#### WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF GRACE PARISH

All Catholics 18 and older living in the area and regularly worshipping here are encouraged to register. Formal registration is required for persons wishing to participate in our Sacramental Preparation for Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Reconciliation and Marriage. Baptism or Confirmation sponsors must be registered and active at least six months prior to reception of the sacrament.

#### STEWARDSHIP

Being a member of our community means that each one of us is faithful in sharing of the gifts that God has given us. We are asked to share our faith and prayer; our time, ability and knowledge and our financial resources with the parish for the good of God's people.

#### **EUCHARIST**

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 8:00, 10:30 am and 5:30 pm Holy Day: check bulletin for times

Daily: 8:30 am Mon-Fri; First Saturday: 8:30 am

Rosary prayed Monday thru Friday 8:00 AM

#### BAPTISM

Baptism is celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sundays after the 10:30 am Mass. Baptism Preparation is required prior to baptism. The parents must be registered and practicing parishioners. Godparents must be active members of a parish and recommended by their pastor. Adults and/or older children seeking baptism do so according to the Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults. Please call the Parish Office.

#### RECONCILIATION

Thursdays before First Friday 3:00 to 4:00 pm. Saturdays 3:00 to 4:00 pm. Communal celebration of Reconciliation seasonally scheduled, and also by appointment.

#### CONFIRMATION

Preparation takes place in Religious Education classes and our parish grade school. All other parishioners wishing confirmation please call Donna Velez 219-301-9896 to arrange preparation.

#### MARRIAGE

Prior to setting a date, the marriage plans and preparation should be arranged at least 6 months before the desired wedding date, sooner if at all possible. Please contact the Parish Office to make appointment.

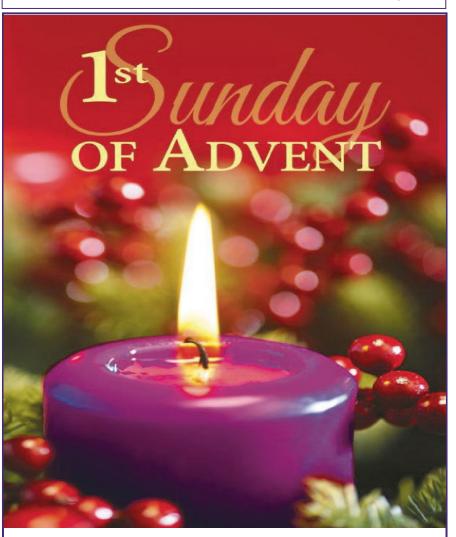
### ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND VISTIATION

Anyone seriously ill, hospitalized for major surgery or advanced age may be anointed by contacting the Parish Office. Communion calls to the sick or shut-in are on the first and third Sunday of the month. For pastoral visits made to hospitals or homes, please call the Parish Office, (219) 934-7176.



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**DECEMBER 3, 2023** 



#### Míssíon Statement

We, the Catholic Community of faith at Our Lady of Grace Parish, baptized into the life and ministry of Jesus Christ, are committed to make visible His life and ministry through spiritual growth in our lives, worship, community and service to those in need.

Parish Office (219) 934-7176 3005 Condit Street , Highland, IN

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OLG Outreach Ministry (219) 250-6874

Ephesus Home (Contact Parish Office) Knights of Columbus # 8080...(773) 614-1802

Please go to websites for updated information for Parish & School or call the parish office

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#### Social Outreach Commission

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS ALL THE SICK OF THE PARISH AND THOSE RECOVERING FROM SURGERY.

