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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. - 4:45 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.-10:30 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, November 19, 2022
Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, November 20, 2022
Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
November 20, 2022

*I rejoiced because they said to me, "We will go
up to the house of the LORD."*

—Psalm 122:1



November 21 - November 27

- Monday:** Pete & Marie Battaglia by Parma Boyle †
- Tuesday:** Frank Bollmann by the Zielinskis †
- Wednesday:** Lance Stella by Jerry & Brenda Kern †
- Thursday:** Paul Boyle Sr. by Diane & Trudie Naso †
- Friday:** Teresa Ross by Walton Smith
- Saturday:** Patti Benson by Jerry & Brenda Kern †
- Sunday:** For the People
Andy & Trudi McClay by Bob & Karen Hand †

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Ron & Diana Markevich, Walton Smith,
Juanita Crowson, Toni James, Bob Walsh,
Sarah Svetlay, Fred Brown, Sylvia Moten,
Wayne Adams, Herb & Sherry Kuntz, Bill &
Loretta Frost, David & Audrey Springer,
Christine Jaks, Jeanie Reid, Ruth Stanley,
Jackie Thoma, Janice Stella, Frank Troncalli,
Angela Ledlow, Michael Brayman, Shannon
Ray, Lee Walser, Geri Bunt, Jay Benson, Charles
& Libby LaFleur, Marcia Mortek, Benny
Goodman, Margaret Banks, Jose Riveria, Helen
Turner, George Sobolowski, Teresa Reeser,
Nancy Ross, Jimmy Hollis, William Conner
Stone, Gisela Scruggs, Bit Thomaston, Marti
Baird

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 November 21—November 27

- Monday:** Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4
- Tuesday:** Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11
- Wednesday:** Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3ab, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19
- Thursday:** Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 21:20-28
- Friday:** Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a; Lk 21:29-33
- Saturday:** Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36
- Sunday:** Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

Today's Readings



First Reading — David is anointed king of Israel (2 Samuel 5:1-3).

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

Second Reading — The Father delivered us to the kingdom of his beloved Son (Colossians 1:12-20).

Gospel — The repentant criminal receives Jesus' promise of Paradise (Luke 23:35-43).

THANKSGIVING

The Fourth Thursday in November is Thanksgiving Day in the United States. There were days of Thanksgiving decreed by the President and Congress at various times in our history. Maybe this is because giving thanks builds morale. It makes us look at the good instead of the bad. The current tradition of observing Thanksgiving on the fourth Thursday of November began in 1941.

When we give thanks, we acknowledge that we received something good that we didn't deserve. If we receive something bad that we didn't deserve, we are more likely to be defensive than grateful. If we believe we deserve the good we experience, there is no reason to be grateful.

Thanksgiving is the opposite of pride. In pride, we put ourselves at the center of our universe. In thanksgiving, we put God at the center. The more we put ourselves at the center of our concerns, the less grateful we become.

The Greek word for thanksgiving is *eucharistein*. What we in the Church call our worship means, "to give thanks." In the Mass we acknowledge that we received something good that we didn't deserve- mercy. As St. Paul writes, "God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us." (Romans 5, 8) God showers His mercy on us because we need it, not because we deserve it.

Usually, we give thanks for events in the past or the present. Christians are different because we give thanks for the future as well. We thank God for salvation, which is in process and won't be completed until the end of time. It takes faith in God to be grateful for the future.

There is a saying, "Seeing is believing." For the Christian, believing is seeing and when we believe it, we will see it. Faith in God leads to thanksgiving and when we believe in God's love, we will recognize it in our world in the past, the present, and the future.

HOMEBOUND AND HOSPITALIZED

If you are unable to get to Mass and would like to receive communion or have a visit from a priest or deacon, please call the parish office and let us know.

The phone number is 205-525-5161.

Also, Deacon Serge's number is 205-753-3230; Deacon Lee's number is 205-936-9330; Deacon Terry's number is 205-253-9223.



