

# Christ Our Light Catholic Church

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston  
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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

### Monday-Thursday

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

**Friday** 9:15am- noon

Other times by appointment

**Website:** [www.christourlight.org](http://www.christourlight.org)

## PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor Rev. Elias Lopéz

Grant Holt, Permanent Deacon

Gregory Jelinek, MD, Permanent Deacon (Retired)

Jeremy Trull, Deacon

## ADMINISTRATION & BOOKKEEPER

Nelda Kurten

## COORDINATOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Carolyn Katkoski

## DIRECTOR OF LITURGY AND MUSIC

Susan Russell

## SACRISTAN

Samuel Pry

## PASTORAL LEADERSHIP TEAM

Michael Culver (Chairperson), Teresa Morales, Jason Katkoski, Laura Quirino, Gerardo Olguin, Sam Pry and Larry Busa

## FINANCE COUNCIL

Leonard Busa, Teresa Morales, Ann Clark, Carolyn Katkoski

## DISASTER RECOVERY PLAN

Deacon Grant Holt, Jason Katkoski, Mitch Kroll, Gregorio Gonzalez

## RE BOARD

President: Brandi Tejeda, Vice President: Jessica Herrera

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## BUILDING COMMITTEE

Larry Busa, Danny Clark, Richard Krolczyk, and Joe Rangel

## YOUTH MINISTER COORDINATOR

Jessica Herrera

## SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm

Sunday: (English) 8:00am

Sunday: (Spanish) 1:00pm

## WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

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

## RECONCILIACION/CONFESIONES

Los Martes, jueves y el

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

y por cita 936-825-3920

**Third Sunday of Advent : December 15, 2019**





### **Christ Our Light Parish 2019 Christmas Wishlist**

The items on this list are to enhance our liturgical celebrations by giving **Glory to God**. Many of our liturgical garments need to be replaced due to wear and tear. *The old garments will be donated to a mission church in need.*

1. Marian chasuble for the celebrant \$1595 Donated: Thank You.
2. Purple chasuble for Advent & Lent for the celebrant \$995
3. Purple dalmatic for Advent & Lent for the deacon \$995
4. White and gold chasuble for celebrant \$995
5. White and gold dalmatic for the deacon \$995

*\*Please make checks payable to Christ Our Light Catholic Church and write **"COL Wishlist"** in the memo. Send the check to the Pastoral Office, attention Nelda Kurten, along with a note as to which item on the list you would like to sponsor.*

***Thank you for your generosity, prayers, and support!***

***Have a wonderful and blessed ADVENT season!***



# Christ Our Light Catholic Church • Navasota, Texas

December 14 & 15, 2019

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

## MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTION

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 16**

No Mass

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17**

No Mass

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18**

No Mass

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19**

8:30 AM Mary Ann Contreras Ochoa †

10:00 AM Annie Laskowski † @ Golden Creek

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20**

8:30 AM Torres & Rangel Families †

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21**

6:00 PM Vigil Nina Rotello †

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22**

8:00 AM Eddie Knowles †

1:00 PM\* People of the Parish

\*Spanish



## E-Mail Addresses for the Parish

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

To e-mail Nelda: nelda@christourlight.org

To e-mail RE Board: reboard@christourlight.org

Christ Our Light web-site: www.christourlight.org

## 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 mediodia. 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.

## THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 16**

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

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17**

6:00 PM Sp. Choir Practice, CJ

7:00 PM Sp. Lector Class

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18**

6:00 PM CCE PreK-5th Grades

6:00 PM RCIC, SPCC

7:30 PM Choir Practice, CH

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19**

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

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

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20**

No Events Scheduled

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21**

No Events Scheduled

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22**

Holiday for COL Faith Formation

## INVITATION

When is the last time you devoted a full weekend to yourself, your faith, and the Lord? Holy Name Retreat Center invites you to join other men from your parish and community on the weekend of January 10-12, 2020 for our men's weekend retreat. For more information please contact David Sweeney at (979) 492-9598 or <http://www.passionist.org/holyname/> for registration information.



## Sacrament of Baptism Schedule

English Baptism Class Schedule for 2019: 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM Jan. 11, April 11th, July 11th and Oct. 10th., 2020 **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, Jan. 26th, April 26th, July 26th and Oct. 25th. 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.





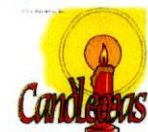
**PRAY for THE CONTINUING  
RECOVERY OR COMFORT OF  
the infirmed and homebound  
members of our community.**

Jack Baker, Jo Ann Clepper, Frank Crouch, Herman Culmer, Gilbert Druckhammer, Liz Johnson, 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. Anyone 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.