J. Al-Akel, Margaret/John Amador Family, Peter/David B., Peggy Baxter, Joseph Belinsky, Aric Benton, Liz Breslin, Denyse Buck, Ed Dernulc, George Buck, Eugene Bukowski Jr., Lorraine Burczyk, Beverly Domsic, Patricia Donaldson, Betty Ann Dulla, Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Ralph Foster, Monica Furjel, Arturo Gante, Rich Garza, Carolyn Goeringer, Debbie Halas, Joan Hmrovic, Terry Hyland, Barbara Lidster, Sam Hus, Mary Hogan, Janet Justice, Richard Kaminsky, John Kowalski Jr., Margaret Kowalski, Jane Kowal, Carol/ Leighann Lambert, Marge Loehrke, Ray Macek, John Manion, Matt Mantel, Kathaleen McMahon, Patrick McMahon, Steve Michalec, Mathew and Leonora Mikicich, Jane Morow, Lisa Nelson, Bernadine Nemeth, Maggie Neswick, Vivian Perez, Dominic Noce, Helen Ostroski, JoAnn Pavnica, Nilsa Perez, Ryan Pawlak, Peter Peters, Evelyn Sartini, Kevin Schlink, Nancy Seberger, Marie Skrentny, Kathy Slamkowski, Robert Suarez, Cole Spolaric, Bill Stone, Maggie Trytek, Darrel/Alexandria Welty, Joseph Wisniowski, Tom Wojcinski, Kathy Wojnicz, Chris/Kaylynn Wrobel, Stan/Vickie Wrobel, Sonja/Chris Zacny. Names will remain on the Prayer List for 2 months. Requests to remain on the Prayer List are renewable by calling the Parish Office, (219) 934-7176.

#### FORMED

#### How to sign up for FORMED instructions below.

- 1. Visit: formed.org/signup
- 2. Search Zip Code 46322 and Our Lady of Grace
- 3. Register with your name and email address
- 4. Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED

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- 1. Visit the App Store or Google Play Store (search: FORMED Catholic)
- 2. Download the app to your device (Note, you will need to register at formed.org/signup first before logging into app)
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Our Lady of Guadalupe & St. Juan Diego |
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Session 1-9

Joseph of Nazareth: The Story of the Man

**Closest to Christ** 



Rest in Peace Samantha Marie Zimny

Welcome Our Newly Baptized Child **Cameron Robert Onohan** Child of M/M Todd D. and Xochitl Onohan



**December 7, 2023 Immaculate Conception of the** Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation) Vigil Mass Time-6:00 pm

**December 8, 2023 Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary** (Holy Day of Obligation) Mass Times: 9:00 am and 6:30 pm

#### Parish Life Commission

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Contact: Rel. Ed Director, Donna Velez 219-301-9896

Email: olgdre1@gmail.com

Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 9 a.m. –12 Noon

Tuesday 4-7:30 p.m. Friday Office Closed

Please call or email to make appointment to register. All students for all families previously registered and new families register as soon as possible.

#### RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Classes

This is the process by which persons become Catholic through Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. This process is for those who have never been baptized, baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition or baptized in the Catholic faith and never received the sacraments of Eucharist or Confirmation & are over the age of 7. Contact Donna Velez to register.



Our goal is to provide opportunities for high school teens to develop their faith, form friendships, serve their community while striving towards heaven.

For more information, please contact our High School Youth Group Leader. Email sharonpeters3915@gmail.com or call (219) 934-7176 and leave a message for Sharon.



#### JOIN THE CHOIR ADULTS 18+ And

**GRADES 5-12** 





We have practice every Thursday at 6:30 pm and sing at the 10:30 am Mass on Sundays and Holidays If you have an interest in becoming a Cantor, we will train you. Please contact Valerie 219-308-3528

#### Cohesus House

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#### ROSARY GROUP IN THE CHAPEL

Everyday, the Rosary is prayed in the chapel, Mon-Sat., at 8:00 a.m. We gather to pray for our special needs, our families, our country, our world. The mysteries of the rosary represent the significant events in the life of Jesus Christ. Let's pray the rosary.

#### PARISH BREAKFAST

Next Parish Breakfast is on Sunday, January 28, 2024. Please join us. Serving donuts, coffee, & milk from 8:30 am-12 pm. We are looking for OLG School families to host the Parish Breakfast.

#### THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Advent is a time for waiting, for hoping, for praying. It is a time for reflecting on the special work to which God calls us all. Stay alert. Show Him you are listening.

