

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

DAILY MASS – Mon-Thur 8:30 am (except where noted)

Monday, Nov 30	James A Donovan <i>St Andrew, Apostle</i> <i>Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22</i>
Tuesday, Dec 1	John & Anneliese Mancino <i>Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24</i>
Wednesday, Dec 2	Doris Wartko All Souls Intention <i>Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt 15:29-37</i> (7:00 pm) Advent Evening Prayer & Reflection
Thursday, Dec 3	Pauline Stayshich All Souls Intention <i>St Francis Xavier, Priest</i> <i>Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27</i>
Friday, Dec 4	<i>(No Morning Mass)</i> <i>St John Damascene, Priest/Doctor of the Church</i> <i>Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31</i>
Saturday, Dec 5	(9:00 am) Confessions (5:00 pm) Lettieri, Pramik & Mastrodonardo Fams <i>Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8</i>
Sunday, Dec 6	(9:00 am) Leocadia M Lewandowski (11:00 am) For the Parishioners <i>2nd Sunday of Advent</i> <i>Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6</i>

Check us out on Facebook at: **Our Lady of Victory Church**,
and our youth page at: **Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church Youth Ministry!**



Celebrating Notes

ADVENT 2015 at Our Lady of Victory:

✱ **GIVE HOPE TO OTHERS:** Share the joy of participating in our annual Advent tradition of sharing the gifts God has given us with those less fortunate.

1) **Next Weekend, Dec 5-6 bring GIFTS & COOKIES/CANDY.** Those who took gift cards for Good Neighbors, Pregnancy Care, Arc (Aids Resource Center), or Freedom House (for veterans near Tallmadge), please get your shopping completed, and be sure to place the original wish card on the outside of each wrapped gift. Make some extra cookies or candy to share with these gifts.



2) **On Dec 12-13, bring PAPER/SOAP PRODUCTS, personal grooming products, disposable diapers, or non-perishable FOOD to the wreath.** (*Good Neighbors tells us that they have lots of requests for diapers, Kleenex, TP, soap, and toothpaste. With Good Neighbors serving more families more often, our donations will be critical for the winter months.*) These will be used after Christmas to stock the shelves of Tallmadge Good Neighbors for the coming winter.

✱ **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION:** Masses are at **8:30 am and 7pm on Tuesday, Dec 8.** Come early at **6:30 pm** to pray the Rosary. A reception will follow the 7pm Mass in Finnerty Hall in celebration of our 72nd Anniversary of founding, and the opening of the Year of Mercy. **(Incense will be used at both Masses.)**

✱ **ADVENT COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION SERVICE:** This year our 5-parish service of communal confessions will be at St Joseph, Cuy Falls, at **4pm on Sunday, Dec 13.** General Absolution is not used.

✱ **ADVENT EVENING PRAYER:** Join us on **Wednesdays, Dec 2, 9, 16, 23 at 7pm** in the Church.

A SERIES OF PARISH ROSARIES will be prayed at **6:30 pm on each Wednesday of the Advent season on 12/2, 12/9, 12/16 and 12/23.** Members of the Right to Life Team will lead the rosaries, which will be dedicated to the sanctity of human life in all of its stages from conception through natural death, as well as your personal petitions. *Evening Prayer and Reflection will then follow at 7pm.* Everyone is invited to include these opportunities as part of your spiritual preparation for the coming of Jesus Christ.



EXTRA HANDS NEEDED FOR GOOD NEIGHBORS: Volunteers - please join us on **Sunday, Dec 6 after the 11:00 Mass, meet in the Church** to help sort, pack and move the gifts for Good Neighbors. Join us at the **Good Neighbors facility Monday, Dec 7 or Tuesday, Dec 8, anytime between 10am-2pm** to help prepare for the food distribution, or **Wednesday, Dec 10 between 10am - 2pm** to help with pick-ups. We will also need help again on **Sunday, Dec 13 after the 11:00 Mass, again meet in the Church,** to help sort, pack and transport the paper products to Good Neighbors.

LECTORS - the **2016 Workbook for Lectors** is available for you to pick up in the Sacristy. A donation is welcomed for those who are able.

EM's, LECTORS & SERVERS – please check for openings for the upcoming holidays and sign up in the Sacristy on the bulletin board.

IN OUR PARISH – WHAT/WHERE/WHEN

MONDAY, NOV 30, 2015

Bereavement Retreat Planning Mtg/Parish Ctr Rm 101/6:30 pm
9:00 Choir Practice/ Church/8:00 pm

TUESDAY, DEC 1, 2015

Mother's Club/Parish Ctr Rm 100/9:30 am
Sponsi Dinner/Finnerty Hall/6:00 pm
Confirmation Team Mtg/Parish Ctr Rm 104/6:00 pm
Youth-Teen/5:00 Choir Practice/Church/6:00 pm
RCIA/Library/7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, DEC 2, 2015

Men's Bible Study/Parish Ctr Rm 100/6:30 am
AA Meeting/Parish Ctr Rm 100/10:00 am
4-8 Graders/Finnerty Hall/6:00 pm

THURSDAY, DEC 3, 2015

Bible Study/Parish Ctr Rm 101/2:00 pm
20-Somethings/Library/7:00 pm

FRIDAY, DEC 4, 2015

SATURDAY, DEC 5, 2015

Confessions/Church/9:00 am

**Sunday's Word/Advent Materials Available

**Advent Collection of Gifts, Cookies/Candies at all Masses

SUNDAY, DEC 6, 2015 – 2nd Sunday of Advent

PSR Preschool/Parish Ctr Rms 102, 103/8:50 am
Children's Lit of the Word/Parish Ctr Rm 100/9:00 am
PSR 9/10 Grade/Parish Ctr Rm 101/10:15 am
PSR K-8/Tallmadge Middle School/10:30 am
Advent Reflection/Parish Ctr Rm 101/4:00 pm

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OFFERTORY COLLECTION SUNDAY, NOV 22, 2015:

(not available at print time)

Faith Formation & Religious Ed. Notes

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE - Beginning *Thursday, Dec 3* from 2-3:30 pm, and weekly thereafter, we will gather to break open this Scripture and reflect on how these readings impact our lives. Join us anytime!

