

#### MASS TIMES SCHEDULE:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 6:15 a.m. Tuesday & Thursday 12:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am & 6:00 pm (Life Teen Mass) PASTOR: Rev. Msgr. J. Robert Romero

PAROCHIAL VICAR: Rev. Fr. Matthew Hebert

**DEACON: Deacon Gary Gaudin** 

**SEMINARIAN: Riley Maturin** 

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Fourth Sunday of dvent December 23, 2018 Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." Luke 1:41-42

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## DEAR PARISHIONERS OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH, & ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH,

#### **Christmas Blessings**

Wishing you the Love, Peace and Hope that the true meaning of Christmas brings.

Msgr. J. Robert Romero. Fr. Matt Hebert, Deacon & Mrs. Gary Gaudin, Deacon & Mrs. Jim Cormier, Sem. Riley Maturin, Parish Staffs

#### WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

**Question:** With Christmas fast approaching, can you give me some practical tips to prepare myself and my family that will help us stay grounded in what this holiday is really about? With all the commercialism, it's easy to stray.

**Answer:** Happy times and events bring fond memories and a renewed sense of love and kinship with others. The anticipation is half the joy of the event itself. The coming of the Lord is that kind of event that people have been looking forward to for generations with fervent hope and desire. It gave them strength and courage as they waited for the coming of the Lord.

We know that Christmas is rushed. Sales begin in August, and carols blare long before the season begins. Everyone laments the commercial aspects of the season. But as Advent begins, do something to help you be more mindful of the Lord's coming. Use an Advent wreath, enthrone the Bible prominently, read the readings from the Bible assigned to each day. Postpone the tree and decorations until closer to Christmas. Establish new family rituals, customs, and prayers that help remind everyone we are preparing to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Fasting, attending daily Mass or a special celebration of reconciliation, reaching out to those alienated from family or society, and visiting the homebound manifest the love of the Christ Child and the Holy Family. Resist the temptation to rush the season. In His own time and in His own way, God will come. Our task is simply to be watchful and ready.

#### Gospel for the Fourth Sunday of Advent, Year C – Luke 1:39-48

Here we are, mere days from Christmas, and we hear a Gospel anticipating the birth of another child. Mary has received word that her cousin Elizabeth is with child. Pregnant as she is, Mary "set out and traveled to the hill country in haste." She has recently received the greatest news of her life - that she is to be mother to the Messiah by the power of the Holy Spirit - but her concern is for her cousin in need. Through God's grace, Elizabeth turns it into an opportunity to honor

the coming Christ. "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." Yet Mary's example of selflessness should inspire us.

As Christmas draws near, there is plenty of goodness to anticipate for many of us. We'll reunite with family and friends, uphold time-honored traditions, swap stories old and new, exchange gifts, and welcome Jesus at the Christmas liturgy. These are wonderful things! Of course, they probably all come with their own to-do list. Shop for last-minute gifts, pick up recipe ingredients, ready the guest room, or pack your own bags. Mary probably had things to do as well. She had

a lot to consider, for one thing. How do you plan to tell your parents you're pregnant, but no man was involved? When Joseph finds out, who will care for the practical needs of you and your child? Into what may have been a chaos of questions, Mary receives news that someone is in need. She goes immediately.



In these final days before Christmas, stay watchful and awake! You never know when God might invite you to welcome, hospitality, and compassion. It might be tempting to reject the opportunity for your own needs. Follow the example of Mary! If God is providing you an opportunity to love, He will provide the means to accomplish all your other tasks. This Christmas season, may you too hear, "Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."

#### **Questions of the Week**

**First Reading** – **Micah 5:1-4a** - The prophet Micah was a contemporary to the prophet Isaiah, both 8th century B.C. prophets of the southern kingdom of Judah. Micah, like Isaiah, prophesied that God would send an "anointed one" to Israel to rule His people with peace. How do you see this prophecy of peace fulfilled in the birth of Jesus Christ?

**Second Reading – Hebrews 10:5-10 -** Hebrews teaches us that Christ came into the world to do God's will. How do you strive to do God's will in your life?

Gospel Reading - Luke 1:39-48 - We hear today Luke's account of the visit between Elizabeth and Mary. Filled with the Holy Spirit, Elizabeth joyfully greets Mary, calling her "the mother of my Lord." How do you experience Mary as your spiritual Mother?

