

Fourth Sunday of
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OUR LADY OF LOURDES DECEMBER 19, 2021

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REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

Daily: Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m.
Friday: All School Mass 8:00 a.m. (*when school is
in session unless otherwise noted*)
Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 (*Children's Liturgy*), and
11:00 a.m. (*Choir*), and 5:00 p.m.
Holy Day: 7:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.
Legal Holiday: 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00-4:45 p.m. (weekdays by appt.)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Monday 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Sundays at noon *or by appointment*

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MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, December 20**

7:00 a.m. Ida Thompson

Tuesday, December 21

7:00 a.m. Robert Willis

Wednesday, December 22

7:00 a.m. D.V. Skilling

8:00 a.m. Brendan Davis

Thursday, December 23

7:00 a.m. Mary Anne Barkofske

Friday, December 24

7:00 a.m. Robert Berarducci

4:00 p.m. Barbara Budde

10:00 p.m. Pro Populo

Saturday, December 25

7:30 p.m. Charlie Cramer

9:00 a.m. The Purcell Family

11:00 a.m. Anne Shinn

No 5:00 p.m. Mass**Sunday, December 26**

7:30 a.m. Mary Darst Donnelly

9:00 a.m. Elisabeth Flanagan Rice

11:00 a.m. Pro Populo

No 5:00 p.m. Mass*Please wear a Mask when attending Mass.***THIS WEEK****Monday, December 20**6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. **Women's Manresa**
(Commons East)**Tuesday, December 21**9:40 a.m.-10:15 a.m. **5th Grade Nativity**
Story

(Church)

7:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. **Athletic Association**
Meeting (Commons West)**Merry Christmas to all!!!****A Word From Our Pastor**

Dear All,

It is almost here! This year we get a full four weeks of Advent. More than the fourth candle getting to burn a bit more, it is time to, maybe, savor the Advent spirit. Hopefully, the shopping is done, the cookies are baked, the decorations are up and now we can wait in anticipation for Jesus' coming.

The name given Him by the Angel-Immanuel-God with us is a good place to focus this last Advent week. God with me, with my loved ones, with our world. Immanuel with me in the joys and sorrows, the hopes, the disappointments, the losses. Do I see Him, hear Him, speak Him? Immanuel is God's gift to us, to the world. He was wrapped in swaddling clothes, laid in a wooden feed trough, in a messy stable. Will I strive to be worthy of this gift? St. Paul to the Philippians tells us of this Christ child gift.

Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (Phillipians 2: 6-11)

A blessed Fourth Week of Advent. See you at Christmas!
Msgr REH

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Nancy Allen, L.D.B., Rose Balestreri, Isabella Bertram, Pat Boehm, The Butcher Family, Jacqueline Byrne, Sloane Chalmers, Jean Clark, Christine Cool, Imogene Dwyer, Mary Beth Engler, Fr. Bob Gettinger, James Goggins, Monica Golden, Carole Goldfarb, Betty Goldkamp, Nancy Herron, Jean Hinman, Jim Holmes, Kit Homer, Judy Huske, Debbie Kemp, Joan Kiburz, Geri Lux, Dana Mareshie, Vicki McCarthy, Andrew McCartney, Joe McGlynn, Bill McMahon, Garry Moeller, Ed Mohrmann, Jill Murphy, John Paquet, Mark Pepple, R. Perez, Declan Petrosky, John Prindable, Carole Jean Reuter, Daisy Riley, Mary Ellen Skilling, Rose Ann Utz, Toni Walhig, the Wethington Family, Bonnie Lee Wimmer and Mary Wittenberg.

Readings for the week of December 19, 2021

Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45
 Monday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/Lk 1:26-38
 Tuesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45
 Wednesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1a]/Lk 1:46-56
 Thursday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [cf. Lk 21:28]/Lk 1:57-66
 Friday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 [2]/Lk 1:67-79
 Saturday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/
 Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
 Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 [Lk 2:11]/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14
 Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20
 Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
 Next Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52



**Weekly Contribution Statement
 Sunday, November 28, 2021**

Offertory, including loose \$	6,849.00
Online Giving (November)\$	17,110.00
Holy Days \$	15.00
Special Collections \$	<u>2,365.00</u>
Total \$	26,339.00
YTD Offertory-Budget \$	341,381.00
YTD Offertory-Actual \$	<u>325,136.00</u>
Offertory Shortfall \$	16,245.00

Thank you for your continued support!

ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS
 On the 49th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade
Saturday, January 15, 2022 • 10 AM

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Principal's Message



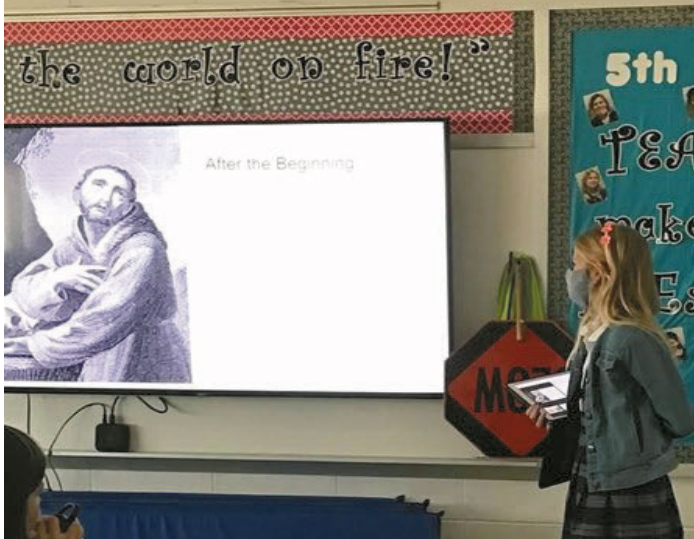
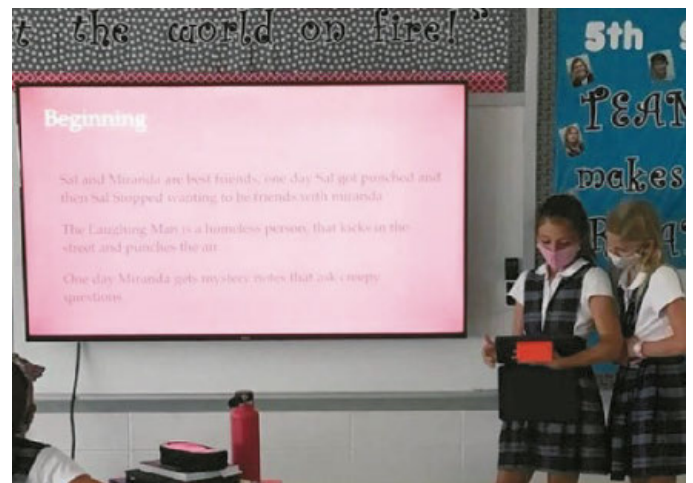
Dear Our Lady of Lourdes Parishioners –

So much important learning happens throughout the course of a year at Our Lady of Lourdes School. Students are learning all of the basics through our wonderful reading and math programs. We have enriched social studies to include the study of cultural geography and our science curriculum includes so many opportunities for hands on learning through experiments. One skill that is woven throughout the curriculum starting as early as Kindergarten is presentation and public speaking. Every year, students at every grade level have multiple opportunities to share knowledge, thoughts, and ideas in front of an audience. These exercises give them invaluable experience so they learn to feel comfortable speaking in front of others. Thank you to our teachers to working with students to give them these important skills that will serve them well throughout their entire professional lives. Whether it is about science, history, math or Saints, our students are excellent at public speaking!

Thank you for your continued support of our school!

Dr. Amie Koenen

Principal



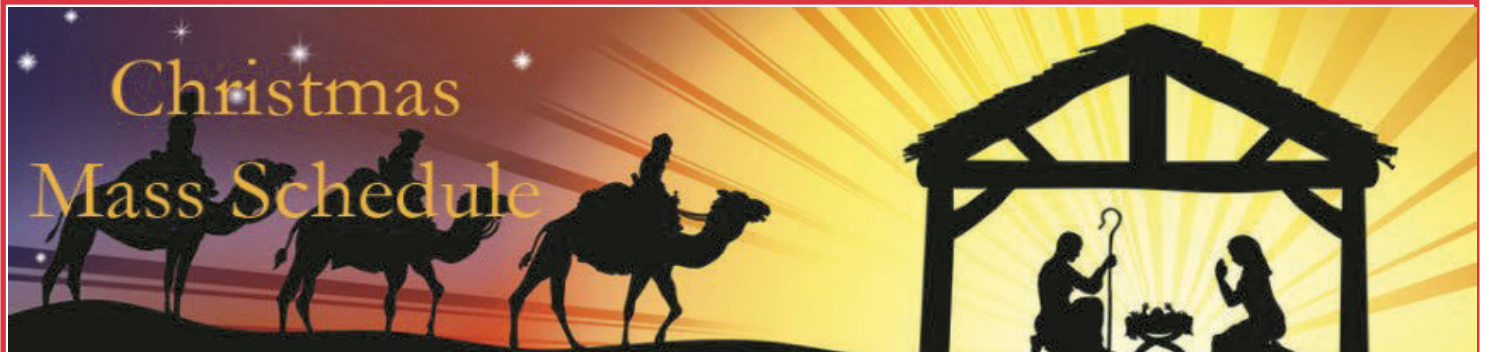


A reminder that Sunday, December 19th is the Our Lady of Lourdes blood drive!!!

