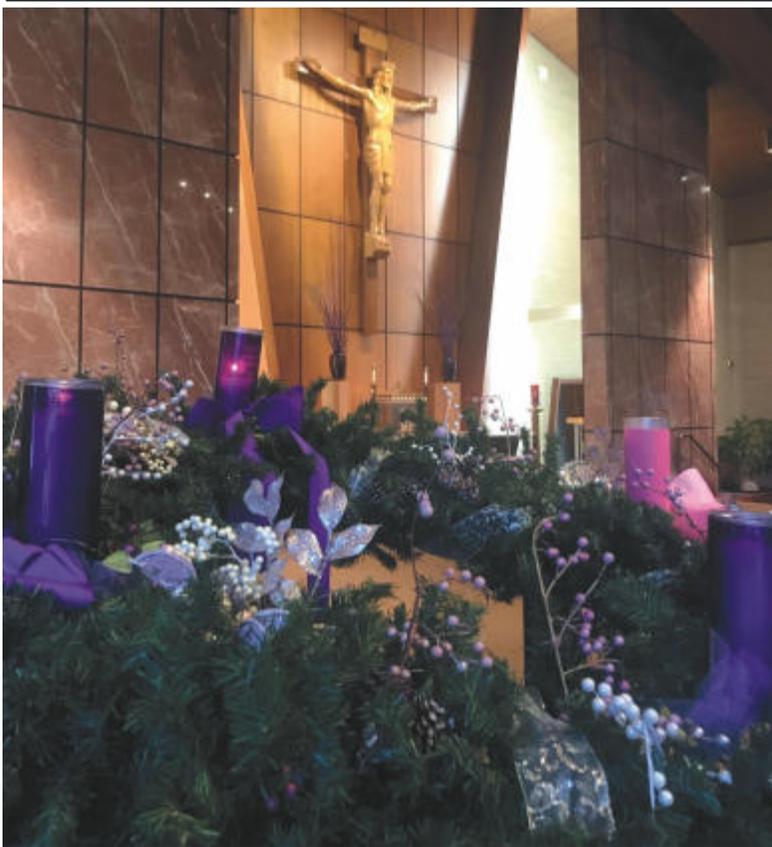




# SAINT PAUL PARISH

MAKING & STRENGTHENING CHRISTIANS



## Welcome to St. Paul Parish

To register and become a member of St. Paul:  
Please fill out the registration form online at: [stpaulnky.org](http://stpaulnky.org)  
or call the Parish Office at 859-371-8051.

- ◇ 7301 Dixie Highway, Florence Ky. 41042-2126
- ◇ Mailing Address: P.O. Box 366, Florence Ky. 41022
  - ◇ [www.stpaulnky.org](http://www.stpaulnky.org)
  - ◇ [stpaul@stpaulnky.org](mailto:stpaul@stpaulnky.org)
  - ◇ Phone: 859-371-8051
- ◇ Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 9:30AM-2:30PM
  - ◇ Weekly Bulletin Deadline: Every Tuesday,  
9:30AM—send to [stpaul@stpaulnky.org](mailto:stpaul@stpaulnky.org)
- ◇ Online Giving: [saintpaulflorence.weshareonline.org](http://saintpaulflorence.weshareonline.org)

## Parish Clergy

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Jason Bertke  
Deacon: Rev. Mr. Nicholas J. Schwartz  
Deacon: Rev. Mr. Thomas Kathman  
Deacon: Rev. Mr. Scott Folz

## PARISH SCHEDULE

### Monday, December 6

Mass 8:15AM: SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF  
MARK BROWN AND FAMILY  
Communal Rosary 8:45AM— Church

### Tuesday, December 7

Mass 8:15AM: VERN GROTHAUS  
Communal Rosary 8:45AM— Church  
Walking with Purpose 9:15AM—PC 171  
Walking with Purpose 6:30PM—PC 171  
RCIA 7PM—PC 173  
Vigil Mass 7PM: TOM ERPENBECK

### Wednesday, December 8: Parish Office Closed

#### Immaculate Conception of Mary

Mass 8:15AM: KEVIN JOSEPH KENNY  
Communal Rosary 8:45AM— Church  
Mass 12:10: TOM ERPENBECK  
Children's Choir Practice 6PM—Choir Loft  
Religious Education 7PM

### Thursday, December 9

Mass 8:15AM: TOM ERPENBECK  
Communal Rosary 8:45AM— Church  
Holy Hour 6PM—Church

### Friday, December 10

Mass 8:15AM: MARGARET ANN CARNES  
Communal Rosary 8:45AM— Church

### Saturday, December 11

Mass 8:15AM: JOSEPH MCCARTHY  
St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 9AM—PC 171  
Confessions 3:30-4:30PM— Church  
Mass 5PM: STEVE ELMLINGER

### Sunday, December 12

Mass 9AM: DAVID BOH  
Adult Choir Practice 10AM—Choir Loft  
Mass 11AM: FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH



# December 5, 2021 2nd Sunday of Advent

## Introductory Rites

During these initial ritual moments, the assembly becomes one in mind, heart, and voice in the worship of the Eternal Triune God.

## The Procession and Entrance Hymn

The ministers, Deacon and Priest enter the church. The assembly turns and watches with expectancy as the Word of God enters. When the Deacon and Priest reach the sanctuary, they make a profound reverence toward the tabernacle out of respect and reverence for the sacramental presence of the Lord contained therein. Then, they approach the altar of sacrifice and kiss it, for it is a symbol of Christ himself.

