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**Diocese of Charleston**

# Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

**195 Amicks Ferry Road, Chapin, South Carolina 29036**

**(Street Address now New Mailing Address)**

**Church Telephone: 803.345.3962**

**Website: <http://www.ollchapin.org>**

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**Rev. Dennis B. Willey, Pastor (843.834.5447 ~ [pastor@ollchapin.org](mailto:pastor@ollchapin.org) ~ Father's Day Off is Monday)**

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### Parish Worship Schedule

Masses: Saturday Vigil 5:00PM

Sunday 8:00AM(No Music) 10:30AM, 5:00PM LifeTeen

*Holy Sacrifice of the Mass (Traditional Latin) Sundays, 1PM*

**(\*\*Summer Mass Schedule begins the 2nd Sunday in May after the last Faith Formation Class and ends after Labor Day.**

**Sign up to receive Father Dennis's Pastoral Letters and Weekly Reminders: go to website, [www.ollchapin.org](http://www.ollchapin.org), and scroll down on front page to Sign Up, or enter link, [ollchapin.flocknote.com](http://ollchapin.flocknote.com), in your browser.**

Holy Days: See Parish Website for Schedule:

Daily: Tuesday thru Friday at 12 noon

First Friday (*Ad Orientem*) Adoration in Church 1-7PM  
Benediction 7PM)

First Saturday (*Ad Orientem*) Rosary prayed at 11:30AM  
Confessions both days 10:00-11:30AM, Masses, 12N

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 3:00-4:30PM or by appointment

**The 10:30AM Mass will be LIVESTREAMED via the Parish's Facebook Page and Boxcast allows us to have a direct link: OLL Sunday Mass on Boxcast.**

**ADORATION CHAPEL IS OPEN. Call Parish Office for Code.**

**PARISH DIRECTORY available on website. Call Parish Office for Password. Go to "Our Community" tab on website and click on Parish Directory. Password will be entered twice.**

**To get FREE Catholic Programs, Videos, etc., go to [www.FORMED.org](http://www.FORMED.org) use Parish Name & Zip Code 29036**

**Baptism** ~ Baptisms scheduled in advance. Please call the Parish Office for more information or to attend a Baptismal Preparation Session.

**Marriage** ~ Catholics are bound by Canon Law to the Catholic Form of Marriage and must consult a priest at least 6 months prior to their wedding in order to remain in good standing with the Catholic Faith. If you are planning to be married in the coming year, please call the Parish Office for an appointment.

**Membership** ~ Newcomers are asked to register so that we may properly welcome you into our parish community. Forms are online or in the Parish Office. Also, the 2nd Sunday of every month is NEW Parishioner Registration.

Active Participation includes 4 things:

- 1) Registration in the Parish for a sufficient period of time.
- 2) Regular use of the Sunday envelopes.
- 3) Faithful attendance at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days.
- 4) Participation in Parish events and service to the Parish.

**Sick & Homebound Ministry ~ Deacon Greg 803.250.1562**



## 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*"She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." - Mt 1:21*

### Staff

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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**December 21, 2025**

# Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Chapin, South Carolina

Fourth Sunday of Advent

21 December 2025

\* Introductory Rites \*

Processional Hymn

Lo! He Comes With Clouds Descending



1. Lo! he comes with clouds descending,  
2. Every eye shall now behold him  
3. Those dear to kens of his Passion



Once for favored sinners slain; Thou sand-  
Robed in dread-ful majesty; Those who-  
Still his daz-zling body bears, Cause of



thousand saints attending Swell the  
set at nought and sold him, Pierced and  
endless exultation To his



triumph of his train: Al-le-lu-ia,  
nailed him to the tree, Deep-ly wail-ing,  
ransomed wor-ship-pers: With what rap-ture,



al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!  
deep-ly wail-ing, deep-ly wail-ing  
with what rap-ture, with what rap-ture,



God appears, on earth to reign.  
Shall the true Mes-si-ah see.  
Gaze we on those glo-rious scars!