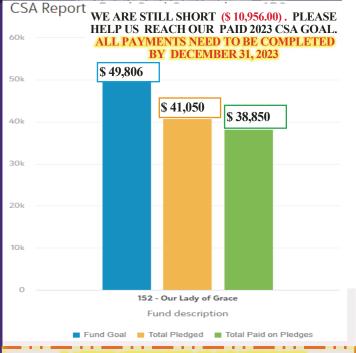
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 3, 2023



# JOIN US FOR ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION

Saturday, December 9, 2023 Cafeteria 10:00 am — 11:30 am





#### LAST DRAWING FOR OLG RAFFLE 2023 DECEMBER 15, 2023

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH OFFICE Tickets \$ 10 each—Help Support Our Parish License # 010683

#### **OPLATKI (Christmas Wafers)**

OPLATKI are now available in the parish office. Packages are \$2 each.



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#### **SCRIPTURE STUDY**



Next Scripture Study, Sunday, December 10, 4-5:15 pm held at Ephesus Home (3033 Condit St.). This concludes the Fall Session. Bring your Bible and a friend as we study and discern sacred texts of the Sunday readings. Through a rich tapestry of discussed literary forms, historical contributions, and life experiences, our appreciation for the Word of God is certain to be enriched. Ephesus Home is a handicap-accessible. facility. Join us.

#### **DECEMBER CALENDAR**

- Dec. 3 St. Nick's Breakfast TODAY from 7:30 am-12 Noon Adults \$8, Children (2-12) \$6, children under 2 free
- Dec. 3 Altar & Rosary Corp. Communion at 10:30 am Mass
- Dec. 7 Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation) Vigil Mass Time-6:00 pm
- Dec. 8 Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)
  Mass Times: 9:00 am and 6:30 pm
- Dec. 9 ADVENT: Day of Reflection Cafeteria 10-11:30 am
- Dec. 9 Return ANGEL Gifts with Angel attached to gift. We cannot accept gifts after 5:30 pm Mass on Dec. 10, 2023
- Dec. 9, 16, 30 Confessions 3-4 pm Dec. 23 2:30-4 pm
- Dec. 10 ANGEL TREE GIFTS DUE TODAY: Return to church with Angel attached no later than 5:30 pm. Sorry we cannot accept after this time.
- Dec. 10 Scripture Study today at the Ephesus House 4-5:15 pm This concludes the Fall Session.
- Dec. 12 Foodbank of NWI Mobile here 10 am-12 pm in OLG parking lot. (You must be a Lake County, IN resident with proof of ID)
- Dec. 12, 26 K of C Meeting in Cafeteria 7 pm
- Dec. 14 Advent Confessions Begins (See below for schedule)
- Dec. 15 Christmas Music Program in Church 6 pm
- Dec. 15 Last Raffle Drawing 2023
- Dec. 20 Shelter Meal Prep. (Kitchen in use) 5:00 pm
- Dec. 24, 25 Christmas Mass Schedule (See below for Mass times)



#### **ANGEL TREE**

Please return presents with the Angel attached to the church entrance No later than DECEMBER 10 by the 5:30 pm Mass.

Sorry we cannot accept presents after that time. Thank You.

#### PARISH \* EPHESUS HOME\*VOLUNTEERS

#### **Christmas Dinner for Our Homebound**

We will deliver prepared meals for our homebound this year. We have approximately 40-45 individuals. Will you please consider donating a small monetary gift. Please put in an envelope: Attn. Liz in parish office. All Monetary donations provide a meal & snacks for the homebound parish members. Please help us spread a little cheer! Thank you for all that you give from your BIG HEARTS! Liz in the Parish Office 219-934-7172. Thank you for your support.

