

St. Olaf, Patron of Norway Catholic Church December 26, 2021 - The Feast of the Holy Family

CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENTS

Baptism (Infant): Preparation for parents is required and offered four times a year. Celebrations are scheduled privately or during the weekend Masses. Parents should be registered in the parish.

Sick, Homebound and Hospital Visits: Anyone requesting visits or Anointing of the Sick should notify the office. Due to the privacy laws, hospitals and care institutions are prohibited from disclosing patient information. We depend on receiving requests from family or caregivers.

Matrimony: Couples wishing to be married should contact a priest or deacon at least six months before the wedding. Couples may reserve St. Olaf church for a wedding up to twelve months prior. See the parish website for marriage guidelines and the form to request a wedding date.

ARE YOU NOT CATHOLIC BUT INTERESTED IN BECOMING ONE?: Baptized and unbaptized children of catechetical age (7-18 years old) and adults are initiated through a special rites of Christian Initiation. If you have questions about becoming a Catholic or wish to begin the process, please contact the office. Religious Education and Sacramental Preparation (children and youth): The parish assists parents as the primary catechists of their children by offering programs of Christian formation and sacramental education. Preparation for First Confession; First Eucharist and Confirmation are separate from regular religious education, but presume that candidates are active in religious education programs. Registration forms are available in the parish commons.

Stewardship: Catholics are encouraged to support the Church in time, talent and treasure in measure of the blessings they have received from God. Financial contributions are the primary source from which parishes and dioceses can offer programs of assistance and evangelization, as well as provide for facilities for worship and ministry. Registered parishioners can contribute online, by mail or through the offertory envelope system which will track contributions for tax purposes. We thank you for your generous support.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday: 5:30 pm; Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am is live streamed DAILY MASS SCHEDULE Tuesday, Wednesday live streamed, Thursday and Friday, live streamed: 10am; RECONCILIATION: Friday 11am and Saturday 4:30pm ADORATION: First Thursday of the month 10:30am to 5:30pm

104 Norge Lane, Williamsburg, VA 23188: Telephone: 757-564-3819; Email: office@stolaf.cc Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30am-3:30pm; Friday 8:30am-1:00pm Please see our parish website www.stolaf.cc for more information.

Saint Olaf, Patron of Norway Catholic Church

Williamsburg, VA 2

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 26, 2021

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

Mass-CH	
Mass-Live Streamed-CH	

8-9am	
10-11am	

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27-Holiday, Office Closed

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28-Holiday, Office Closed NO MASS AT 10AM

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

Rosary before Mass	9:30-10am
Mass	10-10:30am
Wednesday Women's Group-PH1	10:40am-12:30pm

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30

Mass-CH	10-10:30am
Knitters-CO	10:30am-12:30pm

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31 - Holiday Office Closed

Vigil Mass-S	olemnity	of Mary t	he Mo	other of G	od-CH	5:30-6:30pm
SATURDAY	, JANUA	-			Year	

Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God-CH Mass-CH 10-11am SUNDAY, JANUARY 2

Mass-CH 8-9am Mass-Live Streamed-CH 10-11am

CO-Commons; CFR-Christian Formation Room; KofC-Knights of Columbus; SR-Sun Room; Chapel; RR-Reconciliation Room; CH-Church; PH1-Parish Hall Front, PH2-Parish Hall Back



Remember us, O God; from age to age be our comforter. You have given us the wonder of time, blessings in days and nights, seasons and years. Bless your children at the turning of the year and fill the months ahead with the bright hope that is ours in the coming of Christ.

You are our God, living and reigning, forever and ever. R/. Amen.



(This schedule is subject to change if there is a funeral or a celebrant is unavailable.)

Saturday, Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday Thursday,	12-25 12-26 12-28 , 12-29 12-30	5:30pm 8am 10am 10am Noon 10am	 † Mary Deweey Parishioners Living and Deceased † Benzie Dacquel NO MASS-OFFICE CLOSED † Carol Workman † Jeanette Trabucco
Friday, Saturday,	12-31 1-1	4pm 10am	† Hank Denning Parishioners Living and Deceased
Sunday,	1-2	8am	† Paul L. Schultz
		10am	† David Reed

BAPTISM A time to be born. Please take a moment this week to pray; For everything there is a season and a time for every

PRAY FOR A time to heal. We pray for all the sick of our parish.

