



SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK OF DEC 25 - 31

- Monday** - **THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**
Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18
- Tuesday** - Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22
- Wednesday** - 1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
- Thursday** - 1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Mt 2:13-18
- Friday** - 1 Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35
- Saturday** - 1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40
- Sunday** - **HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH**
Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Col 3:12-21;
Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40



PRAY FOR: Harold Haydel, Rev. Patrick O'Brien, Lucy Michel, Dale Hebert, Robert Brescher, Garland and Judy P.Vincent, Maysen Smith, Gayle Breffelh, Mary Blum, Russ Todd, Penny Bergeron, Barbara Touns Miller, Kathy Folse, Florence Trahan, Melinda Fabre, Sylvia Chauvin, Keri Niette, Sandra Ellender, Steven Vowell, Pinky Boudreaux, Janice & Mark Windham, Stanley Cantrelle, Craig Louviere, Ralph Deroche, Mark Boudreaux, Carolyn Garrett, Laura Champagne, Lucille Hymel, Ken Watkins, Michael A. Thibodaux, Tommy Molaison, Tony James, Bernice Pontiff, Linda Favret, Ira Bergeron, Jeanne Wurzlów, Mary Talbot, Casey Domangue, Ana Lefevre, Jennifer Dinger, Donna Dinger, Patricia Beacom, Ben Leary, Patty Haydel, Jenny Fanguy, David Porter, Carol Collins, Aaron Robichaux, Taylor Riché, Sue Barker, Susan Laperouse, Holden Sawyer, Evelyn Ruckstuhl and for all prayer shawl recipients.

SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Church

- In Loving Memory of Aaron Portier* donated by Donald Picou.
- In Loving Memory of C. G. Keplinger* donated by his wife Jean.
- In Loving Memory of Joel P., David & Hedy Bergeron* donated by Rev. C. Paul, Carroll & Carol Bergeron.
- In Loving Memory of Robert Russo* donated by Family.
- In Loving Memory of Carley Walker, O'Neal & Valerie Bascle* donated by Debbie Borel.

Chapel

- In Loving Memory of Marlene Authement* donated by Mary Ledet.
- In Loving Memory of Ellen Monteiro* donated by Krewe of Nix Sisters.
- In Loving Memory of Bernard F. Breaux, III* donated by Nana Louise.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

*"Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.
May it be done to me according to your word."*
Luke 1:26-38

If you add up all of the words spoken by Mary to the Angel at the Annunciation [30]; to Elizabeth at their meeting [122 in the Magnificat]; When she and Joseph find Jesus in the Temple[20]; and her comments to Jesus and instructions to the servants at the wedding feast at Cana [9], she speaks a total of 181 words in all of Scripture. Mary was a woman of few words, at least according to the Gospels. From expressing her lack of understanding about How God would accomplish what the angel announced to her, to her simple, "May it be done unto me according to your word" and her awareness that "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord" to her final instructions to the servants at Cana, "Do whatever he tells you." Mary is both our Mother and our Model. As Christmas gets nearer we should all be growing stronger in our willingness to accept the challenges God has in store for us with a simple "May it be done unto me according to your word" so our soul will "proclaim the greatness of our Lord" and we will be ready, without hesitation to "Do whatever he tells you." Now, let us celebrate Christmas.

Sunday – December 17

Envelopes (275).....	\$12,247.50
Loose	<u>2,669.37</u>
	\$14,916.87

PARISH NEWS



CHRISTMAS EVE - Sunday, Dec. 24th
4 p.m., 6:30 p.m. & Midnight



CHRISTMAS DAY - Monday, Dec. 25th
8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

NEW YEAR'S DAY - Monday, January 1st
(No Vigil) 8:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

The Cathedral Office will be closed Dec 25th & 26th and Dec 29th - Jan 1st for the Christmas Season.

**CHRISTMAS COLLECTION
BENEFITS CATHOLIC CHARITIES
December 24th & 25th**

The annual Christmas Collection will be dedicated to the charitable works of the diocese, principally through the support of our Diocesan Social Services Office, and its programs; St. Lucy Day Care Center, Parish Social Ministry, the Assisi Bridge House, the Literacy Program, the Food Banks within the diocese as well as other related programs. **Here at the Cathedral of St. Francis de Sales our quota to help meet demand is \$20,290.** Please be generous in your support of our diocesan charities.

