

Christ Our Light Catholic Church



The Archdiocese of Galveston - Houston

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of Christ Our Light Catholic Church is to offer spiritual growth and to strengthen faith in accord with the Roman Catholic way of life by providing a center to worship for all fellow parishioners, to encourage more opportunities for family education and family oriented fellowship, to invite everyone to a greater sensitivity to the richness of our diversity, and to encourage all members to recognize the importance of their involvement in this Christian community and in so doing to extend ourselves into the entire community.

DECLARACION DE LA MISIOM

La Misión de la Iglesia Católica Cristo Nuestra Luz es ofrecer un crecimiento espiritual y fortalecer la fe de acuerdo con la Iglesia Católica Romana proporcionando un centro de culto para todos los feligreses, para animar a un mayor número de oportunidades para la educación de una familia orientada, para invitar a todos a una mayor sensibilidad de la riqueza de nuestra diversidad, y alentar a todos los miembros a reconocer la importancia de su participación en esta comunidad cristiana, y al hacerlo para que se extienda en toda la comunidad.



PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Thursday 9:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
Friday 9:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Other times by appointment

9677 Highway 6
Navasota, Texas

Offices and Mailing Address:

510 Manley Street • Navasota, TX 77868
Website Address: www.christourlight.org

PARISH NUMBERS:

Phone: 936-825-3920
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After hour emergencies 936-825-3920
Religious Education: 936-825-1869

PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor Rev. Elias Lopéz
Parochial Vicar, Rev. Jorge Cabrera
Grant Holt, Permanent Deacon
Gregory Jelinek, MD., Permanent Deacon (Retired)

ADMINISTRATION & BOOKKEEPER

Mrs. Nelda Kurten

COORDINATOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mrs. Sasha Ramirez

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY

LITURGICAL MINISTERS' COORDINATOR AND SACRISTAN

Mr. Samuel Pry

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Gregorio Gonzalez Sam Pry
Nelda Kurten

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Ann Clark Carolynn Katkoski

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Michael and Connie Arden Mitch Kroll
Gregorio Gonzalez

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Jason Katkoski, President, Vice President, Diane LeFlore, Secretary, Lucy Coronilla, Deacon Grant Holt, Teresa Morales and Brandi Tejada.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Mike Arden, Larry Busa, Danny Clark, Gary Husfeld, Richard Krolczyk and Joe Rangel.

INFANT BAPTISM

Baptismal instruction is required for the parents and godparents of the infant to be baptized. Please contact Deacon Grant Holt at 936-825-6448, Joe Rangel at 936-672-5566

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

The Order of Christian Initiation is an ongoing process in which adults, youth and children enter or complete their initiation into the Roman Catholic Church.

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Thursday 6:00—6:55 p.m. and Saturday 5:00—5:30 p.m. in the Reconciliation chapel and by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Contact Father Eli, Father Jorge or Deacon Grant at least six months before the proposed wedding date. Couples must attend mandatory pre-marital classes.

ANointing OF THE SICK

Celebrated by request. Please call the Parish office.

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday Vigil 6:00 p.m.
Sunday (English) 8:00 a.m.
Sunday (Español) 1:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

Monday 8:30 a.m.
Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday & Friday 8:30 a.m.
Thursday 8:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

ROSARY PRAYED IN COMMON

Tuesday 6:10 p.m.
Wednesday & Friday 8:10 a.m.
Thursday 6:10 p.m.
Saturday 5:15 p.m.
Sunday 7:15 a.m. & 12:40 p.m.

STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

Dan Busa Hipolto Olvers
Lupe Diaz Ofelia Olvera
Toribio Hernandez Celia (Rosa) Perez
Jose Murillo, Sr. Ruben Perez

BAUTISMO DE INFANTE

Las instrucciones bautismales son requeridas para los padres y padrinos del infante que va a ser bautizado. Por favor póngase en contacto con la Señora Rosa Torres (936) 419-8974

RITO DE LA INICIACIÓN CRISTIANA DE ADULTOS

R.C.I.A. es un proceso para entrar o cumplir su iniciación en nuestra fe católica. Se ruega llamar a

RECONCILIACIÓN (CONFESSIONES)

Los jueves 6:00—6:30 p.m. y los sábado alas 5:00—5:30 p.m. en la capilla de reconciliación y por cita.

QUINCEAÑERA

Los jóvenes que quieren celebrar su quinceañera necesitan asistir a las clases de educación religiosa por dos años consecutivos antes de la celebración. También, necesitan asistir a las clases especiales y un día de tortero en el semestre antes de su cumpleaños. Se ruega llamar al padre Eli.

