

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17  
 Tuesday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25  
 Wednesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25  
 Thursday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 1:26-38  
 Friday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45  
 Saturday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56  
 Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

**Collection Report from 12-9-2018**

Regular Collection	\$ 6,089.00
Emergency Reserve Fund	\$ 5.00
Building & Maintenance	\$ 25.00
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception	\$ 792.00
Retired Religious Fund	\$ 816.00
Vanco On Line 12/03/18-12/07/18	\$ 329.13
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 7,326.13</b>

Budget Requirements \$10,000.00 We Appreciate Your Support!

**Please prayerfully consider giving to the Church at Christmas and the Year End.**

Note: *We rely on a generous collection to cover the gap between shortfall of our income not meeting expenses.*

**December Calendar**

Dec. 17 - Men's Basketball 7:00 p.m. Gym  
 Dec. 18 - RCIA 6:30 p.m. & RCIA Spanish 7:00 p.m.  
 Dec. 23 + *Fourth Sunday of Advent*

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon. Dec. 17 8:30 AM **Sp. Int. - Jeancarlos Marquez**  
*by Berta Marquez & Sons*  
 Tues. Dec. 18 8:30 AM **Sp. Int. - Jeancarlos Marquez**  
*by Berta Marquez & Sons*  
 Wed. Dec. 19 8:30 AM **Sp. Int. - Jeancarlos Marquez**  
*by Berta Marquez & Sons*  
 Thurs. Dec. 20 8:30 AM **Sp. Int. - Jeancarlos Marquez**  
*by Berta Marquez & Sons*  
 Fri. Dec. 21 8:30 AM **Sp. Int. - Juancarlos Marquez**  
*by Berta Marquez & Sons*  
 Sat. Dec. 22 4:00 PM **Sp. Int. - Juancarlos Marquez**  
*by Berta Marquez & Sons*  
 Sun. Dec. 23 + *Fourth Sunday of Advent*  
 9:00 + **Susan Read Fuller**  
*by M/M Hugh (Suzanne)Johnson*  
 10:30 **Parish Community**  
 12:00 All Souls In Purgatory  
**Todas las almas en el Purgatorio.**  
*by Tomas Garnica*



**O Come O Come Emmanuel**

*Rejoice*

Today is known as Gaudete Sunday. The term Gaudete refers to the first word of the Entrance Antiphon, "Rejoice". Rose vestments may be worn to emphasize our joy that Christmas is near and we also light the rose (pink) on our Advent wreath.

**What is Gaudete Sunday?**

Years ago, the trick question on religion quizzes would be to name all the liturgical colors, or the colors of the vestments worn at Mass. Rose is a color seldom seen, used at most two days a year. Today, "Gaudete Sunday," is one of those days. The name of the day is drawn from an opening verse in the old Latin Mass texts: *Gaudete* is Latin for "Rejoice!" This year's Gospel certainly reflects that mood as Elizabeth feels her infant within her leaping for joy at the presence of Mary. Mary's visit to her aged cousin is an act of compassion between women, as two kinswomen who are bearing children into the world share their joy.

+ **MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL** was celebrated on Friday, December 14 for *Adolfo Cesar Zaide Salazar*, husband of Mrs. Frankie Salazar, brother in-law of Mrs. Jacqueline Hignite.

**DIOCESAN EVENTS**

**Birthright of Memphis** needs weekly volunteers on Tuesdays and/or Thursdays at our Hickory Ridge Mall office. We provide training to those interested in helping with our pro-life mission. Please call Elizabeth at [\(901\) 327-8109](tel:9013278109) for more information,

# BISHOP'S APPEAL 2018

## PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

*The Catholic Diocese of Memphis in Tennessee encourages all victims, or parents of minors who are victims, of sexual abuse by a priest, deacon or diocesan employee or agent, to report such abuse by phoning any of the following numbers:*



**Tennessee Child Abuse Hotline (1-877-237-0004)**  
**Victim Assistance Coordinator (901-652-4066)**  
**Dir. of Child and Youth Protection (901-359-2027)**

*All reports will be treated in a confidential manner.  
The Diocese of Memphis offers a program of psychological and spiritual assistance to abused victims in need.*

## OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

**Diocesan Nights of Discernment** at Cathedral of Immaculate Conception:

for Women - 3rd Monday of the month. Next one on **December 17th**, at 6pm

**"All were questioning in their hearts."**

**Are you considering a vocation in the Church?**

Visit <https://www.memphisvocations.com> Call Fr. Yoelvis Gonzalez at (901) 373-1243, or write to: [vocationsDirector@vocations.cdom.org](mailto:vocationsDirector@vocations.cdom.org).



