

mass times & information

SAT 4:00 p.m. (Vigil) **SUN** 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.

MON7:30 a.m.TUE7:30 a.m.WED7:30 a.m.THU7:30 a.m.FRI8:30 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

 $\begin{array}{lll} \textbf{MON} & 8:00 \text{ a.m.} - 5:00 \text{ p.m.} \\ \textbf{TUE} & 8:00 \text{ a.m.} - 5:00 \text{ p.m.} \\ \textbf{WED} & 8:00 \text{ a.m.} - 5:00 \text{ p.m.} \\ \textbf{THU} & 8:00 \text{ a.m.} - 5:00 \text{ p.m.} \\ \textbf{FRI} & 8:00 \text{ a.m.} - 5:00 \text{ p.m.} \\ \end{array}$

SAT Closed SUN Closed Holidays — Closed

BAPTISMS

Please call the parish office during the last months of pregnancy to arrange for Baptism classes and schedule the Sacrament. Everyone has a right to their own sacramental certificate. No one has the right to another person's certificate, except: the parent/guardian of a minor child. (Archdiocese of Detroit)

RECONCILIATION

SAT 3:00 p.m. until all have been heard and by appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK/ MINISTRY TO THE SICK

The Church strongly encourages people to receive the Sacrament (Anointing) of the Sick at the early stages of serious sickness or before serious surgeries.

In emergency situations needing the prompt attention of a priest, please call the parish office.

MARRIAGE

Archdiocesan law requires advance notice of at least six months.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Newcomers to the parish may register in the Parish Office during regular office hours. Others, please notify the Parish Office of address changes.

Hearing devices are available for use during Mass. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Bulletin articles are due by 10:00 a.m. on Friday. Submitted bulletin content is subject for approval. Glory to God in the highest, the rush of the Advent season is over! Now is the time to welcome the Christ Child in our midst. At the time of his birth, many people sought out this new born king, even through great difficulty and personal sacrifice. Here we are, more than 2000 years later, and people still seek Him, for many different reasons! We seek the One who is our Hope, our Consolation and our Peace. May we always seek His way and His will — for it is only in Him we find our true peace and deep contentment in life.

What happened that holy night? Such a profound action, such a profound gift, was given for all people. Take a moment to read and reflect on our sona for the Preparation of the Gifts, Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, a few pages later in this bulletin. God and sinners are reconciled. Jesus is Light and life to all, with healing in his wings, born so that we no more may die, born to us to give us second birth, when we follow him on earth and then join him in his heavenly kingdom! The bottom line is this...we celebrate today that Jesus came to save you and me, to save us from all that troubles us. He came so that we can encounter Him in the messiness of our daily life! I pray that during the liturgies of this Christmas season we may all know of God's abundant and awesome love for us.

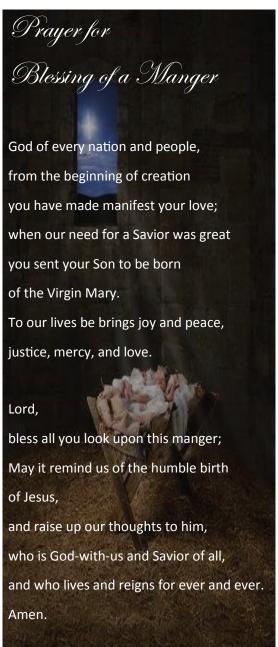
To those who might be visiting Our Lady Star of the Sea today – we are very glad you are here and you are always welcome here in this home. There are great things happening here at Star through our worship, education and outreach to the wider community. Through it all we strive to be faithful to our mission: "With Mary, we bring people to Christ to live the love of God." Know that we care about you and if there is any way we can help you in your journey to follow the Lord Jesus, please let us know.

May the blessing of the Christ Child bring joy to all who seek Him and follow Him!

Merry Christmas today and throughout this season of holiness, wonder and awe! God bless you with abundant peace.