Tune: Helmsley. Melody: Thomas Olivers (d. 1799). M. Source: *New English Hymnal* (1906) p. 10. Text: John Cennick (d. 1755). T. Source: *Catholic Hymn Book* (London Oratory, 1998) p. 11.

Greeting

Penitential Act

**All:** I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, **(Strike breast) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;** therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

**Priest:** May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

**All:** Amen.

Kyrie

Collect

\* Liturgy Of The Word \*

Readings may be found at #867 in the JourneySongs Hymnal.

First Reading

Isaiah 7:10-14

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 24:1-6

“Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory.”

Second Reading

Romans 1:1-7

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 1:23

“Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.”

Gospel

Matthew 1:18-24

Homily

Profession Of Faith (*Nicene Creed*)

**All People:** I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven,

**All bow:** and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

**All People:** For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Universal Prayer

\* Liturgy Of The Eucharist \*

Offertory

Offertory Hymn ..... #302

*Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*

Prayer Over The Offerings

*\* Eucharistic Prayer \**

Sanctus

San-ctus, San-ctus, San-ctus Dó-mi-nus De-us Sá -  
 ba-oth. Ple-ni sunt coe-li et ter-ra gló-ri-a tu-a.  
 Ho-sán-na in ex-cél-sis. Be-ne-dí-ctus qui ve-nit in  
 nó-mi-ne Dó-mi-ni. Ho-sán - na in ex-cél - sis.

Salvator Mundi

Sal - va - tor Mun - di sal - va nos, qui per cru - cem  
 et re - sur - rec - ti - on - em tu - am li - ber - as - ti nos.

Doxology And Great Amen

**Priest:** Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, Almighty Father, in the Unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, forever and ever.

A - men.

*\* Communion Rite \**

The Lord's Prayer

**All:** Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**Priest:** Deliver us Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

**All:** For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

Sign Of Peace

Agnus Dei

A-gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: mi - se -  
 ré - re no - bis. A-gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta  
 mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis. A-gnus De - i,  
 qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

Communion

*Creator Alme Siderum*

Text: Anon. 9th c. Music: Delfino Thermignon, d. 1944; CREATOR ALME, harm. Arr. N.A.M., alt. S.T.

Prayer After Communion

*\* Concluding Rites \**

Announcements

Dismissal

Closing Hymn ..... #282

*The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns*

**The Jubilee Prayer**

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



A priest friend recently told me a remarkable story. One of his cousins reported having a vivid dream in which an angel told him the family needed to exhume their grandmother's body from a cemetery in New York and return it to her birthplace in Romania. She had been dead nearly 10 years. As you might expect,

the family thought it was, well, crazy. But astonishingly they exhumed her body. It was incorrupt, showing no signs of decomposition. That experience sparked healing, faith, and reconciliation throughout the family.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Joseph also receives a dream. He's confused, afraid. But in the quiet of sleep, God speaks: "Do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home" (Matthew 1:20). When he wakes, Joseph acts. He doesn't overanalyze or dismiss the message. He trusts, and acts.

God still speaks — not necessarily through literal dreams but through those deeper intuitions of the heart. St. Ignatius of Loyola taught that God's voice draws us into peace, courage, and love. But we have to listen to it. Advent is a time for stillness.

As we prepare for Christ's coming, we're invited to enter that quiet space where God's voice can be heard.

When and how do you become most receptive to God? Is it in silence? In prayer? In nature? At Mass? This week, go there. Be still. Listen. And like Joseph, have the courage to act on what God shows you. **Fr John Muir ©LPI**

### The Week Ahead

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 22, NO MASS**

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23, Mass 12Noon**

*For the repose of the soul of Beatrice K. Runion*

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 4:00PM, 7:00PM, 10:00PM**

*Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)*

*Merry Christmas 2025*

**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE IN BULLETIN**

**PARISH OFFICES CLOSED UNTIL 1/5/2026**

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 10:00AM**

*Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)*

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26, NO MASS**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, Vigil Mass, 5PM**

