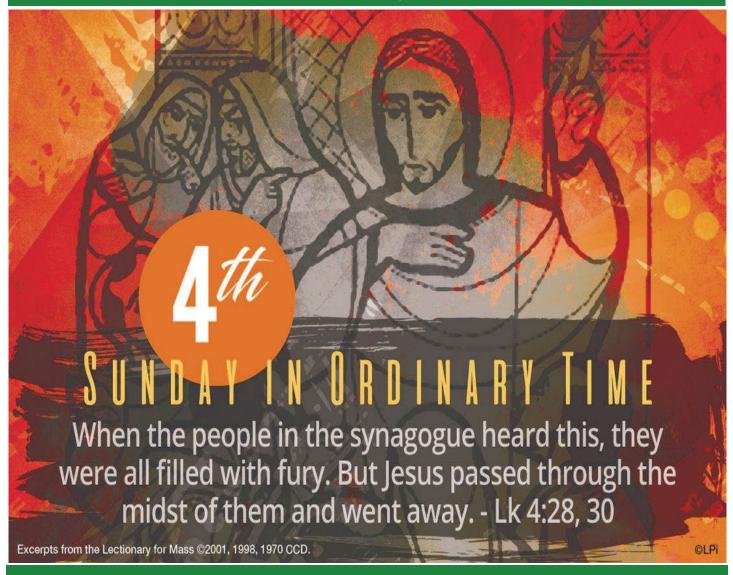


JANUARY 30, 2022



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DAILY Mass Schedule: Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 7:45 A.M.

Wednesdays at NOON

WEEKEND Mass Schedule: Saturday evenings at 5:00 P.M.

Sunday mornings at 7:00 A.M., 8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

Mass Schedule & Intentions

MONDAY, JANUARY 31
6:20 A.M. JOHN PANKHURST RIP
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

7:45 A.M. LYMAN NORDEN RIP

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

12:00 NOON CHIRI L. PETTINATO RIP

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3

7:45 A.M. VITA GIANGROSO RIP

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4

8:15 A.M. JOSEPH ANTHONY LORINO RIP

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5

5:00 P.M. IHS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6

7:00 A.M. PRO POPULO

8:30 A.M. IHS

11:00 A.M. IHS

*To schedule a baptism, please call the church office.

*For privacy reasons, when requesting pastoral care for the sick or dying, or to give notice of death, an immediate family member must notify the church office directly at 205-991-5488.

*Marriage preparations must be made at least six months in advance. Please call the church office.

Requests for the OLV Prayer Chain can be submitted through the church website

www.olvchurchbirmingham.com or by sending an email to Kirk Sanford k.sanford@bellsouth.net

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 30, 2022

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/

1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk

5:21-43

Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-

8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 30, 2022

Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Celebrate Catholic Schools Week

Monday: St. John Bosco, Priest

Wednesday: The Presentation of the Lord; World Day for Consecrated Life

Thursday: St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop

Saturday: St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

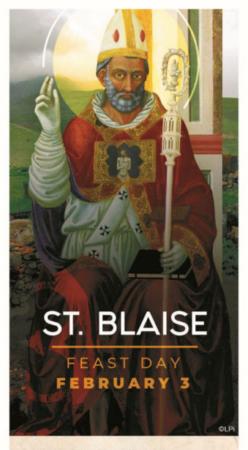
Next Sunday: 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Paul Miki and Companions,

Martyrs

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Prophets possess an intimate knowledge of God and act on their experience of God. Prophetic messages usually challenge the status quo and draw us up and out of ourselves, focusing us on the bigger picture. We often think of ourselves and our own needs first. When we listen to someone speak, we judge the merit of the message by its degree of usefulness. If the message or vision contains no personal benefit or profit but a call to stretch and grow, we can become indignant. Prophets are usually the ones whose message challenges us and calls us to see things differently and love more perfectly and deeply. God is love. When listening to St. Paul speak about love we witness the unfolding of this type of unconditional, other centered, self-sacrificial perfect God. It is an invitation to life, freedom, and happiness that can be offered to us only by God. Jesus, who is God and Love incarnate, calls us to this richer expression of love. Are we ready to listen and be challenged and stretched?



SAINT OF THE WEEK

You may be familiar with the annual "blessing of throats" that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr. St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.

History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

Today we remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

PRAYERS



MARY'S CORNER

Our Lady the Most Blessed Sacrament

Virgin Immaculate, perfect lover of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, we ask you to obtain for us the graces we need to become true adorers of our Eucharistic God. Grant us, we beg of you, to know Him better, to love Him better, and to center our lives around the Eucharist, that is, to make our whole life a constant prayer of adoration, thanksgiving, reparation, and petition to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Amen

- V. Pray for us, O Virgin Immaculate, our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament
- R. That the Eucharistic Kingdom of Jesus Christ may come among us!

