



Parish Schedule & Mass Intentions

SATURDAY	December 8	<i>The Immaculate Conception</i> <i>Vigil Mass Second Sunday of Advent</i>
Mass	5:00pm	Joseph Ducett
SUNDAY	December 9	<i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>
Mass	8:30am	Dice Moledor <i>(2nd Anniversary 12/11/10)</i>
PSR	9:45am	PSR Pageant Rehearsal (Church)
Mass	11:00am	People of the Parish
MONDAY	December 10	<i>Advent Weekday</i>
Mass	8:30am	Joseph and Anna Harvat
TUESDAY	December 11	<i>Advent Weekday;</i> <i>St. Damasus I, Pope</i>
Mass	8:30am	Harvat and Pribonic Families
WEDNESDAY	December 12	<i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i>
Mass	7:30pm	Dante and Lucietta
Meeting	8:00pm	AA Meeting (Church Hall)
THURSDAY	December 13	<i>St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr</i>
Mass	8:30am	Lucietta Terzano
FRIDAY	December 14	<i>St. John of the Cross, Priest</i> <i>and Doctor of the Church</i>
Mass	8:30am	Special Intention
SATURDAY	December 15	<i>Advent Weekday</i>
Penance	11:30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation
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Mass	5:00pm	Justine Krane
SUNDAY	December 16	<i>Third Sunday of Advent</i>
Mass	8:30am	People of the Parish
PSR	10:00am	PSR Christmas Pageant
Mass	11:00am	Michael Kirchurchak

In Your Charity

Please remember, Anne Marie Crecho, mother of M.J. Crecho, parishioner James M. Karpinski (husband of Norein, father of Kaitlan, Casimir and Samuel) and The Reverend James C. Fahey C.S.C. May Anne Marie, James, Father Fahey and all our beloved dead live forever in the joy of the Resurrection and may their families and friends be consoled. Amen.

Scriptures for Week of December 9, 2012

Sunday	<i>Second Sunday of Advent</i> Bar 5:1-9 Phil 1:4-6, 8-11 Lk 3:1-6
Monday	Is 35:1-10 Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday	Is 40:1-11 Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday	Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
Thursday	Is 41:13-20 Mt 11:11-15
Friday	Is 48:17-19 Mt 11:16-19
Saturday	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 Mt 17:10-13
Sunday	Zep 3:14-18a Phil 4:4-7 Lk 3:10-18



Read and pray the Scriptures daily!



From the Pastor's Desk

What hinders or what needs repairing to make straight the way of the Lord on the road of life we are now traveling? Marantha, Come Lord Jesus, Come!

*Almighty and merciful God,
May no earthly undertaking hinder those
Who set out in haste to meet Your Son,
But may our learning of heavenly wisdom
Gain us admittance to His company.
Who lives and reigns with You in the unity
Of the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever.*

Amen.

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

Academic Honors

Congratulations to Ruth Rachel Przybojewski who was inducted into the Alpha Sigma Nu Jesuit National Honor Society at John Carroll University. Alpha Sigma Nu is a Society that recognizes those students who distinguish themselves in scholarship, loyalty, and service. Students must be in the top 15 percent of their classes. Ruth Rachel is a graduate student in nonprofit administration.

General Intercession

For the widowed, that they may be comforted by the support of friends and family and find solace in the promise of eternal life. Let us pray to the Lord.

Family Perspectives

Sometimes it is difficult to imagine God's presence in the normal confusion of home life. The message in today's gospel is "God came to John in the wilderness." Even in our busy and hectic home life we are called to "prepare the way of the Lord." Your family life can be a "voice crying out in the wilderness," an example to other families of God's presence in a broken world.

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 9, 2012
2nd Sunday of Advent

“Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths.”

Luke 3:4



2012 Poinsettia Memorial

Donating for a poinsettia in honor of or in remembrance of someone special to you? Your request needs to be received by the weekend of December 15-16. Please fill out the form that is in the Church vestibule and place it in the collection basket with your donation (if using a check, in memo note “MOS Poinsettia Fund”).

Akron Ozanam Center

Jesus said, “Feed my lambs.” The Ozanam Center in Akron does that and more but we need your help. Mother of Sorrows agreed to be responsible for sending volunteers to the Center approximately every 6 weeks. We have been doing that for 5 years but now we find ourselves in need of some more volunteers. Please help for a few hours on Saturday, December 15, we think you would enjoy it and come back again. Please pray about this and if you are able, call Cathie or Jim Perusek at 330-467-5762.

Prayer Group

St. Padre Pio’s Prayer Group (Spiritual Director: Abbot C. Schwartz, O.S.B.) will meet at Assumption Church (9183 Broadview Rd., Broadview Hts., OH 44147) Sunday, Dec. 9, at 3pm for Mass, Mercy Chaplet, Rosary, veneration of St. Pio’s relic, and a potluck afterward.



Thank you for donating a gift for this year’s Giving Tree collection. Your gift will surely help brighten someone’s Christmas. Christmas blessings to you!

Retirement Fund for Religious

Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priest worked for many years for little, if any, pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate savings for retirement. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to provide prescription medications, nursing care, and more for thousands of elderly religious. Thank you in advance for your kind prayers and support of today’s collection!

Year of Faith

Sunday 9 December: Luke 3:1-6

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy. (Ps 126)

- This Advent, how can you create desert space or Sabbath rest to hear God’s Word?
- Can you anticipate opportunities for reconciliation with others that bring the same joy experienced in the Sacrament of Reconciliation?
- Like John, how can you be a herald of Good News as you prepare for the holidays?
- How can you proclaim Christ’s presence amid your gatherings and celebrations?

The Church as a whole and all her Pastors, like Christ, must set out to lead people out of the desert, towards the place of life, towards friendship with the Son of God, towards the One who gives us life in abundance. (PF 2)

What does the ‘Immaculate Conception of Mary’ mean?

The Church believes that “the Most Blessed Virgin Mary” was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God and the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of the World; preserved immune from all stain of original sin. The belief has existed since the beginning of the Church. It is misunderstood today. Nothing is said about the conception of Jesus in Mary’s womb. It says God preserved Mary from original sin from the very beginning.

(From the Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church)

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.

December 2, 2012

Sunday Offering	2,178.35
Church Maintenance	100.00
The Immaculate Conception (additional)	25.00
Retirement Fund for Religious (additional)	100.00
Christmas 2012 (additional)	105.00
Poinsettia Fund	190.00
Oswiecinski Memorial Offering	25.00

May the Lord reward your generosity!