date

PARISH COUNCIL

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Council meetings are open to all parishioners, and are typically on the third Wed. of the month after Mass.

Building Fund Collection

July 2020 — June 2021

Actual Needed

Last Week No report for December 13

Year to \$20,574 \$15,594

Date

In order for your Contributions to the parish to be included for 2020 year, please have them to the church office by Wednesday, December 30, 2020.

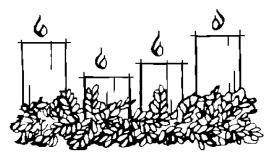
Any contribution made after December 15, 2020, will be considered 2021 contributions.

Offertory Envelopes



The 2021 Offertory Envelopes are in the parish hall and ready to be picked up.

If you don't see your name, please sign the sheet and we'll make sure you receive envelopes. Please contact the church office if you have questions at 205-525-5161



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CONFESSION SCHEDULE FOR ADVENT

Sun., Dec. 20th: 9:45-11:00 am (between Masses) Sun., Dec. 20th: 7:00-7:45 pm (during Adoration)

Wed., Dec. 23rd: 5:30-6:30 pm



You may also schedule an appointment at 205- 525-5161.



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Assignments—Dec 23~ Dec 27

WEDNESDAY MASS 12/23/2020 7:00 PM

Lector: Bernie Funderburg

Ministers: Deacon

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS 12/24/2020 3:00 PM

Greeters: Parma Boyle, Loretta Frost

Lector: Jorge Solis **Ministers:** Deacon

Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Grant Stice,

Dennis Veigl, John Cardenas

12/24/2020 5:00 PM

Greeters: Phillip & Bit Thomaston **Lector:** Gannon Osborne

Ministers: Deacon

Ushers: Bart Perry, Bit & Phillip Thomaston,

Tommie Ann Johnson

12/24/2020 8:30 PM

Greeters: Shelly Hamman, Alex Allor

Lector: Karen Reese Ministers: Deacon

Ushers: Chris Gallegly, Tom Graffo,

Laura Headley, Andy Payant

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS 12/25/2020 5:00 PM

Greeters: Bill Bethel, Janice Stella

Lector: Joe Hoffert
Ministers: Deacon

Ushers: Mark McRae, Clayton Martin,

Bob Nicholas, Robert Paulitzky

SATURDAY MASS 12/26/2020 5:00 PM

Greeters: Jan Spencer, Pat Sobolowski

Lector: Sonia Dale **Ministers:** Deacon

Ushers: Bob Nicholas, Tommie Ann Johnson

SUNDAY MASS 12/27/2020 8:30 AM

Greeters: A&W Struzik, Shirley Skeivelas

Lectors: Gail Perry
Ministers: Deacon

Ushers: Matt Allor, Dennis Veigl, Bill Bethel,

John Cardenas

12/27/2020 11:15 AM

Greeters: John Himmler, Maria Jimenez

Lectors: Larry Foltz **Ministers:** Deacon

Ushers: Chris Gallegly, John Bluhm,

Jerrold Bluhm, Lexie Smith



FOURTH SUNDAY OF Advent

For faith formation at home try...

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December 20—RE @ 9:45

Adult Education: *The Chosen* episode 6, after the 8:30 Mass in the parish hall.

Youth Group Christmas Party (5th – 12th grade) 5:30pm—7pm

December 21—Encore presentation of *The Chosen* episode 6, at 7pm

December 24 – Christmas Eve Vigil Mass: 3pm, 5pm, & 8:30pm (Carols begin 30 minutes before each Mass)

December

25—

Christmas

Day Mass at

9am

December 27

-No RE



CHRISTMAS PARTY!

Grades 5th -12th <u>Bring one</u>
<u>unlabeled, wrapped present (under</u>
\$5) & join us for some socially
<u>distanced holiday food and fun!</u>

Sunday, December 20th, 5:30pm until *7pm

*Families are invited to attend Holy Hour immediately following the Youth meeting. (Follow Us on Facebook and Instagram!)



The Christmas Giving Tree

The Social Concerns Committee thanks you for making Christmas special for so many children in our community!

May the coming of the Christ Child fill your hearts with joy!

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION Mary, Mother of God

Mary, Mother of God



Thursday, December 31st 5:00pm **Vigil Mass** Friday, January 1st 9:00am Mass

Calendar for Dec 20~ Dec 27, 2020

Sunday - December 20 **Fourth Sunday of Advent**

Mass-8:30 and 11:15 am RE- 9:45-11:00 am Adult Education-9:45 am in Parish Hall Reconciliation - 9:45 -11:00 am Youth Group Christmas Party- 5:30 pm Holy Hour- 7:00 pm Reconciliation-7:00-7:45 pm

Monday- December 21

Mass 9:00 am Adult Education 7:00 pm in Parish Hall

Tuesday- December 22

Mass 9:00 am

Wednesday-December 23

Parish Office Closed Reconciliation 5:30-6:30 pm Mass 7:00 pm

Thursday- December 24 Christmas Eve

Parish Office Closed

Masses: 3:00 pm, 5:00 pm & 8:30 pm

Friday- December 25 Christmas Day

Mass 9:00 am

Saturday – December 26

Reconciliation 4:00-4:50 pm Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday- December 27 Mass 8:30 and 11:15 am No RE

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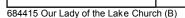
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