

# OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA

# BULLETIN

Catholic Church

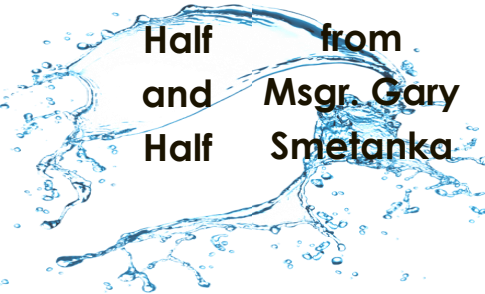
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I know you are already thinking Christmas, but today is still Advent! Still time to prepare, still time to open our hearts more to welcome the infant child into our midst. How much, ever more so, we need to stop, think of the Love of God in our midst, and thank God for the gift of our faith.

Listen again to the end of our first reading from Micah: "He shall stand firm and shepherd his flock by the strength of the Lord, in the majestic name of the Lord, his God; and they shall remain, for now, his greatness shall reach to the ends of the earth; he shall be peace."

As the Christmas season begins late Monday afternoon, may we continue to be a blessing to all we encounter and keep Christ as the reason for the season!

\*\* Please remember that church will be crowded Monday and Tuesday. These are the people we have been praying for in a special way this Advent. They may not be parishioners, but probably family members of parishioners that are proud of our church and parish! Patience, consideration and hospitality are always good virtues to practice, especially as so many



gather to celebrate these holy days. May all who come have an encounter with the Lord!

\*\* Thanks to all of you who have done so much to make our parish so beautiful and so alive. Be sure to spread the word and invite others to be with us! Remember that any donations for the "Christmas collection" must be marked Christmas, or in the special Christmas envelope, and/or dated as such.

\*\* Thanks to the choir and all the liturgical ministers at this time of year! We appreciate your service now and throughout the year.

May you be touched by the powerful presence of the Lord as we prepare and celebrate His coming!

And something to think about...do you want to be a part of the inn crowd or the stable crew?

Msgr. Gary Smetanka

## Christmas Eve

4:00 pm, 4:15 pm (in gym), 6:00 pm  
and 11:00 pm  
(Musical prelude at 10:30 p.m.)

## Christmas Day

9:30 am and 11:30 am

## Mary, Holy Mother of God

*Holy Day of Obligation*

Monday, December 31, 4:00 pm  
Tuesday, January 1, 9:30am

## Prayer for our Christmas Guests

Dear Lord,

*As we prepare for your coming,  
let us reflect on the journey  
Mary and Joseph took on their way  
to Bethlehem. They were tired  
and alone, and there was  
no room for them at the inn.*

*Help us to open the doors of our hearts  
and our parish as we welcome guests this Christmas.  
We pray that those who come will feel welcome  
and experience your great love  
and peace through each of us.*

*Help us to see with your eyes,  
serve with your hands,  
and to embrace those who will come into our midst.  
Amen.*

## mass times & information

**SAT** 4:00 p.m. (Vigil)  
**SUN** 8:00 a.m.  
 9:30 a.m.  
 11:30 a.m.  
**MON** 7:30 a.m.  
**TUE** 7:30 a.m.  
**WED** 7:30 a.m.  
**THU** 7:30 a.m.  
**FRI** 8:30 a.m.

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**MON** 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
**TUE** 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
**WED** 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
**THU** 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
**FRI** 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
**SAT** Closed  
**SUN** Closed  
**Holidays** — Closed

### BAPTISMS

Please call the parish office during the last months of pregnancy to arrange for Baptism classes and schedule the Sacrament. Everyone has a right to their own sacramental certificate. No one has the right to another person's certificate, except: the parent/guardian of a minor child. (Archdiocese of Detroit)

### RECONCILIATION

**SAT** 3:00 p.m. until all have been heard and by appointment

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK/ MINISTRY TO THE SICK

The Church strongly encourages people to receive the Sacrament (Anointing) of the Sick at the early stages of serious sickness or before serious surgeries.

In emergency situations needing the prompt attention of a priest, please call the parish office.

### MARRIAGE

Archdiocesan law requires advance notice of at least six months.

### PARISH REGISTRATION

Newcomers to the parish may register in the Parish Office during regular office hours. Others, please notify the Parish Office of address changes.

Hearing devices are available for use during Mass. Please ask an usher for assistance.

**Bulletin articles are due by 10:00 a.m. on Friday. Submitted bulletin content is subject for approval.**



# UNLEASH THE GOSPEL

## go and make disciples

Merry Christmas! In two days we begin the Christmas season.

When hope shall sing of triumph  
And sadness flees away"

While many people start putting away "Christmas-y" things the day after Christmas, and as shopping malls stop blaring "Here Comes Santa Claus," Catholics are just getting started. The cleaning and baking during penitential Advent pays off now, and the feasting and caroling begin. It's time to enjoy the preparations of heart and home with joy.

