Hope
Peace
Joy
Love

Our Lady of Victory
Catholic Church

December 15, 2019

"As Disciples of Jesus Christ, we are a giving, growing Catholic family. Through the intercession of Mary, we worship, we pray, we study, we serve and we witness in Faith."

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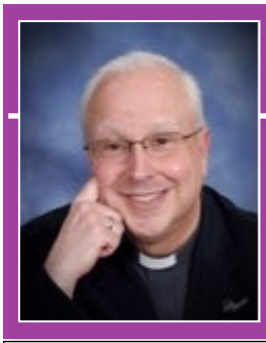


Around the Table

Rev. Denis B. Theroux, Pastor

Third Sunday of Advent

Dear Friends,

Today, the third Sunday of Advent is called '*Gaudete Sunday*' which means 'Joy' or Rejoice'. The opening antiphon for today's liturgy asks us to ***Rejoice is the Lord always; again, I say rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.*** Today, on our Advent Wreath we light our pink candle to mark this day of joy.

St. Paul's advice and encouragement from the first reading today gives this third Sunday of Advent its traditional name *Gaudete Sunday*. Joy is the central message of our readings and prayers this Sunday, and indeed the whole of Advent and the celebration of Jesus.

One of the most well-known Christmas carols is '**Joy to world**.' The words to this carol were written by Isaac Watts in 1719. At Christmas it will be sung all over the world. The music for it comes from Handel's 'Messiah.'

The first words that Mary hears when she is told that she is going to be the mother of Jesus are, 'Rejoice, so highly favored.' Mary is to be filled with joy because God has called her by her name and her son will be the long-awaited Messiah. When she goes to see Elizabeth her cousin, she breaks into song, singing out loudly, 'My souls proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my savior'. Mary does not keep her good news or her joy to herself, she freely shares them with Elizabeth and the whole world. When the angels appeared to the shepherds, they heard this life-giving message, 'Do not be afraid, I bring you news of great joy.' The good news of Jesus' birth is meant not only for the shepherds, it continues to be good news for each of us today.

Up until recently we prayed these words after the Our Father, 'as we wait in joyful for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Although no longer used, this is still the central message of Advent. We are called to wait for the birth of Jesus, and we are to wait in hope joyfully. As we wait, we are not to be afraid, anxious or worried; we are to wait in joyful hope. Why? Because, as the opening antiphon tells us, *'The Lord is very near.'*

Like Mary who shared her joy with Elizabeth, today each of us is asked to be a person of joy and we are asked to share that joy with others. There are many people, some of whom we may even know, who have little reason to be joyful at this time of the year. As Mary did with Elizabeth, may we follow her example and share our joy with all those we meet during these last few days and weeks of Advent. May we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Waiting patiently, **Father Denis**

OLV School Christmas Program

Thursday, December 19, 2:00 p.m.
School Gymnasium

The School Choir and Middle School Band will perform Christmas Favorites to get you into the **HOLIDAY SPIRIT!**

All are welcome. Doors open at 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, December 15
After all Masses in the Fr. Ernie Center

Enjoy pancakes, sausage, coffee and juice.

Please Help Us Decorate OLV for Christmas!

Bring the whole family! No decorating skills needed! There is a job for everyone, at any age! We really need your help!

Decorating Schedule: Dates and Times

- Saturday, December 14, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
- **Saturday, December 21, 11:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.:** Parish interior

Questions? Contact the Parish Office.

Help Wanted:

The Poinsettias that decorate the church from Christmas through mid-January are so beautiful. To keep them vibrant throughout the season, we would greatly appreciate some volunteers to help check on them and water them on a regular basis. There is a **signup sheet** in the working sacristy with the dates we could use some help. Please sign up there. Thank you!

Oplatki Christmas Tradition

The tradition of the **Oplatki** originated in Poland during Early Christian times. This Christmas Custom began with a simple white wafer, baked from flour and water. The wafers are wonderfully designed to display Christmas images, such as the Nativity. Families enjoy the **Oplatki**, typically right before the Christmas Eve meal. The entire family will gather around the table with the **Oplatek**. Generally, the eldest member of the family will begin the ritual by breaking off a piece of the wafer and passing it to another family member with a blessing. This blessing can simply consist of what you desire for your loved one in the upcoming year—whether it be good health, success, or happiness. The purpose of this act is primarily to express ones unconditional love and forgiveness for each member of his or her family.

