

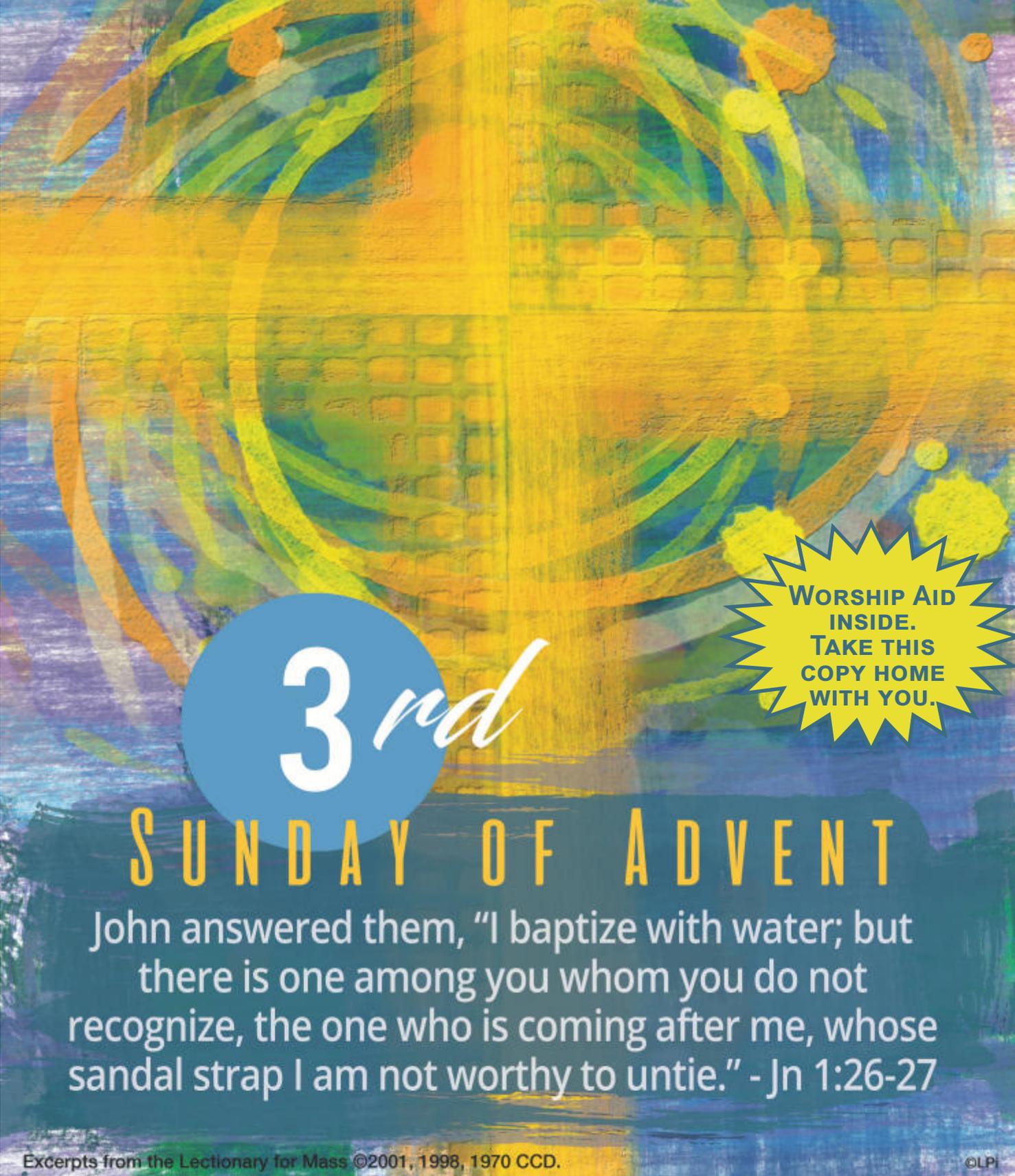
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DECEMBER 12 & 13, 2020



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SUNDAY OF ADVENT

John answered them, "I baptize with water; but there is one among you whom you do not recognize, the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie." - Jn 1:26-27

**WORSHIP AID
INSIDE.
TAKE THIS
COPY HOME
WITH YOU.**

Welcome to Our Lady's Immaculate Heart Catholic Church! Thank you for joining us for the celebration of Holy Mass today. Please help us ensure safety by practicing social distancing, wearing a mask and by taking this bulletin with you at the end of Mass. We cannot reuse it. Reference it during this coming week to see what is going on around OLIH.

