

December 23, 2018 Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mass Readings: Micah 5:1-4a (12C), Hebrews 10:5-10, Luke 1:39-45, Resp.: "Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved."

Events for this week

ADORATION IS CANCELED FOR THIS WEEK.

- Sun. 10:00 am Mass – 4th Sunday of Advent
NO Religious Education/Youth Programs
- Mon. Office is Closed
4:30 pm Caroling Before Mass
5:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass
- Tue. Office is Closed
12:00 am Midnight Christmas Mass
10:00 am Christmas Day Mass— **Holy Day of Obligation**
- Wed. 8:00 am—**No Mass Today**
- Thur. 8:00 am—**No Mass Today**
9:00 am Bible Study—Conference Room
- Sat. 4:00 pm Confessions
5:30 pm Vigil Mass
- Sun. 10:00 am Mass—The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

NO Religious Education/Youth Program

Babysitting during the 10:00 am Mass is downstairs in the Rainbow Room with Linda.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND THOSE THAT NEED OUR PRAYERS: Rita DuBernay, Mark Lowery, Susan Hoyt, David Walker, Mary Fiorillo, Gayle Knight, Debbie Knight, Roxanne Gibson, Bill Brown, Ella Rogers, Valentino Ricciotti, Quenten Fabiano, Laurel Olmsted, Marie Hannah-Hamer, Laulima Lyman, Ruby Annalora, Cindy Hagness, Kay Frost, Louise Mitchell, Boomer Doell, Joseph Vaughan, Todd Wilson, Frank Elliott, Katie Sheere, Bob McBride, Kay Sheere, Bird Dobbins, Merrill Gorham, Correne Bonkowski, Maria Haney, Virginia Wimer, Anna Melba Astitas Aliaga, Dave Fischer, Bob Hazlett, June Shira, Chelsea Tose, Ken Gannon, Penny Lane Forrest, Jody Schlieski Hanson, Phil Hansen, Janet McLaughlin, Lorini Morehead, Ryan Lund & Kathy Gorham. **To update this list, call or email the parish office.**

Welcome

We extend a special welcome to those that are passing through, those that have made this their home and those still searching for their parish family. We are glad you are here and celebrating God's word and presence with us in today's Eucharistic celebration.

Coffee Hour After Sunday Mass

Please join us after Mass in the Parish Hall for coffee hour after Sunday Mass. If you would like to host a week, there's a sign-up sheet located on the table at the back of the church.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank everyone who made a food donation for our Christmas Baskets and to all those who donated a gift to our Angel Giving Tree!! We were able to help 10 families in need have a very special Christmas this year.

Prayer Request Line

Please contact Mary Gover 963-3042
or Theresa Beery 963-2372.

Baptism

Preparation is required for parents. Please call the office for further information.

Marriage

Preparation and instruction classes at least 6 months before the wedding. Contact Fr. Saji at the parish office.

Communion to the Sick

If you know of anyone who is homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please contact the parish office at 541-963-7341.

Website

www.olvcatholic.org

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Online resources to build your faith. Register for free at olvcatholic.formed.org

Have a Blessed Christmas!



Christmas Eve & Christmas Day

Monday, December 24 Caroling before Mass will begin at 4:30 pm, Christmas Eve Mass will be at 5:00 pm.

Tuesday, December 25 is a Holy Day of Obligation
Christmas Day Mass will be at Midnight (12:00 am) and 10:00 am at Our Lady of the Valley. Mass schedule for Sacred Heart in Union—8:00 am and St. Mary's in Elgin 11:30 am
Caroling and Mass at 12:30 pm.

NO ADORATION THIS WEEK

Adoration is canceled for this coming week of December 24-27, 2018. Due to Christmas break. Adoration will also be canceled Monday, December 31st and Tuesday, January 1, 2019.

Office Hours

Our office will be closed Monday, December 24—
Wednesday, December 26. We will be open on Thursday,
December 27 9:00 am—1:00 pm.

Upcoming Ministry Schedule

Eucharistic Ministers, Readers and Parents of Altar Servers, I am currently working on the **new ministry schedule** for the **following four (4) months: February, March, April and May**. If there are any days that you or your child are not able to serve, **please email or call the parish office by Thursday, Jan. 03**. Thank you, Nancy.

Christmas Prayer

Lord, in this holy season of prayer and song and laughter, we praise you for the great wonders you have sent us: for shining star and angel's song, for infant's cry in lowly manger. We praise you for the Word made flesh in a little Child. We behold his glory, and are bathed in its radiance.

