

Sat: 5:00pm (SJE) | Sun: 8:00am/10:30am (QR) | 9:15am (SJE) Daily: 8:15am M/W/F (SJE) | Tu/Th/Sa (QR)
Reconciliation: Wed 7:00pm (QR) | Sat 12:00pm (SJE) —Check schedule for holy days of obligation/holidays.



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The Nativity of the Lord | December 25, 2022

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I'm always struck by the way different advertisements portray the season and celebration of Christmas. Homes are always beautifully clean and decorated, tables are filled with delicious feasts, trees and stockings are packed with presents, and families gather together in peace, love, and joy. There is an aspirational quality to all of it—don't we wish that our lives could be the same, and live up to these idyllic scenes?

The reality of the Christmas story is different in many ways. The birth of the Savior is accompanied by hardship, poverty, and rejection. Joseph must make the trip to Bethlehem—a challenge even in the best of circumstances—with his very pregnant wife. When they arrive, there is no feast waiting for them. They are probably not even welcomed into their family's home because of the scandal of Mary's pregnancy. They have to stay with the animals, in the lowest place. Imagine traveling across the country to your family's Christmas celebration, only to be told you have to sleep in the unheated garage.

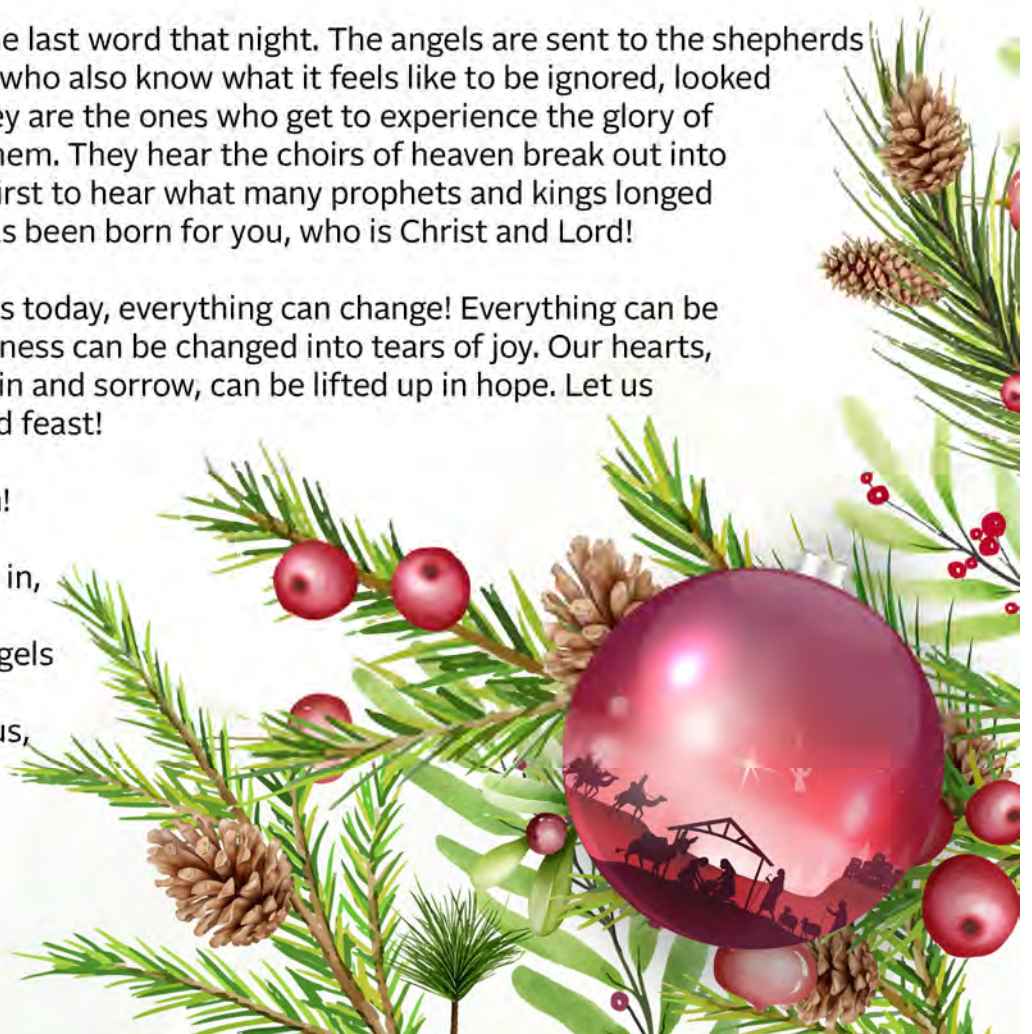
For hundreds of years, the people of Israel were waiting for the Messiah. But when he came to what was his own, his own people did not accept him. What should have been met with rejoicing, song, music, and celebration, barely registered to anyone. Do our eyes not well with tears when we think of this holy, yet helpless, child in such squalor? And do our hearts not break to imagine the incarnate love of God so ignored and neglected?