*Mass Intention for Charlie Aleshire*

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28, Morning Mass 8AM**

*Mass Intention for Marianne Sautter*

**NO Morning Faith Formation Classes, EDGE CLASSES or Youth Group (LifeTeen), NO ADULT BIBLE STUDIES**

**Christmas Holidays (HolyDays)**

**All Classes and Bible Studies Resume January 11, 2026**

Mass 10:30AM, Mass Intention for **Greg Schelble**

**LIVESTREAMED: Parish Facebook & Boxcast**

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass (Traditional Latin), 1PM

*Special Intention for Fr. Matthew Buetner*

Evening Mass 5:00pm, *Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)*

*Thank you so much*

**Giving Tree Update:** Our Parish has provided gifts for our less fortunate neighbors through the Giving Tree for well over 30 years. This year, 352 gifts were donated and the following organizations benefited from this good will: White Oak Manor, We Care Center, Little Mountain Elementary School, and Sister Care of Newberry.

Thanks again to all who contributed by buying the gifts, sorting them, and/or delivering them.



Father Dennis, Deacon Greg, Deacon John, Deacon James, Deacon Jim, and the Parish Staff would like to wish each and every one of our parishioners and their loved ones a ...

*Joyous & Blessed Christmas*

## Christmas Season 2025

### Schedule of Masses

#### The Solemnity of Our Lord's Nativity

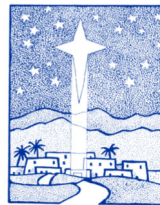
Wed Dec 24	CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS Children's Choir Program "Surprise Sainly Visitor for the Children" MASS	3:30PM 4:00PM
Wed Dec 24	CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS	7:00PM
Wed Dec 24	CHRISTMAS MASS DURING THE NIGHT Adult Choir Program MASS	9:30PM 10:00PM
Thurs Dec 25	CHRISTMAS MASS DURING THE DAY Music Program by St. Gregory Ensemble Traditional Latin Mass	10:00AM 12:30PM 1:00PM

#### The Feast of the Holy Family

Sat Dec 27	Saturday Vigil Mass	5:00PM
Sun Dec 28	Sunday Masses	8:00AM 10:30AM 5:00PM
	Traditional Latin Mass	1:00PM

#### Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Wed Dec. 31	Vigil for Mary, Mother of God	6:30PM
Thurs Jan. 1, 2026	<b>Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God</b>	12:00 N
	Traditional Latin Mass	2:00PM



*Due to the Christmas & New Year's Holidays, there will be **NO CLASSES** for MORNING FAITH FORMATION/EDGE/LIFE TEEN or Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study and PB&J Casual Bible Study this Sunday, December 21st and the next two, December 28th and January 4th. All Classes resume January 11, 2026.*



Our heartfelt sympathy goes to RoseMarie Schmedding and Family on the recent passing of Gary Schmedding on December 2, 2025. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, January 31, 2026 at 11:00AM, with inurnment in the Parish's Columbarium. His family said it so well: *If his life can be summed up in three words, they are the values he returned to every day: faith, family and service. Gary spent his 87 years living those principles in steady, practical ways that shaped the communities and people he loved.*

Gary was a leader among us who was truly interested in making the life of the Parish here at OLL and the Chapin community so much richer and fuller than he found it almost 25 years ago. He always wanted better for us and all the while being humble in his efforts and accomplishments. Above all, he cared. Well done good and faithful servant! You will be sorely missed...

*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

**Mass Intentions**



The Vigil Mass at 5:00PM is offered as a Special Intention for *Suzanne Gooch, as she celebrates her 85th Birthday (December 20)*. The Mass on Sunday at 8:00AM is offered as a *Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)*.

The Mass on Sunday at 10:30AM is for the repose of the soul of *Joe Brannigan, Jr.*, at the request of Don & Mary Moore. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Traditional Latin) at 1:00PM is offered for *Father Timothy Reid, in Thanksgiving for his Vocation*, at the request of the O'Halloran Family. The 5:00PM Evening Mass is offered for the repose of the soul of *Bobby Gilbert, on the 45th Anniversary of his Passing, at the request of the Gilbert and Billings Families*.