The significance of the **Oplatki** Christmas wafer is that it shadows the Eucharistic meal that Catholics participate in at each Mass. Just as we share in the Eucharist as one family in Christ and receive Christ's love through the Eucharist, the **Oplatki** allows for one's immediate family to come together and share the love they have for one another.

The **Oplatki** tradition is one that is easy and fun to introduce to the family at Christmas time. All it requires is a simple wafer paired with love and affection, and the willingness to share it. This is a heartwarming tradition that will complete your family's time together during the Christmas season.

We have a number of packages of the Oplatki available in the Gathering Space. They are available first come, first served. Any donation you wish to offer will help to defray the cost.

Christmas Flowers

Christmas flowers for Our Lady of Victory Church are supplied through generous donations given by parishioners in memory of deceased loved ones or in honor of the living.

If you wish to make such a memorial and do not have an envelope or are now donating through the online giving program and want to be sure your memorial is published, please complete and return this form:

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

Requested by: _____

Publish my name in the Bulletin: **YES** **NO**

Please make checks payable to: ***Our Lady of Victory Church***

Drop in Collection Basket by Christmas

Faith in Action is LOVE—Love in Action is SERVICE

Saint Teresa of Calcutta

HIS HANDS HIS FEET

Civic Concern Collection

NEEDED THE MOST:
Canned Tuna, Canned Fruit, Boxed Spaghetti Noodles, 32 oz Laundry Detergent and Regular Size Liquid Dish Soap

IDEAS: Cereal or breakfast foods, including pancake mix and syrup, juice, snack bars, cans/containers of fruit or Vegetables, Cans of Meat: Tuna, Salmon, Chicken, or Spam, Cans of Soup, Stew or Ravioli. Macaroni and Cheese, Knorr packages of Rice or Noodle dishes. Toothbrushes, Ziploc bags, Kleenex, Paper Products, Laundry and Dish Soap. ALL other items are welcome, too!

Dominic's Outreach Center Christmas Party

Volunteers Needed

Saturday, December 21, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Teamster Local 337, Detroit
Off of Trumbull and Perry Streets

Volunteers need to be there to setup at 9:00 a.m. Volunteers are welcome to stay for part or all of the party. Anyone wishing to help out and/or interested in carpooling, please email Nancy Tolkacz at nancytolkacz@att.net. Carpool leaves OLV at 8:30 a.m., returning around 3:00 p.m. Your support as always is very much appreciated!

Sherron is also looking for volunteers the week before the party to help her sort and package presents for the families. Please call Dominic's Outreach Center directly at (313) 831-6070 and ask to speak to Sherron in order to set up a volunteer time at the center. Your time and talent is a wonderful gift to the center.

A HUGE Heartfelt Thank you to all our OLV Parishioners for your overwhelming generosity with Advent Tree gifts and gift cards.

We were able to donate **15 car loads of gifts** and Monetarily collected over **$6,100** so far. Here is the break down…St. Dominic's: many gifts, Covenant House: many gifts and $860 in gift cards, First Step: many donations and $305 in gift cards, Civic Concern: received $1,290 in gas and food gift cards, and Operation Layette: received many gifts and $175 in cash. Our envelope collections resulted in OLV Special needs: $925, Deo Gratias Ministries: $545, Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament: $565, Living and Learning: $570 and our general gifts cards to help other organizations collected $1,170. Amazing!

I would also like to send a HUGE Heartfelt Thank you to my very special **Angel drivers**. Thank you for delivering all of our Christmas gifts. It is truly appreciated!

OLV Stitching BusyBodies

The Stitching Busybodies meet the **First and Third Thursdays** of the month from **9:15 a.m.-noon,** in the St. Anne Room (lower level of the church). If you can sew, crochet or knit a rectangle, we have projects that could use your help. Please come and check us out!

