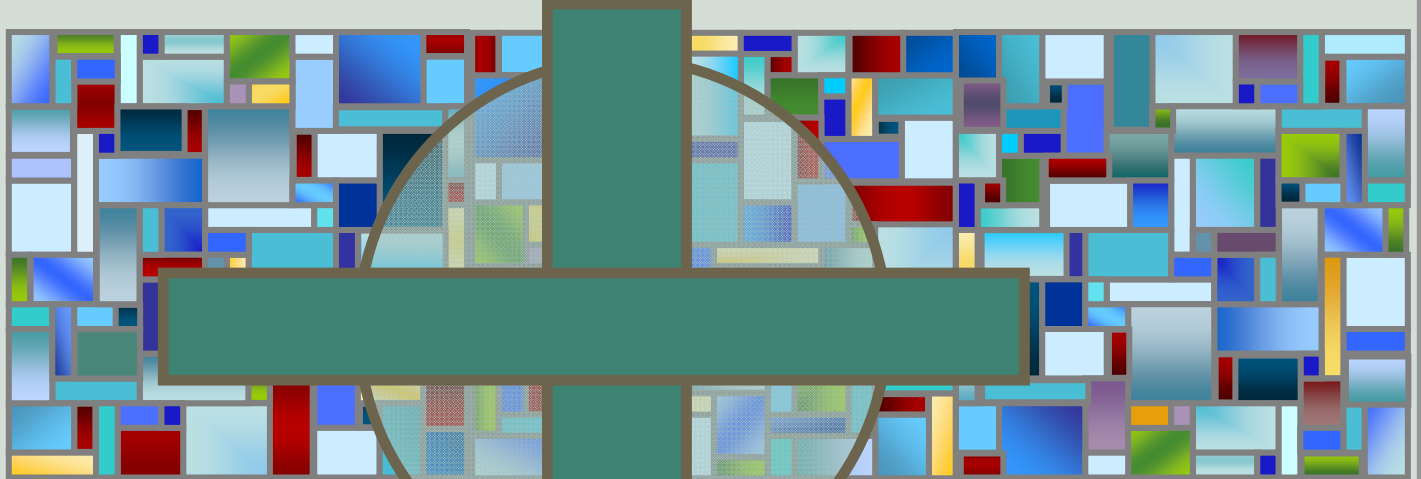


Our Lady of Providence Parish



Schedule of Services

Mass

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday

8:30 AM, 11:00 AM & 5:30 PM

Monday 7:30 AM

Tuesday 7:30 AM

Wednesday 8:00 AM

Thursday 7:30 AM

Friday 7:30 AM

Rosary follows 7:30 AM Mass

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 - 4:00 PM

December 10 6:30 - 8 PM

**December 15 10 AM to
NOON and 2 - 4 PM**

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Advent
Hope · Love · Joy · Peace



December 9, 2018
Second Sunday of Advent

Guided by the Word of God and the redeeming love shown for us by Jesus, our parish is committed to the Providential Care of God and the Patronage of Mary, Our Lady of Divine Providence, through prayer, worship the Sacraments and joyful service to the needs of others. - OLP Mission Statement



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STEWARDSHIP

"And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value..." PHILIPPIANS 1:9-10

Glittery holiday ads can blind us to our stewardship values and distort our needs and wants. It is important that during this season of endless buying we remember that each of us also has the need to give back to God and to those that are in need.

Liturgical Schedule

LECTORS

SAT 12/15/18 4:30 PM Mueth

SUN 12/18/18

8:30 AM Amelotti
11:00 AM Conboy

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

SAT 12/15/18

4:30 PM 3rd SAT Loehnig

SUN 11/16/18

8:30 AM 3rd SUN Tripi
11:00 AM 3rd SUN Orr

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Week Ending 12/2/18

Envelope Collection \$ 10,988

Electronic Giving \$ 4,589

Week Total \$ 15,577

Month Total \$ 15,577

25% Monthly Budget Collected

*Experience the convenience
of Online Giving
Visit our parish website
OLPSTL.ORG
and get started today!*

SERVERS

SAT 12/15/18 4:30 PM J. Jung
S. Jung

SUN 12/16/18 8:30 AM B. Selsor
I. Selsor

11:00 AM C. Steger
L. Elder
J. Wozniak

5:30 PM B. Deposki
J. Zyk

PEACE, an Advent Prayer

Dear Jesus, you entered our world on Christmas as the Prince of Peace. This Advent, as we strive to become the-best-version-of-ourselves, fill us with a deep and abiding peace. Help us share that peace with everyone we encounter, especially those who need it most. Amen.