## Sign of the Cross

To make the sign of the cross, use your right hand and as the priest says "In the name of the Father," touch your fingertips to your forehead. Then as he says "and of the Son," touch your fingertips of your right hand to the middle of your chest near your heart. Lastly, as he says, "and of the Holy," touch your fingertips to your left shoulder and as he says "Spirit," to your right shoulder. In this manner, we mark ourselves with the sign of the cross upon which our Savior Jesus Christ saved us, we also become more consciously aware that we are in the presence of the Eternal Triune God.

## Greeting

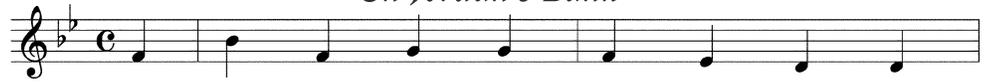
The priest greets those assembled using a greeting which echoes the greetings used in Jewish prayer and in the Pauline letters.

## Penitential Act

To prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries of Jesus Christ and the salvation he gives us, we recall our sins and pray for God's forgiveness to be granted to each and all of us. At times, the litany "Lord have mercy" is prayed in the ancient Greek form "Kyrie, eleison," linking us to our ancestors in faith and reminding ourselves of the universality of God's mercy and of our faith.

(Please stand)

## On Jordan's Bank



1. On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry An -  
2. Then cleansed be ev - ery heart from sin; Make  
3. For you are our sal - va - tion, Lord, Our  
4. To heal the sick stretch out your hand, And  
5. All praise the Son e - ter - nal - ly, Whose



noun - ces that the Lord is nigh; A - wake and heark - en,  
straight the way of God with - in, And let each heart pre -  
ref - uge, and our great re - ward; With - out your grace we  
bid the fall - en sin - ner stand; Shine forth, and let your  
ad - vent sets his peo - ple free; Whom with the Fa - ther



for he brings Glad tid - ings of the King of kings.  
pare a home Where such a might - y guest may come.  
waste a - way Like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.  
light re - store Earth's own true love - li - ness once more.  
we a - dore And Spir - it blest for ev - er - more.

All rights reserved. ONE LICENSE, License #A-72659

Text: *Jordanis oras praevia*; Charles Coffin, 1676-1749; tr. by John Chandler, 1806-1876  
Tune: WINCHESTER NEW, LM; adapt. from *Musikalisches Handbuch*, Hamburg, 1690

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And with your Spirit.**

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

... Kyrie eleison (Lord have Mercy) **Kyrie eleison (Lord have Mercy).**

Christe eleison (Christ have Mercy) **Christe eleison (Christ have Mercy).**

Kyrie eleison (Lord have Mercy) **Kyrie eleison (Lord have Mercy).**

May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**



# ADVENT



## HOPE. LOVE. JOY. PEACE.

Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God, may no earthly undertaking hinder those who set out in haste to meet your Son, but may our learning of heavenly wisdom gain us admittance to his company. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Baruch

*Baruch 5:1-9*

Jerusalem, take off your robe of mourning and misery; put on the splendor of glory from God forever: wrapped in the cloak of justice from God, bear on your head the mitre that displays the glory of the eternal name. For God will show all the earth your splendor: you will be named by God forever the peace of justice, the glory of God's worship. Up, Jerusalem! stand upon the heights; look to the east and see your children gathered from the east and the west at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that they are remembered by God. Led away on foot by their enemies they left you: but God will bring them back to you borne aloft in glory as on royal thrones. For God has commanded that every lofty mountain be made low, and that the age-old depths and gorges be filled to level ground, that Israel may advance secure in the glory of God. The forests and every fragrant kind of tree have overshadowed Israel at God's command; for God is leading Israel in joy by the light of his glory, with his mercy and justice for company.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 126 *The Lord Has Done Great Things For Us* Tony Alonso



The Lord has done great things for us;



we are filled with joy,



we are filled with joy.

All rights reserved. ONE LICENSE, License #A-72659

The English translation of the Psalm Response from the *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved. Music Copyright © 2012 by GIA Publications, Inc. • All Rights Reserved • Printed in U.S.A. 7404 S. Mason Ave., Chicago, IL 60638 • www.giamusic.com • 800.442.1358

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians

*Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11*

Brothers and sisters: I pray always with joy in my every prayer for all of you, because of your partnership for the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus. God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### *Collect*

The priest says "Let us pray" and a brief silence is observed so that all may become more conscious of being in God's presence and allowing each one time to call to mind the intentions each has brought to this holy liturgy. Then, the priest gathering, as it were, all the intentions, offers the collect of the day.

### *Liturgy of the Word*

This is the first of the two major parts of the Mass, Divine Liturgy or Eucharistic Liturgy. It is during this part of the celebration that the proclamation of the Word of God takes place. The readings for the Sunday Mass are structured in a three year cycle. Thus the vast majority of the entire Bible is proclaimed to the Sunday assembly every three years.

### *First Reading*

The first reading normally comes from the Old Testament and is thematically paired to the Gospel proclaimed on the same day.

### *Responsorial Psalm*

Having heard of God's deeds in the proclamation of the first reading, the assembly responds normally by singing one of the psalms.