But heartbreak was not the last word that night. The angels are sent to the shepherds in their fields—shepherds who also know what it feels like to be ignored, looked down on, and outcast. They are the ones who get to experience the glory of the Lord shining around them. They hear the choirs of heaven break out into joyful song. They are the first to hear what many prophets and kings longed to hear—today, a savior has been born for you, who is Christ and Lord!

When we hear these words today, everything can change! Everything can be different! Our tears of sadness can be changed into tears of joy. Our hearts, broken and burdened by sin and sorrow, can be lifted up in hope. Let us indeed sing, and laugh, and feast!

O holy Child of Bethlehem!
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sin and enter in,
Be born to us today.
We hear the Christmas angels
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Emmanuel!

Merry Christmas!
—Fr. Dan



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

12/31—1/1

Mass Time	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
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Please review the complete schedule for the Nativity of the Lord (December 24th-25th) and Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (December 31st-January 1st) here: signupgenius.com/go/olbs22-christmas

Spots still remain, so we encourage available lectors, extraordinary ministers of Communion, greeters and ushers to please select a time that works for you. Thank you for volunteering your time. We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Questions? Please call the parish office at (847) 979-0901 or send us an e-mail at info@olbsegv.org.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday 8:15am (SJE)	December 26 + Geraldine O'Shaughnessy
Tuesday 8:15am (QR)	December 27 + Muriel Galeotti
Wednesday 8:15am (SJE)	December 28 + Ann Szostak
Thursday 8:15am (QR)	December 29 + Charles Kubica
Friday 8:15am (SJE)	December 30 + Irene Kopaczewski
Saturday 8:15am (SJE)* 5:00pm (SJE)	December 31 + Raymond Jakimczyk
Sunday 8:00am (QR)	January 1 For the people of the parish
9:15am (SJE)	+ Carmen A., + Jorge, + Norma, + Angel Abel, + Maria Z., and + Katherine Arboleda
10:30am (QR)	+ Georgiana Gates

THIS WEEK'S PARISH CALENDAR

7:45am Daily Mon-Sat Morning Prayer (Telephone or App)

Monday **December 26**
Parish office is closed in celebration of Christmas.

Tuesday **December 27**
1:30pm Journey of the Heart Grief Share (SJE Shea Hall)
6:30pm Rosary Group (SJE)

Wednesday **December 28**
9:30am Wed Morning Bible Study (SJE Shea Hall)
1:00pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (SJE Shea Hall)
7:00pm Holy Hour w/Adoration & Reconciliation (QR)
Choir Rehearsal (SJE)

Thursday **December 29**
7:00pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal (QR)

Parish offices will be closed Friday, December 30th—Monday, January 2nd in observance of the Solemnity of Mary. Happy New Year to all!

Friday **December 30**
7:30pm AA (SJE)

Saturday **December 31**
Noon Reconciliation (SJE)

Sunday **January 1**

PRAY FOR OUR SICK RELATIVES & FRIENDS

Anthony Arboleda, Joan Butzen, Karyn Cousins, Norma Crespo, Karen Fidler, Herbert Fink, Frances Gascon, David Gates, Mary Graff, Sandy Gran, Richard Groves, Tom Guy, Charles Hall, John Kuhlman, Michelle Markech, Charlotte McNamara, Morlier family, Joel Pasternak, Mary Raimondo, John Schneider, Anne Schmid, Linda Sink, Lena Toniolo, Jackie Vrtis, Kerri Weiss, Helena Wermuth, Marge Yackem

To continue to have sick relatives and friends included in the intentions list in our parish bulletin, please call the parish office (847) 979-0901.

