

Rosary Chapel Catholic Church

Dec 1, 2024



First Sunday
Of Advent
in
Ordinary Time

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Our parish seeks to build and maintain our family through the sharing of the Good News to all people, in order to leave our world more beautiful and faith filled than when we inherited it.



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Office Hours
Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday,
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



*Liturgy
Schedule*

Mass

Sunday: 10:30 a.m.
Tuesday: 4:00 p.m.

Reconciliation

Tuesday: 3:00 p.m.
or by Appointment

Eucharistic Adoration:

1st Tuesday of the month
3-4 p.m.




Pastor
Fr. Jude Okeoma
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Staff

Bookkeeper:
Carol Baker

Pianist/Music:
Deidra Chandler

Parish Center Coordinator:
Charles Davis

Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick:
Contact:
Fr. Jude Okeoma

First Reconciliation and First Communion or OCIA:
Call the Parish Office

Finance Committee

President:
Kelley Piercefield

Members
Alisha Bobo
Lonnie Crowdus
David Roberts
Uwem Chisek

Liturgy
Mary Ann Bell

Outreach Ministry
Rose Lowery

Parish Council

President & Maintenance:
Charles Davis

VP/Secretary & Mt. Carmel Cemetery:
David Gavin

Education/Faith Formation:
Celeste Harned

Social Concerns:
Felix Akojie

Worship & Spiritual Life:
Melissa Reed

Family Life:
Sheila Matchem

Hospitality & Outreach:
Patricia Fouse

MASS INTENTIONS

Dec 1
Angie Grief †

Dec 8
David Stiles

Dec 9
Judy Scarbrough

Dec 15
Alice Roof

Dec 22
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MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR Dec 2024

Date	Lectors	Altar Server	Gift Bearer	Ushers	Eucharistic Minsters
Dec 1	Paula Hudson	Alexander Gavin, Oliver Otu	ReedFamily	Paula Hudson, Sheila Matchem	Felix Akojie, Kelly Piercefield, Kathy Roberts
Dec 8	Celeste Harned	Kingsley Otu, Tristan Moss-Menser	Moss-Menser Family	Paula Hudson, Sheila Matchem	Howard Grief, Rachel Gavin, Charles Davis
Dec 15	David Gavin	Felix Akojie, Levi Harned	Harned Family	Paula Hudson, Sheila Matchem	Kathy Roberts, Kelley Piercefield, Rachel Gavin
Dec 22	Doris Poat	Faith Moss-Menser, Alexander Gavin	Matchem Family	Paula Hudson, Sheila Matchem	Charles Davis, Howard Grief, Felix Akojie
Dec 25	Need Volunteer	Need Volunteers	Need Volunteers	Need Volunteers	Need Volunteers
Dec 29	Rachel Gavin	Kingsley Otu, Oliver Otu	Gavin Family	Paula Hudson, Sheila Matchem	Kelly Piercefield, Kathy Roberts, Howard Grief

Mary Queen of the Rosary, Pray for us.

Report from Sunday

Nov 24, 2024

Sunday Mass Attendance: 81

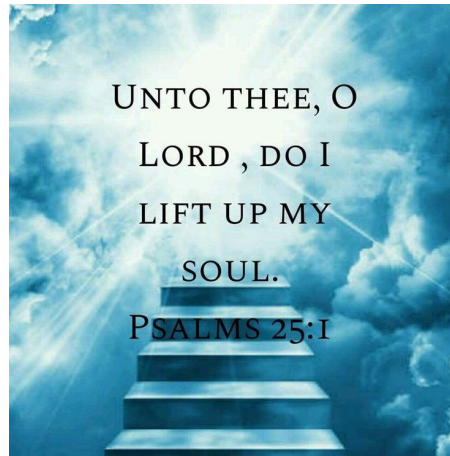
Sunday Collection: \$2333.00

Monthly ACH: \$450.00

Special Collections

Campaign for Human Development: \$10.00

Christmas Flowers: \$182.00



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LORD, DO I
LIFT UP MY
SOUL.
PSALMS 25:1



Please Remember in your Prayers

- Mike Mayes
- Rose Lowery
- Mary Piercefield
- Jaxon Jones
- Aaron Burns
- Clora Hixon
- Chen Matchem
- Rose Wurth
- Linda Stiles
- Russell Davis
- Matt Evans
- Michael Nicholas
- Ruby Gibson
- Thomas Rawlins
- Darlene Shelton
- Joseph Maxwell
- Gary Hudson
- Nancy Bass
- Andrea Emilia Bernabey
- Michael Burns
- Michael Menser
- Thomas (Homeless)
- Mark & Janice Higdon
- James Rister
- Erin Brumley
- Ashley Hayden
- Kenny Reising
- Lynne Clark
- Blake Champion
- Robert & Barbara Naas



Sanctuary Light for JT Piercefield

Each Sanctuary Light burns for 14 days. For a \$10 donation, a Sanctuary Light may be sponsored in memory of or in honor of a loved one.

