Our Lady of Sorrows and Holy Name of Jesus CATHOLIC CHURCHES

DECEMBER 13, 2020 | THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Our Lady of Sorrows

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm Sunday 10:00 am Holy Days see inside bulletin

Reconciliation (Confessions) First and Third Wednesdays 6:30–7:00 pm or by appointment



Holy Name of Jesus

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 6:00 pm Sunday 12:00 pm Holy Days see inside bulletin

Reconciliation (Confessions) Second and Fourth Wednesdays 6:30–7:00 pm or by appointment



SUNDAY OF ADVENT

John answered them, "I baptize with water; but there is one among you whom you do not recognize, the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie." - Jn 1:26-27

Baptisms

Contact your Parish Office. Baptismal preparation is required. Marriages Contact your Parish Office at least 6 months before the desired date. Vocations Contact a member of your pastoral staff or visit cincinnativocations.org. Pastoral Care of the Sick May be arranged through your Parish Office.

WELCOME

Holy Name of Jesus Parish Office Pastor Rev. Paul Gebhardt 513-539-8061 Deacon Bill Schaefer 513-726-6156 Deacon / Pastoral Associate Larry Gronas 513-502-6266 Accountant Connie Schenck 513-988-6335 Secretary Sharon McDonough p: 513-988-6335 f: 513-330-9849 Religious Ed. / Youth Ministry Pam Hurley 513-374-0332 Holy Name of Jesus Parish Council Bob Kennel - Chairman Bob Edwards - Co-chairman Coray Salver Becky Hedges-Kamp Carolyn Angst Blair Mitchell Jim Werner **Finance Council** Connie Schenck Jim Werner Larry Gronas Mary Draman Shirley Snelling Committees: Education: Pam Hurley 513-374-0332 Parish Life: Respect Life: Sharon Lacy Ministries: Choir: Brenda Hicks 513-869-9651 Devotions: Dcn. Larry Gronas 513-726-4436 Food Pantry: Pam Hurley 513-374-0332 Funeral Luncheons: Connie Thomas 513-424-0097 Carolyn Angst 513-726-6041 Harlan, KY Sister Church: Bob Kennel 513-726-5362 Knights of Columbus: Steve Dobrozsi 513-539-7744 Outreach: Pamala Hurley 513-374-0332 Pro-Life: Carol Burgher 352-363-0407 Sharon Lacy Rosary Makers: Betty Issacs 513-867-8784 Yard-n-Garden/Maintenance: Mike Snelling, 937-743-1908 Young at Heart: Diane Gronas 513-726-4436

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Office Pastor

Rev. Paul Gebhardt 513-539-8061 Deacon Jack Schaefer 513-539-8061 DRE Chris Baumgardner 513-539-8061 **Business Manager** Ava Bertsch 513-539-8061 Office and Technology Manager Bob Drusky 513-539-8061 Pastoral Associate Nora Neu 513-539-8061 Maintenance Worker Joe Scarpa 513-539-8061 **Director of Music Ministry** Joe Whatley 513-539-8061

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish Council

Members at Large Patrick Barker Kari Drouillard Marie Giffen Jennifer Hall Alison Harig Eric King Betty Quigley Deb Saluke Sr. Anne Schulz

Ministry Representatives Cecilia Bosticco Chris Hurley Teresa Johnson Angela Peterson Tim Viezer - K of C Whether you are a visitor or new to our parish, interested in becoming Catholic, seeking to return to the practice of your faith, or an active member of our parish, we are pleased that you have come. God bless you!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Saturday December 12: Fr. Gerald Haemmerle Sunday December 13: Fr. Ronald Haft Monday December 14: Fr. Terence Hamilton **Tuesday December 15:** Fr. Robert Hater Wednesday December 16: Fr. W. Michael Hay Thursday December 17: Fr. Clarence Heis Friday December 18: Fr. Daniel Hess Saturday December 19: Fr. Jerry Hiland Sunday December 20: Fr. Michael Holloran Please pray "a decade a day for the sanctification of a priest."

