

PARISH EVENTS and LITURGIES

Sunday, December 28

10:30 am Mass - OLPH Parishioners

Monday, December 29 - No Mass

Tuesday, December 30 - No Mass

Wednesday, January 31

5:00 pm Vigil Mass for the Holy Day -
Shirley Williams +

**Thursday, January 1 - Holy Mary Mother of God
Holy Day of Obligation**

12:00 pm Mass for the Holy Day -
OLPH Parishioners

Friday, January 2

Saturday, January 3

3:00 pm Olive Branch Open

3:30 pm Confessions

5:00 pm Vigil Mass - OLPH Parishioners

6:00 pm Birthday Party for Jesus

6:00 pm Brunswick Stew Orders

Sunday, January 4

8:30 am Christian Initiation, FLC

10:30 am Mass - Linda Tucciarone +

11:30 am Birthday Party for Jesus, Commons

11:30 am Olive Branch Open

11:45 am Confirmation Preparation, FLC

READINGS FOR THE WEEK December 28 - January 4

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Monday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6/Lk 2:22-35

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Lk 2:36-40

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13/Jn 1:1-18

Thursday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Friday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/Jn 1:29-34

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

MERRY CHRISTMAS



A beautiful thing about our Catholic faith is that it gives us so much to celebrate: we have been created and loved and saved and redeemed by God Himself! The Christmas season (not just Christmas Day but the whole Christmas season) invites us to rejoice in that truth in a even deeper way. Thank you for all the joy you bring to our parish family, thank you for your joy in loving and being loved by Jesus. And even as the radio stations and advertisements quickly turn to the next thing, as Christians we get to rejoice and celebrate for this whole season the good news of great joy for all peoples, that the Savior has come and He has saved us. Have a blessed Christmas, and thank you for being a part of our family here at OLPH.

~Fr. Kyle



Please pray for our sick, that they may be strengthened by the love of Christ.

Rob Ahlers
Joe Birkenmaier
Emanuel Clements
Fr. Danny Cogut
Lois Conn

Patricia Dopp
Placido de Guzman
Therese Huynh
Larry Keyes
Bernie Langheim
Joseph Mukuni

Mary Anna Page
Judith Perrine
Jackie Richards
Sue Thompson
John Wizorek

December 28, 2025
The Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary and Joseph

When I was ten, my dad gathered our family around the table in small-town Vermont and told us we were moving to the big desert city of Phoenix, Arizona. We were leaving behind family, friends, and everything familiar. None of us knew what to expect.

But something beautiful happened. As we made the move together, our family grew closer. In retrospect, I'm amazed at my parents' courage to go on that adventure. Even as a kid I realized our family found, in that challenge, a deeper unity and mutual love.

In today's Gospel, Joseph is told: "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee..." (Matthew 2:13, 20). First to Egypt, then later to Israel. The Holy Family is frequently challenged to move and change, to adapt to God's will for them, in order to find safety in the midst of threat. It's not just an idiosyncratic story about survival. It's a spiritual pattern for all of us. Every Christian family is called to be a kind of sanctuary, especially in a world full of noise, busyness, and fear.

May I make a practical application for us? The Lord's Day, Sunday, is perhaps the most practical way we imitate this dynamic we see in Joseph and his family. Sunday is not meant to be just like every other day, filled with errands and stress. It's meant to be a day set apart; a holy "escape" into rest, worship, joy, and peace. A day to rise, take your family, and flee, into God's presence.

~ Fr. John Muir

	January 3 Saturday Mass 5:00 pm	January 4 Sunday Mass 10:30 am
Altar Servers	Joshua Rodriguez Jacob Rodriguez	James Fukumoto Victoria Fukumoto
Lectors	Dennis Kafura Vicki Hubbard	Frank Kristoff Kathryn Anderson
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Theresa Ata Norman Ata Parish Deacon	Jenna Taylor Bill Thompson Jeffrey Krajnik Mike Sexton Parish Deacon Sharyn Sexton Mary Martinez
Linen Washer		Sandy Shedwell
Ushers	Bogdan Czachor Scott Kuhn Jack Miller Al Scalera	Bryan Boggs Maria Carrier Gary Rowland Greg St. Clair
Bus Driver		Alex Juarez

A Blessing Prayer for our Home as we continue to welcome in the new year:

Lord God, bless our home and all those who enter here. May this family and all who visit us this year be healthy and holy. May we worship Jesus within these walls. As the star made Christ visible to the wise men,
 help us make the light of Christ visible in our home today.

~Amen



WEEKLY OFFERING	December 13th - 14st	JULY YTD
Sunday - Holy Days	\$ 46,133.00	\$334,715.00
Total Income Budgeted	\$10,710.00	\$263,330.00
Better or Worse	\$ 35,423.00	\$ 71,385.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 318.00	\$ 43,931.00

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