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"PREPARE YE THE WAY OF THE LORD!"

The Second Sunday of Advent introduces the readers of Luke's Gospel to John the Baptist. His outcry, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord! Make straight his paths!" fixes the messianic prophecies of the Old Testament into a new focus. It is Jesus the Messiah who comes so that "all humankind shall see the salvation of our God". It is significant that we essentially begin this new liturgical year with this focus. During this year, we will read from the Gospel of Luke. The singular most distinguishing theme of Luke (in contrast to the other Gospels is: **universal salvation!** Jesus did not only come to save the people of Israel. Jesus did not only come to save those who are righteous and just. Jesus did not come to save those who are already near to the heart of God. Jesus came to save all people of every time and place, of every nation and kingdom. He came to those who already knew of the Father's promises and those who were completely unaware. The remaining days Advent allow us the opportunity to truly prepare the Lord's way in our lives and open our hearts to the gift of salvation.

EXTENDED HOURS FOR THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE DURING THIS WEEK

This week I will be available for the sacrament of Penance on Tuesday, December 10 in the evening from 6:30 pm until 8:00 pm. I will also be available twice on this coming Saturday, December 15 from 10:00 am until 12 noon and again from 2:00 pm until 4:00 pm. During these weeks of Advent the five pastors of Holy Cross Academy have set aside ample time for the celebration of the Sacrament of Penance on each of the HCA campuses during regular school hours and during the PSR sessions on each campus so that our school children have the opportunity to prepare for Christmas. I am available as well during these weeks, as always by appointment for the Sacrament for those who find our times inconvenient.

MASS SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S DAYS

Just to refresh your memory the Mass schedule here at OLP for Christmas is as follows: The weekend of December 22-23 is the Fourth Sunday of Advent and our regular Sunday Mass schedule applies. For the Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord Masses for the vigil of Christmas will be on Monday, December 24 at 4:30 pm and again at 10:00 pm. Mass for Christmas morning, Tuesday, December 25 is at 9:00 am. The following weekend, Saturday, December 29 & Sunday, December 30 is the Feast of the Holy Family. The regular weekend schedule applies for this weekend as well. In the year 2019, the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God is observed as a holy day of obligation. So.... The Mass schedule for that solemnity is: Monday, December 31 at 4:30 pm and on Tuesday, January 1, 2019 at 9:00 am.

NEW PARISH WEBSITE!!!

Since the past summer we have been working on preparing to launch a new parish website. As of today, Dec 3, the launch is imminent. You will be able to find it at the same domain: olpstl.org. The old website will remain available until the new site is activated.

LITANY OF SAINTS

Five hundred years ago, Juan Diego on December 9, 1531, a member of a tribe native to the region surrounding Mexico City, was proceeding to morning Mass when he experienced a vision of the Blessed Mother appears as a native woman with child. Her message was one of peace and hope for the spread of the Catholic faith in the newly colonized Americas. Bishop Robert Barron in the videos series **Catholicism** shows the pageantry of modern pilgrimages to the Basilica of Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe and the strength of the faith of the pilgrims who visit there. On December 12, the Church recalls this appearance so that we can renew our faith and strengthen our hope. Neuestra Senora de Guadalupe, ruega por nosotros!

Father Rick Schilli

Mass Intentions



Monday, December 10
7:30 am
All Souls

Tuesday, December 11
7:30 am
Jackie Smith

Wed., December 12
8:00 am
Mary and John Stann

Thursday, December 13
7:30 am
Dave and Pat Koncki

Friday, December 14
7:30 am
Sharon Moeller

Saturday, December 15
4:30 pm
James Tayon

Sunday, December 16
8:30 am
Tripi and Hamtil Families

11:00 am
People of the Parish

5:30 pm
Eileen Otti

TODAY: Put your fears, anxieties, pain, suffering, concerns in the hands of God.