Bulletin / Announcement Deadline: Friday at noon - 1 week in advance

Friday at noon - 1 week in advance via email to your parish office.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 13

Sunday:	Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-54/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28
Monday:	Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-9/Mt 21:23-27
Tuesday:	Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-19, 23/Mt 21:28-32
Wednesday:	ls 45:6b-8, 18, 21c-25/Ps 85:9-14/Lk 7:18b-23
Thursday:	Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17/Mt 1:1-17
Friday:	Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25
Saturday:	Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/Lk 1:5-25
Next Sunday	r:2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29/Rom 16:25-27/
	Lk 1:26-38

COMMUNITY



"Mary said, 'Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her. During those days Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth." (Luke 1:38-40)

What would possess a pregnant woman to set out on a journey of over 60 miles on foot? Even for the best of hikers, that's a three or four-day journey and more than likely, Mary is only 13 to 15 years old. Who accompanied her on the journey? And the question on all our minds, was this trip really necessary?

About the journey itself we are told very little other than Mary made the journey in haste. She was told by the angel that Elizabeth, her older relative, was also pregnant, but that seems hardly a good enough reason to make such a journey just to chat about their shared condition. To find the reason for the journey we must look to the preceding 37 verses of the beginning of St. Luke's Gospel, and to the story as it unfolds from verse 40 onward. Chapter one of Luke's Gospel tells an astounding tale of how God brings a prophet into the world to announce the coming of His only begotten Son in the flesh, born of the virgin. In the characters of this tale, we see representatives of both the great faith and great skepticism of presumably believing people. And we get the first glimpses of how the Spirit of God will move in human hearts to make known the wonders God will, did and has brought about in Jesus Christ for our salvation.

Pick up a Bible. Open to the Beginning of the Gospel of Luke. Read the story of how our salvation was first announced in the coming of a prophet and the journey of a pregnant teenager.

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Retirement Fund for Religious - Help Our Elders

The annual Retirement Fund for Religious collection will be held THIS weekend, December 12-13 in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please give generously to this weekend's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

NO Advent Communal Penance Service This Year

To avoid any extra exposure our parishes will NOT be holding a communal Penance Service this year. Fr. Paul will be expanding the hours available for individual confessions. This will replace the need for the communal service.

Tuesday, December 15 at Our Lady of Sorrows from 6:30 until the last confession is heard. WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16 - NO CONFESSIONS.

Tuesday, December 22 at Holy Name of Jesus from 6:30 until the last confession is heard. WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23 - NO CONFESSIONS.

Reconciliation is also available by appointment. Please call the OLOS office at 513-539-8061.

Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve Masses will be at 3 pm at Our Lady of Sorrows and at 5 pm at Holy Name of Jesus. Christmas Day Masses will be at 10 am at both parishes. Masses at Our Lady of Sorrows will be in the church with live streaming to the PAC and via YouTube. Masses at Holy Name of Jesus will be in the church with live streaming to the Parish Hall and remote access with the "Zoom app" - contact Connie Schenck to access the Zoom meeting.

POSTING: Director of Music Ministry

Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church is seeking a part time Director of Music Ministry to serve our parish of 200 families. If interested, please check the holynameofjesuscatholicchurch.org parish website for more details. Look under "About our Parish" and then "Job Opportunities." Submit a resume and cover letter to Fr. Paul Gebhardt, fpghnls@gmail.com or mail it to Holy Name of Jesus, 222 Hamilton Ave, Trenton, OH 45067.

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Attention Liturgical Ministers

If your Christmas plans include attending Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses, please consider signing up to be a minister at one of these Masses. All Masses will be celebrated in the Church and livestreamed to the PAC and YouTube. We also need ministers on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. Volunteer at the MSP website or call Nora in the office.

Surviving Divorce

The next session of *Surviving Divorce* starts at St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish in January 2021. *Surviving Divorce* was created to bring hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. It is for the newly separated and divorced and those still struggling with issues many years later. It will help them find answers to their questions, restore hope, and begin authentic healing. Visit www.catholicsdivorce.com for more information or contact the parish office at 513-777-4322 or email survivingdivorce@saint-max.org.