**YOUR PARISH SUPPORT  
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**TRESASURE YOU HAVE  
SHARED:**

**GIFTS FOR GOD — YOUR  
TITHE RESPONDS**

**December 07 08, 2019**

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| (88) Offertory Envelopes/Loose Checks |                 |
| and On Live Giving                    | 4,094.00        |
| Loose Cash                            | 990.00          |
| Children                              | 100.00          |
| <b>Total</b>                          | <b>5,184.00</b> |
| II Collection                         |                 |
| Maintenance Fund                      | 1,202.00        |

**DIOCESAN SERVICE FUND - 2019**

**Goal: \$24,940.00**

**Pledged: \$22,504.83**

**Paid: \$20,824.49**

**Total Registered Families: 651**

**Number of Participant: 72**

**Percent Paid: 83.50%**

**Paid Over (Under) Goal: (\$4,115.51)**

**Pledged Over (Under) Goal: (\$2,435.17)**

**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, Javier Salinas,  
Sgt. Kevin Seigler, SSgt Allen Thane

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

**General Intention — The Future of the Very Young:** That every country take the measures necessary to prioritize the future of the very young, especially those who are suffering.



**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.

**THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND  
Web site is FORMED.ORG**

The Parish Code to access the website is

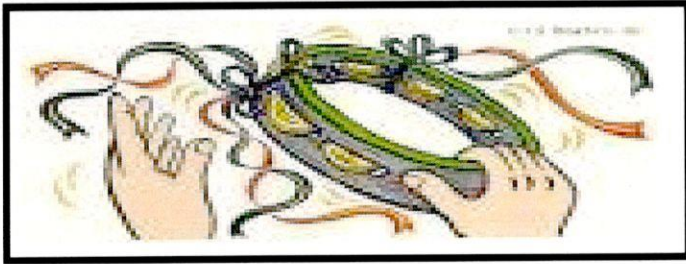
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**MVMZKF**

Then register to create an account.  
**NOTE: Do not use Mozilla Firefox browser.**

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





## Third Sunday of Advent December 15, 2019

Those whom the LORD has ransomed will return and enter Zion singing, crowned with everlasting joy.

— Isaiah 35:10a

### 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.

### +++++ 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.

ParishSOFT  
Giving

### SIGN UP NOW

Sign Up for Christ Our Light  
Online Giving Now

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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**Mass Schedule for Christmas**  
**Friday, December 20th 7:00 PM CH**  
**Choir Concert: "Evening To Morning:  
The Night That Changed the World."**

**Tuesday December 24th**  
**6:00 PM Christmas Eve Vigil Mass**  
**11:15 PM (before Midnight Mass),**  
**Christmas Carols**

**Wednesday, December 25th**  
**12AM (Midnight), Christmas Mass**  
**11:00 AM Christmas Day: Spanish Mass**

### 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

**3rd Sunday of Advent** — *"You too must be patient. Make your hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand."* James 5:8 Patience is another one of those things many of us struggle with. We want things to go according to our plan and our schedule. Any change brings anxiety and fear. Through daily prayer we better align ourselves with God's will and His plan, which is far better than anything we can come up with on our own.

**3er domingo de Adviento** — *"Tú también debes ser paciente, Haz que tus corazones estén firmes, porque la venida del Señor está cerca".* Santiago 5:8 La paciencia es otra de esas cosas con las que muchos de nosotros luchamos. Queremos que las cosas salgan de acuerdo con nuestro plan y nuestro horario. Cualquier cambio trae ansiedad y miedo. A través de la oración diaria, nos alineamos mejor con la voluntad de Dios y su plan, que es mucho mejor que cualquier cosa que podamos inventar por nuestra cuenta.

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## **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10, Psalm 146, James 5:7-10  
Matthew 11:2-11



## IGNITE: *Our Faith, Our Mission*

**Summary Report December 09, 2019**

**Parish Goal: \$208,632.00**

**Total Pledged to Date: \$98,153.00**

**Paid—Undesignated \$28,182.65 13.51%**

**Paid Over/(Under) Goal (\$110,479.00)**

**% of Parish Goal Pledged 47.05%**

**Number of Participation 36**

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“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 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](http://www.gratiaplenacounseling.org) call (832)532-0129, or email [info@gratiaplenacounseling.org](mailto:info@gratiaplenacounseling.org).”

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

Wednesday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

Thursday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25

Friday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38

Saturday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45

Sunday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Sal 25 (24):4-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mt 21:23-27

Martes: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Sal 72 (71):1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

Miércoles: Jer 23:5-8; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

Jueves: Jue 13:2-7, 24-25a; Sal 71 (70):3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lc 1:5-25

Viernes: Is 7:10-14; Sal 24 (23):1-4ab, 5-6; Lc 1:26-38

Sábado: Cant 2:8-14 o Sof 3:14-18a; Sal 33 (32):2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lc 1:39-45

Domingo: Is 7:10-14; Sal 24 (23):1-6; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

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**The Altar Society will decorate the Church for Christmas on, December 22nd, the Sunday before Christmas at 2:30pm. Everyone is invited to help. If you have ideas about special decoration, please bring materials with you. Let us work together to welcome the Christ child.**

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**Deacon Jeremy**

**If you would like to send Deacon Jeremy a Christmas card and or a gift, please mail to: Deacon Jeremy Trull, 6845 Memorial Dr. Houston, TX 77024**



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