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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STEWARDSHIP TO St. Anthony of Padua Church

#### Masses for the Week

#### Monday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m.: Donald V. Tanner Sr.; M/M Philip Montelaro; M/M Foston Fruge; Dr. Benny Fruge; Glenn Durbin; Lester & Rena Manuel fly. (Liv. / Dec.); Judge Nilas & Lillie Young; Blake Feucht; Ashton Noel; M/M L.W. Sumrall; M/M C.L. Fontenot; Raymond 'Poochie' Fontenot; Arnold Garcia; M/M Amos Normand; M/M August Courville Sr.; Bart Courville; Royce Normand; M/M Jerry Abshire; John Kirkland; M/M Gilmore Bordelon; M/M Lamar Normand; Merlin Marcantel; Gene Pastor; Corey Desselle; Flo Soileau; Pilar Parrie; Joseph Uvalle; Riley Guillory Jr.; Norman Ussery; Carole Fuselier; Kelly & Vernice Fuselier; Kern & Marene Fruge fly.; Chad Soileau fly.; Star Manuel fly.; Hayden Lachica; Wilda Hollier; Gracie Marie Zaunbrecher; Lois & Calvin Ortego Sr.; Calvin Ortego Jr.; Odia & Dallas Ortego; Rhoda & Louis Langley; Myra & L.B. Brown; Lily & C.S. Maxie; Francis & Ray Morris Sr.; Ray Morris Jr.; Larry Brown fly. (Liv.); Pamela LeJeune DeVille; Wyline M. Fontenot; M/M Willie Belfour; Gene Christian; Barry Ashford; M/M Dewey Manuel; Huey Guillory & Janelle Guillory (Liv.); Debra L. LeJeune

**6:00 p.m.:** Dr. Sylvan Manuel; Joffery Brunet fly. (*Liv. / Dec.*); Dr. F. J. DeRouen; Hubert & Gloria Fontenot; Dana Fontenot; Bobby Soileau; M/M Laurence Ardoin; M/M Rouseb Soileau; Robert E. Brown fly. (*Liv. / Dec.*); Ed Dietz; Carrie Joubert; Jesse Courville fly. (*Liv. / Dec.*)

10:00 p.m.: George Sonnier, Sr.

#### **Tuesday, December 25 - Christmas Day**

7:00 a.m.: Msgr. Jules A. Jeanmard (*Pastor*); Dr. Jack & Lois Miller; Robert Miller; James Merlin Fruge; Aelia & Artelus Fruge; Thelma & Leroy Vige; Willie & Orelia Vige; Marie & Arnold Jacobs; Nelson, Wilson, Wesley and Bruce Vige; Merlin Marcantel; M/M August Courville Sr.; Carla, Julia & Jayia Watford; Chad Soileau fly. (*Liv. / Dec.*); Steve Manuel fly. (*Liv. / Dec.*); Faye Feucht; Clarence Paddy Reviere; Norma Jean Miller; Marvin & Geraldine Brown; Larry & Leonard Brown; Wilbur Dale Fontenot; Robert Benoit

9:00 a.m.: Frankie LaFleur; J.D. & Marshall Arabie; M/M Auggie Leonards; Harry D. Begnaud; Hubert V. & Lilly S. Fontenot; Lana Montelaro Cormier (Liv.); Dutch Spekschate; Merita Guillory; M/M Norris Young; Vila & Emery Henry; Melanie Arnaud; Patrick Henry; Gary Henry; Lillie & Louis McGee Sr.; M/M A.F. McGee Sr.; M/M Amos Durio Sr.; Toby Durio; M/M C.A. Penn; Herbert Stelly; Emily Gothreaux; Anthony 'Tony' Andrepont; John 'Nookie' Savoy; Bischoff / Miller fly.; James Sherrill Duos; Wilda Hollier; Norma Jean Smith; Red & Mary Foret; Paul Rozas; Bessie Fletcher; Dorothy Bell; Ross Andrus; Tony Fuselier; Willie Mae Fuselier; Timmy Frey; Paula Guillory (Liv.); Lula Burch; Gene Duplechin

#### Wednesday, December 26

6:15 a.m.: Thomas Roche

#### **Thursday, December 27**

**12:00 p.m.:** Rev. Celestin M. Chambon (*Pastor*); Evelyn Sandell; Helen Tanner; Sheila H. DeRouen; Madelie Montelaro (*Liv.*)

#### Friday, December 28

**6:15 a.m.:** Ira Richard; Glenn Durbin (Birthday); Wes Hodges

#### Saturday, December 29

**4:00 p.m.:** Merita Guillory; Beth Sylvester; Newton Thibodeaux; Glenn Durbin; Marene Fruge (*Birthday*); Ed Dietz; Brownie Duplechin; Jessie Comeaux fly. (*Liv. / Dec.*); Paul Rozas; Patricia Sittig; Maxine Moffitt (*Liv. - Birthday*); Red Aucoin

