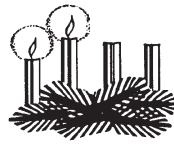


SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Masses for the Week

Sat., Dec. 3	5:00 p.m. (OLR)	Marvin Naas
Sun., Dec. 4	8:30 a.m. (STA)	Bernice Kunka, Thomas Wallace, Wolski Deceased – Henry & Virginia, Leonard, Eddie & Janice, Joseph & Stella Antoinette
	9:00 a.m. (STS)	Deceased Members of the Dudon & Zahora Family
	10:30 a.m. (HC)	J. "Herb" Ballmann
	11:00 a.m. (OLR)	For All Parishioners
Mon., Dec. 5	8:00 a.m. (HC)	Terry Schiml
Tues., Dec. 6	8:00 a.m. (STA)	Rosemary Wanamaker
Wed., Dec. 7	7:00 p.m. (HC)	Vigil of the Immaculate Conception No Morning Mass
Thurs., Dec. 8	8:00 a.m. (OLR)	Rita Nartker
Fri., Dec. 9		NO MASS
Sat., Dec. 10	5:00 p.m. (OLR)	For All Parishioners
Sun., Dec. 11	8:30 a.m. (STA)	Frank Spanbauer, Bill Moravec, Eleanora Leszczuk, Maryann Borkowski, Rosalie G. & John Malesko, Walter Golba, Sophie Plummer, Piekutowski Family, Leonard Schaff, Raymond Gonzalez – Birthday Rem., Julia Schwebel
	9:00 a.m. (STS)	For the Faithful Departed
	10:30 a.m. (HC)	Pamos Family, J. "Herb" Ballmann
	11:00 a.m. (OLR)	For the Faithful Departed

The Gospel of Mark begins with the prophecy of John the Baptist: A herald's voice in the desert crying: "Make ready the way of the Lord, clear him a straight path." You have only to recall the kind of people you were before you put your faith in the Lord to see yourselves as deep valleys, as pits plunging precipitously into the lowest depths. But now that the Lord Jesus has come and sent the Holy Spirit in His name, all your valleys have been filled in with good works and the Holy Spirit's fruits. Love no longer tolerates the presence of valleys in your lives; if peace, patience, and goodness find a home in you, not only will each of you cease to be a valley but will actually begin to be a mountain of God.

From a homily by Origen (3rd Century)

RIGHT TO LIFE

A new book entitled *My Child, My Gift: A Positive Response to a Serious Prenatal Diagnosis* quotes one mother of a child with Down syndrome, "The greatest surprise is this: Our life together has been less about my helping him reach his potential than about him helping me reach mine."

SUGGESTED PRAYER

That we may reach out in love and understanding to women experiencing difficult pregnancies, we pray.



THANK YOU

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND CHURCH

	Nov. 20	St VdeP	CCHD	Child. Env.
St. Stephen	\$ 715.00		\$209.00	
Nov. 27	\$ 708.41		\$ 15.00	
Holy Cross	\$ 637.00		\$315.00	1
Nov. 27	\$ 864.00			1
St. Adalbert	\$1,991.00		\$548.00	
Nov. 27	\$1,511.00		\$ 20.00	
Our Lady of the Rosary	\$3,117.50	\$104.50	\$814.50	4
Nov. 27	\$3,285.50	\$717.00	\$ 26.00	5

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – DECEMBER 10-11, 2011

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY – 5:00 P.M.

Greeters:	Mary Lou Focht, Diana Whittle
Lectors:	Jerry & Mary Beth Burke
Offertory:	Ray Thies Family
Eucharistic Ministers:	Maureen Kunz, Ray & Kathy Morgan
Servers:	Haley & Lauren Rose, Isaac Sanchez

ST. ADALBERT – 8:30 A.M.

Lector:	Paul Flanagan
Eucharistic Ministers:	Jim March, Denise Hall, Susan Cwiklik, Ralph Wead
Server:	Ed Koth

ST. STEPHEN – 9:00 A.M.

Greeter:	Lou Durko
Lector:	John Demeter
Eucharistic Ministers:	Lou & Tillie Durko
Server:	Patrick Gooch

HOLY CROSS – 10:30 A.M.

Lectors:	Rimantas Liaugminas, Mary Petkus
Eucharistic Ministers:	George Mikalauskas
Servers:	Vic Biorseth, Betty Nash

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY – 11:00 A.M.

Greeters:	Bill & Rosemary Evans
Lectors:	Michael Boland, Gus DeLucia
Offertory:	Missy Mahaffey, Paula Stibich
Eucharistic Ministers:	Sharon Maruna, Teresa Niese, Mary Ann Zimmer, Heather DeLucia, Leocadie Mukaneza, Julie Quinn
Servers:	Vicki, Samantha & Natalie Jobe



ST. STEPHEN

THE ROSARY – We invite all the North Dayton Parishes to join us in praying the Rosary on the first Sunday, December 4, before the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Let us all pray for peace in the world, guidance for our political leaders and respect and love within our North Dayton community.

ST. ADALBERT

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS are now available for sale. Colors available are red and white. Cost is \$12.50 per poinsettia. Order forms can be found in the church bulletin. Please contact Torranda Howell at 258-4465 or thowell13@yahoo.com if you have questions.

