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December 26, 2021



Parish Mass Schedule

Saint Ann Church

Sat 4:00 PM

Sun 9:00 AM*

* (live streamed on parish website)

Sun 11:00 AM

Mon through Fri 8:00 AM

Saint Philomena Church

Sun 10:00 AM

Reconciliation

Saturdays, 3-3:30pm— St. Ann Church,
or Wednesday, December 22nd
between 6-8 pm at St. Ann Church or by
contacting the parish office to schedule
with a priest

Parish Staff

Pastor

Rev. John P. McNulty, D.Min.

Parochial Vicars

Rev. Matthew Cortnik, M.A, M. Div.

Parish Deacons

Deacon Raymond L Daull-retired

Deacon Richard Woods—retired

Principal

Mrs. Loretta Pilla

Director of Religious Education

Mr. Joseph Alto

Director of Music Ministry

Ms. Meg Matuska

Parish Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Christian Gracie

Welcome to Communion of Saints:

To register, please schedule an
appointment with a member of the
parish staff.

*Please contact the parish when a
member of your family is
hospitalized or homebound.*

Communion of Saints Parish

Saint Ann Church

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Saturday & Sunday 10:00am-12 Noon

Communion of Saints School Office Phone: 216-932-4177

BLESSING FOR THE NEW YEAR

Remember us, O God:

From age to age be our comfort

You have given us the wonder of time,

Blessings in the day and the nights, season and years.

Bless your people at the turning of the year

And fill the months ahead with bright hope

That is ours at the coming of Christ.

You are God living and reigning.

Amen

Mission Statement:

Communion of Saints Parish, the Catholic community of Cleveland Heights and East Cleveland, is united by our faith in Jesus Christ, celebrated through the Eucharist, inspired by the word of God and the example of the saints. We are committed to living the gospel through worship, education, caring for all people, and being a sign of Christ's presence.

Baptism: Arrangements are made by contacting a member of the parish staff or by calling the rectory office. Meeting with a priest / deacon before baptism is expected.

Marriage: Arrangements must be made 6 to 12 months prior to wedding. Please contact the parish office.

Initiation into the Catholic Community; Adults and families seeking entrance into the Catholic community are asked to contact Fr. Matthew Cortnik.

Religious Ed.: Sunday at 10:15am in the school. Please contact Mr. Joe Alto at jalto@communionofsaintsparish.org for info

FROM THE DESK OF FR. JOHN MCNULTY

I hope you had a blessed Christmas day with your families and friends. We continue this Christmas Season with the celebration of the **Feast of Holy Family**. This feast emphasizes the importance of families as the place where faith is nourished and where the love of Christ is experienced. Parents pass on the faith to their children by living the message of Christmas through prayer and worship. Children experience faith through the lives of parents, grandparents, and siblings. It is in the family unit that we learn to reference all life as reflective of God love. Ask God to bless your family and bless the family of this parish. May we all continue to share the message and joy of Christmas with everyone we encounter.

The Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, is Saturday, January 1, 2022 The obligation to participate at Mass on January 1st. is dispensed this year. There will be a Mass January 1st at 10:00 in St. Ann Church.

The Feast of the Epiphany is January 2nd. We will follow our usual Mass schedule: Saturday (Jan. 1) at 4:00 pm. (St. Ann Church) and Sunday (Jan. 2) at 9:00 and 11:00 am at St. Ann Church and 10:00 am at St. Philomena Church.

Thanks to all who donated gifts for those in need or participated in the Baby Bottle Project. Your care for those in need is commendable.

Thanks to the music ministries, readers, Eucharistic ministers, ushers and greeters, servers, decorators, and sacristans who gave of their time to enhance our liturgies this Christmas. We are slowly returning to normal.

The parish office is closed December 31, January 1, 2, and 3rd.

The calendars for 2022 are available at the entrances of the church. Thanks to Schulte-Mahon-Murphy Funeral Home for providing these calendars this year. It is greatly appreciated.

Have a blessed and peaceful 2022.

Merry Christmas!

