

Padre Pio Academy News

Celebrating 40 Years of Catholic Tradition in Education

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Modesty in Church Out of respect to our Lord, we beg all to appear in church modestly dressed. No shorts allowed. Ladies heads must be covered, no slacks or pants, low cut or sleeveless tops. Your cooperation is evidence of your love for our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament and respect for the House of God.

Communion Fast Holy Communion may be received only by Catholics believing themselves to be in the state of Sanctifying Grace, who are observing at least one hour fast prior to reception of the Sacrament. We are urged, however, to observe the fast from midnight, or, at least for three hours. While always welcome, non-Catholics and those who do not accept the traditional teachings of the Church in matters of faith and morals, are NOT to receive Communion at this Mass. To receive Holy Communion do so in silence- do not say Amen.

Confession Procedure Begin your confession with "BLESS me Father for I have sinned", when you have received your penance, immediately begin your Act of Contrition.

Mass Requests \$20 stipend per Mass, intention box located on the wall in the gift shop.

Chapel Etiquette Food, drink and matches are not allowed. Please use the butane lighters to light the votive candles. When the Blessed Sacrament is exposed, genuflect on both knees and bow. Otherwise, genuflect with the RIGHT knee touching the floor.

OLHC is an independent Traditional Chapel. We maintain no association whatsoever with Kentucky Resistance.

No unapproved literature may be left on the premises. It will be discarded.

Need something blessed? The first Sunday of each month after each Mass. The next blessing will be January 7th. Please be there to pick up your item, it will not be held.

Lost and Found Please remember to identify your Missals and prayer books for a safe return. If you have lost something, check the lost and found bin in the bookstore and if you find something left in the pews, please return it to the bin to find its rightful owner.

Have you Registered? To register and receive your offering envelopes, see the breezeway sign-up table or the gift shop.

Checks Payable to OLHC or Our Lady Help of Christians. Please DO NOT seal envelopes with scotch tape or stickers. By request, Venmo is also available for donations.



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Useful Links

fssp.org - Find a Mass Worldwide – scroll down

Traditionalcatholic.co - Spanish & English Traditional Catholic Books (Audio, PDF, Kindle, etc.)

ksmk.org - Catholic Radio Station

thanhlemisa.wordpress.com - Vietnamese/Latin Missal

CatholicFamilyNews.com - search: Archbishop Vigano

OLHC CHRISTMAS MASS ROSTER: Christmas Eve is today, Sunday, December 24, Masses at 7:30 and 10:00AM; *Christmas Day – Monday, December 25, there are only two Masses: Midnight Mass at 12:00AM (that is, the very late evening of today, Sunday) & 9:00AM in the morning. Pre-Mass carols begin between 11:00PM and 11:15PM tonight, Christmas Eve, followed by Midnight High Mass, as always with chanted Christmas Propers. No Mass Friday, December 29;* Saturday, December 30 at 8:00AM; Sunday December 31 at 7:30 and 10:00AM; Monday, January 1: This is the Feast of the Circumcision, a Holyday of Obligation. Masses are 7:30 and 10:00AM only.

There are many worthwhile stories at OLHC; here's a special one:

Every year, between the beginning of Advent and the feast of the Purification – February 2nd, the creche assumes a lofty, commanding position on the left side ledge of Our Lady Help of Christians Chapel. This particular creche was originally displayed in St. Boniface Church, Anaheim, CA during the Christmas Season until the first St. Boniface Church building, built in 1903, was demolished in the early 1960's. It is not certain when the creche was originally purchased, but it could be as old as 120-years (1903 – 2023). The figures are wooden images carved in Germany. When the 1903 church building was demolished, most of the furnishings were given to other churches/religious orders, and for a donation, to congregational members. The creche figures were obtained by my brother's (Carl Heinz) in-laws, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Karcher. Theodore (Ted) built boxes to house the figures. After the death of Mr. and Mrs. Karcher, Carl Heinz and his wife Laura were gifted with the creche figures. The creche sculptures remained in the boxes until approximately 1997, except for photography and insurance purposes. In approximately 1997, Carl mentioned to my wife, Helen (RIP 2011) and me, that he was looking for some religious organization to donate the creche figures. It was at the suggestion of my wife that Carl donated the creche figures to Padre Pio Academy. So now, during the Christmas Season, I am able to view the creche I remember from my youth. AMDG, Ray Heinz

With thanks to the Heinz Family, this beautiful creche is here for each of us to enjoy throughout the Christmas season. It is certainly one of the "little things" that helps make OLHC what it is!

www.kusc.org/christmas provides a seasonal uplift! Just scroll down and pick your app. You'll get a vast array of Christmas music throughout the season – 24/7. (Thanks to Terry for the hint!!!)