We are family. Welcome home.

ADVENT WREATH BLESSING

Three candles are lit on the Advent Wreath.



In keeping with our Advent theme, "Reveal Your Presence, Lord" we sing from "Open My Eyes". This week we concentrate on God's love in our lives.

*Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love like You.
Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love.*

GREETING/PENITENTIAL ACT

Priest: The Lord be with you.
Reply: And with your spirit.

Penitential Act

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading:

*"I rejoice heartily in the LORD,
in my God is the joy of my soul."* (Is 61:10a)

Lector: The Word of the Lord
Reply: Thanks be to God

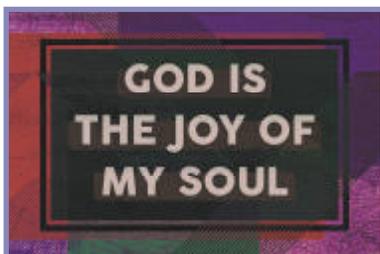
Psalm Response

My soul rejoices in my God. (Is 61:10b)

Second Reading:

*"May the God of peace make you perfectly holy
and may you entirely, spirit, soul, and body,
be preserved blameless for the coming of our Lord
Jesus Christ."* (1 Thes 5:23)

Lector: The Word of the Lord
Reply: Thanks be to God



Gospel Acclamation/Alleluia

Priest/Deacon: The Lord be with you
Reply: And with your spirit.

Priest/Deacon: A reading from the Holy Gospel According to.....

Reply: Glory to You, O Lord.

Gospel:

*"I am the voice of one crying out in the desert,
'Make straight the way of the Lord.'" (Jn 1:23)*

Priest/Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.
Reply: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Homily

APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.

Prayers of the Faithful

Lector:we pray to the Lord.

Reply: Open our hearts, Lord; help us to love like you.

OFFERTORY



Please support the parish financially to the best of your ability. Place your donation in the basket in front of the Baptismal font, text the word GIVE to 515.316.3038 or scan this image with your phone's camera and be directed to our Online Giving page.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

Reply: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Preface

Priest: The Lord be with you.

Reply: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

Reply: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Reply: It is right and just.

Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Mystery of Faith

Assembly: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE

Our Father

Priest: At the Savior's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: 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.

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil...

Replay: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, Grant us peace.

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Reply: And with your spirit.

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Reply: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION PROTOCOL

When coming forward to receive communion, approach the Communion Minister wearing your mask, bow your head slightly in reverence to the Blessed Sacrament. After the Minister says, "The Body of Christ," accept the host in your hand, step aside, lower your mask, consume the host, replace your mask, then return to your pew.

If you are part of another faith tradition, you are invited to come forward for a blessing. By crossing your arms over your chest you indicate to the minister you wish to receive a blessing. You bless us with your presence.



Bambinelli Sunday

Each year, on the 3rd Sunday of Advent, children gather with their families in St. Peter's Square for "Bambinelli Sunday." The children bring with them figures of the Christ Child—the Bambinelli—from their family's nativity scene.

The pope blesses the children and the figurines they have brought. Join us as we celebrate this same tradition at OLIH. You will also find a blessing for your nativity set in the OLIH Advent booklet.

CONCLUDING RITE

Greeting and blessing

Priest: The Lord be with you.

Reply: And with your spirit.

Priest: May almighty God bless you: the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Reply: Amen.

Priest/Deacon: Go forth, the Mass is ended.
(or another version...)

Reply: Thanks be to God.

