



**PRIEST MASS SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2022**

4:00PM UC	Fr. Kirk
4:00PM LC	Fr. Monica
7:00PM	Fr. John
Midnight	Fr. John
6:30AM	Fr. Kirk
8:00AM	Fr. Monica
10:00AM	Fr. John
12:00PM	Fr. John

**Monday December 19, 2022**

- 6:30 Catherine Clark req. by Family
- 8:00 Billy Rizzi req. by Chickie & Bob Pacchianelli

**Tuesday December 20, 2022**

- 6:30 Kathleen Tonnerly req. by Makowiecki Family
- 8:00 Frank Dzwoniarek req. by Tim & Maura Gerard

**Wednesday December 21, 2022**

- 6:30 Kelly Wreath req. by K. Garrow, H. Landis, E. Wible
- 8:00 Mary Mielcarek req. by Lois Donahue

**Thursday December 22, 2022**

- 6:30 Mary Musial req. by Cistone Family
- 8:00 Maryanna Wesolowski req. by Daughter Wanda

**Friday December 23, 2022**

- 6:30 Joseph Youse req. by Donna Goeprich
- 8:00 Daniel DiSalvio req. by Kloepfer Family

**Saturday December 24, 2022**

- 8:00 Anna Lorenz req. by Family
- 4:00UC OLC Parishioners
- 4:00LC OLC Parishioners
- 7:00PM OLC Parishioners
- 12:00AM OLC Parishioners

**Sunday December 25, 2022**

- 6:30 OLC Parishioners
- 8:00 OLC Parishioners
- 10:00 OLC Parishioners
- 12:00 OLC Parishioners

**LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER 25, 2022**

<i>Mass</i>	<i>Communion</i>	<i>Lectors</i>
<b>4:00PM UC</b>	R. Juliano J. Wojtkielewicz R. Wojtkielewicz	
<b>4:00PM LC</b>	T. Cullen R. Gola C. Gola	
<b>7:00PM</b>	J. Teson D. Haggerty V. Haggerty	
<b>Midnight</b>	R. Spear J. Spear V. Haggerty	
<b>6:30AM</b>	L. Konopka	A.M. Coyle
<b>8:00AM</b>	J. Robbins J. Salvo	J. Teson
<b>10:00AM</b>	D. Makowiecki L. Makowiecki	N. Burnosky P. Cummings
<b>12:00PM</b>	D. Bores M. Hall	B. Gibbons



On Saturday, December 10 and Sunday, December 11, 2022, two girls and one boy received the sacrament of Baptism by which they were incorporated into the Body of Christ:

- Kelsey Lynn Drumheiser* – daughter of Sara Baker
- Delaney Kathleen Smith* – daughter of M/M Gerard Smith
- Michael Paul Donohoe* – son of M/M Michael Donohoe

**P R A Y E R**  
*for the infirm of our parish*

**All sick parishioners, their relatives and friends:**

- Ryan Alburger – son of Karin & Richard Alburger
- Maureen McCarthy – wife of Shawn McCarthy
- Mickey Kilrain – family member of William & Marianne Kilrain
- Sean Harbison – grandson of Mary Flannigan

**All deceased parishioners, their relatives and friends:**

- Richard Alburger – son of Karin & Richard Alburger
- Robert Herron – son of Jeanine & James Herron
- David Shannon – brother of Maureen Dougherty
- For those in the armed forces:** Andrew Morrison, Marine Corp; Eric Charles Taylor-Navy; Emma Marks-Navy; Sean Sylvester-Army; Kyle Higgins-Army; Justin T. Erbrick-Army; Sean Conway-Navy; Jen Hutz-Air Force; Sean Conroy-Navy; Joseph Erbrick, III-Marines; Joseph Costick-Coast Guard; Tyler Jernigan-Army; Christopher Smith-Navy; Alex McAneney-Air Force; Brian McGinty-Marines; Dan O'Brien-Air Force; Ashley O'Brien-Air Force; Daniel Patty-Navy; Michael Sheppard-Air Force; Hoku Teson-Army; John McFillin-Navy; Trevor O'Malley-Army; Daniel Taylor-Air Force; Stephen Winther-Marines; Bobby Winther-Navy; Amanda Smith-Navy; Joseph Patty-Army; Christian Curtis-Marines; Thomas Campbell-Marines; Michael Bones, Jr-Navy

**Divine Mercy Prayers** are on the third Sunday of each Month after the 10 AM Mass. All are welcome.

**Hospital Visits** - If you are in the hospital and would like a visit from a priest, please call the rectory office at 215-637-7515. Due to HIPPA laws we are unable to get information from the hospital, therefore, we must hear directly from the patient or family.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following winners in our Football Mania Fundraiser: #3940, 3710, 3768, 4035.



**Christmas Pageant** – Today, December 18, at the 12:00PM Mass - our Students will present their annual Christmas Pageant.

**Advent Penance Service** – Confessions will be heard on Wednesday, December 21 at 7:00PM at Our Lady of Calvary. Also, there will be a penance service at Christ the King from 1:00 to 2:00 PM.

**Christmas Concert** – performed by our Music Ministry in the upper church on Thursday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00PM. All are welcome to attend.

**Christmas Mass Schedule –**

**Christmas Eve** – 4:00PM Upper Church, 4:00PM Lower Church; 7:00PM and Midnights

**Christmas Day** – 6:30AM, 8:00AM, 10:00AM and 12:00PM.



If you would like to help decorate the Church for the Christmas season, please come help us on **Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> at 4:30PM**. No need to call – just show up to the upper church. Thank you!

