

## Our Lady of the Lakes Altar Server Schedule December 2025

	DATE	TIME	NAME
Saturday	Dec. 6	4:00 PM	JOZIAH SRINIVASAN, Austin Karlovich
	Spanish	7:00 PM	Manuel Collazos, Daniella Gamez
Sunday	Dec. 7	8:00 AM	Gabriella and Isaiah Rampersad
	Angel's Phone #	10:00 AM	Henry, Jane and Samuel Ugwu, Glen Alvarado, Jr.
	386-588-2097	12:00 Noon	Ariel & William Oswald
Saturday	Dec. 13	4:00 PM	Abigail and Nalla Heydolph
	Spanish	7:00 PM	Daniela and Emmanuel Iturre, Angelee Ruiz, Lillianie Fraticelli
Sunday	Dec. 14	8:00 AM	KATHRYN and Kaitlyn CHIN
	Angel's Phone #	10:00 AM	Brianna Anderson, Philip and Daniel Fitzgerald
	407-430-2881	12:00 Noon	Bartholomew Arsenault, Isabella Rivera
Saturday	Dec. 20	4:00 PM	Luxs and Zaylee Bice
	Spanish	7:00 PM	Manuel Collazos, Daniella Gamez
Sunday	Dec. 21	8:00 AM	Jaden and Sanaya Rampersad, Trinity Arredondo, Kayla Cruz
	Angel's Phone #	10:00 AM	BARTHOLOMEW ARSENAULT, Austin Karlovich
	727-515-7476	12:00 Noon	Isabella Rivera, Weston Cyrier
<b>DECEMBER 24 AND 25 - CHRISTMAS SIGN-UP SHEETS</b>			
Saturday	Dec. 27	4:00 PM	ABIGAIL and Nalla HEYDOLPH, Luxs and Zaylee Bice
	Spanish	7:00 PM	Daniela and Emmanuel Iturre
Sunday	Dec. 28	8:00 AM	Hayden Strocky, Kathryn and Kaitlyn Chin
	Angel's Phone #	10:00 AM	Austin Karlovich, Alfred Bellarmine
	347-645-5780	12:00 Noon	Ariel & William Oswald



### We Look Forward to Christmas. Do We Forget Advent?

"Naughty or nice." Santa checks his list twice, to include us in one of these categories. We put up the tree. We decorate it. We buy presents. We set up the manger scene. We even sign up to be Altar Servers for the Masses. All of this preparation is very good.

But do we think of the meaning of the time before Christmas? The whole world of the Bible was waiting, hoping for a savior--from political oppression, but also from sin. They looked for a new King David, who would make their people "number one" again. We don't sing "Gloria," because the angels had no Savior to announce yet. It was a time of need, but a time of hope. And the priests and deacons wear purple to show the seriousness of this time, and the need to get our souls ready.

We can do some things to acknowledge the Advent--the waiting for the coming--of the Lord. We can set up and use an Advent wreath in our homes. We can have a Jesse Tree (look this one up--it is a great devotional and learning experience). And we can leave Jesus, and the three Kings, out of the manger scene until it's time for them. Meanwhile, we wait in watchful darkness for the Light of the World.

*Have a blessed Advent!*