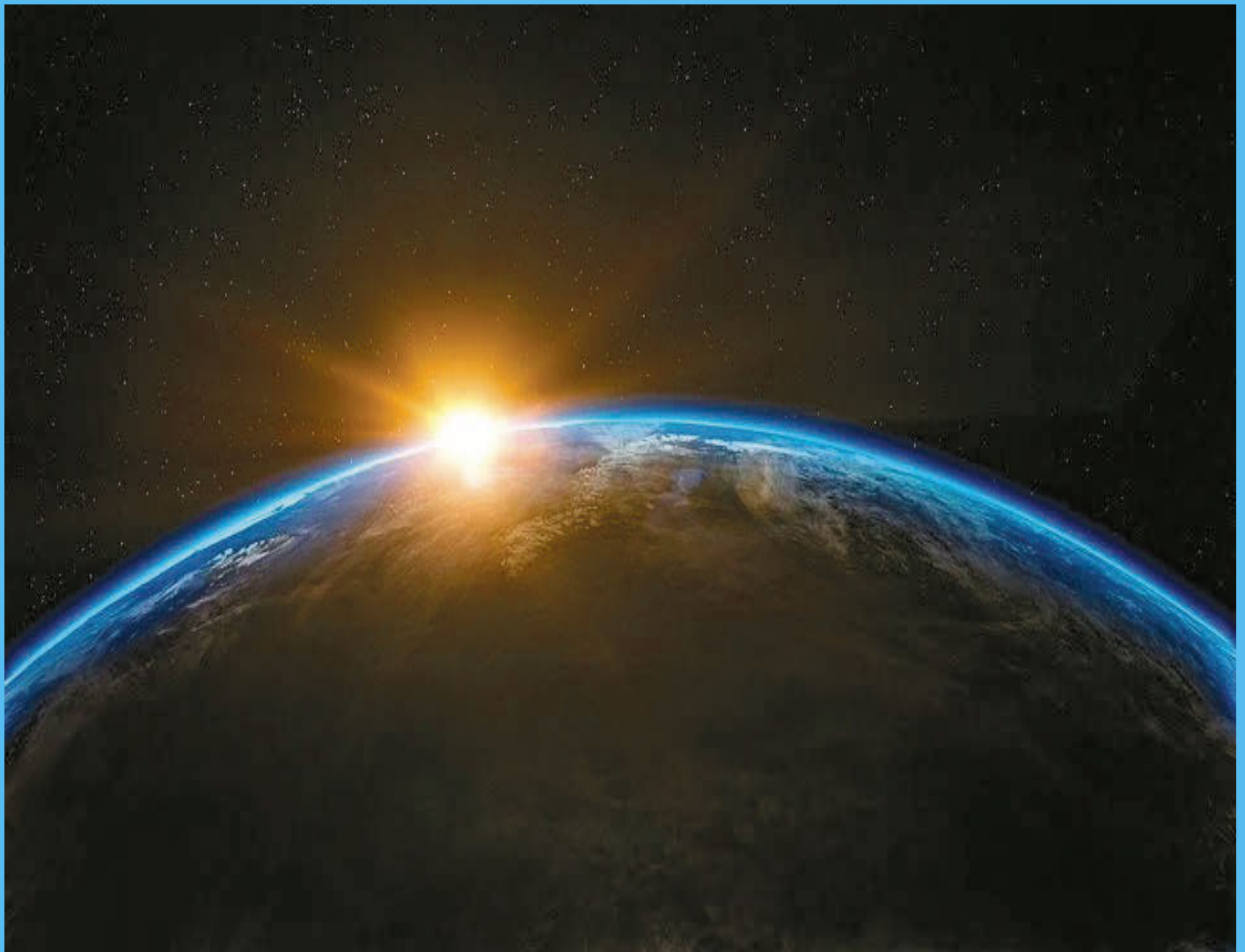


“And there will dawn a new Heaven and new Earth  
May peace be ours today”



