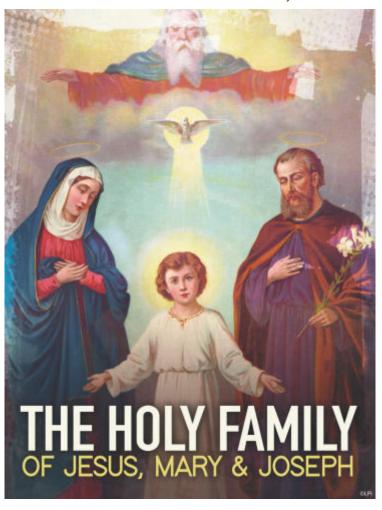
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### December 26, 2021 – Feast of the Holy Family



#### **Mass Times and Devotions**

**Daily Mass at OLV:** Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 12:15PM, Thursday at 8:30AM. No Monday Mass

**Daily Monthly Mass at OLS:** First Thursday of the Month at 12:15PM

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturdays from 3:00pm-4:00PM at OLV and Wednesdays after the 12:15PM Mass.

#### Weekend Mass Schedule at OLV:

Saturday 4:00PM Vigil Mass Sunday 8:15AM and

11:15AM (Family Mass, live streamed)

Weekend Mass at OLS: Sunday, 9:45AM

**Baptism:** Call the Parish Office to arrange for infant baptisms which take place on the first Sunday of every month after the 11:15AM Mass

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** after Mass on Wednesdays until 5:00PM at OLV

**Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Novena** after Mass on Thursdays at OLV

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## **Office Hours**

Starting January 3rd Office Hours will change to Monday-Friday 9:00-2:00 PM











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#### From Father Tom: This Feast of the Holy Family, Try Forgiveness

A merry and blessed Christmas to you, and a happy Feast of the Holy Family! May this great feast be a moment of grace and blessing for you and your families. May Jesus, Mary and Joseph always remain the inspiring model for parents, children, siblings and the entire family.

A few weeks ago, while reading the Sunday New York Times, I came across an article about the holiday season and the challenges many of us face as we gather with family members, some of whom have hurt, misunderstood or even abused us in some way. To brace for these gatherings, the author suggested an a peaceful way to relate to them around the dinner table – grant them amnesty and meet them with a posture of grace. She suggests that when at table with them, you should "pass forgiveness" around.

The author speaks about the different family members we'll encounter at holiday gatherings over the weeks:

"We need to forgive our parents for not understanding when we were joking, for worrying about the wrong things, for looking at us the way they do. For pretending they don't know their mask has slipped below their nose. For asking what TikTok is a million times and for rolling their eyes when we mention health care, climate change or organic foods...

We need to forgive our siblings for not seeing us as the adults we have become, for holding us hostage over the one time we said the wrong thing. For being smarter or more athletic or happier than they are, for having children who are smarter or more athletic or happier than ours...

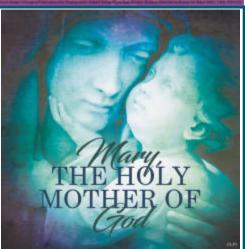
We need to forgive our spouses for losing their phones so often, for using our toothbrush, for coming home from work late, for being overly solicitous of the pretty but mean neighbor lady, for going on and on and never asking about us, for witnessing our every trifling and gross failure, for being better at cooking than we are and at spreadsheets and password management, and for being only part of what we need.

We need to forgive our children for getting out of the car without carrying any bags, for not trying hard enough to know what we're saying when we're frazzled, for leaving towels on the floor at Nana's house, for scaring us with their risk-taking, for calling only when they're in a bad mood or need money...for growing up...

We need to forgive ourselves for being tired, hungry, absent or critical. For caring about what people think and commenting on our kid's appearance and talents too much. For mouthing off about corrupt politicians and then doing barely anything to make change. For abandoning the parental pledge of transcendence and going human on our children."

The author concludes that if you're looking for a holiday miracle this year, impart one. Spread forgiveness. Take the high road. "At every table, there are people who have managed to look past all the wrongs, people who engage in voluntary amnesty that marries an acceptance of our own flawed ordinariness and the truth that every last one of us is more than our unjust behaviors. At every table, people are breaking bread, raising a glass, and letting go." Let us be one of those forgivers. Jesus would be proud of us.