- **UPDATE:** We recently provided several items to local fundraising auctions, including baby items, American Girl Doll Clothes, afghans, travel totes, etc. We have also made several busy mats for Alzheimer patients, and holiday placemats for Seniors. Numerous warming wear items and toiletry kits have been created and collected from your fine handiwork and will be sent to those in the foster care system in Detroit.
- **New project/kits are available** to support the March of Dimes. They are trying to call attention to the high infant mortality rate in the U.S. As part of this project, we would like to contribute 100 pairs of **WHITE** baby booties. They can be felted, knit, sewn or crocheted. We will need them back by February 28. There is a bin of white yarn in our pick up/drop off crate. There are some patterns in the bin as well, but you can use any pattern you like. **Pure White yarn only please.** No variegated, no off-white, no beige or colored yarn for this project. Our pick up/drop off wooden crate is located near the stairwell to the Fr. Ernie Center in the corner.
- **Our Wish List:** Extra Wide Bias Tape (any color) Ziploc Quart , 1 or 2 Gallon bags. Thank you for your generosity and support!

Please consider these wonderful opportunities

Look for Advent donation envelopes in the Gathering space this weekend.

Thanks for your consideration.

'TIS THE Season OF Giving

Living and Learning of Northville: Operation Independence

We have been truly blessed with the opportunity to expand Living and Learning by purchasing the Massey Estate. It will serve as the new campus where we can serve more clients and expand our curriculum with new experiences. We only have until December 30 to raise the additional money to finalize the purchase. Our plans for the new campus include: lavender fields and alpacas grazing, to doggy day-care, hands on workshops and a bee farm. It will also inject the Northville community with new programs and opportunities to grow. This means more jobs for people with disabilities. Working with the apartments nearby, our hope is to create a program for our clients to learn to live independently. No matter if you give a dollar or more, we hope you will be cheering us along on our journey to expand our inspirational community. To donate:

- Go to: *www.mightycause.com/event/operation-independencedonation*
- Online donations at: vimeo.com/370213637
- Donation **envelopes** (please make checks payable to: ***Living and Learning Enrichment Center***) are in the Gathering space.

OLV Special Needs Ministry

Monetary donations to start up a Special Needs Catechism program and Vacation Bible School. This will enable us to help persons with disabilities get to know, love and serve our Lord.

Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament

Monetary donations to assist the nuns who devote their lives to adoration and praise of God, and intercession and supplication for the needs of the whole world.

Deo Gratias Ministries of Detroit

Monetary donations to help them start a cafe and garden. Currently they have a food pantry. They provide a safe place for disadvantaged people to get support with dignity.

Deo Gratias MINISTRIES DETROIT

Did you know, OLV has an Outreach Mission??

Haiti Outreach Mission

Haiti Outreach Mission: HOM was founded in 1998 to help alleviate suffering in Haiti. HOM provides financial support to the children of St. Pierre and St. Louis Schools in Mirebalais and Our Lady of Grace School in Desvarrieux. A hot lunch is provided, which may be the students only meal that day. In 2005, they opened the St. Pierre Medical/Dental clinic. HOM provides fluoride treatments and anti-parasite medicine to over 1500 children each year, has installed a water filtration system and helps with construction projects. They try to send a mission team with supplies every year, when possible to help. It is made up of doctors, dentists, nurses, and lay people from the member churches, as well as coctors and medical students from Port-au-Prince. They rely church fundraisers/donations to help support these services in Haiti and could not do this without our help. Thank you!

For more information or to make a donation, please visit: *www.haitioutreachmission.org*.

KNIGHTLY NEWS

Family Rosary Sunday
December 29, 10:30 a.m.

One of the books of the old Baltimore Catechism has a picture of a family with the word Good underneath it, a picture of a nun with the word Better underneath it, and finally a picture of a priest with the word Best underneath. This can lead the reader to conclude that the family is a third-rate vocation. Nothing could be further from the truth. On December 29, we will celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. Why do we celebrate the Holy Family? Because without the Holy Family there is no Jesus. Pope St. John Paul II stated very clearly that everything runs through the family. Whenever we, in the Catholic Church refer to the Domestic Church we mean the family. This is where the first and often the most important life lessons are learned. The Knights of Columbus focus on the Domestic Church is not a one-time initiative. It is a never-ending mission to reclaim the importance of the family. Join us on Sunday, December 29 to pray the Rosary for all families throughout the world.

