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**DANVILLE, OHIO 43014-0616**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – DECEMBER 18, 2016**

**FATHER MARK HAMMOND, PASTOR**

**FR. VINCE NGUYEN, Parochial Vicar**

Deacon Tim Birie

Father Homer Blubaugh, retired

Thomas Harrmann, Director of Religious Ed.

Betty Hoffman, Secretary

Sandy Mickley, Bookkeeper

Donald Hawk, Parish Council President

**Sacramental Emergencies – 398-6285**

**Website** [www.stlucedanvilleoh.org](http://www.stlucedanvilleoh.org)

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**LITURGY OF THE MASS**

*Saturday Evening:* 5:00pm

*Sunday Morning:* 10:00am

*Daily:* Tues. 8am, Wed. 11am, Thurs. 8am

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday through Friday 9:30am to 4:30pm

740-392-4711 ext. 1 @ St. Vincent de Paul Parish Office

740-392-4711 ext. 7

740-392-4711 ext. 2

1-740-502-2679

740-507-0029 (cell) 740-427-3099 (home)

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**SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY**

*Sacrament of Reconciliation:* Saturday 3:30-4:30pm  
and by appointment

*Marriage:* Call Parish office or contact Father six months  
before the wedding date; Instruction is required.

*Baptism:* Call Greg Henkel at 740-392-4711 ext. 5 or  
[grehmhenkel@gmail.com](mailto:grehmhenkel@gmail.com); instruction required.

*In Case of Sickness:* Call parish office if you are sick  
or hospitalized; also, inform us about the sick or  
aged who are unable to attend church.

**MISSION STATEMENT** – We are St. Luke Church, people of God, created in the image and likeness of Christ, and committed to living our faith in the Roman Catholic tradition under the authority and direction of the Pope, Bishop and Pastor.

As people baptized in Christ, gifted with many talents and rooted in strong families, we reach out and welcome all. Our mission is to proclaim the good news, as a prayerful and caring community celebrating Christ's presence in worship, sacraments, and service.

Readings for December 18, 2016  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent



Readings for December 25, 2016  
The Nativity of the Lord

**First Reading: Isaiah 7:10-14 (10A)**  
**Responsorial: Psalm 24:1-2,3-4,5-6**  
**Second Reading: Romans 1:1-7**  
**Gospel: Matthew 1:18-24**

**First Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10**  
**Responsorial: Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6**  
**Second Reading: Hebrews 1:1-6**  
**Gospel: John 1:1-18**

	DECEMBER		MASS INTENTIONS	OFFERED BY	ALTAR SERVERS
Saturday	17	5pm	Deceased Children of Floyd & Sally Mickley		Lauren Mickley-Darren Mickley
Sunday	18	10am	People of St. Luke		Tyler Mickley-Kalman Kanuckel
Tuesday	20	8am	Cozzie Smith	Jim Blubaugh	
Wednesday	21	11am	Gary Hurley	Hurley Family	
Thursday	22	8am	Helen Austin – Living	Janet Sapp	
Saturday	24	<b>4:30pm</b>	People of St. Luke		Carol Ann Durbin-Bronson Durbin Aidric Bocock-Andrea Holland
Sunday	25	<b>9am</b>	Ray Hoffman	Family	Addison & Garren Wills-Eva Hawk

*Mass Intentions for weekday Masses are welcome, as we have a very limited number. Mass Stipends are \$10.*

**Saint Luke is a member of the Knox-Licking Consortium with St. Vincent de Paul.**

**St. Vincent de Paul Website:** [www.st-vincentdepaul.org](http://www.st-vincentdepaul.org)

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**St. Vincent Mass times:** Monday, Tuesday at 12:15pm; Wednesday at 8:30am; Friday at 5:30pm  
Liturgy of the Hours Thursday at 8:00am in Rectory Chapel

**St. Vincent Mass times for Christmas:**  
Dec. 24 at 4pm, 6pm, & Midnight; Sunday, Dec. 25 at 10:30am

**Your Stewardship to God – December 10 & 11**

- \$2,353.82 Weekly Offering, Thank you!
- 417.00 Immaculate Conception
- 1,278.00 Retirement Fund for Religious
- 5,000.00 Grant from Community Foundation of Mount Vernon & Knox County

**Catholic Charities Collection – Christmas, Dec. 24/25:** This annual collection allows the diocese to meet a variety of basic needs directly and through diocesan agencies and organizations including J.O.I.N. (Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs), St. Stephen’s Community House, Catholic Social Services, St. Francis Center, St. Lawrence Haven, St. Vincent Family Center, and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. You can help share in this important work by generously supporting the Catholic Charities collection this year.