## Flowers for the Altar



There are typically no flowers on the altar during Advent because it is a season of penance, reflection, and preparation for Christmas, not a time of full celebration. Instead of flowers, churches often use greenery to symbolize the season's contemplative nature. The use of flowers is restricted to avoid anticipating the full joy of the Nativity.



Many Thanks to all parishioners who donated poinsettias to adorn our altar this Holy Season. There will be an Insert in the Bulletin next weekend listing the intended Memorials/Honorees.



**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!!** The 2026 Book to sign up for ALTAR FLOWERS can be found on the credenza in the Vollkommer Bell Tower. Sign up to commemorate a special occasion, as a memorial to a loved one's passing, or simply to help adorn the altar.

## Collections

### SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR DECEMBER:

December 25	Christmas (Special Envelope)
December 28	Fund for the Church in Africa
January 1, 2026	Solemnity of Mary (Special Envelope)

From the Treasurer's File



Week Ending December 7, 2025

PARISH SUPPORT	THIS WEEK	YEAR TO DATE
Budget Amount	\$20,823	\$484,622
In-plate Collection	15,929	242,423
Online Giving	17,574	223,115
Total Received	33,503	465,538
Variance	12,680	- 20,435

## Important Dates in December

December 20-21 ~ **December Anniversary Blessings**  
 December 21 & 28 & January 4 ~ **Christmas Break: No Faith Formation or Adult Bible Studies**  
**NO Parish Neighborhood Contacts in December**  
 December 24 ~ **Children's Christmas Vigil Mass, 4PM**  
**Children's Choir Program, 3:30PM**  
 December 24 ~ **Christmas Vigil Mass, 7PM**  
 December 24 ~ **Mass of Christmas Night, 10PM**  
**Choral Program, 9:30PM**  
 December 25 ~ **Mass of Christmas Day, 10AM**  
**Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Traditional Latin) 1:00PM**  
**Music Program by St. Gregory Ensemble, 12:30PM**  
**December 24-January 2, 2026 ~ Parish Office Closed**  
 December 28 ~ **Care & Share Sunday**

January 1, 2026, The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, is a Holy Day of Obligation this year. Fr. Dennis will celebrate the Vigil for the Holy Day on Wednesday, December 31 at 6:30PM and at 12:00Noon on Thursday, January 1st. The Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Traditional Latin) will be celebrated by Fr. Morey on January 1st at 2:00PM



Anointing of the sick

Is anyone among you sick? They should summon the presbyters of the church, to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord, and the prayer of faith will save the sick person and the Lord will raise them up. If they have committed any sins, they will be forgiven. (James 5:14).

In the sacrament we pray that the sick be healed in body, in mind and in spirit. The mission of the Church is to do what Jesus did. Healing was essential to the mission of the disciples. If you are experiencing the effects of illness, advanced age, preparing for surgery and seek the healing power of the sacrament you are encouraged to ask Father Dennis to celebrate the Anointing of the Sick with you. You or a family member can contact the parish office, 803.345.3962.



The next Baptismal Preparation Class is scheduled for Sunday, January 4, 2026 after the 8:00AM Mass. **You must call the church office (803.345.3962x202) to register so that we know you are coming or to make other arrangements.**

Please meet Deacon John Stetar in the Narthex of the Church.

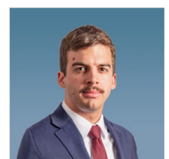


## PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Please keep our Seminarians in your prayers, especially, Theodore Lombardi (past Summer Seminarian for OLL) and Revon Landreneau, who have both designated Our Lady of the Lake as their "Home Parish."