### *Second Reading*

The second reading comes from one of the epistles. These readings are read in a semi-continuous way. This means that a few verses of a given epistle is proclaimed and then stopped. The next Sunday the proclamation continues where the previous Sunday left off.

(Please stand)

## Celtic Alleluia

Celtic Mass  
Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker



All rights reserved. ONE LICENSE, License #A-726590

Music © 1985, 1996, Fintan O'Carroll and Christopher Walker. Published by OCP. All rights reserved.

### Gospel Acclamation

Through this acclamation, the assembly welcomes and greets the Lord who speaks to the assembly in the Gospel.

### Gospel

The Gospel is announced. All take their thumb and trace the cross signing the forehead, mouth and heart, praying as they do so: "May the Word of the Lord be in my mind, on my lips and in my heart." This comes to us from a Jewish custom honoring the scriptures. A section of one of the Gospels is proclaimed and the assembly listens attentively to the voice of the Lord. Across the three year cycle of readings for Sunday Mass, Matthew, Mark or Luke's Gospel is highlighted. John is read in all three years.

The Lord be with you.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

And with your spirit.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 3:1-6

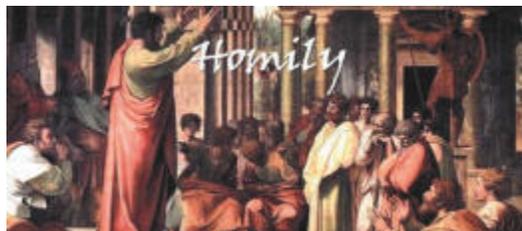
In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the desert. John went throughout the whole region of the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah: A voice of one crying out in the desert: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. Every valley shall be filled and every mountain and hill shall be made low. The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

### Homily

The Priest, or from time to time a Deacon, explains and expounds upon the mystery laid before the assembly this Sunday.



(Please be seated)

### Profession of Faith

The assembly responds to the Word of God proclaimed with the ancient profession of faith to honor and confess the great mysteries of the faith. Normally the Nicene Creed is prayed which expresses the mysteries and rule of faith and comes from the Ecumenical Council at Nicea in 325 AD and the First Ecumenical Council at Constantinople in 381 AD.

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven and **(Bow)** by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(Please stand)

### The Universal Prayer (Prayers of the Faithful or Bidding Prayers)

The faithful, exercising their baptismal priesthood, offer prayers to God for the salvation and benefit of all.

...We pray to the Lord.

Lord hear our prayer.

(Please be seated)

Steve Angrisano

## Emmanuel

Refrain

Come, come, Em-man - u-el! Son of God, ap-pear. Heav-en and  
earth, re-joyce! Sal - va-tion is draw-ing near.

Verses

1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el,  
That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here
2. O come, O Wis - dom from on high,  
To us the path of knowl-edge show,
3. O come, O Rod of Jes - se's stem;  
That trust your might - y pow'r to save,
4. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind  
Make all our sad di - vi - sions cease,
5. Re - joyce! Em - man - u - el  
Re - joyce! Em - man - u - el

(to Refrain)

1. And ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,  
Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
2. Who or - dered all things might - i - ly;  
And teach us in her ways to go.
3. From ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them  
And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.
4. In one the hearts of hu - man - kind;  
And be for us the King of Peace.
5. shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.  
shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el. (Fine)

All rights reserved. ONE LICENSE, License #A-726590

Text: Refrain, Steve Angrisano; verses based on Advent 'O' Antiphons.

Music and refrain text © 2004, Steve Angrisano. Published by OCP. All rights reserved.

(Please stand)

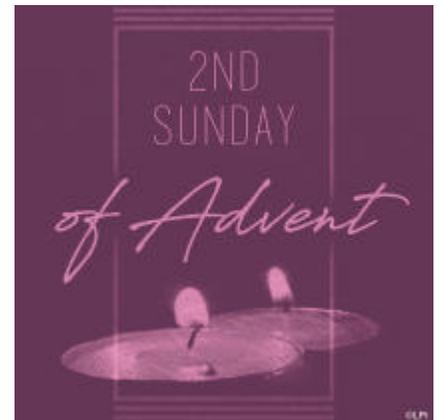
Pray brethren (or other address of the assembly), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**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.**

Be pleased, O Lord, with our humble prayers and offerings, and, since we have no merits to plead our cause, come, we pray, to our rescue with the protection of your mercy. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## The Liturgy of the Eucharist

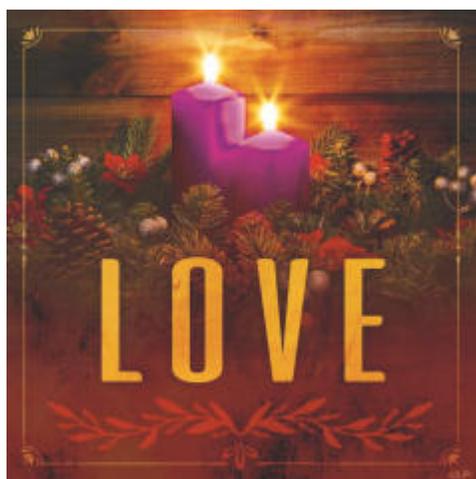
This is the second major part of the Mass. A collection is made for the support of the parish and its charitable works. This collection as well as the bread and wine to be offered are brought in procession to the altar. At the Last Supper, Christ instituted the Paschal Sacrifice and banquet, by which the Sacrifice of the Cross is continuously made present in the Church whenever the Priest, representing Christ the Lord, carries out what the Lord himself did and handed over to his disciples to be done in his memory. For Christ took the bread and the chalice, gave thanks, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples saying: Take, eat, this is my body and gave the chalice to his disciples saying: Take, drink, this is my blood. Do this in memory of me. Not a nostalgic remembrance but a dynamic living memorial in the power of God. Such, that, that which is remembered, becomes present to those who are celebrating the sacred mystery of salvation, who is Jesus Christ.



