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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon	Dec 16	Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a, Mt 21:23-27
Tues	Dec 17	Gn 49:2, 8-10, Mt 1:1-17
Wed	Dec 18	Jer 23:5-8, Mt 1:18-25
Thu	Dec 19	Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a, Lk 1:5-25
Fri	Dec 20	Is 7:10-14, Lk 1:26-38
Sat	Dec 21	Sg 2:8-14, Zep 3:14-18a, Lk 1:39-45
Sun	Dec 22	Is 7:10-14, Rom 1:1-7, Mt 1:18-24

A PARISH IS JUST A BIG, BIG FAMILY

A parish community is just a big, big family. Just like your family at home, a parish is loaded with all kinds of characters...all of whom we most definitely love. After all, we're family. And just like your family at home, the cost of living increases. Uncontrollable things like insurance, taxes, health care, and utilities go up. As we approach the new year, would you consider increasing your regular Sunday donation to our larger parish family?

CCD

There will be no CCD classes on Dec. 18, 25, and Jan. 1. CCD classes, for K-5th grades, are held in the Sacred Heart Center, behind the Cathedral, on Wednesday evenings, from 5:30-6:30 pm. If you need to register your child, please come any Wednesday during class time. If you need additional information or have any questions please call, text or email Barbara Ziz, 228-918-9778, barbaraziz19@gmail.com.

RCIA

Please continue to pray for our Catechumens, Candidates and their Sponsors during this Christmas Season. If you would like further information, please contact Greg or Penny Payne 228-365-6348.

COMMUNION VISITATION



Jesus says of you and me, "You are the salt of the earth". No one should be deprived of the Most Holy Eucharist because they are homebound, elderly, have no means of getting to Mass and/or sick in their home. Sister Jackie Tarrant, RSM will gladly bring the Eucharist to you in your home. Together we can be "salt of the earth". Sister can be reached at the rectory at 228-374-1717.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED FOR SUNDAY LIVESTREAMING

We need a volunteer to occasionally assist in running the live streaming from the Cathedral Church for Sunday Masses. We have one volunteer; however, we need an additional one as well. Most of the time, the live streaming will occur at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. However, there may be occasional weekends when it takes place at other Cathedral Sunday/Vigil Masses. A simple understanding of operating a windows-based laptop computer is needed. It requires a generalized understanding of the parts of the Mass. A tutorial will be given to the volunteer. If interested, please call Fr. Dennis at the rectory at 228-374-1717.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

Mark your calendars for the annual Cathedral Penance Service scheduled for Thursday, December 19th at 6:00 p.m. in the cathedral church. Several assisting priests from our neighboring parishes will be present to assist.

Holy Land Gifts - Olive Wood Carvings

Holy Land Gifts, represented by the Rashmawi family who are volunteer members from the Roman Catholic Church in Bethlehem, the Holy Land, will be visiting our parish the weekend of Dec. 21/22 and selling their religious olive wood Gifts.

MUSIC FOR THIS WEEKEND

ENTRANCE HYMN	# 38
OFFERTORY	# 82
COMMUNION	#612
SENDING	# 38



YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Regular Collections	\$	18,440.76
Maintenance	\$	599.00
Nativity Elem.	\$	810.00
Capital Improvement	\$	215.00
Christmas Flowers	\$	267.00
Miscellaneous	\$	476.00
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$	20,807.76

Thank you for your generous contributions!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Dec 17** Men of St. Joseph 7:00 a.m. SHC
RCIA, 6:00 p.m. in SHC
Bingo Mania, 5:30 p.m. Bingo Hall
- Dec 18** **Cleaning Team "B"**
- Dec 19** Advent Penance Service, 6:00 p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

Have you ever thought of assisting our cathedral parish by becoming an Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister? It is both a joy and an honor in this much needed assistance during our weekly celebration of the Sunday Eucharist. Doing this small act of kindness literally brings Jesus Christ into the lives of many hundreds of people. Please consider becoming an Intentional Disciple of Jesus by helping our parish. Please email or call Fr. Dennis at dcarver@biloxidiocese.org or (228) 374-1717.

NATIVITY BVM SCHOOL NEWS!

We have two Christmas performances that you won't want to miss! On December 16th our choir will have a Christmas concert at 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. in our school gym. Our school-wide Christmas program is on December 19th also at 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. in the gym. We invite you to celebrate this Christmas season with our Nativity Saints!

BE A CALLER!!!

Over the past few years our Bingo Mania has yielded well over \$90,000.00. 100% of these funds are designated to benefit our Nativity BVM Elementary School. Would you consider volunteering as a Bingo Caller once a month? It's fun! All it entails is about 3 hours once a month on a Tuesday evening. Would you help us help our school?

NATIVITY CATHEDRAL'S CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

- Christmas Eve, 4:00 p.m., Cathedral
- Christmas Eve, 4:00 p.m., Chapel
- Christmas Eve, 7:00 p.m., Cathedral
- Christmas Eve, 11:00 p.m., Cathedral
- Christmas Day, 10:00 a.m., Cathedral

