There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars. When these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.

Luke 21:25, 28
I will raise up for David a just shoot; he shall do what is right and just in the land.

~ Jeremiah 33:15

TODAY’S READINGS
First Reading — The days are coming when the LORD will fulfill the promise made to Israel and Judah (Jeremiah 33:14-16).
Psalm — To you, O Lord, I lift my soul (Psalm 25).
Second Reading — May the Lord make you increase and abound in love that you may be blameless in holiness; conduct yourselves so as to please God (1 Thessalonians 3:12 — 4:2).
Gospel — There will be signs and you will see the Son of Man coming with power and great glory. Be vigilant (Luke 21:25-28, 34-36).


Please note the addition of the Saturday 5:00 p.m. Mass beginning Dec. 5

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HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

MASS TIMES:
8:00 A.M., 9:30 A.M., 5:30 PM

PRAYERS FOR PRIESTS - Please join us every Thursday immediately after the 8:00 Mass to pray for priests.

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For prayer requests or to sign up as a volunteer call: 481-1170.

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CONFESSIONS - Saturdays 2:15-3:15 or 30 min. before Sunday Masses or by appointment.

REMINDUS IN YOUR PRAYERS......all those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, especially Mary “Molly” O’Brien-Hess..
THE COMING KINGDOM

Jeremiah could see it coming—the kingship of Jesus and the restoration of Jerusalem. But was anybody listening? Is anybody listening now? It must have been tough being a prophet, but Jeremiah was persistent in his message because he knew that it needed to be heard.

Also persistent in his message is Paul as he encourages the Thessalonians—and all of us—to live in accordance with the kingship that Jeremiah foretold. He encourages us to conduct ourselves in ways of holiness so that we may be well prepared for the king’s coming. Finally, Jesus himself tells us to be ever diligent so that we may gain favor before our God and King.

Jeremiah could see the kingship of Jesus coming. As we begin the season of Advent, Paul and Jesus tell us not only how to prepare for the Kingdom, but how to live it day to day.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Advent is a time rich in family traditions. Many of them have been so effectively absorbed into our culture that their religious origins are hidden. Some of us will set candles in our windows tonight. The custom began in Ireland during the so-called “penal” days, extending from 1691 to the “Catholic Emancipation” in 1829 and beyond. There were harsh penalties and fines for not attending the government church. Priests were forced into hiding, but people were resourceful and determined in guarding their faith. At Christmas, Irish families, particularly in the countryside, placed a lighted candle in the cottage window and left the door unlatched, hoping that a priest might come by and celebrate the Christmas Mass for them.

The possibility of the Mass coming into the family home gave rise to other Irish customs at the beginning of Advent. The cottage received a fresh coat of whitewash, the threshold was swept especially clean, and fresh curtains were hung in the windows. The house was scrubbed until it gleamed, including all the pots and pans, and all garments and table linens were laundered. The custom of the Irish window candle was so admired in Catholic Europe that it was widely copied there, and now finds a welcome in households that may not exactly expect a priest to wander in!

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5:00 Mass Music: 11-29-15
Gathering: SS141
Offertory: M204
Communion: RB 11
Recessional: SS140
Mass Parts: SS 40, 43, 45, 47, 48
SS: Spirit and Song (purple book)
RB: YP Glory & Praise (red book)
M: Missalette

ADVENT: EXPECTANT DELIGHT FOR THE COMING OF THE LORD

The Season of Advent is an invitation to pause in silence to recognize the signs of the coming of the presence of the Lord. Advent has a two-fold character, for it is a time of preparation for the Solemnity of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered, and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ’s Second Coming. For these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight (Universal Norms for the Liturgical Year and Calendar, 39).

Advent (from the Latin “ad” + “venio” meaning “to come to”) begins the Liturgical Year of the Catholic Church and consists of the four Sundays before Christmas. The Advent Season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to the Anniversary of the Birth of Our Lord on Christmas and also the Second Coming of Christ at the end of time.

