


  
**Mass Intentions**

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday (December 2)

Sunday (December 3)

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday – Church

Thursday

**Immaculate Conception – Vigil Mass**

**Friday – School - Immaculate Conception**

Saturday (December 9)

Sunday (December 10)

**INTENTIONS**

5:00 p.m. Deceased Members of the Catholic Ladies of Columbia

7:30 a.m. David Evans

10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

8:00 a.m. Chris Carter

8:00 a.m. Margaret Sexton

8:00 a.m. Dennis McFarland

8:00 a.m. **NO MASS**

**7:00 p.m.** Mr. & Mrs. Francis Londergan

8:50 a.m. People

5:00 p.m. Richard Arbogast & Del Angel Family

7:30 a.m. People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. John Roberts

**OFFERED BY**

Catherine Corson

Patty Evans

Fr. Mark V. Ghiloni

Joann & Sissy Wiseman

Family

Pat Rayburn

Family

Fr. Mark V. Ghiloni

Irma Arbogast & Rick

Fr. Mark V. Ghiloni

Jeremy Baker Family

**Liturgical Roles<sup>+</sup>**

**7:00 p.m. Thursday, December 7 – Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass**

**Lectors:** 1. Kathy Husek 2. Tony Weyrich

**Extraordinary Ministers of HC:** Anne Carter – Captain Phil Chin, Theresia Chin, Butch Compton, Jim Cooper,

**Volunteer**

**Sacristan:** Fr. Ghiloni

**Servers:** George Barnett, Tameika Barnett, Victoria Foust

**Ushers:** John Orban, Steve Saltsman

**Greeters:** Jim and Monica Price

**8:50 a.m. Friday, December 8 – School – Immaculate Conception**

**Extraordinary Ministers of HC:** Maria Berryhill, Gloria Boeckl, Dr. Froning, Mary Starkey, Jackie Weiner

**5:00 p.m. Saturday, December 9**

**Lectors:** 1. Julie Walker 2. Maureen Henry

**Extraordinary Ministers of HC:** Lisa Dulin – Captain

Matt Grube, John Orban, Janet Orban, Ruth Roddy, Carol White

**Sacristan:** Jeff Topper

**Servers:** Logan Weiner, Chandler Young, Nicholas Young

**Ushers:** Dave Husek, George Wehner

**Greeter:** Brad Gummere

**7:30 a.m. Sunday, December 10**

**Lectors:** 1. Monica Leimeister 2. Joe Jurcisek

**Extraordinary Ministers of HC:** Erin Morris – Captain

Anne Carter, Jim Cooper, Dorothy Henry, Barbara Moore, Sissy Wiseman

**Sacristan:** Joanna Sadler

**Servers:** Caitlin Cavallaro, Victoria Cavallaro, Alana Sells

**Ushers:** Bill Duffy, Randy McMillin

**Greeters:** Steve and Donna Saltsman

**10:30 a.m. Sunday, December 10**

**Lectors:** 1. Lynn Baker 2. Adam Smith

**Extraordinary Ministers of HC:** Mary Davis – Captain

Mary Fullmer, Steve Gruz, Barbara Lynch, Charlotte Michael, Pat Weber, Gary Zimmerman

**Sacristan:** Dcn. Dan Hann

**Servers:** Kayla Baker, Macy Baker, Ryan Fullmer

**Ushers:** Pat Davis, Kevin Horn

**Greeters:** Linda Mark, Denise Zimmerman

*First Week of Advent*



**OFFERTORY**

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION:** November 25 & 26

Regular Collection \$ 4,572.50

Loose Offering 268.00

Maintenance 220.00

Christmas Flowers 95.00

**St. Patrick Total Offering \$ 5,155.50**

**SECOND COLLECTION:**

Jamaica - Diocese of Mandeville \$ 120.00

*Thank You!*

**Second Collection – December 9/10:** Retirement Fund for Religious – Your gift works for elderly Religious by helping to furnish medications, nursing care and more. Please support next week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious, and give to those who have given a lifetime.

**December Collection Counters:** (Begin Monday, December 4)  
Patty Evans, Jane Finchum, Pat Rayburn

**About the Cover** – Do you recognize the painting on the front cover? If you sit on “St. Joseph’s” side of the church – you may not have. If you sit on “Our Lady’s” side, you probably have noticed it. The painting is over the sacristy door and it finds its inspiration in Isaiah 11:1 “On that day, a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom.” This verse from Isaiah is heard during the season of Advent as we recall the first coming of Jesus into human history and as we await His Second Coming. Jesus was often called Son of David. David’s father was Jesse. In this painting, the stump and the roots of Jesse are budding forth a rose with the Chi-Rho. The use of a rose may have found its origin in the ancient Advent hymn “Behold a Rose of Judah.” The Chi-Rho, growing out of the rose, consists of the first two Greek letters of the word Christ. The custom of the “Jesse Tree” is also rooted (pun intended!) in Isaiah 11:1. A bit of Jesus’ family tree can be seen in all of this. Our history sources don’t indicate the date or cost of this painting. It couldn’t be any earlier than 1910 and it has survived three church interior renovations. Over the course of time as an outgrowth of our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary year, we hope to feature other artistic and devotional works within the church that give us a foretaste of heaven.

## ST. PATRICK PARISH NEWS

### CHRISTMAS WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 23 – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 24  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent  
7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, December 24  
Christmas Vigil Masses  
5 p.m. & 10 p.m.

Monday, December 25 – Christmas Day Mass  
10:30 a.m.



