

Our Lady of Grace Church

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Sunday Masses
Saturday: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 & 11:00 am
Weekday Masses
Please see bulletin
Holy Day Masses
8:00 am & 7:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 pm or anytime by appointment.
Sacrament of Baptism
First & third Sundays at 12 pm
Baptism classes required for first child.
Sacrament of Marriage
Six months preparation. Call parish priest to set a date.
In Emergencies Contact St. Albert the Great
440-237-6760

Mission Statement

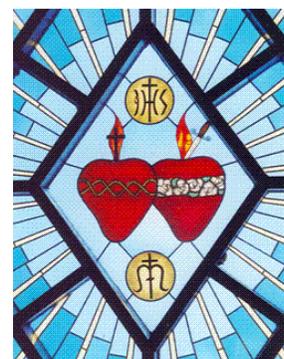
We, the Roman Catholic faith community of Our Lady of Grace, rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ and dedicated to our Blessed Mother, value our mission to make God's presence visible in today's world. In service to God's will, and with the Holy Spirit's guidance, we manifest God's peace, love and saving presence as we pray, worship, work and live together in His Name.

January 7, 2018
The Epiphany of the Lord



Home of Triumph of the Two Hearts Shrine

- * *Open 24 hours a day all year long*
- * *Unique statue of Jesus with the Blessed Mother*
- * *Outdoor Stations of the Cross*
- * *Beautiful country scenery*
- * *One of Ohio's newest Shrines*



OLOG MINISTRIES

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 Christmas...\$14,414.00
 Thank you for your generosity!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
 January 13 & 14, 2018

4:00 pm	Reader: EOMOHC: Servers:	G. Faciana H. Lisowski, R. Manley, Deacon B. Dobbins E. Medwid, S. Dobbins, K. Kalfas, Deacon
8:00 am	Reader: EOMOHC: Servers:	W. Stanek S. Cerrito, H. Majestic, Deacon B. Dobbins L. Smith, C. Flannery, Deacon
11:00 am	Reader: EOMOHC: Servers:	T. Szerpicki A. Powers, M. Antonius, Deacon B. Dobbins C. Horowitz, F. Pasadyn, H. Tramonte, Deacon



Congratulations to our following parishioners on their recent achievements:

Noah Colasanti (and his partner, Gabe Colbrunn), Highland Middle School eighth-grader, placed ninth in the Robofest competition held in Florida.

Quade Mainzer, Highland High School junior, earned the highest possible ACT composite score of 36.

Erich Standar, Highland High School senior, was accepted into the Ohio University Wind Symphony.

Congratulations for using the gifts that God has given you!



Dear OLOG family,

This is the great Christmas feast of the Epiphany, the word literally means "revealed to all". The Magi are the centerpiece of the gospel text and we see in them representatives of all the nations. The fifth and final feast of the Christmas season is celebrated this year on Monday, January 8, the Baptism of the Lord. Like the Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord is the revelation of Jesus Christ and his public ministry. So, from his Nativity, through his Holy Family, through his circumcision and presentation in the temple in the arms of Mary, the Mother of God, to the adoration of the Magi, and finally from the voice of the Father at his baptism—we can clearly see that the meaning or the theology of the season of Christmas is revelation or manifestation of “the Word made flesh“. Again, and for the last time this year, blessed Christmas to everyone.



I want to again thank everyone in the parish, parishioners, volunteers, parish staff, and employees for all of the generosity and sacrifice that you have shown and shared throughout these Christmas holidays. Our parish Christmas collection, our advent generosity to the poor, and our beautiful liturgical celebrations are great signs of the faith of this parish community. Thank God for all of you.

The process to find a new pastor for Our Lady of Grace continued on December 13 with the clergy personnel board visiting with the parish staff and parish pastoral Council and Finance Council and their survey of the parish community. I understand that this process may not be concluded until possibly March. Thanks for your patience, understanding and your continued prayers.

