

# THE PARISH PRESS

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

January 2017

Rev. Eric Fowlkes, Pastor

Fr. Thomas Kalam, Assoc. Pastor

Like the cold of snow in time of harvest is a faithful messenger to those who send him; for he refreshes the soul of his masters. Psalm 25:13

### Dear Friends:

It is hard to believe that the new year of 2017 has begun. Do you remember when the crossing of the threshold of the new millennium in the year 2000 seemed somewhat unreal? And yet, here we are seventeen years later! At the beginning of this new year we have so much to be grateful for in this wonderful parish. This past year was particularly memorable as we dedicated our new building expansion and began to have so many new opportunities for religious education and activities for our youth, spiritual formation and education opportunities for adults, and the ability to have adequate space to gather as a community to celebrate many great events. Once again thank you to the Building Committee, the Forward in Faith Campaign Committee, and to all of the many generous donors who helped to make this dream come to fruition. We will benefit from our expanded facilities for many years to come thanks to you!

As we look forward to our future we do so with great optimism, hopefulness and trust in the Lord. Truly the Lord has blessed this parish and it is a great privilege and source of joy for me to serve as your pastor. This coming summer will mark nine years that I have had the honor of being with you as pastor. Please always know that I am very grateful for all of your prayers and for your words of encouragement and your support. Each day I thank God for you and ask for His blessing and guidance to be with us.

For those who are new to our parish family I offer a warm welcome and hope that you will be very happy to find a spiritual home here. Please become active and involved. We need you and I know that you will find your involvement at Our Lady of the Lake to be a blessing to you in return.

Finally, I would like to express my appreciation to Fr. Thomas, our deacons, Sister Maria and all of the parish staff for all of your outstanding service and dedication to Our Lord and His people. I am fully aware that I am so blessed to have the "dream team" to support and assist me in providing for the needs of this vibrant and growing parish.

We ask for the maternal care and intercession of Our Blessed Mother to be with us as we look forward to the future together. Also we ask St. Joseph, for whom our new parish hall is named, to pray for us.

May God bless you and your loved ones.

Fr Ein



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# We hope you enjoy this issue of the Parish Press

Thank you to everyone who contributed articles, ideas, and pictures as well as those who help put the newsletter together.

Blessings,

Jennifer C. Harris
Editor

Amanda Bibb Communications Committee Chair

### Keep in Touch

Check out our new Facebook page!

www.facebook.com/ OLOLCCTN

Sign up for Flocknote at flocknote.com/OLOL or text OLOLCC to 84576



The Harris Family (above)
Singing at a Wedding at the new "Church of the

Nativity" Spring, Hill, TN (right)

# **Meet the Editor**

by Jennifer C. Harris

Greetings to my fellow members of Our Lady of the Lake. My name is Jennifer (Church) Harris and I've enjoyed my active role in giving new life to the newsletter for our Parish. A few parishioners have been curious who the team is behind this new project, so I thought I would introduce myself.

I'm an "army brat" and have lived all over, including Germany, but I have proudly called Hender-sonville home for the last 9 years. My husband, Neal, and I have two young boys, Neal Michael (5) and Nolan (2) who keep me both busy and entertained! I try to stay active in the parish by sharing my gift of music. I enjoy singing for weddings and funerals at Our Lady of the Lake and consider this my most important ministry and way to serve our church community. I'm also involved with the Moms Plus group and have met a lot of wonderful women through this special group. Outside of the church, I'm interested in local politics and thoroughly enjoy learning the process and watching my city thrive. Football season also excites me!

I welcome any and all feedback to help make OUR newsletter the best it can be. We hope you have enjoyed the new look. Blessings to you all in 2017.

### Parish Reaches 15th Anniversary of Eucharistic Adoration

On November 4, OLOL completed our 15th year of Eucharistic Adoration. Who dreamed the effort started in 2011 would continue that long and result in so many blessing to our Parish and individual parishioners?

We were told that two results of starting Adoration in a parish would be that daily Mass attendance would increase as would the number of vocations. Both have come true as daily Mass out grew the daily chapel and had to be moved into the main sanctuary and vocations in our diocese have increased dramatically.