## ON LINE GIVING

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## Resurrection Music Ministry

Rehearsals every Wednesday nights from 6:30-8pm.  
Contact Rick Neal, Music Director 901-417-0031.

## PARISH PRAYER LIST

Ashley Baker, Josephine Beathy, Jim Betlinski, Dorothy Bishop, Brad Boswell, Mike Bishop, Allison Bishop, Robert Brink, Jim Burch, Carla Burke, Fran Corro, Louie Distretti, Marcia Danovi, Jessica Dorival, Angelica Fuentes, Joann Goodman, Kathy Gorgia, Louise Grandi, Twyla Gauthreaux, Louis (Jack) Jackson, Bonita James, Carolyn Keane, Rita Williams Humphrey, Maria Lamothe, Milton Lewis, Mary Liberto, Thomas Lisko, Helene Lun, Judith Martell, Carmen Martinez, Martina Marquez, Betty Masingale, Francesca McKee, Sue Meeks, Soliman Michael, Mary Miller, Teresita Murchison, Rosa Olmo, Gene Orshlin, Maria Perez, Randy Pflanzner, Saul Ramos, Timothy Rivers, Bob Roney, Evelyn Shelton, Jake Speltz, Kevin Spragg, Jimmy Stanford, Mary Stanford, Elida Tamayo, Don & Sybil Totasky, Peggy White, Margaret Wilson, Cathy Wortham, Enrique Zela and Mike Zientek.

**Please Keep Our Sick & Their Caregivers**

## PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

**(R.C.I.A.)** Tuesday, December 4 at 6:30 pm. Facilitator: Deacon Justin Mitchell. Spanish Facilitator: Maria Cortes at 7:00 p.m.

### THE MIRACLES OF THE EUCHARIST EXHIBIT

The Miracles of the Eucharist Exhibit will be hosted by Holy Spirit Parish, **12/15 and 12/16**, after all Masses and into afternoon on appointed days. This Exhibit has been seen by 3,000 parishes in the US. All are welcome.

**Christmas Flowers:** For a donation of \$25 or more

Memorials & Honorariums will be published in the bulletin on

Tuesday, December 25. Deadline: Today, Dec. 17th

Note: The Marian Society will be accepting donations for Christmas Flowers, Sat. & Sun., Dec. 15 & 16

### THANK YOU NOTE:

Thanks to everyone who participated and to ALL Santa's helpers in this year's **Angel Tree**.  
**We appreciate your support!**

**FORMED.ORG** Parish Access Code: **9DC3Z6**



## Christmas Midnight Mass

**Monday, December 24 12:00 AM**

**Our Music Director, Rick Neal has made arrangements with local Musicians to help lead us at our Christmas Midnight Mass celebration. The music and choir will begin at 11:30 p.m. So please plan to attend and support this most Sacred Christmas Mass.**

### A CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR MARRIED COUPLES:

Couples..... want to give each other something really special this Christmas? How about a gift filled with Romance and Excitement? That's just the beginning of what you will receive on a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends are at Subiaco, Arkansas, February 15-17, 2019 and Memphis – Our Lady Queen of Peace Retreat Center, June 7-9, 2019. *Space is limited.* Apply online at [www.arkansaswwme.org/apply](http://www.arkansaswwme.org/apply) or contact Leah & Ben Brewer [501-733-1235](tel:501-733-1235) or email [apply@arkansaswwme.org](mailto:apply@arkansaswwme.org). For Christmas discount use promo code **eb2019** for 25% off the application fee.