

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

MON8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.TUE8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.WED8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.THU8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.FRI8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

SAT Closed SUN Closed Holidays — Closed

BAPTISMS

Please call the Faith Formation Office (313-884-7407) 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

Saturday at 3:00 pm or 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. Adults over 21 need to be registered as an individual member to be considered a

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

Catholic in Good Standing.

Half and Half Christmas Greetings and Blessings!



Glory to God in the highest! The Advent season is over. We have prepared him room and now is the time to welcome the Christ Child in our midst. At the time of his birth, many people sought out this new born king even through great difficulty and personal sacrifice. Here we are, more than 2000 years later, and people still seek Him, for many different reasons! We continue seek the

One who is our Hope, our Consolation and our Peace.

What happened that holy night? Such a profound action, such a profound gift, was given for all people. When you reflect on the songs in this wonderful season you clearly see what God has done for us. The bottom line is this...we celebrate today that Jesus came to save you and me, to save us from all that troubles us. We treasure that He came in such a lowly way to relate to all of us. We know that Jesus was placed in a feeding trough because there was no room in the inn. Ultimately gave us himself in the form of bread, the Holy Eucharist, in order to feed us for all time. He came so that we can encounter Him in the messiness of our daily life! I pray that during the liturgies of this Christmas season, and throughout the year, we may all know of God's abundant and awesome love for us.

To those who might be visiting Our Lady Star of the Sea today – we are very glad you are here, and you are always welcome here in this home. There are great things happening here at Star through our worship, education and outreach to the wider community. Through it all we strive to be faithful to our mission: "With Mary, we bring people to Christ to live the love of God." Know that we care about you and if there is any way we can help you in your journey to follow the Lord Jesus, please let us know.

May the blessing of the Christ Child bring joy to all who seek Him and follow Him!

Merry Christmas today and throughout this season of holiness, wonder and awe! God bless you with abundant peace.

Msgr. Gary Smetanka

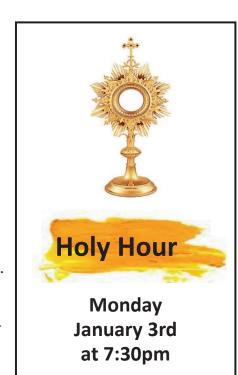
MASS SCHEDULE

Feast of the Holy Family Sunday, Dec. 26 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

Mary, Holy Mother of God Not a Holyday of Obligation this year Friday, Dec. 31, 4:00 pm

Solemnity of the Epiphany Saturday, Jan. 1, 4:00 pm Sunday, Jan. 2, 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:30 am.

Please visit our website <u>www.olsos.org</u> for the latest information or updates to this schedule or call the parish office at 313-884-5554.



Tax Advantaged Ways to Give to Our Parish

Parishioners may consider these two tax-advantaged ways to make charitable gifts to our parish at the year end.

Gifts of Appreciated Securities

Gifts of appreciated securities continue to be beneficial for donors since they offer significant tax advantages including income tax deductions and avoidance of tax on capital gains if the donor were to sell the highly appreciated securities. Through a gift of appreciated securities to benefit our parish, including to the Catholic Services Appeal, parishioners who itemize may receive an income tax deduction up to the full market value of the securities and can also avoid capital gains tax on the appreciation. In essence, you may save twice—on income tax and capital gains tax.

IRA Rollover -- Qualified Charitable Distribution

The IRA qualified charitable distribution (QCD) provides a way for donors 70 ½ and older to receive a tax benefit for their generosity. It is beneficial because the QCD will not be included in adjusted gross income and is therefore not subject to tax. This is now more beneficial in view of the increased standard deduction in the new tax law. A donor can make a QCD of up to \$100,000 annually directly from the IRA to a charity, and as an added benefit, if the donor is age 72, the QCD satisfies the donor's required minimum distribution. Parishioners 70 ½ or older should consult with their IRA administrator for the procedure to make a QCD to our parish.

For More Information, contact the Parish Office, or Archdiocese of Detroit Department of Development – Mission Advancement 313-596-7408

Development @aod.org

Please consult your tax or financial advisor. Our parish and the Archdiocese of Detroit arenot engaged in legal or tax advisory service. The examples listed above are intended to provide useful information of a general character only. For specific advice and assistance please consult a qualified tax or financial advisor.