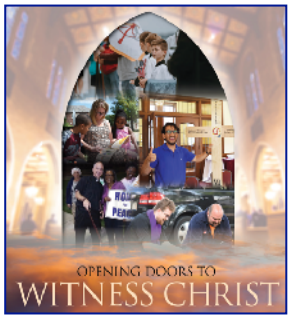
Begin your quest to pray the rosary more often by joining the Knights on **Sunday, December 29, following the 9:30 a.m. Mass.**

MUSIC News

This is Gaudete Sunday, which means we are half way to Christmas. The theme is REJOICE because Jesus is closer to coming. We light the rose/pink candle on the Advent wreath this week and we see that the light is growing brighter as we near Christmas and the coming of the Light of the World.

So we sing "Lead Us to Your Light" the text and music written by Carol Browning in 2001. Browning is a liturgist and pastoral musician ministering to Roman Catholic parishes as well as Lutheran, Presbyterian and Episcopal churches. Even though she composes and collaborates with the Collegeville Composers Group, which includes notable liturgical composers as Cyprian Consiglio and Paul Inwood, Browning herself is a member of the Religious Society of Friends aka Quakers. We can see in this song that Carol is truly inspired by the Holy Spirit to craft an inspirational Advent song that describes the waiting period of Advent.

Kathy Sanderson, Music Director



2019 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Thank you to those who have sent in your pledge card —we are less than $11,000 away from our goal! Please prayerfully consider the most generous gift possible. You may bring your completed pledge card to Mass or drop it by the Parish Office, or pledge your gift online, using your debit or credit card. Please make checks payable to CSA. More details can be found at *www.olvnorthville.org*. Thank you for your support!

2019 CSA Parish Goal:	**$ 213,083**
Amount Pledged:	**$ 203,050**
Amount Paid:	**$ 189,525**
Total # of Pledges:	**461**

CSA
CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

CTND

Each December, the Catholic Television Network of Detroit (CTND) features programming focused on the true meaning of Christmas, helping families throughout the Archdiocese of Detroit prepare for the birth of our savior, Jesus Christ.

Gifts to the CSA has allowed CTND to broadcast faith-filled programming since 1985 that informs, educates, inspires, and entertains 900,000 homes in southeast Michigan. Since 2011, CTND has been an affiliate of Boston-based CatholicTV Network.

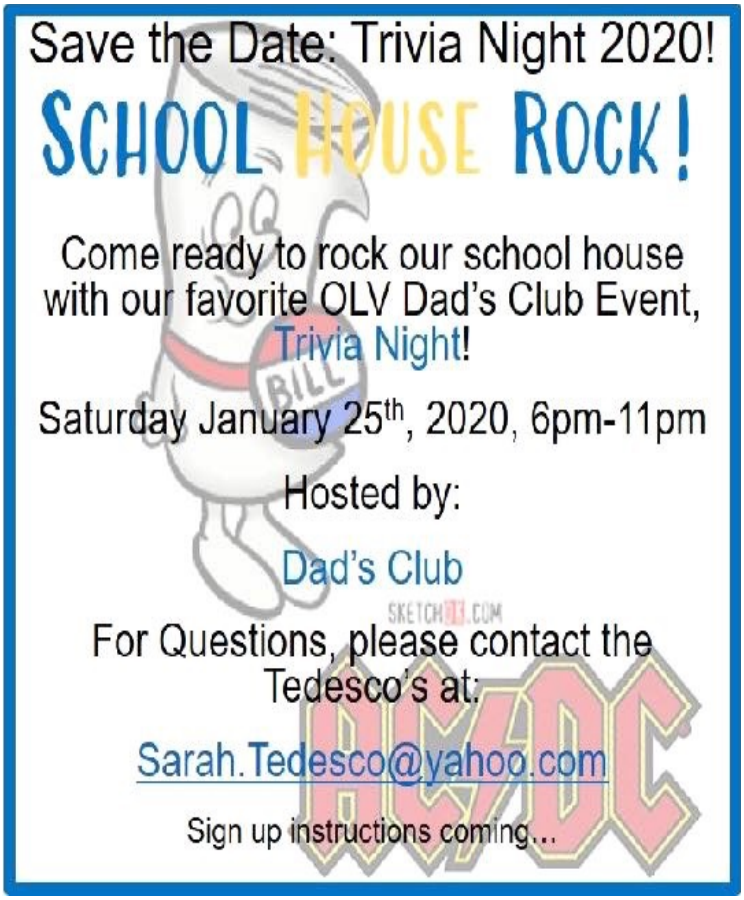
CTND's program schedule can be found on the Archdiocese of Detroit website.