## The Prayer Over the Offerings

### The Eucharistic Prayer

Now the center and high point of the entire celebration begins, the Eucharistic Prayer, the prayer of thanksgiving and sanctification. The Priest offers the prayer in the name of the whole community to God the Father through Jesus Christ in the Holy Spirit.



### The Communion Rite

The faithful prepare themselves to receive the presence of the Lord Jesus Christ in Holy Communion. They do this using various prayers and by praying for the coming of the Kingdom in the words Jesus taught.

The Lord be with you.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

And with your spirit.

We lift them up to the Lord.

It is right and just.

### Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth  
are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est. Bless-ed is he  
who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

Text © 2010, ICEL

All rights reserved. ONE LICENSE, License #A-72659

Richard Proulx, 1937-2010  
Adapt. by Michael O'Connor, O.P.  
Music © 2010, 2011, WLP

*(Please kneel)*

### When We Eat This Bread

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,  
we pro-claim your Death, O Lord, un - til you come a - gain.

Text © 2010, ICEL

All rights reserved. ONE LICENSE, License #A-72659

Richard Proulx, 1937-2010  
Adapt. by Michael O'Connor, O.P.  
Music © 2010, 2011, WLP

### Amen

A - men, a - men, a - men.

All rights reserved. ONE LICENSE, License #A-726590

Richard Proulx, 1937-2010  
Adapt. by Michael O'Connor, O.P.  
Music © 2010, 2011, WLP

*(Please stand)*

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

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.**

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And with your spirit.

## Agnus Dei

15th century

A - gnus. De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta  
 mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis.  
 A - gnus. De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta  
 mun - di: mi - se - ré - re no - bis.  
 A - gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta  
 mun - di: do - na no - bis pa - cem.

(Please kneel)

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.

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

## Christ, Be Our Light

Bernadette Farrell

Verses

1. Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for  
 2. Long-ing for peace, our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for  
 3. Long-ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for  
 4. Long-ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long-ing for  
 5. Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the  
 1. truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,  
 2. hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone  
 3. wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,  
 4. warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,  
 5. hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants  
 1. your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.  
 2. has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.  
 3. bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.  
 4. shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.  
 5. to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.

Refrain/Estribillo

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.  
 Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gath-ered to-day.

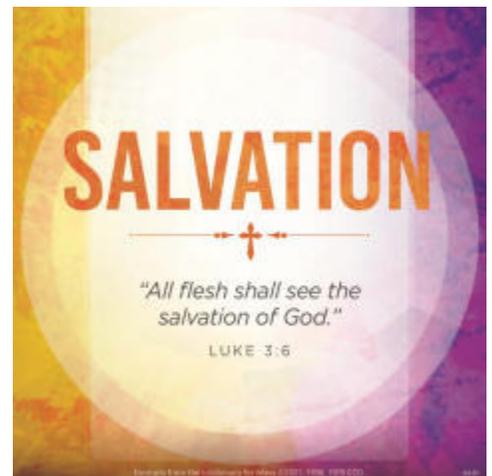
All rights reserved. ONE LICENSE, License #A-726590

Text: Bernadette Farrell; Spanish tr., Pedro Rubalcava and Jaime Cortez.

Text and music © 1993, 2011, Bernadette Farrell. Published by OCP. All rights reserved.

## Agnus Dei

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.



## Reception of Holy Communion

Since the celebration of the Eucharist is the Paschal Banquet, it is desirable that in accordance with the Lord's command his Body and Blood should be received as spiritual food by those faithful who are properly disposed.



If you or someone you know is curious about becoming Catholic, St. Paul Parish would like to invite you to come explore your questions. Deacon Nick Schwartz is available to meet with you to discuss and answer any questions you might have about what Catholics are all about. It's very informal, and there is no obligation. You can contact Deacon Nick at (859) 371-8051 ext. 240 or nschwartz@stpaulnky.org.

## Waiting in Silence

Carey Landry

1-5. Wait-ing in si - lence, wait-ing in hope; we are your

1. peo-ple, we long for you, Lord. God ev - er with us, Em - man - u -  
 2. peo-ple, we trust in your love. O Sun of Jus - tice, true Prince of  
 3. peo-ple, Lord, we seek your truth. Wis - dom In - car - nate, teach us your  
 4. peo-ple, we long for new life. O Key of Da - vid, o - pen our  
 5. peo-ple, our hearts thirst for you. Flow - er of Jes - se, bloom in our

2

1. el, Come, Lord Je - sus,  
 2. Peace, Come with your jus - tice, Lord,  
 3. way; Show us the path of life, Ma - ra - na - tha!  
 4. hearts. Give us new vi - sion, Lord,  
 5. midst. Make us your gar - den, Lord,

All rights reserved. ONE LICENSE, License #A-726590

© 2002, Carey Landry. Published by OCP. All rights reserved.