READINGS: WEEK OF DEC 13

Sun: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 51-54
[Is 61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Mon: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc,
8-9 [4]/Mt 21:23-27

Tues: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and
23 [7a]/Mt 21:28-32

Wed: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21c-25/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-
12, 13-14 [Is 45:8]/Lk 7:18b-23

Thurs: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 [cf.
7]/Mt 1:1-17

Fri: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7]/
Mt 1:18-25

Sat: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17
[cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-2

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

December 13, 2020

Third Sunday of Advent

Is 61:1-2A, 10-11 | 1 Thes 5:16-24 | Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

GROW: AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

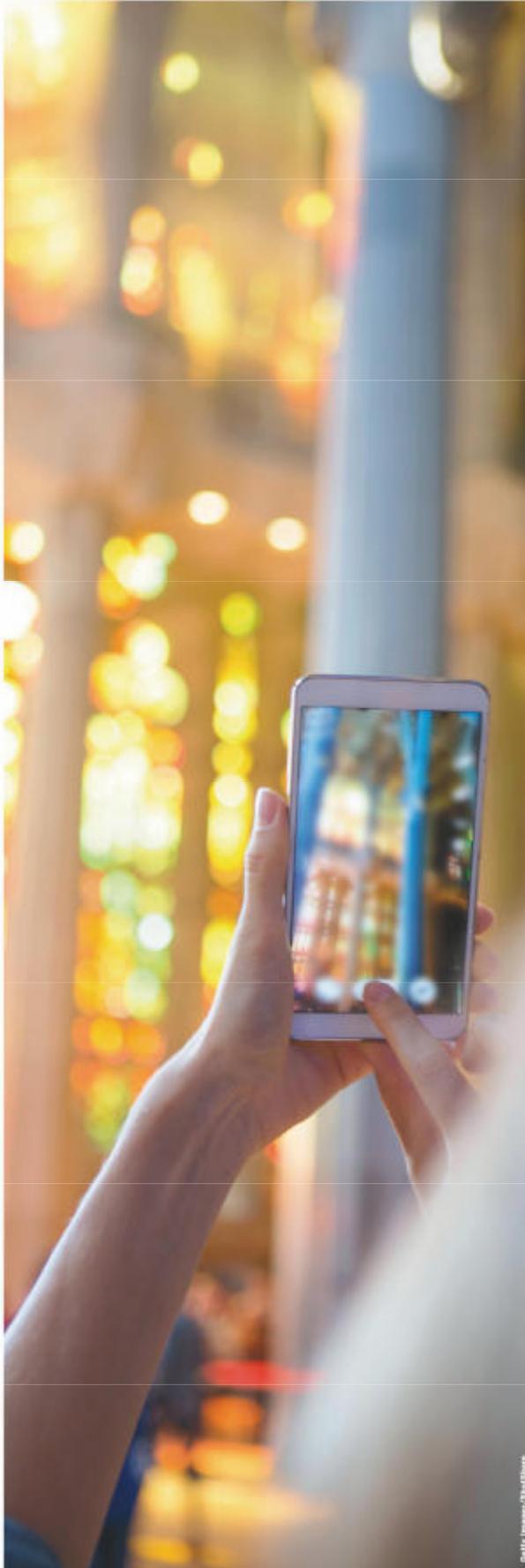
The prophet's words in the Book of Isaiah are bursting with hope: "The Lord ... has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, to announce a year of favor from the Lord." As we enter the third week of Advent, these words may resonate more deeply for many of us as we look back on 2020. We know that for many of the world's people, struggle can be an everyday reality; however, after this year marked by pandemic, mourning, racial injustice, and mounting unemployment, the prophet's hope-filled words may hit home more acutely. Regardless of what 2020 has been like for us, Advent is a reminder that we have reason for hope: in Emmanuel, God with us. Let us prepare our hearts and our minds for Christ's coming through prayer, confident that the Lord will fulfill the promises of the prophet.