Meetings

Friendly Visitors—2nd Friday 8:15 am
 Green Thumbs—2nd Saturday 9 am
 St. Louis Life Teen —Thursday 7 - 9 pm at
 Bishop DuBourg High School
www.saintlouislifeteen.org
 Men's Club—3rd Thursday 7 pm
 ProLife Committee—3rd Monday 7:30 pm
 St. Vincent DePaul—1st & 3rd
 Monday 7 pm
 Women's League—1st Thursday 7 pm
 YAA—2nd Thursday 7:30 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

Scheduled on the 2nd Sunday of the month at 12:00 p.m. or at a Mass by request. No Baptisms are scheduled during Lent. Call the Rectory for arrangements and to schedule the preparation class.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements are to be made through the pastor or a priest at least six months prior to your wedding date. A marriage preparation program is a requirement of the Archdiocese.

Sick Calls & Anointing of the Sick

Call the Rectory to request a hospital visit or for communion to the sick or homebound. If you are in the hospital and want a visit, or your name added to the prayer list, please notify the Rectory.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

For un-baptized or baptized persons interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and the process of becoming a full member of the Catholic Church. Please call 843-3570.

The bulletin deadline is
 Tuesday at noon.
 Please submit via email:
ladyprov@olpstl.org

This Week in Our Parish

Monday, December 10

Boot Camp	6:00 AM	Gym
Women's Prayer Group	9:30 AM	Duggan Room
Divine Mercy Chaplet	7:00 PM	Church
Rosary	7:30 PM	Church

Tuesday, December 11

Quilters	9:00 AM	Rectory Basement
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Wednesday, December 12

Boot Camp	6:00 AM	Gym
Adult Choir	6:30 PM	Church

Thursday, December 13

Friday, December 14

Boot Camp	6:00 AM	Gym
Church Cleaning	8:00 AM	Church

Saturday, December 15

Sunday, December 16

Eleven O'clock Music Rehearsal	10:15 AM	Church
Children's Liturgy of the Word	11:00 AM	Providence Room
Tiger Scouts	4:30 PM	Tiger Scouts
Boy Scouts	6:30 PM	Duggan Room

AN EVENING FOR THE DIVORCED & SEPARATED:

FINDING COMFORT & PEACE DURING THE HOLIDAYS

An evening for the divorced and separated will be held on Thursday evening, December 13, 2018, 6:30-8:30 PM at the Cardinal Rigali Center, 20 Archbishop May Dr., 63119. Greg DeNeal, a licensed professional counselor, will be speaking on *Finding Comfort and Peace During the Holidays*. This is a free event. Please RSVP to melissakeating@archstl.org or 314.792.7173.

March for Life 2019 – Registration Now Open

MISSOURI LIFE CARAVAN is now accepting registrations for our bus trip to the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. **Thursday- Saturday, Jan. 17 - 19, 2019.** Join us and thousands of others from across the U.S. for this huge pro-life gathering in our nation's capital. This trip is open to anyone ages 7 and up (chaperones not provided). We depart from several locations in the St. Louis area and we do not stay in hotels as we sleep on the buses. The cost received by Dec. 21 is \$205. The cost after Dec. 21 is \$220. Registration deadline is Jan. 2, 2019. For registration and bus info contact us at: 314-434-4900 or mrl.eastern@yahoo.com. You can also download our registration form at www.easternregionmrl.org.



If you or someone you know in the parish needs some assistance this winter, please call the St. Vincent de Paul extension: 843-3570 ext. 21; leave a clear message with your name and phone number.

A member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will return the call. This is a confidential extension.

Prayer Requests

In your charity, please remember our brothers and sisters who are sick, receiving medical treatment, in treat rehab, hospital, or recuperating at home.

Mary Fran Applebaum	Eleanor Messmer
Keith Ballentine	Kathy Mullen
Margaret Bogler	Michael Mullins
Ray Brennan	Carol Murphy
Joe Budde	Bill Ondr
James Casey	Jack Perlono
Steve Cookson	Nick Pollock
Patricia Croghan	Pat Powell
George Danis	Jim Regan
William Devine	Naomi Renth
Felicity Green	Margaret Roffino
Eli Hammer	Kyle Rose
Janet Janovec	Tia Rowan
Charles Kruse	Philip Schott
Loretta Lewandowski	Jeanne Sheehan
Marietta Lewandowski	Jamison Shields
Sandy Linton	Catherine M. Tabash
Thomas Lorenz	Carol Vago
Gwen McGilley	Angie Wacker
	Michael Wendl

Please help us keep our Prayer Requests up-to-date. Contact the Rectory to add or remove from the list.