Donation Envelopes 2024 are ready for pickup in the breezeway. Carefully take the box *with your name on it*. If you can't find it, you may have registered after the envelopes were ordered. In any case, take a new number and complete a new registration form.

Mark your calendar for the parish-wide PPA Winter Dinner Dance, Saturday, January 13 at 6:00PM, \$45 per person, high school students and older. Our theme: Medieval Times. See breezeway posters for details.

Happy birthday to our "Christmas babies"!!!! We know who you are!

December 24 Vigil of the Nativity of Our Lord (Violet)
Proper of Vigil, "Hodie Scietis" NO Gloria, 2nd of the Fourth Sunday, NO Credo, Preface of the Most Holy Trinity, Benedicamus Domino

High School selling coffee and sweets after the 7:30 Mass

15 Decade Rosary recited weekdays at 8am when no Mass is available

Mon 25 **Christmas - TWO MASSES ONLY**
12am Midnight Mass - Choir Starts 11-11:15pm Dec 24th
Morning Mass 9AM

Tue 26 St. Stephen, Protomartyr

Wed 27 St. John, A, E

Thu 28 Holy Innocents, M

Fri 29 **NO Mass**- St. Thomas of Canterbury, B, M

Sat 30 **Mass 8:00am** Sixth Day in Octave of the Nativity

Confessions 4 PM

Sun 31 **Masses 7:30 & 10 AM** - Sunday within the Octave of the Nativity St. Sylvester, P, C

Mon 01 **Masses 7:30 AM & 10 AM**- Holy day of Obligation

Feast of the Circumcision - Octave of the Nativity

Holy Hour of Reparation Every Wednesday at 3 pm in the Chapel. Next Rosary Rally Saturday January 6th at the Garden Grove Civic Center 12 noon.

Mass Requests for the living, dead or special intentions-\$20 stipend per Mass.

Death Remembrances December

Margaret Her, Debra Selway, Elzetta Mikulski, Neil & Frances Lunetta, Elva Banuelos, Lucia Bonello, Margie Schrantz, Tom Padberg, Fr. Truong Diep, Anne Michuta, Bernadette Lipps, Carl Heinz, Fr. Harry Marchosky, Harry Cwodzinski, Lawrence Heiner, Irene Ehert, Emile Goubert, Fr. Victor Soroka, Alice Robinson, Maury Bergeron, Herb & Chris Schurter

Death Remembrances January

Robert Enerson, John Williams, Sr. Anastasia, Josephine Glenn, Helen Massie, Antonius vander Putten, Helen Sullivan, Cathleen Speer, Andrew Dawn, Angie Thoreson, Cathy Lipsky, Ruth Johnson, Frank Rusinas, Edwin Altemeier, Dr. Anthony McDermott, Joan O'Neill, Sharon Condon, Mary Kaminski, Fr. Philip Bourret, David Shandley, Michael Soto, Carl Karcher, Warren Merboth, Dolores Netzel, Joseph Hubbard, Josefina Montoya, Helen Paige, Gertie Polinski, Arthur Garabedian, Connie Ridino, Tamara Brien, Joe Partise, Joyce Wilson, Ernie Feeney, Bob Wilcox, Frank Callaghan

Parish Illness and other Prayer Intentions

Vic Pence, Steve Frye, Sean Klein, Father Starbuck, Dorothy Neff, Jon DeWeil, Mary Gillilan, Marg MacArthur, Jaime Soto, Camilla and Isabella Codeceira, Agnes Selway, Paul Isley, Homer Sweeney, Leroy Cadman, Inez Williams, Ida Ramirez, Julie Ayraud, Dean Paajanen, Linda Whitlock, Comptons, Peggy Perez, All Priests

(renewable monthly OLHCbulletin@yahoo.com)

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(Please direct all correspondence and church business here)



Masses Sunday 7:30 & 10:00

Always check website for most current schedule

15 Decade Rosary recited weekdays at 8am when no Mass is available

Confession All Masses typically preceded by substantial time for confession, which must end 10 minutes before Mass begins. Out of consideration for others, please don't use the confessional for lengthy counseling. Be brief. Be blunt. Be gone!

Streamed Mass WWW.OurLadyHelpOfChristians.US - Select Mass Stream & Subscribe (Televised Mass in the Hall)

Saint Patrick's Mission - Northridge Mass is temporarily unavailable at this location

Sacramental Planning: (626) 447-1752

Emergency Contact ONLY: (626) 355-0845

To Modern Catholics We are what you once were. We believe what you once believed. We worship as you once worshiped. If we are wrong now, you were wrong then. If you were right then, we are right now.

December 24, 2023
Vigil of the Nativity of Our Lord