



December 24 & 31, 2017



"GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST AND PEACE TO MEN OF GOODWILL" - the words of the Angels to the shepherds in Bethlehem is a powerful reminder to all of us that the celebration of Christmas is the announcement of peace for all. The baby in the manger is truly the Prince of Peace. He is here to fill our hearts with lasting peace and love. I take this opportunity to wish all the parishioners, "A Blessed Christmas and a prosperous New year 2018". Wishing you and your families the specials of this great time of grace, namely, Hope, Joy, Peace and Love!

The creator of this vast and wondrous universe entered our history on this night and became human for us. What this means, of course, is that God does not intend to destroy us but to redeem and restore us to be the people he created us to be. This Christmas story tells us that there is a way out of our sinfulness and hopelessness, because God is with us. We are not alone. There is a mighty God with in us to strengthen us in our weaknesses and temptations.

As Emmanuel, Jesus lives in the sacraments, especially in the Holy Eucharist, in the Holy Bible, in the praying community and in each believer, with the Holy Spirit who is transforming us daily into the "Temples of the Holy Spirit." Hence, each Christmas reminds us that we are bearers of God with the missionary duty of conveying Jesus to others around us by loving others as Jesus did, through sacrificial, humble and committed service. Sharing with others JESUS, the Emmanuel living with us, is the best Christmas gift we can give to, or receive from, others.

I pray that we may put on the attitude of gratitude for all the blessings of God. I pray that we may not be happy with the feelings of Christmas but live what we truly celebrate. Let us keep CHRIST in Christmas that the blessings of this season of Grace will remain with us now and always!

Fr. Michael

"GLORIA A DIOS EN EL CIELO Y PAZ A LOS HOMBRES DE BUENA VOLUNTAD" – las palabras de los Angeles a los pastores en Belen es un poderoso recordatorio para todos de que la celebracion de Navidad es el anuncio de paz para todos. El bebe en el pesebre es verdaderamente el Principe de la Paz. El esta aquí para llenar nuestros corazones con paz y amor duradero. Yo tomo esta oportunidad para desearles a todos los feligreses, "Una Bendecida Navidad y un prospero Año Nuevo dos mil dieciocho". Deseandoles a ustedes y sus familias lo mas especial de este gran tiempo de gracia, digase, Esperanza, Alegria, Paz y Amor!

El creador de vasto y maravilloso universo entrado a nuestra historia en esta noche llegando a ser humano por nosotros. Lo que significa, por supuesto, es que Dios no intenta destruirnos, sino redimirnos y restaurarnos para ser el pueblo que el creo. La historia de esta Navidad nos dice que hay un camino para poner fuera nuestra pecaminosidad y desesperanza, porque Dios esta con nosotros. No estamos solos. Hay un poderoso Dios entre nosotros para darnos fuerza en nuestras debilidades y tentaciones.

Asi Emanuel, Jesus vive en los sacramentos, especialmente en el de la Santa Eucaristia, en la Santa Biblia, en la oracion comunitaria y en cada creyente, con el Espiritu Santo quien nos esta transformando dia con dia en "Templos del Espiritu Santo." Por lo tanto, cada Navidad nos recuerda que somos portadores de Dios la tarea misionera de llevar a Jesus a los que nos rodean, amandolos como Jesus lo hizo, mediante el servicio humilde y sacrificado. Compartiendo a JESUS con otros, el Emanuel viviendo con nosotros, es el mejor regalo de Navidad que podemos dar, o recibir de otros.

Yo oro para que nosotros podamos tener la actitud de gratitud por todas las bendiciones de Dios. Yo oro para que, nosotros no estemos felices con los sentimientos de Navidad, sino que vivamos verdaderamente lo que celebramos. Mantengamos a CRISTO en Navidad para que las bendiciones de esta temporada de Gracia se queden con nosotros ahora y siempre!!

Padre Miguel

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: January 6/7 (2018)

	<u>LECTORS</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>	<u>USHERS</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u>
6:00pm Vigil (Sat.)	Dan Pavlish	J. Mullis, Jn. Mullis	D. Parrish, L. Temple	L. Wiese, F. Eoff
8:30am Sunday	Jan Prink	Billy Christiansen Kaycee Myers	T. Shea, C. Navarro L. & S. Boehm	J. & C. Harris, M. Harris TBD
12:45pm Sunday	Luis Reyes Isidro Godinez	Monica Maya Alfredo Cervantes		C. Cortez, N. Tello, A. Aguirre G. Mora, C. Jeronimo

BRING IN THE NEW YEAR WITH ECYA! GAMES, FOOD, AND YULETIDE FUN with Eugene Catholic Young Adults (ages 21-39, married or single) on **New Year's Eve**, Dec. 31st. Get more info at: eugeneyoungadults@gmail.com or 541-270-9329 or [facebook.com/EugeneCYA](https://www.facebook.com/EugeneCYA).

YOU'RE INVITED! Catholic Community Services of Lane County is going to be 65 years old, and invites you to help them celebrate all these years of helping out our neighbors in need! A votive Mass will be held on **January 24th, 5:30pm**, at St. Paul Church (1201 Satre St. Eugene), with informal reception to follow.



Mass Intentions

- (Mon.) Jan. 1 **8:30am** Bob & Aileen Serrano † by Lolita & Bruno Madrid
10:30am Bud Patterson † by St. Peter Altar Society
- (Tues.) Jan. 2 Communion Service
5:30pm NO Tues. Span. Mass through February 12, 2018
- (Wed.) Jan. 3 Communion Service
- (Thurs.) Jan. 4 Communion Service
- (Fri.) Jan. 5 Communion Service
- (Sat.) **Jan. 6** 4:00pm Millie Mohnen † by Sharon & Bob Beckmann
6:00pm —

January 7 EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

- 8:30am Mary M. Danovich (95 BD) by Teresa Danovich
- 10:30am Maria Lieu & Jerome Tac Nguyn † by Kim Dungan
- 12:45pm Rufina Sanchez Atnoñio † by Silverio Cortez Ruiz

~ ALL WEEKDAY (M-F) MASS INTENTIONS ~
FROM JANUARY 8 — FEBRUARY 5
WILL BE CELEBRATED IN INDIA

READINGS FOR JANUARY 1-7 (2018) ...

MONDAY (MARY, MOTHER OF GOD)	JANUARY 1
Nm 6:22-27 Gal 4:4-7	Ps 67:2-3,5,6,8 Lk 2:16-21
TUESDAY	JANUARY 2
1 Jn 2:22-28 Jn 1:19-28	Ps 98:1-4
WEDNESDAY (HOLY NAME OF JESUS)	JANUARY 3
1 Jn 2:29—3:6 Jn 1:29-34	Ps 98:1-3,6
THURSDAY	JANUARY 4
1 Jn 3:7-10 Jn 1:35-42	Ps 98:1,7-9
FRIDAY	JANUARY 5
1 Jn 3:11-21 Jn 1:43-51	Ps 100:1-5
SATURDAY	JANUARY 5
1 Jn 5:5-13 Mk 1:7-11	Ps 147:12-15,19-20
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Is 60:1-6 Eph 3:2-3,5-6	Ps 72:1-2,7-8,10-13 Mt 2:1-12