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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

NOVEMBER 30, 2014

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Website: www.ollsm.org

MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY – 8:30 AM
WEDNESDAY – 6:30 PM
THURSDAY – 8:30 AM
FRIDAY – 8:30 AM
SATURDAY – 8:30 AM
VIGIL – 5:00 PM
SUNDAY – 10:30 AM
IN SPANISH – 1:00 PM
HOLY DAY – 7:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY – 9:00 AM - Noon
BEFORE VIGIL MASS - 4:15 PM

ROSARY

SATURDAY – 4:30 PM

ADORATION

WEDNESDAY – 10:00 AM - 6:15 PM
SATURDAY – 9:00 AM - Noon

BENEDICTION

WEDNESDAY – 6:15 PM

ST. MICHAEL

Website: www.ollsm.org

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY – 8 AM
HOLY DAY – NOON

CONFESSIONS & ROSARY

BEFORE MASS – 7:30 AM

MUSIC OF THE MASS

PROCESSIONAL: "People, Look East" #712

OFFERTORY: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" #652 Verses 1 & 2

COMMUNION: Instrumental

MASS PARTS: Siena Mass Chant, St. Michael Hymnal #149

Pastor's Column

To the Parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes & St. Michael:

Today the first day of the new liturgical year. Advent is also a good time to go to confession.

Here are some How's (and Why's) to return to confession.

1. The presence of sin can easily lead to depression and anxiety.
2. You shower to show respect for those around you. Cleansing your soul makes you better to be around, too!
3. Mortal sin, unconfessed, "causes exclusion from Christ's Kingdom and the eternal death of hell, for our freedom has the power to make choices forever, with no turning back." (CCC 1861)

4. As they leave the confessional, people smile a smile of freedom.

5. Because love means having to say you are sorry to the one you love.

6. You will grow in humility, sincerity and self-knowledge.

7. Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta went. Frequently.

8. Hoping to convert on your death bed? That's not very likely. Most likely, you will die as you lived.

9. It is itself a serious sin to go to Communion if you have serious sin on your soul and

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have not asked for forgiveness in Confession.

10. Don't be scared to death of confession. Be scared of death without confession.

11. Be strong. Face your sins; deal with them and move on.

12. Make sure there are no unpleasant surprises at your particular judgment or at the Final Judgment.

13. The priest will listen to your sins and will never tell a soul on pain of losing his own soul. Priests learn to forget what they hear.

Questions:

If God knows everything we do, then how come we have to go to confession?

You may know your friend broke your iPod, but wouldn't it be aggravating if he knew you knew, but still do not say, "I'm sorry"?

Doesn't God forgive no matter what?

If we think of sin as merely breaking rules, it is hard to understand why God can't just "look the other way." But sin is real; it hurts us and makes us distant from him - and unable to enter heaven. We can only be restored if we confess.

Confession just gives people the idea that it's all right to sin as long as you're sorry later.

If a man is confessing drunkenness while he has plans with his buddies to go bar hopping and get drunk again the coming weekend, he can't be forgiven. He has to have decided to stop. Confession stops sin; it doesn't start them.

Source: The National Catholic Register 11/20 - 12/3/2011

ad Jesum per Mariam
(to Jesus through Mary)
Fr. Dean

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Sunday, November 30:

SECOND COLLECTION - UNITED MINISTRIES

10:30 AM - Mass

9:00 AM - 10:20 AM - Religious Education Class

Monday, December 1:

7:00 PM - Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, December 2:

8:30 AM - Mass

Wednesday, December 3:

10:00 AM - 6:15 PM - Adoration

6:30 PM - Mass, Confirmation and Dead Theologians Society Classes

7:00 PM - St. Catherine of Siena Class

Thursday, December 4:

8:30 AM - Mass

7:00 PM - RCIA/Inquirers' Class

Friday, December 5:

8:30 AM - Mass

9:30 AM - 11:30 AM - Mother's Group will meet in the Rectory

Saturday, December 6:

8:30 AM - Mass

9:00 - Noon - Adoration & Confessions

9:10 - 11:00 AM - Jr. Legion of Mary meeting in the Rectory

11:00 AM - Legion of Mary meeting in the Rectory

5:00 PM - Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 7:

10:30 AM - Mass

9:00 AM - 10:20 AM - Religious Education Class

ST. MICHAEL

Sunday, November 30:

SECOND COLLECTION - UNITED MINISTRIES

8:00 AM - Mass

9:00 AM - Father Baron DVD Series

Sunday, December 7:

8:00 AM - Mass

9:00 AM - Breakfast Sunday

MEET THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEAM

David and Mande Johnson, Dead Theologians Society

David and Mande Johnson moved to Robertson County in 2002 and began attending Our Lady of Lourdes at that time.

They have three daughters, Jessie (22), Taylor (22) and Windee (16). David and Mande are proud of their daughters and have enjoyed watching them grow in their faith at OLL.

David is self-employed and performs environmental, health and safety consulting. Mande

is co-owner of Multi-task Solutions and works primarily with the Tennessee Trucking Foundation to educate teens about safe driving and sharing the road with large trucks.

