



## Parish Schedule and Mass Intentions

<b>December 16 Saturday</b> Advent Weekday 4:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass ( <i>People of the Parish</i> )
<b>December 17 Third Sunday of Advent, Gaudate Sunday</b> 8:30am Mass ( <i>Terri Jourdan</i> ) 9:45am PSR Christmas Pageant (Church) 11:00am Mass ( <i>Joseph S. Trecaso, d. 12/17/1987</i> )
<b>December 18 Monday</b> Advent Weekday 8:30am Mass ( <i>Trulia Blackburn</i> )
<b>December 19 Tuesday</b> Advent Weekday 8:30am Mass ( <i>John A. Lahoski d. 12/19/2005</i> ) 7:00pm Communal Penance Service
<b>December 20 Wednesday</b> Advent Weekday 8:00pm AA Meeting (Church Hall)
<b>December 21 Thurs</b> St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church 8:30am Mass ( <i>Tom Cerjack, d. 12/12/2017</i> )
<b>December 22 Friday</b> Advent Weekday, St. John of Kanty, Priest 8:30am Mass ( <i>John Stricker, SJHS, 1966</i> )
<b>December 23 Saturday</b> Advent Weekday 4:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass ( <i>Lucietta Terzano, b. 12/23/1916</i> )
<b>December 24 Fourth Sunday of Advent</b> 8:30am Mass ( <i>People of the Parish</i> ) 11:00am Mass ( <i>Jerome "Jerry" Michael Salek, d. 12/1/2017</i> )

### In Your Charity

Please pray for Mrs. Irene M. Debrason, wife of Deacon Jim Debrason (deceased), Tom Cerjack, classmate of Fr. John, Sister Laura Bouhall, OSU, and Mrs. Alice Jane Olszewski, mother Reverend Gregory Olszewsk. May they now live forever in the joy of the Resurrection. Amen

### Poinsettia Requests

Remember to return the form requesting Poinsettias in honor of or in memory of someone by next weekend. Thank you!

### Penance Services in Advent

On Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Communal Penance Service here at Mother of Sorrows Parish, Peninsula at 7:00pm.

### Scriptures for Week of December 17, 2017

Sunday	Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/ (Ps) Lk 1:46-50, 53-54/ 1Thes 5:16-24/ Jn1:6-8, 19-28
Monday	Jer 23:5-8/ Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/ Mt 1:18-25
Tuesday	Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/ Ps 71:3-6, 16-17/ Lk 1:5-25
Wednesday	Is 7:10-14/ Ps 24:1-6/ Lk1:26-38
Thursday	Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/ Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/ Lk 1:39-45
Friday	1 Sm 1:24-28/ Ps 1 Sm 2:1, 4-7, 8abcd/ Lk 1:46-56
Saturday	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/ Ps 25:4bc-5ab, 8-10, 14/ Lk 1:57-66
Sunday	2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a 16/ Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29/ Rom 16:25-27/ Lk 1:26-38



*Read and pray scriptures daily.*



## From the Pastor's Desk

On this Third Sunday of Advent, Gaudate (Rejoice) Sunday, we are to prepare to welcome God with joy. Does our life reflect the faith in Christ the Light? Do we radiate the light of Christ by the way we live? Is it apparent to those around us that our hearts are filled with joy as we are preparing to celebrate Christmas, the feast of the Lord's Nativity. May joy and Christ's peace illumine every person and family. We pray...

*O God, who see how your people  
faithfully await the feast of the Lord's Nativity,  
enable us, we pray, to attain the joys of so  
great a salvation and to celebrate them always  
with solemn worship and glad rejoicing.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.  
Amen.*

*Collect, Third, Sunday of Advent, Roman Missal, 3rd Edition*

### Masses During Christmas Season

The Nativity of the Lord, Christmas Eve, Sunday at 4:00pm, 6:00pm, 10:00pm; Christmas Day, Monday at 8:30am and 11:00am; Feast of the Holy Family, Saturday, December 30<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm, and on Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup> at 8:30am, 11:00am; The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, Monday, New Year's Day, January 1, 2018 at 8:30am and 11am; Feast of the Epiphany, Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup> at 5pm, and on Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am and 11am; Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am.