Msgr. Gary Smetanka





INTRODUCTORY RITES



LITURGY OF THE WORD

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Psalm 98



Christmas Mass during the Night Psalm 96



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mass of Wisdom



PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth,

Nicene Creed

of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God.

begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

At the words that follow up to and including and became man, all bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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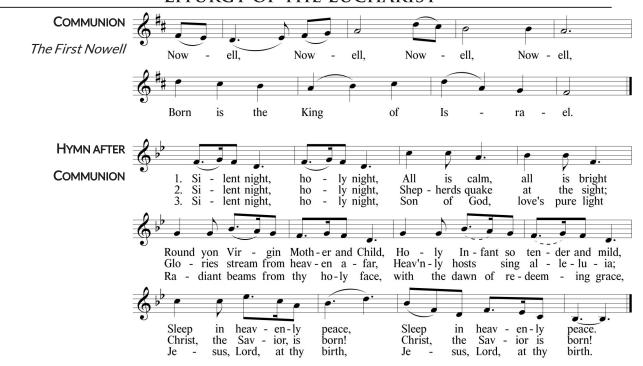
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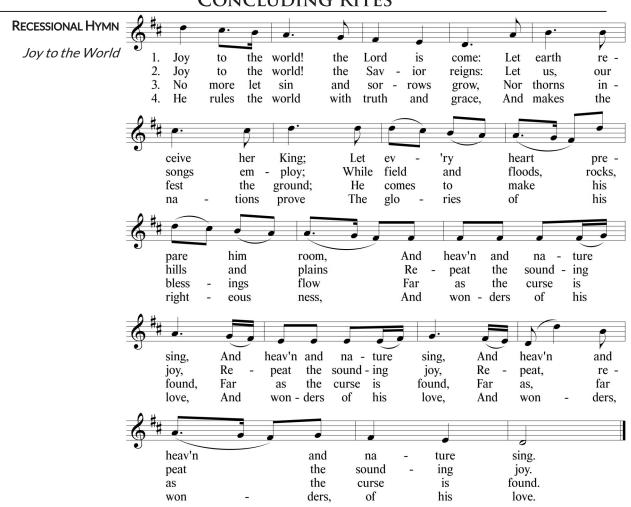
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Christmas Flowers and Decorations

Abram Family
Shirley E. Adamy
Anthony & Miriam Ahee
Edmund Ahee, Jr.
Edmund Ahee, Sr.
Susan Amine
Frank & Theres Amorello

Frank & Theres Amorello James G. Andarv

Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Bakowski

Mr. & Mrs. David Barthel Joseph Barzotti Toni & Lynn Basil Carmen Besta Maureen Blair

Ted & Lillian Bogdanski Thomas Bogdanski Bill & Pat Bognzieaicz

Paul & Lottie Bossack Joan Boos Dennis Bossack

Edmund M. Brady Jr. Maria Bravo de Enriquez

The Brinkman Family
Brooks Family

William & Anna Brune

Frank & Ella Bryzik Teresa Bryzik

Henry Bucciero Family Ms. Mary Beth Burke

James Burton Ralph Cadieux

Michael Cadieux Suzanne Carolan

Jose Carrion
Carrion Family

Carroll Family

Patrick F. Carron
Deceased members of the
Catalfino Family

Anthony & Kathryn Cieslak

Raymond Cieslak

Elsie & William Connors

Thomas Cloney
Phil Cropen

Karen & Matthew Cullen

Karen & Matthew G John Cullen Joan Cullen Zita Cullen Angeline Culos Gidio Culos Deceased members of the Curry and McManus Families The Cushing Family

Louise & Xavier Czak George Dakmak Dennis Dalrick Mr. & Mrs. Charles David

Emmett W. De Guvera Sue & George De Loof The Di Bartolomeo Family

DiNello Family John Di Sante

Michael Drobinicki William Dupler

Anthony & Marie Ellis Family

John Enekes
Roy A. Eugenio
Patricia Fayad
Ray & Rosalie Fix
Raymond & Rosalie Fix
Ellen Flynn

Nancy Fodell Frank & Ella Fox Mr. & Mrs. George Fresard Dorthy Giordono Suzanne Guest