GRANT UNTO THEM ETERNAL REST

Grant Unto Them Eternal Rest...
Rose Sunga, Anthony Valenti

Please continue to pray for all lives lost to violence and the Coronavirus pandemic.

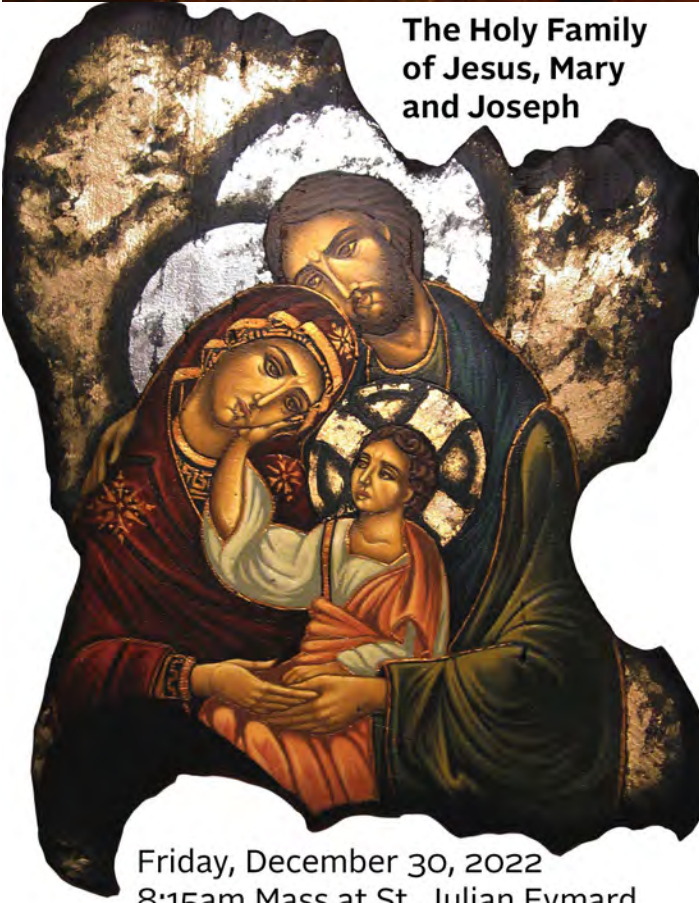
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COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS



Give yourself a gift and invite family and friends for Advent and Christmas Masses or other events!

Advent & Christmas Schedule:
olbsegv.org/christmas22/

Ministry signup for Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers, Greeters and Ushers:
signupgenius.com/go/olbs22-christmas



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Friday, December 30, 2022
8:15am Mass at St. Julian Eymard

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*Winter
suppers*

Thursday,
January 5th
5:00-6:30pm

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prep or pack, please sign up here:
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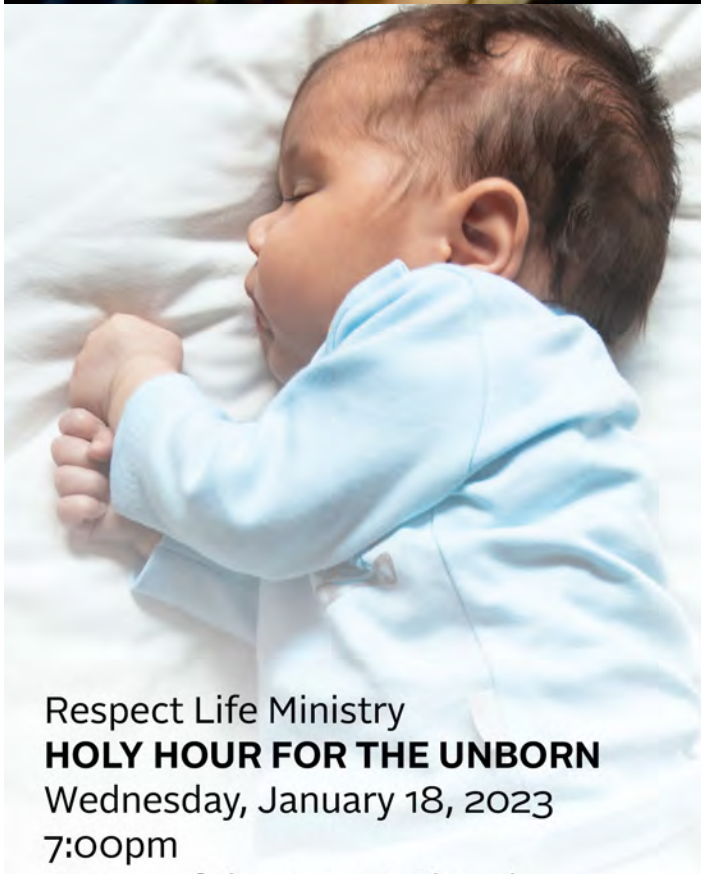
PLANNING SESSION

