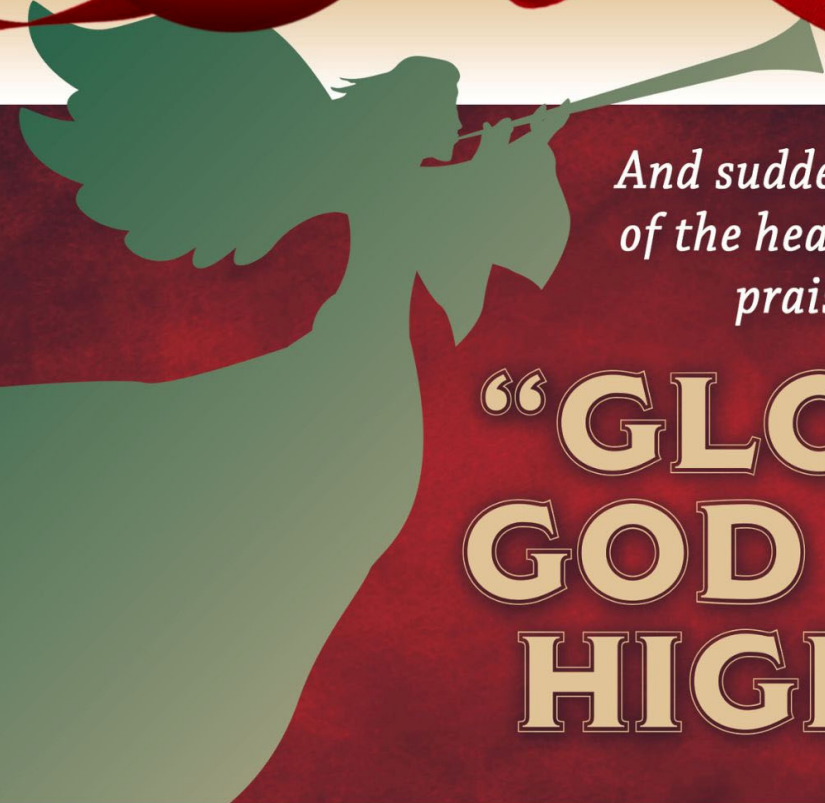




Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church



*And suddenly there was a multitude
of the heavenly host with the angel,
praising God and saying:*

**“GLORY TO
GOD IN THE
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Luke 2:13-14

December 25, 2022 • Christmas

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Mass Schedule:

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 7:00 am

Tuesday & Thursday: 5:30 pm

Saturday*: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am, 10:30 am & 12:00 pm

*1st Saturday of the month 8:00am

Sacrament of Confession/Reconciliation:

Tuesday & Thursday: 4:45 pm - 5:15 pm

Saturday 4:45 pm - 5:15 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am & 12:00 pm

Sacrament of Baptism:

Call the parish office at least six weeks in advance.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Call the parish office at least six months in advance.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday:** The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)
Monday: St. Stephen; Kwanza begins
Tuesday: St. John
Wednesday: The Holy Innocents
Thursday: St. Thomas Becket; Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord
Friday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
Saturday: St. Sylvester I; New Year's Eve Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22
Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:36-40
Friday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 [12-17]; Ps 128:1-5; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
Saturday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-1
Sunday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21



As with many other industries, our calendar publisher is experiencing longer than usual delays in their printing process. Our parish calendars should arrive in a couple of weeks.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Eugenio B., Neomi Balderas, Dolores Beardsley, Mary Blake, Rosa Becnel, Michael Castro, Juliana Cavazos, Maria Chavez de Hernandez, Esther & Guadalupe Contreras, Ashley Cuellar, David Davis, John De Leon, Kate DeWein, Mary Elizabeth Donovan, Angela Fitzner, Deacon Frank Gallardo, Vangie Gallardo, Eric Hawbecker, Josephine Janczar, Markus Klink, Kathy McCoy, Sally McDuffee, George Perez, Rina Pollack, Jeanie Sanders, Carlos Saucedo, Edward Jacob Sciantarelli, Jim Sciantarelli, Laurie Seligman, Jerry SESCO, Carolyn Smith, Lisa Weissler, Henry Wolff, Stephen Wyrick.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — All the ends of the earth will behold the salvation of our God (Isaiah 52:7-10).

Psalms — The whole world has seen God's salvation (Psalm 98).

Second Reading — God has spoken to us through the Son, the very imprint of God's being (Hebrews 1:1-6).