Fr. John

KENTUCKY ASSISTANCE

Communities in Kentucky were devastated by the tornadoes that hit earlier this month. These tornadoes literally destroyed towns and communities and people in that state have been without housing, utilities, and food. Bishop Malesic is encouraging parishioners throughout our diocese to send financial assistance to the people of this state. **You are asked to send donations directly to Catholic Charities USA to <https://www.catholiccharities.us/campaign/ccusa-disaster-relief/c353051> or send a direct donation to *Catholic Charities USA, 2050 Ballenger Ave., Alexandria VA 22314***

Saturday, January 1st– The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (New Years Day)

Day: Jan 1st 10:00am St. Ann Church
(Please note that this Feast is not obligatory this year)

Sunday, January 2nd– Feast of the Epiphany

Vigil: Jan 1st 4:00pm St. Ann Church
9:00am St. Ann Church*
10:00am St. Philomena Church
11:00am St. Ann Church

* notes Masses that will be live-streamed

2022 MARCH FOR LIFE BUS TRIP

Leave Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, South Euclid at 7 AM, Thursday, January 20th, overnight stay at a Rockville, MD hotel, near the Metro. Ride Metro into DC Friday morning. Return home after the March for late night arrival in South Euclid. Bus fare is \$72.00. The rate per room is \$136.85. Sponsored by Holy Rosary Parish. Reservations and information: (216)932-9515 or heightsareaforlife@wowway.com . **Sign up now to guarantee room availability.** *** If you are unable to go yourself, consider a donation. ***

Calendar of **EVENTS**

- Sunday (12/26)**
Parish Office Closed
JR- Following Masses– Fair Trade Sales
WH-6:00pm-AA Meeting
- Monday (12/27)**
No School/ Parish Office Closed/ No Activities
CHA-Daily Rosary after Mass
- Tuesday (12/28) No School**
CHA-Daily Rosary after Mass
- Wednesday (12/29)**
No School
CHA-Daily Rosary after Mass
PMR-9:00am-Faith Sharing Group
WH-9:00am– Chair Yoga
WH-6:00pm– AA Meeting
- Thursday (12/30)**
No School
CHA-Daily Rosary after Mass
- Friday (12/31)**
No School
CHA-Daily Rosary after Mass
- Saturday (01/01) New Years Day**
Parish Office Closed
- Sunday (01/02)**
Parish Office Closed
JR- Following Masses– Fair Trade Sales
WH-6:00pm-AA Meeting

WH-Walsh Hall	R– Rectory
CHP– St. Philomena Church	CHA-St. Ann Church
FR– School Faculty Room	PMR-Parish Meeting Room

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER, those listed and all of the sick of our parish, their loved ones and caregivers. Please contact the parish office to add or remove a name.

Jerry Adams	Winifred Ivey	The Moon Family
Kenneth Armstrong	Judith Jackson	Stan Pajek
Sharon Barker	James Jefferis	John Panza
Michael Bender	Pat Kelley	Jan Payne
Kim Boyles	Lydia & Juan King	Ray Rhode
Diane Stricker	Charles Lamb	Manuel Salvador
Buening	Salvatore Lamont	Veronica Shanklin
Ginny Buettner	Frances Leach	Margaret Sidley
Joseph Buettner	Gloria Lee	Geraldine Singleton
Jeannette Bussey	Wendy & Greg Lewis	Bill Smoot
Kathryn Deskins	Joanne Lint	Vivian Soltes
Mike Feeney	Louise Lucas	R. J. Stanton
Patrick Feeney	Patrick Martin	Arlene Taylor
Verna Forrester	Lilyan Matuszak	Maddie Tripodi
Maria Fuscaldo	Mary McGowan	Michelle Triska
Danielle Goodridge	Susan McLaughlin	David Waldeck
Hayley Hargrove	Timothy McMonagle	Kathleen Warshaw
Jim Harless	Mary Meehan	Roy Wasson
Pike Hassink	Louisa Menefee	Ray Weigand
Roscoe Heath	Christopher Miller	John Winchester
Andrew Hudacko	Antonio Montinola	Pat Zippert
Mark Hoynes	Julia Montinola	

COMING SOON...

YOUNG ADULT GROUP COMING SOON!