Scripture Readings

Saturday

Readings for the week of December 26, 2021
Sunday Feast of the Holy Family

1 Sm 1: 20-22. 24-28 or Sir 3: 2-6. 12-14/

Ps 84: 2-3. 5-6. 9-10/

1 Jn 3: 1-2. 21-24 or Col 3: 12-21 or Col 3: 12-17/ Lk 2:41-52

Monday 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

Tuesday Feast of Holy Innocents, Martyrs

1 Jn 1: 5-2: 2/ Ps 124: 2-3. 4-5. 7b-8/ Mt 2: 13-18

Wednesday The Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas

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

Thursday The Sixth Day in the Octave of Christmas

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

Friday The Seventh Day of the Octave of Christmas 1 Jn 2: 18-21/ Ps 96: 1-2. 11-12. 13/ Jn 1: 1-18

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, The Mother of God

Nm 6: 22-27/ Ps 67: 2-3. 5. 6. 8 (2a)/ Gal 4: 4-7/ Lk 2: 16-21

Sunday 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



Monday, December 27

7:30 a.m. +Deacon Kevin Breen

Tuesday, December 28

7:30 a.m. Ginny Simon

Wednesday, December 29

7:30 a.m. +David Zalenski

Leanne Wisniewski

Thursday, December 30

7:30 a.m +Paul Collins

+Donald Jaeger

Friday, December 31

4:00 p.m. +Bettejean Ahee

+Virginia Mushenski

+Carmela Brucia

Saturday, January 1

4:00 p.m. +Carmela Brucia

+Peter & Connie Cracchiolo

+Nora Wyrod

+George W. Topper, Jr. +Donald R. Jaeger +Kristina Mulder

OLSOS Parishioners

Sunday, January 2

8:00 a.m. Deceased members of the

Eugenio Family

+Edmund Ahee, Jr

+John & Virginia Reardon

9:30 a.m. +Marilyn Bourgoin

11:30 a.m. +Aaron Blair

+Margaret Marcy +Eugene Ignasiak

+William Collins

+Virginia Mushenski

Parish Office will be closed

Monday, December 27th

and

Friday, December 31st



The Our Lady Star of the Sea School Choir records for "Unleash the Gospel"

Congratulations for a job well done by the Star School Choir recording for

the Archdiocese of Detroit "Unleash the

Gospel" Christmas video. Under the direction of school music teacher Jennifer Koester, the Choir recorded the carol "Silent Night" on Wednesday, December 8. The singers learned how making a video recording takes a lot of concentration and focus, with recording numerous "takes" to get every detail exactly right. The video was released by the Archdiocese the week before Christmas.





Grosse Pointe Symphony presents Holiday Concert

A near capacity crowd filled the Our Lady Star of the Star Church for a delightful Holiday Concert on Sunday, December 12 by the Grosse Pointe Symphony.

Christmas Eve 10:30 p.m. musical prelude and music during the 11:00 p.m. liturgy

Presented by Patricia Masri-Fletcher, principal harpist of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra; Wei Yu, principal cellist of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Glenn Miller, organ; Angela Theis Kelly, soprano; and the Our Lady Star of the Sea Choir.

Prelude:

What Sweeter Music John Rutter

The Little Road to Bethlehem Michael Head

Carol of the Bells Mykola Leontovych, arr. Peter Wilhousky

I Wonder As I Wander Appalachian Carol

As Joseph Went A-Walking Eric Thiman

Prelude on Greensleeves Ralph Vaughan Williams

This Christmastide **Donald Fraser**

The Sleep of the Infant Jesus Henri Busser

Choral and solo music during the liturgy:

John Rutter Mary's Lullaby

O Holy Night Adolph Adam

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP AID & HYMNS

O COME, 1. O come, all ye faithful, ALL YE joyful and triumphant,

FAITHFUL O come, ye o come ye to Bethlehem;

Come and behold him, born the King of angels; O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,

O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

2. Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, Sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above! Glory to God, all glory in the highest; O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord! **3.** Yea, Lord we greet thee, born this happy morning, Jesus, to thee be all glory giv'n; Word of the Father. now in flesh appearing; O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

SILENT NIGHT 1. Silent night, holy night

All is calm, all is bright Round yon Virgin, Mother and Child

Holy infant so tender and mild

Sleep in heavenly peace,

Sleep in heavenly peace.

2. Silent night, holy night

Shepherds quake at the sight Son of God,

Glories stream

from heaven afar

Heavenly hosts sing alleluia

Christ the savior is born,

Christ the savior is born.

3. Silent night, holy night

love's pure light

Radiant beams

from thy holy face

With the dawn of

redeeming grace

Jesus, Lord at thy birth, Jesus, Lord at thy birth.

AWAY IN 1. Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,

A MANGER The little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.

The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,

The little Lord Jesus, asleep on the hay.

2. The cattle are lowing; the baby awake,

But little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes.

I love you Lord Jesus, look down from the sky,

And stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.

3. Be near me, Lord Jesus;

I ask you to stay

Close by me forever, and love me, I pray.

Bless all the dear children

in your tender care,

And fit us for heaven to live

with you there.

HYMNS CONTINUED

THE FIRST NOWELL

verses: Ritual Song #537



ANGELS WE HAVE 1. Angels we have heard on high HEARD ON HIGH Sweetly singing o'er the plains, And the mountains in reply Echoing their joyous strains.

> Refrain Gloria, in excelsis Deo! Gloria, in excelsis Deo!

2. Shepherds, why this jubilee? Why your joyous strains prolong? What the gladsome tidings be, Which inspire your heavenly song?

Refrain

3. Come to Bethlehem and see Christ whose birth the angels sing; Come, adore on bended knee, Christ the Lord, the newborn King.