Homebound, Nursing Care Center, Hospitalized

- Chen Matchem-HB**
- Clora Hixon-HB**
- Gary Hudson-Parkview Rm 410**
- Ruby Gibson-HB**
- Barbara Naas—HB**

Reminder

Hospital visits

Fr. Jude would like to remind everyone that if you or a loved one is hospitalized, please call the office at 270-444-6383 to inform us, as we cannot obtain information from the hospital directly.

DIOCESAN SEXUAL ABUSE POLICY

Sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable person is a crime in both State and Church law. Both the State and Church want to help anyone who has been or is being abused. Contact the State authorities and phone the bishop and/or the Review Board at 270-683-1545 to make a report. No one has to live with abuse, and the State and church are available to help individuals and families find help and healing. The Diocesan Policy on Sexual abuse is available on the rack outside the parish office, on the table in the church's narthex, or from the Catholic Pastoral Center.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 1055

Christmas TREE SALE

Enjoy a fun day with your family as you select one of our high-quality Fraser and Canaan Fir trees.

Proceeds go toward Christmas food baskets for the needy in our area.

OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK
November 29 - December 20
(or until sold out)
M-F 4PM - 7PM
Saturday - 10AM - 7PM
Sunday - 12PM - 5PM

29th & 30th
Black Friday
10AM - 7PM
Saturday
10AM - 7PM

LOCATED @ THE PADUCAH DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weekly Schedule: No Mass, adoration or confession on Tuesday, December 3. The priests are on retreat in Owensboro.

Parish Office closed on Dec 3, 2024.

The parish is in need of more people to serve as lectors, eucharistic ministers, ushers, altar servers etc. Please sign up for training if you can serve the parish in any of these capacities.

Rosary Chapel has a Holiday Greeting Banner at Bob Noble Park for the holiday season.

December 8th - Parish Council Meeting in the Parish Hall after Mass.

The Special Collection on Sunday, December 8 will be for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

Aging religious need your help. “Your support acknowledges that we continue the mission of Christ even in our retirement,” says Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart Sister Celeste Burgos, 80. Donations provide for the care, medicine, and daily needs of over 24,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to service. Please give to the Retirement Fund for Religious.

Here is some information from Bishop Medley’s letter that is enclosed in our bulletin today: In the Diocese of Owensboro, our Catholic Charities Refugee Resettlement Program is preparing to welcome upwards of 100 refugees who have been forced from their homes and are currently living in refugee camps.

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Migration and Refugee Services has provided to Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Owensboro a “**Required Supply List**”. These are items that must be provided to refugees upon their arrival. Bishop Medley is asking us to prayerfully consider donating some of the necessary supplies. You can find a link to the Amazon.com list on the Catholic Charities webpage: <https://owensborodiocese.org/catholic-charities/>

BE HOPEFUL!

The season of Advent is here again. The word Advent comes from the Latin *ad venire* – to come or *adventus* – arrival. On the first Sunday of Advent, the church celebrates the beginning of a new liturgical year, and then enters a four-week period of active waiting and preparation for Christmas. The rituals and ceremonies of the Advent season are aimed at guiding the faithful to understand God’s careful preparations and messages leading to the birth of Jesus, and for us to relive the same preparation towards Christmas.

It is easy to get caught up in the worldly misconceptions about this season, and as such, lose its real meaning. Thanksgiving has just been celebrated with all the grove it carries with it. Then we woke up to Black Friday which leads us into the shopping spree that characterizes the month of December. As if they are in a hurry, some people have already set up their Christmas trees and decorations.

The advent wreath is one liturgical symbol of great importance that comes into the church space during this season, and many Catholics wonder what role this has in our liturgies. The four candles on the advent wreath represent the four Sundays in the season, and the fifth candle (where it is used) represents the Christmas day. There are three purple candles and one pink or rose candle. The fifth candle, where it is used, is white in color.

The first purple candle is called the candle of hope. So, on the first Sunday of Advent the Church centers on the theme of hope which is an ever-present thing in our lives. We practicalize this all-important virtue. Hope is not only a Christian virtue, but a positive human attribute. It pays to be hopeful. Hope for a better tomorrow keeps us working hard today. We rise with the hope that our day will be good, and go to bed in the hope that tomorrow will come, and be better. We hope for better health. We hope for a happy life. When we fail in one area of life, we move on to another, hopeful that our new venture will produce better results. We are a people of hope. Friends, keep the hope alive.

We begin our preparation to receive Jesus during the celebration of his nativity. During this season, we intensify prayer and good living in the hope that we shall meet him not just at Christmas but more importantly, at his second coming. Blessings.

Fr Jude Okeoma

Advent Penance Services in the Paducah Area

Tues: December 10th, 6 pm: St John de Evangelist

Sun: December 15th, 4:30 pm: St Thomas More

Mon: December 16th, 5 pm: St Mary's LaCenter

Tues: December 17th, 4:30 pm: Rosary Chapel

Wed: December 18th, 6 pm: St Francis de Sales



Rosary Chapel Christmas Vigil Mass
December 24, 4pm