PARISH MEMBERSHIP
Welcome to new members. Parishioners entering, leaving or moving within the parish should contact the Church Office.

MARRIAGES
Arrangements should be made at the Church Office at least six months prior to the marriage. Latest time on Saturdays, 2:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS
Prior to the Baptism of your first child, a 90-minute Parent Preparation Course is required. The course is offered on the second Wednesday in: January, March, May, September and November, at 7:00 p.m. Baptisms are scheduled for the fourth Sunday of each month at 12:15 p.m. To register for the parent class, or to schedule a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
First Thursday of the month, September through May, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending with Benediction at 6:45 p.m.

SICK CALLS
Notify the Church Office for visits and/or Communion calls to the sick or shut-ins.

BULLETIN DEADLINE
Please e-mail notice to olpbulletin@rrohio.com Deadline Monday at noon.

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614-263-8824
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OUR LADY OF PEACE SCHOOL
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Msgr. John G. Johnson
MASS SERVERS  
SATURDAY, December 10  
4:00 p.m.  P. Sensenbrenner, M. Spaulding, J. Stonis  
SUNDAY, December 11  
8:30 a.m.  Z. Coleman, S. Maynard, L. Trejchel  
10:00 a.m.  A. Ferguson, O. Iceman, A. Rieser  
11:30 a.m.  E. Schuler, A. Kraus, N. Malagreca  

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST  
SATURDAY, December 10  
4:00 p.m.  J.&T. Close, N.&R. Nussbaum, A. Pollner, A. Thomas  
SUNDAY, December 11  
8:30 a.m.  R.&T. Brehm, G. France, T. George, C. Pickard, D. Wolff  
10:00 a.m.  T. Fast, P. Mikula, K. Price, A. Huck, L. Stechschulte, S. Wangler  
11:30 a.m.  G. Butcher, C.&D. Canlas, K.&T. Lannan  

LECTORS  
SATURDAY, December 10  
4:00 p.m.  R. Baxter, K. Slavik  
SUNDAY, December 11  
8:30 a.m.  C. Pickard, E. Pinckney  
10:00 a.m.  M. Allen, E. Price  
11:30 a.m.  D. Davison, B. Enrile  

READINGS December 11, 2016  
First Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6A, 10  
Second Reading: James 5:7-10  
Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11  

Offertory Totals for November 20, 2016  
Regular $ 7,126.00  
Electronic $ 15,433.41  
Total $ 22,559.41  
Diocesan Tax $ 1,353.56  
Net $ 21,205.85  

Offertory Totals for November 27, 2016  
Regular $ 6,226.00  
Electronic $ -0-  
Total $ 6,226.00  
Diocesan Tax $ 373.56  
Net $ 5,852.44  

Announcing the release of OLP Chorister Christmas CD called “A Child Is Born.” Throughout Advent, Choristers will be selling their Christmas Disc before and after Mass. Support our music program, and hear the angelic children of the parish! A limited number are available so purchase a CD for yourself and as gifts for friends and family now. Don’t miss out! Get them before they are gone! To expedite an order, please send an email to Nathan.Medley@gmail.com.  

Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held on December 8th at 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and also at 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.  

HOLIDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE  
Please submit any items you would like in the December 25th and the January 1st bulletin by December 15th. Thank you for your cooperation  

FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK  
In the “good old days” hospitals used to notify parishes whenever a parishioner checked in. That stopped some years ago. More recently Riverside Hospital stopped making available to visiting clergy a parish census of Catholic patients. These two changes mean that a parish priest will not know that a parishioner has checked into a hospital, but only if a friend or relative of the parishioner lets the parish office know. Please telephone the parish office when a loved one checks into the hospital. Most hospitals have volunteers bring Communion to their Catholic patients, but parishioners like to have their priests visit, too. I do try to visit, but can’t if I don’t know that someone has checked in! Thanks very much.  