Pam Hunt

Abigail Beyer Charlotte Brennan Marvin Braman Janice Bryant Ron Bryant John Burns Bill Cripe Mary Cripe Sabrina Crocetta Hannah Easop Janine Eustace Mary Eustace Dana Richards Garbus Maureen Gentempo David & Jaan Harris Grace Hogan

Peggy Johnston Jamie Kowaleski Marie Lakatosh Earlyne Leary Rita Mannarino Barbara MacKenzie Margaret McGlynn Tony Melzer Geoffrey Meyers Joan Nancoz Chris O'Brien Aimee Potash Maria J. Powers Asucion Rodrigues Geoffrey Stephan Pat Sullivan Tom Sullivan Gene Swann Joan B. Treacy Mary Tucci Ethan Thompson Perry Turner Nancy Walker Inese Wallace Katelyn Ward Charlie Whitley Thomas Woodka Rev. George Zahn

IN MEMORY A time to die...May our beloved deceased rest in the Lord's eternal peace.

Rea	dings for the week of December 26, 2021
Sunday:	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Col 3:12-21; Lk 2:41-52
Monday:	1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Tuesday:	1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18
Wednesday:	1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
Thursday:	1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40
Friday:	1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13; Jn 1:1-18
Saturday:	Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Next Sunday:	ls 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

STAFF

Reverend Thomas E. Mattingly-Pastor Reverend Mr. Edward (Ed) Handel-Deacon Reverend Mr. R. (Tom) Thompson-Deacon Reverend Mr. Neil Zachary-Deacon Reverend Mr. Donald (Don) Fox-Deacon Tom Hipple-Business Manager Terri Chang-Coordinator of Christian Formation Ann Mattio-Coordinator of Youth and Youth Adult Ministry Keara Parciak-Director of Liturgy and Music Margaret O'Brien-Parish Secretary

FOOD PANTRY

Mark Sink-Facility Maintenance Coordinator

Donna Hamilton-757-903-2868; Hours: Monday through Friday 10am-12pm; First Friday of the month 5-7pm

Nancy Moran-Accountant

OFFERTORY

	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	
	FYE 2022	FYE 2021	DIFFERENCE
July-Nov '21	\$419,300.38	\$358,103.32	\$61,197.06
Dec 4-5, '21	16,068.17	11,724.95	4,343.22
Dec 11-12, '21	12,909.50	10,747.30	2,162.20
Dec 18-19, '21*	**		
Dec 25-26, 21			
July-Dec '21	<u>\$448,278.05</u>	<u>\$380,575.57</u>	<u>\$67,702.48</u>
	DEBT REDUCTION	OUTREACH	
July– Nov'21	\$79,683.35	\$32,303.00	
Dec 4-5, '21	10,405.00	5,55.00	
Dec 11-12, '21	1,965.00	1,160.00	
Dec 18-19, '21*	**		
Dec 25-26, '21			
July-Novembe	r '21 <u>\$92,053.35</u>	<u>\$38,818.00</u>	
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***Includes Electronic Giving for the Month Thank you for your generosity.

Collection amounts for the weekends of 18-19 and 25-26 December will be reported in the January 9th bulletin.

Would you like to register in the Parish?

It's easy to do. Registration forms are available in the Commons on the information wall and in the Parish Hall to the left of the double doors as you exit the Hall. You may fill out your form and hand it to an usher, place it in the collection basket or mail the registration form to the office at 104 Norge Lane, Williamsburg, VA 23188. You may also visit our parish office and fill out your registration while you're here. No matter how you choose to register, we welcome you to the St. Olaf parish family.





Online Giving Reminder: If you manage your bills online, you can give to St. Olaf online too. It's safe and secure, and you decide exactly when your gift is made

and where it goes. Online Giving lets you set up recurring weekly offertory and special collections gifts, so you will be able to give the way you want—even if you've forgotten your envelope. Getting started is easy! Please visit www.stolaf.cc and click on the **Donate Online button.** For your convenience second collections now have a WeShare button.