Big Thanks for a Successful Christmas Toy Drive

Our parish K of C thanks the parish for their donations of toys to benefit the Community Pregnancy Center. There was a great response and these toys will brighten Christmas for the children whose families are served by the Center.

NEXT WEEKEND'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE: DECEMBER 19-20

	Saturday 4:00 pm	Sunday 10:00 am
COORDINATOR	Connie Hagedorn	Teresa Johnson
EUCHARISTIC MINISTER	Barb Dineen	Mike Frankey
EUCHARISTIC MINISTER-PAC	Karen Redmond	Greg Nenni
GREETER	Diane Coch	Sarah Barnes
READER	Mark Redmond	Ruth Frankey
USHERS	Paul Hagedorn Tim Propps	Paul Kavalauskas Mike Quigley
USHER-PAC	Chuck Sperrick	Nick Cummins

Collection for Holiday Hams

Our parish is again assisting with other area churches and organizations to help support Middletown Choice Market during December. The service region for Middletown Choice Market includes families in Monroe and those as far south as Le Sourdsville and the intersection on of Rt 4 and Rt 747. COVID restrictions are forcing us to change some of our traditions this year. Parishioners can help by donating money for holiday hams. You can drop money off in the collection bin in the Gathering Space until December 13th. **Please make checks payable to Our Lady of Sorrows Parish.**

The Bible and the Virgin Mary

Beginning Wednesday, January 6 at 7 pm in the PAC, our parish will offer a 12-week study - part of the St. Paul Center's Journey Through Scripture program. It teaches Catholics how Marian doctrine and devotion are firmly rooted in Scripture and answers common objections from non-Catholics. The Bible and the Virgin Mary unveils the mystery of Our Lady that is woven into the fabric of Sacred Scripture. Twelve visually stunning lessons convey the beauty of the doctrine and devotions surrounding Mary, bringing them to life in a powerful, new way. Based on Scott Hahn's Hail, Holy Queen and presented by Matthew Leonard, this study has something for everyone from the newly confirmed to the fully engaged cradle Catholic. To register, sign up on the poster in the Gathering Space, call the office or email olos@cinci.rr.com.

Reduced Office Hours

During the rest of December until January 4th, our parish office will be operating on a limited schedule, so please call 513 539-8061 before stopping by or consult our olosmonroe.com website.



The next sessions of our Small Church Communities are the week of January 10. Each session explores the next Sunday's Gospel and in our next session, *The Jewish Roots of Holy Week* is the secondary discussion topic. To join a group, use the sign-up sheets in the Gathering Space.

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Faith Connections

PSR families...are you looking for a way to connect with one another? Consider joining Faith Connections! PSR parent and catechist, Michelle DuScheid is leading families in ZOOM sessions in which they are joining together in prayer, exploring faith topics, and discussing Saints and Holy Days. These meetings occur every other week. The first meeting of the new year will be on Sunday, January 10 from 7:30-8:15 pm. If interested, please contact Chris In Parish Office.

Attention PSR Families Just a reminder that PSR classes

will not be meeting next weekend. Classes will resume on Sunday, January 10th. We hope you and your families enjoy this Holiday Season and remain healthy. We look forward to seeing you in the new year!

Spring Registration At Mount Saint Mary's School Of Theology!

Is it finally time to prepare yourself to serve as a lay leader in the parish? Whether you are interested in preparing for the Diaconate, working at a social service agency, parish, hospital, school, or want to become better informed about the Catholic Faith, we can help! The School of Theology offers M.A. degrees in Pastoral Ministry, Biblical Studies and Theology and Certificates in Pastoral Ministry and Catholic Studies. Graduate & certificate courses are offered at the main campus, 6616 Beechmont Avenue in Cincinnati. Take class for credit, audit or begin a degree. Visit athenaeum.edu to learn more, or call or email Barbara Yoder at byoder@athenaeum.edu, 513-233-6129 or 513-231-1200.

