



Parish Schedule & Mass Intentions

SATURDAY	December 22	Advent Weekday
Mass	5:00pm	Joseph and Magdalene Karee
Confession	6:00-6:30	Sacrament of Reconciliation
SUNDAY	December 23	Fourth Sunday of Advent
Confession	7:30-8:20	Sacrament of Reconciliation
Mass	8:30am	Lucietta Terzano (96th year)
Confession	9:30-10:45	Sacrament of Reconciliation
Mass	11:00am	People of the Parish
Confession	12:00-1:15	Sacrament of Reconciliation
Decorating	1:30pm	Christmas Church Decorating
December 24	Vigil of Nativity of the Lord	
Mass	4:00pm	John Lemmo
Mass	6:00pm	Garey A. Haseley
December 25	Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Day)	
Mass	12:00am Midnight	Margaret Bauza
Mass	8:30am	People of the Parish
Mass	11:00am	Special Intention
WEDNESDAY	December 26	St. Stephen, the 1st Martyr
Devotions	6:45pm	Avila's Prayers for Vocations
Mass	7:15pm	Joseph Jeromin
Meeting	8:00pm	AA Meeting (Church Hall)
THURSDAY	December 27	St. John, Apostle, Evangelist
Mass	8:30am	Jennie Polito
FRIDAY	December 28	The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
Mass	8:30am	Elizabeth Whitten
SATURDAY	December 29	Christmas Octave
	St. Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr	
Penance	4:00pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation
Mass	5:00pm	Victoria Keefer
SUNDAY	December 30	Feast of the Holy Family
Mass	8:30am	Anna-Mae Weniger
Mass	11:00am	People of the Parish

We pray that the days of Christmas will be days of renewed Faith and Hope as we mediate on the love God has for humanity in every circumstance, time and place. May the gift of peace truly be in every person's heart.

Scriptures for Week of December 23, 2012

Sunday	Mi 5:1-4a	Heb 10:5-10	Lk 1:39-45
Monday	2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a	Lk 1:67-79	
	<i>Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord</i>		
	Is 62:1-5	Acts 13:16-17, 22-25	Mt 1:1-25
Tuesday	<i>The Nativity of the Lord</i>		
	Midnight	Is 9:1-6	Ti 2:11-14
	Dawn	Is 62:11-12	Ti 3:4-7
	Day	Is 52:7-10	Heb 1:1-6
Wednesday	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59	Mt 10:17-22	
Thursday	1 Jn 1:1-4	Jn 20:2-8	
Friday	1 Jn 1:5-2:2	Mt 2:13-18	
Saturday	1 Jn 2:3-11	Lk 2:22-35	
Sunday	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14	Col 3:12-21	Lk 2:41-52
	or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28	1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24	Lk 2:41-52



Read and pray the Scriptures daily!



From the Pastor's Desk

We as the Church are once again about to commemorate our Lord Jesus Christ coming in history. On this Fourth Sunday in Advent we hear in the Gospel of Luke, "Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled" (Luke 1:45). These words are spoken to Mary as she visits her cousin Elizabeth. She



comes out of compassion to assist her cousin in her need. Elizabeth's child leaps for joy at the coming of the Savior. May we, like Mary, believe that the word of the Lord can be fulfilled in us. Like Mary, we can bring joy to our time by welcoming Christ in our life and carrying Him into the world.

*Pour forth, we beseech You, O Lord,
Your grace into our hearts,
That we, to Whom the Incarnation of Christ Your Son
Was made known by the message of an Angel,
May by His Passion and Cross
Be brought to the glory of His Resurrection.
Who lives and reigns with You in the unity
Of the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever.
Amen.*

*Collect of the 4th Sunday of Advent
The Roman Missal, 3rd Edition*

In Your Charity

Please remember in your prayers **Susan R. Bradbeer**, mother of parishioner Marysue Hohman (George) and grandmother of Travis and Collin Hohman, and also pray for **Janet Urbanski**, wife of Deacon Clem Urbanski (deceased). May Susan, Janet, and all our beloved dead live forever in the joy of the Resurrection, and may their families and friends be consoled. Amen.