Refrain

4. See Him in a manger laid, Whom the choirs of angels praise; Mary, Joseph, lend your aid, While our hearts in love we raise.

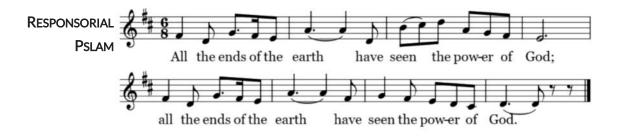
Refrain

JOY TO THE WORLD 1. Joy to the world the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room And heav'n and nature sing And heav'n and nature sing And heaven, and heaven and nature sing

> 2. Joy to the world the Savior reigns Let us our songs employ While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains Repeat the sounding joy Repeat the sounding joy Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

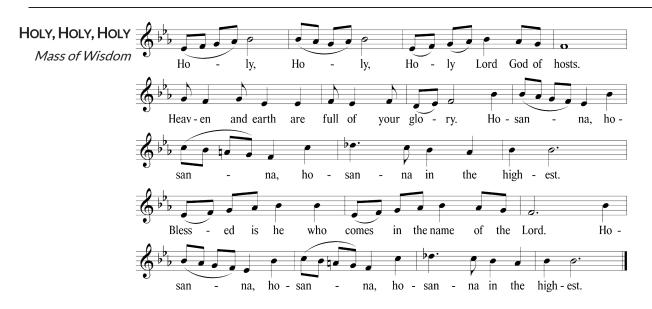
3. He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness And wonders of His love And wonders of His love And wonders, and wonders of his love







MASS MUSIC CONTINUED









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FORMING OUR FAITH

"For God so loved the world that He sent His only Son, that those who believe in Him might not perish but have eternal life." — John 3:16



James: Pearls for Wise Living

James is one of the most practical books of the Bible. Its teachings speak loudly to those who feel torn between the competing demands of this world and their faith.

This study offers "pearls for wise living" by applying the wisdom of James to our current day. For anyone who has struggled to live a truly Christian life, James offers a wealth of practical solutions for handling and even sanctifying everyday circumstances.

Our Lady Star of the Sea will begin an eleven-week Bible study *James: Pearls for Wise Living* on **January 24, 2022**. Participants may choose to attend either 9:30-11 AM -OR- 7:30-9 PM in The Pointe. Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation followed by small group discussion and fellowship. For more information or to register, contact Meredith Nesom at m.nesom@stargp.org or (313) 884-7407 ext. 2061.

Explore with Discovering Catholicism



Our parish recently completed Alpha, an internationally recognized program that helps us to understand the basics of who God is, that Jesus loves us, and that the Holy Spirit is with us. Let's build on that and unpack the Church that Jesus founded. Together we will talk about the history of the Church, what happens at Mass, the power of the Sacraments, Scripture, Tradition and the Magisterium, Catholic Social Teaching, The Last Things and more. If you've ever struggled to answer a pointed question about the Catholic Church from a friend or family member, or your own questions, this is the place to ask. Whether you have participated in Alpha or not, you are welcome to join us for one or all the sessions. We will meet in The

Pointe from 7:00 – 8:00 pm on six consecutive **Thursdays starting January 20, 2022**. If you have any questions, contact Judy Zedan, <u>il.zedan@gmail.com</u>.



Ever thought about becoming Catholic?

Have you come to church but never come into *the* Church?

Do you feel a tug at your heart to earn more about the Faith? Email Curtis Schuelke at cschuelke@stargp.org for more information.



Please begin to pray for those who will be receiving Baptism and their other Sacraments at the Easter Vigil in 2022!

Pray for our children receiving their Sacraments







Confirmation: April 30th

Do you have students in Faith Formation at Our Lady Star of the Sea? Do you have any questions or concerns? Email Curtis Schuelke at c.schuelke@stargp.org to set up a time to meet virtually one-on-one! We are here to help!



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Our Lady Star of the Sea Prayer and Eucharistic Chapel Open 6am - 11:30pm

CHRISTMAS

"Silent Night, Holy Night, all is calm, all is bright." When we go to Jesus in the Holy Eucharist we experience His birth once

again, with Mary, Joseph and the Angels! When we go to Jesus in the Holy Eucharist "shepherds quake at the sight; glories stream from heaven afar, Heavenly hosts sing 'Alleluia'"! When we go to Jesus in the Eucharist we are showered by "radiant beams from Thy Holy Face, with the dawn of redeeming grace." Go to Eucharistic Adoration! "Rest in Heavenly peace, rest in Heavenly peace." (from Missionaries of the Blessed Sacrament Newsletter).

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that you are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things
and I desire to receive you in my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you as if
you were already there
and unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be
separated from you.
Amen.



2022 Parish Directory

We will be printing the 2022 Directory in February. If you did not fill out an updated registration form earlier this year and need to update your information, please email Debby, d.veltri@stargp.org, with your updated information. This included phone numbers, and addresses, if you want or don't want them published. The directory information will be sent to the publisher in early January.



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In memoriam

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the sick

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