Allison Hakerem
Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Hauler
William & Catherine Haven
Deceased members of the
Hensien and Burchet Families

Marty Houle
Mike Houle
Marlene Houle
Dr. & Mrs. P. Iacobell
John Ignasiak
Anne Ignasiak

Lola Guest

Henry Isopi Catherine Itchue Rose Ann Jacobs Janowski Family

Ruth & Richard Jantz Family

Thomas Jasinski
Stanely Jasinski
Rita Jasinski
Gary Jensen
Peter & Jean Joseph

Peter & Jean Joseph
Jean & Joseph Joseph
Dr. & Mrs. Brian Kelly
Steve R. & Lena Kocsis
Rose Ann Kollar
Gerald Kollar
The Kozara Family
John Kubinski

Helen LaFlam

Richard LaFlam

Tom Lawler Helen & Monroe Lechner Bob LeFever Deceased members of the Leto Family

Rev. Thomas Lever Mr. & Mrs. Steven Licari Elizabeth Licata

Charles Licata Rev. A.U. Lombardi David Longridge

Irene Magreta Edward Magreta

Deceased members of the

Makowski Family Lucy Mallat Frank Mallat

Frank & Lucy Mallat Philip Joseph Mannone

William Marcozzi Palma Marcozzi Silvio Marcozzi

Edward Margreta
Louise Marks

William Marks

Ralph & Helen Mastay Carol & Pat Mastro

Mr. & Mrs. Gentian Mataj Anthony & Sophie Matanga

Robert M. Maxey John C. Maxwell Melvin Maxwell McDade Family Frances Menard Gil & Eva Metry

Miller Family
The Monacelli Family
Madeline Mosesso
Mr. & Mrs. P. Moy

Mr. & Mrs. R. Mox Marun R. Mualem

Rishard & Virginia Murphy Bernard C. Murray

Hilda R. Murray Virginia Mushenski

Peter & Helen Mushenski Paul Nagurka

Nesom Family

Mr. & Mrs. David Nielubowicz

Edward Nowak Marion Nowakowski Cecilia Nowakowski Dr. & Mrs. Peter Nwoke Leonard Ocelnik Gregory Ocelnik

John & Sophia Ocelnik Helen & Edward O'Shea Fred & Ann Ospedale Mr. & Mrs. A. Pareyt Gil Pareyt Family Virg Patten

Mary Peltier

Richard Pokriefka

Renata Polonaise Diane Policelli

Louise & Xavier Pretto

Kevin Rauch Dolores Rea Franklyn Rea

Virginia Reardon

John Reardon Louis Reckio

Theresa Reckio Leonard Renusch

Marta & Hector Rivera

Bill Rogers Roose Family

Rynkowski Family

Salamon Family
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Sattler, Jr.

Frank Scalise Vincent Scapini Theodore G. Schafer

Rosella Schafer Dr. Marilyn T. Schneider

Simon Schorer Emma Schorer

Howard Schorer Eric Schorer

Mr. & Mrs. Michael Schorer

Alfred F. Schulte Shaheen Family Mrs. Barbara Shapiro Geraldine Slusarick

Joe & Catherine Smetanka

Bryan Smith Marilyn Soderberg Jessica Solomon

Ann Southwell

Eldon Southwell
The Spatafora Fami

The Spatafora Family Spezia Family

Mr. & Mrs. Rudy Stark Violet M. Stephens William F. Stephens

James Stewart Family Mr. & Mrs. John Streberger &

Family

Ronald Suppanz
John & Myrtle Suppanz
Vincent Szimborski
Mr. & Mrs. A. Tajarjol

Therssen Family Anne Andary Tishuck

John E. Tishuck

Eleanor & James Tranchida Vincent & Elenore Tranchida

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Ted Winiarski & Family

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Edward Wujek

Stella Zablocki Richard Zaccardelli

Joe & Mary Zelenak

Frank C. E. Zimmer

Margaret Zimmer

Christine (sister of David)

Thank you

for your generosity in remembering our beloved deceased and in giving thanks to God for his many blessings.

of the season reminds us of God's abundant blessings.



