

LE DECINE DEL ROSARIO

THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF POMPEII

**The Oldest Continuing Italian-American Roman Catholic Church
in the Archdiocese of Chicago, located in the heart of historic "Little Italy."**

**A Gift of Italian-American Hospitality, Embracing All People of Faith
Founded in 1911 ✘ Established as a Shrine in 1994**



The term **shrine** signifies a church or other sacred place to which the faithful make pilgrimages for a particular pious reason with the approval of the local ordinary. At shrines, more abundant means of salvation are to be provided for the faithful; the Word of God is to be carefully proclaimed; liturgical life is to be appropriately fostered especially through the celebration of the Eucharist and penance; and approved forms of popular piety are to be cultivated.

Code of Canon Law, 1230 and 1234

Le Decine del Rosario is the Italian phrase for decades of the rosary, representing the twenty decades of the rosary, for which our weekly bulletin is named.

Sunday Mass 8:30 & 11 a.m.

Wednesday Mass 6 p.m.

Saturday Mass 7:30 a.m.

***Virtual Advent/Christmas
Reflections
& Reconciliation***

(Details page 3)

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Oh Come, Oh Come, E mmanuel!

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Third Sunday of Advent

O God, who see how your people faithfully await the feast of the Lord's Nativity, enable us, we pray, to attain the joys of so great a salvation and to celebrate them always with solemn worship and glad rejoicing. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

How am I faithfully awaiting the Lord's Nativity?

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

How can I make known to others the Incarnation of Christ?

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Shining On... & consecrated to Mary, Queen of the Holy Rosary, **The Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii** is a place to pray for peace that embraces all people of faith. A center of hospitality and spiritual growth, the Shrine's ministry is one of spiritual assistance and service where all might experience inspirational moments of prayer, comfort and contemplation. Located on Chicago's Near West Side, the Shrine is a gift of the Italian-American community to the Archdiocese of Chicago. Our mission is to dedicate our resources to healing, prayer and pilgrimage.

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READINGS FOR DECEMBER 12:

First Reading - Shout for joy! Sing joyfully! Be glad and exult! The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior (Zephaniah 3:14-18a).

Psalm - Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel (Isaiah 12).

Second Reading - Rejoice! The Lord is near. Make your requests known to God (Philippians 4:4-7).

Gospel - John tells his hearers to share their possessions with the needy; be honest; do not threaten or accuse others falsely (Luke 3:10-18).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 12:

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mt 21:23-27	Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-19, 23; Mt 21:28-32	Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 7:18b-23	Thursday: Is 54:1-10; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b; Lk 7:24-30	Friday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17	Saturday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25
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READINGS FOR DECEMBER 19:

First Reading - From Bethlehem-Ephrathah shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel (Micah 5:1-4a).

Psalm - Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved (Psalm 80).

Second Reading - We have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Christ once for all (Hebrews 10:5-10).

Gospel - Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken by the Lord would be fulfilled (Luke 1:39-45).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 19:

Monday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 1:26-38	Tuesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45	Wednesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56	Thursday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66	Friday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79	Friday Night, Christmas Eve Midnight Mass: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
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MASS IN REMEMBRANCE FOR DECEMBER 12 & 19:

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Saturday, Christmas Morning:
Is 52:7-10;
Ps 98:1-6;
Heb 1:1-6;
Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

LOVE NOW
Let those love now
who never lov'd
before;
let those who
always lov'd
now love the more.

~ Anonymous

PRAYERFUL INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER 12 & 19:

Special Intentions of
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PLEASE NOTE: Names submitted for PRAYERFUL INTENTIONS will remain listed for 4 weeks (2 issues). Please contact the office to submit your request. Thank you!

The Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii, together with
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, present

**Musing on Music: Reflections on the
Hymns of Advent and Christmas**
A Virtual Event

Amid the isolation of a lingering pandemic arises an opportunity for a sacred time to meditate on the promise of Emmanuel, "God with us." Journey with us, virtually, as we explore four classical hymns of Advent and Christmas, creatively interpreted in the writing of Fr. Richard Fragomeni.

Each week a different presenter will focus on a different hymn, with the opportunity for reflection, small group discussion.

Together let us seize the opportunity to awaken from our slumber and with eyes of faith see in the darkness around us the birthplace of the Light, the Christ, to whom all the music of the heavens is eternally directed.

Each morning stands alone - Join us for 1 or both!

December 18 – Br. Antony Julius on "Like the Dawning of the Morning" Br. Antony Julius Milton joined the Franciscan Capuchin Province of Tamil Nadu, India in 2010. Recently ordained a deacon, he is currently at CTU studying for his M.Div. and M.A. in Theology while ministering at The Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii.

January 8 – Catharine M. Lentz on "O Little Town of

Bethlehem" Catharine M. Lentz, JD, MA is the Director of Adult Faith Formation and RCIA at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Darien, IL. She has a Masters in Liturgical Studies from Catholic Theological Union and a Juris Doctor from the University of Chicago Law School.