Starting in early 2022, Communion of Saints, in collaboration with Holy Rosary parish will be creating a young adult group. This group is open to anyone interested who falls under the category of "young adult" (roughly 25-40), or those who just feel young at heart! If interested please email Joseph Alto at jalto@communionofsaintparish.org by January 1st. Also, please fill out a brief survey by visiting <https://forms.office.com/r/jN8bJitRPn>. The survey will also go out via Flocknote, if you do not see those messages or cannot otherwise access the survey, please contact Joe, or the parish office. We look forward to hearing from you!



BREAKTHROUGH MEETING REMINDER!
Sunday, January 9, 2022
10:15am-Upper Room

FISCAL YEAR 2021-22

December 19, 2021

Due to early publication deadlines this information was not available.

Thank you for continuing to support our parish needs and ministries during these challenging times.

Whether you have returned to Mass in person or not, the best option to donate is to sign up for **Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)**. Your participation in EFT allows the parish to better structure our budget. EFT enrollment forms are available by contacting the parish office.

Communion of Saints School

December is one of the school months that is full of activities, and this December certainly did not disappoint! Students at COS spent the month diving into their academics and looking forward to the many activities leading up to their Christmas break! During this season of Advent, all students from Preschool to 8th grade prepared for the coming of Jesus on Christmas Day. They learned about the Advent wreath, reflected on the meaning of each candle, and participated in student-led service projects. Students in grades 3-8 went to confession, and students in grades K-5 entertained us with seasonal songs and a performance of *Mary Had a Baby: The Nativity Story*.

We are so blessed to have your support, and we wish you a Very Merry Christmas and a Joyous New Year!



May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13

To find out how your child can become a student at Communion of Saints School please email me at Lpilla@communionofsaintsschool.org or email our administrative assistant, Kathy Borally at kborally@communionofsaintsschool.org

Christmas Blessings,
 Loretta Pilla
 Principal
 Communion of Saints School

PARISH ACTIVITIES & MINISTRIES

ALPHA In January, Communion of Saints will be offering the young adult/adult program, Alpha. Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. If you have any questions regarding Alpha, please check out Alpha's website: alpha.org.

CANVAS CATECHESIS WITH FR. MATT Join Fr. Matt for a weekly email on Mondays in which he will explain a piece of art in relation to a teaching of the Catholic faith! The goal is to have you receive a short reflection in order to grow in your knowledge of Catholicism through the arts. If you would like to be on the email list, send an email to mcortnik@communionofsaintsparish.org. You can always refrain from the emails at any time by letting Fr. Matt know.

PRISON MINISTRY: Thank you to everyone who continues to remember the our Prison Ministry through donations and prayers. At this time we ask that you please hold on to your donations until such time that we can get the items to those in need. Please continue to pray for all of those incarcerated and for those called to minister to them.

L.E.A.F. MINISTRY: Listening, Encouraging, and Assisting Families of the incarcerated is a ministry supporting families and loved ones of the incarcerated, irrespective of faith affiliation. Meetings are held at COS in the Parish Meeting Room at St. Ann Church on the **3rd Monday** of every month. For more information visit www.leafministry.org or

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

December 26, 2021

- * 9:00 am (CHA) Dorothy McMahon
- 10:00 am (CHP) Dylan Matthews
- 11:00 am (CHA) Guadalupe de Leon

Weekday Masses at St. Ann Church

- Monday (12/27) St. John, Apostle and Evangelist**
8:00 am Sam Guerrero
- Tuesday (12/28) The Holy Innocents, Martyrs**
8:00 am Unborn Children in danger of abortion
- Wednesday (12/29) Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**
8:00 am Jim McNulty
- Thursday (12/30) Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**
8:00 am Fr. Anthony Cassese
- Friday (12/31) Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**
8:00 am William McNulty
- Saturday (01/01) The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord; Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**
10:00am (CHP) CoS Parishioners
4:00pm (CHA) CoS Parishioners
- Sunday (01/02) Epiphany of the Lord**
* 9:00 am (CHA) Mada Helou (Living)
10:00 am (CHP) Mary Ann Morth and Family
11:00 am (CHA) Nancy McDonald

* These Masses will be live streamed on the parish website

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember in your prayers all couples celebrating wedding anniversaries. To add your anniversary to the list please call the Rectory.

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

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