

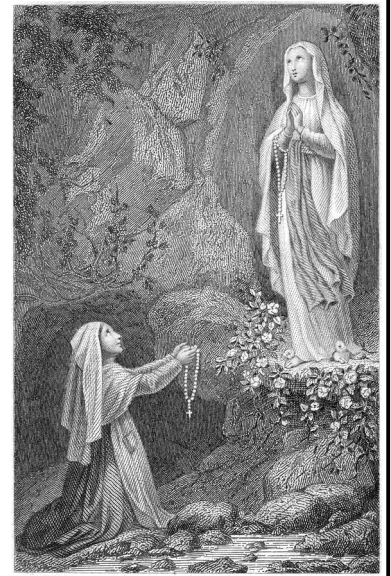
Our Lady of Lourdes

Diocese of Covington's Latin Mass Parish

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HOLY FAMILY ORATORY ♣ Liberty Hill Drive ♣ Union ♣ KY

"I do not promise you happiness in this life, only in the next"



JE SUIS L'IMMACULÉE CONCEPTION

TODAY IS GAUDETE SUNDAY. The *Introit* for today's Mass reminds us that, while the season of Advent is one of penance and anticipation, we must also pause and rejoice at the nearness of Our Lord. The following excerpt comes from *The Liturgical Year* by Dom Prosper Guéranger: "Today, again, the Church is full of joy, and the joy is greater than it was. **It is true that her Lord has not come; but She feels that He is nearer than before, and therefore She thinks it just to lessen somewhat the austerity of this penitential season by the innocent cheerfulness of her Sacred Rites.** And first, this Sunday has had the name of *Gaudete* given to it, from the first word of the *Introit*; it also is honored with those impressive exceptions which belong to the fourth Sunday of Lent, called *Laetare*. The organ is played at the Mass; the vestments are rose-color; the deacon resumes the dalmatic, and the subdeacon the tunic; and in cathedral churches the bishop assists with the precious mitre. How touching are all these usages, and how admirable this condescension of the Church, wherewith she so beautifully blends together the unalterable strictness of the dogmas of faith and the graceful poetry of the formulae of her liturgy. **Let us enter into her spirit, and be glad on this third Sunday of her Advent, because our Lord is now so near unto us.** Tomorrow we will resume our attitude of servants mourning for the absence of their Lord and waiting for Him; for every delay, however short, is painful and makes love sad."

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Baptism and Marriages

All Sacraments at Our Lady of Lourdes are performed according to the *usus antiquior* of the Roman Rite, with the 1962 liturgical books being normative. Contact the pastor for any sacramental needs.

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Mass Calendar & Intentions

SUNDAY	December 15: Third Sunday of Advent
7:00 AM	(+) Virginia Bagadion
(Union) 7:00 AM	Karen Kunkel
9:00 AM	(+) Therese Marie Kindoll
11:30 AM	Pro Populo
MONDAY	December 16: St. Eusebius, Bishop & Martyr
6:30 AM	(+) Rito & Loreto Dilanco
12:10 PM	(+) Emma Grace Haacke
TUESDAY	December 17: Greater Feria of Advent
6:30 AM	Mason family
12:10 PM	(+) Gabriela Aguilar
WEDNESDAY	December 18: Ember Wednesday
12:10 PM	Susan Davis
(Union) 7:00 PM	Genevieve Brueggemann
THURSDAY	December 19: Greater Feria of Advent
6:30 AM	(+) Irene Ryan Scapin
12:10 PM	(+) Mae Wang
FRIDAY	December 20: Ember Friday
6:30 AM	Derek & Edita Tepe
12:10 PM	Alexander, Erin & kids Haacke
SATURDAY	December 21: St. Thomas, Apostle
9:00 AM	Fr. Jacob Straub