Question of the Week

Gospel: *Luke 21:25-28, 34-36*

Adults: Luke tells us to be alert at all times and pray for strength. What have been the strengths of your prayer life? What will you do during this Advent season to strengthen your faith and be alert?

Children: When do you pray? How has that helped you every day?

Coming Events & News in Our Parish

SPONSI DINNER – As we all begin the Christmas Season, please join us for an evening of fellowship, a very good meal, and great entertainment, *Tuesday, Dec 1, at 6pm* in Finnerty Hall. Our committee is: Jay and Elvira Carney 628-5045, Colleen Hobbel 678-3772, Marguerite Shunk 784-0990, Robert and Kay Lynn Tafini 678-6850, and Lucille Wells 633-2429. If you have not yet been called, please call one of them ASAP to let them know you're coming. All are invited!

BATHED IN GOD: AN ADVENT REFLECTION FOR WOMEN - In the book of Deuteronomy, God declares us "as the apple of his eye," meaning we are cherished in God's eyes. "But the Lord's portion was his people; his allotted share was Jacob. He found them in a wilderness, a wasteland of howling desert. He shielded them, cared for them, guarded them as the apple of his eye" (Deut. 32:9-10). Come and renew yourselves in the truth, that like Jesus, we too are God's beloved. We too are called to be Advent people who announce the eternal coming of God in our midst. This Advent reflection will be *Sunday, Dec 6 at 4 pm* in the Parish Center. Our facilitator will be Sister Mary Ann Wiesemann-Mills, a Dominican sister of 57 years.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS – In the U.S. there are more than 33,000 senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests, who worked tirelessly, usually for little to no pay. As a result, many religious communities lack adequate savings for retirement and eldercare. Your gift in next week's envelope or through Faith Direct helps provide medications, nursing care, and more. Thank you!

JOIN US IN OUR PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY *Wednesday, Dec 9* at 1:15 pm in the Parish Center Library. If you are aware of anyone who would benefit from receiving a blessed shawl, or need more information about this ministry, please call Rosemary at 633-8060 or Beth at 633-4759.

THE OLV ADOPT-A-BABY NEWS! With a continuous supply of oxygen, nourishment from the placenta, and especially lots of mother's love, our baby is thriving! Our baby can make facial expressions and even smile. Unique fingerprints have arrived and never change. The child now sleeps, awakens, and exercises its muscles. Even though Mom cannot feel movement yet, our baby is very active. Our child is busy turning its head, curling its toes and opening and closing its mouth. The gender can now be visually determined! By the end of the month, all the organs and systems of our baby's body will be functioning. **Our baby is a miracle, made in the image and likeness of God!** Check back next month for more news!

THE RED CROSS BLOODMOBILE will be at Our Lady of Victory on *Monday, Dec 14, from 1-7pm*, in Finnerty Hall. To schedule an appointment, go to www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: tallmadge, or just come and give the gift of life to someone in need!



HOBAN HIGH SCHOOL will administer a Placement test to 8th grade students on *Saturday, Dec 12, beginning at 8:30 am*. Students may pre-register by calling the admissions office at 330-849-2149 or visiting www.hoban.org. There is a \$20 test fee.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following 200 Club winner(s) for the weekend of *Nov 22, 2015*:

#113 – TONY & JANET MASIELLA - \$50.00

News & Notes in our Neighborhood

YOUNG ADULT ADVENT RETREAT: A TIME FOR MERCY – Young adults 20-40, begin your Advent with a mini-retreat, *10am – 2pm Saturday, Dec 5*, at Cuvilly House, 18021 Marcella Rd, Cleveland. Fr Joe Fortuna of Our Lady of the Lake, Euclid, will be the speaker. Cost is \$15, lunch is included. Call 440-476-6094 or email khine@ndec.org.

POP GOES CHRISTMAS! – St Rita Catholic Church present The Singers' Club of Cleveland 123rd Concert Season, *Sunday, Dec 6 at 3pm*. Location: 32820 Baldwin Ave, Solon. Everyone welcome!

Celebrating the Sacraments

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS:

60TH: MARVIN & WILLENE BREIDING – 11/28/55

Caring Commission

Pray for the Sick: Lucille Auber, Marion Boehm, Carolyn Brugnano, Bob Bryer, Agnes Clark, Cleo Cummins, Pocahontas Danik, Robert Dumke, Daysha Furtney, Barbara George, Jim Gravatt, Zachary Gravatt, Irene Ingram, Frances Jendrisak, John Keck, Anthony Massaroni, William Modzelewski, Diana Morneweck, Anna Rivera, Charlotte Scheiner, Ruth Thompson.

IF YOU, OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW, IS HOMEBOUND, or in a Nursing Facility, we have ministers who can meet your spiritual and sacramental needs. Homebound includes any individual and/or their caregiver who is unable to attend Mass because of outpatient surgery, serious illness, advanced age, injury, or similar circumstances. This ministry also includes caregivers who are unable to get to Mass. To be included in these visits, please call Linda Herold at 633-3637.



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We pray with the Church that Deacon John Buda may share in the peace and joy of the Risen Lord.

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