MATRIMONIO

Presentarse con el padre Eli, padre Jorge o un diácono por los menos con seis meses de anticipación de la propuesta fecha de la boda. Hay clases obligatorias pre-matrimonial.

UNCIÓN DE LOS ENFERMOS

Se ruega llamar a la oficina de la parroquia para una cita.

CONFIDENTIAL HELP LINE

A spiritual support group helping men and women live in accordance with the Catholic Church's pastoral teaching on Homosexuality. (713) 741-8728 or (713) 980-3100

Are you or do you know someone in a crisis pregnancy? Call: America's Crisis Pregnancy Helpline at 1-800-67-BABY-6. Are you or do you know someone suffering the effects of an abortion? Call: 1-800-5WE-CARE.

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DECEMBER 23 & 24, 2017

Under the Patronage of St. Patrick and Our Lady of Guadalupe

MASS INTENSIONS

MONDAY, DEC. 25 — THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

8:00 AM Eddie † and Henrietta † Prihoda

10:00 AM * People of the Parish

TUESDAY, DEC. 26 — ST. STEPHEN, THE FIRST MARTYR

6:30 PM Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 27 — ST. JOHN, APOSTLE AND

EVANGELIST

8:30 AM Billy Lastovica †

THURSDAY, DEC. 28 — THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

8:30 AM Barbara Thane †

7:00 PM* Torres Family

FRIDAY, DEC. 29 — THE FIFTH DAY WITHIN THE

OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

8:30 AM Special Intention for Joe and Jo Ann Kubeka

SATURDAY, DEC. 30 — VIGIL, THE HOLY FAMILY OF

JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

6:00 PM Janie Kallus †

SUNDAY, DEC. 31 — THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS,

MARY AND JOSEPH

8:00 AM People of the Parish

1:00 PM* Angelina Corona †

*SPANISH

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25

No Events Scheduled

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26

6:00 PM Spanish Choir Practice, CH

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27

7:30 PM Choir Practice, CH

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 28

12:00 PM English, Legion of Mary, CH Cry room

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29

No Events Scheduled

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30

5:00 PM Confession, CH

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

No Events Scheduled

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27-29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
During the Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14 Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

Tuesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Thursday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18

Friday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 105:1-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or Hb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]

E-Mail Addresses for the Parish

To e-mail Fr. Elias...fr.eli@christourlight.org
To e-mail Fr. Jorge: Fr.jorge@christourlight.org
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To e-mail RE Board: reboard@christourlight.org
To e-mail Rel. Ed. asha_ramirez17@yahoo.com
Christ Our Light web-site: www.christourlight.org

BULLETIN DEADLINE TUESDAY 12:00 NOON

Announcements and or articles are to be submitted in writing to the Parish Office, faxed to 825-7612 or e-mailed nelda@christourlight.org

AFTER MASS WEEKLY PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deadline Tuesday, 12:00 Noon. Announcements are to be submitted in writing to the Parish Office. The Pastor reserves the right to pick and choose which announcements are made in this forum as there is a need to keep these to a minimum.

Todos los anuncios deben ser presentados por escrito en la oficina de la parroquia no mas tarde que los martes al mediodía. El Pastor decidirá si las noticias son de importancia para ser pronuncia das.

PARISH REGISTRATION

To our new parishioner, we welcome you to Christ Our Light Parish. Please register at the parish office or ask one of the Hospitality Ministers to help you. For parishioners moving out of the parish or changing your address or phone number, **please** notify the parish office, 825-3920.



PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS to the Priesthood and Religious Life especially in our Archdiocese.

MEMORIALIZING THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

If you are interested in memorializing the Sanctuary candle, in memory of, in personal reverence and petition or special intention for the week, stop by the parish office for more information.

Sacrament of Baptism Schedule

English Baptism Class Schedule for 2018: 8:30 AM, January 13, April 14, July 14 and October 13

Spanish Baptism Class Schedule for 2018: 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM,

January 15 & 22, April 15 & 22, July 16 & 23 and October 21 & 28.

ALL DOCUMENTS AND FORMS must be completed and turned in before Baptism Date.

SCHEDULED Baptism will be celebrated once a month every 2nd Saturday at 10:00 AM in the Church.