Is life too busy?

Are you looking for something more?

Busyness. It's an epidemic of sorts. Busy schedules can quickly consume us and leave us feeling burned out and empty. With so many things competing for our attention, sometimes it's hard to give time to God.

Yet, when we put God first in our lives, life becomes more ordered and we are clearer about how to spend our time. God wants to unburden us and fill us with His peace.

If you would like to reconnect with God or deepen your faith, we are here to help! Whether you want to grow spiritually, have questions about the Catholic faith, desire to return to the Church, or just need someone to talk to, our faith community welcomes you and we would love to connect with you.

For more information, check out our website at

www.olsos.org

-OR-

contact us at

parishinfo@stargp.org

to let us know how we can assist you on your journey of faith.

- Becoming Catholic
- Completing Sacraments
- Learning more about my faith
- Children's programming
- Volunteer opportunities
- Marriage in the Catholic Church
- Annulment
- Scheduling an appointment
- Can we pray for you?

You Are Invited!

Upcoming Events to Encounter Your Faith

Our Lady Star of the Sea

EPIC—A Journey Through Church History

January 9—March 27— COST: \$35 for materials To register, contact Colleen Haubert at c.haubert@stargp.org -OR- 313.884.7407

Why is the Mass Relevant to Me?

Series starting January 10 @ 7:00 pm, The Pointe

Service Sundays—check our website for more information on our parish outreach.

Formed.org— "Netflix for Catholics" Register at www.olsos.formed.org



Archdiocesan Events

Theology on Tap

Join other young adults for food, drinks and friendship as we learn more about the Catholic faith in a bar/restaurant setting where we listen to a different speaker each month on a topic related to faith. For more info—http://www.aod.org/ministries/young-adult-ministry/theology-on-tap2/

Mercy Nights

A special night to receive God's mercy through Proclamation, Adoration, Reconciliation, Benediction, and music

St. Anne Detroit Jan. 11 7:00-9:00 pm

St. Mary Monroe Jan. 25 7:00-9:00 pm

St. Hugo of the Hills Feb. 87:00-9:00 pm

St. Thecla Feb. 157:00-9:00 pm

Blessed Sacrament Cathedral (Spanish)

Feb. 22 7:00-9:00 pm

"Don't Walk It Alone-

God's Plan for You in a Messy World"

7:00-8:30 pm at following locations:

Jolly Pumpkin-Royal Oak Feb. 6,13,20,27

Sacred Heart-Dearborn Jan. 28, Feb. 4,11,18

National Shrine of the Little Flower Jan. 22,29, Feb. 5, 12



Avenor Havigating by the Stars

Save the Date to Join

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scripture readings

WEEK OF DECEMBER 23

SUNDAY

Fourth Sunday of Advent Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

MONDAY

Morning Mass: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Lk 1:67-79

Vigil Mass: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25

TUESDAY

Solemnity of The Nativity of the Lord — Christmas

Night Mass: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14 Dawn Mass: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20 Day Mass: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18

WEDNESDAY Feast of Saint Stephen, the First Martyr

or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab,16bc and 17; Mt 10:17-22

THURSDAY Feast of Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist

1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a and 2-8

FRIDAY

1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42

SATURDAY

1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn 1:43-51

SUNDAY

Solemnity of The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

this week... December 26- December 30

WED 26

Office Closed

7:30 a.m. Morning Mass. 3:00 p.m. Rosary and Chaplet

THU 27

6:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship 7:30 a.m. Morning Mass

FRI 28

8:30 a.m. Morning Mass 12:00 p.m. Parish Office Closes

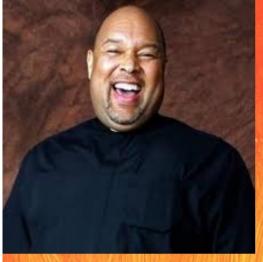
SAT 29

1;00 p.m. CarePointe Group 3:00 p.m. Confessions 4:00 p.m. Mass (Vigil)

SUN

8:00 a.m. Mass 9:30 a.m. Mass 11:30 a.m. Mass 12:30 p.m. Baptisms





Meet Fr. Bell
His humor and melodic voice
exudes joy and is a true
testament of his faith. He has
inspired many as associate
director of Busted Halo, a
campus minter and a revival
leader. Don't miss your
chance to meet him.