#### ADVENT CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Thursday, December 14 6:30-7:30 pm

Monday, December 18 3:00 to 4:00 pm & 6:30 to 7:30 pm

Tuesday, December 19 7:00 pm

St. Thomas More Penance Service

Wednesday, December 20 3:00 to 4:00 pm & 6:30 to 7:30 pm

Saturday, December 23 2:30 to 4:00 pm

#### CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 24 4:30 pm Vigil of Christmas

10:00 pm Carols

10:30 pm Midnight Mass

Monday, December 25 8:00 am Christmas Mass 10:30 am Christmas Mass

\*\*When January 1 falls on a Monday or Saturday, it is not a day of obligation\*\*

Monday Jan 1: 10:30 am Mass Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (not a day of obligation this year)

OUR LADY OF GRACE HIGHLAND, IN

#### STEWARDSHIP AND PARISH ADMINISTRATION

#### OUR LADY OF GRACE PASTORAL COUNCIL 2023/2024

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#### 3-WAYS TO REGISTER AT OUR LADY OF GRACE

If you are not a member and would like to join Our Lady of Grace Parish,

- Please come to the parish office to register 3005 Condit St., Highland. (BEST WAY)
- ♦ Call the Parish Office (219) 934-7176
- Registration is also available online in the OLG website. Complete Form & a parish representative will contact you. Website: olgcatholicchurchhighland.org

Office hours are Mon.-Fri., 9 am—5pm

We would like to remind everyone to please visit our parish website. It is a good resource for weekly bulletins, (past and present), the weekly readings, Mass Intentions, upcoming events, meetings, general parish information, and guidelines.

Website: olgcatholicchurchhighland.org



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Donna in the parish office (219) 934-7173 or **Email: olgbusinessmgr@olgcatholicchurchhighland.org** if you would like additional information on We Share or to sign up.

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#### STRACK AND VAN TIL RECEIPTS

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BOX TOPS— (1)Download the app and scan your box tops. (2)Clip and send them in with child's name/grade to school

<u>SAVE TABS</u> from any type of canned products (Pop, beer, veggie canned goods or any cans that have a tab on it)

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## THE 2024 MASS INTENTION BOOK IS OPEN (5) MASSES per person



Monday, December 4—Advent Weekday

8:30 am † Anna Mae Kamalich Int. Helen Maver Family

Tuesday, December 5—Advent Weekday

8:30 am † In Memory of Rita Bartell Int. Karen and Tom Pavel

Wednesday, December 6—Advent Weekday

8:30 am † Joseph S. Grenchik Int. Delores Smolen

Thursday, December 7—St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

8:30 am † Mom and Dad Dooley Int. Daughter, Phyllis

Thursday, December 7—Vigil—The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary

6:00 pm † In Memory of Deceased Members of Bedoy and Rios Families

Friday, December 8 — The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 am † In Remembrance of Thomas Pnakovich Int. Loving Wife, Darlene and Family

6:30 pm People of Our Lady of Grace

Saturday, December 9—Weekday

8:30 am † NO MASS

Saturday, December 9—Vigil-2nd Sunday of Advent

4:30 pm † William Tumidalsky Int. Family

Sunday, December 10—2nd Sunday of Advent

8:00 am † In Memory of Deceased and Living Members of Paluga and Meyer Families

10:30 am † Elsie Wanicke Int. Sylvia

5:30 pm People of Our Lady of Grace

#### Ministry to the Sick and Homebound

If a parishioner would like the Sacrament of the Sick before going into the hospital or spiritual care while in the hospital, call the Parish Office at (219) 934-7176. The Sacrament of the Sick usually takes place after a weekday or weekend Mass.

#### SUNDAY OFFERING

#### November 12, 2023

Adults\$	8,507.00
Children\$	28.00
Loose\$	1,531.00
Holy Day\$	
All Souls\$	20.00
Flowers\$	2,047.00
Christmas\$	150.00

#### November 19, 2023

Adults\$	8,834.10
Children\$	13.00
Loose\$	1,357.00
2nd Collectrion\$	1,472.00
Flowers\$	478.00
Christmas\$	100.00

#### November 26, 2023

Adults\$	6,603.00
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Flowers \$	35.00







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