**Prayers are requested for...** Kaden Allarding, Jeff Allison, Helen Austin, Donna Beckley, Gloria Bulwinkle, Spencer Capelle, Judy/Jim Colopy, Rose Crawford, **Deloris Delgado**, Jim Denuit, Wendy Didinger, **Tom/Brenda Dixon**, Roseanne Euman, **Jacob Hall, Liza Heffelfinger, Tripp Heffelfinger**, John Kick, **Kathy Kosman**, Bailey Larrison, **Drew Lawson**, Larry McWilliams, Barb Miller, Ben Miller, **Joe/Eileen Miller**, Bernard Oberfield, Dave/Lorna Patton, Carol Roberts, Beth Sapp, Jackie Shackle, Father Snoke, John Staggs, **Don Stanton**, Shirley & Rodger Stoner, Sr. Jean Welling, and closure of abortion clinics. *Call the parish office when admitted to the hospital if you wish to have a visit.*

**Welcome to St. Luke Parish!** If you are new to the parish, please introduce yourself to Father and drop by the parish office at the west end of the Community Center to register. You may also pick up a Family Registration form in the church from the table near the side entrance or in the vestibule, or one can be mailed to you upon request. Just fill it out with your information and return it to the parish office. If you are currently a member of another parish in the diocese, the diocese will transfer your membership to St. Luke’s.

<b>MINISTRIES</b>			<b>*Ushers</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>
Saturday	12/24	<b>4:30pm</b>	George Durbin Keith/Eric Mickley	Joanna Mickley	Marie Holland-Louie Mickley Jim Puster-Annette Puster-Rose Bell
Sunday	12/25	<b>9am</b>	Ed Blanchard Don Blanchard	Barb Mickley	Colette Iverson-Abby Sapp Ellen Leslie-Ed Annett-Anna Annett

**\*Ushers:** Please note that the Christmas Pageant begins at 4pm. You will need to arrive in time to unlock doors, greet visitors, etc.

**Cantors:** Saturday, December 24 at 4:30pm: Rochelle Adam & Youth  
Sunday, December 25 at 9am: Laura Wills & Christmas Choir

**Offertory Counter Team:** December 25 – Mike & Chris Billow & Roxanna Reiheld

**The preparations for Christmas** include buying or making gifts for those that we love. What better gift could you give someone than the gift that God has given to us: His Son, Jesus. Invite someone who is not Catholic to attend Mass with you at Christmas. For information about RCIA, call Greg Henkel, 740-392-4711, Ext 5 or email [greghenkel@gmail.com](mailto:greghenkel@gmail.com).

**Family Time:** Christmas doesn't end on December 25. The Twelve Days of Christmas are the days from Christmas until the Epiphany (traditionally January 6<sup>th</sup>). These twelve days are an opportunity to continue reflecting on Christ's incarnation among us, celebrate several important feast days, and celebrate family rituals. Take time this week to decide on something you will do on each of the days. For example, read a book about the Christmas story; visit a living Nativity; picnic next to the Christmas tree; go through your Christmas cards, praying for each person by name; or visit an elderly person or take food to a shut-in.

"If God, in the Christmas mystery, reveals himself not as One who remains on high and dominates the universe, but as the One who bends down, descends to the little and poor earth, it means that, to be like him, we should not put ourselves above others, but indeed lower ourselves, place ourselves at the service of others, become small with the small and poor with the poor. *~Pope Frances, December 18, 2013*

**March for Life Trip to Washington, DC, Jan. 26-28, 2017:** The annual March for Life will be held on Friday, January 27 in protest of the Supreme Court's Roe vs. Wade decision that legalized abortion in the United States. The anniversary of Roe vs. Wade is January 22, but due to the inauguration the March is moved to the 27<sup>th</sup>.

This year will be St. Luke's 18<sup>th</sup> year traveling to Washington D.C. for the March for Life. The trip is open to all our friends and parishioners. We will be leaving Danville on a Pioneer Trails chartered bus Thursday, January 26 and returning on Saturday, January 28. Our stay in Washington will be at the Hampton Inn, Alexandria, Virginia which is a beautiful remodeled hotel.

While in Washington, we will participate in Mass at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on Thursday evening, the 26<sup>th</sup>, and the March for Life on Friday, January 27. John Durbin, a career courier with the government and a former St. Luke Parishioner, will be our tour guide for any free time we have. Hopefully this trip will be informative and spiritual. Please join us.

