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Infant Baptism – To arrange for instructions for the Sacrament, please call the Parish Office.

Anointing of the Sick – In case of serious illness or before surgery, please call **Fr. McNew**, at the Parish Office at **614-879-8562**.

Marriage – Couples intending to marry must meet with **Fr. McNew** at least six months (preferably earlier) prior to the desired wedding date.

Communion Calls – Homebound parishioners unable to come to Mass should notify the Parish Office so that Holy Communion may be brought to their homes. Please notify the Parish Office when someone is in the hospital.

Sacrament of Penance
Saturday 3:30 p.m. or by appointment

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Parish Membership consists of **two** parts:

Registration: Registering in a parish is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic Community and a commitment to the life of the parish family.

*We are often asked to provide affidavits for parishioners' standings. We can only do this is if a person is a **registered, active and contributing** member in our parish.*

Participation: As a member of the Parish, you are accepting the responsibility of **weekly worship** as well as supporting God's work here **through giving of yourself, your time and talents**, and **a worthy Sunday offering** to show your love for God and your gratitude for His many favors and blessings.

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL	4:00 P.M.
SUNDAY MASS	9:00 A.M.
	6:00 P.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES

See Inside Bulletin for Mass Schedule.

ST. JUDE DEVOTIONS

Following Wednesday Morning Mass

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 16 ❖ Vigil
 4:00 p.m. † Irene Zak (Patty & George Photakis)

Sunday, December 17 ❖ Third Sunday of Advent
 9:00 a.m. † John Bayer (Jim & Mary Bayer)
 6:00 p.m. Parish Family
 – Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Monday, December 18 ❖ Late Advent Weekday
 NO Mass
 – Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25

Tuesday, December 19 ❖ Late Advent Weekday
 6:00 p.m. † Regina Schreck (Steve & Dottie Rice)
 – Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25

Wednesday, December 20 ❖ Late Advent Weekday
 8:30 a.m. † Tina Chia (Deacon Joe & Amy Knapke)
 – Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38

Thursday, December 21 ❖ Saint Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church
 8:30 a.m. † Andy Pelham (Betty Pelham)
 – Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-45

Friday, December 22 ❖ Late Advent Weekday
 8:30 a.m. † Thomas Collins (Dave Collins)
 – 1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56

Saturday, December 23 ❖ Vigil
 4:00 p.m. † Dick & Winnie Young
 (Deacon Joe & Amy Knapke)

Sunday, December 24 ❖ Fourth Sunday of Advent
 9:00 a.m. † Jane Gallagher (Gary & Debbie Palatas)
 – 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38

Sunday, December 24 ❖ Vigil of The Nativity of The Lord
 4:00 p.m. † Virginia Tanzie (Janet Dunham)
 6:00 p.m. Living & Deceased Members of Youngpeter & Miller Families (Kevin & Becky Miller)
 – Vigil Is 62:1-5; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Monday, December 25 ❖ The Nativity of The Lord
 10:00 a.m. Parish Family
 – Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

† = Deceased

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, December 17 PSR, 10:15-11:15 a.m.
 Adult Choir Rehearsal, 10:00 a.m.
 Children's Choir Rehearsal, 10:20 a.m.
 Live Nativity, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 19 Holy Hour, 5:00 p.m.
 Mass, 6:00 p.m.
 Adult Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 20 RCIA, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 21 Rosary, Mary Garden, 6:00 p.m.
 K of C Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, December 22 Christmas Decorating (Time TBD)
 Parish Office Closed

Saturday, December 23 Mass, 4:00 p.m.
 (4th Sunday of Advent)

Sunday, December 24 Mass, 9:00 a.m.
 (4th Sunday of Advent)
 NO PSR (NO CLW)
 NO Youth Group
 NO Confirmation Class
 Christmas Eve Vigil Mass, 4:00 p.m.
 Christmas Eve Vigil Mass, 6:00 p.m.