PRAY for THE CONTINUING RECOVERY OR COMFORT OF

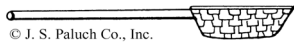
Sick Relatives & Friends

the infirmed and homebound members of our community. Steve Alvarado, Deborah Allwell, Amy Baldobino, Katherine Berger, JoAnn Clepper,

Frank Conte, Minnie Crouch, Sherry Noto Coronado, Taylor Cox, Susie Dominguez, Maria Flores, Charleen Holmes, Ed Huber, Judy Huber, Marion Huber, Joe Imhoff, Eva James, John James, Liz Johnson, Esther Jones, Charlie Kapchinski, Brianna Kelley, Kim Kelly, Landon Kimich, Mary Ann Knowles, Ronny Kurten, Crystal Lane, Leslie Lane, Manuel Lebeck, Ted Loq, Lillian Marcotte, Maria Martinez, June McDonald, Yvonne Meitzen, Valeriano Melchor, Anthony Mendez, Evita Mendez, Beth Minava, Eddie Muston, Fabian Munoz, Trealean Nickerson, Thomas Nobles, Leon Nowak, Julian Olguin, Victor Ostiguin, Howard Owens, Ralf Perez, II, Tanisha Perry, Angelina Peterson, Wallace Peterson, Rose Betty Piper, Mercedes Rios, Joel Rivera, Irma Salazar, Abby Schoessow, Josh Sechelski, Judy Seigler, Dennis Shive, Dana Sowell, Krysten Sowell, Angie McLaurin Till, Lucy Thompson, Tina Tomczak, Alene Torres, Anastacia Torres, Jesse Valadez, III, Carrie Vega, Amanda Walkoviak, Clara Walkoviak, Debra Wills and Pam Wise. **Call the parish office** when a member of our community has a need to be remembered in prayer, 825-3920. Also, if you have added a name to the prayer list, **please call to let us know when to remove the name from the list.** Thank you.

YOUR PARISH SUPPORT
SU APOYO PARROQUIAL
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Christian Giving



December 16 & 17, 2017

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| (79) Offertory Envelopes / Loose Checks | 2,884.00 |
| Loose Change | 1,316.00 |
| Children's | 55.00 |
| Total | 4,255.00 |
| II Collection DSF Deficit | 350.00 |
| Building Fund | 35.00 |

4th Sunday of Advent — *“Hail full of grace, the Lord is with you!” Luke 1:28* Faith is a gift from God. Take time in silence and thank Him for all the gifts He has given you. Try to set aside any anger or resentment you have and really open your heart to receive the gift of God’s mercy and forgiveness. We can’t give what we don’t have. We need to receive God’s mercy and forgiveness first before we can give it to others.

4to Domingo de Adviento — *“!Salve, llena de gracia, el Señor está contigo!” Lucas 1:28* La fe es un regalo de Dios. Toma tiempo en silencio y dale gracias a Él por todos los dones que te ha dado. Trata de dejar de lado cualquier ira o resentimiento que tengas y abre tu corazón para recibir el don de la misericordia y el perdón de Dios. No podemos dar e lo que no tenemos. Necesitamos recibir la misericordia y el perdón de Dios antes de poder darlo a los demás.

Words Worth Noting — Life is a journey. When we stop, things don’t go right. —Pope Francis

In Our Prayers

We remember in prayer our friends and loved ones in active military duty, both in and out of harms way, in the service of their our country. Pray for peace in the world and for our leaders.

OUR HOLY FATHER’S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR DEC.

General Intention — **THE ELDERLY.** That THE ELDERLY, SUSTAINED BY FAMILIES AND Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.



P.E.R.A. (Perpetual Eucharistic Reparative Adoration)

We are inviting and highly encouraging everyone to sign-up for our “P.E.R.A.” (Perpetual Eucharistic Reparative Adoration). We are asking everyone to devote ONE HOUR (at least) a WEEK adoring God in the Blessed Sacrament—that is, only asking 168 parishioners to make adoration of God everyday, 24/7! We do this as a Parish Community in response to the teaching of St. John Paul II:

The “Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to make amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease.”

(Dominicae cenae, 3)

Please call Mary Rangel @ 936-419-9024.



New Memorial Candles

The new Candle Stands are electrical. Anyone wanting to light a candle may do so by pressing the red button and give an offering. The candle will burn for 12 hours. Memorial Candles burning for one year are \$150.00 each. Come by the parish office to schedule and pay your offering of \$150.00 for your Memorial candle.

THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND

Web site is FORMED.ORG

The Parish Code to access the website is
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Then register to create an account.

NOTE: Do not use Mozilla Firefox browser.

There are 2 easy ways to connect to
FLOCKNOTE (pick one):

1. Visit our church at: www.flocknote.com/christourlightchurch
2. Text SPOLG to 84576 from your phone to subscribe to updates.



Fr. Eli's Christmas Wishlist

The items on this list are to enhance our liturgical celebrations by giving Glory to God. Many of our sacred vessels need updating.

