



Our Lady of Guadalupe

Roman Catholic Church



**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 20, 2020**

BUCKINGHAM, PENNSYLVANIA

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MASS SCHEDULE—STARTING NOVEMBER 1, 2020

Saturday Vigil: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 8 a.m. (Livestreamed), 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday through Saturday: 8 a.m. (Livestreamed on website)

Daily Rosary: 7:30 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Thirty minutes before weekend Masses.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CHURCH PARISH LIFE CENTER AND PARISH OFFICES

5194 Cold Spring Creamery Road
Doylestown, PA 18902

Parish Office Hours—APPOINTMENT REQUIRED

Monday through Thursday—Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Friday—Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon

Church Hours

Church closes at 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday and at 12 noon on Fridays. Church closes on Saturdays after the Vigil Mass and Sundays after the 11 a.m. Mass.

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FROM THE PASTOR



MESSAGE ON MASS ATTENDANCE FOR CHRISTMAS 2020 - THOUGHTS TO CONSIDER

One of the highlights of our liturgical life is the celebration of the Birth of our Savior Jesus Christ on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Each year so many of you come together and come to Church for this celebration. However, as has been the case for so many other liturgical celebrations during the COVID-19 pandemic, we have had to curtail and adjust our gatherings. And so, as we approach this Christmas, continued vigilance is warranted. Here at OLG we continue to be prudent by following the safety guidelines and protocols of the CDC, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Bucks County Health Department and the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Your cooperation has been and will continue to be greatly appreciated. I am most grateful to God that we have been able to come together each day during the week and weekends to celebrate Mass and receive the Holy Eucharist, while still maintaining the required precautions in order to keep everyone safe and healthy.

As you prepare for the celebration of Christmas may I be so bold as to invite you to consider participating in our celebrations at Christmas time. I offer the following thoughts for you to reflect upon in regard to how that participation might take place.

■ As you may be aware, the faithful continue to be dispensed by the Archbishop from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation until further notice. That being stated, I encourage you at a minimum to plan on those occasions to gather as family and join us via livestream through our website or Facebook. For your information all our Weekday Masses and the 8 a.m. Sunday Mass are recorded each week and are available to watch at another time that may be more convenient to you. We will be livestreaming all of our Christmas Masses. You may also be aware of the many other opportunities for Mass on other websites or television, i.e. the Cathedral Basilica of SS Peter and Paul or EWTN as just two of many examples.

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MESSAGE ON MASS ATTENDANCE CONTINUED



■ We continue to follow all guidelines of the institutions mentioned above, with appropriate cleaning of high touch surfaces in the church after each use, sanitizing our hands as we enter and leave the Church, wearing face masks or coverings appropriately and social distancing. It may interest you to know that since June, when churches were re-opened for the public celebration of Mass, there has not been a known, traceable instance of contracting COVID-19 through attending Mass or receiving Holy Communion at OLG, nor the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, for that matter.

■ If large gatherings continue to cause you fear, might you consider attending Mass at some other time of the week, when the congregation is much smaller? Remember for us as Christians we celebrate the Octave of Christmas, and so consider making your celebration by attending Mass on one of the days throughout the Octave or possibly during the traditional “Twelve Days of Christmas”? While not officially twelve days from Christmas, the Solemnity of the Epiphany is celebrated here in the United States on the nearest Sunday to those twelve days, which is January 3rd this year. For your information liturgically, the Christmas Season extends to the following Sunday, January 10th, the Solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord. If our particular Mass schedule does not meet your family’s schedule, might you consider attending Mass at one of the other parishes in the area or the Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa? All other schedules are published on the appropriate websites.

■ While as a religious institution, we are permitted to have as many as a 75% occupancy for our church we cannot do that with social distancing. At this time to maintain social distancing our maximum occupancy for the church is approximately 600. This includes using the Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine area, the Saint Juan Diego Chapel and the Narthex. Additionally, for Christmas Eve and day, we will make use of livestreaming the Masses on the monitors in the Saint John XXIII Social Hall and Holy Family Lobby at the Parish Life Center (PLC). When the church reaches capacity, you will be directed to watch Mass in the PLC or you can watch via livestream in your car (and receive Communion after Mass).

■ All of the above having been stated, here is our Mass schedule for you to consider:

Christmas Eve Masses at 3:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.
Christmas Day Masses at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
We will be livestreaming all of our Christmas Masses.

■ Should you have any questions you may contact the office, and someone will be available to assist you. Be sure to always be healthy and stay safe by being prudent in your judgments and decisions; remember that exercising caution is most often the better part of valor. God bless you and your family. Father Ianelli and I look forward to seeing you during the holy days of Christmas.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE

Thursday, December 24

3:30 p.m. Vigil Mass and 6 p.m. Mass

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

3 p.m., Before 3:30 p.m. Vigil Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY

Friday, December 25

9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Mass



FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, December 27

5 p.m. (Saturday), 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday Mass

SOLEMNITY OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD

New Year’s Day, Friday, January 1

9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Mass

Please wear a mask or face covering appropriately and practice social distancing. If you are not able to attend in person, watch via livestream on the website or Facebook.