GO: EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Light! Here in the Midwest in December we don't see nearly enough of it. Every year I consider purchasing a "happy lamp" and vow to "up" my Vitamin D intake. Perhaps that's why I was taken by the line in today's Gospel describing John the Baptist: "He came ... to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him." As predicted by John the Baptist and the prophet, Christ came to dwell among us, and remains within us through the Eucharist and the working of the Holy Spirit. We, like John the Baptist, can "testify to the light" by sharing Christ's presence through our witness to others.

WITNESS: Last week we focused on making God's kindness visible through our words and actions toward the people with whom we live and interact regularly; this week, let our witness focus on testifying to the light in our digital presence and encounters. Make your words be those that foster hope and promise rather than incite division.





Reveal Your Presence, Lord

December 13-19: 'Open my heart, Lord'

Since March, I have learned to live with the pandemic—masks, sanitizer, physical distance, and video chatting have become a part of my daily ministry and quality time with others...

...Yet I found it difficult to connect, or even desire to connect, because I knew that home was safe, and, until we learned more about the virus, others were potentially dangerous. How often are we the same with our heart? We keep it safe and protected, we open it just enough to think we are taking a risk, but really we are afraid to risk opening our hearts because others are "dangerous."

A few years ago I had a beautiful prayer experience that reminded me how easy it is for me to love God, but it's not always easy to remember that God really loves me. Love only works if it is reciprocated—both given and received.

Open my heart, Lord, as I rejoice, pray, and give thanks, trusting that you love me and that I am made for love!

(Excerpt from OLIH Advent booklet)

Have you been following along with our booklet or checking in on our blog? We'd love to hear from you! Post photos of your family's nativity set. Go to our website, www.olih.org/advent-at-olih, to check out all the opportunities available for you this Advent.

RECONCILIATION

There is no parish-wide Advent Reconciliation this year. However, additional times for individual confessions have been added in the next week: To help you prepare, an Examination of



Conscience can be found on our website www.olih.org/sacraments.

- Dec 16, Wednesday, 5:00-6:30 pm
- Dec 17, Thursday, 12 Noon-1:30 pm
- Dec 19, Saturday, 9:00-10:30 am

These are in addition to our regular time of Saturdays, 4:00-4:45 pm. The Reconciliation Room is located just inside the Daily Chapel area.

Act of Contrition

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy.

SIGN UPS ONGOING

Christmas Mass 2020 Style

In order to be able to gather safely, we have a reservation system for Christmas this year. Seats are already filling fast so you may have to look at alternative times to attend. Livestream is also available. Sign up online (or call Amy, 515/964-3038; make sure you speak to her, do not just leave a message) to reserve a space(s) for you and your family.

- Christmas Eve, Thursday, December 24
 - 4:30 pm (Church-FULL & MPR)
 - 7:30 pm (Church & MPR)
 - 10:00 pm (Church only)
- Christmas, Friday, December 25
 - 9:00 am (Church only)

(Masses that weekend will be at our usual times—5:00 pm Saturday; Sunday at 8:30 & 10:30 am)

Unlike our previous RSVP system, this time we will be reserving seats. Please note if you have any handicapped needs as we will not be able to make changes on the day of Mass.

Because it will be assigned seating, you will need to book the total number of seats you want together at the same time.



Doors will open 45 minutes ahead of time to minimize lines forming and allow adequate time to seat everyone. Prelude music will be played beforehand. Please try to be seated 10 minutes ahead of the start of Mass.

Masks will be required for the safety of all those in attendance.



PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Hours:

The office is open for outside business—
Mon—Fri 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

As staff may sometimes work remotely, if you need to get in contact with a specific staff member, please email them. (See list on opposite page.)

The church building is open for private prayer—
7:00 am to 7:00 pm

Bulletin Deadline

Items for the bulletin must be submitted by the Friday of the week prior to publication. Send to joan@olih.org.

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www.olih.org



Please wear a face mask when you visit OLIH. Hand sanitizer is available. Thank you for your concern for staff and fellow parishioners.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sabbath (Sunday liturgy) Masses are —

- Saturday, 5:00 pm
- Sunday, 8:30 & 10:30 am
- Tuesday, 6:30 pm

By going to two Sunday Masses we are suspending the need to sign up for Mass. We recognize that as circumstances change, we may need to return to this practice. If so, we will let you know.