#### The Immaculate Conception Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

– The Immaculate Conception, December 8, is a Holy Day of Obligation for Catholics. There will be a Vigil Mass at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 7 at the church and a Mass at 8:50 a.m. on Friday, December 8 at the school. No evening Mass on December 8.



#### Altar & Rosary Society Annual Cookie Sale

– Calling all cookie bakers! The Annual Cookie Sale will be held on December 9 & 10. Plates of Christmas cookies, etc. will be sold after the weekend Masses. Cookies may be dropped off in the parish center kitchen on Friday, December 8 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. and Saturday morning, December 9 from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. at which time the plates will also be assembled. Monetary donations will also be gratefully accepted.



#### It's That Time of Year Again!

The Giving Tree is once again up in the back of the church. Please feel free to take a tag, buy the gift on the tag, attach the tag to the gift and return it to church no later than December 17.

If you have a tag that is marked "Community Supper" on the bottom of the tag, please return it by December 10. Gift bags are fine, but please DO NOT wrap the gifts. Please make sure to attach the tag. If you lost the tag, please mark gift with Family number and child's name or age – otherwise we don't know which agency and which child it should go to. Have a wonderful Advent Season and thanks for helping make Christmas a little brighter for those in need in our county!

Advent Enrichment Reading – Each week during of Advent, please see the bulletin insert that will help "Prepare the Way" with Reflections on the Sunday Gospel, Points to Ponder, a Saint profile, etc. This four-week resource is an easy-to-read overview of the season of Advent, with a focus on saints, prayer, family and personal reflection as we prepare our hearts, minds and homes for the coming of Jesus Christ.

Bible Study With Fr. Ghiloni – Sessions continue on Wednesday, December 6 from 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. in the parish center. After this course, a study on The Gospel of Mark will be offered.

Be A Man! Men's Book Study – Sessions with Fr. Ghiloni will continue this week on Wednesday, December 6. The study is held on Wednesday evenings in the parish center from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. All men are invited to read a chapter a week and discuss what it means to be a man who follows Christ in today's world.



"Opening Your Heart" Scripture Study – The 22-week Women's Scripture study is offered on Sunday evenings (6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.) or Thursday mornings (9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.). The topic for Lesson 12 will be "What Does the Eucharist Have to Do with My Friendship with Christ?" If interested in more information, please call the parish office at (740) 852-0942 or email Denise Zimmerman at [denise@stpatricklondon.org](mailto:denise@stpatricklondon.org).

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) - RCIA sessions are held in the Parish Parlor from 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. on Monday evenings. On Monday, December 4, the topic will be "The Seasons of Advent and Christmas" presented by Dan and Paula Hann. On Monday, December 11, the topics will be "The Sacraments: an Introduction" and "The Sacrament of Baptism". RCIA is also for Catholics who would like to continue to learn about the Catholic faith as adults.

St. Patrick Cemetery – The holidays are upon us and those who wish to use grave blankets at the cemetery are permitted to do so between December 15 and January 15 of each year. Thank you for helping keep St. Patrick Cemetery in good condition. For those who are new to the area, the cemetery is located at 4180 St. Rt. 56 in London.

## ST. PATRICK SCHOOL NEWS



#### Countdown To Christmas Is On!

Shop Amazon Smile and support St. Patrick School! Go to: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-4384562>. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your purchase to St. Patrick School whenever

you shop on Amazon Smile. Questions? Please contact [hfeliks@gmail.com](mailto:hfeliks@gmail.com).

## COLUMBUS DIOCESE NEWS

Your Spouse Will Thank You! Now is the time to plan to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend! The next weekend is February 16-18, 2018 in central Ohio. Marriage Encounter is where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones and focus only on each other. For more information or to apply, contact Paul & Marilou Clouse at (614) 834-6880 or visit [www.wmecolumbus.org](http://www.wmecolumbus.org).

## COMMUNITY NEWS

A Very Special Thank You to all who contributed to the Thanksgiving Giveaway for the H.E.L.P. House. Monetary donations, including a gift certificate, amounted to \$2,020.79. This purchased almost all of the meat needed for the giveaway. All food donations and prayers were greatly appreciated, also. We were able to serve over 200 families in 180 minutes on Saturday morning. Each was able to get meat, canned vegetables, canned fruit, stuffing, margarine, oil, noodles, boxed potatoes, rolls, snacks, broth, gravy, desserts, bags of apples, pears, potatoes, onions, cabbage and miscellaneous items. Additional families came through Thanksgiving week. Averaging the figures, almost 1,000 individuals were provided food. People were given time slots, but still many waited up to half an hour. However, everyone was very happy and thankful. Once again, thank you for helping many individuals have a special Thanksgiving.

#### MARK'S JESUS

Mark's Gospel is the shortest and tersest of all four. The discourses of Jesus tend to be terser as well. Mark's portrayal of Jesus has none of the poetry of the Sermon on the Mount or the Sermon on the Plain as in Matthew or Luke, nor the extensive, reflective "I Am" discourses as in John. Mark's Jesus "cuts to the chase," we would say today. This is reflected quite well in today's passage.

It is no accident that the dialogue of Jesus at this point in the Gospel according to Mark—the concluding words about the end of the world—immediately before his passion, is riddled with exclamation points and an overall sense of urgency.

We would do well to re-tool our own way of living this Advent, for we live in a world urgently in need of hearing the message of Jesus proclaimed. It's time for us to "wake up!" and get out into the world to do it. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.