For information about CSA-funded ministries, programs, and services, please go to aod.org.

OLV SCHOOL NEWS

Holiday Greetings from Mr. Spellman down in the middle school wing where all the Grammar and Writing magic occurs. At the moment, all three grades are at various stages of completion of writing their Catholic Social Teaching Persuasive essays. **Grade 6** has almost completed their Care For God's Planet essay with topics ranging from Endangered Animals to Renewable Energy to Climate Change. The **seventh grade** students just finished their Dignity of Workers and Rights of Workers in the Workplace essay with topics ranging from Sweatshops to Child Labor to Equality in the Workplace. The **eighth graders** are ready to complete their rough drafts after putting the final touches on their Human Dignity essay outlines. Their topics include Genocide, Bullying, and Mental Health. All of this writing is interspersed with grammar lessons, diagramming sentences, lots of laughs, and a few Jolly Ranchers here and there.

The year is quickly flying by, and we all are looking forward to a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and Happy New Year!



walking with purpose

THE MODERN WOMAN'S GUIDE TO THE BIBLE

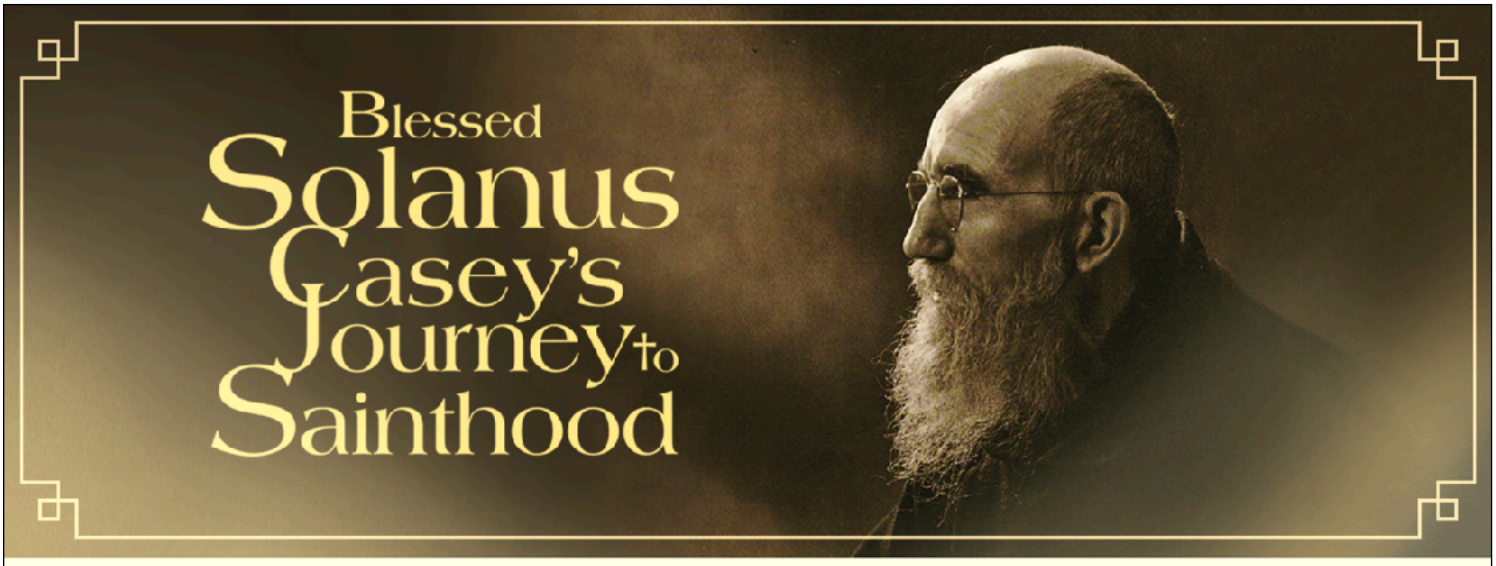
COFFEE CONNECT

Tuesday, December 17, 9 a.m.