With Sympathy

Marcella Mueth
Mother of Mike Mueth

Gerald Walter Prantz, Sr.
Father of Greg Prantz

May God welcome them home, fill them with peace, and bless those who will miss them.

The **OLP Prayer Chain** is managed by Angie Dwyer. If you have a special intention or someone in need of prayers, please call Angie Dwyer at 314-842-3703. If she is not available, leave a clear message.

Holiday Mass Schedule

December 24, Christmas Eve
4:30 and 10 p.m.

December 25, Christmas 9 a.m.

December 29 and 30
Feast of the Holy Family
Saturday 4:30 p.m.; Sunday 8:30, 11, 5:30

January 1 Holy Day of Obligation
Vigil Mass December 31 at 4:30 p.m.
January 1 at 9 a.m.

Extended Confession times posted weekly.

Kathy Sherwood, R.N., Parish Nurse



Ways to Stay Healthy in Retirement

Find a New Purpose: When you retire, you don't just leave a job, you enter a new stage in your life. If you do something you find meaningful, you'll be happier and healthier. Volunteer at a hospital or library. Take part in projects at your Church. Tutor kids who need help in school. Care for animals in a shelter. Help assemble gift boxes for soldiers overseas. Long-term, this can help both your body and your mind.

Man's (or Woman's) Best Friend: A dog gives you unconditional love and more. Just 15 minutes with him or her, can lower your blood pressure, heart rate, and stress level. Over time, a faithful companion can help cut your cholesterol, fight your depression, and keep you active. Having a cat can also help lower your blood pressure and stress levels.

Get Out of the House: An active lifestyle can help you be happier, live longer, and lower your chances of some ailments, like dementia. Play cards with friends. Travel with a senior's group. Reconnect with friends from high school or college. If you have a hobby – like reading, knitting, or gardening – join a club that focuses on it.

Exercise for Fun and Fitness: Being active not only gives your health a boost, but it also helps you stay independent as you age. Pick something you enjoy so you'll keep doing it. Aerobic exercise like walking and swimming, or dancing, can give you more energy and help keep your mind sharp, too. Exercises with weights or bands can build your strength. Yoga keeps you flexible. If exercise is new to you, ease into it, and check with your doctor first.

Stimulate Your Mind: Your brain needs exercise, just like your body. Read, do puzzles, play a musical instrument, or pick up an old hobby. Take a class in a subject you're curious about, like cooking or computers. Using your creative side, through things like painting and gardening can help your brain stay healthy too.

Manage Your Time Well: One of the main joys of retirement is having time on your hands. You can do what you want, when you want. Researchers have found that retirees are happiest when they plan how to spend their time and make the most of it. If you manage it well, that can pay off even if you don't have lots of time to spare. And it can keep you from being bored.

Working After Retirement: Working after you retire can keep your memory and brainpower in shape, not to mention your wallet. If you enjoyed your old job, do a scaled-down version of it. That's an option for professions ranging from bookkeeping to home health to home repair. Or this could be your chance to try that job you have always wondered about. Second careers are sometimes the most rewarding.



The **Giving Tree Program** to help the rural workers of Christ the King in Old Mines continues and the **last day to return gifts is SUNDAY DECEMBER 9.**

You are invited to take a paper ornament from the tree and purchase the items written on the ornament.

When you purchase your gift, bring it back wrapped, with the **ornament on the outside** with the **gift request side up** (pretty side down) to make for easier distribution.

For **GIFT BAGS**, attach tag to BAG, not handle. Tags can fall off during travel. For more info, contact Shirley Fasbender at 314.849.9452.



Leaf Clean Up! Saturday, December 22 from 9-11 AM

Kyle Horstmann with KMH Lawn & Landscaping has graciously offered his time, equipment and talent to help with the 2018 OLP leaf clean-up. We need many volunteers to work the 10+ leaf blowers, suction truck, and rakes. If you have a gas leaf blower feel free to bring it too as it will quicken the work.

This effort is weather dependent, if raining or snow on the ground will be rescheduled.



