

# 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.*

November 19, 2017  
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



## *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*



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 November 5....\$4,892.00  
 Envelopes used...157  
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MINISTRY SCHEDULE		
November 25 & 26, 2017		
4:00 pm	Reader: EOMOHC: Servers:	G. Faciana J. Ogrin, H. Lisowski, R. Manley
8:00 am	Reader: EOMOHC: Servers:	E. Majestic T. Betz, T. Minch, D. Holztrager
11:00 am	Reader: EOMOHC: Servers:	C. Cook C. Ogrin, A. Powers, Deacon B. Dobbins



Thanksgiving falls on November 23rd. Join us for Mass at 9 am to thank God for all His good gifts and blessings. The church office will be closed on November 24 & 25.  
 Have a blessed and safe Thanksgiving!

**REST IN PEACE**

Please remember in your prayers the soul of Diana Kolar, wife of Jerry, who died this week. May our Lord bless Diana and send consolation to her family.



Dear OLOG Family,

This weekend we celebrate the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. This is the last Ordinary Sunday of the year. The gospel parable of the talents reminds all of us to take an accounting of how responsibly we have used God's gifts for God's purposes.

Next Sunday is the great solemnity of Christ the King, the concluding feast of the year of our Lord 2017. During this month of November, we are continuing our prayers for our beloved dead, All Souls, whose names have been written and placed in the vase at the corner of the altar. May all the dead rest in peace.

On November 5, at the request of the Priest Personnel Director, I submitted the "parish profile" detailing all the features of Our Lady of Grace Parish including staff, personnel, ministries, and population details. The request of this profile which indicates that the Diocese is about to begin the process of finding a pastor for Our Lady of Grace. Officials at the Diocese have indicated that this could be 3 to 4 month process once it begins. You might recall that on September 12th, I submitted the results of my consultation with the parish Pastoral Council and parish Finance Council which included our hopes and dreams for the future of our parish and next pastor. Please continue to pray for the Holy Spirit's influence upon these processes.

Because of the lack of a full time pastor and due to Christmas eve falling on a Sunday this year we have had to adjust the Mass schedule at Our Lady of Grace (and Saint Albert the Great as well). We will be announcing these changes throughout the season of Advent, weekly here in the bulletin, in our traditional Christmas mailing to all of our parishioners and in the local newspaper. Thanks for helping to spread the word!

- December 23rd, Vigil of the 4th Sunday of Advent - 4:00pm Mass**
- December 24th, 4th Sunday of Advent - 11:00am Mass ONLY (no 8:00am)**
- December 24th, Christmas Eve - 4:00pm and 10:00pm Mass**
- December 25th, Christmas Day - 11:00 Mass ONLY (no 8:00am)**

Finally, this is the week of our national celebration of Thanksgiving. Many of you will be gathering with members of your families and friends in recognition for the blessings of life. We will be celebrating Mass at 9:00 AM on Thanksgiving morning. Consider beginning your celebration with the sacrifice of the Mass. Please know how grateful I am to all of you for your generosity of faith and life here at our Lady of Grace. A blessed Thanksgiving to all!

God Bless you all,  
 Fr. Estok



**PSR UPDATES**

- The PSR food drive continues until the end of November. If anyone wants to contribute food items for this, drop off your items in the church vestibule or bring to PSR class.
- Movie Night, December 3rd, 4-8 pm, for grades Pre-k to 5. Cost \$5 for supplies.
- Advent Play, December 7th at 3 pm. Olympia Holiday Nuts will be available for purchase.
- For cancellation of PSR classes please make sure parents check Channel 3 and 5.
- Remember it is very important that your children are faithful in attending PSR classes.

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVES**

The servant in the Gospel was afraid to invest the money given to him. In our families, if we fail to invest ourselves in each other we will end up just like the servant—a loser! Without personal investment in a relationship, there are no dividends, no growth and ultimately no relationship.

**VIRTUS CLASS**

VIRTUS is the educational and prevention program that focuses on creating safe environments for our children, vulnerable adults and those who minister to them. VIRTUS derives from Latin and means valor, strength, courage and excellence. All traits that are necessary to successfully prevent child abuse. Trainings include videos, discussion, participants’ workbooks and the encouragement of creative thinking through interactive discussions. All interested parishioners are welcome to join the catechists and volunteers who work with children at our training sessions which will be held in the parish hall on Monday, November 20th from 5:30-8:30 pm. Trainings are offered at no cost. Please call the office to register.

**ALL SOULS REMEMBRANCE**

For anyone who would like to have the souls of their family or friends remembered at every Mass celebrated during the month of November, you may include their name on a plain envelope and drop it in the collection basket. There is a decorative vase in the sanctuary containing all names to be remembered.

Write the name of your loved one who passed in the Book of the Dead, located in the church vestibule. They will be remembered throughout the month of November.

**THANK YOU!**

A big thank you to the Hinckley Arts & Crafts for donating \$480 from their spaghetti dinner to Our Lady of Grace Triumph of the Two Hearts Shrine!

*The Bishop is Coming!*  
**Saturday, December 9th**

We are blessed to have Bishop Nelson Perez celebrate Mass with us on December 9th at the 4 pm Mass. This is a wonderful opportunity for our parish! Please join us in welcoming the Bishop to Our Lady of Grace.