(Please stand)

### Post Communion Prayer

### Concluding Rites

#### Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

Bishop Foys has mandated that we pray the Leonine prayer to St. Michael the Archangel at the end of all Masses throughout the Diocese of Covington. "It is apparent that the smoke of Satan has entered the sanctuary," Bishop Foys said. "This prayer which has been prayed since 1886 to obtain help in the battle against the forces of darkness seems exceptionally appropriate at this time in the life of our beloved Church."

Replenished by the food of spiritual nourishment, we humbly beseech you, O Lord, that, through our partaking in this mystery, you may teach us to judge wisely the things of earth and hold firm to the things of heaven. Through Christ our Lord **Amen.**

The Lord be with you. **And with your Spirit.**

May almighty God bless you, the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Go in peace glorifying God by your life. **Thanks be to God.**

**Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.**

## The Advent of Our King

ST. THOMAS (WILLIAMS)

1. The ad-vent of our King Our thoughts must now em - ply;  
 2. The co - e - ter - nal Son A maid - en's off - spring see;  
 3. In glo - ry from his throne A - gain will Christ de - scend,  
 4. Our joy - ful prais - es sing To Christ, who set us free;

1. Then let us meet him on the road With songs of ho - ly joy.  
 2. A ser - vant's form Christ put - teth on, To set his peo - ple free.  
 3. And sum - mon all who are his own To joys that nev - er end.  
 4. Like trib - ute to the Fa - ther bring, And Ho - ly Ghost, to thee.

All rights reserved. ONE LICENSE, License #A-726590

Text: SM; Charles Coffin, 1676-1749; tr. by Robert Campbell, 1814-1868, alt.  
 Music: Aaron Williams, 1731-1776.

## LECTOR SCHEDULE

**DECEMBER 11 & 12**

**5:00 PM – Barb J.**

**9:00 AM – Shawn C.**

**11:00 AM – Donna H.**

# Christmas Schedule

Christmas Eve: Friday, December 24

Mass 5:00 p.m.

Mass 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Day: Saturday, December 25

Mass 12:00 a.m. (Midnight)

Mass 9:00 a.m.

\*No 5:00 p.m. Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 26

Mass 9:00 a.m.

Mass 11:00 a.m.



**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7**

Vigil Mass 7:00 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8**

Mass 8:15 a.m.

Mass 12:10 p.m.



**PARISH OFFICE  
CLOSED**

The Parish Office will be closed Wednesday, December 8. For an emergency, please call the Parish Office at 859-371-8051 and follow the prompts.



Please offer your sympathy to the family of Joe Hicks who recently passed away. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon him.



**30 AND OVER COED  
VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE**

The 30 and over coed volleyball league is back! If you are interested in playing in the league, please let David Welte know. The games will start the 2nd week of January on Sundays. The cost is donation only. If interested in playing, contact David Welte at [davewelte005@gmail.com](mailto:davewelte005@gmail.com) or 859-609-7664.

**PROJECT RACHEL**

Help after an abortion experience.  
[projectrachel@covdio.org](mailto:projectrachel@covdio.org)  
(859) 392-1547

All correspondence is confidential.

## ST . PAUL SCHOOL

On the first Friday of the month, the students of St. Paul School participate in First Friday Adoration with their class.



## ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE

The Pro-Life Office has organized a trip to Washington, DC for the Annual March for Life, which will take place on Friday, January 21, 2022.

Included in the trip is round trip airfare, one night's hotel accommodations and ground transportation to and from airport/hotel. Limited seating available. Depart late morning January 20th, return flight evening January 21st. Cost per person for a double occupancy room will be \$412.00. For more information, please contact the Pro-Life office at 859-392-1500. We also have rooms available for those who would want to provide their own transportation. The Marriott Metro Center is located centrally in downtown Washington DC. Cost of room: \$210.00. There is limited seating on flights and rooms available. Please contact our office as soon as possible if interested. Peggy Piccola at (859) 392-1500, or [ppiccola@covdio.org](mailto:ppiccola@covdio.org)

## MEN OF PRAYER

Will meet Saturday, December 18 at 7:00 AM and every subsequent third Saturday of the month. No reservation needed, all men are welcome to come and meet fellow parishioners, and reflect on the upcoming Sunday gospel. Men of Prayer (MOP) Meetings last one hour prior to Saturday's Mass in the Chapel. Coffee and donuts provided. The readings for this MOP meeting will be Luke 1:39-45. "Who am I that the mother of our Lord should visit me?"

**OPEN  
THE DOOR  
FOR CHRIST**



## HER FIGHT, IS OUR FIGHT



### RAFFLE & FUNDRAISER

Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup> 2pm-10pm

West Covington Boosters Club

1104 John Street Covington, KY

**A VARIETY OF RAFFLE ITEMS WILL BE AVAILABLE, INCLUDING**

#### WAGON OF CHEER!!!!

Basket Raffles \$1 each or 6 for \$5

Split the Pot \$1 each or 6 for \$5

Wagon of Cheer \$5 a ticket

**\*If you would like to donate a basket or items for a basket, please contact Tosha Taylor 513-518-7093\***

**If you are unable to come, but would like to take chances on raffle baskets, please reach out to Tosha at 513-518-7093 and she will add you to the Facebook page, where they will be posted at the end of this month. You can Venmo her at Tosha-Taylor-7**

Saturday, December 11th, from 2pm-10pm, at West Covington Booster Club at 1104 John Street, Covington, KY is a fundraiser to help with medical bills for Mackenzie Kathman, St. Paul School Alum. Mackenzie is the daughter of Laurie and Mark Kathman. Mark and Laurie Kathman are longtime parishioners of St. Paul Parish. Both are actively involved in the fish fry and festival.