You are welcome to join your fellow parishioners in spending an hour a week in the presence of Jesus in the visible Eucharist. Once you start, you will find it's the best hour you have all week. As one current adorer said, "Adoration is wonderful. It's changed my whole outlook. I'm so thankful OLOL has Eucharistic Adoration."

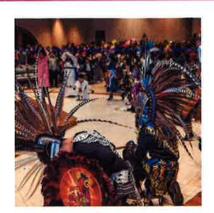
The list of hours where we currently need an adorer is on a table in the Narthex along with a signup form. Please prayerfully consider taking part. If you have any questions, please contact one of our coordinators:

Therese Casler 615.824.7753, Dick Emery 615.714.6049, Louise Fragnoli 615.944.8646, Dwane Hunter 615.824.7501, Anna Schoch 615.944.5378, or Karen Summerford 615.822.7654.

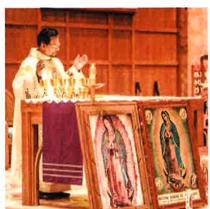
# Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration



















# See more photos of this special event

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# Saints for January, February & March

### January 23

Feast Day of St. Marianne Cope.O.S.F. Patroness of lepers, outcasts, those with HIV/AIDS, the Hawaiian Islands. (A.D. 1838-1918)

"The charity of the good knows no creed and is confined to no one place." St. Marianne Cope, also known as St. Marianne of Moloka'i

### February 23

Feast Day of St. Polycarp. Bishop of Smyrna. Martyr, Patron Saint of earaches and dysentery, (A.D. 69-155)

"If we love one another and praise the Trinity, we will be faithful to the deepest vocation of the Church." St. Polycarp

### March 9

Feast of St. Dominic Savio, Patron Saint of choir boys and of the falsely accused, (A.D. 1842-1857)

"I can't do big things, but I want everything to be for the glory of God."
St. Dominic Savio



Pope Francis Coat of Arms

# Intentions of the Holy Father

by Deb Heine, Parish Press

Starting in 2017, the Pope will present only one prepared prayer intention per month, rather than the two presented before this year. He plans, however, to add a second prayer intention each month related to current events or urgent needs, like disaster relief. The urgent prayer requests will help mobilize prayer and action related to the urgent situation.

### January

Evangelization: Christians at the service of the challenges of humanity
 That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.

### **February**

 Universal: Welcome the needy That all who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees, and marginalized, may find welcome and comfort in our communities

### **March**

 Universal: Help persecuted Christians That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church

# **Religious Education Update**

### by Cyndi Sabatino

As we began a new year of Religious Education in September, we could hear all of the excitement through the hallways and class-rooms. With every wow and expression of approval, we knew that the new expansion would bring many blessings in the coming years to our parish children and families.

It is amazing that with close to 600 children with a new facility, we utilize every nook and cranny of the building on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. God always provides in His time. We continue to see growth in our program with many new families. Our Church will be a place for our Catechists and children to pray together, learn, socialize, and praise God for His numerous gifts.

The children are off to a good start with First Reconciliation preparation almost completed. Our sacrament class has 68 children preparing to receive the gift of Reconciliation on January 26, 2017, and First Communion on May 13, 2017 at 10:00 AM. Please take a sheep off the Religious Education Prayer board and pray for our children as they continue to prepare for these two special sacraments in their lives. The children will participate in a First Communion retreat on April 1, 2017.

Confirmation students will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation on May 28, 2017 at 2:30 PM. at the Cathedral of the Incarnation. We will have a retreat on March 11, 2017 for 66 confirmands as they experience Christ through Mass, prayer, games, and activities.

We celebrated our annual Christmas Program on December 18, 2016. Our children re-enacted the Christmas Story along with the children's choir to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas.

As the Director of Religious Education, I am so fortunate to have the support and leadership of my assistants Duane Moncada and Caitlyn Sabatino. Please know we are all here to serve you and your children as we all journey together in our faith.

