

Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Church

6442 Pelham Road • Taylor, Michigan 48180

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Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday • 9:00 am to 3:00 pm



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Epiphany of the Lord • December 28th 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."

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank



you for your Christmas wishes and gifts. They all mean a lot to me. I would like to thank everyone who was directly or indirectly involved in making this Christmas season very special.

Today's celebration commemorates the Epiphany of the Lord. This Feast, usually celebrated on January 6th, commemorates the manifestation of the glory of Christ that was shown upon the Gentiles in the person of the Magi. Originating in the Eastern Church in the 3rd century, it soon spread to the West, where it is now commemorated especially for the apparition to the Magi.

In the First Reading, Isaiah provides a lyrical description of the New Jerusalem. In the New Jerusalem, the glory of God would be seen, not only upon the Jewish nation, but also upon the Gentiles. This truth is made very obvious in the last verse where Isaiah's prophecy states that they shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

The Magi, or as we like to say the kings, came to offer symbolic items to Jesus. