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Monday-Thursday

9:15am - noon & 1:00pm - 5:00pm

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Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm

Sunday: (English) 8:00am

Sunday: (Spanish) 1:00pm

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First Saturday 9am

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30am

Tuesday 6:00pm (English)

Thursday 6:00pm (Spanish)

ROSARY PRAYED IN COMMON

Tuesday & Thursday: 5:40pm

Wednesday & Friday: 8:10am

Saturday: 5:15pm

Sunday: 7:15am & 12:15pm

RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION

Tuesday, Thursday and

2nd & 4th Saturdays 5:00-5:45pm

and by appointment 936-825-3920

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Los Martes, jueves y el

segundo y cuarto sábado a las 5:00-5:45pm

y por cita 936-825-3920

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time : September 15, 2019

Christ Our Light Catholic Church • Navasota, Texas

September 14 & 15, 2019

Under the Patronage of St. Patrick and Our Lady of Guadalupe

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTION

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

No Mass

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

6:00 PM For Rain

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

8:30 AM Pete Marino †

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

8:30 AM Lucy Thompson †

10:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory @ Golden Creek

6:00 PM* Maritza Padron †

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

8:30 AM Barney † and Martha † Dobyanski

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

6:00 PM Vigil Baldobino and Duran Families

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

8:00 AM People of the Parish

1:00 PM* Eduardo Perez †

*Spanish

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

5:00 PM Spanish Legion of Mary, CH Cry room

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

5:00 PM to 5:45 PM, Confession, CH

6:00 PM Spanish Choir Practice, CH

7:00 PM Lector Class, CH

7:00 PM Finance Council Meeting, SPH

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

6:00 PM Religious Education, PK-5th grades

7:15 PM Choir Practice, CH

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

12:00 AM English Legion of Mary, CH Cry room

2:00 PM Liturgy & Music Practice & Work Time, CH

5:00 PM to 5:45 PM Confession CH

7:00 PM Bazaar Meeting, SPH

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

2:00 PM Liturgy & Music Practice & Work Time, CH

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

11:00 PM Baptism, CH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

10:15 AM Religious Education Class, 6-12 grades

E-Mail Addresses for the Parish

To e-mail Fr. Elias...fr.eli@christourlight.org

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BULLETIN DEADLINE TUESDAY 12:00 NOON

Announcements and or articles are to be submitted in writing to the Parish Office, or faxed to 825-7612 or e-mailed nelda@christourlight.org.

Events, meeting etc. for the Parish Calendar are to be submitted in writing to the Parish Office in advance.

AFTER MASS WEEKLY PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deadline Tuesday, 12:00 Noon. Announcements are to be submitted in writing to the Parish Office. The Pastor reserves the right to pick and choose which announcements are made in this forum as there is a need to keep these to a minimum.

Todos los anuncios deben ser presentados por escrito en la oficina de la parroquia no mas tarde que los martes al mediodía. El Pastor decidirá si las noticias son de importancia para ser pronuncia das.

PARISH REGISTRATION

To our new parishioner, we welcome you to Christ Our Light Parish. Please register at the parish office or ask one of the Hospitality Ministers to help you. For parishioners moving out of the parish or changing your address or phone number, **please** notify the parish office, 825-3920.

Sacrament of Baptism Schedule



English Baptism Class Schedule for 2019:

8:30 AM to 10:30 AM October 12. PARTICIPANTS MUST REGISTER AT LEAST 1 WEEK PRIOR TO CLASS. To register please contact Deacon Grant Holt at 936-825-6448 or Lucy Coronilla at 936-419-9296.

Spanish Baptism Class Schedule for 2019: 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM, October 27. For Information, call Rosa Torres at 936-419-8974

ALL DOCUMENTS AND FORMS must be completed and turned in before Baptism Date. **SCHEDULED** Baptism will be celebrated once a month at 12 noon every 3rd Saturday following completion of the baptismal classes the prior month and **Fr. Elie has been informed in advance.** The Sacrament of Baptism is a communal celebration. Therefore, private baptisms are not celebrated here.



ALTAR FLOWERS

The Parish thanks Juan and Angela Olguin for the Altar Flowers this past weekend.