We offer our prayers and sympathy to:

Jane Stone and Elaine Giroux on the death of their brother, Frank Miller, on December 8, 2021.



Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



Gracious and Loving God, Help the men and women of the Diocese of Birmingham hear your call to serve. Our needs are great and our people thirst for your presence. Open the hearts of many, raise up faithful servants of the Gospel. Dedicated holy sisters, brothers, deacons and priests, who will give themselves for your people and their needs. Bless

those who are serving now with courage and perseverance. Grant that many will be inspired by their example and faith. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who is the same, yesterday, today and forever. R. Mary, Mother of Vocations V. Pray for us

Prayer Opportunities for all Parishioners:

Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

All are welcome to join in prayer every Tuesday following 7:45am Mass in the Church for the Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help.

Rosary

Join in praying the rosary in honor of Our Lady at 7:15 am on Tuesdays and Thursdays prior to 7:45am Mass in the church.

Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is available to all, in the chapel, on the first Friday of each month from 7:00 a.m. until 12:00 a.m. (Midnight), and on the first Saturday from 7:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.



STEWARDSHIP & MUSIC NEWS

Memorial:

A donation has been made to Our Lady of the Valley in memory of **Polly Stewart** by Marty Mauldin.



For Our Lady of the Valley Grief Support, please contact Judy Harder at 205-903-5414 or 205-995-0825

REMEMBRANCE OF DECEASED PRIESTS & DEACONS DIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM FEBRUARY 2022

As you remember these humble servants of God who served the people of our Diocese, please say a prayer that they are enjoying the fruits of their labors.

Feb. 1st---1929-----Msgr. Patrick L. Mahony

Feb. 4th---2007-----Rev. Crescenzio DeFazio

Feb. 5th---2017-----Deacon Mark N. Squires

Feb. 8th ---1975-----Rev. Daniel O'Reilly

Feb. 9th ---2005-----Deacon William Francis Taffee, Jr.

Feb. 11th ---1972-----Rev. John H. Stack

Feb. 15th ---2013-----Deacon R. William Steltemeier

Feb. 15th---2014-----Deacon Michael E. Branch

Feb. 22nd---1991-----Rev. Bernard Mulcahy

Feb. 23rd---2004-----Deacon Hugh O'Brien

Feb. 26th---2018-----Rev. J. Peter Sheehan

Feb. 27th---1986-----Msgr. Edwin J. Bobe

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(capital expenditures)

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Century Club:

(repair & maintenance fund)

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(1/19/2022–1/24/2022)

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RENEW OLV!

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Century Club:

\$9.55

MUSIC MINISTRY.

Adult Choir:

Wednesday, February 2, 2022

6:30 p.m. Rehearsal: Church

Valley Worship Youth Band:

*Rehearsals and Masses TBA

Children's Choir:

Wednesday, February 2, 2022

3:30 p.m. Rehearsal: Church

A **POOR BOX** has been placed in the chapel and church for acts of almsgiving - one of the Seven Corporal Works of Mercy. **Please donate generously.**

Fr. Kelly will distribute these funds to assist the needy in our area.



SAVE THE DATE



OLV Knights Of Columbus

Proudly Present the Annual

FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE!

- Date: Saturday, February 12th
- Time: 6:00pm to 8:30p
- Place: The OLV Social Hall
- · Cost: Fathers \$12.00

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Money due at the Door.

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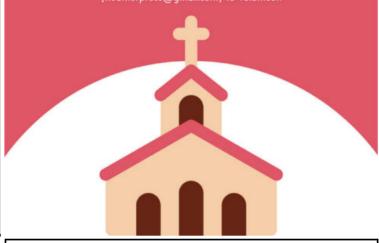
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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Mark your calendar! Adult and youth volunteers needed! VBS will be for rising K-rising 5th grade.

IUNE 13-17 2022

We are bringing VBS back this summer. We are looking for leaders in all areas. Please email Melanie Norman (melanie@thenormanclan.com or Heather Rose (heatherprose@amail.com) to valunteer.