1. **Common Communion Cups** \$350 each for both gold and silver
2. **Ciboria bowls** for Sunday Mass \$300 each
3. **Ciboria bowl** for daily Mass \$150
4. **Wine Decanter** \$150
5. **Holy Water bucket** \$400-\$600
6. **Floor candle stands/Processional candle stands** \$1500-\$2000 each

Please make checks payable to ***Christ Our Light Catholic Church***, and write "**Fr's Wishlist**" in the memo. Send the check to the Pastoral Office, attention Nelda Kurten, along with a note as to which item on the list you would like to sponsor.

Thank you, and Merry Christmas!



*Lista de deseos de Navidad del padre
Elías*

Los artículos en esta lista son para mejorar nuestras celebraciones litúrgicas al darle Gloria a Dios. Muchos de nuestros vasos sagrados necesitan actualización.

1. Copas comunes de comunión \$ 350 cada una para oro y plata
2. Tazones Ciboria para la misa dominical \$ 300 cada uno
3. Tazón de fuente de Ciboria para la misa diaria \$ 150
4. Jarra de Vino \$ 150
5. Cubo de agua bendita \$ 400- \$ 600
6. Soportes para velas del piso / Soportes de velas procesionales \$ 1500- \$ 2000 cada uno

Por favor haga los cheques a nombre de Christ Our Light Catholic Church, y escriba "Fr's Wishlist" en la nota. Envíe el cheque a la Oficina Pastoral, atención a Nelda Kurten, junto con una nota sobre qué elemento de la lista desea patrocinar.

¡Gracias y Feliz Navidad!



Fourth Sunday of Advent December 24, 2017

The child to be born will be called holy,
the Son of God. —Luke 1:35

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Every 1st weekend of the month (Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses) blessing of all who have a birthday or Wedding Anniversary during the month.

MONTHLY REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASSES

Refreshment will be served after Masses the first Sunday of each month. The refreshments and service will be provided by the following:

Altar Society—January and July
Pastoral Council—February and October
Finance Council—March and September
R.E. Board—April and August
Stewardship—May and November
Choir—June and December

2017 DSF Report

Activity thru 12/18/2017

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| Parish Goal: | 24,940.00 |
| Total Amount Paid: | 21,582.05 |
| Total Amount Pledged: | 21,879.35 |
| Total Number of Participants: | 83 |
| Paid Over (Under) Goal: | (3,357.95) |
| Pledged Over (Under) Goal: | (3,060.65) |

Percent Paid 86.54%

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YOUTH MEETING SCHEDULE

Christ Our Light Youth Group Grades 8-12 will meet every 1st Wednesday of the month, 6:30 to 8:30 PM.

WHAT TO EXPECT: Guest Speakers, Food & Games, Bible Study, Praise and Worship and more. To join contact: Joe Rangel (936) 672-5566 or Jessica Herrera (936) 870-8130.



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Fourth Sunday of Advent

MAGNIFICAT

This weekend, we are pleased that MAGNIFICAT has donated copies of its January issue. MAGNIFICAT IS THE MOST POPULAR Catholic prayer and worship resource in the United States. It is perfect for anyone who wants to align their personal prayer life with the daily liturgical rhythm of the Church and who desires ongoing Faith formation. MAGNIFICAT features daily mass readings, prayer for the morning and evening, articles, inspiring profiles on saints ancient and modern, daily meditations, and commentaries on art. Please take home a copy and use it prayerfully for the month. I encourage you to subscribe and you'll find details in the back of the issue. You can also visit www.magnificent.com for more information or to request a complimentary copy for a friend.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I will fix a place for my people. I will plant them so that they may dwell in their place without further disturbance (2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16).

Psalm — For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 89).

Second Reading — To the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, be glory forever and ever (Romans 16:25-27).

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

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — El Señor promete a David que su casa permanecerá para siempre (2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16).

Salmo — Cantaré eternamente las misericordias del Señor (Salmo 89 [88]).

Segunda lectura — Pablo ora para que Dios sea glorificado mediante Jesucristo (Romanos 16:25-27).

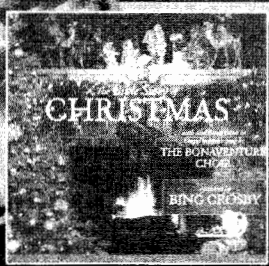
Evangelio — El ángel Gabriel anuncia a María que ella concebirá al hijo de Dios (Lucas 1:26-38).

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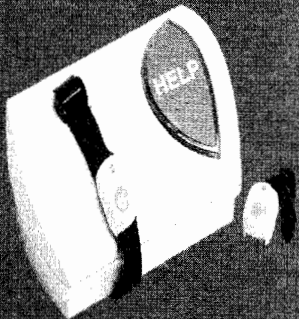
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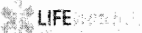
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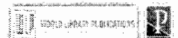
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