December 19, 2021
4th Sunday of Advent

“For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy.” (LUKE 1:44)

When you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading at Mass, do you “leap for joy?” If not, don’t blame the lecturer or priest, rather look inside yourself. What are you doing to grow in friendship with Jesus? How do you prepare for Mass each week? Or, do you just show up and expect to be entertained? As the Body of Christ, we are called to be active participants, not just passive observers.



Christmas Eve seating is limited
No standing room, Overflow in Parish Commons All are encouraged to wear a mask in Church.

Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m. & 10:00 p.m.

Christmas Day - 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

No 5 p.m. Mass on Christmas Day or Sunday, December 26th

New Year’s Eve

5:00 p.m.

New Year’s Day

10:00 a.m.

Sunday, January 2

7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. - **No 5:00 p.m. Mass**

Resources for Advent Reflections

Creighton University Daily reflections <https://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/daily.html>

Word on Fire wof@wordonfire.org

Preacher Exchange Fr. RB Williams OP <https://www.preacherexchange.com/dailyreflections.htm>

Other daily reflections are Magnificat and Give us this Day-both have a subscription fee

Who Was Saint Nicholas?

Saint Nicholas was a Christian bishop who helped the needy. After his death, the legend of his gift-giving grew. Saint Nicholas transformed into the legendary character called Santa Claus, who brings Christmas presents to children around the world.

Early Life

Saint Nicholas was born circa 280 in Patara, Lycia, an area that is part of present-day Turkey. He lost both of his parents as a young man and reportedly used his inheritance to help the poor and sick. A devout Christian, he later served as bishop of Myra, a city that is now called Demre.

Reputation

There are many legends about Saint Nicholas of Myra. One story tells how he helped three poor sisters. Their father did not have enough money to pay their dowries and thought of selling them into servitude. Three times, Saint Nicholas secretly went to their house at night and put a bag of money inside. The man used the money so that one of his daughters could marry. On the third visit, the man saw Saint Nicholas and thanked him for his kindness. He also reportedly saved three men who were falsely imprisoned and sentenced to death.

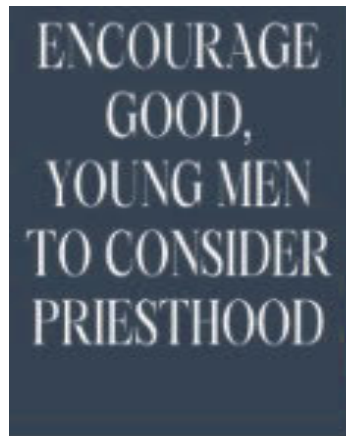
Death and Legacy

Several sources state Saint Nicholas is believed to have died on December 6, 343. Over the years, stories of his miracles and work for the poor spread to other parts of the world. He became known as the protector of children and sailors and was associated with gift-giving.



March for Life 2022 – Registration Open

MISSOURI LIFE CARAVAN is accepting registrations for our bus trip to the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. **Thursday- Saturday, Jan. 20- 22, 2022.** Until all life is protected, we will travel to D.C. to meet with our representatives and peacefully protest against the Supreme Court’s decision to legalize abortion. This trip is open to anyone ages 7 and up (chaperones not provided). We depart from several locations in the St. Louis area and we do not stay in hotels as we sleep on the buses. Seats are limited because of COVID-19. The cost is \$235. For more information, to register or to sponsor a rider go to www.missourilifecaravan.org. Contact us at: 314-434-4900 or mrl.eastern@yahoo.com.



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Our Lady of Lourdes Ministers: Saturday & Sunday, December 25 & 26

	Saturday—5:00 p.m.	Sunday—7:30 a.m.	Sunday—9:00 a.m.	Sunday—11:00 a.m.	Sunday—5:00 p.m.
Celebrant	No 5:00 Mass on Christmas Day	Msgr. Hanneke	Msgr. Hanneke	Msgr. Hanneke	No Mass
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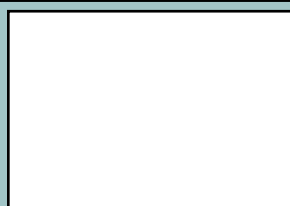
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