HOLY CROSS

CHRISTMAS WAFERS – This is the last weekend to place your order for Christmas Wafers. Order forms are available at the back of church.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

DORIS HEMMELGARN – Doris, who with her husband, Ike, was a member of OLR for many years, has passed from this life and was laid to rest last Tuesday, November 29. Due to illness, we have not seen them lately. May she be welcomed into the community of saints, where human weakness is a fading memory and the joy of God's presence a brilliant reality.

OF MUTUAL INTEREST

WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS for Christina Arnold, Marilyn Baumgartner, Ray Beaty, Jerome Bialek, Fr. Charles Caserta, Joanne Clark, Elizabeth Daley-Hewitt, Eileen DeLucia, Al Dix, Donnie Fitzwater, Sr., Mary Hammond Family, Janet Haskins, John Kavy, Elizabeth King, Olga Kuritar, Ruth Lakner, Steve Lakner, Thomas Maslowski, Mary Mobley, Hal Nielsen, Jim Robinson, Sandy Storie and Julie Wilson.

THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION – There will be a Vigil Mass celebrated at Holy Cross at 7:00 p.m. on December 7. There will be no Morning Mass on December 7. Mass will be celebrated on December 8 at 8:00 a.m. at OLR.

SUPPORT ELDERLY RELIGIOUS – A donor to the Retirement Fund for Religious writes, "We thank God for every religious sister who taught us in school, not only our ABCs, but also to love God." Show your support for the senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priest who have made a positive difference in so many lives. Please Share in the Care and give generously to next week's second collection.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION – On Tuesday, December 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the OLR Church Basement, we will have a discussion of the book of Genesis. Between now and then, read and summarize the book and be prepared to share all or parts of your summary. If you don't have time to read all or any of it, attend anyway to sit in on the discussions and get a *Reader's Digest* version.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS invite you to their annual Advent movie after the 11:00 a.m. Mass on December 11 in the OLR basement. The movie will be *Secretariat*, which is rated PG and lunch will be provided.

SENIOR BREAKFAST – We invite you to join us for our senior breakfast on Tuesday, December 13, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Adalbert Church. A delicious breakfast of scrambled eggs, sausage, hash brown potatoes, pastries, fruit, juice and coffee awaits you. A donation of \$2.00 is appreciated. Stay for friendly games of Bingo or Chess. We look forward to seeing you there for a fun and relaxing time.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE – On Tuesday, December 13, at OLR, there will be a Penance Service with opportunity for private Confession, at 7:00 p.m. in church. This will also be the occasion for our second graders to celebrate their First Reconciliation, and they are edified by adult example.

GIVING TREE FOR ST. ADALBERT AND HOLY CROSS – During Advent, as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus, our parishes will again have a Giving Tree with ornaments suggesting items to donate in support of Elizabeth's New Life Center. This local pregnancy resource center supports women's decisions for life. In 2010, the center distributed baby items and equipment worth more than \$114,000.00 to women who made the courageous decisions – despite impoverished or difficult circumstances – to give their babies life. Please help ENLC continue this important ministry by donating baby items listed on the ornaments or giving gifts of your choosing. Place them unwrapped under the Giving Tree by Sunday, December 18. Thank you for your support and caring as we help those in need, especially during the Christmas season.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY – Remember to take a tag or two off the trees. Also, please disregard the dates on the tags. Gifts are to be brought to the Masses on December 17 and 18. Don't forget to attach the tags to the gifts and remember there is no need to wrap any of the items.

CHRISTMAS POLKA DANCE – There will be a Christmas Dance to benefit local Food Pantries on Sunday, December 11, from 3:00-7:00 p.m., at the Polish Club Hall, 1470 Valley Street. The cost is \$13.00 per person (snacks and beverages included), with children under 17 admitted free with a paying adult. Music is provided by the Duane Malinowski Band and features Polkas, as well as standard ballroom dances, such as Waltz, Rumba, Swing, etc. Food will be available for purchase. Please bring a nonperishable food item. For reservations, please call Ray or Joyce at 937-256-4424.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS AVAILABLE – If you are looking for a way to save money on dinners out and other opportunities, we have Entertainment Books available for \$30.00 each and we receive \$10.00 profit for each book sold. To purchase a book, contact Phyllis at 236-5378 or pick up books at our Parish Offices from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday. Books will also be available after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturdays and we can arrange to get them to you after other Masses, too. Thank you for your support.

CHS CHRISTMAS CONCERT AND DINNER – You are invited to a free Christmas Concert at Carroll High School on Thursday, December 15, in the gym. There will be performances by CHS's Concert Band, Jazz Band, Concert Choir, and the EIMP group. The concert begins at 7:00 p.m. A dinner catered by Fazoli's is served from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the CHS cafeteria. Spaghetti with marinara, meat sauce, or fettuccine alfredo; a garden salad, breadsticks, homemade desserts and drinks are all included for \$10.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children 12 and under. Tickets can be purchased at the School Office or by contacting Myrna Gazzo at 427-3743 or gazzo@ gmail.com. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door. Thank you for your support of Carroll's music program.

THE UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON'S annual, and all new, display of international Nativities continues through Sunday, January 29. These exhibits are provided as a gift to the entire Dayton community. The UD Libraries have extended a special invitation to all our parishioners to celebrate part of the Christmas season at UD's Roesch Library. Visit the library to view the new crèche settings and see how different cultures and denominations have depicted the scene of Christ's birth and His first home. Guided tours are available for groups of 10 or more, a Stable Store offers many handmade Nativity-related items. For complete information, including detailed directions and parking information, go to www.udayton.edu/libraries/manger.