

# Our Lady of Sorrows Church



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## **P**astoral Thoughts Welcome to All

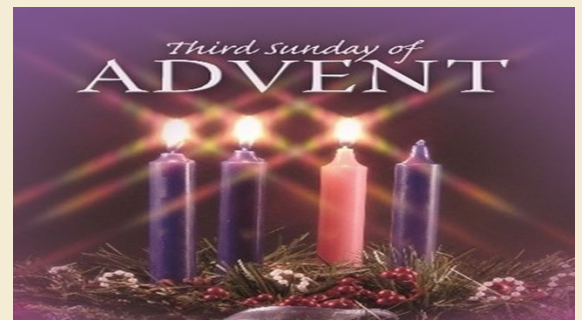
Today we celebrate the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent which is called “Gaudete Sunday” which means Rejoice! And we need to Rejoice in the Lord always for all He has graced us with.

Advent which means “coming” aids us in understanding the true value and meaning of the mystery of Christmas. It is more than remembering a historical event, but rather experiencing the moment the world changed for everyone, and brought Hope, Love and Joy as we reach the halfway point on our journey to Bethlehem to honor the Babe.

This is even seen in the advent wreath we light, utilizing the pink candle and the option for the clergy to wear rose colored vestments which increases the anticipation of the coming celebration. Today we should sing aloud with the Heavenly Hosts during this Eucharist celebration bursting with Joy.

In addition, it was a wonderful and joyous Christmas party, last Saturday evening. The decorations and food, along with reconnecting with so many people, was truly a blessing. Please see the inside of bulletin for a complete listing of the wonderful people who made all this possible, and if you were unable to make it – make a note, that it is a “Must Attend” event next year.

I wish you a wonderful advent journey,  
~Dcn Tyrone



Regardless of where you are from, your occupation, your family, your marital status, your personal history, your age, your background, your race, your ethnicity, your political affiliation, your religion, your gender, or your gender identification, we are happy you are here with us today to worship! We invite you to learn more about our parish and its activities by contacting our office, website or simply by mingling with our parishioners after mass.

DECEMBER 12, 2021  
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

# Mass Intentions

## SATURDAY, December 11—3rd Sunday of Advent

4:00pm † Brian Waldbillig  
Lucie Mactal, spec.int.

## SUNDAY, December 12—3rd Sunday of Advent

8:30am OLOS Parishioners  
10:30am † Gregorio Gutierrez  
Daniel & Theresa Sullivan, spec.int.

## MONDAY, December 13—St. Lucy

† Catherine & Clarence Healy

## TUESDAY, December 14—St. John of the Cross

Bob & Nancy Siegel Family, spec.int.

## WEDNESDAY, December 15—Advent Weekday

Noon † JoAnn Holden

## THURSDAY, December 16—Advent Weekday

Noon † Richard C. Ibarra, Jr

## FRIDAY, December 17—Advent Weekday

† Bertha & George Hiller

## SATURDAY, December 18—4th Sunday of Advent

4:00pm † Joseph & Paula Garcia

## SUNDAY, December 19—4th Sunday of Advent

8:30am Preservation of Sacred Holyland Sites  
10:30am Amy, Cecilia, Gomez & Hall Families  
OLOS Parishioners

### Please Note: MASS INTENTIONS

The Mass Intentions list above reflect the intention for each day that are being said. If the intention is on a day when there is no public Mass they are said Privately by Fr. Leonard during his personal daily Mass.

Our Weekend Masses will have the intention for that day. We do have days with openings for intentions coming up. Call or email the office to schedule a Mass intentions you would like to have. 816.421.2112 [stephanief@oloskc.org](mailto:stephanief@oloskc.org)

### Readings for the Week of December 12, 2021

Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6/  
Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18  
Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25/Mt 21:23-27  
Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34/Mt 21:28-32  
Wednesday: Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25/Ps 89/Lk 7:18b-23  
Thursday: Is 54:1-10/Ps 30/Lk 7:24-30  
Friday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72/Mt 1:1-17  
Saturday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72/Mt 1:18-25  
Next Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19/  
Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

Resources for the readings can be found at [USCCB.org](http://USCCB.org).