Parish Mission The Hard and Healing Work of Mercy

Sunday, 2–24: Loving our Enemies Monday, 2–25: The Real Power of Prayer Tuesday, 2–26: Commit your Life to the Lord and He will help you



Little Sailors Childcare is held every Sunday during the 9:30 am Mass in room 29 of the school.

This program is intended for children aged 12 months to 3 years. Our youngest parishioners can

play and be safely cared for while parents can fully participate in Mass.

QUESTIONS?

Contact Judy Zedan @ j.zedan@stargp.org -OR- 313-884-7407



A very Merry Christmas to the Star Parish Family!

For over 60 years, Our Lady Star of the Sea School has been dedicated to teaching and engaging students beyond standards. We are committed to prepare students for their next academic endeavor and for their continued faith formation. Since 1998, we have proudly earned national accreditation through AdvancEd.

What our families value about us:

- Faith formation, respect and personal responsibility
- Excellence in education, encouraging individual talents
- Critical thinking skills
- A safe and nurturing learning environment
- Service to others
- Achievement and leadership opportunities
- A strong sense of family & community





Our Lady Star of the Sea School

has been a Nationally Recognized

School of Excellence since 1998

SAVE the DATE OPEN HOUSE

Sunday, January 27th 12-3pm

Tour the School

Meet Staff, Students and Parents Student Art & Science Fair

Parents of 5th grade student

Middle School Orientation

Tuesday, January 14th 6:30pm~ Library

Kindergarten Round-up

Monday, March 4th 6:30pm~ Rm. 25



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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MON 4:00 _{PM}	December 31	TUE 9:30AM	January 1
Fr. Brian Meldrum	CELEBRANT	Msgr. Gary Smetanka	CELEBRANT
Mary Ann Scholtz	LECTOR	Michael Patten	LECTOR
Bob & Maryann Gesell	SACRISTIAN	Joan & Ray Kettel	SACRISTIAN

Calling all OLSOS Alumni High School & Elementary

Star is expanding our alumni data bank. Please submit this form with the following information to the parish or school office:

Please print	
Name	Address
E-mail	Graduation Year:high school elementary school

Stay in Touch

Below is a list of websites to help you stay current with your faith journey

- † aodonline.org information concerning the Archdiocese of Detroitusccb.org - United States Conference of Catholic Bishops ~ liturgical readings, news and calendar
- † discovermass.com View OLSOS bulletins by typing in our zip code ~ click on view bulletins
- † masstimes.org use this website to find locations and times of Masses when traveling and on the road.





HOLY HOUR

January 7, 2018 7:30pm - 8:30pm In Church







Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesdays

No Adoration December 26 & January 2

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Chapel in the Parish Offices (Enter through the Parish Office Lobby)

DIRECTORY

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When calling the parish office phone number, follow the prompt and dial 3001.

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https://news.unclesamsmisguidedchildren.com/silentnight-story-1914s-christmas-truce/







SILENT NIGHT-FUN FACTS"the carol that briefly stopped World War I"

- Based on a poem written by Father Joseph Mohr in 1816; music was added two years later by Franz Xaver Gruber.
- First performed at the Church of St. Nicholas in Oberndorf, Austria, on December 24, 1818.
- Original title: Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht.
- In 1859, Bishop John Freeman Young published the English translation.
- The carol has been translated into more than 140 languages.



During World War I, the song was sung simultaneously by French, German, and English troops at the Christmas Truce of 1914, which was an unofficial ceasefire between the combatants. The soldiers' goodwill reduced hostilities to the point where previous enemies walked out of their trenches and crossed No Man's Land to exchange Christmas greetings and gifts and played an impromptu soccer game

Source:

https://www.german-way.com/history-and-culture/holidays-and-celebrations/christmas/stille-nacht-silent-night/