Thank you to all who have continued to mail, drop off and use WeShare for your donations. If you can continue to contribute we greatly appreciate your support.

<u>Here is how you can support St. Olaf:</u> Online at: https:; ; stolaf-Williamsburg.wesharelonline.org;

Safe Environment: St. Olaf Church is committed to provide a safe environment. During Mass, our ushers are instructed to be vigilant for irregular situations, and to act according to diocesan policy and the advice of local law enforcement. If you see something suspicious, please report it to an usher.

Financing Church and Commons (Construction			
(Thousands)				
Total Project Cost				\$4,972
Construction Loan needed to complete Project 3-1-2018				\$1,761
Construction Loan	Interest	Principal	Balance	
Original Balance 3-1-2018			\$1,761	
Payments Made Through12-1-2021	157	787		
Additional Principal Payment Through 12-1-2021		<u>590</u>		
Balance on Construction Loans 12-1-2021				\$384
(1) Living Our Mission pledges will be used for construction loan payments.				



MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL FORMATION: Thank you for a great first semester! Enjoy your holiday!

- Classes will resume on January 9, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
- Upcoming classes: January 9, 16, 23, 30; February 6, 20; March 6, 13, 20, 27; April 3, 10, 24

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION CLASSES will resume on January 12, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

- Upcoming classes: January 12, 19, 26; February 2, 9, 16, 23
- Confirmation Retreat Feb. 25th 27th

In accordance with Diocesan guidelines, upon arrival to all classes, all attendees will sign in, temperature check, use sanitizer and maintain social distancing. Unless otherwise noted, all attendees must wear a mask while inside the building.

COVECREST SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITY FOR HIGH

SCHOOL STUDENTS: What is Covecrest? Covecrest is a retreat center and summer camp. It is a community of Catholics committed to transforming teens, transforming parishes, and transforming culture. Covecrest is a part of the Life Teen movement, whose mission is to lead teens closer to Christ through prayer, activities and fellowship. Come join us!

- When: August 1st August 6th
- Where: Tiger, GA
- Cost: \$560 per student / chaperone
- Payment schedule will be available. We will be driving to Camp Covecrest. We are still in the process of finalizing details.
- Only 10 slots available for students! Sign up today! We are also looking for 3 chaperones (at least 1 male and 1 female needed) to come along!
- Contact us at <u>stolafteensforchrist@gmail...</u> to sign up or for more information.







As a safety precaution, all parents will sign their student(s) out at the end of classes. Students will gather in the Parish Hall after Mass and grades 4 & 5 will move to meet in spaces off the Commons after Fellowship.

First Reconciliation Preparation Classes introduce the children to the belief of being forgiven for their sins and becoming closer to God.

Children's Reconciliation will be offered on January 8th, January 22nd and February 19th. Preparation classes must be completed before the Sacrament of Reconciliation can be received.

Please contact Terri Chang at <u>TChang@stolaf.cc</u> for questions about first sacraments.

Train the young in the way they should go; even when old, they will not swerve from it. Proverbs 22:16



New Year's Resolutions We tend to think of habits that benefit ourselves such as losing weight, quitting smoking and being organized. In 2022, let us all make an effort to show our love for God by doing what He has called upon us to do and help others.

If you have an idea for a ministry that would specifically benefit others, please let us know! For example, a group could be organized to drive parishioners to Mass who otherwise would not be able to attend or a group who offers babysitting services for families who can't afford to hire a babysitter regularly.

"each looking out not for his own interests, but [also] everyone for those of others." Philippians 2:4

Women Faith Sharing Group Using prayer, shared experiences and explorations of faith, women come together to enhance each other's lives. Group meets on Wednesdays and the next meeting will be on January 5th, 2022, at 10:40 am in the Parish Hall. The group will start <u>Life Is Messy</u> by Matthew Kelly and the discussion will be about pilgrimage experiences. Bring a friend!

The Great Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation Bible Study will resume on January 18, 2022, with session 11: Royal Kingdom Part 1.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is an ongoing process for those 7 years and older who are unbaptized or adults who want to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church through Confirmation and Eucharist. The group meets on Thursdays and the next meeting will be on January 6th, 2022, at 7:00 pm in the Commons. Please join us if you are interested.