Join us on Saturday mornings from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Each is independent of the others. There will be one link for both sessions, sent when you register, and a reminder with the link sent the day before each session.

Daybreaks: Daily Reflections for Advent and Christmas by Fr. Richard N. Fragomeni, PhD, the book from which our pilgrimage draws its inspiration, will be available for you to pick up at either **The Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii** (Chicago) or **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel** (Darien) for a **\$5 suggested freewill donation**. You may also **purchase it online** or at www.ourldyofpompeii.org. *Daybreaks* is a prayerful resource that can be used for each and every Advent and Christmas season but it is **not required** to participate in this virtual event.

SHRINE RECONCILIATION SERVICES: Available in person Sunday, Dec. 12 & 19 from 9:45–10:45 a.m. If you have any questions or need more information, contact **Carl Wachsmann: 312.421.3757, x315** or carl@ourladyofpompeii.org; **Cathy Lentz: catharine.lentz@ourladyofmtcarmel.org 630-852-3303**.

Freewill donations will be gratefully received.



For items on this page, visit ourladyofpompeii.org and select the tab, "Donate."

PERPETUAL LIGHT SOCIETY

Consider joining the **Perpetual Light Society** in memory of deceased family and friends. For a donation of \$100.00, your loved one

is **remembered for a year** & their **name is printed** in the **Bulletin** the **first Sunday** of **every month**. Call the Shrine for details **312.421.3757**.



2022 Sunday Collection Envelopes

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will be distributed starting **Sunday, Dec. 19 after the Masses** or call 312.421.3757 to have them picked up or mailed. We are so grateful for your ongoing support!

Ways to Remember or Honor Loved Ones



1. Christmas Flower Offering Envelopes... *In memory* or *in honor* of loved ones, living and deceased, are available on the tables at back of the church or visit website above (\$5 Minimum donation.) There is no deadline on Christmas flowers. We will place your intentions, names of your loved ones on the altar starting **Christmas Eve** through the Christmas season, **Sunday, January 2, the Feast of the Epiphany**. If you have any questions, please call the Shrine Office at 312.421.3757.

2. The Ritual of Lighting a Candle now allows you to place special intentions in the sanctuary, in a new touch-less way. Candles for Intentions and Memorials received by Friday, 3:00 p.m., will be lit before the 8:30 a.m. Sunday Mass and will be included as part of the "Prayers of the Faithful" Intercessions. Your candle will remain lit in the Shrine's sanctuary for approximately 5 to 7 days. Please visit the website in yellow box above, to make your donation and offer your intention. \$5 minimum donation per candle.

3. Memorial Gifts in Honor or in Memory of a loved one, living or deceased (\$25.00 minimum donation).

Make your year end donation to meet 2021 tax deadlines via website in yellow box above or call the office.

5. January 2, 2022, 11 a.m. Mass - The Epiphany of the Lord with **La Befana**, a Children's Pilgrimage.

4. Garden of Remembrance Engraved Memorial Pavers

a wonderful opportunity to honor your family name, celebrate a precious memory or event, or remember a loved one. Each 4" x 8" brick is \$250.00. Visit the web in yellow box above, or Contact Marcia Piemonte at 312.421.3757 or mlp@ourladyofpompeii.org



Save the Date - St. Joseph Table returns, March 20th!



Christmas 2021

Buon Natale!
Where has the year gone?

Dear Friends,

It is wonderful to reach out to you about this special season at the Shrine - Christmas.

Christmas at the Shrine means so many things... the spectacular sounds of Christmas carols ringing joyfully, the twinkle of thousands of lights that shine in our sacred space, and the gathering of families and friends for our special Masses. All of these things, and more, add up to the incredible blessings we have during Christmas.

We understand that many of you may not want to come to Mass because of the pandemic, and you can still share in our unique traditions. Please know that our Christmas Masses will be live and livestreamed on the Shrine's Facebook page and YouTube channel. Check our website – www.ourladyofpompeii.org – for details.

Christmas at the Shrine is a gift - a gift that we share. We are truly blessed to have been able to keep our doors open for more than 27 years! The only way we have been able to maintain our ministry is through the generosity of friends like you. We know that during this time of year, many charitable organizations are tugging at your heart. I humbly ask you to help the Shrine touch more hearts and open its doors wider, not only to our Italian-American community, but to all who long for a place of peace, comfort, and the familial love we share with others.

Your support keeps our historic building and ministries moving forward and our Shrine... *Shining On*.

May the joy and songs of Christmas be in your heart and the twinkling lights and Infant Lord and Savior shine on you and give you hope.

And may we all share this special Christmas time together with family and friends.