LIVESTREAM

www.olguadalupe.org/olg-live-masses

www.facebook.com/OLGDoylestown/

Bilingual Mass

Misa bilingüe

Most Reverend Edward M. Deliman

Reverendísimo Edward M. Deliman

Auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia

Obispo Auxiliar de la Arquidiócesis de Filadelfia



Feast of the Holy Family, *Fiesta de La Sagrada Familia*
Sunday, December 27, *Domingo, diciembre 27*

Time / Hora 11AM

Fourth Sunday Advent

WEEKLY INTENTIONS

- 8 a.m. **Monday, December 21, St Peter Canisius**
Edward J. Scanlon, *Requested by Lori & Tom Joyce*
- 8 a.m. **Tuesday, December 22**
Late Advent Weekday
Margaret Kelnhofer
Requested by George and Barbara Kelnhofer
- 8 a.m. **Wednesday, December 23**
Late Advent Weekday
Peter Edward Wicklum
Requested by Frank and Maggie Dolski
- 8 a.m., 3:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. **Thursday, December 24**
Late Advent Weekday
Maria Caterina DeGiosafatto (8 a.m.)
Requested by Vince and Maria Campellone and Family
- 9 a.m. & 11 a.m. **Friday, December 25**
The Nativity of the Lord
No Mass Intentions
- 8 a.m. **Saturday, December 26**
Saint Stephen, The First Martyr
Josephine Craig
Requested by Michele and Douglas Boesch

OLG SHRINE CANDLE

In memory of Antonietta Guidone
Requested by Cathy and Kevin Walsh

In memory of the Deceased Members of the DeFlavio Family
Requested by Ken and Pat Mugler

In Memory of Marie Balaza, *Requested by Ellen and Jim Roehm*

MAIN ALTAR CANDLE

In memory of Jack Curry, *Requested by the Senour Family*

Purchase a candle in one of the sanctuaries or altars (\$15 suggested donation) in honor of your special intention. Contact the parish office.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

2 Samuel 7, 1-5. 8-11. 16—The Lord will make the house of David secure for ever.

Psalms 89, 2-3. 4-5. 27. 290—For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Romans 16, 25-27—The mystery kept secret for endless ages is now made clear.

Luke 1, 26-38—David's posterity shall endure forever. His kingship finds its fulfillment in the son of Mary, Jesus the Christ. To him be glory and praise forever.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

The weekly collection will be updated in the next bulletin.

Weekly Collection Goal \$32,000

Sunday Collections include online giving contributions.

Thank you!

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN APPEAL

Today, we give sincere thanks for everyone's kind and generous support making our Parish Stewardship Campaign Appeal a great success for Our Lady of Guadalupe. Our parish family has shown an extraordinary display of stewardship, as our parishioners and parish community gave their time and treasure in helping us reach our goal.

Together, we have raised \$145,550 for our parish! These resources allow us to expand our services and ministries, maintain our church and spiritual home, support our growth as a parish, and provide care and resources for those in need.

I am inspired by your love and faith and gratefully to you. Through your good works, our parish remains a light for all those seeking a deeper relationship with the Lord. On behalf of the Pastoral and Finance Councils, volunteers and staff, your generosity is deeply appreciated. Thank you.

Monsignor Gentili

END OF YEAR DONATIONS

If you would like to make an end of year tax deductible donation, we appreciate your generosity. Please note that all donations received by December 31, 2020 can be deducted for the 2020 tax year.

MEMORIAL OPPORTUNITIES

At Our Lady of Guadalupe there are many ways you can recognize your personal intentions, honor a loved one, acknowledge a special event or offer sympathy. Your special intentions can be offered with a mass card, a sanctuary or shrine candle, participation in the memorial mass league, or a donation via our memorial legacy program. You can find a brochure in the Narthex with details. You may also learn more on the website or call the parish office.

www.olguadalupe.org/memorials

God Bless Our Newly Baptized - Brianna Perez, Jackson Perez, Lucas Castillo, Grace Soldano, Sophie Saxton

We Remember Our Deceased - Pearl Lang, George Roach

PARISH OFFICE CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

The parish office will be closed December 24 and 25 and January 1. There will be limited office hours between Christmas and New Year's Day. Please call the office to make sure someone will be available to assist you.

OUR MINISTRIES, PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

OLG is proud to offer 40+ ministries that you can join at any time of the year to express yourself spiritually and strengthen your faith. You have an open invitation to contact any of the following ministries.