Monday, December 25 Christmas Day Mass, 10:00 a.m.
 Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, December 26 NO Holy Hour
 NO Mass

Wednesday, December 27 NO Mass
 Nativity Sets Display, 12:00-4:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 28 NO Mass

Friday, December 29 Mass, 8:30 a.m.

Saturday, December 30 – Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Mass, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 31 – Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Mass, 9:00 a.m.
 Mary, The Holy Mother of God Vigil Mass, 6:00 p.m.

Monday, January 1, 2024 Mary, The Holy Mother of God Mass, 10:00 a.m.
 Parish Office Closed

Second Sunday of Advent MASS ATTENDANCE – 524
 Immaculate Conception Mass Attendance – 167



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



This week to the following parishioners:

D'Arci Bubenchik	Lucy McAnespie	Mary McAnespie
Braden Lewis	Megan Trentman	Cody Forrest
Rebecca Jones	Mary Tholen	Ruth Pearson
Timothy O'Reilly	Brandon Trentman	Megan Wenger
Karen Smith	Bill Hundley	Lola Riffe
Rick Barber	James Barr	Christen Rinehart
Nicole Dean	Susan Lockard	John Nye
Steven Bubenchik		

THIS WEEKEND, OUR FEATURED ADVERTISER IS
Madison Health

LIVE NATIVITY CELEBRATION is this **Sunday, December 17** following the **6:00 p.m.** Mass. The evening will include a cookies and cocoa reception in the **Social Hall** and the **Narration of the Christmas Story** by our **Youth Group** and **Confirmation Class**. This is a beautiful evening of fellowship and a great way to reflect on the true meaning of **Christmas**. *All are welcome!*



NATIVITY SETS DISPLAY is ready for viewing in the **Social Hall**, with some old favorites and new surprises. They will remain in place until after **January 7**, so please take a few moments after Mass to view and enjoy them. We will host a public Open House on **Wednesday, December 27**, from **12:00-4:00 p.m.** for any friends you may want to invite to see them. We thank everyone who lent us their treasures to share with our parish family.

HELP IS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS DECORATING: If you are interested in helping with the **Christmas** decorating this year, please let **Father Dwayne** or **Janet Dunham** know if you can help.



EVERY TUESDAY: Eucharistic Holy Hour starting at 5:00 p.m. with Confessions. Mass to follow at 6:00 p.m.



IMPORTANT NEWS – KROGER REWARDS!!! We have received a check of \$464.36 for this quarter. Thank you to all who are enrolled. To connect a **Kroger Plus Card** to our krogercommunityrewards.com and enroll. You will need your **Kroger Plus Card**, email address, **Kroger** password and **Ss. Simon & Jude's** organizational number (82227). This does not affect your individual rewards! All current participants must re-enroll to continue earning rewards during the coming year. *Thank you for your participation; it made a difference!*



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: It's not too late to donate to the **Christmas Flower Fund**. Envelopes are in the monthly mailing. Extra envelopes are in the **Gathering Space**.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL: JOIN needs your help! **JOIN (Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs)** is often a "stop-gap" for our brothers and sisters who are doing their best to provide and succeed in life. We all come upon unexpected obstacles. For our neighbors who live paycheck to paycheck, that can be something as simple as missing work due to illness or something bigger, like a car repair. Basic supplies like toilet paper, soap, shampoo, conditioner, multi-purpose cleaning solutions, dish soap and laundry soap are items that people request at **JOIN** daily. **Kelsey** is a mom who came to **JOIN** to get assistance with bus passes for a new job she had. When she learned that we also had cleaning supplies and personal care items, especially toilet paper, she was overwhelmed that she could get those items as well. Meeting these most basic needs, when you don't have them, is a relief that is not measurable to a parent. Try to imagine running out of something, with no hope of getting it yourself for another week or so. Please be generous this giving season as there is an envelope for **Catholic Charities Appeal** in your monthly mailing or your EFT packet.