In your prayers...

Emma Aguilar, George Arnold, Celia Bican, Dolores Bryan, Heidi Burmeister, Johannah Conner, Tom Gardner, Chris Gibbs, James Ging, Marilyn Griffith, John Guerriero Tayha Hostetler, Bob and Kathy James, Maureen Joyce, Mike LaMarre, Carol Leach, Marca Kaplar, Marcene, Margaret, Megan, Mark Munnings, Ashley Munoz, George Novak, Rita Lucy, Dorothy Rogus, Andrew Sanford, Theresa "Tess" Slenn, Bruce Styles, Marla Sliwinski, Hank Symanski, Phyllis Todd, Laura Tories, Sylvia Trecaso, Margaret Wills...



O Holy Mary,
pray with us for them!





December 23, 2012
4th Sunday of Advent

“Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled.”

Luke 1:45



General Intercession

That each family may believe in and feel God’s presence in their daily lives and know that this is what makes them a holy family. Let us pray to the Lord.

Family Perspectives

Jesus was born into a family. Because of His birth, not only was the world changed--the role of family life was also profoundly changed. Every family is called to recognize, value, and nurture the presence of God in their midst.

Solemnity of St. John the Evangelist

On Thursday, December 27, the Solemnity of St. John the Evangelist, our Diocesan Patron Saint, will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist at the 7:15am, 12:00pm, and 5:10pm Masses and Solemn Vespers will be sung at 7:00pm amidst the splendor of Christmas at St. John’s Cathedral. Bishop Richard Lennon will be the presider and preacher. All are welcome to the Solemn Vespers, especially the young and those preparing for Christian Initiation and Reception into Full Communion. Following Vespers there will be brief tours of the Cathedral Church.

EWTN and Christmas

There will be music specials with singers like Country Superstar **Colin Raye** and Grammy Winner **Jose Feliciano**, a musical journey to the Holy Land with popular Catholic singer **Marilla Ness**, live choral meditations on the Nativity from the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and much more! There will also be animated children's specials, movies, cooking shows and, of course, spectacular live Masses from Rome, Washington, D.C., and Irondale, Alabama. **Don't miss Advent and Christmas on EWTN! Find EWTN in your area at www.ewtn.com/channelfinder.**



Sunday, December 23: Luke 1: 39-45

Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved. (Ps 80)

- Who in your life has provided blessed assurance that Christ abides in you?
- How has the Spirit of Christ worked through you to heal, comfort and support?
- Believing every child is a precious gift, how can you better at least one child’s life?
- What will you do today to ensure that you and your loved ones are able to fix your eyes to see Christ present tomorrow?

It is the love of Christ that fills our hearts and impels us to evangelize. Today, as in the past, He sends us through the highways of the world to proclaim His Gospel to all the peoples of the earth. (PF 15)

Incarnation---Why did God become man in Jesus?

In Jesus Christ, God reconciled the world to himself and redeemed mankind from the imprisonment of sin, “God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son” (Jn 3:16). In Jesus, God took on the mortal human flesh (Incarnation), shared our sufferings and death and become one like us in all things but sin. “God is so great that he can become small. God is so powerful that he can make himself vulnerable and come to us as a defenseless child, so that we can love him,” Pope Benedict XVI--Christmas Eve, 2005.

- From the Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church

YEAR OF FAITH RESOURCES

Be sure to visit the diocesan Year of Faith web page at www.dioceseofcleveland.org/yearoffaith and utilize the helpful family resources.

December 16, 2012

<i>Sunday Offering</i>	<i>2,640.00</i>
<i>Christmas 2012 (additional)</i>	<i>50.00</i>
<i>Poinsettia Fund (additional)</i>	<i>160.00</i>

May the Lord reward your generosity!