**A FEW GOOD PEOPLE ...**

- ◆ On the afternoon of Saturday, December 9th we need a crew of a few men to help break down and set up tables in preparation for the Bishop’s visit later that day. If you can help, please sign-up on the form in the vestibule.
- ◆ If you would like to bring Christmas cookies for the Bishop’s reception, please sign up on the form in the vestibule.
- ◆ We could also use one or two people to volunteer to take pictures during Bishop’s visit and receiving line to share at later date. If you are interested, please contact the church office.

**ST. AMBROSE KINDERGARTEN**

Please join St. Ambrose Kindergarten Information Night on Thursday, November 30th from 6:30-8 pm. Learn more about St. Ambrose Catholic School, and how your child can join them for kindergarten for the 2018-2019 school year! Kindergarten and Admission faculty will be on site to provide enrollment timeline information, and answer questions about their vibrant STEM school and exciting kindergarten program. Tours of the school will also be available. RSVP to [blogue@staschool.us](mailto:blogue@staschool.us).

**PRAYERS WORK WONDERS**

Please remember the sick and suffering of parish family especially: Blanche Bieda, Barb Blake, Claudia Bulkowski, Colleen Darabant, Arthur DePiero, 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.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Nov. 20	Pro Life Meeting	7:00 pm
	Virtus Training	5:30 pm
Nov. 22	Youth Choir	6:00 pm
	Adult Choir	7:00 pm
Nov. 23	Thanksgiving Day Mass	9:00 am

### **MEN OF THE PARISH**

You are cordially invited to join a Men's Choir for a day! Have you ever thought that you would like to join the choir but did not have the time to commit to weekly rehearsals or sing at Sunday Mass on a regular basis? Here's your opportunity to sing in the choir without any commitment, (reading music is not necessary) at the 9 am Mass on Thanksgiving Day. There are NO evening rehearsals required. Just show up no later than 8:30 am on Thanksgiving Day morning for a quick rehearsal and *viola*...you can help lead the singing in the Men's Choir on Thanksgiving Day morning in memory of Fr. McDonough (who had always wished for a men's choir)! If you have any questions, please come up after any weekend Mass or call Mrs. Mary Gabriel at 330-636-1739 for more information.

### **THANKSGIVING TRIVIA**

*By Dr. Taylor Marshall*

The history books will tell you that the first Thanksgiving was celebrated by the Protestant pilgrims of Massachusetts in 1621. Not so.

The first American Thanksgiving as actually celebrated on September 8th (feast of the birth of the Blessed Virgin) in 1565 at St. Augustine, Florida. The Native Americans and Spanish settlers held a feast and the Holy Mass was offered. This was 56 years before the Puritan pilgrims of Massachusetts. Don Pedro Menendez came ashore amid the sounding of trumpets, artillery salutes and the firing of cannons to claim the land for King Philip II and Spain. The ship's chaplain, Fr. Francisco Lopez de Mendoza Grajales, chanted the Te Deum and presented a crucifix that Menendez ceremoniously kissed. Then 500 soldiers, 200 sailors and 100 families and artisans, along with the Timucuan Indians celebrated the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in gratitude to God.

The second American Thanksgiving was April 30, 1598, when Spanish explorer Don Juan de Onate requested he friars to say a Mass of Thanksgiving after he formally claimed the land north of the Rio Grande for the King of Spain. The men feasted on duck, goose, and fish from the river. The actors among them dressed and present a play.

Squanto, the beloved hero of Thanksgiving at Plymouth Rock, was Catholic. Squanto had been enslaved by the English but was freed by Spanish Franciscans. Squanto thus received baptism and became a Catholic. So it was a baptized catholic Native American who orchestrated what became known as Thanksgiving.

*Spread love everywhere you go. Let no one every come to you without leaving happier.*

*—St. Teresa of Calcutta*

**MASS INTENTIONS****SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18**

4 pm Don Brobst

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19** *33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*8 am 50th Wedding Anniversary,  
Tom & Carole Tamulewicz

11 am Living &amp; Deceased of Parish Family

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20**

8 am Veronica Herschbach Family (Living)

**TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21 & 22**

8 am (No Mass)

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23** *Thanksgiving Day*

9 am Nancy Gielas

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

8 am (No Mass)

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25**

4 pm Elizabeth Conrad (Living)

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26** *Christ the King*

8 am Those memorialized at Two Hearts Shrine

11 am Nancy Gielas

**OUR FRIENDS THE SAINTS**

*St. Andrew Dung-Loc and Companions* - Andrew, a convert to Catholicism and ordained a priest, was martyred in Vietnam along with 117 other Vietnamese between the years 1820 and 1862.

The first missionary came to Vietnam in 1583. In 1615 the Jesuits established the first permanent mission in Da Nang for Japanese Catholics who were forced to flee Japan. Since then through the centuries, many thousands of Catholics and other Christians were murdered for their faith. Some were priests or religious, others were lay people; some were foreign missionaries but most were native Vietnamese who were killed by their own government and countrymen.

Between 1820 and 1900, 100,000 to 300,000 Catholics were killed or subjected to great hardships. In the 1862 treaty with France, religious freedom was granted in Vietnam, but there was still persecution. In 1954, 7% of the population in the North was Catholic, but many fled to the South where there was religious freedom. Again, during the Vietnam War, Catholics in the North fled to the South. Today Communists rule the united country.

There is little or no information about most of the martyrs because the government did not keep records of the people it killed during these religious persecutions. Many were beatified between 1900 and 1954. All were canonized during the papacy of St. John Paul II.

Their feast day is November 24th.