

St. Paul Catholic Church

Dec. 14, 2025

Third Sunday of Advent

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Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday, Dec. 17, after 6:30 Mass and Friday, Jan. 2, at 8 am

Confession: **TODAY: SUNDAY 2:30 or Tuesday 5:30pm St. Mark** or by appointment. Please call the rectory to schedule.

Mission Statement: Let us experience a change in every moment of our lives for the better and touch the lives of other people whom we meet every day

Mass Scheduled Intentions + Deceased blank Living

Tuesday, Dec. 16	St. Mark 5 pm Sister Mary Christine Taylor Penance Service 5:30 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 17	St. Paul 6:30 pm All Souls in Purgatory + Adoration after Mass
Thursday, Dec. 18	St. Mark 9 am Mawn Family
Friday, Dec. 19	St. Paul 9 am Paula Phillips +
Saturday, Dec. 20	St. Mark 5 pm Neil Jackson + Confession: 4 - 4:45
Sunday, Dec. 21	St. Mark 8 am For the People of our Parishes
	St. Paul 10 am Russell Breitweiser+

Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah 7:10-14; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-24

Dear Parishioners of ST. Mark and St. Paul,

I had one of those faith filled moments this week. On Wednesday evening we had confession time for our faith Formation students. Fr. Bob Drury came and helped with the confessions. Afterward he talked about how well prepared the students were and what a wonderful job they did. I agreed with him. It really was a faith filled moment for me. So often when I hear confessions of young people it helps me to remember some of my past and how my sins as a younger person were the same sins to which I am listening. Great job guys.

This Sunday at 2 PM there will be the opportunity for confession at St. Paul. On Tuesday there will be the same opportunity at St. Mark at 5:30 PM. Fr. Jegin from St. Stephen in Cadiz will be here on Sunday. Fr. Bob Drury will at St. Mark on Tuesday. Please consider taking some time to receive this sacrament as part of your Advent preparation for Christmas. I too plan to receive this wonderful sacrament of healing as part of my own preparation. I admit it is not the easiest thing for me to do. But it is a necessary part of my personal Advent journey.

I wish to say a word of thanks to those who help in any way with the breakfast on the first Sunday at St. Mark and with the lunch on the second Sunday at St. Paul. I believe this is one of the most important things we do each month when we come together and share a meal together. Thanks to all who help with these meals and thank you to all who bring the food.

May God bless you and your family and our parish families of St. Mark and St. Paul.

Thank you.

Fr. Brad

Prayer Requests *Please pray for the family of Mary McTiernan and the family of Barbara Hickman, and souls of Mary and Barbara who died this past week. May Mary and Barbara rest in peace and rise in glory.*

St. Paul: Steve Alldredge, Karen Riedeman Schalk, Tara Jeanne Perez, Jansen Hubbard, Rachel Smotherman, Lee Weidner, Shirley Carney, Ronald Harper, Michael Gray, Liam Stevenson, Pam Childress, Emily Stolz, Robert Peek, Jason Goodwin, Iris Brandon, Sandy Haberlock, Laura Jean Basso, Christa Strong, Teresa Boyd, Rodger Rush, Norm and Millie Thomas, Max Reil, David Cansler, Margot Shirley, Kendra Redd, Teresa Angelilli, Rick Bennett, Mary Reil, Beth Berton, Lewis Wurtman, Ronald Weidner, Mary Cheeseman

Both Parishes: People of Western KY, Theresa Weidner Griffith ***Please remember our shut-ins and nursing home residents in your prayers:*** Barb Adams, William Moertl, **and all those living in nursing homes. *Pray for our military and their families***, especially Monica Dukes, Tucker Pittmann, Aiden Davies, and Jack Rooyakkers.

St. Mark: James Weber, Elaine Collins, Patrick Flear, Bent, Janet Terry, Luca Carlson, Pete Arriola, Margie Hibbard, Makenna Finnegan, McBroom Family, Peggy and Tim Brown Logan Thomas, Steven Dahl, Marie and Richard Berger, Chris and Bernadette Bode, David Russell, Barbara Hughes, Joe and Wanda Loftus, Karen Finnegan, Will Jones, Tom Johnson, Chris Davies, Mary Huhnke, Gail Biskupich, Terry O'Neill, Curtis Fritz, Kathleen and Alan Dale, Zane Pierson, Matt, Chuck Thomas, Rose Oliver, Sr. Mary Christine Taylor, Ann Munn, Roy Maynard, Pat Merimee, Wendy Welter Teller, Kevin Stuckner, Jim Dunning, Teresa Fuhrman, James I. Hosey, Mawn Family, David Harkins, Austin Benthem, Diane Edelbrock Nelson, Gerry Maynard, Jan Piche, Jim Eich, Karen Reibel, Kenny Pierson, Lonnie O'Neill, Maggie Pierson, Ron Eich, Shannon Doney, Sr. Joan Claire, Terence Carlin.