Mackenzie is battling Autoimmune NMDA Encephalitis, which causes the antibodies to attack the NMDA receptors in the brain and causes an infection. Mackenzie is 23 years old and is just an amazing person. She has a bachelor's degree in psychology and works at the DCCH Center for Children where she is a Therapeutic Behavior Specialist. She has gone on several mission trips to help others in need and she has said numerous times that these trips are some of the greatest gifts in her life. She has always said that the most important things in her life are her love and faith in God and her family.



### PRE-BAPTISM MEETING

A Pre-Baptism Meeting is required for first child parents. They will be held individually via Zoom meeting at the convenience of the participants and the instructor. For more information and to schedule a meeting, contact Linda Fryman at 859-371-8051 or [lfryman@stpaulnky.org](mailto:lfryman@stpaulnky.org).



### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD DRIVE

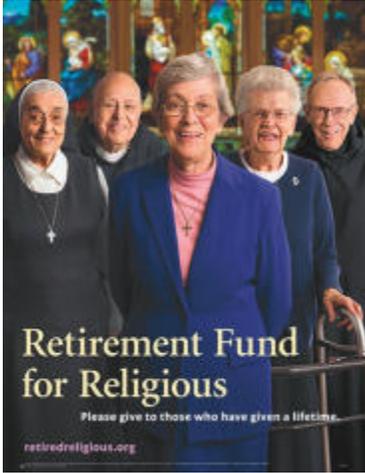
Thank you so much for your generous donations to our pantry last weekend. As always you have been so very kind in your giving and this will allow us to continue to serve those in our neighborhood in need.

### ALL SAINTS PARISH MISSION

All Saints in Walton, KY will be having a Parish Mission, December 5th thru December 9th. The Mission will be given by Fr. Jewel Aytona of the Fathers of Mercy. Every evening will start with confessions at 6:00 pm, followed by a conference at 7:00 pm, followed by confessions at 8:00 pm. Topics will include the following: Confidence in God and St. Joseph, Patron of the Church; Lukewarmness is the Devil in Disguise; The 4 Last Things; Mary, Our Mother and Queen; Humility: The Path to Heaven. December 8th is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, a holy day of obligation, so the conference that evening will be the homily at Mass at 7:00 pm. There is no charge for attendance. A free-will offering will be taken on the last day. All are welcome.

## 2021 RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Support elderly religious. A donor writes, "Your flyer touched my heart—seeing the retired religious, such memories surfaced." Do you remember the sisters, brothers, or religious order priests who made a positive difference in your life? Today many are elderly and need assistance. Their religious communities struggle to meet retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. Please give generously to next week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious.



IT'S SAFE. IT'S SIMPLE. IT'S CONVENIENT.

Support our church today using your debit or credit card or checking or savings account.

**1** Visit your church website and click Give Online.  
<https://saintpaulflorence.weshareonline.org/>

**2** Set up your account.

**3** Choose a payment option and customize your donation.



Contact our Customer Support Team at [weshare@4lpi.com](mailto:weshare@4lpi.com)

## ENVELOPES

If you are using WeShare for the Sunday collection and would like to stop receiving envelopes, please contact Linda Fryman at 859-371-8051 or [lfryman@stpaulnky.org](mailto:lfryman@stpaulnky.org).



Point the camera on your smart device at the QR Code and then tap on the message that says "tap here to go to [eservicepayments.com](http://eservicepayments.com)." The [eservicepayments.com](http://eservicepayments.com) is the Diocese of Covington's website where you can donate securely online (via credit card, direct debit, or electronic funds transfer) or visit [www.covdio.org](http://www.covdio.org). Be sure to identify St. Paul Church as your parish.



## GOD BLESS OUR STEWARDSHIP

November 22, 2021 **\$10,476.03**

COLLECTION	ENV	AMOUNT
Regular Collection	143	6,815.50
Loose		449.53
WeShare	68	3,211.00
St. Vincent de Paul	6	255.00
Adopt-A-Student	1	10.00
CCD Adopt-A-Student	1	100.00
St. Paul School	5	335.00
Giving Tree	4	240.00
Education of Seminarians (Addt'l)	1	100.00
DPAA 2021 Rebate (As of Oct. 31)		\$48,591.32
DPAA 2021 Pledged (As of Oct. 31)		\$153,966.00
DPAA 2021 Collected (As of Oct. 31)		\$135,491.32
DPAA 2021 Goal		\$86,900.00

## GOD BLESS OUR STEWARDSHIP

November 29, 2021 **\$10,741.03**

COLLECTION	ENV	AMOUNT
Regular Collection	142	7,501.50
Loose		329.53
WeShare	38	2,910.00
Thanksgiving	18	1,730.69
Donation of Stock	1	9,076.59
Adopt-A-Student	2	115.00
Giving Tree	3	250.00
St. Vincent de Paul	6	325.00
Christmas Flowers	7	230.00
Bereavement	1	50.00
All Souls (Addt'l)	1	25.00
Christmas	1	10.00
DPAA 2021 Rebate (As of Oct. 31)		\$48,591.32
DPAA 2021 Pledged (As of Oct. 31)		\$153,966.00
DPAA 2021 Collected (As of Oct. 31)		\$135,491.32
DPAA 2021 Goal		\$86,900.00



