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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon	Dec 23	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24, Lk 1:57-66
Tues	Dec 24	Is 62:1-5, Acts 13:16-17, 22-25, Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
Wed	Dec 25	Is 52:7-10, Heb 1:1-6, Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
Thu	Dec 26	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59, Mt 10:17-22
Fri	Dec 27	1 Jn 1:1-4, Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Sat	Dec 28	1 Jn 1:5—2:2, Mt 2:13-18
Sun	Dec 29	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14, Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17, Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

**JESUS IS THE FULFILLMENT OF THE PROMISES GOD HAS
 MADE TO THE HOUSE OF DAVID**

Today’s readings remind us that in Christ Jesus, God has been faithful to the promises he made to his Chosen People. Our salvation in Christ is how we are reconciled back to God, who created us and loves us.

CCD

There will be no CCD classes on December 25, and January 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.

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, are visiting our parish this weekend selling their religious olive wood Gifts.

WANT TO WATCH A GREAT CHRISTMAS

MOVIE...FOR FREE???

There is a great Christmas movie available to you for free on our Nativity link to FORMED. Search Google for FORMED, login to FORMED on your computer, iPad, or phone. Get your free Nativity subscription and look for the movie *Mary of Nazareth*. It’s a great and beautiful movie which focuses on the Christmas story. Good for you, your family, and your friends.

YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Regular Collections	\$	33,415.33
Maintenance	\$	1,616.00
Nativity Elem.	\$	55.00
Capital Improvement	\$	180.00
Christmas Flowers	\$	632.00
Miscellaneous	\$	651.85
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$	36,550.18

Thank you for your generous contributions!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Dec 24** Men of St. Joseph 7:00 a.m. SHC
 See Masses listed below
 Cleaning Team “C”
 Rectory Closed
- Dec 25** See Masses listed below
 Rectory Closed
- Dec 26** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 6:00 p.m.
 Rectory Closed



We at Nativity Cathedral wish you a very Merry
 Christmas.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JESUS.

**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 28 4:00 pm 1. Helen Languirand 2. Kathleen Coskey 3. Liz Joachim 4. Jim Shugart 5. Jim Compton	Dec 28 4:00 pm Jim Compton	Dec 28 4:00 pm Clayton Stoddard Ava Stoddard
Dec 29 7:00 am 1. Marcia Mayfield 2. Linda Stewart 3. Nancy Powell	Dec 29 7:00 am Joe Powell	Dec 29 7:00 am Wyeth Stewart Alex Stewart
9:00 am 1. Michael Kessler 2. Traci Kessler 3. John Brauchle 4. Linda Welter 5. Vicki Howard	9:00 am Al Simons, Jr.	9:00 am Sophia Carreon Arny Gollott Bryan Stoddard
11:00 am 1. Robert Moniot 2. Sarah Barhonovich 3. Nanette Burke 4. Marianne Sherman 5. John Sherman	11:00 am Rosina Le Pre	11:00 am Blake Walli Kendall Walli
5:30 pm 1. Teresa Ballinger 2. Kristy Arguelles	5:30 pm Tara Junkert	5:30 pm Samantha Sharplin
NEW YEAR'S EVE	NEW YEAR'S EVE	NEW YEAR'S EVE
6:00 pm 1 Judy Trahan 2 Vicki Howard	6:00 pm Patrick Hall	6:00 pm Samantha Sharplin
NEW YEAR'S DAY	NEW YEAR'S DAY	NEW YEAR'S DAY
10:00 am 1 Maggie Landry 2 Robert Moniot	10:00 am Linda Bourgeois	10:00 am Terry Maddox
	CANTORS	
	Dec 28 4:00 pm Phil Frisby	
	Dec 29 9:00 am John Welter	
	11:00 am Dennis Burke	
	NEW YEAR'S DAY	
	10:00 am	

	6:30 AM	8:00 AM
Mon Dec 23	Vicki Gollotte Cobb	Jacinto/Norine Baltar
Tue Dec 24	4:00 PM Josh Bozeman	7:00 PM Doris/Gil Akins
	11:00 PM John L. Krohn	
Wed Dec 25	10:00 AM Peter J. Skrmetta	
Thu Dec 26	Collins/Sims Fly.	Vicki Gollotte Cobb
Fri Dec 27	Chester Balias Fly.	Glenn/Joyce Pizarich
Sat Dec 28	8 Doris/Gil Akins	4 Gabriel/Doris Kasovich
Sun Dec 29	7 Doris/Gil Akins	9 F.T.P
	11:00 – Isabella Gollott	5:30 Collins/Sims Fly.

PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS
Lionel Sentell, 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, 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.

From the Music & Fine Arts Ministry:

CHILDREN'S CHOIR:

The NES Children's Choir will present their annual Pre-Service Christmas Concert before the 4:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Eve Mass. The Pre-Service Concert will begin at approximately 3:30 p.m. – all in the Cathedral Sanctuary.

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. Any interested individuals who would like to join us are welcome!

"Cathedral Choir" – The Cathedral Choir will share our annual Christmas "Lessons & Carols" at 10 p.m. prior to our 11 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass. The Choir will be joined by Dr. Sasha Ferreira – violinist and Dr. David Dugger – clarinetist. Then, after a brief holiday break, the Choir will share for the Epiphany of our Lord on Saturday, January 4th at the 4:00 p.m. Mass

HOW CAN YOU 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.

MUSIC FOR THIS WEEKEND

ENTRANCE HYMN	# 39
OFFERTORY	# 47
COMMUNION	#587
SENDING	# 40

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.

TO SING IS TO PRAY TWICE

Get double your money!! When you join the Nativity BVM Choir you get double your money for your prayers because when you sing, you pray twice. And...you don't have to be an opera star to do so. We're hoping to increase the number of singers for our Cathedral Choir so we can have a big, beautiful sound. All it entails is one rehearsal per week and singing at one Sunday Mass on the weekends. Our choir takes the summers off. So, even if you sing just a little bit, call Terry Maddox or Fr. Dennis to join. No audition is required*.

NATIVITY BVM SCHOOL NEWS!

As Christmas draws near, Nativity BVM Elementary faculty and staff wish you a blessed holiday season. School will be closed from December 23rd through January 3rd.