Fr. Ernie Center

Please join us for a taste of Walking with Purpose: Opening Your Heart Series as we explore foundational steps that we need to take if we desire to live purposefully. Growing in these areas is a lifelong pursuit, but there's no better time to begin than now! No experience necessary, just come as you are for some coffee and a chance to see what Walking with Purpose is all about.

All Women Welcome!



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FOUNDATION

Executive Producers

Jack Krasula • John & Carole Kulhavi

WHAT:

Special premiere event of
Blessed Solanus Casey's Journey to Sainthood

WHEN:

Monday, December 16, 2019 at 7:00 pm

WHERE:

Emagine Theater Novi
44425 West 12 Mile Rd. Novi, MI 48377

DETAILS:

A Film by Keith Famie • Narrated by Chuck Gadica

TICKETS: $12

To order tickets, please go to:
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/blessed-solanus-caseys-journey-to-sainthood-tickets-82623345651

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OLV St. Vincent de Paul Society

Conference #437

In today's Gospel (Mathew 11:2-11), Jesus tells us that the good news can be seen, touched, felt and heard through the lives of God's people. We are charged to take up the ministry of Jesus, but we can't just ask people to take our word for it, our actions must speak for us.

Christmas is a time of love and gift giving with family and friends. Your most generous support of OLV's SVdP Ministry throughout this year, including last weekend's No Room at the Inn Nativity Exhibit (see the pictures below), allows OLV's Vincentians --as your advocate-- to speak volumes of God's love, mercy and forgiveness. We are all God's children….He calls us to care for each other by helping our Northville neighbors who are in need, bringing them the true lasting love and deep joy of Christmas. In the spirit of this most blessed Season of Advent we ardently thank you for your continuing support.

If you would be interested in joining OLV's St. Vincent de Paul Conference, please contact us by leaving your name and contact information on the OLV SVdP Hotline (248) 349-2622 or email to: *stvincent@olvnorthville.net*. One of our members will contact you and answer any of your questions. Or, you are welcome to join us at our first 2020 **SVdP meeting on Tuesday, January 14, at 7:00 p.m., in the St. John XXIII Room**.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Live Your Faith. Join the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Since 1833, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul has been servicing those in need.
Young Adult Conferences are now forming!

Grow spiritually.
Help those in need. Develop Christian friendships.

Thank you to all who helped make the ***No Room at the Inn*** an amazing event for OLV!

Breakfast with Santa
Sunday, December 15, after all Masses

Individual Confessions
Every Saturday, 3:00-4:30 p.m.
Monday, December 16: 6:00–6:45 p.m.
Wednesday, December 18: 5:00–6:00 p.m.
Sunday, December 22, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Christmas Eve Mass: Tuesday, December 24
4:00, 4:15 (Children's Mass in the gym)
6:00 and 10:30 p.m. (choir starts at 10:00 p.m.)

Christmas Day Mass: Wednesday, December 25
9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Christmas Decorating Schedule
Saturday, December 14, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Saturday, December 21, 11:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
(time change due to funeral)
Saturday, January 11, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

We're saving you a seat.

Join us for Christmas Mass.

OLV HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

This weekend, Sunday, December 15

Time to go out and share a bit of Christmas Cheer!!!

Last Year's Caroling Crew

We will meet in the Neumann Room at 6 p.m., then head out driving together.

A permission slip is needed as we will be going off site.
Available at the **Parish Office**, ***www.olvnorthville.org*** or on hand Sunday evening.

Stay Connected
Because You Matter!