Daily Mass is offered Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri at 8:30 am. Recorded rosary precedes daily Mass.

Livestreaming continues daily at 8:30 am & Sat at 5:00 pm

SACRAMENTS

Marriage Contact the office at least six months in advance

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday: 4:00-4:45 pm or call for an appointment

Anointing of the Sick The sacrament is available to those seriously ill, suffering from prolonged illness or facing a major medical procedure. Call the parish office for more information.

Baptism Call the office to sign up for the Baptismal Prep class on Jan 5 (Zoom meeting) or to arrange a baptism. Upcoming classes meet at 7:00 pm (on ZOOM): Feb 2, Mar 2, Apr 6, May 4, Jun 1, Jul 6

FAITH FORMATION

Advent Collections

If you would like to help the faith formation classes with their collections, please drop off any of the items listed below by December 20.

Pre-K & Kindergarten: Diapers, all-purpose cleaner, toilet bowl cleaner, Windex, laundry detergent (liquid or powder, dish soap & dishwasher detergent

1st Grade: Small baby items (rattles, bibs, blankets, etc.)

2nd & 3rd Grade:

Baby Items (blankets, clothing, toys, formula, etc.)

4th Grade: Personal care items—toothpaste, toothbrush, shampoo, comb/brush, bath soap, hand lotion, band-aids, chap stick, wash cloths or towels

5th Grade: Hats, scarves or mittens/gloves for children

6th Grade: Diapers & wipes

7th Grade: collecting new kitchen utensils and flatware

8th Grade: New and used candles for the homeless

9th –12th Grade: Pillows for St. Joseph

Family Emergency Shelter

Catechists: Laundry baskets



HELP THE HOMELESS

Beginning December 27, we will begin collecting items for Joppa Outreach. The following items must be in new and unused condition: Wool gloves, Thick socks, Water bottles, Chapstick, Hand lotion, Hand sanitizer, Hand warmers, Foot warmers. Monetary donations are also being collected for heating systems. Go to www.oidma.org/winter/ to help them reach their \$5,500 goal. This money will help raise money for propane tanks to heat homeless tents.

'At Church' classes are suspended until January 18.
They will meet virtually.

Elementary Faith Formation Parents (At-church and At-home):

Now that we are all totally online for all of our Faith Formation lessons, please make sure you log in by going to our website, olih.org >Grow & Learn> Grades Pk-5>At-home Faith Formation—Password FF2020— Grades 1-5, then scroll down to the last lesson listed at each grade level after you have chosen the grade you need. If you need any assistance or have any questions or concerns, please contact me at any time: joyce@olih.org. Reminder: Advent collections are now being taken. Please bring your item to the gathering space and put in the designated cart. Thank you for your generosity. (Also, new this year: the 2nd graders are asked to make a baby item donation this year, rather than making cards for those serving in the military for this year only. Thank you for your understanding.)



MIDDLE SCHOOL MEETINGS

B Week Re-Charge: December 16 7:00-7:30 pm, Andrea Maher & Natalie Bohnenkamp, will be hosting a 30-minute Zoom opportunity to gather for chat, prayer, and maybe a game or two. It's for grades 6-8. Here's the zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87525182031>.



Middle School Youth Ministry 3rd Sundays: Grades 6-8 are gathering from 6:30-7:30 pm online for Reindeer Games & Advent prayer on **December 20**. Here's the zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84319694960>.

TAKE 5

Watch for "Take 5," offered to you by some of our young parishioners. Take 5 videos feature a young person from our parish who, after introducing themselves, will invite you into a short Examen and then share something that has been meaningful, profound, challenging, beautiful or illuminating in their life. It could be a powerful prayer they discovered, a favorite song, a personal practice or activity, perhaps just an example of noticing God in their life. They will invite you to consider what they have shared or perhaps provide a challenge for the week ahead. These videos will come to you through our youtube channel as well as our OLIH Updates, once a month (or more) on Wednesday mornings.