SUPPORT RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS: Our women and men religious offer gratitude. A sister shares, "I thank the Lord for all who give. I don't think we would make it without them." Thank you for giving to the **Retirement Fund for Religious** last week. Your donation makes a difference in the lives of elderly women and men religious. To learn more about how your gift helps, visit retiredreligious.org.

BLESSING BAGS: Pick up a Blessing Bag in the church entrances to keep in your vehicle and if you see someone in need, you can be a blessing to them! Especially in these cold winter months, we can serve those around us in this very practical but meaningful way! *Thank you to all who helped assembled the bags last Sunday!*

GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD PANTRY: For the month of **December**, we will collect cold-weather drinks: *coffee, tea, and hot chocolate*. Questions? Call **Linda Collins** at 614-879-9186.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION/YOUTH GROUP/ CONFIRMATION CLASS will not meet on **Sunday, December 24, 2023** or **Sunday, December 31, 2023**.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED Monday, December 25, 2023 and Monday, January 1, 2024.

RONALD McDONALD HOUSE: Since **May of 2023** we have turned in **29 lbs.** of pop tabs to the **Ronald McDonald House** in **Columbus!** The pop tabs are recycled in exchange for money that is then used toward paying the electric bill for the **Central Ohio Ronald McDonald House**. The **Mission of Ronald McDonald House Charities** is to keep families close. They provide a home away from home for families who have a child in the hospital but do not live locally. This is a continual program, so bring your pop tabs anytime and drop off in the "House" in the **Gathering Space**.

THE WOMEN'S GUILD had a total of **5** vehicles that helped assist with the very large delivery to **Vinton County, St. Francis Center** this year. We are so very *Thankful* for everyone's help and for all the generous donations from everyone in our Parish. **Vinton County** was so appreciative to received the donations.



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION:

January 5, 2024 from **9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.** We invite you to spend some time in **Adoration** as we begin the New Year! Sign up for a time in the weekly Flocknote or on the clipboard in the **Gathering Space**. People typically sign up for **1 hour**, but **ALL ARE WELCOME** any time!

If you have any questions, or if you have never attended **Adoration** and would like to know more about it, please contact **Bonnie Creeger** at bcreeger@stsimonjude.org.

CONGRATULATIONS! to staff members, **Bill and Jan Weeks**, who have decided to retire (for the second time) at the start of 2024. As they begin this new chapter of life, we begin the search for new part-time Secretary and part-time Maintenance personnel. **Fr. McNew** is working up job descriptions, but if you are interested in applying for either position, please see **Fr. McNew** after Mass.

PRAY FOR PRIESTS:

Msgr. Patrick Gaughan
Msgr. Paul Enke
Msgr. Stephan Moloney, Columbus, St. Andrew; Vicar General
Msgr. William Dunn
Nicholas Arnold, Seminarian
Fr. Nicholas Droll, Tribunal; Prison Ministry
Nick Love, Seminarian

AROUND US

NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN FOR THE 2024 CATHOLIC MAN OF THE YEAR: The **Catholic Men's Luncheon Club** is accepting nominations for the **Diocese of Columbus 2024 Catholic Man of the Year**. The annual award will be presented by **Bishop Earl Fernandes** on **Friday, February 2, 2024**. At the **Men's Luncheon** held at **St. Patrick Church** in downtown **Columbus**. The Catholic Man of the Year is awarded to one layman who, through his daily actions, words, and prayers, exemplifies the "good and faithful servant." The recipient will have the opportunity to share his personal testimony during the ceremony. Nominations will be accepted through **Sunday, December 31, 2023**. For details, nomination instructions and the required online nomination form, go to <https://www.catholicmensministry.com/catholicmanoftheyear>. Submit your nomination and let us know why your *parishioner, husband, father, son, uncle, brother, or friend* is the **Catholic Man of the Year!**

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