

THE MOST EXCELLENT OF SPIRITUAL GIFTS IS LOVE

Today, the first reading and the Gospel focus on the gift of prophecy given to both Jeremiah and Jesus to bring a particular message from God to the people. Perhaps prophecy is one of the most difficult gifts to receive from God, because, as we see from the readings, good prophets are not always welcome, either in their native place, as Jesus discovered, or in places that receive difficult or challenging messages from God. But while prophets might not receive accolades from the people to whom they are sent, they do receive the assurance that God is with them to give them the strength and courage they need in their mission.

This assurance is implicit in our Rite of Baptism. By our baptism, we are anointed priest, prophet and king. That is our mission; these are the roles we have in evangelizing the world. Saint Paul gives us some insight into this. No matter what other gifts we might have, we are called to use them and the opportunities God gives us in love – for God and good of others, and for the salvation of the world. The kind of love that Paul calls us to is challenging; it is not meant simply to enrich us, make us feel good or inflate our egos. It is meant to benefit the other, to focus on what’s best for the other person.

This is our challenge as Christians: to couch everything we do, all the spiritual gifts we bring to the Church, to our families or to our workplaces, with the gift of love, of practical concern for the benefit of others. As we go about the rest of our week, let us ask God for the special spiritual gift of love to accompany everything we do.

FOR CURRENT MAGNIFICAT SUBSCRIBERS

The February edition of the Magnificat prayer books are available for pick up this weekend in the back of the church. Please remember to leave your envelope for next month’s edition.

MAGNIFICAT SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL

It is time for us to renew our subscription for the Magnificat. If you currently receive your Magnificat through us and want to again in 2019, it is time to get your check in to us. This offer is to all parishioners as well. Please submit your check in the amount of \$36 to the church rectory no later than February 15th.

WEEKLY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

February 7th, we will have our weekly Thursday Adoration from 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. This week Adoration will be in the CATHEDRAL. Adoration is a special time to spend with Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. You don’t have to spend the whole hour, our Lord just wants to be with you.

MUSIC FOR THIS WEEKEND

ENTRANCE HYMN	#481
OFFERTORY	#491
COMMUNION	#494
SENDING	#377

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon Feb 04	Heb 11:32-40, Mk 5:1-20
Tues Feb 05	Heb 12:1-4, Mk 5:21-43, 1 Cor 1:26-31, Lk 9:23-26
Wed Feb 06	Heb 12:4-7, 11-15, Mk 6:1-6, Gal 2:19-20, Mt 28:16-20
Thu Feb 07	Heb 12:18-19, 21-24, Mk 6:7-13
Fri Feb 08	Heb 13:1-8, Mk 6:14-29
Sat Feb 09	Heb 13:15-17, 20-21, Mk 6:30-34
Sun Feb 10	Is 6:1-2a, 3-8, 1 Cor 15:1-11, Lk 5:1-11



YOUR SUNDAY TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Regular Collections	\$	7,784.00
Maintenance	\$	878.00
Capital Improv.	\$	140.00
Nativity Elem.	\$	5.00
Miscellaneous	\$	334.00
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$	9,141.00

Thank you for your generous contributions!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Feb 04 Men’s Club, 6:00 p.m.
- Feb 05 Men of St. Joseph, 7:00 a.m. – SHC
BINGO, 5:30 p.m.
RCIA, 6:00 p.m., SHC
- Feb 06 Cleaning Team “A”
- Feb 07 Greenbriar Mass, 10:00 a.m.
Adoration, 6:00 p.m.
- Feb 08 Mom’s Bible Study, 10:30 a.m., SHC

RCIA

This week the RCIA class will be learning about the Sixth and Ninth Commandments with Father Colten, and Tara Junkert will be leading our prayer service. Please pray for the Catechumens, Candidates and Sponsors as they study the beliefs and traditions of our faith and continue this journey together. If you would like further information, please contact Greg or Penny Payne 228-365-6348.

CCD CLASSES

CCD/LifeTeen will not have classes on Wed., Feb. 6, due to the parade in downtown Biloxi that will be going on at the same time as class. We will have classes in February on Feb. 13, 20, and 27. Religious Education classes are on Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30 in the Sacred Heart Center behind the Cathedral. If you'd like to register your child, or if you have any questions, please call Barbara Ziz for CCD, grades K-6, at 228-918-9778 or Kristy Arguelles for LifeTeen, grades 6-12, at 228-324-9934.