Our Lady of the Lake Christmas Dinner

Celebrations
Sunday, December 4, 2022
4:00-6:00 pm

Please join us as we celebrate the birth of Christ as a parish family. Our special friend from the North Pole will also join us.

Bring a side dish. Meat and drinks will be provided.



Advent Wreath Candle Lighters

First Sunday of Advent

Saturday, November 26, 2022

5:00 pm Mass—Jerry & Brenda Kern

Sunday, November 27, 2022

8:30 am Mass— The Cardenas Family

11:15 am Mass— The Sorci Family

Offertory Collection

July 2022 — June 2023

	Actual	Needed weekly
November 13 Offertory	\$7,493	\$6,774
Year to Date	\$135,640	\$135,480

**Advent devotional booklets,
The Word Among Us, are
located in each foyer, please
pick up one per family.**

**The 2023 Calendars are here! Please
take one located in each foyer
of the church.**



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

Christmas Giving Trees

The Christmas Giving Trees are up and filled with tags in both foyers. We will be helping 20 families. As you know the need is especially great again this year. Please be as generous as you can.



This is how you can help:

- Take a tag or two from the trees
- Buy the gift listed on the tag
- Return the unwrapped gift with the tag attached to the gift and place it back under one of the trees.

**ALL GIFTS MUST BE RETURNED NO LATER THAN
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4TH.**

Gifts will be distributed to the families on Sunday, December 11th. Except for bicycles, no request should cost more than \$35. For those on a smaller budget, there are \$10 donation tags on the tree. Of course, larger donations are always appreciated.

PLEASE, IF YOU TAKE A TAG, RETURN THE GIFT TO THE TREES.

Someone is counting on you. Also note that your gift is one of several on the tree for each child.

If you have any questions please call Brenda Rochford, 423-242-5029 or Sharon Stice, 205-613-1053.

The Social Concerns Committee would like to thank you in advance for making Christmas special for so many.

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

Bishop Robert Barron's

"THE CREED"

The keys that unlock the beliefs of the Christian Faith are stated in the Nicene Creed, which we pray at every Sunday Mass. This formal statement of Faith is the foundation of Christianity, and to this day, most Christians around the world would subscribe to it.

Please join us as we explore the Creed with Bishop Robert Barron in a new Study .

Presentations will be on Sunday between the Masses and again on Monday night at 7:00 pm

November 6-7 - Episode. 1 – I believe....

November 20-21 – Episode. 2 - God, the Father Almighty...

November 27-28 - Episode. 3 – Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son...

December 4-5 - Episode. 4 – He suffered Death...

December 11-12 - Episode. 5 – Holy Spirit, the Giver of Life...

December 18-19 - Episode. 6 – One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church....



The Christian Love Pantry

The Christian Love Pantry is helping the poor in the St. Clair County area. To assist them we are collecting canned soup at the church. You can leave donations in either vestibule.

There is also a box for cash donations in each vestibule. If you prefer, you may drop your donation at the parish office during normal office hours.

