

Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Church

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Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday Friday 9 am to 3 pm



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Fourth Sunday of Advent December 21st 2025



Our Mission Statement Reflects Our Spirit

"Our Lady of the Angels is a worshipping community dedicated to the education and spiritual growth of the whole parish family. With guidance from the Holy Spirit we extend our Christian love to the community we serve. We proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord with all our hearts and we welcome all to join us on our journey in following Him."

A Few Words From Fr. Dariusz



A FEW WORDS FROM FR. DARIUSZ

Today, we are celebrating the last Sunday of Advent. In a few days, we will commemorate the day when God's Son, Jesus Christ, was born. As we

all know with the approaching of Christmas, the pace of things speeds up. In many cases the spiritual side tends to get lost. I encourage you to find some time to reflect on what we are going to celebrate in a few days.

All three readings deal with the identity of the One who was to come. The identity of the child was mentioned in the Old Testament when Isaiah talked about the coming of a very special child but there is no reason to believe that he knew just how special that child would be. This child would be called Emanuel, that is, God is with us. No prophecy is fully understood until after its fulfillment.

CHRISTMAS WISHES

Dear Parishioners, Friends, and Visitors. On this special weekend, I would like to wish you and your families a Holy and Blessed Christmas Season.

Jesus is the reason to be jolly this season. He is the reason to be hopeful. As the world struggle against the forces of evil, we must not, as people of faith, lose sight of the good things and the good people that make our lives worth living. May God fill our hearts with love.

We have been given the great gift of love by Jesus our Savior. He is inviting us to reach out to him, to let go of our burdens. He took life to sanctify our lives, as we journeyed this year with the Lady of the Rosary who is continuing to visit and bless our homes. Now is the time to come together to the Ba-

by of Bethlehem and his Mother to ask them to bless us and give us the spirit. Let us all participate in the Sacraments, let us be a true light unto the nations.

As faithful people, may we gather together to be one in the Holy Spirit so that we may become a sign and instrument of Christ's presence in the world. The love of God the Father is made manifest to us in the wonderful gift of His Son, Jesus. With the angels in Bethlehem, our faith moves us to sing: "Glory to God in the highest and peace to His people on earth!" We recognize that true peace on earth flows from our recognition and praise of God in our lives.

Christmas has a way of bringing to Church individuals and families who, for various reasons, have not been to Mass or the Sacraments for months or years. What a wonderful and grace-filled opportunity to put aside past differences and old habits and begin anew that prayerful relationship with the Lord and His Church community. I extend to all of you an open, grateful heart of welcome. Together, may we grow in strength and grace to know and celebrate together God's presence in our lives and His dominion over all things of this world.

May our Lord Jesus Christ, born in Bethlehem, bless you, your families and loved ones at this blessed time of hope and grace. May Mary, the Mother of the Child Jesus and our Mother, watch over you and our beloved Our Lady of the Angels Parish always.

Merry Christmas and a Blessed and Happy New Year!

Fr. D

Mass Intentions

Monday December 22 8:45am

No Mass

Tuesday December 23 • 8:45am

+William Fadell (Fr. Dariusz)

Wednesday December 24 4:00pm

+Bernice Varga (Varga Family)
 +Sylvia & Chester Kapelanski (Family)
 +Ralph Fiscelli (Fiscelli Family)
 +Ted & Doris Lossing (Family)
 +William Doral (Vicki Perrish)
 +Robert Kimes Sr. & Sophie Kimel, Maryann Kimes & Family)

Wednesday December 24 8:00pm

+Paul, Randy, & Debra Pikus (Kerrigan Family)
 +Deceased Members of the Ferguson Family (Nina McEachern)
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Thursday December 25 10:00 am

+Richard & Carol Jakacki (Family)
 +Alex & Margaret Molnar (Bonnie & Phil Michels)
 +Debbie Kozerski (Bonnie Phil Michels)
 +Jeanie Browne (Browne Family)
 +Ralph Fiscelli (Fiscelli Family)
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Friday December 26 • 8:45am

No Mass

Saturday December 27 • 4pm

+Joan Murray (Nancy & Larry Sabados)
 +Diane Kaminski (Family)
 +Douglas Paul Lesley (Lisa Lesley)
 +Deceased Members of Kaneko Family (Family)
 +George Bopp (Family)
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Sunday December 28 • 9:30am

+Joan Lakos (McLachlan Family)
 +Joyce Lansfield (Deacon Bill)

Sunday December 28 11:30 am

+Jeanie Browne (Browne Family)
 +Mike Fregonara (Grant & Michelle Hyatt)

Prayer Request List

Dear God, We place our worries in Your hands. We place our sick under Your care and humbly ask that You restore Your servants to good health once more. . .