FIRST CONFESSION AND FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT

The First Communion and First Confession retreat will be held for the children making First Communion and Confession on Saturday, February 9th from 9:00 am until 11:00 am, in the Sacred Heart Center. This small retreat for our children will better prepare them for these important sacraments.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS
Feb 09 4:00 pm 1. Barbara Ziz 2. Andrea Gilich 3. Sondra Ahern 4. Kathleen Coskey 5. Dale Dorcik	Feb 09 4:00 pm Michael Bruffey	Feb 09 4:00 pm Veronika Landry Julia Landry
Feb 10 7:00 am 1. Marcia Mayfield 2. Linda Stewart 3. Nancy Powell	Feb 10 7:00 am Joe Powell	Feb 10 7:00 am Wyeth Stewart Alex Stewart
9:00 a.m. 1. Vicki Howard 2. Traci Kessler 3. Michael Kessler 4. Belinda Corley 5. Jim Compton	9:00 am Steve Theobald	9:00 am Sophia Carreon Tristan Davis Kingston Davis Amy Gollott
11:00 am 1. Sandy Steckler 2. Judy Steckler 3. Sondra Williams 4. Linda Welter 5. Robert Moniot	11:00 am Rhonda Clark	11:00 am Chaz Byers Izabell Byers Nicholas Gruich Aiden Tarrant
5:30 pm 1. Tricia Creel 2. Roland Creel	5:30 pm Patrick Hall	5:30 pm Dylan Mitchell Sydni Wills
	CANTORS	
	Feb 09 4:00 pm Lauren D. Clark	
	Feb 10 9:00 am CHILDREN'S CHOIR	
	11:00 am Elizabeth Cobb CATHEDRAL CHOIR	

7th ANNUAL UNCORKED AND UNCAPPED BEER & WINE TASTING

SAVE THE DATE! On May 11, 2019 from 5:00-8:00PM, Nativity BVM Cathedral will host its 7th annual Uncorked & Uncapped Craft Beer and Wine Tasting featuring an expansive silent auction, delicious food and wonderful assortment of craft beer and wine, and live music. You will not want to miss out on this fabulous event! Tickets will be available soon!

WIN A FABULOUS VACATION

Nativity will be raffling off a fabulous package of vacation trips. First place is an all-expense paid trip on a Viking River Cruise down the Blue Danube River in Europe. Second place is an all expense four-day vacation to New York. Third prize is a weekend at the Monteleone Hotel in New Orleans. Watch the bulletin for details.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The SVdP provides assistance each Tuesday from 9-11:00 a.m. For those wishing to make regular contributions, envelopes are located in the vestibule. We also value your one time gift! Your continued support helps to ensure SVdP is able to provide support for those in need.

	6:30 AM	8:00 AM
Mon Feb 04	Maria Hoang Thi Khoai	Nita Newman
Tue Feb 05	Suffers of Mental Illness (S.I)	Hugh Kavanagh
Wed Feb 06	Maria Khuyen Ly	Collins-Sims Fly.
Thur Feb 07	Daminh Chuong	Maria Hoang Thi Khoai
Fri Feb 08	Elie Hebert	Gaspar/Mary Pisarich
Sat Feb 09	8 Pat Smolcich 4	Bros. Jordan/Gary (S.I.)
Sun Feb 10	7 - Hugh Kavanagh 9	F. T. P.
	11:00 - John/Donna Tomba	5:30 Anthony Walter Davidson, Jr.

PLEASE KEEP OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Phil Beining, Mable Viator, Buck O'Gea, Nicholas Rodolfich, Marsha Marie, Nick Pass, Cooper Williams, Sue and Gene Daudelin, Lesa Walker-Kirkman, Rose Collins, Jerry Ellis, Lehwmon Skrmetti, Helen Gutierrez, Annette Luther, Macklin Holloway, Mary Wimberly, Candy Widener, Tiffany Whitehead, Lena Marchioni, Holly Hill, Georgia Bellais Dominick, Maxine Kiddinger, Marie Manning, Betty Hilton, Norma McMahan, Mickey Bradley, Cheryl Terry, Gwen Gollott, Greg Hotaling, Jack Joachim, Jr., Michael Zorich, Sr. Fatima Starks and Karen Skremetta.

From the Music & Fine Arts Ministry:

CHILDREN'S CHOIR SCHEDULE:

The Children's Choir will celebrate their next 9:00 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral on February 10th. Angelica Foster and Jayden Ware will serve as our Cantors.

CATHEDRAL CHOIR SCHEDULE:

The Cathedral Choir will sing for the Sunday, February 10th Mass at 11 a.m and the Saturday, February 16th 4:00 p.m. Mass. Any interested individuals who would like to consider or become a part of the Cathedral Choir are invited to join us on Wednesday evenings for rehearsal at our usual time of 7:00 p.m.

"GLORIA IN EXCELSIS":

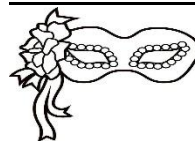
Our Cathedral/Diocese's Choral Society will continue their rehearsals on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. All interested singers – Catholic or non-Catholic - are cordially invited to attend.

For more information regarding our Music & Fine Arts Ministry Programs - 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 February 5th, 2019. Cook (Clifford & Shannon), Corley (James & Karen), Cromar (Jason & Keelin), Cvitanovich (Dominick & Henning, Caitlin), Dagenais (Amanda) and Davis (Andy & Jennifer). **REMEMBER! If you are unable to attend, it is your responsibility to secure a replacement.**

NEPTUNE AT NATIVITY



Mark your calendar for our Fifth Annual *Neptune at Nativity Cathedral* parish Mardi Gras celebration. Saturday, March 2nd, after the 4:00 p.m. Mass, our parish family will gather in front of the Cathedral and rectory to watch the Neptune Parade. Our Men's Club will serve hamburgers and hotdogs and our Youth Ministry will sell soft drinks. There will be an open house in the rectory with bathrooms available. Be sure to bring your chair!