Sick Relatives & Friends

PRAY for THE CONTINUING RECOVERY OR COMFORT OF the infirmed and homebound

members of our community. Jack Baker, Jo Ann Clepper, Frank Crouch, Gilbert Druckhammer, Juanita King, Mary Ann Knowles, Leslie Mills, Leon Nowak, Victor Ostiguin, Leona Pasket, Angelina Peterson, Wallace Peterson, Lucila Rivera, Josh Sechelski, Dana Sowell, and Krysten Sowell, Jessie Valadez, III, Crystal Winkler.

Call the parish office when a member of our community has a need to be remembered in prayer, 825-3920.

Also, if you have added a name to the prayer list, **please call to let us know when to remove the name from the list.** Thank you.



New Memorial Candles

The new Candle Stands are electrical. Any-one wanting to light a candle may do so by pressing the red button and give an offering. The candle will burn for 12 hours. Memorial Candles burning for one year are \$150.00 each. Come by the parish office to schedule and pay your offering of \$150.00 for your Memorial candle.

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Weekly Offering

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GIFTS FOR GOD — YOUR TITHE RESPONDS

September 07 and 08, 2019

(94) Offertory Envelopes/Loose Checks and On Live Giving	4,495.00
Loose Cash	942.00
Children	65.00
Total	5,502.00

Maintenance Fund	1,637.00
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DIOCESAN SERVICE FUND - 2019

Goal: \$24,940.00

Pledged: \$19,201.00

Paid: \$15,848.27

Total Registered Families: 651

Number of Participant: 66

Percent Paid: 63.55%

Paid Over (Under) Goal: (\$9,091.73)

Pledged Over (Under) Goal: (\$5,739.00)

In Our Prayers

We remember in prayer our friends and loved ones in active military duty, both in and out of harms way, in the service of their our country. Pray for peace in the world and for our leaders.

Ssg Jorge Aguilar, Jr., Alexander Cortez,
Jesus Cortez, SFC Antinia Franco, 1SG
Jason Malek, Antonio Magallon, Jose Rene Milan
Christopher Munoz, Sgt. Kevin Seigler,
SSgt Allen Thane

OUR HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS **FOR SEPTEMBER**

General Intention — The Protection of the Oceans: That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.



P.E.R.A. (Perpetual Eucharistic Reparative Adoration)

We are inviting and highly encouraging everyone to sign-up for our "P.E.R.A." (Perpetual Eucharistic Reparative Adoration). We are asking everyone to devote ONE HOUR (at least) a WEEK adoring God in the Blessed Sacrament—that is, only asking 168 parishioners to make adoration of God everyday, 24/7! We do this as a Parish Community in response to the teaching of St. John Paul II:

The "Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to make amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease."

(Dominicae cenae, 3)

Please call Mary Rangel @ 936-419-9024.

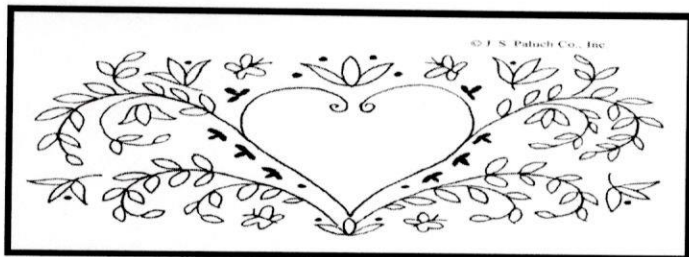
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The Parish Code to access the website is
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NOTE: Do not use Mozilla Firefox browser.

1. Visit our church at: www.flocknote.com/christourlightchurch
2. Text SPOLG to 84576 from your phone to subscribe to updates.



Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 15, 2019

A clean heart create for me, O God, and a
steadfast spirit renew within me.

— *Psalm 51:12*

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Every 1st weekend of the month (Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses) blessing of all who have a birthday or Wedding Anniversary during the month.



PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

to the Priesthood and Religious Life
especially in our Archdiocese.

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MEMORIALIZING THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

If you are interested in memorializing the
Sanctuary candle, in memory of, in personal reverence
and petition or special intention for the
week, stop by the parish office for more information.

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Giving

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Christ Our Light now accepts online giving. Parish Soft is our parish's online giving program. Enroll at the link below. It is secure and easy to use. You will be able to use Parish Soft for normal tithing and special collections throughout the year. Apps are available, so your cell phones/tablets can be used for online giving.

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/dl?uid=chri510191>

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TV MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND KUBE channel 57 at 9:30 a.m.

Is someone you love unable to join us at church. For the faithful at home or in health care settings, the Heart of the Nation Sunday TV Mass brings spiritual comfort and the blessings of joy-filled hope in our Risen Savior. Please invite anyone you know who cannot get out to church to tune in Catholic Mass on TV or watch online anytime on Sundays at www.HeartoftheNation.org.

MONTHLY REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASSES

Refreshment will be served after Masses the first Sunday of each month. The refreshments and service will be provided by the following:

Altar Society—January and July
Pastoral Council—February and October
Finance Council—March and September
R.E. Board—April and August
Stewardship—May and November
Choir—June and December

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time — “Everything I have is yours.” *Luke 15:31*

Our Heavenly Father gives us everything, including the chance to share in His eternal kingdom. Yet, like the Prodigal Son we are often lured away by the materialism of our society. Do we really want to turn our backs on all that God offers in exchange for a material wealth that has no lasting value?

24ºdomingo de Tiempo Ordinario — “*Todo lo que tengo es tuyo*”. *Lucas 15:31* Nuestro Padre Celestial nos da todo, incluso la oportunidad de compartir su reino eterno. Sin embargo, como al hijo pródigo, a menudo nos atrae el materialismo de nuestra sociedad. ¿Realmente queremos dar la espalda a todo lo que Dios ofrece a cambio de una riqueza material que no tiene un valor duradero?

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — “Why should your wrath blaze up against your own people, whom you brought out of Egypt?” (Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14).

Psalm — I will rise and go to my father (Psalm 51).

Second Reading — The grace of our Lord has been abundant (1 Timothy 1:12-17).

Gospel — There is great rejoicing in heaven and among the angels when a sinner repents (Luke 15:1-32 [1-10]).

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IGNITE: Our Faith, Our Mission

Summary Report August 29, 2019

Parish Goal: \$208,632.00

Total Pledged to Date: \$101,053.00

Paid—Undesignated \$24,401.43 11.70% Paid

Over/(Under) Goal \$107,579.00

% of Parish Goal Pledged 48.44%

Number of Participation 36

"Moving Forward Together in Faith" Program

Thank you for celebrating Commitment Sunday with us this weekend. Your commitment to our parish through our "Moving Forward Together in Faith" Program will continue to bring life to our community. If completing your commitment card was not possible at Mass, an invitation to respond will be mailed later this week to you home. Please return your Commitment Card to the office this week or in next weeks collection. If you have not yet done so, join the many others and give your gift online through our electronic giving program. Please call the parish office with any questions.

CHRIST OUR LIGHT BAZAAR SEPTEMBER 29, 2019
GRIMES COUNTY EXPO CENTER, 5220 FM 3455

BAZAAR SET-UP DAY, September 28, 2019 at Grimes County Expo Center

MASS TIMES FOR SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29, 8:00 am English & 10:00 am Spanish

Next Bazaar Meetings are Thursday September 19th and September 26th at 7:00 PM in St. Patrick Parish Hall.

We will need Live and Silent Auctions items, home made Cakes and Pies for the dinner and for the Cake Booth, Plants, Toys, and Grocery Gift Cards. Please contact: Kathy Baldobino 936-870-7294 or Gregorio Gonzales, 936-825-8953.

Gratia Plena

"Gratia Plena is a nonprofit organization that provides mental and spiritual health services for mental illnesses, addictions, and marriage/family problems. All counselors are Catholic and provide services in a way that is faithful to the teachings, values and traditions of the Church. Their closest office is near The Woodlands, but counselors are also available by video session. For more information, see their website at www.gratiaplenacounseling.org or call (832) 532-0129, or email info@gratiaplenacounseling.org."