Theodore Lombardi



Revon Landreneau



## Please Keep in Your Prayers

Nancy Allen, Jim Bartley, Wandra Bartschat, Sister Kateri Battaglia, M.S.C., Oliver Batten, Ray Benjamin, Richard Benjamin, Travis Benjamin, Vern Benjamin, Denise Bono, Curtis Bowers, Marie Bowers, Matthew Bowers, Jane Bufkin, Skip Butts, Callum Calvert & Ellie Calvert, Deacon James Chin, Joseph Chalmers, Jennifer Collins, Joanne Connelly, Nancy Daraban, Michael Dorabandt, Anthony Dren, Deacon Dave Farinelli, Bennett Fisher, Jennifer Fulmer & Family, David Furstenberg & Family, Cathy Godshall, Veronica González, Suzanne Gooch, JJ Haselbarth, Gina Hendrickson, Sally Herling, Dorothy Hock, Regina Hoffman, Andy Hollis, Hudson Howell, Rosie Husbands, Michael Jancovic, Renee Johnson, Alecia Klauk, Christopher Kline, Juanita Kruse, Mimi Langlois, Donald Larsen, Mrs. Jennifer Leach, Mackie Leach, Steiner & Annika Ling, Jeff Lutts, Kathy Lyden, Vivian F. Manes, R.N., Robbie Martin, Richard Matula, Brian McCarl, Shawn McCarl, Frank McHenry, Michelle Metts, Carol Morrett, Carol Morris, Heidi Morrow, Matt Nowitzki, Charlie Padua, Alexander Pawlak, Tung Pham, Piney Woods Elementary School Staff & Students, Addie & Gerry Pecora, Ange Ploussard, David Puterbaugh, Shelby Rikard, Charles & Lisa Rister, Debra Robinson, Jason Ruch, Baby Thomas Rupp & the Rupp Family, Will Rutherford & Family, Tony Schenck, Adrian Serina, Bobby Serina, Stuart Silverman, George Smith, Clark Stahl, Jan Tetmeyer, Judy Thom, Shelia Thompson, Nancy Underwood, Elena Valdepenas, Stan Van Hoeck, Erik Veach, Staci Weathers, Renee Weber, Daniel Willey, Father Dennis B. Willey, Jean Willey, Bruce Zebal

I show my thanks  
to God with ...



And sometimes few words are necessary...



## The Lord's Word

December 21-December 28, 2025

Sun: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (see Is 35:4)/  
Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11  
Mon: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/  
Mt 21:23-27  
Tues: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23/  
Mt 21:28-32  
Wed: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17/Mt 1:1-17  
Thurs: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25  
Fri: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/Lk 1:5-25  
Sat: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38  
Next: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (7c, 10b)/Rom 1:1-7/  
Sun: Mt 1:18-24

# Respect Life Ministry

Email Maureen at [respectlife@OLLchapin.org](mailto:respectlife@OLLchapin.org)  
if you have any questions or want to be added  
to the Ministry Email List.

The 40 Days for Life Columbia location is a 365 (year round) campaign. On average, over 20 women arrive on a day dedicated to abortion services. Since there are two abortion days a week, that means there are over 40 potential abortions a week. The goal of a 365 campaign is to have someone present and praying during Planned Parenthood's business hours, starting with the abortion days as a priority. Please visit <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/columbiase> for campaign details or contact Maureen at [respectlife@ollchapin.org](mailto:respectlife@ollchapin.org) to sign up or with questions or drop in on the Weekly Prayer vigils for Life on Tuesday, Friday & 3rd Saturday.

Go to the Parish's website for our group prayer vigil times and much, much more! With Jesus's help we can Save Lives!



Click on QR using your iPhone to open the link or go to the Parish's website, [www.ollchapin.org](http://www.ollchapin.org). Click on the "Ministries" tab at the top and scroll down to the Respect Life Ministry Page.

## An Adoption Love Story

Read the full version at  
[respectlifeprogram.org/adoption-love-story](http://respectlifeprogram.org/adoption-love-story).