### Please Pray for...



*Ann, Richard Bennett, Terry Balinski, Celia Bican, Dennis Babb, Logan Boone, Susan Bormet, Johanna Conner, Allan Cook, Frank, Millie Fritz, Tom Gardner, Chris and Laura Gibbs, James Ging, Richard J. Grabowski, Marilyn Griffith, Angie Grimes, Jennifer Grimes, Crystal Hatzimanolis, Tayha Hostetler, Jill, Kathleen Jones, Maureen Joyce, Marca Kaplar, Helen Kracker, Carol Leach, Ramona Lucas, Paul Marcene, John McDermott, Megan, Annalisa Menke, Audrey Menke, Menke Family, Bill Misencik, Tom Morgan, Ashley Munoz, Natalie, Nate, Carroll O'Donnell, Richard Edward and Richard William Parker, Bridget Perez, Michael Phillips, Jacqueline Polcen, Rita, Bruno Ruppel, Father Paul Sciarrotta, Steve Sheets, Stefanie, Stephen Sommer, Shirley Southard, Amy Stephen, Paul Stephen, Bruce Styles, Marla Sliwinski, Patty Tesmer, Laura Tories, Marianne, Stephen, Mallory Trecaso, Paul Trecaso, Patricia Wiatrowski, and all those who are in need of prayerful support. Amen. (To add or delete a name, call 330-657-2631 or email us at [mospnoh@windstream.net](mailto:mospnoh@windstream.net))*

December 17, 2017  
Third Sunday in Advent



*"Who are you...  
What do you have to say for yourself?"*  
— John 1:22

### **General Intercession**

*Since we are all created in the image of God; may we mirror God's commitment of love and caring for all people. Let us pray to the Lord.*

### **Family Perspective**

John the Baptist was a man of faith "sent by God to testify to the Light so that all might believe." Men: when others see you as a brother, son, husband, uncle, step-father, or grandfather, what do they learn from you about caring, responsibility, commitment, nurturing and love? Are you a witness to the Light?

### **On AM 1260 for Christmas**

Merry Christmas from your friends at AM 1260 The Rock! Make your Christmas more meaningful by joining AM 1260 The Rock for a variety of special programming on *Christmas Eve and Christmas Day* from EWTN celebrating this joyous season! For the complete schedule visit, [www.am1260therock.com](http://www.am1260therock.com).

### **Advent Prayer**

*Father, in the wilderness of the Jordan you sent a messenger to prepare people's hearts for the coming of your Son. Help me to hear his words and repent of my sins, so that I may clearly see the way to walk, the truth to speak, and the life to live for Him, our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*Amen.*

### **Journey to Bethlehem**

How will your trip to Bethlehem be made these last days of Advent? What gift are you bringing to honor the Prince of Peace?

### **MOS Giving Tree 2017**

Blessings to the many who shared time and treasure in this year's Giving Tree outreach. Because of your kindness and generosity, you have warmed the hearts of so many this Christmas time.

### **News From Ozanam Center**

*Hi Everyone,  
The monthly statistics for the Fr. Hilbert Ozanam Center for the month of November, 2017 follow:*

1. Food Pantry  
Total number of people served was 798.  
Total number of households served was 276.  
Total number of children served was 274.  
Total number of seniors served was 94.
2. Clothing Bank  
Total number of families served was 160.  
Articles of clothing given away: 1684  
Winter coats given away: 90

*Although we were only open three Saturdays because of Thanksgiving, the average number of families we had each week for food was higher than normal. Also, during the month of November we started to give away new blankets to each of our clients. These were bought with the money raised from the Blanket Sunday collection in October. As always, thank you for the important work that you do.*

*Jim and Cathie Perusek*

### **Religious Give Thanks**

A religious sister writes, "When we see the generous response of so many thousands of persons in order to help us, religious men and women, we are left speechless." Senior sisters, brothers, religious order priests across the country send heartfelt thanks and prayers for your donation to last week's Retirement Fund for Religious. Thank you for your generosity.

### **Weekend of December 10, 2017**

Sunday Offering	2,770.00
Monthly Offering	150.00
Maintenance	1,200.00
Giving Tree (additional)	20.00
Immaculate Conception	455.00
Retirement Fund	718.00
Special Donation	6,000.00
Christmas (additional)	5.00
Poinsettia Offerings	355.00

*Thank you for your generous support!*