

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest. And on earth, peace to people of goodwill.

We praise You. We bless You. We adore you. We glorify You. We give You thanks for Your great glory. O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only-begotten Son. Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father: you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. You take away the sins of the world and receive our prayer. You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are holy. You alone are the Lord. You alone are most high, Jesus Christ (bow). With the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen"



The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



Welcome!

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass Intention:

For Emile Ngankem (Flavien)

For Leroy Onstott (Onstott Family)

Today's Readings:

1st Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

Psalm: Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10

2nd Reading: James 5:7-10

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

HANGING OF THE GREEN | All are welcome to stay after Mass on Sunday, November 30, for the Hanging of the Greens. This is when we decorate for the Advent season and prepare the nativity. Hot cocoa and coffee provided.

SAVE THE DATE! COOKIES & CAROLS | Join us on Sunday, December 7, at 12:00 for Cookies & Carols in the welcome area!

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2026 | We need to fill up our liturgical calendar with Mass intentions! A certificate will be provided upon signing up outside the chapel (or online) for you to give to the intended recipient as a gift.

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE | The holiday season is one known for cheer, time with family and friends, and celebration, but it is also a time where we grieve the loss of loved ones who have gone before us. Come and light a candle and remember those we hold in our hearts on Saturday, December 20, at 5:00 p.m. This is a joint service with Gloria Dei Lutheran.

Calling all Christmas Eve Choir Volunteers! | Do you enjoy singing or playing an instrument? We would love for you to join us for our 6:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass! Rehearsals are on Sundays at 10:00 in the chapel. Questions? Please send a note to our music director, Alayna, at alaynastewart@hotmail.com.

LOOKING AHEAD AT CHRISTMAS EVE... | We will offer two Masses on Wednesday, December 24, at 4:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. and on Christmas Day at 11:00 a.m.



Good Shepherd Donation Update | Good Shepherd has now been registered as a non-profit with the State of Missouri. Now that the government shutdown has ended, we are waiting for the IRS to send us our EIN so we can open a bank account, set up Venmo, and enable online giving. Cash donations are still accepted and will be recorded on giving statements for tax purposes.

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISHIONER REGISTRATION | As announced on Sunday, we are asking all parishioners to complete a new registration form to ensure we have everyone's updated contact information (it's amazing how quickly information becomes outdated).

We are also using this as an opportunity to gauge interest in various ministries (social justice, finance, music, etc.), along with birthdays (so we can send you a card!), and pledge support for 2026. All of this is to help us continue developing the health and growth of our community.

HAVE AN ANNOUNCEMENT? | Send a note with your announcement request to our office administrator, Cheryl, at office@gsckcmo.com. Thank you!

New Email for Father: Father Taylor's new email address is father@gsckcmo.com.

Weekly Reflection

There's a quiet beauty in Isaiah's vision this Sunday—the image of a fragile shoot rising from an old dead stump. It's God's way of reminding us that nothing is ever as final as it looks, that even in the places cut down by disappointment or weariness, new life is pushing its way toward the light.

Advent invites us to watch for these small beginnings, to notice the subtle ways God is already softening what has grown brittle in us. John the Baptist tells us to “prepare the way,” not by frantic effort, but by letting ourselves believe that change is possible. The Messiah comes not only to comfort what is bruised but to reverse the world's old patterns—fear into courage, rivalry into mercy, estrangement into belonging. If we dare to trust that renewal is already taking root—within us, within our parish, within this weary world—then we will begin to see the Kingdom the prophets saw.

May this week open our eyes to the signs of hope rising in unexpected places.

Mass Times | November

December 20 | Blue Christmas (w. Gloria Dei)
5:00p Cookies & Carols

December 21 | 4th Sunday in Advent
11:00a Mass

December 24 | Christmas Eve Mass
6:30p & 10:00p Candlelight Service

December 25 | Christmas Day Mass
11:00a Mass

December 30 | Holy Family
11:00a Mass

January 1 | Mary, Mother of God
6:30p Mass

January 4 | Epiphany of the Lord
11:00a Mass

January 11 | Baptism of the Lord
11:00a Mass

January 14 | Mid-Week Mass
6:30p Mass

CONTACT INFORMATION | **OFFICE HOURS: M - TH 10:00A - 1:00P**

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Monthly Events

First Saturday of the Month

Eucharistic Adoration 9:30a - 10:30a

Reconciliation 9:30a - 10:30a

Weekly Events

WEDNESDAY

Holy Mass 6:30 p

SUNDAYS

Sunday School (Kids) 9:30a

Choir rehearsal 10:00a

*Fellowship following Mass

Music Director | Alayna Powell
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