St. Olaf is pleased to announce an exciting new ministry that will bring hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. Surviving Divorce features twelve video presentations that cover topics such as shock and grief, anger and forgiveness, money issues, dealing with children and a former spouse, and annulment and remarriage. This program is for the newly separated and divorced and those still struggling with issues many years later. It will help them find answers to their questions, restore their hope, and begin authentic healing.

This program is based on the teachings of the Catholic Church and is open to anyone who needs comfort, counsel, and clarity after divorce.

Classes will be from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. on the following dates:

January 24, 31; February 7, 28; March 7, 14, 21, 28; April 4, 11. 25, May - 2

A sign-up will be available via Flocknote, St. Olaf's email communication system. If you are not yet signed up for Flocknote, you can do so at <u>stolafchurch.flocknote...</u>.

(Save the date) REDISCOVERING MATRIMONY: FROM WHOLENESS TO HOLINESS St. Olaf Catholic Church Saturday, January 15, 2021 (6:45-8:45pm)

Engaged and married couples are invited to reflect upon the gift and grace of Matrimony and rediscover how it is designed to bring healing and holiness in everyday life. Deacon Marques Silva of the Diocese of Arlington will lead an evening of fun, faith and spirituality.

Whether you are just starting out in your marriage or have celebrated many years together, come have some fun and share your experiences to help marriages thrive.

There will be a simple supper following the 5:30p Saturday Mass, leading into the evening program.

Deacon Marques Silva with 20+ years of marriage will share his experiences of strengthening the marriage bonds through growth in spirituality for each individually and as a couple.

Watch for how to sign up in the bulletin.

WANT TO KNOW THE LATEST HAPPENINGS AT ST. OLAF? GET UP INFORMATION **NEW** TODATE ON PROGRAMS, MASS TIME CHANGES, WEATHER CLOSINGS AND MORE BY JOINING FLOCKNOTES. Follow the directions below and your will either receive text messages or emails (your choice). If you don't want to continue just click stop. You won't hear from Flocknotes again!

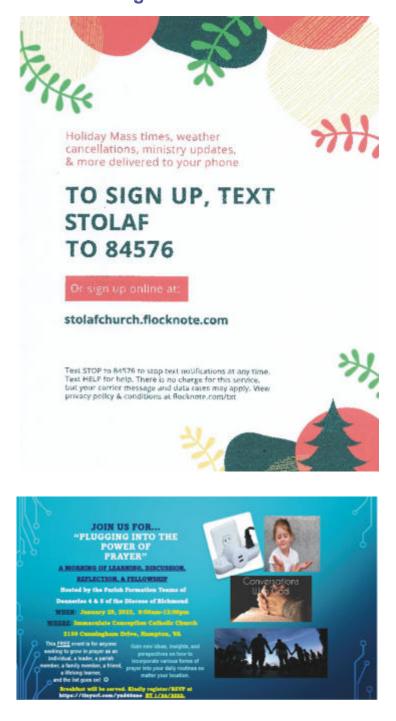


PHOTO MOSAIC: In anticipation of the 30th Anniversary of St. Olaf Parish, we want to celebrate the collective role our parishioners play in creating the foundation of our church family. We are creating a photo mosaic that will be hung in the Parish Hall.

Please submit a digital photo of you and/or your family using the form linked to via the website or QR code below.

Note we will be conducting a series of "photo opportunities" after Masses in the coming months to assist those who want a picture taken and included in the mosaic --we'll take care of the technology for you!



Please upload your photo by January 31, 2022.

If you already have a g-mail account, please use this photo submission form: https://forms.gle/ e7vpxNC1AB2CWUgm8 or the QR code below.

If you do NOT have a g-mail account, send an email with your photo to: stolafphotomosaic@gmail.com Please be sure to include the head of household name, address, phone number, and along with an attached JPEG photo named name, address, phone number, and along with an attached JPEG photo named "YourLastName.jpg".

Please email stolafphotomosaic@gmail.com with any questions.



LINEN MINISTRY: How would you like to give of your time and work from the comfort of your Home?