NEEDED

The thing that is most needed in homes today is a family. —Anonymous

Sonship Restored

Strangely enough and discouragingly often, we find the attitude of the older son from the Prodigal Son parable in the Church. The righteous believers who have always belonged can be jealous and look down upon the poor sinner who comes later and gets the same reward.

Yet, the attitude of all of us toward those who are spiritually, morally, or materially needy should be that of the loving father so wonderfully shown in the statue by Francesco Messina.

The sinner comes back in shame, weakness, and obvious failure. His very act of returning is a cry for help, support, and understanding. The father offers his mercy and compassion without questions, without an interrogation. His shoulder is never too proud, too hard, or righteous to be refused as a pillow for the humiliated soul who returns broken, pillaged, and ruined by sin.

Messina chose to show the father and son naked because it symbolizes mankind stripped to its essence. And in this you reveal greatness. Humanity is noblest when admitting its weakness. Humanity is greatest in its ability to show mercy and lift the downtrodden. The father-son relationship is most beautiful when it is being reconciled and restored.

We should always rejoice at the return of a prodigal child, and we should always honor a forgiving parental heart. "We must celebrate and rejoice," said the father. If we are convinced of this, we now have a charge: Go out and find the lost coin and welcome back the lost sheep with humility and joy!

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

Do I have a welcoming spirit about me, always looking to build up and be positive?

Do I live gospel charity and love with all its consequences?



Piece: *Prodigal Son*, 1956
Artist: Francesco Messina
Location: Vatican Museums



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[Jesus said,] "I tell you, in just the same way there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents...."

Luke 15:7

Calendar

Monday

SEPTEMBER 16

*Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and
Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs*

1 Tm 2:1-8

Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday

SEPTEMBER 17

Weekday

1 Tm 3:1-13

Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday

SEPTEMBER 18

Weekday

1 Tm 3:14-16

Lk 7:31-35

Thursday

SEPTEMBER 19

Weekday

1 Tm 4:12-16

Lk 7:36-50

Friday

SEPTEMBER 20

*Sts. Andrew Kim
Tae-gön, Priest,
Paul Chông Ha-sang,
and Companions,
Martyrs*

1 Tm 6:2c-12

Lk 8:1-3

Saturday

SEPTEMBER 21

*St. Matthew,
Apostle and Evangelist*

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13

Mt 9:9-13

Sunday

SEPTEMBER 22

*Twenty-fifth Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

Am 8:4-7

1 Tm 2:1-8

Lk 16:1-13

Dear Padre,

How do I respect my young teenager's privacy in using social media without compromising parental protection?

There are more Facebook accounts than Catholics worldwide, reports the US Conference of Catholic Bishops (usccb.org/about/communications/social-media-guidelines.cfm). Social media—blogs, social networks, text messaging, and more—is the fastest-growing form of communication in the United States, particularly among youth and young adults. How can we take charge of it rather than let it control us?

While both adults and children need to protect themselves from their own thoughtless impulses in posting opinions and photographs online that may affect their reputations and careers, children need added protection from online predators. It's advisable for parents to set parameters with their children and convey the idea that technology use is a privilege, not a right. If parents intend to follow their kids on social media or monitor their phone, texting, and internet activity, transparency is better than spying and snooping. This helps prevent violating the privacy that young people desire and the trust needed between parents and their children. It's also prudent for parents to communicate the dangers of today's digital world and be vigilant in detecting warning signs exhibited by their children. These include changes in a child's personality and behavior, attempts to conceal their use of computers and handheld devices, and a decline in academic performance.

"Social media can be powerful tools for strengthening community, although social media interaction should not be viewed as a substitute for face-to-face gatherings," wrote the US Bishops. This applies to essential family interaction as well.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



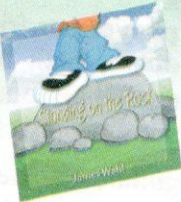

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A Word from Pope Francis


Emails, text messages, social networks, and chats can also be fully human forms of communication....Social networks can facilitate relationships and promote the good of society, but they can also lead to further polarization and division between individuals and groups. The digital world is a public square...where we can either encourage or demean one another. —Fiftieth World Communications Day, January 24, 2016

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