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<td>Saturday, December 9th</td>
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**Sick Calls** – Please call the rectory to arrange for Father Jasany to bring the Sacraments when a member of your family is hospitalized.

**Weddings** – Parishioners are asked to call the rectory office at least 6 months in advance of the wedding to schedule an appointment with Father Jasany.

**Baptisms** – The 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month at 12:00 pm. Parents are required to attend Pre-Baptism Class. Arrangements must be made a minimum of 2 weeks prior to the date of baptism. Before parents baptize their child, Diocesan and parish policy requires you to complete a Baptism Preparation Class. **The next class will be on Sunday, January 7, 2018 at Holy Name Parish at 1 pm.** Reservations needed; please call 216-271-4242 to register.

**Godparent and Sponsor Certificate** – Sponsors for Baptism or Confirmation must be registered and practicing members of the Church, attending weekly and Holy Day Masses for a minimum of 3 months prior to the celebration of the Sacraments for which they have requested the certificate. Please note individuals 18 years of age and older, no longer in school, need to register.

**Pre-Cana Program** for couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage at the Jesuit Retreat House on **Sunday, January 14, 2018 at 12:45 pm.** Program satisfies the requirement for marriage preparation as stipulated by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland. Register at 440-884-9300 or [www.jrhcleve@att.net](http://www.jrhcleve@att.net)
Dear Parishioners,

Advent has arrived. Let us hear the call of John the Baptist, “Prepare the Way of the Lord!” Christ was born as a Savior to save us from our sins. We are called to prepare a place in our hearts for Christ to be reborn this Christmas.

On Monday, December 4th at 7 pm, we will have five priests here to hear your confessions at our Communal Penance Service. Fr. Ralph Hudak, Pastor of Immaculate Heart, Fr. Andrzej Panek, hospital chaplain for the Cleveland Clinic who resides at Immaculate Heart, Fr. Joseph Callahan, Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, Msgr. Richard Antall, Pastor of Holy Name and myself. A wonderful way to prepare ourselves for the birth of Our Savior is by going to confession.

The Catholic Church recommends that communities come together during the Seasons of Advent and Lent to experience Communal Penance. Parishioners from the neighboring parishes are invited to attend as well. Consider extending the invitation to someone to come with you. The greatest gift is to give someone the gift of meeting Christ at Christmas. Possibly consider inviting someone from your family, a relative, a friend, a neighbor, a classmate or co-worker.

Let the Christmas story be rewritten again in you and in your relationships. I hope to see many of you here on Monday night, December 4th at 7 pm.

Friday, December 8th is a Holyday of Obligation, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Everyone is required to attend Mass. We will have a 4 pm Vigil Mass on Thursday, December 7th. We will have mass at 8:30 am and 7 pm on Friday, December 8th.

On Sunday, December 10th, we will celebrate the Rite of Election for our Confirmation students at the 9 am Mass. Let us pray for our candidates, Natasha Garcia, Marissa Lucci, Joel Metro and Bryan Tellez.

In addition, we will have our Eucharistic Holy Hour at 12:30 pm on Sunday, December 10th. Everyone is invited to attend.

Let each of us take active steps to “Prepare the Way of the Lord” during the upcoming Season of Advent. This could be the best Christmas ever if you open yourselves to these opportunities.

May Christ be reborn in each of us this Christmas!

Prayers and Best Wishes!
Father Jasany

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Sanctuary Guild Volunteers

December 6th thru December 19th
Loretta Delagarza & Gloria Seneff
Readings for the Week of December 3rd

Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/
Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/
1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37
Monday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b,
4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13,
17 [cf. 7]/Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4,
5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37
Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9,
19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4
[1a]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/
Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. Is 30:18d]/
Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8
Next Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10,
11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

Sunday, December 3rd

First Sunday of Advent
“You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour”
Matthew 24:44

Advent is like a child’s first package under the tree of our spiritual family, the Church. We know that Christ is coming and bringing gifts, but the child in us longs to know what they are and when we can open them. The anticipation to unwrap God’s presents is perhaps the first gift of the season and we should embrace it without hesitation or doubt.

Altar Society Christmas Party
12:30 pm. Doors open at 12 noon.
The Society Certificate Raffle will be held today at the Christmas Party.

Monday, December 4th
PSR Classes 6:30 – 8 pm
Advent Communal Penance Service at 7 pm in Church. Everyone is invited to attend.

Tuesday, December 5th
Finance Council Meeting – 6:30 pm

Wednesday, December 6th
Rosary Makers – 10 am
Liga Morska Meeting - 11 am
Choir Practice – 7 pm

Thursday, December 7th
Vigil of the Immaculate Conception
Celebration of Mass at 4 pm

Friday, December 8th
Today is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
Today is a Holy Day of Obligation. We will be celebrating Mass at 8:30 am and 7 pm

Sunday, December 10th

Second Sunday of Advent
“You received without payment; give without payment” Matthew 10:8

Advent calls us to delight in the festivity of Christmas giving, but also to reclaim a level of sane simplicity that makes this ritual more human and holy. God gives without cost, so we must learn to freely give the gifts that truly matter. Let the greenery of the season inspire us to donate our time, to give our talents and to share our treasure with the poor and needy.

Holy Name Society Meeting at 10 am
World Apostolate Holy Hour – 12:30 pm
Benediction, Rosary and Chaplet of Mercy. Everyone is invited to come, pray.
May our prayers bring healing, comfort and strength to the sick and their caregivers, remembering especially

May our Loved Ones who have died rest in eternal peace in heaven remembering especially Sr. Laura Bouhall OSU and Rev. Paul Sciarotta, who funeral were last week.

For the Men and Women serving in the military, especially those from our parish & their families.

Oplatki – Many families observe their Christmas Eve traditions with oplatki. There is a table at the Blessed Mother’s Altar with oplatki packs.

Stewardship of Treasure

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God Bless you for your continued support & generosity!

A Message from our St. Vincent de Paul Society – We would like thank our parishioners for their donations of canned, boxed and paper products on Thanksgiving. Also, thank you to Father Jasany for designating the collection to St. Vincent de Paul. We were able to serve twenty-six (26) families, totaling eighty-seven (87) individuals. May God bless all of you!

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Congratulations to the Winners of our November $1000 Raffle!!

$1000.00 Winner – Ed Kolar
$100. Seller’s Prize–Mary Lou Bukowski
$10.00 Consolation Winners
Mr. & Mrs. L. Hovater, Pete Gentile, Linda Neyman, St. John Altar & Rosary Society & Robyn Parsons

Our December Raffle will be held on Sunday, December 17th. Take a chance to win $1000.00 for the holidays. A book of tickets is $5.00. Please call the rectory if interested in purchasing tickets or you have questions about the raffle.