Goal –400 cans/month

Cans donated to date in November– 163 cans

Please consider donating \$1 per week

Assignments

November 23, 2022 - November 27, 2022

WEDNESDAY MASS

11/23/2022 7:00 PM

Lector: Sarah Brazzolotto

Ministers: Deacon

SATURDAY MASS

11/26/2022 5:00 PM

Greeters: Allen Ross, Dawn Adamson

Lector: Sonia Dale

Ministers: Parma Boyle, Susan Moseley

Altar Servers: Bernie & Corey Funderburg

Ushers: Bob Nicholas, Jay Benson

SUNDAY MASS

11/26/2022 8:30 AM

Greeters: Alexis Allor, F&S Poteracki

Lectors: Bart Perry, Gail Perry

Ministers: Brenda Rochford, Jorge Solis

Altar Servers: Stephen Reese, Jeff Reach

Ushers: Michael Gagliano, Bart Perry
Dennis Veigl, Robert Paulitzky

11/27/2022 11:15 AM

Greeters: Shirley Skeivelas,

P Cowart & Patsy Lopez

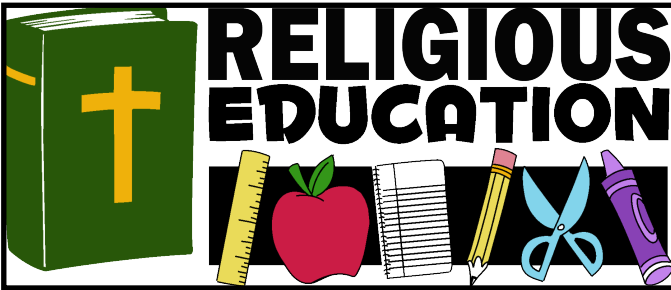
Lectors: Gloria Raynor, Larry Foltz

Ministers: Chris Gallegly, Lexie Smith

Altar Servers: Jhon Paul & Natalie Rodgers

Ushers: Chris Gallegly, Lexie Smith,
Jerold Bluhm, Emily Bluhm

If you are unable to keep your assignment, please find a substitute. Arrive 15 minutes ahead of Mass and sign in at the back of the church.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Christ the King

Today is the feast of Christ the King. When Jesus was on earth, many of His followers thought that He was going to be a normal sort of king, with a kingdom and soldiers and everything. Is that what Jesus did?

Before He died, Jesus said that His kingdom was not in this world. Do you know where Jesus' kingdom is?

Did you know that the Kingdom of Heaven is not just in Heaven? It's in the soul of every person who follows Jesus. Do you try to be like Jesus? Is He your king?

Here is a little prayer you can say to Jesus any time you think of Him, maybe every time you see a picture of Him: *Jesus, you are my King and my God and I love you. Help me to be your good servant!*

Make sure you do something special today to celebrate the feast of Christ the King!

Source: The Kids' Bulletin

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FAITH AT HOME

Parish Code: **JRQNH8**

Looking Ahead:

November 20th - NO R.E.

Thanksgiving Break. | Christ the King

November 23rd - NO Youth Group

November 27th - R.E. 945am-11am.

Student Confessions (3rd & 4th grade)

November 30th - Youth Group!

5:30pm.

December 4th - RE 9:45am-11am.

Student Confessions (5th,6th,7th)

Parish Christmas Dinner @

Celebrations. 4-6PM.



“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.”

- Mark 12:30



Save The Date
**For National Wreaths
 Across America Day!**
December 17, 2022




Contact John Bryant for additional details.
 japb@mindspring.com / 205-541-1604



All is calm.

**Hope. Love. Joy.
 Peace.**

These are the gifts of the Advent season. The gifts you help share here in our community, throughout the year, with your thoughtful stewardship.

Advent is a meaningful time to reflect on your generosity. One special way to give is eGiving. It can simplify your stewardship and provide steady, consistent support to the parish – so we can be ready with programs, services, and ministries for church families and those in our community. Your recurring gifts will sustain our parish, even if you are not at OLL for Sunday Mass.

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Sunday– November 20
 Mass-8:30 & 11:15 am
 Adult Ed-The Creed– 9:45 am
 Holy Hour– 7:00 pm



Monday– November 21
 Mass 9:00 am
 Adult Education-The Creed-7:00 pm

Tuesday– November 22
 Mass 9:00 am
 Bible Study Group-9:45 am

Wednesday–November 23
 Parish Office Closed
 Mass 7:00 pm

Thursday– November 24– Thanksgiving Day
 Mass 9:00 am

Friday– November 25
 Mass 9:00 am

Saturday– November 26
 Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm
 Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday– November 27– 1st Sunday Advent
 Mass-8:30 & 11:15 am
 RE– 9:45 am
 3rd & 4th Grade Confessions
 Adult Ed-The Creed– 9:45 am

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