Middle School Youth Group

SUNDAY, 2/13 5:30-7:30

Super Bowl Party and gym fun til halftime

SUNDAY, 2/27 4:30-6:30

Mardi Gras Celebration at the Church

SUNDAY, 3/13 4:30-6:30

Easter Escape Room at the Church

UPCOMING EVENTS

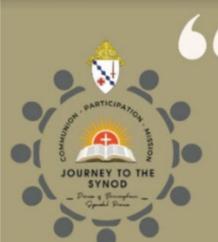
Coming Soon OLV Altar Sodality Bake Sale **CALLING**

ALL BAKERS! The Altar Sodality Bake Sale will be held February 12th & 13th. Consider making your family favorite to help make this sale a success. Proceeds from the Bake Sale are used to purchase

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Lafourcade at olvaltarsodality@gmail.com.



COMMUNITY NEWS



You are invited to dialogue

Your Church wants to hear your voice!







What are synodal dialogues?

Pope Francis has invited all the People of God into a special period of dialogue, listening to the Holy Spirit and to one another to discover how we can more closely and fruitfully journey together as the Body of Christ.

How do I get involved?

Father Kelly invites all to a special dialogue session convened by Bishop Raica for the people of our parish community and those within our parish boundaries, and other parishes in our region.

Save the date, and make plans to join the dialogue!

Where can I go to learn more?

To learn more about this period of prayerful consultation, please visit:

http://bhmdiocese.org/synod

Any parishioner who is interested in participating in this dialogue session, please contact Mark Woodard at 205-784-7586 or email him at mwoodard@olvsch.com

UPCOMING EVENT

February 5, 2022 An Evening with John Angotti



All are invited to a free dinner and liturgical music concert!

On Saturday, **February 5**th, we are excited to welcome John back to lead our Confirmation students on their Confirmation retreat! After the 5pm Mass, a free dinner will be served in the social hall, with donations accepted for OLV Youth Ministry. After dinner, John will offer a free concert at 7:00 pm.

Make plans to join your parish family at this event!

John Angotti is a full time music missionary who travels throughout many parts of the world providing inspirational music and witness to all ages through concerts, workshops, retreats, missions, conferences, and worship. He is originally from Clarksburg, WV and now resides in Nashville, TN. He is a graduate of West Virginia University, and the US Military School of Music, where he was a member of the US Navy Band as lead vocalist. John received his Master's Degree in Pastoral Studies from Catholic Theological Union in Chicago in 2013.

John's message is clear: There is hope, healing, and truth with the love of God. With the style of today and the truth of the ancient, Angotti expresses hope and love for those longing for a deeper relationship with God. "My passion these days is to not only provide music for worship, but music that sings of the true witness of my experience of Christ in my life, that leads me to the table in faith. I have found that people relate through both music and testimony. All of us have a cross, even though we try to hide it. But there is no hiding place from God who is with us all the time." With the style and likes of Billy Joel and Elton John, John Angotti delivers a dynamic blend of contemporary styles and meaningful lyrics, leading him to be granted awards for "Male Vocalist of the Year," "Pop/Contemporary," and "Praise and Worship Album of the Year." His powerful voice and writing style includes contemporary rock, pop, and Latin rhythms, along with his ability to give new life to traditional classic in chant and classical genres.

MARCH FOR LIFE

The 2022 March for Life in Washington, D.C. was an awesome experience. I would like to thank Fr. Kelly for his continued support of our youth and for sending us off with a blessing. And we could not have made this trip without the help of our chaperones Melanie Norman and Angela Daily. The day of the march began at the hotel with a great group bible study, lead by Angela who was filled with the Holy Spirit that morning. Our youth thoroughly enjoyed the speakers at the rally; and that evening, back at the hotel, I could not help but to be moved to tears of joy as I listened to the youth share their thoughts on what the day and this trip meant to them. I am passionate about our youth and seeing them grow in their faith through our youth meetings, Wednesday morning bible studies and trips like this. All high school aged youth of the parish are welcome to join us at anytime. Please feel free to call me with any questions or for more information about our youth groups here at OLV. Sincerely, Mark Woodard 205-784-7586











FORMED

Our Lady of the Valley is a partner in an exciting 24/7 online web-based digital formation platform called **FORMED.org**, produced by the Augustine Institute and Ignatius Press. It is fast, easy and free to register — just visit formed.org and sign up! Have you wanted to be able to share more with others but felt you were lacking in knowledge? Through this content you will be able to not only learn more about the Catholic faith but also go deeper and strengthen your own relationship with God.

FORMED is designed to help adults (and children!) grow in their faith at all levels – how we think, how we pray, and how we live. Better yet, access is **FREE** to all parishioners and their families or friends anywhere, anytime on computers, tablets, or phones.

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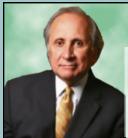
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