Help Plot the Course!

MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2023 | 7PM

We will meet in Shea Hall at SJE.

All women of the parish are welcome! If you can't make it, please e-mail ideas for 2023 to info@olbsegv.org.



Respect Life Ministry
HOLY HOUR FOR THE UNBORN
Wednesday, January 18, 2023
7:00pm
Queen of the Rosary Church



CLASS OF '72 50-Year Reunion!

Queen of the Rosary Class of 1972 is having a 50-year reunion. If you are an alum, or know someone who is, please contact our reunion committee so that we can share information about our event. The tentative date is **4/15/23**. Our contact email: QReunion50@gmail.com





Join Rosary Group
most Tuesday Evenings
at 7pm at SJE to pray
the Rosary.

On the second Tuesday
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Watch the bulletin and
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Ministers must be
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"Today is born our Saviour,
Christ the Lord." ~ Luke 2: 11

OPPORTUNITIES FOR
ADULT FORMATION

Come grow in faith, knowledge, hope, love and understanding.

3RD MONDAY OF EACH MONTH:
APOSTOLATE FOR FAMILY CONSECRATION

2ND/4TH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH:
TUESDAY MORNING GROUP

WEEKLY ON WEDNESDAY:
WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

THURSDAYS AS SCHEDULED
ADULT EDUCATION (THU NIGHT BIBLE STUDY)

DAILY VIA TELECONFERENCE:
MORNING PRAYER

DISCOVER MORE:
olbsegv.org/ministry/adult-faith-formation/



THE CASE FOR
JESUS

THE BIBLICAL AND HISTORICAL EVIDENCE FOR CHRIST

Begins Thursday, January 19, 2023 and continues until March 16, 2023 from 7:00 to 9:00pm over Zoom (no in-person study for this session.)

Watch a preview here: watch.formed.org/lectio-the-case-for-jesus/videos/lectio-the-case-for-jesus-promo

Confirmation for Baptized Adults

Wednesday, May 17, 2023

St. Edna Parish, Arlington Heights with Bishop Jeffrey Grob

Info sessions begin Monday, March 6, 2023 and you must register by 2/20/23.

For information and registration, visit vic1chicago.org/ (Find Faith Formation on ribbon, then choose Adult Confirmation) or email questions to Lorie Crepeau, lcrepeau@stedna.org.



Do you desire a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ? Are you looking to participate more fully in the life of the parish and connect with other young adult Catholics? Think about bringing a young adult ministry to Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament in the new year! Check out these resources from the Archdiocese of Chicago:

pvm.archchicago.org/covid-19-pastoral-resources/young-adult-online-resources





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MERRY CHRISTMAS
& HAPPY NEW YEAR



Queen of the Rosary School Christmas Break from December 21, 2022 to January 4, 2023. (early dismissal 12/20/22)



Children's Liturgy of the Word will take a break for the Nativity of the Lord and the Solemnity of Mary. CLW will resume in the new year on January 8th at QR at 10:30am!



MERRY CHRISTMAS
& HAPPY NEW YEAR



No Religious Education Classes
from December 18, 2022 to
January 6, 2023.

Calling all teens entering 8th Grade in Fall '23, OLBS Youth Ministry is heading to Marshalltown, Iowa this Summer for Catholic Heart Work Camp!

Spots are going fast, so be sure to let Mr. Van know you're going and get your \$100 registration fee in ASAP!

Discover more:
heartworkcamp.com/marshalltown-ia/



Questions?
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For more information please contact the TCS hotline at 312.534.2617 or tcs@archchicago.org, or visit archchicago.org/tcs.

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