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Welcome *home*.

Dear Christ the Redeemer Parishioners,

Weekly Update for December 9, 2020

Advent Confession: During the Advent Season, I have added 24 hours of Confession to make sure that everyone who wants to go to Confession has the opportunity.

12/12 9 - 11a & Noon - 3p	12/15 8 a - Noon	12.16 4 - 8p [The Light is on for You]
12/17 8a - Noon	12/18 2 - 6p	12/19 9 - 11a & Noon - 3p
12/22 2 - 6p	12/23 8a - Noon	

Christmas Mass: Christmas Eve | 4p & 6p Christmas Day | Midnight, 7:00 a & 9:00 a

Holiday Precautions: The Advent and Christmas celebrations will bring a good number of new people to celebrate with us in our parish. Good practices around the Coronavirus, the flu, and other illnesses are more important than usual. If you are experiencing any sort of illness, please remain at home so that you can recover more quickly and restrict the spread of infections. Bishop Fabre and I ask that everyone wear a facemask that covers your mouth and nose for the whole time that you are on our campus. I ask you to keep visiting to a minimum with facemasks, at least six feet apart, and outside the buildings when possible. We have hand sanitizer and facemasks at our entrances for your convenience. When Mass is over, I am asking all to make their way all of the way out of the building before stopping.

Christmas Toy Drive: We still have a good number of tags remaining. The Thibodaux Area Toy Drive is collecting toys for Christmas to be distributed to less fortunate families in our area. Please consider participating by taking a tag from the tree in our church lobby. Details are located on the back of the tags. Please return your gift to our lobby with your tag attached. The deadline for returning gifts is this Sunday, December 13th.

FORMED.org: We just renewed our annual subscription as a gift to our parish family. Please visit the website where you'll find tons of resources, movies for adults and children, bible studies, and much more. It is all free to you, so log on and check all that FORMED.org has to offer.

Rejoice: *Rejoice: Advent Meditation with the Holy Family* is a brand new guided meditation for the Advent Season. These are available for \$5 at the Church Office from 8 AM until Noon and from 1 PM until 4 PM. These Advent reflections from Fr. Mark Toups are a powerful way to prepare for the

coming of the Lord. This book can be used for your personal meditations but are also an awesome opportunity to share faith with a small group of people. Video resources can be found here study.ascensionpress.com/leader_downloads/rejoice-advent-meditations-with-the-holy-family.

Bulletin E-mail: If you would like to have the bulletin emailed to you register at www.jspaluch.com/BulletinSubscribe.aspx and enter 70301. A list of churches will appear. Scroll down to Christ the Redeemer and click on the green arrow. Fill out the needed first name and email address and hit "Submit." You are registered and will receive a Saturday morning link to the parish bulletin.

Come Spend an Hour with the Lord: There are open hours for adoration on Tuesday at 10 AM, 3 PM, 4 PM, & 5 PM, on Thursday at 10 AM, and on Friday at 9 AM, 10 AM, & 2 PM. If you have ever considered regularly spending some time with the Lord now is a great time to start. Please call Sara Oubre if you would like to commit to a slot. 985.446.8662

Sunday Obligation: The obligation to attend Mass on Sunday remains lifted. If you cannot or choose not to attend Sunday Mass for any reason, you will not be sinning. There is no shame in choosing not to attend Mass if you are vulnerable, are caring for someone who is, are caring for young children for whom the distancing will be difficult, are concerned about getting sick, or for any other reason. Please take this time to sanctify your week in some other fashion until life returns to normal.

We are here to Help: As we continue to progress through the Coronavirus and Hurricane season, we will need to rely on each other more and more. If you find yourself in need of help or need to talk to someone, please contact our office. We are here to serve you. Our office is open from 8:00 AM to noon and from 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM at 985.447.2013.

Finally, please help our Christ the Redeemer family by sharing this letter with as many people as you can. Only with your assistance can we assure that every Christ the Redeemer parishioner who wants to receive our updates can. Thank you.

Thank you,
Fr. Alex Gaudet