Third Sunday of Advent

December 15th, 2024

Weekly Financial Report Week of Sunday December 8, 2024

Sunday Collection:		
Checks	\$5929.59	
Cash & Coin	\$1048.00	
Online & Other Donations	\$0.00	
Candles	\$112.00	
TOTAL	\$7089.59	
<i>Weekly Budgetary Needs</i>	<i>\$4,395</i>	

- † Class with Fr. Cushing on Monday evenings at 6:30pm.
- † The 2025 tithing envelopes are available for pickup in the back of Church. Thank you for all of your support!
- † 7pm Mass this Wed. at Holy Family. Confessions before.
- † Extra Confession Times: For Advent, Fr. Matt will be in the confessional at OLOL from 11am to 1pm every Saturday.
- † The Petites Bernadettes girls group will be hosting a Hot Chocolate stand after the 9 & 11:30am Masses today. Please consider picking up a cup of hot chocolate, and donating towards the group activities for these young ladies at OLOL.

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS SCHEDULE:

12:00 AM MIDNIGHT MASS
(BOTH LOCATIONS);

9:00 AM ✠ 11:30 AM (OLOL)



THE FIRST OF OUR CROSSES will perhaps be, that we cannot choose our own. "fiat voluntas tua". There is the cross of our character, a cross that is hard to change; the cross of our faults, which purify us in humiliating us; even our helplessness sanctifies us. And what about our plans, even the best of them? Our Lord often overthrows them. We have plans for Him & He has quite other plans for us. We suffer again from creatures, and, at times, from loneliness of heart. We remain alone, misunderstood, and we are left to our own resources, just when we have need of support. *But we always have support in Him Who dwells within us.* There is the cross of illness and of precautions which our health demands. Let all be for God's Glory. How many of the saints have been infirm and ill, who would never have become saints at all without such miseries. Physical suffering brings us near the Man of Sorrows, and with it we may purchase many souls. We have, too, family sorrows; mourning and sorrow come to the happiest homes, and separations come to break, for a time, bonds which we thought eternal. We love – and our beloved ones die. And can we ask why such things happen? Should we be spared when we see that Jesus did not spare His holy and pure Mother? If Mary, whom Jesus loved so tenderly, suffered so much, it is proof that the cross is a pledge of Divine predestination.



Novena for Christmas

December 16

O SHEPHERD that rulest Israel, Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep, come to guide and comfort us. *Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be...*

December 17

O WISDOM that comest out of the mouth of the Most High, that reachest from one end to another, and orderest all things mightily and sweetly, come to teach us the way of prudence! *Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be...*

December 18

O ADONAI, and Ruler of the house of Israel, Who didst appear unto Moses in the burning bush, and gavest him the law in Sinai, come to redeem us with an outstretched arm! *Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory...*

December 19

O ROOT of Jesse, which standest for an ensign of the people, at Whom the kings shall shut their mouths, Whom the Gentiles shall seek, come to deliver us, do not tarry. *Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory...*

December 20

O KEY of David, and Sceptre of the house of Israel, that openeth and no man shutteth, and shutteth and no man openeth, come to liberate the prisoner from the prison, and them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death. *Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be...*

December 21

O DAYSPRING, Brightness of the everlasting light, Sun of justice, come to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death! *Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be...*

December 22

O KING of the Gentiles, yea, and desire thereof! O Cornerstone, that makest of two one, come to save man, whom Thou hast made out of the dust of the earth! *Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be...*

December 23

O EMMANUEL, our King and our Law-giver, Longing of the Gentiles, yea, and salvation thereof, come to save us, O Lord our God! *Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be...*

December 24

O THOU that sittest upon the cherubim, God of hosts, come, show Thy face, and we shall be saved. *Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be...*

To dress becomingly for God and neighbor, and in keeping with the reverence due to the Blessed Sacrament, kindly refrain from wearing shorts, tee-shirts, tank-tops, revealing blouses, sleeveless or backless dresses, or form-fitting clothing of any sort. Please wear dresses and skirts that fall below the knee when sitting even with leggings (around mid-calf). With due regard to time and circumstance, all are encouraged to wear decorous attire befitting sacred and divine worship.