Jack Amo
 Pat Ankony
 Larry Barduca
 Bobbie Belknap
 Albert & Mary Brodbeck
 Kathleen Bernath
 Andre Ganem
 Kathy Gibson
 Anna Marie Fiscelli
 Sharon Ferrise
 a Cosgrove
 Paul Matt Ferrante
 Elena Fulgencio
 Paul Ganem
 Kathy Gibson
 Joshua Paul Gauthier
 Mary Lynn Hamilton
 Monalisa Hull
 Karen Kimes
 Theodore W. Kubelis
 Robert McLachlan
 Jerry McGrath

Lisa Menna
 Teddy Phillips
 Sister Angela Pikus
 Juliana Radford
 Janel Rea
 Cindy Resovsky
 Anthony Roulo
 Larry Sabado
 Andres Sabado
 Brian Shufdelt
 Daniel Smith
 Patricia Smolinski
 Ginny Stack
 Jerry Tenerowicz Sr.
 Anna Theeck
 JR Thomas
 Melinda Thomas
 Nancy Tockstein
 William Thome
 Michael Valle
 Scott Varga
 Herbert Weiss
 Amelia Williams
 Thomas Yoder
 John Zaidel

For Those in the Military:

David Chavis
 Andrew Guignon,
 Green Beret (Army)
 Cody Plohg,
 (Coast Guard Training)

Current Ministry Schedule

December 24th & 25th

Lector

4:00pm Mary Fergerson
 8:00pm Duane Tuft
 10:00am Bill Ehred

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00pm Annie Pearson, John Mosella, Stella Mosella
 8:00pm Robin Partrich, Linda Curmi, Volunteer
 10:00am Greg Smolinski, Volunteer, Volunteer

Purificators and Finger Towel Laundry

December 24th Stella Mosella

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December 27th & 28th

Lector

4:00pm Eric Szor
 9:30am Mary Fergerson
 11:30am Bernard Evon

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00pm D Balikowski, Shari Cybert, Duane Tufts
 9:30am Greg Smolinski, Erika Filipowicz, Janet Brennan
 11:30am Mary Sue Pompa, Jane Dewald, Louise Fregonara

FOOD PANTRY Partners with Meijer in 2026

More and more members of our community are turning to Our Lady of the Angels food pantry for help with ensuring they know where their next meal will come from. Our Lady of the Angels pantry has again joined forces with Meijer SIMPLY GIVE HUNGER RELIEF program during this difficult time to help fill that void for our local families.

OLA Food Pantry has been selected to participate with Meijer on the upcoming campaign which begins DEC. 28th 2025 through Mar. 21st. 2026, with DOUBLE MATCH DAYS at the TAYLOR MEIJER on Pardee on Sat. Mar 7th and Mar 28th 2026. The \$10 Donation cards are available at the Taylor Meijer as well as in the Narthex or Parish office. Please turn them in at the Meijer check-out any time you shop Dec 28th-Marc 28th, 2026.

Through Nov this year, our food pantry had 708 visits from needy families. We provide 2,114 people with a total of 41,300 lbs of food as well as hygiene, cleaning products and toiletries. Our numbers increased from an average of 14 per week in Jan-March to 20 families per week for Oct-Nov 2025.

With the help of the Meijer "SIMPLY GIVE" donation program, we were able to purchase \$15,157 of this food with gift cards purchased by our Parishioners at the Meijer in Taylor along with Meijer double match program. \$5,810 of these gifts were purchased during our last joint campaign which ended Mar 29th, 2025.

Thankyou to all of you who support the Pantry with food or monetary donations. We are very grateful for all your generosity. Your contributions have been a tremendous help keeping the pantry supplied so that we can continue to help those less fortunate than ourselves.

God bless all you this Christmas Season,

Penney Cummer



Our Prayer Garden

The garden is enjoyed by many that walk through it and admire all the different aspects that make it such an attractive part of our Church grounds. It honors many of the founding members as well as numerous current parishioners, their friends and families.

To buy a brick, you can fill out the form in the Parish Office. We take orders for bricks all year long. The cost is \$125 with 3 lines of inscription. Each line accommodates 14 characters including the spaces. Symbols can be inscribed on the bricks at a cost of \$5.00 each. The office has a list of the different symbols that can be put on a brick.

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE BURNS
FOR THOSE WHO ARE FACING
DESPONDENCY OR MENTAL
HARDSHIP. PEACE BE TO ALL THIS
HOLIDAY SEASON.