December 1, 2024 - 1st Sunday of Advent

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**Liturgy Schedule**

**Saturday**

**November 30, 2024 - 4:00 PM**

✠ The Hebert Family - By: Kim & Linda Balfour

✠ JoAnne Hall VonCulin - By: The Cestra Family

**Sunday**

**December 1, 2024 - 11:00 AM**

✠ Arlene Dacier - By: Janine Dowling

**Tuesday**

**December 3, 2024 - 9:00 AM**

✠ For those that are Afraid or Alone

**Saturday**

**December 7, 2024 - 4:00 PM**

✠ Tom O'Connor - By: Margaret O'Connor

**Sunday**

**December 8, 2024 - 11:00 AM**

✠ Michael Malpezzi - By: Bud & Pat Van Slyck

**Monday**

**December 9, 2024 - 12:00 PM**

✠ Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary

**Tuesday**

**December 10, 2024 - 9:00 AM**

✠ Arthur Hanvey - By: Kris Zedaker

✠ Mass at Kingsway - 2:00 & 3:00 PM

**Mass at Kingsway**

We will be having Mass at Kingsway on Tuesday, December 10 at 2:00 & 3:00 PM. If you can help out, please contact the office.

**Prayer Ministry** prays for anyone in need of prayer. You can request prayers or join in this ministry. Call James Keller at (518) 295-7970 or e-mail him at jamesakeller@msn.com. From our lips to God's ears. Give your concerns to God and join your parish family in faith and love.

This week at Our Lady of Fatima...			
Date	Event	Time	Place
12/2	Friendship Café	11:00 AM - 1:30 PM	Hall
12/3	Mass	9:00 AM	Church
12/3	Reconciliation Svc	6:00 PM	OLV
12/4	Friendship Café	11:00 AM - 1:30 PM	Hall
12/4	Spirituality Group	2:00 PM	Center
12/6	Friendship Cafe	Closed	Hall
12/7	Mass	4:00 PM	Church
12/8	Mass	11:00 AM	Church

**Please Pray for our Sick and Homebound**

Bella Stuart, Charlotte Marks, Joan Williams, Lorraine Duffy, Mary Brewer, Ken Chrinian, George Tallman, Paul Reveal, Ron Fagan, Jack Finn and Diane McCulloch

**We Pray Advent**

We enter into our prayer in quiet, with familiar tunes of hope inviting us in. Candles are lit as Christ's light and flames our faith. We are reassured of God's boundless mercy, trust, and hope for us all in our sung Kyrie. We sing out, "Rejoice, rejoice Emmanuel shall come to thee O Israel." We listen to how God has always been among us through the ages. Our response to the Hebrew Scripture is Psalm 25: "To you, O God, I lift up my soul; Lift up my spirit to my Lord. To You I lift up my soul." As we rise for the Gospel, we sing "Soon and very soon, Alleluia!" Our hearts abound in joy at the sound of God's Word among us... anticipation swells our souls. We come to the Table to remember and celebrate Christ's abiding presence within and among us. We sing of this mystery: "We proclaim your death O Lord and profess your Resurrection until you come again". With Resurrection faith we can enter into the Cross of our world as people of Hope. We join together in the melodic Lord's Prayer, letting Jesus' own words change all of us. In sacred stillness, after Communion, we invite God's Peace into our lives and the whole world.. in the midst of all the anger, the brokenness, wars, and darkness in our people we pray that we might not simply long for Peace, but that we might Be Peace. Today, lead us beyond ourselves... may Peace fill our hearts and the whole universe! We are sent forth in quiet to faithfully remember our role in the world as disciples of Jesus Christ.

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WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE	
Saturday, Nov 30	Saturday, Dec 7
<b>LECTOR</b> Lew DeFilippo	<b>LECTOR</b> Joe Oehler
<b>EUCARISTIC MINISTERS</b> Dianne Church Mary Ann Conway Paul Howard	<b>EUCARISTIC MINISTERS</b> Ruth Kulesa Linda Snow
Sunday, Dec 1	Sunday, Dec 8
<b>LECTOR</b> Santino Bailey	<b>LECTOR</b> David DiNicola
<b>EUCARISTIC MINISTERS</b> Christie Hennessy Sandi DiNicola James Keller	<b>EUCARISTIC MINISTERS</b> Kris Zedaker Cathy Callahan Raquel Okyay
<b>COUNTERS</b> Kathleen Mack Charles Mack Janet Ingro	<b>COUNTERS</b> Cathy Callahan Paul Callahan Joe Oehler

## An Advent Prayer After Mass

O God of kindness and compassion,  
I have come to the conclusion  
of this time of prayer and worship,  
mindful of my position as your priestly servant.

I throw wide open the windows of my heart  
so that the peace of your presence  
may pour out in all four directions,  
showering its blessings upon all the earth

May this benediction heal the wounds of war,  
bind up the bitterness of painful divisions  
and mend broken hearts and failed friendships.

