December 30, 2018 Feast of the Holy Family

Mass Readings: 1 Sam. 1:20-22, 24-28 (17C), 1 John 3:1-2, 21 -24, Luke 2:41-52, Resp.: "Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord."

Events for this week

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday—Thursday 9:00 am to 9:00 pm in the Marian Chapel in the church.

- Sun. 10:00 am Mass 11:20 am Religious Education/Youth Program
- Mon. Office is Closed—**No Adoration** 7:35 am Rosary

8:00 am Mass-Chuck & Della LeBrun †

- Tue. Office is Closed—New Years Day—**No Adoration** 10:00 am—Mass; Solemnity of Mary Mother of God **Holy Day of Obligation—Only Mass Today**
- Wed. 7:35 am Rosary
 8:00 am Mass—**Dick and Susan Nieth**Thur. 7:35 am Rosary

8:00 am Mass—**Annie Nieth** †

9:00 am Bible Study—Conference Room

- Fri. 7:35 am Rosary
 8:00 am First Friday Mass—Bill Selman⁺
 Sat. 7:35 am Rosary
 - 8:00 am First Saturday Mass 4:00 pm Confessions
 - 5:30 pm Vigil Mass
- Sun. 10:00 am Mass 11:20 am 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 and Karen Seagal. 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.

No Coffee Hour After Sunday Mass

There will be No coffee hour this Sunday. Please join us after Mass in the Parish Hall next Sunday for coffee hour after Mass. If you would like to host a week, there's a signup sheet located on the table at the back of the church.

Prayer Request Line

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

<u>Baptism</u> Preparation is required for parents. Please call the office for further information.

<u>Marriage</u>

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.

<u>Website</u> www.olvcatholic.org

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



Mass: Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

Mass will be on Tuesday, January 01, 2019 at 10:00 am only no 8:00 am Mass today. Holy Day of Obligation Mass

Mary of Nazareth, an epic movie on the life of Mary , from her childhood through the Resurrection of Jesus, is available on FORMED.org. The film vividly capture the essence of Mary's profound faith and trust in God amidst the great mysteries she lived as Jesus's mother as well as her compassion and love for others. See FORMED.org!

No Adoration this Monday & Tuesday

Adoration is closed Monday, December 31st and Tuesday, January 1, 2019.

Office Hours

Our office will be closed Monday, December 31 and Tuesday, January 1, 2019. Have a Happy and Safe New Year. We will be back to our regular business hours Wednesday, Jan. 02, 2019

Religious Education / Youth Program

There will be **no Religious Education/Youth Program this Sunday**, we will return to our regular schedule next Sunday, January 06, 2019.

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 this Thursday, Jan. 03.** Thank you, Nancy.

OLV 2019 Calendars & Fee Book

Please take home a 2019 Calendar and The Biggest Lie In The History of Christianity book by Matthew Kelly.

Family Prayer for a New Year

O God our Father, by the light of the Holy Spirit, lead us to be thankful for the gift of faith. May we grow in our relationship with Jesus, your Son. May we be confident witnesses to Christian hope and joy to all we meet. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Living the Liturgical Year: Feast of the Holy Family

Sometimes it can seem like holiness in family life is impossible because of the challenges of human nature, the demands on time, and social pressures. The Holy Family provides a model and an ideal for families, and today's Feast of the Holy Family is an opportunity to stop and reflect on the importance of our family life and to pray for the strengthen of families and the support of families in today's society. In reflecting on the Gospels, we see Jesus briefly as a baby, and as a 12-year old boy, and then we see his three years of public ministry. While we don't have the details of those years before his public ministry, but he lived 30 of his 33 year of human life in the quiet, hidden reality of everyday family life. God could have determined that he should appear as a man, but in his wisdom God sent his Son as a baby. Jesus, who is like us in all things but sin, experienced the fullness of human experience, including the humble dependence on his mother and father for care and protection, his being instructed by them, being obedient to them, and growing in strength and wisdom (cf. Lk 2:40, 51-52). Through his coming into a family and living many years within that family, Jesus emphasizes the importance of family and its role in the sanctification of family members. These hidden years are an important witness to the value of family life. The life of the Holy Family provides a witness of what we can aspire to and work towards in our family life. One author suggests using the acronym F.A.M.I.L.Y to help families grow in holiness.

F – **Faith.** Strength faith in the family by going to Mass together every week and going to confession regularly as well reading books, listen to audios, and watching movies that help faith mature.

A – Apostolate. Share your faith. It is important to give both as individuals and as a family. How do you share the Good News? How do you serve through the corporal and spiritual works of mercy? Is your life a witness of Jesus?

M – Mary. Get to know Mary as your mother. Pray the Rosary as a family as praying as a family before meals, at bedtime, and in the morning.

I— **Imitate.** Dads should imitate St. Joseph as the spiritual leaders of the family. Moms should imitate Mary in her compassion and love. Children should imitate Jesus's respect and obedience for his parents.

L – Love. Accept, encourage, and support one another. Welcome others in loving hospitality.

Y-**Year 2019.** Resolve to make this year a year of spiritual growth for your family. (see epicpew.com/holiness-family)

Would you like to Bring The Gifts to the Altar?

If you our 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.

<u>Bible Study Group</u>

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

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Tuesday, January 01, 10:00 am Mass Lector: Delia Jaramillo Altar Servers: Elphirene Yiftheg, Michael Yiftheg Acolyte: John Herman Eucharistic Ministers: Elaine Acevedo, Chuck Bieker

Sunday, January 06, 2019

Saturday, Jan. 05, 5:30 pm Vigil Mass

Lector: Janet McLaughlin Altar Servers: Clinton Tarvin, Elphirene Yiftheg Acolyte: Patrick Smith Eucharistic Ministers: Janis Bozarth Walt Beery

Sunday, Jan. 06, 10:00 am Mass

Lector: Lyle Schwarz Altar Servers: Cecilia Villagomez, Natalia Robles, Gabriel Zamora Acolvte: Jason Kehr

Eucharistic Ministers: Corrine Dutto, Angie Lakey-Cambell, Chuck Bieker, Elizabeth Robles

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

FORMED Pick of the Week; The Story of the Nativity The story of the birth of Jesus is often misunderstood. But this

fast-paced, thought-provoking look at the true story of the Nativity clears away widespread misunderstandings of Jesus' origin. Join top scholars, inspirational speakers, and popular authors as they explain the story behind the story of the birth of Jesus. *The Story of the Nativity* also includes stunning

works of art depicting the biblical story, from Fra Angelico to Rembrandt, and footage from the Holy Land showing the places where the Christmas story actually took place. Explore the true story of Mary and Joseph, Jesus's miraculous conception, the birth of John the Baptist, the journey of Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem, the Star of Bethlehem, and the birth of Jesus. This is an invaluable tool for believer and unbeliever alike to learn more about Jesus of Nazareth and about the truth of Christmas.

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 ad-vance of tournament. First-place will receive a trophy, brag-ging rights and 75% of money; Second-place will receive 25% of remainder of money. If you have any questions, please contact Phillip.

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.

Community Help: Donations Unlimited

To donate household items, linens, clothing, lamps & microwaves, please call Linda Williams at 541-963-2282

COLLECTION NEEDED TO MEET BUDGET: \$3,400 Sunday's Mass 12/23 collection: \$2,563