“The time of Advent that we begin again returns us to the horizon of hope, a hope that does not disappoint because it is founded on the Word of God. A hope that does not disappoint, simply because the Lord never disappoints! He is faithful!”

-Pope Francis
Jubilee Year of Mercy
First Sunday of Advent

Besides a new liturgical year, this Advent features an additional “beginning”—next week’s opening of the Jubilee Year of Mercy, a graced opportunity to contemplate more profoundly and live more concretely the mystery of God’s unconditional love. Pope Francis says that mercy, as the bridge connecting God and the human family, opens our hearts to welcome God’s love for us sinners and our eyes to recognize others, especially society’s least loved and most vulnerable, as brothers and sisters entrusted to our care. Today’s scriptures provide a perfect Jubilee preparation. Jeremiah comforts us with the promise of God’s justice; Paul challenges us to abound in love for all; Luke bids us anticipate Jesus’ future coming as the joyful advent of our redemption. But in a unique way, this Jubilee Year’s Advent reminds us that Jesus, whose coming we await, is already present among us, in those for whom we need to become instruments of God’s mercy.

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November 29, 2015

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December. The pope writer to the sacred door a "Door of Hope".

Dear Pope, the following.

Please play an important role in the Jubilee Year of Mercy.

Pope Francis, the Decree is the extraordinary Opulence of Mercy.

Original privilege and door was given.

November 29, 2015

Jubilee Year of Mercy
Prayer of Pope Francis for the Jubilee Year of Mercy -

Lord Jesus Christ,
you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father,
and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.
Show us your face and we will be saved.
Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being
enslaved by money; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.
We ask this of you, Lord Jesus,
through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy; you who
will be the visible face of the invisible Father;
and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good
news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the op-pressed,
and restore sight to the blind.
We ask this of you, Lord Jesus,
through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy; you who
live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and
ever.
Amen.

MINISTRY OF THE SICK

IMPORTANT NOTE TO ALL PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS:

When admitted to the hospital please register as Catholic and notify the parish office immediately, 481-7171.

Resurrection priests visit the hospitals daily.

To protect your privacy hospitals do not give out information on patients without their permission.

The following hospitals are attended to by the parish in which they are located:

* Gulf Coast Hospital - visited daily by St. John XXIII Parish, 561-2245
* Lee Memorial Hospital - visited daily by St. Francis Xavier Parish, 334-2161
* Lee Memorial and Hospice at Health Park - visited daily by St. Columbkille Parish, 489-3973

Jubilee Year of Mercy, Epiphany Cathedral - Venice

December 8, 2015 marks the start of the Jubilee Year of Mer-cy, called by Pope Francis to spread the message of mercy throughout the world. The Diocese of Venice will be cele-brating the Year of Mercy in various ways. To begin the Jubilee Year, Epiphany Cathedral in Venice and Our Lady of Mercy Par-ish in Boca Grande will have special “Holy Doors” which will allow pilgrims to receive special indulgences attached to the Year of Mercy. On Sunday, December 13, Bishop Dewane will celebrate a Solemn Rite of Opening for the Holy Door of Mer-cy at Epiphany Cathedral during the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses. All are invited to attend. More information regarding Year of Mercy activities in the Diocese will be forthcoming.

MEN’S GOSPEL FORUM -
Fridays at 7:00 a.m. at Sweet Bean Coffee Café, McGregor Blvd.. Call Ange Ford for more information, 216-496-0269.

GREATNESS

The measure of greatness is not the number of servants you have, but the number of people you serve.
—Anonymous

THE THREE COMINGS OF ADVENT

There are three distinct comings of the Lord of which I know, His coming to humankind, His coming into hu-mankind, and His coming against humankind.
—St. Bernard: Third Sermon for Advent

RESURRECTION CALENDAR

All events take place in the Parish Center unless otherwise stated.