Solemnity of Mary Mother of God
The feast of Mary, Mother of God is not a holy
day of obligation this year.
December 31st, Friday | 6:00 PM Vigil

Saturday, January 1st | 10: 00 AM



We welcome all visitors who will be joining us for holy Mass this

Christmas and throughout the Christmas season. If you've been away at college....welcome home! If you're visiting relatives or friends, we welcome you! IF you have any questions, just ask one of our "regulars". Friendly and eager, our parishioners want to make your visit a happy one!

#### **Mass Intentions for the Week**

#### **Our Lady of Victory**

Saturday	December 25   The Nativity of the Lord
10:00 AM	Christmas Mass during the Day
Sunday	December 26   Holy Family

8:15 AM Helen Keough by Daughters Linda and Carol

Gladys Urguhart by Frank & Amanda DeSalvatore

11:15 AM Jennie & Nicholas Padalino by Marianne, Joe & Sandra Dadalino

Constance Ligato by Magur Family Beth Renna by Leo & Marie Carroll

James Spain by Matt Spain

Tuesday December 28 | 12:15 PM | The Holy Innocents

Those remembered in the Memory Garden

Wednesday December 29 | 12:15 PM
Deceased Parish Members
Thursday December 30 | 8:30 AM

Dorothy Connolly by Kay Connolly

Friday December 31st | VIGIL of Mary, Mother of God 6:00 PM Bob St. John (Anniversary) by Matt Spain

Saturday January 1 | Holy Day (No Obligation this year)

10:00 AM Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Sunday January 2 | Holy Family

8:15 AM Carmen Rutolo(4th Anniversary) by wife Maggie

Christopher Goyette by Al and Linda Goyette

11:15 AM People of OLS, OLV and Christ Sun of Justice

## Our Lady of the Snow

Sunday Dec 26

9:45 AM The People of Our Lady of the Snow

Sunday Jan 2

9:45 AM The People of Our Lady of the Snow

Sunday Jan 9

9:45 AM The People of Our Lady of the Snow

Sunday Jan 16

9:45 AM Peter & Anthony Ficalora by Peter & Marilyn Ficalora

We are always so grateful for the contributions that support the parish operations, mission of the church and the ministries, however, each week we are getting several checks refused by Sunmark Credit Union. Sunmark has acceptable "payee to" for contributions/ gifts/ donations and they refuse unacceptable nicknames or titles.

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We have been finding bags of donated clothes dropped off at the Church. We are not accepting donated clothing at this time. Please donate any unwanted clothes to area bins that accept clothing and shoes. Do not leave bags of clothes at the doors, in the resource library or in the gathering area.

#### Stewardship

#### December 11th and 12th

OLV & OLS Budgeted Weekly Offertory	\$8,461.00					
Offertory Collection OLV	\$5,489.00					
Offertory Collection OLS	\$493.00					
E-Giving weekly amount	\$2,475.00					
Total Collection	\$8,457.00					
Under Budget	\$4.00					
OLV & OLS Other Collections						
Immaculate Conception	\$911.00					
Debt Reduction	\$120.00					
Fuel and Heat	\$5.00					
Parish Needs	\$300.00					
Evangelist	\$5.00					
Maintenance & Grounds	\$173.00					
Flowers (Christmas)	\$490.00					
Total Other Collection	\$2,004.00					
Candles and Poor Box   \$78.00						
Black, Native and Latin American Total	\$1.00					
Catholic Relief Total	\$35.00					
Catholic Charities Total	\$1,754.00					
World Mission Total	\$70.00					
Campaign for Human Development	\$554.00					
Diocesan Appeal Total	\$25.00					
Catholic University Total	\$5.00					
Catholic Home Missions Total	\$546.00					
Haiti Collection Total\$5						



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#### **Sanctuary Light**

The Sanctuary Light near the reservation chapel, burns in memory of Ernest Rocque and Carol Scriven by Family for November 16th—December 31st. The Sanctuary Light announces the reservation of the Eucharist in all Roman Catholic churches throughout the world. It is a unique sign of the deep devotion and reverence we have for the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

#### **Altar Bread and Wine**

A donation in memory of Deceased Members of the Piccirillo and Lynick Family, has been made by Mary Anne Lynick to purchase the altar wine and bread for December 1st-31st. These gifts remind us that the bread and wine which we offer at each Eucharistic celebration comes from the people and is consecrated, broken and shared.