Be with us as we sing the ironies of Christmas, the incomprehensible comprehended, the poetry made hard fact, the helpless Babe who cracks the world asunder. We kneel before you shepherds, innkeepers, Wiseman. Help us to rise bigger than we are. Amen.

Would you like to Bring The Gifts to the Altar?

If you or your family would like to volunteer to bring The Gifts to the Altar during Mass on Saturdays and/or Sundays, there is a sign-up list located on the table at the back of the Church or call the office with any questions or to volunteer.

FORMED Pick of the Week;

Brother Francis: O Holy Night

Celebrate the wonder and joy of Christmas with Brother Francis in this heartwarming presentation of the birth of God's Son! Witness the moving submission of Mary, Joseph, and others as they make way for our Savior.

This episode contains:

"The Christmas Story"—an animated presentation of the many wonderful events that led up to the birth of Jesus!

"What is Christmas?"—a catchy, visualized song reminding us that Christmas is really about the coming of Christ.

"Away in a Manger" and "Silent Night"—two traditional songs that continue to inspire praise and thankfulness for the coming of our Lord.

O Holy Night is a wonderful way to remind everyone of Who we celebrate during the Christmas season!

Knights of Columbus Pool Tournament!

Pool Tournament will be starting the first Monday of January 2019. Open to all first thirty-two (32) entrants (male or female). Entry fee of \$5.00 per entrant mail entry free to: Phillip A. Mendiguren at 1806 2nd St. La Grande, OR 97850 or you can drop your entry fee in person at the Parish Office in advance of tournament. First-place will receive a trophy, bragging rights and 75% of money; Second-place will receive 25% of remainder of money. If you have any questions, please contact Phillip.

OLV 2019 Calendars & Fee Book

Please take home a 2019 Calendar and The Biggest Lie In The History of Christianity book by Matthew Kelly. They are both located on the tables at the back of the church

Do we have your correct address?

The parish mailing with Advent and Christmas schedule was mailed Nov. 27. **If you did not receive it, we do not have your correct address.** We are also getting lots of letters back letting us know we have incorrect add. **Please contact the office** with your correct address.

Retrouaille Marriage Retreat

Thinking about Separation or Divorce? – Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage? Or do you feel helpless? Retrouaille is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on Jan. 18-20, 2019, please call 503-225-9191 or visit www.helpourmarriage.org

Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Masses

Monday, Dec. 24, 5:00 pm Mass: Christmas Eve

Lector: Phil Mendiguren

Altar Servers: Gabriel Zamora, Zalia Robles, Natalia Robles

Acolyte: Patrick Smith, Jason Kehr

Eucharistic Ministers: Amanda Villagomez, Elizabeth Robles, Efrain Villagomez, Lupe Villagomez

Tuesday, Dec. 25, 12:00 am Mass: Christmas Day Holy Day of Obligation

Lector: Lyle Schwarz

Altar Servers: Michele Silva, Stephanie Silva

Acolyte: Dan Gonzalez

Eucharistic Ministers:

Tuesday, Dec. 25, 10:00 am Mass: Christmas Day Holy Day of Obligation

Lector: Delia Jaramillo

Altar Servers: Riley Gregg, Gabriel Zamora, Kris Lim

Acolyte: John Herman

Eucharistic Ministers: Janis Bozarth, Kris Ann McDonald, Jim Wimer, Carol Wimer

Sunday, December 30, 2018

Saturday, Dec. 29, 5:30 pm Vigil Mass

Lector: Amanda Villagomez

Altar Servers: Cecilia Villagomez, Clinton Tarvin

Acolyte: TJ Yiftheq

Eucharistic Ministers: Walt Beery, Kris Ann McDonald

Sunday, Dec. 30, 10:00 am Mass

Lector: Phil Mendiguren

Altar Servers: Alex Kehr, Ridge Kehr, Melissa Zaragoza

Acolyte: Dan Gonzalez

Eucharistic Ministers: Chuck Bieker, Corrine Dutto, Delia Jaramillo, Lucy Fredrick

**All Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, and Altar Servers
please meet in the Sacristy 15 minutes before Mass.**

Bible Study Group

The Bible Study Group meets every Thursday, from 9–10 am in the Conference Room. The focus is on the Gospel of Luke. All are welcome to attend. If you wish to join and do not have a book, please contact

Lucy Fredrick at (858) 705-7403

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