Gospel — The Word became flesh; from his fullness we have all received grace (John 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]).

**Next weekend's second collection
Is for our Parish Outreach**

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of the heavenly host with the angel,
praising God and saying:*

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THE SEASON OF LIGHT

It is customary to celebrate Christmas with lights of all sorts. This even happens in the southern hemisphere, where people aren't experiencing the shorter, darker days of northern climates. From little twinkles on Christmas trees to the glow of candles in church, Christmas is a celebration of the light born today in God's Word-made-flesh. As with other types of lights, the Christ-light takes on different forms. Sometimes its light is direct, while at other times it is a reflection. The lights of Christmas, like Jesus the Light of the world, offer comfort, ease fears, show us the way, and help us to see that God is present here. While we believe that Jesus is the light that no darkness can overcome, it can seem at times it seems as though the gloom around us is overcoming the light. We all are familiar with darkness's different forms that seem to bombard us daily, hourly—minute by minute, if we allow them to. And yet . . .

The relentless daily reports of darkness can easily lead us not to see the many glimmers of light around us. We who follow the Christ-light must always be on alert for signs of that light around us. Likewise, we who have that Christ-light in us must let it shine forth. No matter how little we think our light may be, we must recall that it is the light of Christ we bear within us. Like John the Baptist in today's Gospel passage, we are meant to testify to the power of light, to help others see glimpses of God-with-us. Our actions must bear good news, they must announce glad tidings. Even small deeds of light can shine brightly, giving birth to Jesus once again each day. On Christmas day and every day we are called to be people of hope, messengers of peace who offer comfort and make God's glory known. Let the light of Christ in your life be one of the season's brightest!

Today's Readings: Is 52:7–10; Ps 98:1, 2–3, 3–4, 5–6; Heb. 1:1–6; Jn 1:1–18

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Fr. Jorge, Fr. Joseph,
and all the OLG staff wishes everyone
a Blessed and Merry Christmas!



*The second collection on
Christmas Eve and Christmas Day
is designated for the mission and
ministry of Assumption Seminary.*

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, December 26

7:00 am Donald Johnson's Birthday
-Marylin Johnson

Tuesday, December 27

5:30 pm A Safe Trip for David & Cheryl Deleranko
-David Leal

Wednesday, December 28

7:00 am In Thanksgiving V.S.I.

Thursday, December 29

5:30 pm Robert 'Bobby' Dolch (d)
& Ronald Kolodzie (d)
-Family

Friday, December 30

7:00 am Hillary Roegelein (d)
-Family

Saturday, December 31

5:30pm Rudolph Oswald (d)
-Cecilio & Becky Rodriguez

Sunday, January 1

8:30 am In Thanksgiving for
God's Continued Blessings
10:30 am Our Lady of Grace Parishioners
12:00 pm Rita & Tom Moulder (d)
Rita & Ken Bragg

MASS & CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Monday, December 26

Mass 7:00 am Fr. Jorge

Tuesday, December 27

Confessions 4:45 pm Fr. Jorge
Mass 5:30 pm Fr. Jorge

Wednesday, December 28

Mass 7:00 am Fr. Joseph

Thursday, December 29

Confessions 4:45 pm Fr. Jorge
Mass 5:30 pm Fr. Jorge

Friday, December 30 - Feast of the Holy Family

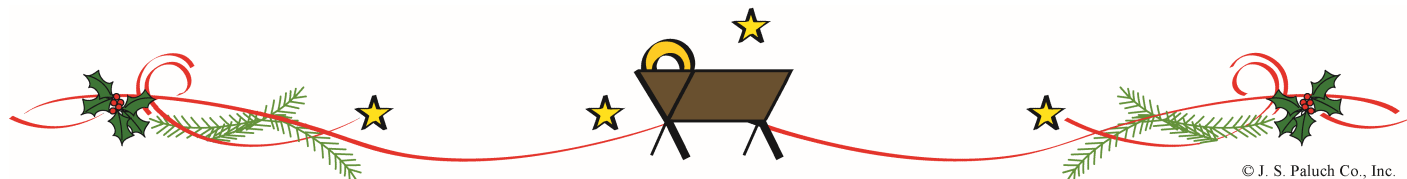
Mass 7:00 am Fr. Joseph

Saturday, December 31

Mass 5:30 pm Fr. Jorge

Sunday, January 1 - Solemnity of Mary

Mass 8:30 am Fr. Joseph
Mass 10:30 am Fr. Jorge
Confessions 12:15 pm Fr. Joseph
Mass 12:00 pm Fr. Jorge



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HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY, DEC. 26	Closed
TUESDAY - THURSDAY	10 am - 2pm
FRIDAY, DEC. 30	Closed
MONDAY, JAN. 2	Closed

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SUNDAY, DEC. 25	No Classes
SUNDAY, JAN. 1	No Classes

PARISH MINISTRIES

All parish ministries are on WINTER BREAK and will resume after the New Year. Dates will be listed in forthcoming bulletins.

NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

Feast of the Holy Family

Friday, Dec. 30 7:00 am

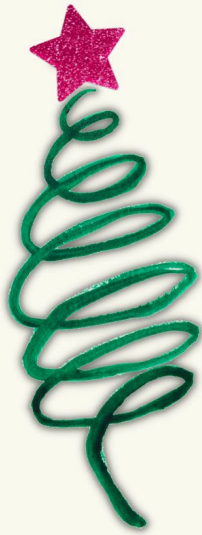
Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

Saturday, Dec. 31 5:30 pm
Sunday, Jan. 1 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:00pm

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

Sunday, Jan. 8 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:00pm
Adoration of the Child Jesus after every Mass

The Baptism of the Lord (Jan. 9)
Is the conclusion of the Christmas Season



Healy-Murphy

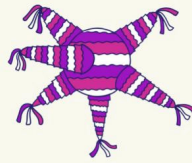
extends a heartfelt

Thank You

to Our Lady of Grace Parish.

Through your generosity to the Angel Tree Project we were able to bless over 100 children with their choice of a gift card to enjoy a special Christmas shopping trip.

Angel Tree Project



OUR LADY OF GRACE **POSADAS**

Thank you to everyone that participated in this year's Parish Posada. Special thanks to all the volunteers and sponsors, without your generous hearts this event would not be possible.

Thank you again and have a Blessed New Year!

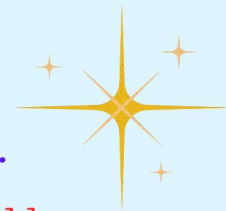


Our Lady's Choir

MANY THANKS TO OUR NEWLY FORMED
CHOIR FOR SHARING YOUR VOICES &
MUSICAL TALENTS TO HELP US PRAY WELL
WITH BEAUTIFUL MUSIC THIS CHRISTMAS.



Thank you to all
who participated in this year's
Children's Christmas Pageant & Choir.



This event is an OLG tradition that would not be possible without all the parish children & parents who give their acting, singing and musical talents to make it happen. A big thank you to all the children & youth who participated in the program; you are the future of the parish and it is a blessing to see you all reenacting the Nativity of our Lord.





Many wonderful people, too many to list, worked together to decorate our church and grounds, set up our nativity scene and serve at our Sacred Liturgies. Thank you so much for all you do for our Parish, and have a Blessed New Year!

-The Parish Staff

LIFE AWARENESS

Religious Vocation Discernment Weekend



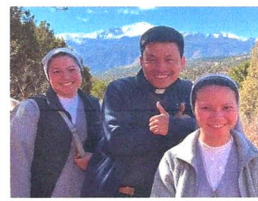
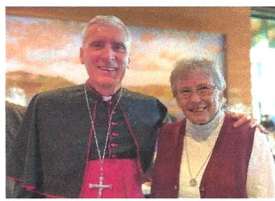
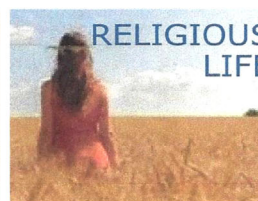
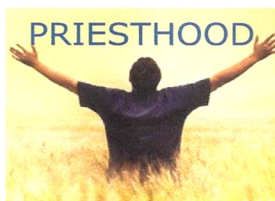
"Loved and Chosen"

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February 3-5

2023



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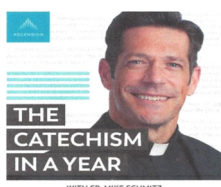
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Christmas

Help the shepherds find their way to the stable to see Baby Jesus.



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Christmas

Jesus was a wonderful gift God sent to us.
The Christmas story words have been mixed up in the presents below.
See if you can unscramble them and write each one on the line provided.

ImehBehte

ryMa

edressshph

hseoTp

eagnl

bbya

garnme