Happy Birthday!

Pat Hayes Dec. 16

Anna Ray Dec. 16

Austin Rush Dec. 17

Aidan Rush Dec. 21

Kay Cotton Dec. 22

Claire Adams Dec. 23

Gerardo Alonso Dec. 24

Fonciene Giordano Dec. 27

Jeffery Honnold Dec. 27

Conner McEnaney Dec. 30

Save the Date!

Today Sunday, Dec. 14 -Second Sunday Dinner- Please join us for a pre-Christmas dinner with family and friends after the 10 am Mass at the Center. Fried chicken and drinks will be provided. Please bring your favorite side dish, casserole, or dessert to share with family and friends. Relax with us before the holiday season begins.

Advent Penance Service at St. Paul 2:30 pm

Tuesday, Dec. 16 - Advent Penance Service at St. Mark after 5 pm Mass

Now - Dec. 21 Angel Tree and Family Aid Christmas Food Basket donations are due today!

Wednesday, Dec. 24- Christmas Eve Masses St. Mark 5:00 pm St. Paul 7 pm

Thursday, Dec. 25- Christmas Day 10 am St. Paul

Ongoing: Nov 30 - Jan. 4 Baby Shower for Jesus

Sacraments:

Baptism: Please contact the Pastor to schedule a Baptism. One-month notice is required.

Matrimony: To schedule a wedding, please make an appointment with the Pastor. At least six months is needed for preparation.

Please contact Fr. Brad at **(270) 365-6786** for **Anointing of the Sick, Holy Communion or Pastoral calls** to the sick, shut-in, or hospitalized.

DIOCESAN POLICY: "No one should have to live with abuse, and the Diocese of Owensboro, in keeping with the laws of Kentucky and of the Church, encourages any victim of sexual abuse to make the abuse known by contacting local law enforcement: Princeton Police 270-365-2041, the Commonwealth's Attorney (270-388-9494) or Kentucky's Child Protection Hot Line (1-877KYSAFE1, 1-877-597-2331 toll free).

If the abuse involved Church personnel, either paid or volunteer call Scott Ingram, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator (English) at 270-852-8380 or Miguel Quintanilla, Pastoral Assistance Coordinators (Spanish) at 270-880-8360. You may also visit the Office of Safe Environment <https://owensborodiocese.org/safe/> for more information. To make a report of sexual abuse of a minor and related misconduct by bishops, go to ReportBishopAbuse.org or call 1-800-276-1562.

The diocese's commitment to combat sexual abuse concerns can be noted in its revised sexual abuse policy, effective July 1, 2014, which can be found at St. Paul on the back table, and on the diocesan web site <https://owensborodiocese.org/safe/>.

WELCOME! Please see Fr. Brad or Kathy Talley to register. If you are a current parishioner with a change in contact information, please notify Kathy Talley kfct@umich.edu or **(270) 625-3433**.

Bulletin Announcements should be sent directly to Regina Hosey text (931)801-6514 or reg8926@gmail.com or **by Tuesday evening**.

	Altar Server	Lector	Greeters/ Ushers	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMC)	Counters Financial Rep.*
Dec 21 10 am	Sam	Marcy Foltz	Susan Brinkley Sebastian	Susan Brinkley Dan Adams	Bob Hayes* Mike Wasielewski
Dec 24 7PM	Arianna	Anna Ray	Suzanne Rush & Volunteer	Cesar Turmero Susan Brinkley	
Dec 25 10am	JD	Bob Hayes	Volunteer	Dan Adams Volunteer	Bob Hayes* Mike Wasielewski

The weekly budget number has been reset to reflect the St. Mark share of the budget. This will bring the budget and ytd collection totals in line with actual costs.

Dec. 7	Week 23	Stewardship	Thanks for your support
Total Deposit:	\$4,182.00	Weekly Budget Expense	\$ 3,800.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 205.00	Year to Date Collections	\$82,008.14
Mass Intentions	\$ 5.00	Year to Date Budget	\$87,400.00
NCYC donations	\$1,530.00	Building Fund	\$ 265.00

Advent Acts Of Service Find a way to serve and share the joy of Christ this Advent! Here are a few suggestions:

- Bake cookies for neighbors who don't have family and friends nearby.
- Donate clothes, food, and toys to those in need.
- Send Christmas cards to those in nursing homes, those who are in prison, or those serving in the military.
- Go Christmas Caroling and share the joy of Christ in your town!
- Pay for someone's coffee or lunch when going through the drive-thru.
- Offer to babysit for a family that may not be able to regularly afford a babysitter.
- Give money to support local or worldwide missions.
- **Volunteer to help decorate (Dec. 21st after 11 am Mass)**
- Text or call those who may be lonely or grieving this holiday season

