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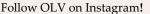
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As the earth brings forth its plants, and a garden makes its growth spring up, so will the Lord God make justice and praise spring up before all the nations.





# PRAYING TOGETHER AS A PARISH FAMILY

Christians traditionally call the third Sunday of Advent Gaudete Sunday to stress the joy of anticipating the Lord's coming. What better way to anticipate the sacred mysteries of Christmas, than to participate in



the Celebration of Evening Vespers on THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17th at 7:00 PM.

# THIS PRAYER SERVICE WILL BE LIVE-STREAMED ONLY!

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To follow along with your parish family please use the below Advent Vesper Prayers.

# PRAYING TOGETHER AS A PARISH FAMILY VESPER SERVICE: THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT THURSDAY DECEMBER 17, 2020

**OPEANING HYMN:** O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Vs.1: O come, O come, Emmanuel and ransom captive Israel That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

Vs.2: O come O Wisdom from on high who orders all things mightily To us the path of knowledge show and teach us in her ways to go.

# **GREETING**

ANTIPHON 1 Our Lord will come to claim His glorious throne in the assembly of the princes.

**Psalm 110:** The Lord's revelation to my master:

Sit on my right. Your foes I will put beneath your feet

The lord will wield from Zion

Your scepter of power:

Rule in the midst of all your foes.

A prince from the day of your birth

On the holy mountains from the womb before the dawn I begot you.

The Lord has sworn an oath He will not change

You are a priest forever,

As priest like Melchizedek of old.

The master standing at your right hand will shatter kings And in the day of His great wrath

He shall drink from the stream by the wayside And therefore he shall lift up His head.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen

#### **PSALM PRAYER**

Father, we ask you to give is victory and peace. In Jesus Christ our Lord and King, we are already seated at your right Hand. We look forward to praising you in the fellowship of all Your saints in our heavenly home.

ANTIPHON Our Lord will come to claim His glorious throne in the assembly of the princes.

<u>ANTIPHON 2</u> Let the mountains break out with joy and the hills with answering gladness, for the worlds true light, the Lord comes with power and might

**PSALM 111** I will thank the Lord with all my heart

In the meeting of the just and their assembly

Great are the works of the Lord to be pondered by all who love them.

Majestic and glorious His work

His justice stands firm forever.

He makes us remember His wonders.

The lord is compassion and Love.

He gives food to those who fear Him

Keeps His covenant ever in mind,

He has shown His might to His people

By giving them the lands of the nations.

His works are justice and truths

His precepts are all of them sure,

Standing firm forever and ever.

They are made in upright and truth.

He has sent deliverance to His people

And established His covenant forever.

Holy is His name, to be feared.

To fever the Lord is the beginning if wisdom

All who do so prove themselves wise.

His Praise shall last forever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen

#### **PSALM PRAYER**

Merciful and gentle Lord, You are the crowning glory of all the saints.

Give us your children the gift obedience which is the beginning of wisdom so that we may do what you command and be filled with your mercy.

<u>ANTIPHON</u> Let the mountains break out with joy and the hills with answering gladness, for the worlds true light, the Lord comes with power and might.

<u>ANTIPHON 3:</u> Let us live in the holiness and love as we patiently await our blessed hope, the coming of our Savior.

<u>CANTICLE Rev. 19</u> Alleluia Salvation and glory to our God. His judgments are honest and true, Alleluia.

# Our Lady of Victory

Sing praise to our God all His servants.

All who worship Him reverently great and small, Alleluia.

The Lord our powerful God is King.

Let us rejoice, sing praise and give Him Gloria, Alleluia.

The wedding feast of the Lamb has begun.

And His bride is prepared to welcome Him, Alleluia.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen

ANTIPHON Let us live in the holiness and love as we patiently await our blessed hope, the coming of our Savior.

# **READING: Philippians 4th Chapter**

Rejoice in the Lord always, I say it again, rejoice. Everyone should see how unselfish You are.

The Lord is near.

# RESPONSORY

Lord show us your mercy and love

Lord show us your mercy and love

And grant us your salvation

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

Lord show us Your mercy and love

<u>ANTIPHON OF MARY</u> O Wisdom. O Holy Word of God, you govern all creation with Your strong, yet tender care. Come and show Your people the way to salvation.

# **CANTICLE of MARY: MAGANFICAT----- Cantor**

## **INTERCESSIONS**

Jesus Christ is the joy and happiness of all who look forward to His coming. Let us call upon Him and say:

# COME LORD AND DO NOT DELAY

- 1. In joy we wait for your coming.
- 2. Before time began, you shared life with the Father, come now and save us
- 3. You created the world and all who live in it, come to redeem the work of Your hands
- 4. You did not he sitate to become man, subjected to death, come to free us from the power of death.
- 5. You came to give us life to the full, come and give us Your unending life.
- 6. You desire all people to live in love in your kingdom, come and bring together those who long to see you face to face.

#### **OUR FATHER**

We pray together as the Lord taught us: **OUR FATHER...** 

#### SIGN OF PEACE

# **CLOSING PRAYER**

Father creator and redeemer of mankind, you decreed and Your Word became man born of the Virgin Mary. May we come to share the divinity of Christ, who humbled Himself to share our human nature, For He lived and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

AMEN.