Sincerely,  
Father John  

THE GIVING TREE  
Please consider donating a new unwrapped toy to help the St. Francis Outreach Center in McArthur, Ohio. The center establishes a store for needy families and allows invited guests to select donated gifts for their families. Select a tag from the tree and bring the toy. If you have not participated in this program before, you might consider doing so this year.
2016 ADVENT SCHEDULE

December 7, 2016  Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary
Wednesday
December 8, 2016  Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary
Thursday
8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
December 12, 2016  Parish Penance Service
Monday
7:00 p.m.
December 20, 2016  Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols Choir Concert
Tuesday
7:00 p.m.
December 24, 2016  Christmas Eve Mass Schedule
Saturday
4:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m.
December 25, 2016  Christmas Day
Sunday
10:00 a.m. ONLY
December 31, 2016  Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God
Saturday
4:00 p.m.
January 1, 2017  Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God
Sunday
8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.
The parish office will be closed December 23 and 26 and again on December 30 and January 2.
NO ADORATION IN JANUARY

THE OLP OPEN SHELTER COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU

The Our Lady of Peace Open Shelter Committee is helping at the CHRISTMAS PARTY for 450+ HOMELESS and MARGINALY-HOUS ED CHILDREN and THEIR PARENTS on December 20, 2016 in Downtown Columbus.

We are in need of the following items: Can you help us?
- Bags of miniature marshmallows
- Individually wrapped candy
- Candy canes
- Boxes of tea bags (any flavor, individual size bags)
- Large bags/containers of sugar (NOT individual packets)
- Large containers of NON refrigerated creamer (NOT individual packet)
- Children’s coloring books and crayons

There is a collection box in the back of the church in the GATHERING SPACE.

OUR COLLECTION DATES ARE THE WEEKENDS:
December 10 and 11, 2016 AND December 17 and 18, 2016
We will deliver all items on Monday, December 19, 2016

Thank you so much in advance.

THE OLP OPEN SHELTER COMMITTEE
Questions:
Veronica Garrity (614.268.6626, vgarrity@columbus.rr.com)

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

From now until December 12th, you may submit your Christmas Flower Envelope including your offering and the intention. Flower envelopes were included in your Offertory Envelope Packet. Additional Christmas Flower envelopes can be found in the Gathering Space. Your envelope with clearly written intentions may be placed in the Offertory Collection Basket or mailed into the Parish Office. The suggested gift is $10.00 per intention. All intentions received prior to the December 12th deadline will be printed in the Christmas bulletin.

CHARITY NEWSIES

The members of the Charity Newsies, the charitable organization that provides clothes to school-age children, will be attending the 11:30 a.m. Mass on December 4. John Umpleby, a parishioner, is the President of Charity Newsies this year and this is his President’s Mass. He would like to invite all parishioners to attend the mass and then have coffee and donuts in the meeting room immediately afterward.

SENIORS DON’T FORGET!
LEISURE CLUB

Mark your calendar for Thursday, December 15, for our Christmas breakfast get together. This will be our last until we resume in March, 2017. Bring your breakfast treats and meet at 9:15 in the Old Rectory. Hope to see you there!

Funeral Bake Sale

There will be Funeral Ministry Bake Sale on December 17th and 18th after all Masses. We are asking parishioners to bake and drop off their baked goods on Saturday December 17th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please come through the double garage doors on the “bank side” of the building. You will find us in the kitchen. Any questions, please call Ellen Voltolini at 614-262-2459. Thank you for all your help.
ALPHA is coming!

Yes, we’re doing it again!
Our next Alpha course will begin on Sunday, February 12, 2017. Session times for this upcoming series will be from 1:00-3:00 p.m. You can sign up now at the parish website. Just look for the red question mark and follow the link to online registration. Space is limited, so don’t delay.

What’s Alpha? Alpha is a series of interactive sessions exploring the basics of the Christian faith. It is an open, informal and honest space to explore and discuss life’s big questions together.

Vehicle Donations to The Josephinum
If you have a used van that you would like to donate to the Josephinum and obtain an income tax deduction for 2016, please contact the business office at 614-985-2230.

Gifts for Seniors
Rutherford Funeral Homes is collecting items to wrap and give to residents in assisted living facilities during the holiday season. Many seniors do not receive gifts this time of year. NEW items including lap blankets, warm socks, unscented lotion, softer treats (fig Newtons, soft batch cookies, etc.), notepads/decorative stationary, coffee table books with large pictures, and scarves or shawls are all needed. Please drop all UNWRAPPED donations by December 9th to Rutherford Funeral Home locations in Powell (450 W. Powell Road), Worthington (515 High Street), or University (2383 N. High).

Our Lady of Peace, Pray for Us.

Does the Parish have your current contact information including your email address so we can communicate with you? If not, please call the Parish Office with your updated information.

