

Fourth Sunday of Advent: December 22, 2024

Masses for the Week

Sunday, December 22, 9:00 AM

+ MaryAnn Zablosky

+ Deceased of Joseph & Josephine Konyar Family

Tuesday, December 24, 6:00 PM

Christmas Vigil Mass

Parishioners of St. Patrick and OLOH

Wednesday, December 25, 9:00 AM

The Nativity of the Lord

Parishioners of St. Patrick and OLOH

Sunday, December 29, 9:00 AM

+ Deacon Charles H. Rebuck

There will be no AM Mass on Tuesday, December 24 and Thursday, December 26.



The Parish Office is open Monday
– Thursday from 10 AM to 5 PM.

Ministry Schedule

Tuesday, December 24, 6:00 PM (Vigil)

Lector: Melissa Sitlinger

Extraordinary Ministers: Linda Young, Patrick &
Melissa Myers

Altar Servers: Jaden, Landen &
Cullen Myers

Wednesday, December 25, 9:00 AM
(Christmas Day)

Lector: Joseph Savidge

Extraordinary Ministers: Mike Mazer, Dorothy
Renn, Bill Long

Altar Server: Ray Bednar

Sunday, December 29, 9:00 AM

Lector: Anna Troutman

Extraordinary Ministers: Sandra Derck, Dorothy
Renn, Raymond Bednar

Altar Servers: Jaden, Landen & Cullen Myers

A **Blessed Mother Candle** burns in loving memory of **Owen, Emma & Al Lagerman** from Anita & Family.

A **Blessed Mother Candle** burns in loving memory of **Emma Lagerman (Birthday Memorial)** from Anita & Family.

A **St. Joseph Candle** burns in loving memory of **Francis Lagerman (Christmas)** from Anita & Family.

A **St. Joseph Candle** burns in loving memory of the **Deceased Members of the Joseph & Josephine Konyar Family** from Konyar Children.

A **Sanctuary Candle** burns in loving memory of **Joseph Konyar, Sr. (Birthday Memorial)** from Konyar Children.

A **Sanctuary Candle** burns in loving memory of **Kevin Kinder (Birthday Memorial)** from Mom.



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9:00 AM Liturgy

Jubilee Year

As we prepare for the Ordinary Jubilee of 2025, you are invited to participate in the inaugural Pilgrimage and Mass on Sunday, December 29 in St. Patrick Cathedral, Harrisburg. Prior to the Mass, attendees will gather at St. Lawrence Chapel (110 State Street) for a procession to the Cathedral. Each parish is asked to send a few representatives to better acknowledge the entire Diocesan church. If you would like to represent St. Patrick, please call the parish office on **Monday, (December 23).**

Announcements

Sunday, December 22

Flowers have been delivered. We will decorate the church today after mass.

Wednesday, December 25

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD



Christmas Schedule

December 24 – Vigil Masses

St. Patrick – 6:00 PM

OLOH – 4:00 PM & 11:00 PM

December 25 – Christmas Day

St. Patrick – 9:00 AM

OLOH – 10:30 AM

FYI.....For fire safety reasons, there will be no votive candles lit at the Sacred Heart statue. During the Christmas season, the Blessed Mother Candles will be placed at the St. Joseph altar.

TITHING REPORT

Collection: 12/15/2024: \$3127.00

Christmas Flower Offering, \$249.00

Immaculate Conception Offering, \$8.00

Retirement Fund for the Religious, \$75.00

Maintenance Fund, \$135.00

Matthew 25 Offering, \$20.00

Memorial Fund: Tommy Meisel, \$255.00

\$1923.00 is needed each week in our regular Sunday Offering to meet our budget for the year. Our collection was \$1204.00 over budget this week.

Pierogies.....

will be made on Monday, January 13, 2025.
Please call the parish office to place your order.

Deacon's Corner

During this final week of Advent, we prepare our hearts to celebrate the Nativity of the Lord on Wednesday, December 25. In his overflowing love, God the Father sends His Son into our world to free us from sin and death.

In 1293, on Christmas Eve, St. Francis of Assisi assembled the first crib in a cave on an Italian hillside in Greccio near the town of Assisi. The crib was ready, hay was brought, and the ox and the donkey were led to the spot. St. Francis wished to make the Christmas story come alive for the people. His idea was to show them how present and close Our Savior was to them.

The friars and the people assembled with candles around the crib. St. Francis spoke to the people, who were mainly farmers and shepherds. He proclaimed that God's Son came among us to teach us that we too are God's children, and we have an eternal destiny. They accepted the message that God has a deep love for all people. At the end of the vigil, they all returned to their homes filled with joy in their hearts, feeling close to Our Lord and to one another.

This same message is true today. Our Newborn Savior is present and lives with us in our daily lives – in the Holy Sacraments, Holy Scripture and in our faith community. We too are to be bearers of Christ – to share His love and kindness with people we meet in our lives.

Calendars

2025 Calendars are now available.
Please feel free to take one.

Christmas Wafers

Christmas Wafers are available in the vestibule of the church. Donations would be appreciated.

Repose of:

Please remember in prayer the soul of **Mary Ann Sieklicki** whose Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Patrick on Wednesday, December 18, 2024.

There will be no Food Pantry or Clothing Closet on Tuesday, December 24.

The Parish Office will close on Monday, December 23 at 5 PM and re-open on Thursday, January 2 at 10 AM.