Questions?
Contact Colleen at *cmisiak@olvnorthville.net* or Deacon Ric at *rmisiak@olvnorthville.net*

Those who need our prayers...

Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servants to health once more. Please remember to keep in prayer…

Russell Agosta
Diane Anderson
Ronald Barthold
Donna Bradshaw
Theresa Braniecki
Henry Brenneman
Charles Brenneman
Gina Buchan
Barbara Burbo
Donna Button
Flora DiPardo
Denise Donnelly
Barb Evans
Arlene Flores
Leonard Flosky
Mary Furlong
Jane Gacioch
Ellen Hymes
Nancy Kiernan
Marie King
Jennifer Kuphal
Ted Lachowicz
Toni Lachowicz
Mark Landini
Lawrence Larabell
Suzanne Larabell
Melissa LoCascio
Mildred Madigan
Paula Mahinske
Anna Maisano
Mick McHale
Connie McLean
George McLeod
Maggie McQuillan-Key
Claudia Melotti
Joseph Miller
Don Milroy
Sr. Mary Oates
Fr. Thomas Oates
Austin Outwater
Daniel Outwater
Patricia Outwater
Anthony Pilarz
Kathryn Piotrowski
Lisa Puettmann
Will Puettmann
Evelyn Renault
Jack Renault
Ryan Romanczuk
Helen Schneider
Gary Skarjune
Denis Swider
Ryan Tetrault
Colton Theisen
Lorraine Theroux
LaVern Trudeau
Kathy Unti
James Urish
Susan Weschler
Beatrice Wilcox
Marilyn Wirtz
Janice Wise
Peter Wolschleger
Jim Zonca

*Names are kept on the list for **four weeks**. If you wish to add or remove a name, please call the Parish Office at (248) 349-2621. Thank you!*

Pray For Those Who Serve in Our Military

Do you know someone who is serving in the military? Please call the Parish Office to add your loved one's name. Continue to pray for peace and for a lasting and peaceful solution to the world's conflicts.

MAJ Mikelle Adamczyk
USN Patrick Antio
SrA Olivia Azeez
USN Benjamin Baxter
MAJ Barton Blackorby
USMC Kristopher Bledsoe
PFC Brian Bokun
SSG Joshua Bullock
SGT Jamie Bushman
LT Benjamin Clay USN
LTJG Hannah Constantakis
LTJG Katelyn Constantakis
LT Michael Cullen
USMC Robert Dean
SPC Tyler DeBozy
MAJ David Faulk
LTJG Katherine Mary Gorski
SSGT Brian A. Hada
LCDR John J Hamann
Chief Matt Haydu
CPT Jay Heide
LTC Barbara Krause
LT Daniel Kuriluk
CPT Matthew Kuriluk
CPL Ben Maday
MAJ Shawn Magowan
SGT Shawn McHale
SGT Mark McGlynn
SGT Alexandra McGlynn
CPL James McGlynn
Chap. Tim Meier, SJ
SGT Steven Miller
SPC Lauren Moloney
CW2 Lincoln Moloney
CPT Rick Moreira, USMC
MAJ Brooke Heintz Morrissey
MAJ Michael T. Morrissey
DC3 SW Jeremy Nemeth
1LT Brett Quick
2LT Chad Quick
CPT Kelsey Quick
PFC Matthew Rabahy
A1C Elyse McCanna Salmon
MAJ Mark Saurer
SSG Amber Schmay, USAF
CPL Gabriel Smith, USMC
SFC William Smith
PFC Nathan Swiger
USMC Daniel Van Bonn
LTC Christopher Wagner
MAJ Phillip Wiktor, USMC
LTJG Adam Williams

SAY...HOW ABOUT A GIFT FOR YOURSELF?

Some personal time to reflect and share a sadness, worry or concern that is bothering you can be a healing gift. OLV has trained **STEPHEN MINISTERS** who know and understand the gift of giving. They don't come with a large Santa Claus bag ready to give you an instant solution. They do offer one-on-one time to care, to listen, to pray with and for you. Our success rate is very good!

To learn more, please call our confidential phone line at **(248) 349-0216** and leave a message.