### **Police Appreciation Dinner**

by Jennifer C. Harris

On October 21st, the Social Action committee, led by Christina Rader, welcomed many Hendersonville Police Department officers and their families for a night of appreciation of their service to our communities. The committee prepared a wonderful three course Italian meal. The officers were served by members of our youth group. To-go boxes were also delivered to the Police Department for officers on duty who were not able to attend. The families in attendance were very grateful for this outreach in an increasingly stressful environment for law enforcement officers. Our Lady of the Lake wants our police officers to know they are supported today and always. Please continue to keep these community servants and their families in your prayers.







First Photo: Social Action Committee and Youth Group Members Middle Photo: Father Jeff Jones (Pastor at Holy Family Anglican Church & HPD Chaplain,) HPD Chief Mickey Miller & wife Sandra, and Sgt. Keith Bean from Sumer County Sherriff's Office Third Photo: HPD Officers and their families

# **OLOL Youth Fall Newsletter**











Photos from the Josh Blakesley Advent Concert

More Photos at:

https://my.forever.com/shared/ albums/YXoTh\_7VB9g

**Photos from the December Coffee House** 

More Photos:

http://www.tennessean.com/picture-gallery/news/local/sumner/ hendersonville/2016/12/19/photos-our-lady-of-the-lake-live-nativity/95606946/





# **OLOL in ACTION**

### **Moms Plus**

We invite all moms to join us on Wednesday mornings from 9:30am-11:30 AM, in classroom 209, during the school year. Daycare is provided. Our meeting activities and topics include craft projects, speakers, bible study, garden day, casual social time and fellowship. Can't make it during the week? We also do Moms Night Out, family night outings, playdates, dinner with Santa, Easter egg hunt, and much more.

**NEW!** Twice a semester, we will offer a Thursday evening meeting. Check our website for the calendar for date!

www.ololmomsplus.com

### **SAVE THE DATE!**

Wiggles Giggles Spring Consignment Sale is March 1-3 2017

Our proceeds from the consignment sale are donated back to the church through:

- \* VBS Assistance
- Youth Mission Trip Sponsorship
- \* St. Bertin
- \* Haiti Medical Team
- \* Little Flowers

### For more information

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## **Holiday Happenings**









Pictured: The second grade religious ed class placing ornaments on a tree.

It looked like Santa had dumped his sleigh full of presents in St Joseph Hall for the annual Angel Tree drop off.

In the Narthex, a manger sitting on the alter from our prior church building located on New Shackle Island Rd.



Moms Plus Members at the annual Pizza with Santa

# **OLOL in ACTION**

# Our Lady of the Lake Food Pantry

By Carole Holtman

It has been another successful year for the food pantry. We had a lot of interest in helping to prepare our food bags and Thanksgiving baskets. We want to thank all the ministries of OLOL that helped the pantry food donations. It is so heartwarming to know that so many people want to help us provide food (a basic need for all of us) to those who would otherwise go without. We prepared 60 Thanksgiving baskets this year. Our volunteers are the best. We look forward to another great year of providing food to all those in need who come through Our Lady of the Lake's doors. Bless you for all you do.





# **OLOL Golden Guys & Gals outing to Nashville Night Life**











See More Photos:

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# **OLOL in ACTION**

# The Third Annual "Night of Remembrance"

by Jane Rosentreter

The Night of Remembrance on Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> was appreciated by those who attended. The bereaved were welcomed, and then Deacon Mike Rector spoke about the importance of carving out a sacred space from your busy holiday schedule to remember our loved ones who have died. The bereavement team invited the guests to place an ornament on the Bereavement Tree in memory of their loved ones and to tell their story if they wished. Roses were also provided so the participants could put their rose in a vase by the tree. Liliana Kohan provided guitar and vocal music. The Bereavement tree was left in the chapel for the Christmas Season so that other parishioners could put an ornament on the tree in remembrance of their family members and friends who have died. Please watch the bulletin next year for the date and time of the annual event so that you can participate.