Peace, Fr. Estok

NO MASS
 Please note there will be no Mass on Monday, January 8th and January 15th. Mass will resume on Monday, January 22nd.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

It was only after they entered the house that the Magi found Jesus. Today's Gospel challenges us to bring our gifts into our home and family. There we will find Jesus. Our spiritual search for God starts at home.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

When all the hustle-bustle of the holidays are over...don't you and your spouse deserve a beautiful, romantic weekend away together? If you agree then you'll want to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. For more info: www.GreatMarriagesOhio.org or call 330-305-9963. Upcoming date is February 16-18 in Richfield.

OPEN HOUSE

St. Francis Xavier, Medina, is hosting their prospective family Open House on January 23rd from 6:30-8 pm for all grades, preschool through grade 8. Meet the faculty and students. For more information contact 330-725-3345 or www.sfxmedina.org.

St. Ambrose, Brunswick is hosting their Winter Open House on Sunday, January 28th from 10 am-1:30 pm. For more information go to www.saintambroseschool.us.

Incarnate Word Academy, Parma Heights, is having an open house on January 21 for their Preschool through grade 8. Meet their teachers, see their STEM space and visit their beautiful campus. "Inspired learning. Prepared for life." Make your reservation at www.incarnatewordacademy.org or call 440-842-6818.

MAGIC GIVES BACK

Magic Gives Back and world-renowned magician, Rick Smith, Jr., returns to Saint Ambrose, 929 Pearl Road, Brunswick on Sunday, January 21st for two shows: 1:30 and 5:30 pm. If you are looking for a great family event this winter, purchase your tickets at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-ambrose-parish-and-school-proudly-presents-magic-gives-back-tickets-38117469377> or visit: www.magicgivesback.com.

MARCH FOR LIFE EVENT

Walsh University, 2020 East Maple Street, North Canton, is hosting a March for Life Event on January 17 at 6:30 pm in the David Center. Kick off the March for Life with this free event featuring local speakers, who will speak on life issues. After the talks, there will be a blessing send-off for all those going to the March for Life. All are invited—refreshments will be served. For more information of reservations, call Molly at 330-490-7581 or email mromano@walsh.edu.

Joy is a net of love by which you can catch souls.

St. Teresa of Calcutta

WINTER SPORTS JERSEY NIGHT

St. Vincent-St. Mary High School, Akron, invites all interested families to their *Winter Sports Jersey Night* on Thursday, January 11th at 6:30 pm (boys basketball). All winter athletes, cheerleaders and coaches—wear your winter sport jersey or cheer top for FREE admission, FREE hot dog and FREE drink. Come enjoy the game and learn more about what STVM has to offer! Questions? Contact Director of Admissions, Amy Bisesi Barcelo at abarcelo@stvm.com or 330-253-9113 x 115.

EPIPHANY HOME BLESSING

Since the Middle Ages there has been a tradition that on (or near) the feast of the Epiphany we pray for God's blessing on our homes, marking the door post with chalk (an incarnational image reminding us of the dust of the earth from which we are made). We mark the main door of our home with the initials of the Magi and the numerals of the new year, connected with crosses:

20 + C + M + B + 18

The initials remind us of the legendary names of the Magi—Casper, Melchior, and Balthasar—and also stand for the Latin motto: *Christu mansionem benedicat*, "May Christ bless this house."

In the Book of Exodus, the Israelites marked their doors with blood so that the Lord would pass over their homes; but in this ritual, we mark our doors with chalk as a sign that we have invited God's presence and blessing into our homes.

The following prayer may be said while the lintel is marked:

The three Wise Men,

C Caspar

M Melchior

B and Balthasar followed the star of God's Son who became man,

20 two thousand

18 eighteen years ago.

++ May Christ bless our home

++ and remain with us throughout the new year.

PRAYERS WORK WONDERS

Please remember the sick and suffering of parish family especially: Blanche Bieda, Barb Blake, Claudia Bulkowski, Colleen Darabant, Arthur DePiero, Elaine Frygier, Chris & Kitsa Fuciu, John Hanna, Cheryl Henderson, Linda Joseph, Megan Keefe, Debbie Klein, Kathleen Klosinski, Betty Kmiecik, Richard Konnerth, Jeanne Krywicki, Carl Lemke, Carmello Leo, Nick Piro, Norma Reynes, Lois Rhodes, Dennis Rogozinski, Susan Shah, Braidyn Schneid, Jim Steed, Michelle Trisk, Derek Vitas.