IN MEMORIAM 2025

JOYCE LANSFIELD

PASSED AWAY NOVEMBER 29TH

AGE 93

KAREN MANN

PASSED AWAY DECEMBER 7TH

AGE 87

THE LEGEND OF THE PONSETTIA

A charming story is told of Pepita, a poor Mexican girl who had no gift to present the Christ child at Christmas Eve Services. As Pepina walked slowly to the chapel with her cousin Pedro, her heart was filled with sadness rather than joy. "I am sure Pepita, that even the most humble gift, if given in love, will be acceptable in His eyes," said Pedro consolingly. Not knowing what else to do Pepita knelt by the roadside and gathered a handful of common weeds, fashioning them into a small bouquet. Looking at the scraggly bunch of weeds, she felt more saddened than ever by the humbleness of her offering. As she approached the alter she remembered Pedro's kind words. She felt her spirit lift as she knelt to lay the bouquet at the foot of the nativity scene. Suddenly, the bouquet of weed burst into blooms of brilliant red, and all who saw them were certain they had witnessed a Christmas miracle right before their eyes. From that day on the bright flowers were known as the "Flores de Noche Buena", or flowers of the Holy Night, for they bloomed each year during the Christmas season. Today the common name for this plant is the Poinsettia!

Ponce Inlet Newsletter

CABRINI SEWING GROUP

We sew re-usable sani-pads for girls/women

In 3rd world countries. We meet the 2nd & 4th

Monday of the month from noon until

2:30pm., at St. Frances Cabrini Church in

Allen Park. In the Wayne Wesenberg Wing

Of Holy Family Hall. If you'd like more info

Call or text Nancy Trela (313-575-2971)

No experience necessary , cutters, pinnners, sewers,
crocheters are always welcome and needed!

EVENTS

**MEN'S PRAYER GROUP
EVERY MONDAY 7PM
ST. ANNE ROOM**

**WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP
WE MEET ON THE SECOND
AND FOURTH FRIDAY
AT 9:30AM , ST. ANNE ROOM**

OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS

Super "Windfall" Raffle

Only 1000 tickets available

GRAND PRIZE

\$20,000.00

ADDITIONAL PRIZES: (1) \$1000.00, (4) \$500.00, (4) \$250.00, (10) \$100.00
(PRIZES SUBJECT TO IRS RULING)

TICKET PRICE \$100.00

DRAWING HELD:

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2026 DURING HALFTIME OF SUPER BOWL
6442 PELHAM ROAD • TAYLOR, MICHIGAN 48180 • (313)381-3000**

LICENCE No. R82118

WINNER(S) NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN
PROCEEDS TO OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS GENERAL FUND

Tickets available after all masses in the narthex and in the parish office
during normal business hours.

Tickets also available on line at the parish website (<http://loacc.org>) by
clicking the on line giving link and using the drop down "Windfall Raffle".

A ticket(s) will be mailed to you.

Questions? Call Jerry Ziemba 313-590-8908 or Mike Kava 313-300-1526

Sacraments

Order of Masses

Saturday 4:00pm

Sunday 9:30am, 11:30am

Tuesday 8:45am

Thursday, Friday 8:45am

Wednesday

No Mass or Prayer Service

Holy Days

As Announced

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 pm

Baptism

Infants and young children are baptized once a month throughout the year. Parents and Godparents must attend a Baptism Preparation Class at St. Frances Cabrini prior to Baptism. Please call the office.

Marriage

Couples who wish to be married at OLOA will meet with Fr. Dariusz to discuss their plans and set their **marriage** date. Prior to the wedding, the couple attends an

engaged couples workshop. Please contact Fr. Dariusz to schedule your pre-marriage appointment at least 8 months in advance of your wedding date.

New Parishioners

Register at Parish Office

Change of Address or Contact Information
Notify Parish Office

Calling Post

Text 'ANGELS' to 24251

Follow us on Facebook

<http://www.facebook.com/ladyoftheangels>

Sanctuary Candle

We would like to offer weekly dedications for the Sanctuary candles to burn in honor of your special intention. Donations are \$5.00 and requests can be made by calling or coming into the Parish Office at 313-381-3000.

For Shut-Ins • Mass on TV

Sunday Mass

Comcast Channel 393 • 8:00am, 12:00pm

Weekday Mass

Comcast Channel 1668 • 8:00am, 12:00pm



TotalOur Gifts to God
DUE TO THE PUBLISHERS
SCHEDULE, NO REPORT
AVAILABLE AT THIS
TIME.



Online Giving

Have you thought about giving on-line? It is a safe way to regularly support Our Lady of the Angels. Go to our website (www.loacc.org) and click on the "Give" link at the bottom of the 1st page.