# **CLOSING HYMN: O Come Divine Messiah**

Vs1: O come Devine Messiah,

The world in silence waits the day when hope shall sing its triumph, and sadness flees away.

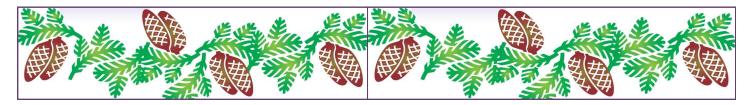
Dear Savior haste! Come, come to earth! Dispel the night and show your face, and bid us hail the dawn of grace.

O come, Divine Messiah, the world in silence waits the day, when hope shall sing its triumph, and sadness flee away.

Vs.2: O come Desired of the nations

Whom priests and prophet long fortold will break the captive fetters, redeem the long lost fold.

Dear Savior haste! Come, come to earth.....



# **TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS PREPARATION: Flowers & Music**

We may have to celebrate differently this year but we invite you to continue the tradition of participating in the preparation of our spiritual home to celebrate the joyous season of Christmas and to remember a special loved one.

We will decorate our church in our traditional manner.

You can assist in two ways with a donation of \$20.00:

the cost of the flowers or to support the glorious music that is sung to honor the birth of Jesus.



The person(s) names that have been remembered will be written and placed in a frame in front of St Joseph's altar. Please complete this form with your donation and return it by **December 18<sup>th</sup>** through the collection baskets or at the rectory.

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This is the 3rd Sunday of Advent. We continue to wait for the birth of Jesus. Hopefully, you are doing so with patience, kindness, and time to reflect on the real reason for the season. During the week we remember St. John of the Cross, and Hanukkah ends.

It is my hope that all parents are continuing to help their children with their REP studies. These have been challenging times and as much as we'd like to be in the classroom every week, we cannot. We have had some wonderful prayer services as part of our in-person class time. It is important to have some normalcy in the children's studies while they are in class. I enjoy gathering the children to talk to and engage in conversation with them. Please continue to do studies at home through the holidays. We will meet again in January. I will inform all families of the next class date. For now, it is on January 13th. The date may change to the 20th.

Please come to Mass as often as you can. I hope you will make the effort to come for Christmas as a family. Please remember to register on our website.

The REP children are doing an Advent project at home. Each day they are collecting one food item for a whole month. In January we will give the boxed, non-perishable food items to our food pantry.

The Confirmation retreat will be here at OLV on January 23rd from 10 a.m. -1 p.m. All students must wear a mask. You will be socially distanced for the experience. Please dress casually. The retreat will be in our school hall. We have a very small class, so it will be easy to accommodate everyone.

A note will come home explaining the retreat.

In Closing.....We look for the goodness in people. There is goodness all around us. We see it in our military, our first responders, volunteers, our parish families, and in all those who step up and aren't afraid to help others.

We have all had a difficult time in 2020; no doubt. It will be a year that we hope to usher out, and start anew.

It has taught us to adapt to change, sometimes daily or weekly.

I notice with the children in REP that no matter what the challenges are, they are always ready to learn and they are happy.

Sometimes as adults we need to look at a child to put things in perspective. So, if you are having a bad day, look to a child for inspiration and all will be well.

M.B. Frystak
DRE/Pastoral Associate

M.B. Frystak



# Our Lady of Victory - Mass Intentions



# SATURDAY - December 12

**4:30pm** † Patrick O'Halloran req. by Mother

SUNDAY - December 13

8:00am Open Intention

**10:30am** † Lottie Majcher req. by Bilyeu Family

MONDAY - December 14

8:00am Open Intention

**TUESDAY - December 15** 

8:00am Thanksgiving Intention for Arial

**WEDNESDAY - December 16** 

Alfred O'Halloran

**THURSDAY - December 17** 

8:00am Estrella Tanjuan

FRIDAY - December 18

8:00am Open Intention

SATURDAY - December 19

**4:30pm** Dory Ahern *reg. by Mother* 

SUNDAY - December 20

8:00am † Lillian Small req. by Family

10:30am Community of Catholic Women

#### EARLY BULLETIN SUBMISSION

Please note that our bulletin publisher has early transmission dates for Christmas.

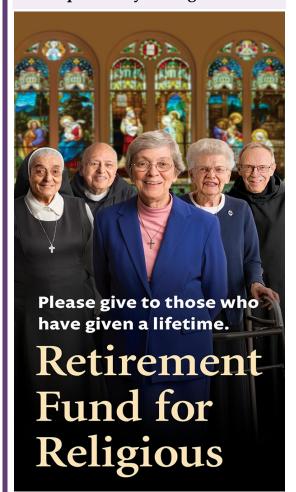
Please call parish office for submittion deadlines. Thank you.

| Mass Time          | Lector       |  |  |
|--------------------|--------------|--|--|
| Dec. 19 - 4:30 pm  | Alan Schmitt |  |  |
| Dec. 20 - 8:00 am  | Mary Jo Rice |  |  |
| Dec. 20 - 10:30 am | Liz Heinrich |  |  |
|                    |              |  |  |



Offer the gift of Holy Mass for your loved ones.