FAREWELL RECEPTION

After all masses next weekend, December 30th – 31st, everyone is invited to stop by the Youth Center after Mass to show our appreciation and to wish Father Brice well as he continues his ministry to serve as the Associate Pastor at Christ the Redeemer Church in Thibodaux.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY OF ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

The Christmas Season is meant to be a time of joy. Oftentimes, due to a crisis, families experience just the opposite. The St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Francis de Sales weekly distributes funds for rental and utility payment emergencies. Additionally, at Christmas, it distributes food vouchers that allow families to have a Christmas meal. Under certain conditions, it assists the needy to acquire other items that might be needed from the St. Francis de Paul Thrift Store. Funds are limited to persons in the geographical boundaries of the parish with parishioners being favored. In the last 12 weeks, \$5,000.00 has been distributed to families in need. On months having five Sundays, there is a bucket collection to help St. Vincent de Paul Society maintain this charitable work of mercy to the neediest in our parish.

The next bucket collection is the weekend of December 30th – 31st. Please be generous so that we can continue to help those in need. For more information about how you may individually assist or if you would like to join the St. Vincent de Paul Society, please contact Murke Trahan at 985.217.0593. Thank you for your generosity in advance.

YOUTH NEWS

Vandebilt Catholic High School 2018-2019 Registration will be held February 2-23, 2018. Placement Test for incoming 8th graders will be administered on the VCHS campus on Saturday, January 20, 2018. You must register for the Placement Test through the school office. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a private tour, please call 985-876-2551 to speak with Mrs. Kayla Vicknair, Dean of Admissions and Student Activities.

MINISTERS SCHEDULE Weekend of December 30-31

Commentators

4:00 PM Carlise Jukes
7:00 AM Jude Fanguy
9:00 AM Lawrence Breaux
11:00 AM Wendy LeBouef
5:30 PM Carla Peeler



Lectors

4:00 PM Becky Boudloche
7:00 AM Yvonne Fanguy
9:00 AM James Watkins
11:00 AM Jenni McNabb
5:30 PM Wendy Picou

Ministers of the Eucharist

4:00 PM Melva Fournier, Becky Badeaux, Carl & Deborah Soudelier, Volunteer, Volunteer
7:00 AM John Breaux, C.J. & Kay Stoufflet, Carla Exnicious
9:00 AM Nellie Chemin, Dale Norred, Murke Trahan, Mary Ellender, Volunteer, Volunteer
11:00 AM Jude Laperouse, Michael D'Angelo, Norman Simon, Carol Collins, Volunteer, Volunteer
5:30 PM Curtis & Jenny Briggs, Bill Curth, Gina Danos, Volunteer, Volunteer

Altar Servers

4:00 PM Laura Seibert, Will Seibert, Elise Ledet
7:00 AM John Breaux, C.J. Stoufflet
9:00 AM Scott Haydel, Sara Beth Haydel, Madison Henry
11:00 AM Remy LeBouef, Kade Twiner, Zachary Curtis
5:30 PM Kenny Bowen, Travis Brown, Sadie Viator

NEW YEARS

Commentator

8:30 AM Becky Boudloche
5:30 PM Madeline Picou



Lector

8:30 AM Nathan Meidinger
5:30 PM Mindy Scott

Ministers of the Eucharist

8:30 AM Jude Laperouse, John Breaux, Murke Trahan, Volunteer, Volunteer, Volunteer
5:30 PM Gina Danos, Bill Curth, Volunteer, Volunteer, Volunteer, Volunteer

Altar Servers

8:30 AM Cooper Bennett, Claire Cazayoux, Alice Kelley
5:30 PM Anissa Holekamp, Zachary Miller, Kade Twiner



*Wishing you and yours
a Christ filled Christmas
and a blessed New Year!*

*From the
Pastoral Team and Parish Staff
of the Cathedral Parish*