# Year At A Glance

### SAVE THE DATE!

By Louise Thompson

Start your year off organizing your photos! On Tuesday January 24 and Saturday January 28 we will meet in Room 209. This event is for avid scrap bookers and anyone drowning in photos, be it paper or digital! A simplified system for remembering 2016 will be demonstrated. Contact Louise Thompson at 615.364.0548 or email at cmlouise@gmail.com for more information or questions. Going forward, we plan to do monthly scrapbooking event at OLOL.

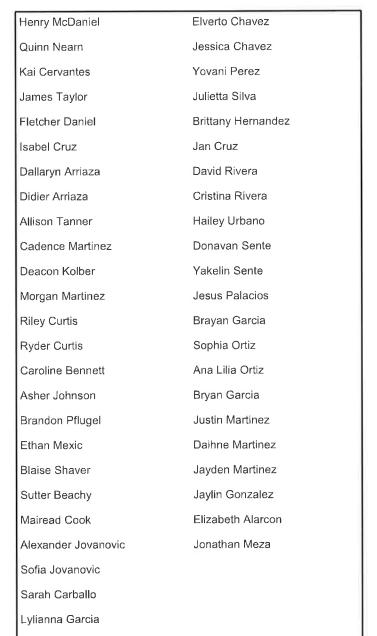


# **Baptisms**

Congratulations to all!

For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit."

1 Corinthians 12:13





### **Deaths**

Our heartfelt condolences to the families of:

- Barbara Fahey
- ♦ Jayme Bolton
- Anne Marie Stiles
- Larry Winkler
- Maria Dinh
- Arthur Driscoll

# **Marriages**

Our very best to the newlyweds:

- Corey Castleberry and Elena Magrans
- Phillip Butler and Angela Scruggs
- Raul Luz and Ana Pina
- Ronald Gomez and Violeta Iglesias
- Willians Dimas and Daisy Romero
- Rodolfo Menjivar and Rosa Ramirez
- Corey Hughes and Olivia Brooks



# Welcome New Members

Please join us in welcoming the following families who have recently registered at Our Lady of the Lake.

Our Parish family is a large and active one and is always in need of newcomers involvement.

For additional questions or volunteer opportunities, please contact:

### Rae Collier

Welcoming Chair 615.305.0465 raecollier@realtracs.com

### John & Carol Becvar

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### Chris & Tracy Burckhard

Zachary, Noah, Elijah 1092 Abberley Circle Hendersonville TN 37075

### Karen Fultz

103 Tudor Ct Goodlettsville TN 37072

### Jesse & Rachel Gillam

106 Alderwood Ln
Hendersonville TN 37075

### Erin & Ryan Hayes

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Madison TN 37115

### Craig & Melissa Herold

Katrina, Austin, Carissa 245 Indian Lake Blvd V302 Hendersonville Tn 37075

### **Adam & Emily Hunter**

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Hendersonville TN 37075

### Marlene Kopczynski

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#### Jim & Cece Melancon

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### Michael & Jessica Novak

Emma Grace Roy
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Murfreesboro TN 37127

### Nicholas & Shelley Reetz

Aria, Dominic 100 Knights Bridge Station Hendersonville TN 37075

### Scott Rothrock

918 N 2<sup>nd</sup> St Nashville TN 37207

### Nate & Kimberly Rubright

Emily, Michael 1070 Windsor Dr Gallatin TN 37066

### Telma Sarabia

Gabriel Maldonado 1330 Williamson Rd. Lot 437 Goodlettsville TN 37072

### Tamah Warren

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Hendersonville TN 37075

# Mass Schedule at Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday Mass 5:00 PM (fulfills Sunday Worship obligation)

**Sunday Masses\*** 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

Spanish Mass 6:00 PM

### **Weekday Masses**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:15 AM

Friday (Communion Service) 6:30 AM

Wednesday Youth Mass (when school is in session) 6:15 PM

**Reconciliation** Saturday, 4:00 - 4:50 PM or by appointment

\* Nursery for infants & toddlers provided at Sunday morning Masses

Our hearts and doors are open. We hope to see you here.



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