ENCOUNTERING CHRIST

Saturday, February 6, 8:30 am – 3:15 pm

Our mission is to provide an opportunity for encountering Christ through worship, testimony and personal sharing. The day will include several speakers including keynote speaker, Sam Halligan, Assistant Director of Programming and Outreach at Damascus Catholic Mission Campus in

Ohio and local Dowling High School graduate. There will be time for small group discussion as well as worship and adoration.



This will be available live-streamed through Zoom as well as live, in person, at OLIH to the extent we are able to gather safely. The program will be shortened to two, 2.5-hour sessions if we are completely virtual. Registration will be available in early January. Free will donations will be accepted to help defray costs.

Mark your calendars!! Questions?
Contact: Patty Mayer patty@olih.org or
Maria Schweers maschweers@gmail.com

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Collections Suspended

Please note the St Vincent de Paul truck will not be available to receive household goods due to current COVID restrictions. Check their website for store hours, svdpdsm.org/our-stores/.

We will let you know when collections resume.



THANKS TO ALL

OLIH Blood Drive Thank you

Thank you to the 97 people who registered to donate blood at the OLIH Blood Drive on December 3.

The drive collected 95 units of blood—along with a record setting 18 first-time donors. The blood collected will help save/sustain 285 hospital patient lives.

Special thanks to the following volunteers: Dennis Costello, Rick Rewerts, set up; Katie Thaut, canteen; Rick Rewerts, tear down.

The next OLIH Blood drive will be held on February 18, 2021.

Family of Ardythe Wehr—

Thank you for the words of condolence and the memorials offered for our Aunt, Ardythe Wehr. Your kindness is appreciated.

—Margaret Bates and Mary Ann Long

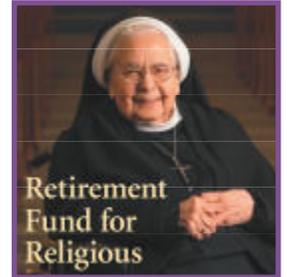


*Please remember —
Roger Davis,
husband of Bonnie.
God grant him eternal rest.*

December 12 & 13 Collection

Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests ministered for years for little to no pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate retirement

savings. Your gift for the *Retirement Fund for Religious* helps to provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. Please use the envelope in your tithing package or take one from the Gathering Space.



LEAVE A LEGACY

Join us in learning about smart and strategic ways to support OLIH. Listen into a webinar conversation presented by the Catholic Foundation of Southwest Iowa! Sign up at:

<https://www.catholicfoundationiowa.org/webinars/>.

NEW WEBINAR SERIES

Join the Catholic Foundation of Southwest Iowa for 15 minute conversations followed by Q&A on important topics including the following:

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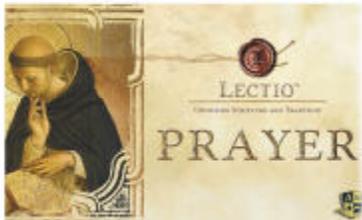
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PICK OF THE WEEK

December 13, 2020

WATCH

SAINT TERESA OF ÁVILA: A STUDY IN PERSEVERANCE
Both St. John of the Cross and his dear friend St. Teresa of Ávila lived heroic lives of prayer. In honor of these spiritual masters, enjoy this film depicting the Carmelite way of life and the virtue of perseverance.



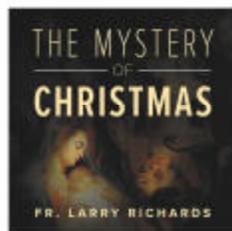
LECTIO: PRAYER—AN INTIMATE DIALOGUE

St. John of the Cross, Doctor of the Church, had a deep desire to help others grow in prayer. In honor of this mystical saint, join Dr. Gray as he dives into the simplicity and mystery of prayer.

LEARN

LISTEN

THE MYSTERY OF CHRISTMAS BY FR. LARRY RICHARDS
In this talk, Fr. Larry Richards reminds us that in the mystery of Christmas, God gives humanity his greatest gift—the gift of his Son to the world.



