

NORTH BEND — “All the ends of the earth will behold the salvation of our God,” said Isaiah, the prophet. And so began the annual Christmas Eve pageant at Holy Redeemer Parish here.

Deacon Pete Broussard narrated the Gospels of Luke and Matthew to describe the Christmas story as parish children — including preschool-age angels and shepherds on up to the older youths portraying Mary, Joseph, Gabriel, the announcing angel, the lead shepherd and the Magi — acted out the scenes. The parish folk group wove Christmas carols throughout the event.

For more than 20 years the pageant has been coordinated by parishioners Doug, Cricket, Becki and Luke Soules, according to Jim DeLong, director of religious education at the parish. “They even provide the live sheep, which always draws giggles from our angels and shepherds,” he said. (more pictures on our website:

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