Please support the **Visonto Family's 17<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Francis Inn Blanket Drive**. With the help of our family, friends and neighbors we have been able to spread warmth around the Philadelphia area and we sincerely thank you. You may drop off all blankets to the Visonto Funeral Home, 2031 Vista Street or 3908 Fairdale Road. You are also welcome to call us at 215-63-7-8184 and we will be happy to pick your blankets up. Drop date is: December 18<sup>th</sup> from 1-3PM.

**RECTORY OFFICE HOURS for the Christmas Holiday:** We will close on Thursday, December 22 at 12:00PM and re-open on Tuesday, December 27 at 9:00AM.

**PLEASE SUPPORT OUR LADY OF CALVARY CASH CALENDAR FUNDRAISER FOR 2023.**

Purchase a \$40 calendar and be entered to win daily prizes throughout the entire year of 2023. That's 365 chances to win for \$40! There is a total of \$10,000 in cash and prizes available throughout the year. Winners are based on the evening Pennsylvania Lottery Drawing. Numbers are as signed on a first come, first served basis. Forms are available at the back of the Church and in the Rectory. Submit a completed form and payment to the Rectory. Please contact the Rectory with any questions.

**Please check your numbers** from our Christmas Bazaar - if you have not done so yet you can pick up your winning basket at the rectory office from 9AM to 3PM - #1806970, 1806937, 1804500, 1806623, 1806570, 1806791, 1804046, 1806967, 1806867, 1806593, 1804138, 1804044, 1806775, 1806837, 1804277, 1804213, 1806880, 1806761, 1804077, 1806937, 1804045, 1804061, 1804178, 1804951, 1804157, 1804109.

**BLOCK COLLETIONS – Annual Appeal**

Thank you to those who have contributed to our Annual Block Collection. We are very grateful for your generous contributions which are used for the upkeep of our parish.

**MEMORIAL FUND**

Thank you to the following for their donation in memory of *Joan Babowitch*: Marvel Family

**Calvary Seniors** meet every Tuesday at Regina Coeli Hall, 9617 James Street, 19114. Doors open at 9:30AM – meeting starts at 10:30AM.



BLESSED AMONG US

**Sister Wendy Beckett** – Hermit (1930-2018) Born in South Africa, Wendy Beckett always knew she wanted to be a nun, which she supposed would mean a life of prayer and silence. Yet the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, which she entered at sixteen, where a teaching order, which meant a life in the classroom. While cheerfully accepting each assignment as God's will, she longed for a contemplative life. Finally, in 1970, she was permitted to leave her order and to become instead a consecrated virgin and hermit, living in a small trailer on the grounds of a Carmelite monastery in Norfolk, England.

While her new life was devoted to prayer and solitude, she also pursued an intense study of art. Late in life, she was discovered by a BBC producer, who persuaded her to star in a television series, *Sister Wendy's Odyssey*, which took her to museums around the world. Suddenly, she became the unlikeliest of celebrities. Audiences were fascinated and charmed by her intelligence and her lively and compassionate spirit. Her attention to beauty, whether in nature or in the human body, defied conventional stereotypes about a supposedly otherworldly nun. Sr. Wendy accepted this as a kind of ministry, a way to talk about God to a secular audience, showing that everything true, good, and beautiful leads back to its source, our Creator. But she was happy when this sideline ended, and she returned without distraction to her true calling: to spend her days in praise and contemplation of God. She died on December 26, 2018.

*"Our Blessed Lord is in the work-a-day world as truly as in the depth of silent prayer, and we will never find Him completely if we only want to engage with Him on the level we have chosen. He chooses the world and so must we."* Sr, Wendy Beckett

SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS

**Love Will be a Bridge**

The story of Joseph's bewilderment when he realized that his future wife was going to have a baby is well known, and it is well known, too that Our Lady did not explain.

Her example here teaches us wisdom when misunderstandings arise because of Christ conceived in us. There is little gained by trying to explain. At that time, the Advent time, His voice is silent in us; it is simply our own heartbeat. Love is more effective than words.

The only thing to do is to go on loving, to be patient, to suffer the misunderstanding. Explanations even of what can be explained seldom heal – and there is so much that cannot be explained.

Even the presence of Christ in us does not do away with our own clumsiness, blindness, stupidity; indeed, sometimes because of our limitations, His light is a blinding light to us and we become, for a time, more dense than before. We shall still be irritable, still make mistakes, and still very likely be unaware of how exasperating we are.

Explanations, words, at this stage, may only wound, but love will be a bridge over which at last, in God's time, we shall cross to a better understanding.

It will have to be the love of humility, that is, love informed by humility – long-suffering, patient, and humorous. If we realize that we are a little absurd, such love will come more easily. We must try to be like Our Lady, to make as little fuss as she did about being the Mother of Christ.

No one can be so recollected, so tranquil, that he can be a contemplative in the world, a contemplative of Christ in his own heart, unless at the very outset he finds a cure for fear.

There is only one cure for fear – trust in God. That is why the beginning of Christ's being formed in us consists in echoing Our Lad's *fiat*, it is a surrender, a handing over of everything to God.

*Caryll Houselander (1901-1954) was an English Catholic laywoman, artist, and visionary best known for such works as A Rocking Horse Catholic, The Reed of God, and The Way of the Cross.*

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