With the blessings of Christ and Our Mother, Mary,

Rev. Richard N. Fragomeni, PhD
Rector



PS: Please use the enclosed remit card for your special intentions, so that we may remember them in our Masses on Christmas and into the New Year of Our Lord. You may also visit our website: www.ourladyofpompeii.org to donate online and find specifics regarding Mass times for the holiday season. I thank you in advance for your faith and support.

PSS: Your support in the past has made it possible for the Shrine, founded in the Italian tradition and culture, to continue its mission as a center of hospitality, evangelization and spiritual growth both in person and virtually. Thank you for the generosity of your heart.

**Third Sunday of Advent
December 12, 2021**

With joy you will draw water
at the fountain of salvation.
~ Isaiah 12:3

**Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 19, 2021**

O LORD of hosts, look down from heaven
and see; take care of this vine, and protect
what your right hand has planted.
~ Psalm 80:15-16



**Has your Contact Information
(Address, Email, Phone) Changed?**

Please let us know! **312.421.3757**
or **mps@ourladyofpompeii.org**.

**JOIN UP at the SHRINE
Shrine Auxiliary
January Meeting TBD**

We look forward to seeing our
Beloved Regulars &
welcoming **New Men & Women**
who would like to check us out!

ShrineAuxiliary@gmail.com



**Feeding God's "Holy Family"
Sundays: December 12 & January 9
Here are just a few ideas...**

*(Please check
food expiration dates)*

SHOPPING LIST

Low sugar cereal,
regular cereal, Low salt &
regular canned vegetables,
Canned soup, Crackers
(Saltines, wheat, etc),
Rice, Pasta, Pasta sauce,
Canned tomatoes,
Canned tomato paste,
Canned fruit,
Boxed instant potatoes,
Macaroni & Cheese,
Canned Chicken,
Turkey, Tuna,
Juice (small cans or
individual boxes),
Chocolate, Hard candy
(sugar free & reg),

Oatmeal (instant & regular),
Pudding,
Apple Sauce,
Chunky or Creamy
peanut butter,
Fruit Cocktail,
Jello, cookies,
trail mix,
chips, nuts,
or granola bars.

Thank You!



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OLHFParish@archchicago.org for weekly schedule and updates.
- ✘ **DAILY MASS & CONFESSION TIMES: St. John Paul II
Newman Center at UIC**, 700 S. Morgan Street, Chicago, 312.226.1880.
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Confessions: By Appointment: **JP2NEWMAN@GMAIL.COM**
- ✘ **WASHROOMS** next door, downstairs in Shrine Hall.
- ✘ **PLEASE REMEMBER The Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii**
in your **will**. Contact **Mary Beth Howard 312.421.3757, ext. 319** or
mbhoward@ourladyofpompeii.org. **Thank you!**

Shrine Directory

Weekday Masses:

6:00 p.m. **Wednesday evenings**
7:30 a.m. **Saturday mornings**

Sunday Eucharistic Liturgies:

8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.

Padre Pio Prayer Cenacle

6 p.m. **1st & 3rd Wed.** of month

Anointing of the Sick:

temporarily suspended due to Covid.

Shrine Auxiliary:

January Meeting TBD

Join Us, 10 a.m. in the Shrine Hall,
shrineauxiliary@gmail.com

Schedule of Services, Programs and Groups

OLP Alumni & Friends:

Join us!! gracedv@aol.com
Volunteers always welcome at the Shrine, call **312.421.3757**.
Join us!!

Shrine LITURGICAL MINISTRY

VOLUNTEER Forms are located on tables at the back of the church.



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Schedule of Presiders through Sunday, December 19:

❖ 6:00 p.m.	Wednesday, December 8:	Fragomeni
❖ 7:30 a.m.	Saturday, December 11:	Fragomeni
❖ 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Sunday, December 12:	Fragomeni
❖ 6:00 p.m.	Wednesday, December 15:	Tverde
❖ 7:30 a.m.	Saturday, December 18:	Tverde
❖ 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.	Sunday, December 19:	Groark

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Stewardship Report

FINANCIAL REPORT FISCAL YEAR (2021-2022)

YTD November 28, 2021

Operating Collection Budgeted \$ 73,333
Operating Collection Received \$ 78,683*
YTD Difference \$ 5,350

• Source of Support

Masses \$ 55,493
Give Central \$ 23,190

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& ALL you do to keep us going!

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Archdiocese of Chicago and **relies**
solely on your continued generosity.

We know that you cannot always worship with us. Your *Sunday Giving* underwrites every annual operating expense and we appreciate your kindness in this regard.

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Week of December 12:

Monday: St. Lucy
Tuesday: St. John of the Cross

Week of December 19:

Tuesday: St. Peter Canisius;
Winter begins
Thursday: St. John of Kanty
Friday: The Vigil of Christmas
Saturday: The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

LIGHT

All the darkness of the world cannot put out the light of one small candle.
~ Anonymous

NATURE RESTORED

Christ is born, that by his birth he might restore your nature.
~ St. Peter Chrysologus

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