We are Gifted and We are Called

Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus makes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we find the strength to do what He wishes us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God.

Jesus warns the disciples to be prepared for the coming of the Son of Man since it will occur at an unexpected time. How would you advise to “stay awake” for this event?
---PRAYER LINE----PRAYER LINE----

Would you like prayers for a special person, a need, an intention, or an illness? Your parish community is here to help and to support you with prayer. Our parish community has a network of prayer ministers who remember each day in their prayers the intentions/needs of those who request. “Ask and you shall receive.” To activate our prayer line, please call Marion Walton: 259-5784.

**PRAYER PETITIONS**

*Pope’s December Intention*: The future of the Very Young. That every country determines to take the necessary measures to make the future of the very young, especially those who suffer, a priority.

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**Holiday Cookie Trays**—Let us do the baking!

Homemade, home baked cookie trays

with your favorites: Sugar, Gingerbread/Molasses, Snickerdoodle, Chocolate Chip, Peanut Butter, Spritz, Oatmeal Raisin, Shortbread cookies, plus the signature cookies of the bakers that we especially admire and love eating. **We are rolling back the prices, large ($10) and small ($5) tray choices.**

Sale will be Saturday, December 7th before and after the 4pm Mass and Sunday, December 8th before and after 9:30am and 5pm Masses. All the proceeds go to the Church for current operations. **Pre Orders:** call Celest at 294-7605.

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**St. Vincent de Paul**

As Advent begins this weekend, St. Vincent de Paul takes time to remember those in poverty. Many people come through our doors in need, but still show joy and laughter which tells us that love and happiness are possible in their lives despite the challenging circumstances they face. We need the continued support of our donors, friends and parishioners for the family who has to choose to pay electric or heat bill over rent. We are seeing a staggering increase in recent months for assistance. We pray that the Lord shows us how to be bearers of good tidings for those suffering in poverty with our time, talent, and treasures. May you have a Blessed Advent Season.

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Join K of C Council 1259 at our Annual Kid's Christmas Party on **Sunday, December 8th from 1-4 PM** at the Columbia Club, 2216 Grand Avenue. We will have a magic show by Patty Cakes the Clown at 1:30. Face painting, crafts, cookie decorating, balloon animals and games for the kids following the show and a special guest from the North Pole will be arriving around 3:00. This is an all ages event and open to the public. Contact Jared Keller with any questions, 855-2935.

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**Christmas Poinsettia Envelopes**

Remember your loved ones with a Christmas Poinsettia offering. Envelopes are in the pews. Your loved ones will be remembered “In Memory of” or “In Honor of” with a special bulletin insert on December 22, 2019.

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**Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe**

DECEMBER 12TH

On Thursday, December 12th, MQP will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe including:

- **6:30AM Las Mananitas**
- **6:00PM Mass**
- **Potluck**
- **Fun Raffle** Baskets lower hall

As parish community we are all invited to participate in all aspects of the feast. If you can create one of the 16 RAFFLE baskets, please do by contacting Pam 259-1648. If you can be available to set up in the beginning and clean up at the conclusion, please add your name to the sign up at the entrance of church. Most of all your attendance is requested at Mass and at the Potluck following for family, fellowship, and fun.

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**Basketball Free Throw Contest**

The Knights of Columbus are hosting their annual Basketball Free Throw Contest December 15. This year it is at the St. Francis Gym, 2202 Colton Blvd., at 1:00 P.M. All youth from 9 to 14 are welcome at no charge. There will be prizes for the first 3 place winners for each boy and girl at each age. For more information, contact Andy Mikes at 406-652-5594.

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**EcoAngela**

EcoAngela is a group hosted by Angela's Piazza, which fosters community, creativity, wellness, and joy through study and reflection of ways to care for our Earth. EcoAngela hosts monthly discussions of the "10 Spiritual Disciplines of Laudato Si,” an encyclical by Pope Francis on care of creation. The purpose of these studies is to help guests understand climate change and the positive personal and community actions recommended by Pope Francis. Each month includes art, ritual, a short presentation, sharing, and discussion. All are welcome! Angela's Piazza, 420 Grand, 7-8:30pm. These meetings will continue on the last Thursday of each month. The next date: December 19: Acknowledge Anthropocentrism as the Deeper Root of the Crisis.

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**MQP RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Mondays 5-6:45pm Pre-K to 3rd Good Shepherd Program

Wednesdays 5-6:45pm Pre-K to 6th Good Shepherd Program

Wednesdays 5-6:45pm RCIA (for children<18 years)

Thursdays 5-6:45pm RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Youth Group contact Valerie Johnson 259-3389

Registration forms at entrance of church and on the website.

Contact Bill Kuzma for more info: 294-7607, mqp.dre@gmail.com

Fees for the year: $20 per family, $15 Bible
Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection

Thank you for your generous support last week to the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! As a parish you helped to support those on the margins living in poverty in the United States. If you missed the collection, it’s not too late to give!

Saint Vincent de Paul Saturday Brunches

MQP and Sts. Cyril and Methodius parishes have signed up to serve brunches to our friends in need on the second Saturday of every month at Saint Vincent de Paul. Our first date is Dec. 14th. We will post sign-ups each month requesting food and/or workers. Grace Reif is the MQP contact person (406-281-0495).

Funerals: Initial funeral planning:
Contact Fr. Jose Marquez, 294-7606

Calendar of Weekly Events:

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Retirement Fund for Religious Collection

“The nuns left lasting impressions on me,” writes a donor. “I shall always be grateful for my Catholic education.” Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. Next week a collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will be taken, which helps hundreds of religious community’s care for aging members. Please give generously.

Mary Queen of Peace Parish Stewardship Report
Fiscal Year: July 1, 2019 thru June 30, 2020
Weekend of November 17, 2019

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Total Weekly Income: 7,342
Weekly Expense Budget: 7,865
Over (Short) 523

Year-to-date Income Total: 146,418
Year-to-date Total Expenses Budget: 157,298
Over (Short) 10,880

“Your toil is not in vain when it is done in the Lord”

Thank you to all who have responded so generously to the 2019 Care and Share Annual Catholic Appeal. The success of this appeal depends on the faithful, steadfast and devoted members of our faith family both here in our parish and the Diocese. Your support is greatly appreciated, for it is through your sacrifice and deep convictions that we may grow as a faith community and will continue Christ’s work here in our parish and throughout our Diocese.

Mary Queen of Peace Parish 2019 Care and Share Report
Care and Share March 2019 thru February 2020

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2019 Care and Share Balance: 14,818