Youth Ministry

High School Columbus Mission Weekend!
Three homes and one small coffee house. That’s what we will be fixing up, decorating, and cleaning, for Run the Race! We will be tackling these service projects during the day and having adoration, praise and worship in the evening. The weekend ends with a dinner with all the families that we served. This will be a weekend to remember, doing a mission trip right in our own back yard of Columbus!

Wednesday Bible Study
During Advent, high school students are exploring they WHY of many of the Church’s teachings. A lot of people know what, or think they know what the Church teaches on tough subjects like homosexuality or creationism, but we are going to talk about why. Stop by and join our Wednesday family! 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Middle School Advent Series
Every Tuesday now through Christmas, 6th-8th graders are invited! This past week we talked about why the shepherds were the first to hear about the baby Christ. Each week we will play games, eat snacks, and talk about those present at the nativity. It will be a fun way to help prepare our hearts for the true meaning of Advent and Christmas! Meet after Mass, 6:00-7:15 p.m.
WHAT’S COMING UP AT OLP SCHOOL

Sunday, December 4
Ski Club Meeting – 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 6
Santa Giftland

Wednesday, December 7
Schoolboard Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 8
Feast of the Immaculate Conception
All School Mass – 8:30 a.m.

KINDERGARTEN AT OUR LADY OF PEACE

Our Lady of Peace School offers full-day Kindergarten. We want your child to join us! Please call the school office at 614-267-4535 if you would like to schedule a tour, or if you have any questions. Registration for children of OLP parishioners will take place in the school office Monday through Friday during the month of January from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Please bring with you:

*Birth certificate
*Copy of Baptismal certificate
*Immunization record

A child must be 5 years old by September 30 in order to be considered for Kindergarten.

The St. Charles Preparatory School Drama Department will hold women’s auditions for its winter play, “The Diviners” by Jim Leonard, Jr. on Tuesday and Wednesday, December 6 and 7 at 4:00 p.m. at the St. Charles Campus Theater, 2010 E. Broad Street. (You need only attend one of the two days.) Auditions are open to all area high school women in Central Ohio. Rehearsals for “The Diviners” will begin Monday, January 2 at 4:00 p.m. Production Dates: February 23-26, 2017. For more information, email Doug Montgomery at scdramadirector@aol.com.

Blue Christmas Mass – St. Thomas More Newman Center will offer a Blue Christmas Mass at 7:00 p.m. on December 24. This Christmas Eve Mass is intended especially for people who may not feel joyful during the holiday season or who may be experiencing life challenges. The music and entire tone of Blue Christmas is quiet and reflective. While this is a Roman Catholic Mass, we welcome all who are seeking a place of comfort and healing. For more information, call (614) 291-4674 or email mailbox@buckeye catholic.com. The Newman Center is located at 64 W. Lane Avenue, Columbus, OH 43201.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY DECEMBER 3
4:00 p.m. Dick Brusadin (Family)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4
8:30 a.m. Deceased Members Douridas
Family (Mark and Barbara Betts)
10:00 a.m. Alfred Girlando (Ruth Girlando)
11:30 a.m. Our Parishioners

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6
5:30 p.m. Voltolini Wedding Anniversary
(Family)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7
8:30 a.m. Dubrul/Cosimati Families
(Bunny Cosimati)
5:30 p.m. Virginia Wachinger (Marty Southan)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8
8:30 a.m. Tom Wangler
(Joe and Yvonne Kowalski)
7:00 p.m. Our Parishioners

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9
8:30 a.m. Gene and Mary DeTemple (Family)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10
4:00 p.m. Violet Panzone (Nicholas Panzone)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11
8:30 a.m. Mary and Bud Balser
(Joy and Mitchell Scholl)
10:00 a.m. Our Parishioners
11:30 a.m. Elizabeth Jane Collins
(Sister Barbara Kolesar)

Welcome to our RCIA Candidates!
The Church joyfully welcomes these individuals who, already one with us by Baptism, now wish to complete their initiation through Confirmation and Eucharist or to be received into the full communion of the Catholic Church.

Gregory Campbell
Noah Hall
Lisa Mercer
Jonathan Pawley
Emily Raybuck
Kammi Schmeer
Cym Schmidt Budd

For all these, we give thanks and praise to the God who has led them by various paths to oneness in faith. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue to prepare for initiation in the Church at Easter.

Prayer Line – If you have a petition you would like the Prayer Line to join in praying for, please call Bunni Cosimati at 614.847.1826. Prayers are kept confidential.