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS
Dec 21 4:00 pm 1. Maggie Landry 2. Dale Dorcik 3. Sondra Ahern 4. Andrea Gilich 5. Gayle Mavar	Dec 21 4:00 pm Elizabeth Becker	Dec 21 4:00 pm Veronika Landry Julia Landry
Dec 22 7:00 am 1. Joan Strayham 2. Colleen Kavanagh 3. Danny Kavanagh	Dec 22 7:00 am Jim Shugart	Nov 22 7:00 am Alec Ryan
9:00 am 1. Vicki Howard 2. Linda Bourgeois 3. Belinda Corley 4. Sharon Tash 5. Judy Trahan	9:00 am Michael Kessler	9:00 am Terrence McDonnell Cameron McDonnell Sabree Puz
11:00 am 1. John Sherman 2. Marianne Sherman 3. Edith Richardson 4. Sarah Barhonovich 5. Rhonda Clark	11:00 am Peter Abide	11:00 am Brady Barhonovich Victoria Barhonovich Simon Randall
5:30 pm 1. Tricia Creel 2. Roland Creel	5:30 pm Mary Townsend	5:30 pm Sydni Wills
CHRISTMAS EVE	CHRISTMAS EVE	CHRISTMAS EVE
CATHEDRAL 4:00 pm	CATHEDRAL 4:00 pm Mary Townsend	CATHEDRAL 4:00 pm Sam Burke Brady Barhonovich Victoria Barhonovich
1 John Sherman 2 Marianne Sherman 3 Sarah Barhonovich 4 Kalin Lloyd 5 Susan Toche	CHAPEL 4:00 pm Joe Powell	CHAPEL 4:00 pm Jacob Arguelles Nicholas Arguelles
CHAPEL 4:00 pm	7:00 pm Jim Compton	7:00 pm Aiden Tarrant Brennan Tarrant Annabelle Tarrant Bailey Joy Tarrant
1 Vicki Howard 2 Nancy Powell 3 Kristy Arguelles	11:00 pm Don Marie	11:00 pm Seminarians
7:00 pm 1 Maggie Landry 2 Jim Compton 3 Sharon Tash 4 Helen Languirand	CHRISTMAS DAY 10:00 am Rhonda Clark	CHRISTMAS DAY 10:00 am Chaz Byers Izabell Byers
11:00 pm 1 Danny Kavanagh 2 Colleen Kavanagh	CHRISTMAS EVE 11:00 am Elizabeth Cobb Cathedral Choir	
CHRISTMAS DAY 10:00 am	CHRISTMAS EVE 4:00 pm Children's Choir	
1 Robert Moniot 2 John Brauchle 3 Linda Bourgeois 4 Judy Trahan 5 Rhonda Clark	7:00 pm Becky and Terry Maddox	
	11:00 pm Elizabeth Cobb Cathedral Choir	
	CHRISTMAS DAY 10:00 am Terry Maddox	

6:30 AM	8:00 AM
Mon Dec 16 Walker/Irene C. Tucei	Collins/Sims Fly.
Tue Dec 17 Ngat Tran	Stanley Dellenger
Wed Dec 18 Vicki Gollotte Cobb	John L. Krohn
Thur Dec 19 Bishop Roger Morin	Vicki Gollotte Cobb
Fri Dec 20 Chester Balias Fly.	Glenn/Joyce Pesarich
Sat Dec 21 8 Fr. Janko Segaric	4 Josephine Esposito Allen
Sun Dec 22 7 Vicki Gollotte Cobb	9 F.T.P
11:00 -Jerrod Kostmayer	5:30 Collins/Sims Fly.

PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS
Harry Kostmayer, Sr., Nolan Broussard, Sr., Peter Skrmetta, Kay Semski, Kevin Kavanagh, Carolyn Urbanoto, Heather Boudreaux, Phil Beining, Mable Viator, Buck O'Gea, Nick Pass, Sue and Gene Daudelin, Lesa Walker-Kirkman, Rose Collins, Jerry Ellis, Lehmon Skrmetti, Annette Luther, Macklyn Holloway, Mary Wimberly, Candy Widener, Tiffany Whitehead, Holly Hill, Georgia Bellais Dominick, Mickey Bradley, Gwen Gollott, Greg Hotaling, Jack Joachim, Jr., Michael Zorich.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER ENVELOPES

For us to include your name and the names of your loved ones in our Christmas bulletin, this weekend is the last weekend to get your Christmas Flower envelopes in.

From the Music & Fine Arts Ministry:

CHILDREN'S CHOIR: The NES Children's Choir will present their annual Christmas Concert on this coming Monday, December 16th with two presentations. They will share concerts at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. in NES's gymnasium.

ADULT CHORAL MINISTRY:

"Gloria In Excelsis" – "GIE" – the Cathedral's Choral Society will resume their rehearsals on Tuesday, January 14th at 7:00 p.m.

"Cathedral Choir" – The Cathedral Choir will share next in the 11 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December 22nd. The Cathedral Choir has an extra Choir Rehearsal for Christmas preparations scheduled for this Sunday night, December 15th at 7 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

HOLIDAY CONCERT SERIES EVENTS:

- The NES Children's Choir will present their annual "Christmas Eve" Pre-Service Concert at 3:30 p.m. prior to the Children's/Family Christmas Eve Mass at 4:00 p.m. in the Cathedral on Tuesday, December 24th.
- The Cathedral Choir along with violinist – Dr. Sasha Ferreira and Clarinetist – Dr. David Dugger will present our annual "Lessons & Carols" – Concert-Service at 10 p.m. prior to our 11:00 p.m. Midnight Mass on Tuesday, December 24th.

HOW CAN YOUR SUPPORT OUR MUSIC & FINE ARTS MINISTRY? Consider giving a donation in memory or honor of a loved one or treasured friend. Your gift will enhance the music offering of our Christmas Eve "Lessons & Carols" Concert Service and Midnight Mass.

For more information regarding any of these program/event offerings or any other aspect of our Music & Fine Arts Ministry Program - please contact: Terry D. Maddox, M.M. – terrydalemaddox@gmail.com &/or 251 406-1454.

BINGO MANIA

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday. The following families are scheduled for December 17th, 2019: Codella (John & Rachel), Collins (Shelly Ann), Conway (Joshua & Victoria), Cook (Clifford & Shannon), Corley (James & Karen) and Croncich (April). **If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to secure a replacement!!!**