Pause a while during the celebrations and parties this Christmas to look around to recognize that Jesus is among us in every person and in every trial and tribulation we encounter in our lives.

By being kind, patient, generous, loving and laughing, joyous people, reaching out to all, Christmas can become the season "when hope shall sing of triumph and sadness flees away."

Celebrating Christ's coming into this world during the Christmas season seems to be the perfect opportunity to begin or continue the journey of establishing a personal relationship with God.

MERRY CHRISTMAS.

One in the Spirit  
Joanne and Jean  
Evangelization Commission

His birth should bring us hope, joy, love and peace.

"Oh come divine Messiah  
The world in silence waits the day

## Christmas Day Do's and Don'ts

### Do

- Smile!
- Welcome people around you to the parish, especially if they are visitors.
- Guide non-Catholics (or visitors) to where the Order of Mass may be found in the Sunday Word booklets
- Invite people to explore our bulletin, website or Facebook page to connect with the parish.
- Extend warm Christmas greetings to those around you and invite them join us again.

### Don'ts

- Get mad if someone is sitting in your regular seat.
- Get mad if people are talking before Mass.
- Get mad if babies are crying.
- Get annoyed if it is hot and crowded.
- Give dirty looks to people who do not know what to do in church or during Mass.

## scripture readings

### WEEK OF DECEMBER 23

#### SUNDAY

##### Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

#### MONDAY

**Morning Mass:** 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Lk 1:67-79

**Vigil Mass:** Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25

#### TUESDAY

##### Solemnity of The Nativity of the Lord — Christmas

**Night Mass:** Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14

**Dawn Mass:** Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20

**Day Mass:** Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14

#### WEDNESDAY

##### Feast of Saint Stephen, the First Martyr

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17; Mt 10:17-22

#### THURSDAY

##### Feast of Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist

1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a and 2-8

#### FRIDAY

1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42

#### SATURDAY

1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn 1:43-51

#### SUNDAY

##### Solemnity of The Epiphany of the Lord

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

## Please pray for

### the sick

Connor Baratta  
Lisa Belcoure  
Bruce Belcoure  
Marie Brady  
Robert Caldwell  
Cassidy Christie  
Sharon De Long  
Virg Ditty  
Joseph Drader  
James Faller  
Anthony Fodale  
Peter John Hanna  
Linda Keschl  
Steve Kocsis  
Chris Kreuter  
Dr. Mike Luberto  
Bill Minoletti  
Maryann Montpetit  
Kristina Mulder  
Laura Murphy  
Sue Nelson  
Don Nelson  
Marilyn O'Bryan  
Sylvia Panicara  
Jim Panicara  
Biagio Piccoro  
Terry Ryba  
Len Stoehr  
Alexis Suppanz  
Kelly Suppanz  
Fr. Francis Weingartz  
Hannah Wheatley  
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## Altar Servers

### Monday, December 24

**4:00 p.m.** E. Giffer  
B. Collins  
T. Collins

**4:15 p.m.** S. Ancona  
A. Ancona

**6:00 p.m.** M. Siciliano  
**11:00 p.m.** M. Tranchida  
K. Armbruster  
M. Blazejewski

### Tuesday, December 25

**9:30 a.m.** See Schedule  
**11:30 a.m.** L. Steier  
M. Steier  
J. Drawbaugh

**Thank You  
Servers  
For your  
Ministry!**

## Mass Intentions

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 24

#### 4:00 p.m.

† Frank & Josephine M. Colombo  
† Charlie Moscara  
† Mannie Moscara

#### 4:15 p.m.

† Edward Nowak  
† John & Virginia Reardon  
† Margrit McFarlane  
† Suzanne Carolan

#### 6:00 p.m.

† Frank & Ella Fox  
**11:00 p.m.**  
OLSOS Parishioners

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25

#### 9:30 a.m.

† Timothy Diem  
† Gaye Attar  
**11:30 a.m.**  
† Virginia Mushenski  
† Veronica Yuhase

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26

#### 7:30 a.m.

† John Ross  
† Bill & Lorrain Glynn  
† Evelyn Louwers  
Kay Abram

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27

#### 7:30 a.m.

† Irene & William Beatty  
† Joe Bauer

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28

#### 8:30 a.m.

Margaret Spindler  
Mary Agnes MacDonald

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

#### 4:00 p.m.

Rod & Maryann Guest  
† Charles & Mary Abram  
† Joe Bauer

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30

#### 8:00 a.m.

† John & Virginia Reardon  
**9:30 a.m.**  
† Art & Dorothy Spindler  
† Catherine Jaboro