Stewardship: Giving Time, Talent & Treasure as a Way of Life Week of November 29 (2 weekends ago)

Parish Needs	Last Week \$8,922.00	Year to Date \$196,284.00
Sunday Offerings Electronic Contributions	\$10,156.00 \$ <u>\$2,802.46</u> \$12,958.46	\$117,344.87 <u>\$60,792.24</u> \$178,137.11
Total Enve	lopes Used	47

Total Cash (not in envelopes) \$149.00 The budget is based on a fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. NOTE: the weekly need of \$8922 X 22 weeks = \$196,284.

Mass Intentions and Events at Our Lady of Sorrows

Saturday, December 12	
4:00 pm Mass	<u></u> ተ Kay Raymond
Sunday, December 13	Third Sunday of Advent PSR for Grades 2 and 8
9:00 - 9:50 am	
10:00 am Mass	甘 Tyson Hellman
Monday, December 14	
8:30 am Mass	$m{\uparrow}$ Frank and Barbara Nicholson
Tuesday, December 15	
8:30 am Mass	ቲ Tony Hecker
9:00 - 10:00 am	Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction
6:30 pm	Confessions in the Daily Mass Chapel
Wednesday, December 16	
Thursday, December 17	
8:30 am	Rosary
9:00 am	Liturgy of the Word With Holy Communion
Friday, December 18	
9:00 am	Liturgy of the Word With Holy Communion
Saturday, December 19	
4:00 pm Mass	🕆 Paul Gorman
Sunday, December 20	Fourth Sunday of Advent
10:00 am Mass	† Nancy Cooper

Upcoming Events

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Confessions at Our Lady of Sorrows in the Daily Mass Chapel
from 6:30 until the last confession is heard
Confessions at Holy Name of Jesus in the Parish Hall
from 6:30 until the last confession is heard
Christmas Eve Mass at 3 pm
Christmas Day Mass at 10 am

HOLY NAME OF JESUS

Birthday Gifts for Baby Jesus

The Pro-Life group is collecting baby items (new or gently used) for Elizabeth's New Life Center. **The campaign will run through December 19-20.** Items can be placed by Mary's altar. Please be generous. Items needed: Children shoes age 0-4, Maternity clothes, Premie-Newborn Size up to 4T clothing. Other items: Baby carries (no car seats), Boppy pillows, crib sheets, Pack-n-plays, mobiles, hooded towels, sleep sacks, swaddle wraps, safety gates.

Baskets of Love for 2020

We are taking food donations for the Baskets of Love Christmas dinners. You will find envelopes on St. Joseph's altar marked with items needed. Please take one and place your donated item in the big red box at the bottom of stairs in back of church. We are also taking monetary donations. If you know of a family that could use a little extra help this Christmas please put their name on a card and drop in the box. Donations should be at church by December 20. For more info, contact Pam Hurley at 513-374-0332 or p.a.hurley@sbcglobal.net.

Traveling Chalice for Vocations to the Priesthood

Bob and Susan Kennel will receive the chalice on December 12 after the 6 pm Mass and have it until December 26. Larry and Diane Gronas will receive the chalice after 6 pm Mass on December 26. Please contact the office if you would like to take part in this ministry! When to return the chalice? By Saturday afternoon before the 6 pm Mass. You can leave it in the Sacristy, or at the Sacristy door if it's locked.

LITURGICAL MININSTERS FOR THE WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 19-20

	SATURDAY 6:00 pm	SUNDAY 12:00 pm
SACRISTAN	Tammy Menninger	
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	Ron Angst (1) Gerry Graham (2)	Harry Hunsinger (1) Sharon Lacy (2)
CANTOR		
READER(S)	Susan Kennel (1)	Cory Salyer (1)
USHERS	Virgil Harris Bob Kennel	Wendel Draman Jim Werner
COMMUNION TO HOME- BOUND		Larry Gronas
COLLECTION TEAM		Debbie Mannon Debbie Peter Sue & Jim Werner



Pray for the Sick at Holy Name of Jesus Lord Jesus, You are the Divine Physician, we place all of our sick under your loving care. Please restore them physically and spiritually. In Your Most Holy Will, and in the name of all, together with Our Sweet Mother and all the angels and saints, we intercede in a special way for:

Joan Wagner, Anna White, Tom and Carolyn Martin, Jose Gonzalez, Anna Hunsinger, Joe Pollock, Charles Payne, Orville Brown, Bill Schaefer, Katie Cecil, Phyllis Beuerlein, Kathy Menninger, Martha LaBarge, Sue Harris, Kathy Steele, Steve Drake, Brenda Hicks, Tina Torres, Diane Frain, Roberta Ventura, Steven Dobrozsi, Becky Hedges-Kamps, Tom Foley and John Guillot, Jr., James Werner, Jr, Jim Schneider

If you want to be on this list, or if you have recovered and would like to be removed from this list, please call the office.

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Everyday Stewardship: Recognizing God in Your Ordinary Moments: A Constant Companion

As Christians, we are called to a life of prayer. This is not just during seasons like Advent, but all year long. When we talk about being prayerful everyday stewards, we are speaking about cultivating an awareness of God being with us at all times. Each day we begin by offering God the entirety of our day. Each night we rest in Him and hope that the hours that passed gave Him glory. During this busy time of Advent, it is hard to cultivate this life of prayer, but without it we can too easily lose sight of the reason for the season. It is during this time of year we need to heed the words of St. Paul more than ever when he wrote to the Thessalonians, "Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing." This is how we will be able to avoid the pitfalls of consumerism and secularism and keep our eyes fixed on Jesus.

Bring Jesus with you into the office Christmas party. Take him with you shopping for gifts in the department store. Be aware of him when you sit down to watch television specials you have seen every year of your life. Give him all your time and let his presence fill your every moment. By striving to be connecting with Jesus at all times, you will bear greater fruit and the joy you experience will be much greater than you could imagine. You might even spend a few less dollars and spend more time with those you love, particularly the one who loves you the most, the Incarnation himself.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

MASS INTENTIONS:

Events in the Parish

Saturday, December 12 6:00 pm Sunday, December 13 12:00 pm

Monday, December 14

Tuesday, December 15

Wednesday, December 16 8:30 am Mass 6:30 - 7:30 pm 6:30 - 7:45 pm

Thursday, December 17 8:30 am Mass 9:00 am - 9:00 pm

Friday, December 18

Saturday, December 19 6:00 pm Sunday, December 20

12:00 pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass Third Sunday of Advent Mass

St. John of the Cross

FORMED series *Forgiven* in Parish Hall Religious Education Classes Grades K-8

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Mass

Fourth Sunday of Advent Mass

Financial Stewardship Summary:

Your Time, Talent and Treasure are God's gifts to you... When you share them, it is your gift to God.

22nd Sunday of fiscal year as of 11-29-2020

Parish Needs	Last Week \$4,205	Year to Date \$92,510	
Parish Receipts*	\$2,963	\$79,745	
Total Envelopes Used29Total electronic givers12			
*Parish Receipts includes all deposits available for Parish expenditures. It doesn't include designated donations.			
Note: The Fiscal year budget for 7/1/2020 to 6/30/2021 is \$218,660.			
<i>Notes for this week's receipts:</i> \$1,651.65 from Offertory & WeShare, \$216 for candles, \$219.88 from Kroger, \$675 Giving Tree for Holy Trinity, and \$200 for Christmas decorations .			
Designated receipts - \$100 Catholic Campaign for Human Development. For on-line giving: https://holynameofjesuscatholicchurch.weshareonline.org/			/

Your generosity helps us do God work. Thank you for your generosity!

Day	Date	Mass	For	Requested By
Saturday	12/12	6:00 pm	Special Intention Tom Foley	Susan Spicer and family
Sunday	12/13	12:00 pm	People of the Parish	
Wednesday	12/16	8:30 am	Purgatorial Society	
Thursday	12/17	8:30 am	Evelyn Reek	Chance and Angela Dishman
Saturday	12/19	6:00 pm	Paul and Joe Kuzma	Agnes Kuzma
Sunday	12/20	12:00 pm	Midge Martz	Vera Slamka

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