## **HOLY HOUR**

SPEND TIME WITH OUR LORD IN  
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

THURSDAYS AT 6PM IN THE CHURCH

# WE'RE HIRING

## AD SALES EXECUTIVES

**BE YOURSELF. BRING YOUR PASSION.  
WORK WITH PURPOSE.**

- Work-Life Balance
- Full-Time with Benefits
- Serve Your Community
- Paid Training
- Some Travel



**4pi** Contact us at [careers@4pi.com](mailto:careers@4pi.com)  
[www.4pi.com/careers](http://www.4pi.com/careers)

## Walton Florist and Gifts

Dan Bolte

24 N. Main St., Walton • 859-485-6200

[www.waltonflorist.com](http://www.waltonflorist.com)

Fresh & Silk Flowers • Balloons & Gifts  
Fruit Baskets • Corporate Events  
Special Functions • Weddings Teleflora



### ADT-Monitored Home Security

Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust

- Burglary
- Fire Safety
- Flood Detection
- Carbon Monoxide



Authorized Provider

SafeStreets

1-855-225-4251



Call Today for excellent  
Real Estate Service

**John Vincent**

859-282-8427

71 Cavalier Blvd, Ste 202  
Florence, KY 41042

[www.TopQualityServiceRealty.com](http://www.TopQualityServiceRealty.com)



# THIS SPACE IS AVAILABLE



## Helmer Somers Law, PLLC.

Larissa Helmer Somers  
Dennis C. Helmer

7415 Burlington Pike, Ste. B | Florence, KY 41042

(859) 371-0730

### FLORENCE VETERINARY HOSPITAL

Daniel J. Davis, DVM

7801 U.S. Hwy. 42 • Florence

859-371-6501

NOW MAKING HOUSE CALLS

[www.florencevethospital.com](http://www.florencevethospital.com)



# NEVER MISS A BULLETIN !

Sign up to have our weekly parish bulletin  
emailed to you at [www.parishesonline.com](http://www.parishesonline.com)



3-D-5-3

For ad info. call 1-800-477-4574 • [www.4pi.com](http://www.4pi.com)

14-1579

**LINNEMANN**  
FAMILY FUNERAL HOMES  
AND CREMATION CENTER  
859-727-1250  
www.linnemannfuneralhomes.com

**MIDWEST EYE CENTER**  
A Division of Tri State Centers for Sight, Inc.  
7510 US Rt. 42, Florence • 500 Thomas More Pkwy., Crestview Hills

Serving Northern Kentucky for over 50 years.  
Central Scheduling (859) 341-4525  
midwesteyecenter.com  
Michael Halpin, M.D. • Jean Noll, M.D.  
Saif Jaweed, M.D. • Chris Thon, O.D.  
Joseph Mando, M.D. • Katie Holnbeck, O.D.

**Elite Family & Cosmetic Dentistry**  
8780 U.S. Hwy. 42  
Ste. B, Florence  
859-384-2999  
www.EliteDentistryNKY.com

**Colonial Heights & Gardens**  
Best Value for Retirement Living!  
Non-Profit Community  
859-525-6900  
6900 Hopeful Road, Florence, KY 41042 | colonialheightsandgardens.org

**ADT-Monitored Home Security**  
Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust

- Burglary
- Flood Detection
- Fire Safety
- Carbon Monoxide

ADT Authorized Provider | SafeStreets  
1-855-225-4251

Business Computer Systems & Cloud Solutions  
**NKOL**  
WWW.NKOL.COM  
859.372.0940  
Managed Service Provider | Microsoft Partner | VoIP Phone Systems

**AA LAWN CARE & LANDSCAPING, INC.**  
859.384.0266  
www.aalawns.com

**Services**

- Snow Removal
- Landscape Design
- -Installation
- -Maintenance
- Lawn Maintenance
- Seed & Sod
- Core Aeration
- Lawn Fertilization

Locally Owned & Operated

**Nicole Riegler**  
REALTOR  
RE MAX  
nicoleriegler.com  
859.866.3261

**PCI SERVICES**  
• PIPING  
• HVAC/R  
• PLUMBING  
www.PROCESSCONSTRUCTION.com  
513-251-2211

**THE MOTHER OF GOD CEMETERY**  
Interest-Free Payment Options  
FOR SALES & INFORMATION  
Call 431-0614  
motherofgodcemetery.com

**BRM**  
BOONE READY MIX  
856-371-5542 Parishioner Owned Burlington

**We Deliver:**

- Concrete
- Gravel
- Sand
- Tele Belt Services

**PEDIATRICS of Florence**  
7409 U.S. 42  
Pediatrics, Allergy & Adolescent Medicine  
Office Hours by Appointment 859-525-8181

ROBERT J. TAGHER, M.D.  
ANN REED MACKE, M.D.  
PAUL JANSON, M.D.  
SHARON SCHROEDER WYNN, M.D.

