



**Parish Schedule
and Mass Intentions**

December 22 Saturday, *Advent Weekday (3)*
4:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:00pm Mass (*People of the Parish*)

December 23 *Fourth Sunday in Advent*
8:30am Mass (*Kenny Levanduski*)
11:00am Mass (*Lucietta Terzano, b. 12/23/1916*)

December 24 Monday: *Advent Weekday (4)*
Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord
4:00pm Mass (*John Lemmo*)
6:00pm Mass (*Gary Haseley, Dorothy and Joseph Rogus*)

December 25 Tuesday: *The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)*
12:00am Mass (*Margaret M. Bauza*)
8:30am Mass (*People of the Parish*)
11:00am Mass (*Benitta M. Tirpak, d. 12/19/2018*)

December 26 Wednesday: *St Stephen, The First Martyr*
8:00pm AA Meeting (*Church Hall*)

December 27 Thursday: *Saint John, Apostle, Evangelist*
8:30am Mass (*Joseph John Seminatore*)

December 28 Friday: *The Holy Innocents, Martyrs*
8:30am Mass (*All Souls*)

December 29 Saturday: *THE FIFTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD; St. Thomas Becket, Bishop, Martyr*
4:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:00pm Mass (*Patrick McKinney*)

December 30 *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph*
8:30am Mass (*John "Jack" R. Hanlon, d. 11/17/2018*)
11:00am Mass (*People of the Parish*)

Christmas Masses

December 24, Christmas Masses: 4:00pm, 6:00pm
Midnight Mass at 12:00am
December 25, Christmas Masses: 8:30am, 11:00am

General Intercession

*For the gift of peace in families wracked by anger, fear or violence and for the humility and courage to call for help.
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.

Scripture Readings for the Sunday and Daily Masses for the Week of December 23, 2018 can be found in the bulletin in the "Take Five For Faith" insert.



**From the
Pastor's Desk**

On this Fourth Sunday in Advent as we look to celebrate Jesus, God come to be us in our humanity that we may share in His divinity... we pray ...

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, Fourth Sunday in Advent, Roman Missal, 3rd Edition

In Your Charity

Please pray for parishioner Benitta M. (Jim) Tirpak, parishioner and Joseph John Seminatore, father of The Reverend Joseph Seminatore. May Benitta, Mr. Seminatore, and all who have gone before us in faith live for ever in the joy of the Resurrection. May their families and friends be consoled. Amen.



This year as we gather for Midnight Mass, may the prayer in our heart be...
O God, who have made this most sacred night radiant with the splendor of the true light. grant, we pray, that we, who have known the mysteries of his light on earth, may also delight in his gladness in heaven. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

Amen.

Collect, Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) Mass During the Night Roman Missal, 3rd Edition

What Would You Ask Our Bishop?

What would you ask Bishop Perez if he was sitting at your kitchen table?

To be part of *Table Talk* with Bishop Nelson Perez, submit your questions to tabletalk@am1260therock.com by January 1st. The next episode of *Table Talk* on AM 1260 The Rock will air January 17th at 5pm and will be re-broadcast January 19th at 1pm and January 20th at noon. For audio archive of previous episodes, visit www.am1260therock.com.



Please pray for...

Ann, Richard Bennett, Terry Balinski, Celia Bican, Dennis Babb, Logan Boone, Susan Bormet, Johanna Conner, Allan Cook, Gary Crowe, Scott Ensign, Frank, Millie Fritz, Tom Gardner, Chris and Laura Gibbs, James Ging, Richard J. Grabowski, Marilyn Griffith, Angie Grimes, Jennifer Grimes, Jack Harley, Crystal Hatzimanolis, Eileen Herrman, Tayha Hostetler, Ralph Jerome, Jill, Kathleen Jones, Maureen Joyce, Marca Kaplar, Douglas Klubnik, Kenneth Klubnik, Helen Kracker, Carol Leach, Johnny Levanduski Ramona Lucas, Paul Marcene, John McDermott, Megan, Annalisa Menke, Audrey Menke, Menke Family, Bill Misencik, Connie Morehouse, Tom Morgan, Ashley Munoz, Natalie, Nate, Collin Nemet, Noa, Carroll O'Donnell, Richard Edward Parker, Bridget Perez, , Michael Phillips, Jacqueline Polcen, Rita, Helen Rhuling, Lynn Riley, Bruno Ruppel, 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, Darlene Zacoï and all need of prayerful support. Amen. (Requests or changes call 330-657-2631 or email us at mospenh@windstream.net)

Coming before the Manger 2018

What gift do you bring to place before the manger where sleeps the infant lowly?

There kneel shepherds and kings in homage before God come as a child to make us all His sisters and brothers. As you kneel to pray with them, what gift is in your heart that you bring to honor Christ our brother, the Prince of Peace?

Donation Summaries 2018

Requests for 2018 Donation Summaries may be placed in the collection basket with your name, address, phone number, email address and envelope number. Thank you!

Evening of praise and worship with Eucharist Adoration and Benediction

All are welcome to attend an evening of praise and worship with Eucharist Adoration and Benediction at St. Thomas More Church. Come and bring a friend on the fourth Friday of each month, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m (December 28th). The church is located at 4170 North Amber Dr., Brooklyn 44144.

Planned Giving

Year-End Giving and Future Planning

In this season of giving, consider making a year-end gift to our parish in gratitude for all the blessings you have received in life. Making a gift of appreciated stock may help you avoid capital gains tax and help our parish at the same time. If you are 70 ½ or older, you may be able to reduce your taxable income this year and help us in our ministry with a gift made directly from your IRA to our parish. Talk to your advisors and IRA administrator for more information and to be sure that a gift is made directly from an IRA to a qualified charity such as our parish. Lastly, should this year-end find you creating or updating your estate plan, please consider helping us grow our parish ministry for future generations by including our parish as a beneficiary of your will, trust, retirement plan or life insurance policy. Questions? Contact Stan in our parish office at (330-657-2631 or via email at mospenh@windstream.net. You are also welcome to contact Mary Lou Ozimek of the Catholic Community Foundation at 216-696-6525 x4070 or via email at mozimek@catholiccommunity.org.

Theology on Tap

Theology on Tap Akron is excited to announce that it will be at Panini's Bar & Grille in Stow, OH, on Wednesday, January 9th at 7pm! Theology on Tap welcomes all young adults to come listen to Sr. Agnes Therese Davis, T.O.R., Ministry Coordinator at Our Lady of Sorrows Monastery, talk on "The Privilege of Being Poor: St. Francis and the Freedom of Poverty." Admission is \$5 and includes appetizers. The bar will be open for those who would like to purchase beverages. Come experience faith, fellowship, and food with other young adults in their 20's and 30's at Theology on Tap Akron! Panini's Bar & Grille is located right off the Route 8 Steels Corner Rd Exit at 4200 Steels Pointe, Stow, OH, 44224.

2019 MOS Church Calendars are available in vestibule!

Weekend of December 16, 2018

Sunday	2,222.00
Retirement Fund for Religious (additional)	185.00
Monthly	600.00
Immaculate Conception	60.00
Poinsettias (additional)	315.00
Christmas (additional)	100.00
Special Donation	1,000.00

Thank you for your generous support!