FAITH FORMATION AND EVANGELIZATION

Evangelization Team, Deacon Brady, dcnbobb90@gmail.com
Adult Faith Formation, Parish Religious Education Program (PREP), Pre-Jordan, Daniel Drain, ddrain@olguadalupe.org
Children's Liturgy of the Word, Mary McArdle, marytmcardle@aol.com
CYO, Mark Capofari, mcapofari@comcast.net
Hispanic Ministry, Paola Cubides Herrera, pherrera@olguadalupe.org
RCIA - Linda & John Gray, lindacarolarts@yahoo.com
Youth and Young Adult Ministry, Lisa Kopertowski, youthministry@olguadalupe.org

LITURGY AND WORSHIP

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Altar Linen Ministry, Diane Adam, adamd5@comcast.net
Art and Environment Ministry, Michele Savage, michele.savage@comcast.net
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Deacon Brady, dcnbobb90@gmail.com
Guardians of Guadalupe, Bill Bryson, brysonwj@comcast.net
Hymnal Changing, Tony Martin, tonym228@comcast.net
Hospitality Ambassadors, Cecelia Gavinelli, cgavinelli@comcast.net
Lector Ministries, Pam Barnes, cgbarnesjr@verizon.net
Liturgical Musicians, Paula Furman, pfurman81@gmail.com
Sacristans, Ray Lokay, raylokay@gmail.com
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COMMUNITY AND SERVICE

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Dinner for Eight, Ray Lokay, raylokay@gmail.com
Face-to-Face, Jeanne Reiche, jmreiche@yahoo.com
Fr. David's Prison Ministry, Wes Wallace, wtwally31@gmail.com
Foreign Missions, Sean McArdle, seanpmcardle@aol.com
Health & Wellness, Maureen Sapelli, maureenm23@gmail.com
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Serving Persons with Disabilities, Karen Babik, kbabik1@verizon.net
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GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS

On Christmas Day, we recognize all current, former and deceased members of the U.S. Military. Let us especially pray for the active members who are family of our parish members.



John J. Blank, Jr., Warrant Officer 5, Army Aviation, Pentagon, Washington, DC

Amy Blank, Lt. Colonel, Army Medical Corps, Bethesda Military Hospital

Warrant Officer One Timothy W. Catbers Sr., 28th Infantry Division Pennsylvania Army National Guard

Specialist Timothy W. Catbers Jr., 28th Infantry Division Pennsylvania Army National Guard

Sergeant Michael J. Catbers 28th Infantry Division Pennsylvania Army National Guard

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Ens Thomas M Kane, Navy Medical Corps (Former Capt, USMC)

2nd LT Zachary J. Kane, U.S. Air Force

Ret. Captain Harry Lindenmuth III, 1st Cavalry Division, U.S. Army

Lt. Thomas P. Macri, U.S. Army

Mary Theresa Mars, AO2 – Oceana NAS

Airman Alex McAneney, Robins Air Force Base

Brigadier General William F. Mullen, III, U.S. Marine Corps

Private Ryan A. Roche, United States Marine Corps

Sergeant Adam C. Schmidt, Army National Guard 150th/160th Engineer Company

Sergeant Brad Thomas, Marines

Lt. Commander Vincent Vasaturo, U.S. Coast Guard

Private Kevin D. Vickery, U.S. Army

Tara Walsh, CPT, Army Nurse Corps Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, TX

Major Kyle M. West, U.S. Army 10th MTN Division

If you have a family member who is currently serving in the military (or if you want them removed from this list), please send their rank, full name and their Division of the Armed Services to olguabulletin@gmail.com.

PARISH MINISTRIES

HEALTH & WELLNESS MINISTRY

Questions? Contact Maureen Sapelli at 215-794-5764 or maureenm23@gmail.com.

CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

Deadline is Sunday, December 20 (after the 11 a.m. Mass)

The Christmas food drive is for parishioners having difficulty getting food during the pandemic. The food will be distributed before Christmas to our most COVID-19 affected families.

The requested food items include: one pound dried beans, one pound of rice, olive oil, salt, sugar, canned vegetables, lite fruit cocktail, stuffing mix, instant coffee, fruit preserves and Christmas cookies or other sweets. Also, if possible, please include a \$25 gift card to one of the major grocery stores.

Thank you for your generosity.



CARING FOR FRIENDS

A FAMILY CHRISTMAS PROJECT

The Christmas season is perfect times to gather the family together for a service project right in our own homes. Preparing meals for Caring for Friends - as a family - provides an opportunity to serve the poor and to live out our faith with our children. Here's how to get started:

- Pick up meal tray packets (or soup containers) which are kept in the lower cabinet near the book rack on the right as you enter the Narthex.
- Each meal should contain a protein, starch, and vegetable.
- Turn on some Christmas music to get you in the spirit. Assign tasks to each family member. The little ones can make cards or pictures to include with the meals.
- Take pictures of your family preparing the meals!
- On January 2 or 3, drop off the completed frozen meals before any mass that weekend. Email mary.lacquaniti@gmail.com with questions or to send photos of your family making meals.