Adoration, First Fridays, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
Bereavement & Beyond Ministry, Every Monday, 8:30am.
For more information call Alouise 481-8168
Coffee & Donuts, Sundays after 10:30 Mass beginning Oct. 4
Craft Club, Tuesdays, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
Men’s Club, 2nd Monday of month, 7:00p.m., Sept. - May
Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Novena, Saturdays after the
8:00a.m. Mass, church
Prayer for Priests, Thursdays after the 8:00a.m. Mass, chapel
RCIA, Sundays, 3:30p.m., call 482-6883 for information
Rel. Ed., September - May
Resurrection for Life, 2nd Wednesday of Oct, Jan, Apr. 9 am
Resurrection Prayerline Ministry, call Deanna Latell
481-1170.
Rosary, before daily Masses and Tues. & Thurs., 1:30p.m.,
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Rosary Makers, 3rd Thursdays Oct. thru May , 9-11 a.m.
St. Vincent DePaul Board Meeting, 1st Tues. every month,
7:00 pm. For SVDP assistance call 239-600-6749, or email,
svdp@resurrectionch.org
Teams of Our Lady, call Joann for more information, 482-7982
Women’s Guild, 3rd Wednesday every month, 8:30a.m. Sept. - May
**Babysitting Bonanza**

Friday, December 4, 5:30 pm – 9:00 pm
Calling all parents with young children...
plan a quiet date night or get a jump start on your Christmas shopping!
$15 for one child; $25 for 2; $30 for 3 or more

YOUTH MINISTRY will be providing babysitting in the Parish Center for children through 5th grade! Christmas movie, dinner, crafts, stories, games, just a lot of fun, fun, fun!

CALL OR STOP IN TO REGISTER AND SECURE YOUR CHILD’S SPOT...
SPACE IS LIMITED!
Any questions? Contact Vikki with Youth Ministry @ 481-5144

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**Christmas Angel Tree**

It is time for our annual Christmas Angels Project to help families in need. Last year with your generosity we were able to help many enjoy a wonderful Christmas. Our Parish helped over 150 families and over 1200 children’s wishes to be granted.

We would like to do the same this year! Angels are available at all the entrances of the Church. Please visit one of the trees and select an angel. The gifts need to be wrapped and returned with the Angel securely attached to the package. Please return to the Church of Parish Center no later than December 6th.

On behalf of all the wonderful children that will benefit from your generosity, we thank you very much.

Anyone interested in helping sort and distribute gifts, please meet in the Parish Center on December 7, at 8:30 am. This is a fun-filled morning for everyone! For more information, please contact Vikki Melchiorre at 481-5144.
PLEASE JOIN US IN THE PARISH CENTER FOR DONUTS AND COFFEE AFTER THE SUNDAY 10:30 MASS
We need volunteers to serve as ushers at Mass

We are in need of Ushers at the 5pm Saturday mass. If you are a parishioner in good standing, or are new to the parish and can provide a reference from your former parish, please call the Parish Office 481-7171 or see John Patterson.

All men are invited to join us on Thursday, December 10 at Our Lady of Light Parish. Our guest speaker will be Deacon David Reardon. The title of his message is, God of Surprises, God of Mercy. It is based on the book, The Church of Mercy: A Vision for the Church, which is a series of homilies and essays by Pope Francis. The program begins at 6 PM with pizza and refreshments ($10 donation) and concludes at 8 PM. Reservations are required and can be made on line at www.faithandale.com or by contacting your fellow parishioner, Dan Dougherty, at 239-839-3290.

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The 2016 paperback Sunday Missals have arrived in the gift shop. Quantities are limited. The price is $10.

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Thank You to the People Who are Inquiring About the Faith

Inquiry Classes have begun. We look forward to welcoming you. A team of parishioners share faith and teach Christ’s presence on their journey of faith.

Presently FIVE adults are inquiring about our Catholic Faith.

Please pray for these INQUIRERS who have stepped forward on their journey in faith.

Do you or someone you know have questions about the CATHOLIC FAITH? Are you searching to recognize GOD’S LOVING PRESENCE in your everyday living? Do you WONDER about the CATHOLIC CHURCH - TRADITIONS - EUCHARIST - REAL PRESENCE?? PLEASE CALL. We look forward to hearing from you. Please join us on this journey. Call Joanne MacPeek at 481-7172. We look forward to your questions.
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