# Prayers Requested

Pray for Mary Weatherford, Grace Diaz, Sarah Eck, Jim Healy, Mary Healy, Debbie Bruening, Rose Ann Jett, Jane Carey, Mike Burke, Maurice Carey, Jerry Gumming, Susan Walsh, Ken Blundell, Shirley Briscoe, Allan Schaff, Sandra Freeman, Bill Zaner, Grace Weatherford, Nicholas Borrelli, Gloria Amador, Mike Jones

### Praying for our Military Service Members:

Isaac Eyph, Cruz Ibarra, Brian Jansen, Christopher Lamkey, Kyler Brotherton Major Amanda Lamkey, John Huntz, Gabriel Huntz and all military members serving our great nation.

### Praying for our First Responders, Doctors, Nurses & Healthcare workers

Emily Tylski, Kathryn Blundell, Lynette Wheeler, Tom Papreck, and ALL who are working to care for our sick through this pandemic. Know that this includes our Police and Fire and ALL first responders.

If you, a loved one or friend are serving in the military, or as a First Responder roll, Fire Department, Police Department, Ambulance, Paramedic, Doctor, Nurse, or Healthcare Worker, please call or email the office to have their names added to our prayer list. We ask our parishioners to remember them, and all who are on our prayer list in their prayers. 816.421.2112 [stephanief@oloskc.org](mailto:stephanief@oloskc.org)

### Visit our Website & Facebook Page

Please visit our website at [oloskc.org](http://oloskc.org). Once there Visit our Facebook page by clicking where indicated. There is also a link to our YouTube page. Like our Facebook Page and Subscribe to our YouTube Channel.

You may also make donations through our website.

Or use our QR Code for PayPal!



## Contributions Received



### From November 29-December 5, 2021

Mail Plate.....\$639.00  
Envelopes.....\$2,747.00

Thank You to ALL our parishioners who have provided support, either financially or through your prayers, to the parish during this difficult time. [Click here](#) to donate online

# Weekly Activities & Events

## Second Collection

Today, December 11 & 12, Religious Retirement Collection.

Help aging religious. Elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others—educating the young, comforting the sick, and ministering to the less fortunate. Today, many are frail and need assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps furnish medications, nursing care, and more. Please give generously to today's second collection.

## Advent Bible Study and Discussion

Our Advent Bible Study and Discussion today, Sunday, December 12 at 9:45am in the parish hall.

This engaging conversation will take place in the parish hall December 12 (our last day in our series for 2021) beginning at 9:45 AM ending at 10:15 AM, so that those who attend the 10:30am Mass can get to the church. Come to as many as your schedule allows.

Refreshments will be provided.

## Flowers for Christmas

Envelopes for you to honor the memory of loved ones, both living and deceased are at the entrances to the church for donation towards the purchase of our Christmas Flowers.



Please print the names of loved ones you would like to have remembered on the envelope and return by December 16th. Names will be in our Christmas bulletin.

## Thank you to our Party Planners

A big thank you to the following people who helped plan and decorate for the Annual Parish Christmas Party held December 4. Nancy Lowdon, Kathy & Jim Randolph, Victoria Lamkey, Vigil & Maria Criss.

If anyone has pictures from the party please email them to the office. [stephanief@oloskc.org](mailto:stephanief@oloskc.org)

## Church Christmas Decorating

Mark your calendar now! We will decorate the Church for the Christmas Season on Thursday, December 23 at 1:00pm. We look forward to seeing many helping hands for this process. It generally takes around 1-2 hours. The more people we have the merrier and more festive a time will be had.



*“Choosing to spend time with people who build you up, accept you, and love you is a sign of emotional health and intelligence. But if we do not speak to ourselves in ways that are life-giving, we will not be able to receive the love, encouragement, and acceptance other people extend to us.” ~Matthew Kelly—Life is Messy*

## Mass Intentions for 2021

Our book for Mass Intentions for 2021 is open. If you would like to have a Mass said for a loved one, living or deceased, we are ready to help you with this.

Call or email the office to request Masses to be said. We will need the name for the intention, if they are living or deceased, if you have a specific day you would like the Mass said on (We will attempt to accommodate your request). Email [stephanief@oloskc.org](mailto:stephanief@oloskc.org) or call 816-421-2112

## Confessions

Confessions are being heard on Wednesdays and Thursdays at 11:40am and on Saturdays at 3:30pm.