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OUT & ABOUT

The Gift of a Christmas Concert

In a Christmas season darkened by disease, division, and discouragement, Bishop William Joensen invites you to celebrate the joy and hope of the nativity by watching The Lessons, Reflections, and Carols of Christmas, a livestream Christmas concert/prayer service presented by Umeri, the Drake University alumni choir, and representatives of the Diocese of Des Moines. This event, which features music, Scriptures, and reflections written especially for this celebration, was filmed at St. Ambrose Cathedral and can be accessed anytime between December 12 and January 6 at this link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCd1rPwPhXYIW0od6Ln6npWg>.

TAKE A HIKE?



Colorado Trail Summer 2021, June 19-27:

A group of OLIH parishioners and staff are happy to invite you to consider a hike & pilgrimage along the Colorado Trail this coming Summer. We have a 40-mile section of the trail in mind that will

provide a beautiful journey of the body, mind and spirit for each person on our growing team. Come to unplug from the demands of everyday life, to experience God's creation, to form new relationships or perhaps strengthen old ones. This is a good opportunity for husbands and wives, close friends, parents and their teens to grow in faith and in relationship with others. Visit our informational webpage to begin your consideration of this powerful experience: <https://olih-church.squarespace.com/colorado-trail-2021>

PRAY FOR PEACE

For the first time in several years the DM Faith Committee for Peace will be holding a Service on the Feast of the Holy Innocents. The theme for the service will be "Weeping for our Children." We will raise our prayers to stop violence against innocent children caused by wars and conflict around the world. We continue to insist that "War is not the answer." Waging peace is the answer.

Date: Sunday, December 27
When: 7:00 pm
Where: Via Zoom



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MINISTRY: DEC 19-22

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19 AT 5:00 PM

Eucharistic Captain

Mike Jensen

Eucharistic Minister

Maria & Rob Schweers, Mary Stoltenberg

Hospitality

Dan Battani, Julie DeLanoit, Tony Farrell

Cross Bearer

Brad Wall

Lector

Dwight Whitlatch

Sunday, DECEMBER 20 AT 8:30 AM

Eucharistic Captain

Barry Spear

Eucharistic Minister

Cari Spear, Brent & Julie Steemken

Hospitality Captain

Paul Arend

Hospitality

Joe Corso, Mike Frederick, Diane & Mark Hamilton, Chris Harmeyer

Cross Bearer

Joe Gioffredi

Lector

Denise Cundey

Sunday, DECEMBER 20 AT 10:30 AM

Eucharistic Captain

Bob White

Eucharistic Minister

Joyce Clawson, Misty Hade, Laura Wood

Hospitality Captain

Eric Stall

Hospitality

Brian Hartman, John & Renness Lonning, Rick Rewerts, Pat White

Cross Bearer

Tom Doruska

Lector

Dawn Martin

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22 AT 6:30 PM

Eucharistic Captain

Desiree Blank

Hospitality

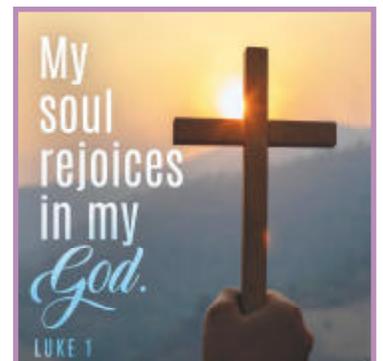
Dave Campbell

Cross Bearer

Shaun Ahern

Lector

Steve Smith



Tell your neighbors & friends



- Go outside on your porch, deck, balcony or curb.
- Shine a light (candle or cellphone) and sing along to *Silent Night* (2 verses) as we stand together with a wish for a peaceful end to this crazy year.
- Take a moment to reflect on the meaning of Christmas.



Mon, Dec 14 Stan Junod †
John Smith †
Tues, Dec 15 Kelly Quinlin Rinker †
Wed, Dec 16 Kathy Schweers †
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