#### Sunday, December 30

#### The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

**7:00 a.m.:** St. Anthony Parishioners; Chase Ryan Manuel; Lurline Fuselier; Norma Jean Miller; Hilda M. Roche

9:00 a.m.: Frankie
LaFleur; Mary
Babineaux; J.D. &
Marshall Arabie;
Billy & Emily
Gothreaux; Clarence
Paddy Reviere

11:00 a.m.:

**6:00 p.m.:** Joan Schatzle McManus



#### PRIEST, EXTRAORDINARY LAY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, LECTORS & ALTAR SERVERS

Monday, December 24, 2018 Christmas Eve				
4:00 p.m.	Fr. Hebert	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Jr. Bergeron, Cliff Miller Michael Lombas, Barbara Thibodeaux Dr. Scott & Deborah Eckholdt	Candy Atteberry	Anna Belle Fontenot, Kelly Fruge Landon Fruge, Emile Soileau
6:00 p.m.	Fr. Hebert	Dcn. Gary Gaudin Samantha Bertrand, Brad Miller, Kim Miller, Donnie Darbonne	Tim Fontenot	Brad Miller Jr., Peyton LaCombe Koy Trahan, Luke Trahan
10:00 p.m.	Msgr. Romero	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Sarah M. Fruge, Jeff & Angel McGee, Michael Ward	Jacque Pucheu	Avery Heinen, Blair Heinen, Samual Heinen <b>Thurifer:</b> Sem. Riley Maturin
Tuesday, December 25, 2018 Christmas Day				
7:00 a.m.	Fr. Hebert	Rachel Andrus, Barry Soileau, <i>Need Minister</i>	Aimee Summerlin	Juliana Arnaud, Evan Aucoin Isaac Russell, Henry Summerlin
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Hebert	Deacon Gary Gaudin, Lynn Pavich Sem. Riley Maturin, Glenda Young	Tara LeBlanc	Adelie Beaugh, Alise Beaugh Jillian DeVillier, Camille Fontenot
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2018				
4:00 p.m.	Msgr. Romero	Dcn. Gary Gaudin, Vergie Ardoin, Kayla Fontenot Mitch Fontenot, Ken Richard	Genny Dischler	Landon Daigle, Alex Fontenot Brennon Thompson, Kaden Thompson
Sunday, December 30, 2018 - Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph				
7:00 a.m.	Fr. Hebert	Charles Feucht, Ed & Renee Benoit	Jennifer Miller	Hannah Benoit, Rebecca Benoit Anna Chapman, Caroline Heinen
9:00 a.m.	Msgr. Romero	Dr. Chip Hebert, Jason & Kelly Bertrand	Lynda Perrodin	Nicholas Bertrand, Trent Thibodeaux Andy Hebert, Clay Hebert
11:00 a.m.	Msgr.	Dcn. Gary Gaudin,	Rachel Smith	Sara Grace Feucht, Leo Richard

#### MINISTERS OF PRAYER

Jr. Bergeron, Glenn Brown

Rickey & Angie Aguillard

Todd & Debbie Ortego

Brayden Gaspard,

Romero

Msgr. Romero

6:00 p.m.

Please pray for: Frank McGee, Lindsey LeBlanc, Owen Thibodeaux, C.J. Matte, Berlane Boone, Elta Boone, Sherry Reed, Joseph Van Ortego, Madeline Montelaro, Linda Gaudin, Karl Comeaux, John LeJeune, Dr. Kevin LeJeune, Kert Leger, Tyler Bellow, Tyler Broussard, Bradley Bertrand, Raven Dupre, Wendy Huff, Claude DeVillier, Ann Duran, Craig Durbin, Jennifer Labbie, Lucien Montelaro, Philip Montelaro, Colleen Landreneau, Christine Duplechain, Gail Landreneau, Jesse Harrington, Joan Burson, Earline Prather, Veneda Hebert, Sybil Arabie, Hunter Vidrine, Madge Fontenot, Debby Zorn, Pauline Miller, C.J. Odom, Gerald Prudhomme, JoAnn Andrepont, Karen LeJeune, Ben Burson, Deborah Campbell.

Pray for our troops & peace in the world!

#### MEETINGS & EVENTS

MC: Needed Thurifer: Jack Miller Garet Hebert, Lindsy Hebert

Joshua Landry, Doug Summerlin Jr.

Simon Richard

\*\* Adoration Chapel closed this week - will reopen Wednesday (Jan. 2) at 12:00 p.m. (noon)

Monday, December 24 - Christmas Eve Christmas Eve Masses: 4:00, 6:00 & 10:00 p.m.

Monday, December 25 - Christmas Day Christmas Day Masses: 7:00 & 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, December 26

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m.

Life Teen Member

Thursday, December 27

Daily Mass -- 12:00 p.m.