David and Mande are currently teaching the Dead Theologians Society, which was started last year.

DTS is a program for high school students or those students who have been confirmed. The classes are structured to understand the lives of yesterdays saints and their pathways to sainthood. Each journey is quite diverse

and amazing. DTS students desire to learn more about their faith with a longing to become more holy and the saints of tomorrow.

The DTS motto “Mortuum Mundo – Vivum in Christo” is Latin for “Dead to the World – Alive in Christ.”

Before DTS, David and Mande taught the middle school and confirmation classes for 6 years. David and Mande benefit from working with the Catholic youth as they also continue to learn more about their Catholic faith and the Saints.

NEW PARISH

COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

Please fill out and return the blue form inserted into last week's Bulletin or pick one up at the back of the parishes.

Parishioners are asked to provide their first and last names, home and/or cell phones and e-mail addresses, if applicable.

The information will be kept confidential and will only be used for church related communication, such as weather-related cancellations and event notices. Forms may be placed in the collection plates or brought to the Our Lady of Lourdes parish office.

COOKIES BY THE POUND

Celebrate the third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday, by buying some delicious Christmas cookies baked by the Our Lady of Lourdes Women's Club.

The cookies will be sold at \$6 a pound after the 10:30 AM Mass at the Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall on Sunday, Dec. 14.

HEALING

- *Annette Thomas
- *Nora Rabie
- *Kim Schott
- *Macky Hunter
- *Mike Ellis
- *Joyce Traughber
- *Shannon Bell
- *Don Cole
- *Eva Davanport
- *June Bell
- *Sandra Armour
- *Ann Marie Legate
- *Bea Heatherly
- *Susie Bess
- *Tom Cuff
- *Cheryl & Jerry Bush
- *Robert & Dorothy Bradley
- *Gloria Snow
- *Ernie Axley Sr.

DEPARTED AND

THOSE WHO MOURN

**Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord: and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

*For the repose of the soul of Ricky Heatherly.

*For the repose of the soul of Van Perdue.

PETITIONS

*For the respect of human life from natural conception to natural death.

*May we be ever mindful of our many blessings and may we give thanks to Almighty God, the author of all good.

HOMEBOUND

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

- *Dorothy Crosslin
- *Claudia Traughber
- *Mary Ann Klimek
- *R.C. Boyle
- *Dorothy Johnson
- *Tom Crumpler
- *Patty Zawierucha
- ST. MICHAEL**
- *John Baker
- *Elizabeth Jenkins
- *Robert & Regina Head



The Our Lady of Lourdes float at the Springfield Christmas parade. Parish youths distributed 400 Christmas tree ornaments featuring a nativity scene. Thanks to Mandee and David Johnson for organizing the event, to Frank Monfette, Nathan Smith and Cathy Priest for their assistance with float transportation, for all the parents who helped with costumes and for the Confirmation Class who witnessed to the true meaning of Christmas.

ASSIGNMENTS

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

SATURDAY – 12/6/2014

Lector: Carol Hostettler
Extraordinary Ministers: Kay Braddock & Claude Burton
Ushers: John Schwarz & Sherry Martell
Altar Server: Volunteer

SUNDAY – 12/7/2014

Lector: Lynn Wiemelt
Extraordinary Ministers: Nathan Smith & Mandee Johnson
Ushers: Dick Joyce & Volunteer
Altar Servers: Holly & Brianna Wiemelt
Collection Counters: Vince Moran & Mel Warnecke

ST. MICHAEL

SUNDAY – 12/7/2014

Lector: Mike Ellis
Extraordinary Ministers: Anna Tinkle & Linda Harbert
Usher/Greeter: Mary Jackson
Collection Counters: Kaye Sharp & Jim Conaghan

GOSPEL: 12/1-6/14

MONDAY: *Matthew 8:5-11*

TUESDAY: *Luke 10:21-24*

WEDNESDAY: *Matthew 15:29-37*
St. Francis Xavier

THURSDAY: *Matthew 7:21,24-27*

FRIDAY: *Matthew 9:27-31*

SATURDAY: *Matthew 9:35-10:1,5a,6-8*

OFFERING

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

11/23

Parish: \$6,052.38

ST. MICHAEL

11/23

Parish: \$1,150.00

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5:00 PM

For the repose of the soul of Bob Van De Velde by Raquel Van De Velde

SUNDAY MASS 8:00 AM

For the repose of the soul of Joe, Ruth, Gayle & Brenda Cotter by Tony & Cathy Cotter

SUNDAY MASS 10:30 AM

For the repose of the soul of Van Perdue by Brenda & Terry Kelch

TUESDAY 8:30 AM

For the healing of Thelma Lee by the Women's Group

WEDNESDAY 6:30 PM

For the repose of the soul of Sammy Traugher by Hugh & Kay Braddock

THURSDAY 8:30 AM

For the repose of the soul of Jean Schneider by Jon & Janet Knuth

FRIDAY MASS 8:30 AM

For the healing of Sister Rose Karen by Mary Melton

SATURDAY MASS 8:30 AM

For the repose of the souls of members of the Legion of Mary

Envelopes for Christmas Flower Donations Are in the Back of the Parishes