The OLP Women's League is again sponsoring a **Christmas Cookie Sale** NEXT WEEKEND, **December 15-**

16 after all Masses or until sold out. Delicious homemade cookies will be for sale for only \$10.00 per 1 pound box. Any cookie donations can be dropped off in the Providence Room between 10 am and 11 am on Saturday December 15.

QUESTIONS? Contact Leslie Nebuloni 314 -730-7052 (home) or 314-809-4456



SAJE CHRISTMAS CONCERT & LUNCH

On Thursday, December 13, join us for a festive holiday concert by **The Eighth Notes**, a favorite entertainment of the SAJE community. Concert at 10:45 AM, followed by homemade lunch and desserts at noon. You don't want to miss this fun filled event. Advent Episcopal Church, 9373 Garber Road (Crestwood). For more info, 314-822-4736.

CHRISTMAS CARDS – OLP Prolife Committee

will be selling Christmas cards after all Masses December 8-9. Cost is \$10.00 for a pack of 15. All proceeds benefit Good Shepherd Children and Family Services. Payment may be made by cash or a check payable to "Good Shepherd".

HCA Little Lambs Play Group for Parents & Children

WHERE: **Annunciation Campus Gym**

Contact Ashley Stanze 314-650-3208

Email at astanze21@gmail.com

From **9 – 10:30 a.m. Jan 7 Jan 29**



YOU ARE INVITED TO THE YOUNG CATHOLIC MUSICIANS 41st ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT

**Thursday and Friday, December 27 and 28
7:30 - 9 PM at Seven Holy Founders Church**

This is a beautiful and inspirational proclamation presented by our 50-member orchestra and choir of talented young people.

Elizabeth Westhoff, Director of Communications of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, will narrate our concert on December 27. Reverend Monsignor Joseph M. Simon, Rector of the Basilica of St. Louis, will narrate our concert on December 28.

Tickets for seating in the front half of the church are \$10 and are assigned and reserved. General admission tickets are \$5 and you can sit anywhere in the second half of the church. Please send in your reservation for Reserved or General Admission to

YCM Christmas Concert
c/o Mary Smith
144 Cottage Avenue
St. Louis MO 63119

Save the Date

HCA

GUYS NIGHT OUT

**JANUARY 5, 2019
6PM-11PM
OLP GYM
MORE DETAILS TO COME!**

An invitation from the Franciscan Sisters of
Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Kirkwood

We want to invite you to our "Joy to the World" Nativity Display, to experience more than 150 different nativity sets from around the world. We are sure that everyone will find at least one that inspires the true spirit of Christmas.

The display is scheduled to be open for viewing from **10am until 2pm the weekends of December 15-16, and January 5-6, and during the week of Dec 17-21 from 9am until 4pm at our Tau Center at 335 S Kirkwood Road** behind the PNC Bank Building.

As the wise men brought gifts for the babe, we invite our visitors to do the same. Our suggested admission is a \$5 donation (per family is fine) or a package of diapers or a new or gently used baby item. Everything we gather will be passed along to three area pregnancy care centers: Birthright, Our Lady's Inn St Louis, Our Lady's Inn Defiance. We have a list of the most needed items on our website – www.fsolph.org.



Boy Scout Troop
336 of St. Mike's
Parish in Shrews-
bury will be selling
Christmas trees

from their lot in the Mackenzie Pointe Shopping Center. Hours are from 6 to 9 pm Monday through Friday and 9 am to 9 pm Saturday and Sunday. Your patronage is appreciated by our scouts.



An Invitation to St. Richard Church for an Advent Taizé Candlelight Service
on Sunday, December 16, at 4:00 p.m.

On Sunday afternoon of the Third Sunday of Advent, we invite you to join us, as we step away for an hour from the frantic pace of the holiday season, into the calming, quieting, experience of Taizé prayer, and the real meaning of Advent. *The musicians of St. Richard Parish, accompanied by harp, flute, violin, and bells will lead the congregation in singing the prayerful, meditative music of Taizé.* Readings of the season, silent meditations, and lighting of candles will enhance our experience of listening to God.

St. Richard's Church - 11223 Schuetz Road, Creve Coeur, MO

"Taizé prayer is the creation of a monastic community in Taizé, France, founded in the 1940s by a Swiss man known as Brother Roger. The brothers there are celibates who emphasize service and ecumenicalism, particularly reconciliation between divided peoples and divided Christians. Brother Roger was especially interested in bringing Catholics and Protestants together."

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