To make arrangements outside these times, please email Fr. Leonard directly by emailing him at [frleonard@oloskc.org](mailto:frleonard@oloskc.org).

If you are unable to email Fr. Leonard, you may call the office and leave a name and number for Fr. Leonard to return the call. 816.421.2112

## Office of Child & Youth Protection—Sexual Abuse

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500, or [crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org](mailto:crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org), if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

**The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Whitney True-Francis, Victim Advocate Coordinator, at 816.392.0011 or [true.francis@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:true.francis@diocesekcsj.org) for more information.**

# Tax Deductible Giving

There are many ways you can give to your parish to receive a tax deduction.

You can give each week or month through your envelope in the collection, or online through PayPal. (See page 2 of the bulletin for more information)

You can choose to send a larger check at the end of the year. Or choose a time during the year to gift a larger sum each year.

You may "ear mark" your gift to a specific project or expense for the parish.

Life insurance policies assigned to a parish can mean substantial gifts. They are easy to assign and avoid taxes and

estate complications. Do you have an insurance policy to assign your parish?

Have you remembered the good works of the Church in your Will? A bequest of part of your estate or for a stated amount of \$1,000, \$5,000, \$10,000, will ensure that the works of the parish will continue after your death.

If you are at least 70 ½ and have a regular (not Roth) IRA, the IRS considers a distribution from your IRA that goes directly to our parish a qualified charitable distribution. There is no tax deduction, but the gift is excluded from your taxable income and can count toward your required minimum distribution. (Please contact the office for more information on making this type of contribution.)

## Volunteers

12/11 & 12	4:00pm	8:30am	10:30am
<b>Reader</b>	Debbie Tangen	Callie Flading	Allan Schaff
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Lynette Wheeler	Elizabeth Bulley	Kathy Randolph
<b>Servers</b>	Anthony Effertz	Ben Bongers	George Bryde
<b>Ushers</b>	Pat Tangen	Ted Tschirhart Shane Giannetti	Rick Grindel

12/18 & 19	4:00pm	8:30am	10:30am
<b>Reader</b>	Nancy Lowdon	Volunteer	Anissa Garcia
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	John Pileggi	Rita Witt	Kathryn Hogan
<b>Servers</b>	Paden Huntz	Ben Bongers	George Bryde
<b>Ushers</b>	Jude Huntz	Ted Tschirhart	Christopher Grada

## Parish Calendar of Events

- **December 11 & 12—Religious Retirement Collection**—at all the masses.
- **December 12—Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe**—10:30am Mass.
- **December 14—Water Garden Society** 6-9pm Hall
- **December 15—Confessions & Mass** (11:40 & Noon)
- **December 16—Adoration, Confessions & Mass**—11:00am-12, Noon-(Confessions at 11:40am)
- **December 22—Confessions & Mass** (11:40 & Noon)

- **December 23—Adoration, Confessions & Mass**—11:00am-12, Noon-(Confessions at 11:40am)
- **December 23—Christmas Decorating** at 1:00pm
- **December 24—Christmas Eve Masses 3:30 & 5:30pm** -Carols start 30 minutes before each Mass.
- **December 25—Christmas Day Mass** at 10:00am
- **December 25—Feast of the Holy Family**—4pm Mass

**Keep Watching for more info & dates to come!**

### Parish Office Hours

9:00 am – 2:00 pm Mon - Fri  
**Phone** (816) 421-2112  
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### Report Abuse:

**Diocesan Ombudsman**  
**Joe Crayon**  
**816-812-2500**

### Diocesan Victim Advocate

**816.392.0011**  
[true.francis@diocesekcsj.org](mailto:true.francis@diocesekcsj.org)

### Weekend Schedule

**Saturday**  
 Mass 4:00 pm  
**Sunday**  
 Masses 8:30 & 10:30 am

**Weekdays—Wednesday**  
 Mass 12 Noon

**Thursdays**  
 Mass 12 Noon

**Eucharistic Adoration**  
 Thursdays 11:00 am  
**Confessions—Wednesday & Thursday**  
 at 11:40am; **Saturdays** at 3:30pm;  
 and by **Appointment**



### New Parishioner Information

Please print your name and address below to receive registration information.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Please drop in collection basket, mail, call the Parish Office 816.421.2112, or email to [stephanief@oloskc.org](mailto:stephanief@oloskc.org)