

# Rosary Chapel Catholic Church

Dec 8, 2024



Second 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*

## 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**  
 Jude.okeoma@pastoral.org.



**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***

<b>Dec 8</b> David Stiles	<b>Dec 9</b> Judy Scarbrough	<b>Dec 15</b> Alice Roof	<b>Dec 22</b> Alice Roof	<b>Dec 24</b> Vicente Pastor †
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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 Dec 1, 2024

**Sunday Mass Attendance:** 58  
**Sunday Collection:** \$2188.00  
**Monthly ACH:**  
**Special Collections**  
Christmas Flowers: \$100.00



## **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

## 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 or confession on Tuesday, December 9.

**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary,** Holy day of obligation, Mass will be on Monday, Dec 9, 12.05 pm.

**Office will be closed** on Monday, Dec 9.

**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.

**Support those who have given a lifetime.** Women and men religious have dedicated their lives to service – praying, teaching, and caring for those in need – usually for little to no pay. Today, their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings. Your donation provides for the essential care, medicine, and daily needs of thousands of senior women and men religious. Please give generously to the Retirement Fund for the Religious.

**A CPR/First Aid Class** is being offered from WKTC. It will be held on Wednesday, Dec 11 from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. at 631 Marine Way in the Marine Way Training Center. The First Aid portion of the class is basic First Aid training. For the CPR portion of the class, you will watch a video and the instructor will lecture and allow everyone to perform CPR skills on mannequins. You will receive a certification card which is good for 2 years. To register, call: 270-534-3444 or email [calena.peeler@kctcs.edu](mailto:calena.peeler@kctcs.edu). The cost of the class is \$85. It can be paid the day of the class. Rosary Chapel will sponsor 2 of our ushers to attend this class.

## PEACE TO PEOPLE OF GOODWILL

On the second Sunday of Advent, we turn our attention to the second candle on the Advent wreath, the Peace Candle. Like the first candle, it is also purple in color. This is also called the “Bethlehem Candle,” because “we also remember Mary and Joseph’s journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem before Mary gave birth to Jesus”.

Old Testament stories which all happened before the coming of Jesus have many scary descriptions of war and gloom. This is quite understandable about people still waiting for the coming of the Savior. The candle of hope, also called prophesy candle, which we talked about last week, assured us of a new and better future. Here, *“this second candle recalls that after all the division, destruction, and dispersion of the kingdom in the Old Testament, there might finally be peace on Earth – Jesus is coming, and so is his Kingdom of Peace”*. Eventually, the lyrics of the song of the Angels on the night of the birth of the Son of God will include *“peace to all people of goodwill”*.

No doubt, peace is one grace that many of us could use as we glide through the ups and downs of daily living. We do not need to travel to Ukraine or the Middle East in order to feel the absence of peace in the world. Peace is not just the absence of armed soldiers shooting at each other from the woods and bombing facilities on the streets. We could live in the absence of “organized” fighting but be unable to deal with the pressures brought by the battles of daily life. In which case we cannot be said to be living in peace.

One stressor which comes to mind here is the gifting obligation which this season brings with it. One would not deny the fulfillment that comes with carrying out this duty, and the joy it brings to the receivers. Quite a nice thing to do. However, it is only human to acknowledge that sometimes, people go beyond their manageable financial strengths to be able to satisfy this need. Some people have to work extra hours in order to do this. That way, what should normally be a blessing then turns out to create pressure in the lives of some people. We should have the courage to live within our limits. Peace calls for *“slowing down, reaching out to God, and placing one’s self in quiet moments with the Lord”* in handling this and all other pressures of life. 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