One of our parish families spent an afternoon preparing meals for Caring for Friends with a roast, rice, and mixed vegetables. The kitchen was a little messy, but they had a wonderful time doing service - just as Jesus taught us!

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY



MARCH FOR LIFE, WASHINGTON, DC

Friday, January 29, 2021

Please join us as we commemorate the 48th Anniversary of Roe v Wade, the Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion in our nation. We will leave the Our Lady of Mount Carmel (OLMC) parking lot by 7 a.m. To reserve your spot, email Kathleen Wilson at Tway5@aol.com with RSVP MFL OLMC in the subject line. Also, mail a check (payable to BCRTL for \$25 per person (nonrefundable fee) to 232 Tether Way, Doylestown, PA 18901. There is no charge for students under age 18. This will be first come, first served based on the receipt of the check. There is currently one bus with a 50-person maximum. We will create a wait list if needed. Questions? Call Kathleen Wilson at 215-262-3998. The March for Life is the largest and longest annual gathering in the history of the United States. About 400,000 gather annually in support of life.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Guardians of Guadalupe meet each Wednesday after the 8 a.m. Mass. For about one hour, the 'Guardian angels' help with the cleaning of the Church, chapel, pews, and Narthex area. If you are interested in helping, please meet the group after Mass at about 8:30 a.m. or contact Bill Bryson at brysonwj@comcast.net.

HONOR YOUR LOVED ONES OR SPECIAL INTENTION WITH THE GIFT OF CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Each Christmas, our church and parish campus is filled with gorgeous flowers and trees. This beautiful greenery is made possible through memorial donations from generous parishioners. When parishioners donate toward Christmas flowers they are able to honor a loved one or remember a special intention. These intentions are placed in the crèche in our nativity and are remembered in a special way throughout the Christmas season.

If you would like to memorialize your loved ones or recognize your special intention in this significant way, please use the Christmas Flower envelope (which is included with your weekly offering envelopes) or donate online through Parish Giving. Call the parish office if you need assistance. In addition, these donations partially defray the cost of keeping the St. Francis Courtyard and the church, Parish Life Center and courtyard entranceways looking festive during the fall and winter.

You may be interested to know that the Easter Flower Offering, the Father's Day Remembrance and the Mother's Day Remembrance are also used in this way. All of these intentions are placed in the sanctuary and are prayed for specifically during the month or season of the event.



YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

CONTACT OLG YOUTH MINISTRY

Lisa Kopertowski, Director
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DECEMBER AND JANUARY YOUTH MINISTRY

Junior High, 7th & 8th Grades, 4:30 to 6:15 p.m.

December 19—Frassati Service Saturday
December 20—Christmas Party!
December 27—11 a.m. Mass with Bishop Deliman
January 3—No Meeting

High School, 9th through 12 Grades, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

December 19—Frassati Service Saturday
December 20—Christmas Party!
December 27—11 a.m. Mass with Bishop Deliman
January 3—No Meeting

OLG YOUTH SPREAD CHRISTMAS JOY THROUGHOUT THE WORLD!



Pictured with the life-size cutout of Blessed Frassati are gift boxes for children in need. Due to the generosity of the children and families in all of our Youth Ministry groups, 150 children in Catholic missionary villages in third world countries will have a wonderful Christmas morning. Each gift box was filled toys, school supplies and other goodies for children age 12 and under. Thank you for your generosity!

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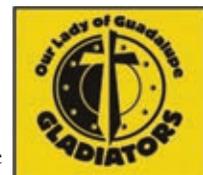
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To be a member of the "Prayer Team" or to submit a prayer request, email olgprayerline@olguadalupe.org or contact the parish office. All requests will be removed after four weeks.

CYO BASKETBALL UPDATE

Please be advised that the Director of CYO Athletics, has announced that after careful consideration and consultation with the PA CYO Basketball Board, the Archdiocesan 2021 CYO Basketball season is cancelled due to the COVID 19 pandemic.



CODE BLUE SHELTER AT OLG

This January, OLG's Parish Life Center will serve as the host site for the Coalition to Shelter and Support the Homeless' (CSSH) Code Blue shelter. The Code Blue program provides shelter and meals to homeless adults on cold, winter nights when it is dangerous to be outside.

There are several volunteer opportunities for parishioners to be a part of this important mission including Shelter Site Managers, Food Coordinators and Kitchen Volunteers. If you are interested in more information, contact Erin Dalton at erincdalton@gmail.com.

To sign up to be a volunteer, prepare a meal or donate food see more details on our website.

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