Mass intentions can be requested by calling our office.



# Sing We Now of Christmas

In these trying times, we have been called upon to adjust our most beloved holiday traditions. However, the parishioners of Our Lady of Victory will continue to experience the same wonderful music at each holiday mass, as in years past. The beautiful singing from our cantors in solos, duets, and trios, will be accompanied by string quintet, organ, or band.

Thursday, December 24 at 4:30pm: The Family Mass will feature cantor, bass, guitar, and percussion.

Thursday, December 24 at 10:30pm: The Christmas Vigil Mass will feature three cantors, strings, and organ. Prelude music will begin at 10:20pm.

Friday, December 25 at 8:00am: The Christmas morning mass will feature cantor, organ, and your favorite hymns.

Friday, December 25 at 10:30am: The Christmas mass will feature three cantors, strings, and organ. Prelude music will begin at 10:20am.

We look forward to performing beautiful music for you this December. Please consider making a donation to support our efforts.





# **Holiday Mass Schedule 2020**

# **Christmas Eve - Thursday, December 24, 2020**

Mass at 4:30pm and 10:30pm

# Christmas Day - Friday, December 25, 2020

Mass at 8am and 10:30am

# Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God - Friday, January 1, 2021

Mass at 9:30am

PLEASE MAKE A PRIOR RESERVATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE for a specific Mass as space is limited. Reservations can be made by By calling (312) 880-7790 or by signing up online: (please visit http://www.olvchicago.org/ for the link).

Please note: There will be no 8:00am Mass on Thursday, December 24th.

# FINANCIAL REPORTS

| 12   | 2/01/19 | 12/06/20 |  |  |
|--|---------|----------|--|--|
| Stewardship\$  | 5,544   | \$ 6,420 |  |  |
| Loose\$  | 516     | .\$ 0    |  |  |
| Total\$  | 6,060   | \$ 6,420 |  |  |
| Envelopes Used   | 139     | 99       |  |  |
| Mass Attendance458not given                                |         |          |  |  |
| The weekly figures above do not include electronic giving. |         |          |  |  |
| Electronic giving for October 2020\$ 4,205                 |         |          |  |  |

Thank you for your generosity!

Please remember our lady of victory in your will.

# ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2020

| Parish Goal:                  | \$28,225 |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Total pledged:                | \$26,012 |
| % of Goal                     | 92%      |
| Total Collected thru 10/19/20 | \$25,267 |



| Parish Goal:                  | \$645,000 |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Total Pledged:                | \$649,803 |
| Percent of Goal:              | 108%      |
| Total collected through 10/15 | \$470,102 |
| Parish portion collected:     | \$282,061 |
| Arch. portion collected:      | \$188,041 |

# Announcement about the Renew My Church Final Decision

Bishop Manz, our regional bishop and Cardinal Cupich's representative to our region of the archdiocese, will be with us on Friday evening, **December 18, at 7:30pm**, to join us in prayer and share an important update on the future of our parishes. Due to Covid restrictions, this will be done online. Please go to **www.renewmychurch.org/announcements** for details about how to access the meeting from your computer or smartphone.

Mass reservation can be done by calling (312) 880-7790 or visiting our webpage at www.ourladyofvictory.info

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# **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday Evening Mass

4:30pm

**Sunday Masses** 

8:30am

10:30am

Monday-Saturday Morning Mass

7:30am

Holy Day Masses

As Announced

**Daily Eucharistic Adoration:** 

Monday - Saturday 8:00am - 8:00 pm

Rosary M-F after the 7:30am Mass

Novena To Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Thursday morning following 7:30am Mass

**Holy Hour** 

First Friday of the month at 7:00pm

All Fridays in Lent:

Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm

# **RECTORY OFFICE HOURS**

M -F 9:00am-4:00pm

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# **SACRAMENTAL SCHEDULE**

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

1:00-2:00pm, Saturdays

**Sacrament of Baptism** is celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 2:00pm. Parents will

attend a Baptism Preparation Program prior to the Baptism. Call the Rectory at 773-286-2950 for more information.

**Sacrament of Marriage** Contact must be made with one of the priests at least 6 months in advance.

Call the Rectory at 773-286-2950 for more information..

**Ministry of Care** is available to bring Communion to the homebound, to visit and pray for those hospitalized, and to arrange for the Anointing of the Sick.

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# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**R.E.P.** Religious Education Program for grade school children is held on Wednesday 6:00-7:30pm.

**R.C.I.A.** Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults—Religious Instruction and Formation for adults preparing to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation.

**OLV for Me** is a program for 3-5 year olds. The classes meet in the school during the 10:30am Mass on Sunday mornings from September thru May. Registration forms are available in the rectory and the REP office. For more information on this or any of the other religious education programs, please contact Mary Beth Frystak at 773-283-2229 ext.29.

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# The Society of St. Vincent DePaul

Please visit the rectory at 5212 W. Agatite Ave. or call 773-286-2950 between the hours of 9:00am-4:00pm Monday thru Friday.

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