Your cost for the trip will be: \$280 each for a double room, and \$240 each for 3-4 persons in a room, with reservations taken on first-come basis. A \$50.00 deposit per person is due now. Final payment is due on January 10<sup>th</sup>. Please make checks payable to St. Luke Parish. Contact the St. Luke Parish office 740/599-6362 or Bobbie Thomas 740/398-9710 or 740/427-4044 for further information.

**A Communication System** is being launched by the Parish Council Safety Committee for communicating critical information, cancellations, etc. to the Parish via text and email: The safety committee will be calling to get email addresses, cell numbers and carriers. Information you provide is confidential. You may opt out if you wish. If you have questions, please contact any member of the Safety Committee or the Parish Office.

**Save These Saturdays:** Columbus Catholic Women's and Men's Conferences  
Women: February 18, 2017 – Men: February 25, 2017

If you've been to one already, you know why you want to return.

If you've never been to one, COME, FIND OUT!!!!

## EVENTS OF THE COMING WEEK

Sunday	December 18	<b>11am – Decorate Church</b> Pack Giving Tree gifts (Gifts must be in; call Marcia if questions, 740-599-6459)
Monday	December 19	7pm – KofC Memorial Mass & Potluck Dinner at KofC Hall, All are welcome
Wednesday	December 21	Danville Interchurch packing Christmas Baskets 6:30pm – Practice for Children’s Christmas Pageant
Thursday	December 22	Distribution of Christmas Baskets
Friday	December 23	<i>Office closed</i>
Saturday	December 24	<b>Christmas Eve</b> 4:00pm – Children’s Christmas Pageant, 4:30pm – Christmas Vigil Mass
Sunday	December 25	<b>Christmas Day</b> – 9am Mass

**Come and enjoy Christmas music by the Danville Community Choir** at Danville Methodist Church this Sunday, December 18 at 4pm. You are invited to stay for refreshments and fellowship afterward.

**Poinsettias:** If you wish to remember a loved one with a Poinsettia, the suggested donation is \$10. Please specify for whom it is given and who it is from. Deadline for inclusion in Christmas bulletin is Dec. 21.

**Christmas Gift Ideas Available for sale in the parish office:** Catechism of the Catholic Church—large green paperback revised second editions published by USCCB Publishing, \$20; Small Catechism, \$7.50; Compendium to the Catechism, \$14 (The compendium contains, in concise form, all the essential & fundamental elements of the Church’s faith.); Catechism of the United States, \$14; Reader Journal for the U.S. Catechism, \$6; Revised Standard Version Ignatius Catholic Bible Large Print Edition Black Bonded Leather, Easy-to-read print, gift-boxed \$49/each.

**2016 Contributions to St. Luke Church:** If you wish to make a year-end contribution for 2016, it must be received at the office by December 30.

**Bishop’s Annual Appeal Payments:** To ensure proper credit for the 2016 year, please make your BAA payment well in advance of December 30<sup>th</sup>. The date of the check does not ensure your payment being deposited with a December date. This will allow the diocese to process these in a timely manner.

**Updates for 2017 Parish Directory:** If you have changes to your listing in the directory, such as a change of address or phone number, or a child no longer living at home, please call the parish office.

**Eucharistic Adoration** is each Tuesday beginning after the 8:00 a.m. Mass and continuing until Wednesday at 10:45 a.m. with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Please come on time for your chosen hour and if you cannot meet your obligation, please make sure you find a substitute to fill your time. We must have two adorers present at all times during exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Invite others to come with you to receive all the special blessings Jesus has waiting for you. Come let us adore Him!

**Blue Christmas Mass** – St. Thomas More Newman Center will offer a Blue Christmas Mass at 7 p.m. on Dec. 24. This Christmas Eve Mass is intended especially for people who may not feel joyful during the holiday season or who may be experiencing life challenges. The differences between Blue Christmas and other Christmas Eve liturgies are small but poignant. The music and entire tone of Blue Christmas is quiet and reflective. While this is a Roman Catholic Mass, we welcome all who are seeking a place of comfort and healing. For more information, call (614) 291-4674 or email [mailbox@buckeyecatholic.com](mailto:mailbox@buckeyecatholic.com). The Newman Center is located at 64 W. Lane Ave., Columbus, OH 43201.

“Only when Christ is formed in us will the mystery of Christmas be fulfilled in us. Christmas is the mystery of this ‘marvelous exchange’: ‘O marvelous exchange! Man’s Creator has become man, born of the Virgin. We have been made sharers in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share our humanity’ (*Liturgy of the Hours*).” ~*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 526