

# Our Lady of Lourdes

Diocese of Covington's Latin Mass Parish

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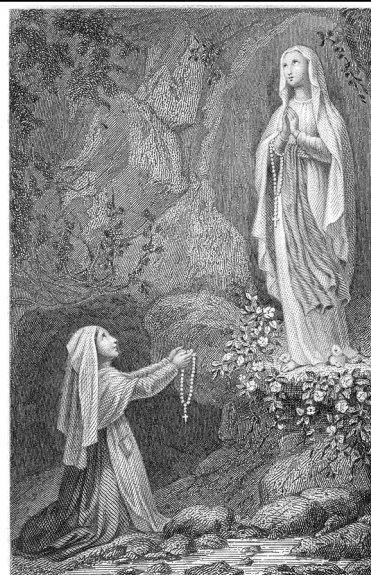
HOLY FAMILY ORATORY ❁ Liberty Hill Drive ❁ Union ❁ KY

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

Dear Parishioners,



**G**LORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST, and peace to men of good will! The Savior has been born! All creation sings His praises. When the world lay in darkness, He brings His Light to dispel the darkness! *Praised be Jesus Christ, now and forever!* I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas day. After the last Mass, I went and took a nice, Christmas afternoon nap, and then went over to a family's house in the evening for Christmas. It was a good time had by all. I hope your day was just as joyous and peaceful. What is cool about Christmas is that it is a whole season! It is not just one day like the world celebrates it, but over a month! Joy and Peace have become Incarnate in the Person of Jesus Christ! Emmanuel! God with us! He steps into His creation to be with us, to heal us, to teach us, to suffer for us, to die for us, and to raise us up. Our lives will never be the same! They can't be! If God has visited His people, then all our lives must be changed in an extraordinary way! Instead of keeping sights on the things of the world, we now focus on the things of Heaven. God wants us to be with Him forever in Heaven! Let's always strive, day by day, to stay on His path. We carry our crosses out of love for Him, just as He carried His Cross out of love for us. Let's honor Him always with our perseverance to live the



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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

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>December 29: Sunday in the Octave of Christmas</b>
7:00 AM	Manciano & Concepcion Bagadion
(Union) 7:00 AM	(+) Mary Listerman
9:00 AM	Idalmis Adams
11:30 AM	Pro Populo
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>December 30: 6th Day in the Octave of Christmas</b>
6:30 AM	Mirabella Tepe
12:10 PM	Dr. Jacob Bessler & family
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>December 31: 7th Day in the Octave of Christmas</b>
6:30 AM	Levi Michael Mullins
12:10 PM	Alexander, Erin & kids Haacke
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>January 1: Octave Day of Christmas</b>
7:00 AM	Hannah Shannon
(Union) 7:00 AM	Karen Kunkel
9:00 AM	Janet Meinhart
11:30 AM	Christ is King Action Ministries
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>January 2: Feria in Christmastide</b>
6:30 AM	Johnny Meinhart
12:10 PM	Derek & Edita Tepe and family
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>January 3: Sacred Heart of Jesus</b>
6:30 AM	Nancy Meinhart
12:10 PM	(+) Emma Grace Haacke
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>January 4: Immaculate Heart of Mary</b>
9:00 AM	For the building of the grotto



Sunday in the Octave of Christmas

December 29th, 2024

Faith, no matter what! God has visited His people! Let's always live as if we have encountered Him at that manger so long ago. (And in fact, we have! Every Holy Mass, we have, truly!)

*Merry Christmas! May God bless you, all! – Fr. Matt*

## Weekly Financial Report Week of Sunday December 22, 2024

Sunday Collection:	
Checks	\$4765.00
Cash & Coin	\$934.10
Christmas Collection	\$6332.50
Online & Other Donations	\$0.00
Candles	\$138.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$12,169.60</b>
<b>Weekly Budgetary Needs</b>	<b>\$4,395</b>

† Monday Catechism Class with Fr. Cushing will not be meeting on December 30th. Class resumes on January 6th.

† Please join us for our annual Epiphany Party-Play-Potluck after the 11:30 AM High Mass on January 5th. Bring a hearty dish to share, and be ready to enjoy good cheer and edifying entertainment! The play will be performed at 2:30pm

### OCTAVE DAY – JANUARY 1ST:

7:00 AM (OLOL & HOLY FAMILY);

9:00 AM ✠ 11:30 AM (OLOL)

- Remember this is a Holy Day of Obligation -

### Quotes of St. Ephrem



wonder is Your mother: the Lord entered her and became a servant; He entered able to speak and He became silent in her; He entered her thundering and His voice grew silent; He entered Shepherd of all; a lamb He became in her; He emerged bleating”

“When the wrathful came to see Thee, Thou madest them gladsome. They exchanged smiles with one another: the angry were made gentle in Thee, O sweet One”

“He that hath care came and saw Thee, and his care fled away. He that had anxiety; at Thee forgot his anxiety; the hungry forgot his victuals; and he that had an errand, by Thee was errant and forgot his journey”

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.

*Oh! lift me to the heights whereon humanity must die.”*

*“Oh! put me on the mountain-tops, excelsior” you cry.*

*Take care, take care, it may be wise to tread the beaten way, when we get far beyond that path we’re apt to go astray.*

*You read of saints in ecstasies, in rosy bowers of prayer, You think it were your heart’s delight to live among them there. But saints approved of common sense, and often used to say: “Beware of elevations or perhaps you’ll go astray.”*

*You heard of great austerities, of scourges and of chains, Of resting on a board at night, and such distracting pains; You think that for its weaknesses your body ought to pay; Take care, lest in chastising it, you set yourself astray.*

*Or, starting to the opposite, you take a different view, Proclaim there’s penance quite enough in everything you do; You canonize your suffering life, your most afflicted way, It does not look so very hard – now, can you be astray?*

*You’d go to China willingly, to foreign lands you’d roam, But still you must have everything you want or like at home; You cannot bear a chilly breeze, an overheated day, But you’re sure you’d haste to martyrdom – now, can you be astray?*

*Laugh at your mock heroics, and take up your daily cares; Be brave in daily trials, very true to daily prayers; And the Holy Child of Nazareth will meet you on the way – With your hand in His, ...your heart in His, YOU’LL NEVER GO ASTRAY.*



**M**AJESTIC QUEEN OF HEAVEN AND MISTRESS OF THE ANGELS, thou didst receive from God the power and commission to crush the head of Satan; wherefore we humbly beseech thee, send forth the legions of Heaven, that, under thy command, they may seek out all evil spirits, engage them everywhere in battle, curb their insolence, and hurl them back into the pit of Hell. “Who is like unto God?” O good and tender Mother, thou shalt ever be our hope and the object of our love. O Mother of God, send forth the holy Angels to defend us and drive far from us the cruel foe. Holy Angels and Archangels, defend us and keep us. *Amen.*