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Dear Lectors,

Enclosed is the winter schedule, which covers December through February, and an updated roster and listing of mass rotations. For those assigned to read on Christmas, should an urgent conflict arise and a substitute be needed, please do not find one on your own. Let me know and I will try to find someone. Lent with Wednesday evening masses also starts during this schedule, and there are a number of special days (Immaculate Conception, Mary Mother of God, Ash Wednesday, parish mission, etc.) so please check the schedule carefully.

The enclosed roster is still missing a few email addresses. I also had several bad addresses identified when I sent out the information email several weeks ago. Please let me know if yours is not listed or has changed, preferably by sending me an email. Also please contact me if you did not get my recent email covering general lector topics.

For Christmas readers, we will use the **Christmas Midnight readings for all Christmas Eve masses, and the Christmas Day readings for all masses on Christmas itself.**

The parish mission may not include mass each day, but lectors are still planned to be used during the mission service. I will let the assigned lectors know if the mission readings are different from the mass readings for those days.

As mentioned, Ash Wednesday and the first Wednesday soup masses are on this schedule. Ash Wednesday is in the workbook, but the soup masses and mission services are not and you will need to prepare from a bible or the daily lectionary. An on-line source is also available through the lector page on the parish web site. These readings will be done from the daily lectionary, and you should arrive early enough to become familiar with the layout of that book if you have not used it before. Lectors for all of these special masses and services were chosen from our list of holy day volunteers.

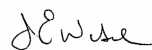
There are no weekends with alternative readings during this quarter, but several masses have shorter versions listed as options. We always read the longer version.

A final reminder about the annual liturgical workshops. The evening session for all ministries will be Friday, 25 January, at 7pm. The dedicated lector sessions will be 26 January from 1 to 4, and 2 February from 9 to 12. Also, if you have not picked up a new workbook please do so next weekend. I would like to have them out of the sacristy by 9 December.

Please call or email me or John Carroll if you have any questions.

Thank you all for your continued support of the ministry, and may all of you have a happy and holy holiday season.

God Bless,



Jim Welsch