December 27<sup>th</sup>, Monday | Closed December 28<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday

9:00 AM to 2:30 PM

December 29th, Wednesday

9:00 AM to 2:30 PM

December 30<sup>th</sup>, Thursday | Closed December 31<sup>st</sup>, Friday | Closed



## **OLV OLS FAITH FORMATION** & YOUTH MINISTRY

#### **DECEMBER**

**December 19 | Fourth Week of Advent** Grades K-6 Sessions 9:45- 10:45 AM

Grades 7-10 Sessions 6:30 - 7:30 PM

December 26—January 2 | No Sessions

Wishing all of our Families a Blessed and Merry Christmas!

January 9 | The Baptism of the Lord Grades K-6 Sessions 9:45- 10:45 AM

Grade 2 First Communion Prep Begins

Grades 7-10 Sessions 6:30 - 7:30 PM

35 gift bags ready to deliver to our shut-ins. Thanks to the hard work of Anne Prezio, Deacon Brian Lewis,



Deacon and Christine Mary Wolfe. Eaton and Fr Nathaniel. Each bag contained a cookie box, a Christmas novena booklet, candy, a parish calendar bulletin, an ornament, and a surprise gift.

## **Miraculous Medal Novena Every Thursday** After the 8:30 AM Mass, we will recite the Miraculous Medal Novena in OLV. This Novena is a traditional devotion that is used in countless churches throughout the world. It invokes the Blessed Virgin, under her title of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, for her powerful intercession. A hand-out will be available for participants.

## **MINISTRY** Opportunities

#### **Cozy Kids**

Collection: If you enjoy knitting or crocheting, please consider making for something these children. However, children can be warmed purchased with items too! A basket will be in the resource room for your donations.







## K of C presents POLAR PLUNGE 2022!

Saturday, January 22nd

Registration on olvols.org under upcoming or at the link below.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO JUMP IN THE LAKE to participate in the POLAR PLUNGE you can give to the OLV-OLS food pantry by giving a donation to the Knights of Columbus polar plunge fundraiser by sending a check to "K of C Polar Plunge c/o R Dozois 210 Keefe Rd. Troy NY 12180" until Jan 22, 2022.

Check out the FB page --[search for] K of C council 14164 or web page for polar plunge:

https://kofc-council-14164.org/polar-plunge/





#### Thank you K of C

We want to thank our parish's knights of Columbus Council for a generous donation of \$1000 for our new sanitizers.

#### **About Receiving Holy Communion Today**

During our Mass, Holy Communion will be offered under one species out of caution to contain the spread of the COVID virus during these times of pandemic. The consecrated Host will be distributed from the center and side aisles. Catholics who regularly practice their faith and have followed the laws about the proper reception of Holy Communion should come forward at this time.

We ask that you receive the Body of the Lord in the hand, as our Bishop has requested. Those who join us from other Christian denominations are most welcome today; we're privileged that you have chosen to join us. However, the Eucharist should only be received by those who are formally affiliated with the Catholic Church and in the state of grace. Brothers and sisters of other denominations should remain in the seats at this time for private prayer and union with our Lord. We respectfully ask all to comply with these guidelines at this time.

#### MINISTRY NEWS

Our Liturgical Ministries Schedule will be available soon for the next quarter, January 1st—March 31st.

If you are interested in joining a ministry at OLV or OLS for the Masses please contact our parish office.

#### Ministries available are:

- Greeters
- Ushers
- AV—Ministers work the slides on the screens during Mass
- Lectors—Reading Scripture during Mass for the First and Second Readings
- Altar Servers—Can be any age, but is a wonderful option for children who have received their First Holy Communion.





The Liturgical Schedule does not cover the Holiday Masses, so there will need to be sign up sheets posted so people can sign up for their ministries. Masses and sign up sheets are posted in the Bride's Room.

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