513-924-9600  
**Millennium Business Systems**  
A FLEX TECHNOLOGY GROUP Company  
www.GetMillennium.com

Lexmark  
SHARP  
RICOH

**T. LAWRENCE HICKS**  
**CETRULO, MOWERY & HICKS**  
130 Dudley Pike • Edgewood, KY 41017  
859-331-4900  
lhicks@cetrulolaw.com  
- Parishioner -

**Rechtin**  
HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING  
261-8269  
Lic. #HM04784

**SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!**

**Need New Flooring For Your Home or Business?**  
We'll Help You Pick It Out and We'll Expertly Install It

**EARL FRANKS**  
Est. 1963  
Sons/Daughters  
Call 859-261-9608  
Ask about special offers just for our neighbors!

Celebrating our 75 year anniversary.

**LEE HARTKE**  
Auto Body, Inc.  
4442 Dixie Hwy • (859) 342-7674  
Family Owned & Operated Since 1945

**AVAILABLE FOR A LIMITED TIME!**  
**ADVERTISE HERE NOW!**

Contact **Nancy MacMillan**  
to place an ad today!  
nmacmillan@4LPi.com or  
(800) 477-4574 x6426

Joshua Marcum  
Timothy E. Borchert



7500 Hwy. 42  
Florence, KY 41042  
859-525-1100

**STITH**  
FUNERAL HOMES

www.stithfuneralhomes.com

2988 Phyllis Ct.  
Hebron, KY 41048  
859-689-9980

Robert T. Cook  
Paul E. Barton Jr.



**RIEGLER BLACKTOP**  
SINCE 1954  
**(859) 371-8122**  
www.rieglerblacktop.com

*Primary Pediatrics*  
Sheila Cahill Harmeling, M.D.  
Amanda Dropic, M.D.  
Michael A. Fiedler, M.D.  
Kristie L. Thelen, APRN  
Amanda Race, APRN  
59 Cavalier Blvd., Ste. 330 • 371-3232

**Stegman Landscape & Tree**  
**859-781-1562**  
"Excellence Since 1979"  
• Retaining Walls • Landscape • Drainage Correction  
• Paver Patios • Driveways • Tree Trim & Removal

**TCI TRI-CITY**  
A Shepherd Insurance Partner  
**Mark R. Hollowell**  
859.371.7006 | tciky.com

**Schneller & Knochelmann**  
Plumbing • Heating • Air  
The Family Owned Company  
LISA & KRIS KNOCHELMANN OWNERS  
**859-341-1200**

**BOB'S SERVICE CENTER**  
6721 Dixie Hwy. at Turfway  
525-1999  
Complete Auto Repairs  
**BOB'S TOWING SERVICE**  
525-0175

**CONRADI ROOFING & GUTTERS**  
341-3416  
Dave & Mark Conradi

**Personalized Protection**  
Adam Howard  
859-282-2886  
6900 Houston Rd., Suite 20, Florence, KY  
adam.howard@allstate.com  
Subject to terms, conditions and availability. Allstate Property and Casualty Insurance Co. © 2018 Allstate Insurance Co.

**HELMER Plumbing, Inc.**  
859-746-1748  
JOHN HELMER, Owner - Master Plumber  
Residential & Commercial • 66 Years in Business  
New Construction • Water Heaters • Drain Cleaning

**Union Pet Hospital**  
Elizabeth Crowder, DVM  
Parishioner  
859-384-7702  
Erlanger Veterinary Hospital  
727-2046

**BEN TERLAU CONSTRUCTION L.L.C.**  
Excavation • General Construction • Concrete  
Residential & Commercial Construction  
Cell: 859-663-0599  
Office: 859-384-0297

**ARC ELECTRIC**  
Air Conditioning & Heating Inc.  
24 Hour Emergency Service  
Service all makes & models  
Since 1953 • #MO 2125 - CE 17369  
**859-441-7161**

**CareStar**  
Personal Services  
**Family Watch / Elder Care**  
Home Visits: Baths, Meals, Laundry,  
Overnights, Transportation, 24-Hour Care, etc.  
Chris Helmbrock Hiltz, Director  
859-344-1463 • www.familywatch.biz

Bob's ORIGINAL Sweeper Shop Est. 1971  
Your dirt is our business.  
Bob and Bonnie Kirkwood owners  
Florence Erlanger Cold Spring  
859-282-1900 859-341-0900 859-441-0008

**Heritage BANK** Member FDIC  
Neal Brown  
AVP, Florence Branch Manager  
7434 US 42 • 859-371-2900 • NMLS# 434363

*We've Missed You!*  
Welcome Back to Mass  
Stay connected to our faith community no matter where you are by signing up to get our bulletin delivered straight to your email!  
www.ParishesOnline.com

STEVEN SWANN  
7110 Dixie Hwy.  
859-525-1464  
**FLORENCE HARDWARE**  
SERVING YOU SINCE 1947  
WWW.FLORENCEHARDWARE.COM

**A-S Electric Supply, Inc.**  
Wholesale Distributors • Lighting Showroom  
www.A-S-Electric.com  
Coordinator Dr., Erlanger  
**(859) 727-1111**

**FREE AD DESIGN**  
WITH PURCHASE OF THIS SPACE  
**CALL 800.477.4574**

**Four D AUTO BODY, INC.**  
9175 Brookfield Ct.  
Just off Weaver Rd.  
**859-371-5880**