Friday, December 28

Daily Mass -- 6:15 a.m. / Nursing Home Masses -- 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, December 29

Confessions -- 3:00 p.m. / Anticipated Mass -- 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 30

Masses: 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

#### LITURGICAL DECORATIONS



Liturgical **Decorations** new Christmas trees have been donated by -- or -- in memory of (living or deceased): Judge Nilas & Lillie Young, Blake Feucht, Melanie Arnaud, Lillie & Louis McGee Sr.,

Merlin Fruge, Leroy & Thelma Vige, Glenn Durbin, Faye Feucht, Logan Vidrine, Willard R. Matt, J.D. & Marshall Arabie, Launey & Agnes Duplechin, Ira Richard, Hazel & Ortere LaHaye, Jeanette & Raymond Aguillard, Connie & Ed Larson, M/M Willie E. LeJeune, M/M Rodney W. LeJeune, Ferdinand Thevis, Tammy Thevis Siffert, Chase Ryan Manuel, Jack Allen Parks, M/M Norris Young, M/M Lennie Coco, M/M David Guilbeau, M/M Willie Belfour, Jack & Jean Pucheu, Alton & Anna Fontenot, Neil & Pauline Forbes, Douglas & Lorraine Gipson, Wilda Hollier, Stephen Hollier, Houston Fontenot, Darby Fontenot, Suzanne Fontenot, Perry & Jane Vidrine, Merlin Marcantel, M/M August Courville Sr., Bart Courville, M/M Oras Marcantel, Ozelia Moreau, Annie & Philip Montelaro, Albert & Genevieve Fontenot fly., Morris & Bertille Diaville fly., Kim D. Ridout fly., Rodney Diaville fly., Hazel Miller, Daniel Melancon fly., Harry & Theresa Aymond fly., Leroy & Lou Melancon fly., Yvonne Perrodin fly., Frankie LaFleur, Carla, Julia & Jayia Watford, Johnny & Diana Lyons, Mary Tilda Bertrand, Clarence Paddy Reviere, Roger Guillory, Norma Jean Miller, Jimmie & Deola Deshotel fly., M/M Jacque Pucheu Sr., Dr. & Mrs.. Neil Forbes Jr., M/M Alton Fontenot, M/M Emile Pucheu, M/M Neil Forbes Sr., M/M Wyatt Anderson, M/M Douglas Gipson, Gracie Zaunbrecher, James Bergeron Sr., Chad Coleman, M/M Elton Caswell, Momo Neco & Co Duplechin, Johnny Meyer, Ross Michael Andrus, Willie Mae Fuselier, Tony Fuselier, Etienne Feucht, Velma Feucht, Donald Feucht, M/M

Jerry Reviere, M/M Gerald Hidalgo, Helen Tanner, Donald Tanner Sr., J.R. Deshotel, Robert Bergeron Sr., Chad Deshotel, Juanita B. Guillory, Faye Feucht, Etienne & Velma Feucht, Donald & Darryl Feucht, Blake Feucht, Deo & Victoria Fruge, Norma Jean Miller, Dr. & Mrs. Jack Miller Sr., Dr. Robert Miller, M/M Edney 'Kit' Fontenot, Gracie Zaunbrecher.





#### 2018 CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

#### Monday, December 24

4:00 p.m. Annunciation Church - Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m. St. Anthony Church - Vigil Mass 6:00 p.m. St. Anthony Church - Vigil Mass 10:00 p.m. St. Anthony Church - Mass During the Night

#### **Tuesday, December 25**

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Church - Mass at Dawn 9:00 a.m. Annunciation Church - Mass During the Day 9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Church - Mass During the Day No 11:00 a.m. or 6:00 p.m. Mass



#### 2019 Mass Schedule

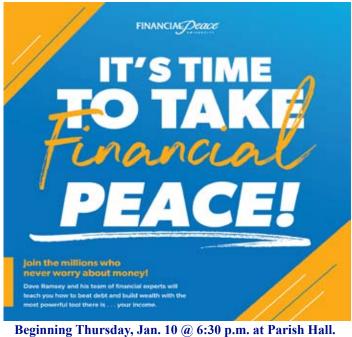
SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

#### Monday, December 31

4:00 p.m. Annunciation Church 4:00 p.m. St. Anthony Church 6:00 p.m. St. Anthony Church

#### Tuesday, January 1

7:00 a.m. St. Anthony Church 9:00 a.m. Annunciation Church 9:00 a.m. St. Anthony Church No 11:00 a.m. or 6:00 p.m. Mass

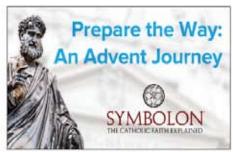


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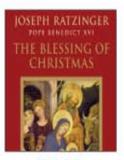


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