We're in need of a few helping hands with the Linen Ministry. Each weekend a linen minister takes the soiled linens home and returns them the following weekend, freshly cleaned and pressed. We're a flexible group and always delighted to welcome new ministers. Training is provided. Please contact the church office, Colleen Kurdziolek; St. Olaf Linen Ministry Coordinator.



COFM HOMELESS SHELTER SEASON 2021-2022

St. Olaf will be partnering with Life Church on 4451 Longhill Road (across the Lafayette H.S.) from Sunday afternoon January 2, 2022 to

Wednesday morning January 5, 2022. Volunteers are needed for Set-up, Check-in, Check-out, Overnight Security, Cooks and Servers at Life Church. For more information or to sign up, please contact Terry Goodell @ tsgoodell@cox.net or #757.869.0118. To sign up for food/meals, Text Jeneen Hougton at #757.746.3869. Thank you for your commitment to this ministry.



<u>Knights Corner</u> <u>Knights of Columbus News</u> St. Olaf Council 12589

Interested in joining? If you would like to join our council, please see one of our Brothers or contact our Grand Knight, Alfred Gee, 757-289-5340 ; aggee@cox.net

<u>K of C web site</u> Visit the Knights of Columbus website at: <u>kofc.org</u> to learn more about the Knights of Columbus. Members are Catholic men, 18 years of age or older, who are committed to making their community a better place while supporting their church.

General Meeting: General membership meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. The next general meeting will be January 4, 2022 in Parish Hall 2.

<u>Officers' Meeting:</u> Monthly officers' meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. Next meeting will be January 18th in Parish Hall 2.

<u>For Your Consideration: Give Back</u> <u>Through Your IRA;</u> <u>It Will be December 31st</u> <u>Before You Know it!</u>

During this time of giving, a distribution from your IRA is a great way to give back to the Church! Did you know: if you are 72 or older, you can make your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your IRA straight to our parish.

Giving through your IRA is EASY! To learn how you can make an impact through your IRA right now, contact your financial advisor or Maggie Keenan at the Catholic Community Foundation - 804-622-5221 or mkeenan@richmonddiocese.org.

IMPORTANT: Please make your gift as soon as possible so you can ensure it is received by December 31st, 2021!



SPECIAL AND HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER

<u>Sunday, December 26</u> No Saturday Vigil Sunday, December 26th 8am and 10am

Friday December 31, Vigil of the Feast of Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Mother of God 5:30pm

Saturday January 1, 2022 Feast of Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God 10am

<u>Sunday, January 2</u> No Saturday Vigil Sunday, January 2, 2022 8am and 10am



FOOTSTEPS OF PAUL GREECE PILGRIMAGE

August 23 – September 2, 2022 Lead by Fr. Tom Mattingly, St. Olaf Catholic Church

Fr. Tom Mattingly will be leading a pilgrimage to Greece, August 23 – September 2, 2022.

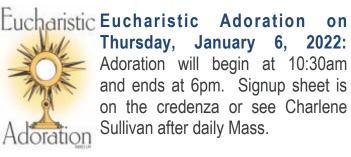
The pilgrimage will include visits to sites associated with St. Paul, such as Athens, Corinth, Thessalonica (Greece) and Ephesus (Turkey). The pilgrimage will include a 3-day Greek Cruise. All-inclusive package costs \$4,199 double occupancy. For more information, email <u>tmattingly@stolaf.cc</u>



The Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, is a Holy Day of Obligation Two Masses will be celebrated, one a Vigil Mass on Friday

December 31, 2021 at 5:30pm, and one at 10am on Saturday, January 1, 2021.

THERE WILL BE NO SATURDAY VIGIL MASS, MASSES ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 2ND ARE AT 8AM AND 10AM





Adoption

Four Month Developing Baby: Well, your little baby now weighs 6 ounces. He has fingernails and eyelashes. He has his own unique finger prints which will remain unchanged throughout his life. His tastebuds are working. His sense of hearing is

present at 14 weeks. There are no major bodily developments anymore; all he needs now is time to gain weight and grow strong.

The Mass Intention Book for 2022 is available for your Mass intentions. Stop by the office to reserve your Mass Intentions for the Year. Mass stipend is \$10.