As the blessings of your presence encircles the earth,  
may it awaken in all people  
a great desire to serve one another  
in humble and loving ways.  
May it call proud hearts to gentleness  
and awaken the child in those  
who seek to hold power over others.

Inflame those hearts that have grown cold;  
reawaken with the weary soul  
your spirit of youthfulness and joy.  
Stir up your breath of freshness and enthusiasm  
that slumbers in tired hearts.

May this blessing flow forth from my heart,  
in your holy and infinite Name,  
in the redeeming name of your Son  
and in the living presence of the Holy Spirit  
Amen

### This Week's Events

Tuesday, December 3rd - 6:00 PM Reconciliation Service at Our Lady of the Valley.

Friday, December 6th - 6:00 PM Miracle on Main Street, Our Lady of the Valley.

Saturday, December 7th - 10:00 Am Advent Tea, Our Lady of the Valley.

### Beatitudes of Christian Living

"It is the beautiful task of Advent to awaken in all of us memories of goodness and thus to open doors of hope." ~ Pope Benedict XVI

During this time of Advent, we are reminded that God loves us so much. We must trust in His love and be kind and caring to each other.

### Snow Removal

We are looking to hire someone to clean and salt the entrances, sidewalks, and the handicap ramp prior to 8:45 AM. If you are interested please contact the office.



**GIFT** Please note: Fall Season brochure is now available out-lining GIFT sessions for October, November and December. Also our website is updated with GIFT information, prayer intentions by Pope Francis each month, links for parents, saint

of the month links, weekly liturgy of the word and information regarding registering families for faith formation. The website: [olfgrowinginfaith.weebly.com](http://olfgrowinginfaith.weebly.com)

Our next GIFT session will be held at Our Lady of the Valley on Sunday, Dec 1<sup>st</sup> after the 9:00 AM Mass and at Our Lady of Fatima on Sunday, Dec 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30AM. As part of an Advent activity, we will be discussing the Jesse Tree and Jesus' heritage. Look forward to seeing you there!

Kits are available for our young disciples to draw and color during the service. It includes first liturgy reflection and readings, art activities, coloring pages as well as a few jokes here and there! Please keep the papers and return bag and crayons Thank you.

### Giving Tree

Tags for our Food Pantry children have been placed on the tree in the back. If you choose to take a tag, purchase the gift and place under the tree with the tag taped to it. DO NOT wrap the gift. All gifts my returned by Wednesday Dec 18th.

### Thinking of You.

If your know of anyone in our parish or your family, that is in need of sunshine (Birthday, Get Well, Thinking of You) contact Barb Willoughby at (518) 469-4073. She will get a card out to them.

### Our Lady of Fatima Mission Statement

At Our Lady of Fatima, Delanson, we are God's people sharing a responsibility to witness God's unconditional love and to bring God's healing presence to our world through our service to our community and beyond.

### Parish Sacramental Information

#### Sacraments of Healing

- ◆ **Reconciliation** - 2:00 PM Saturday
- ◆ **Anointing of the Sick** - Please contact the office
- ◆ **Visitation of the Sick and Homebound** - Please contact the office if you know of someone in need of visitation

#### Sacraments of Initiation

Congratulations as you continue your initiation. These three sacraments provide the foundation for a life of Christian faith. Preparation begins with forming faith. Join us for GIFT as we journey together as a parish family.

- ◆ **Baptism** is available for any age
- ◆ **Eucharist** candidates must be at least age 7 by Dec. 1st and be participating in ongoing GIFT gatherings.
- ◆ **Confirmation** candidates must be at least age 15 by Sept. 1st and be participating in ongoing GIFT gatherings.

#### Sacrament of Commitment

**Marriage** - Congratulations on your engagement! Please contact the Parish Office as soon as you are engaged, to allow us to help you plan to live out the Sacrament of Marriage that will begin on your wedding day.

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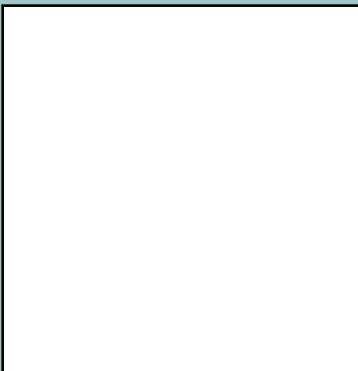
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