OUR LADY OF GRACE PRAYER

Praise to you, Lord our God,
our eternal shepherd and guide.
In our faithfulness,
grant to us, the Faithful of Our Lady of Grace Parish,
a shepherd whose watchful care and kindly zeal
will continue to build up your Church in this place.

In your love for us,
give us a shepherd who will lead us
in being Christ’s heart of mercy,
voice of hope and hands of justice.
Help him to fill our minds and hearts
with the truth of the Gospel,
the power of the sacraments
and the grace of charity for all.



We make this prayer with the intercession of Mother
Mary, Our Lady of Grace,
in the power of the Holy Spirit
and through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

GOD BECOMES OUR FOOD

Our Lord says: *“My flesh is meat indeed, and My blood is drink indeed,”* and He adds: *“He that eats My flesh and drinks My blood, abides in Me and I in him.”* Behold our Lord’s fathomless humility, in that He is silent about His infinite greatness and speaks only of the least of His attributes. His greatness is His adorable Godhead, and yet He speaks only of His flesh and His blood.

Yet in Holy Communion His blessed soul and His divine nature are also present. His amazing and unspeakable love for us is shown in that He was not content to make Himself our brother and assume our poor human nature. No, He became man that man might become God—no more: He insists that He shall become our food. Of this St. Augustine speaks: *“No nation is so great as the Christian people, nor any to whom God has come so close as to us: we feed upon our God.”* How wonderful a love is His, to invent this way of union.

This love overwhelms us; it should wound every heart of man with its overpowering greatness. No act in our material existence is so close to us, or enters to intimately into our bodily life, as eating and drinking. And this is the reason why our Savior chose this marvelous way of being brought into the closest and most interior union with us.

By Rev. John Tauler, O.P. (†1361)

UPCOMING EVENTS		
Jan. 8	Liturgy Commission	7:00 pm
Jan. 9	Women of Hope	Noon
Jan. 10	Youth/Adult Choirs	6 & 7pm
Jan. 11	Women of Hope	7:00 pm
	Men of Faith	7:00 pm
	Rosary for Peace	7:00 pm

MASS INTENTIONS**SATURDAY, JANUARY 6**

4 pm Bob Betz / Tom & Kathy Higgins

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7 *The Epiphany of the Lord*

8 am Living & Deceased of our Parish Family

11 am Mary & Jerry Bukac / Marilyn Latko

MONDAY, JANUARY 8 TO FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

8 am (No Mass)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

4 pm Living & Deceased of our Parish Family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14 *2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8 am Jim Kandel / Hinckley Garden Club

11 am Helen Ogrin / Family

OUR FRIENDS THE SAINTS

Blessed Józef Pawłowski—During World War II, many priests, religious and Catholic laity were persecuted and arrested by the Gestapo of Nazi Germany, and many were put to death in the concentration camps. Among them were the “108 Blessed Polish Martyrs” whose memorial is June 12. One of them was Blessed Józef Pawłowski who was arrested for his pastoral work in organizing help for persecuted Jews in Poland. His memorial is January 9.

Born on August 12, 1890 in Proszowice, Poland, Józef Pawłowski was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Kielce, in 1912. He was the rector of the seminary there. He was arrested in 1941 and sent first to Auschwitz and then to the concentration camp at Dachau where, although already very weak himself, he helped many fellow inmates who had lost strength and hope. He encouraged them saying “We must accept that this is our Golgotha.” He was executed by hanging on January 9, 1942.

Archbishop Kazimierz Majdanski who was a fellow prisoner at Dachau said of Father Pawłowski, “To the very end he kept a cheerful and trusting mind.”

At the end of the war, fellow prisoner priests from Kielce campaigned for Father Pawłowski’s beatification. On March 26, 1999, compatriot Pope St. John Paul II declared him and the other Polish Martyrs Venerable, and they were declared Blessed on June 13, 1999.