Ministry Schedule

	Saturday, December 21	Sunday, December 22		
	5:00 p.m.	7: 30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Clergy	Fr. Denis Theroux	Fr. Denis Theroux	Fr. Dennis Kauffman	Fr. Denis Theroux
Lectors	Robert Bochy Peggy Bozyk	Pat Kolowich Terry Whitfield	David Heathcote Ethan Williams	John O'Reilly Nancy Tochman
Altar Servers	Altar Servers: If you are not receiving weekly updates, please contact olvaltarservers@olvnorthville.net			

Week at a Glance

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16
ASFF, 5 p.m., School
Advent Reconciliation, 6-6:45 p.m.
Rosary, 6:15 p.m., Church
Mass, 7:00 p.m. Church
RCIA, 7 p.m., Neumann
AA Meeting, 7:30 p.m., St. John XXIII

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17
Walking with Purpose, 9 a.m., Fr. Ernie Center
Tuesday Bible Study, 10 a.m., Neumann
Card Group, 1 p.m., Neumann Room
ASFF, 5 p.m., School
Northville Strings, 6 p.m, Catherine McAuley

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18
Rosary, 8:00 a.m., Church
Mass, 8:30 a.m., Church
Cherub Choir, 3:30 p.m., Catherine McAuley
Advent Reconciliation, 5-6 p.m.
Contemporary Music, 7 p.m., Catherine McAuley
Bell Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m., Church

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19
Rosary, 8:00 a.m., Church
Mass, 8:30 a.m., Church
Christmas Program, 2 p.m., Gym
NA, 7 p.m., St. John XXIII
Adult Choir, 7:30 p.m., Church

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20
Rosary, 8:00 a.m., Church
Mass, 8:30 a.m., Church
Eucharistic Adoration, 9:15 a.m., Chapel
Adoration Closing, 11:30 a.m., Chapel

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21
OLV Christmas Decorating, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Reconciliation, 3:00 p.m.
Mass, 5:00 p.m., Church

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Mass, 7:30 a.m., Church
Mass, 9:30 a.m., Church
Mass, 11:30 a.m., Church
Individual Confessions, 12:30-2 p.m., Church

December 24-26
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 16

7:00 p.m. **Spec. Int. of the Joanne Ratkewicz** *req. by* Family

Wednesday, December 18

8:30 a.m. **Debra Buckhout** *req. by* Fr. Denis and OLV Staff
Spec. Int. of Yvonne Katharopoulos *req. by* Kathy Scullen
Frank Polito *req. by* Kathleen Pillon

Thursday, December 19

8:30 a.m. **Marian Ramsey** *req. by* Family
Spec. Int. of Mary Lareau *req. by* Monica and Paul
Nancy Diacono *req. by* Family

Friday, December 20

8:30 a.m. **Holy Souls in Purgatory** *req. by* Through His Heart Ministry
Spec. Int. of Gerard Breitenbeck *req. by* Joe and Deb Breitenbeck
Spec. Int. of Jerry and Terry Mittman on their 50th Anniversary

Saturday, December 21

5:00 p.m. **Carolyn Freebury** *req. by* Family
Mary Starinsky *req. by* Gail Clark
Marie Beaghan *req. by* Kathryn Ling
Darryl Vettese *req. by* Family

Sunday, December 22

7:30 a.m. **John and Louise Hymes req. by Betty Jane Darish**
Louis Burbo *req. by* Hank and Cheryl Sullivan
Adam Cramer *req. by* Family

9:30 a.m. **Rip Neill** *req. by* the OLV Choir
Spec. Int. of Mary Crocker *req. by* M/M Rose
Spec. Int. of Gary Rose *req. by* Gary Rose

11:30 a.m. **Darlene Sattler** *req by* Margo Lambert
Caterina Vendramini *req. by* Vivian and Victor Skown

Readings of the Week: Third Sunday of Advent

Monday	*Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9; Mt 21:23-27*
Tuesday	*Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17*
Wednesday	*Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25*
Thursday	*Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17;* Lk 1:5-25
Friday	*Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38*
Saturday	**Saint Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church** *Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45*
Sunday	**Fourth Sunday of Advent** *Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24*

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