#### 11:30 a.m.

† Virginia Mushenski  
Bettejean Ahee  
† Dick Flynn  
† Ann & Ray Oleszko

## In memoriam

12/24/1958 Elizabeth Weiler  
12/24/1965 Christina Nolan  
12/24/1967 Christopher Rollins  
12/24/1974 Russell Sears  
12/24/1977 Catherine Cernick  
12/24/1980 Cecilia Frost  
12/24/1986 Francis Breen  
12/24/1989 John R. DiLorenzo  
12/24/1993 Louise Wilt  
12/24/1998 George Jennings  
12/24/2005 Eva Kleefuss  
12/24/2007 Angela Cafagna  
12/25/1965 Roland Ritter  
12/25/1965 Sophie Voight  
12/25/1978 Rudolph Schuler  
12/25/1983 Gabriel O'Connor  
12/25/1986 Anna Premro  
12/25/2002 Mitchell Pieronek  
12/25/2004 Joan Schulte  
12/25/2011 Veronica Yuhase  
12/26/1969 Edmund Sikorski  
12/26/1982 Silverio Franco  
12/27/1980 Edmund Pazgrat  
12/27/1986 John Broderick  
12/27/1994 Naldo Monacelli  
12/27/2010 Peter Cubba  
12/27/2011 William Glynn  
12/27/2017 Virginia Reardon  
12/28/1972 Casimer Schafer  
12/28/1975 Frank Sendstock  
12/28/1985 Joseph Piccirells  
12/28/1996 Michalina Napier  
12/28/2012 Thomas Burke  
12/28/2013 Angelo Spezia  
12/29/1982 Paul S. Schwanitz  
12/29/1991 Augusta Screpnok  
12/29/2002 Hope Brophy  
12/29/2009 Daniel McKinley  
12/29/2010 Luis Charbonier  
12/30/1962 Robert Meier  
12/30/1977 James Duncan  
12/30/1993 Joseph Howard  
12/30/1996 Bernice VanTiem  
12/30/2006 Elaine Frontera  
12/30/2014 Mary Reuter



# Holy Water Care



**December 28**  
Liz Abood

Please contact  
Elsie Surmont  
at 313-884-3084

## Stay in Touch

Below is a list of websites to help you stay current with your faith journey

- † [aodonline.org](http://aodonline.org) - information concerning the Archdiocese of Detroit
- † [uscceb.org](http://uscceb.org) - United States Conference of Catholic Bishops ~ liturgical readings, news and calendar
- † [discovermass.com](http://discovermass.com) - View OLSOS bulletins by typing in our zip code ~ click on view *bulletins*
- † [massfimes.org](http://massfimes.org) - use this website to find locations and times of Masses when traveling and on the road.



**No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

**Wednesday, December 26**

**Parish Office Closed**

**Monday, December 24  
Tuesday, December 25**

**and  
Wednesday, December 26**

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

December  
**29/30**

SAT 4:00PM	SUN 8:00AM	SUN 9:30AM	SUN 11:30AM	
Fr. Brian Meldrum	Msgr. Gary Smetanka	Fr. Marko Djonovic	Fr. Marko Djonovic	<b>CELEBRANT</b>
Stephen Morrison	Kerry Schaeffner	Stephen Knowlton	Hugh Montpetit	<b>LECTOR</b>
<b>Saturday Team</b>  Dave Barthel Randy Eissa Mary Ann Fox Bill Quinlan Joe Rabaut Paul Ventimiglia	<b>Team A</b>  John Carnaghi Vito Cusenza Mike McNamee Rob Sattler Margaret Spindler Jerry Varani <b>Ron Wehrmann</b>	<b>Team C</b>  <b>Greg Bourgoin</b> Paul Mazzara Jerry Moore Tim Northey Jack Szpytman Ernest Valentino	<b>Team E</b>  Pat Arsenault Martin Ellis Tom McDonald <b>Matt Savage</b> George Schena Bill Viviano	<b>USHERS</b>
<b>M. Slusser W. Seymour T. Cueter</b>	<b>R. Felcyn C. Felcyn J. Francis</b>	<b>K. Armbruster N. Kociba E. Kociba</b>	<b>M. McKeown R. McKeown I. McKeown</b>	<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>
<b>Amy Clor Annette Myslinski</b>	<b>Kay Abram Debby Veltri</b>	<b>Jack &amp; Mary Szpytman Bonnie Woods</b>	<b>Mary Lou LeFevre</b>	<b>GREETERS</b>
<b>Pat Jensen Terry Cerwin</b>	<b>Terry &amp; Jerry Varani</b>	<b>Ray &amp; Joan Kettel</b>	<b>Kathy Hawkins</b>	<b>SACRISTIAN</b>
<b>Mary Ann Fox Robbie Henrichs</b>		<b>Ray &amp; Joan Kettel Marie Miller</b>		<b>PRAYER MINISTERS</b>

### FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK



## The True Meaning of Christmas

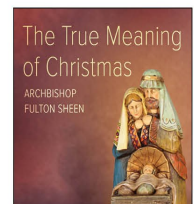
by Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

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