Having children and raising a family had always been our expectation. We soon learned, however, that our chances of becoming pregnant were small. It wasn't long before we started talking about the possibility of adoption. I wondered if my heart was big enough to love an adopted child as I would have loved a biological child. But with prayerful discernment, we decided to start the process. On Christmas Eve, Bill\* and I left the hospital with Andrew. It didn't take long before there was no doubt in our minds that he was our son, the greatest gift from God! We can't imagine loving a child whom we conceived more than we love Andrew.

**We can't  
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whom we  
conceived  
more than we  
love Andrew.**

\*Names changed for privacy. This is a summary of a USCCB Respect Life Program article by the same name and is reprinted with permission. © 2019, USCCB, Washington, D.C. All rights reserved.

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Pregnant? Need help finding resources?  
We are a Walking with Moms in Need Parish.

Contact Deacon Greg & Maureen Weigold at  
[WWMIN@ollchapin.org](mailto:WWMIN@ollchapin.org) or 803-932-6032

*December 22*

Emma DeLair  
Lindsay Desmond  
Mary Hansen  
Lyndsey Jenkins  
Kevin Kelly  
Jack Macro  
Reagan McMahon  
Sean McNeill  
Jason Osolin  
William Pollok  
Heidi Powell  
Joseph Rosa  
Deven Ruch  
Nathan Selestok  
Elizabeth Swistak  
Kaden van Leuven

*December 23*

Connie Nieri-Ries  
Monty Parker, Jr.  
Hilda Ramirez  
Yolanda Redner

*December 24*

Donna Greenwold  
Alexis Keith  
Victor Lozano  
Matthew  
Quattlebaum

*December 25*

Phil Budzynski  
Alan Correa  
Mason McBride  
Caroline Swords

*December 26*

Noelle  
Buckingham  
Bertran Darazs  
Meaghan DeToro  
Maggie Hankins  
Erik Heyman  
Isabella McNeill  
Dick Murphy  
Meaghan Ronca  
Erika Schreiber  
Maureen Weigold  
Chloe Wilds  
Michelle Willis

*December 27*

Ronda Berger  
Meg Hood  
Eleanor Martinez  
Frank Suda

*December 28*

Nicholas Bimonte

*December 28*

Lydia  
Birchenough  
Kristine Cosare  
Shannon Frazier  
Steohen Limperis  
Wesley Robertson  
Erika Schenkel  
Alaina Shealy



*December 15*

Joshua & Nella  
Martinez

*December 17*

Cody & Margaret  
Morris

*December 18*

Tim & Cindy  
Comose  
Eric & Amanda  
Keisler  
Mike & Patty Remion  
Thomas & Rebecca  
Sellers

*December 19*

Jimmy & Jackie  
Chalmers  
Michael & Sandra  
Corum  
Tommy & Carmen  
Hudson  
Frederick & Amanda  
Knowles

*December 22*

George & Edith  
Freire  
Timothy & Shelly  
Kelly

*December 23*

Charles & Ada  
Brown  
Peter & Susie LeRoy

*December 23*

Sean & Dawn  
McNeill  
Herbert & Sherry  
Gray

*December 24*

Leo & Catherine  
Macro  
David & Karen  
Valentino

*December 25*

Coleman & Anna  
Bellingher

*December 26*

James & Michelle  
Chin  
Jim & Mariellen  
Deyling  
Gerald & Adelaide  
Pecora  
David & Kathy  
Porter

*December 27*

John Ries & Connie  
Nieri-Ries  
Julio & AnaMaria  
Rubio

*December 28*

Karl & Kelly Horan  
Roberto & Antonella  
Colarullo

*December 29*

Stephen & Laura  
Ann Bendziewicz  
William &  
Elizabeth Hoff  
Henry &  
Michelle Huet  
Tom & Pat Sowinski  
Matt & Patty Stegura

*December 30*

Daniel & Susana  
Sadowski

*December 31*

Richard & Marie  
Chevalier-Brissette  
Timothy & Sheilck  
Gfell  
Jeffery & Julie  
Monsale  
Matt & Missy  
Moosbrugger

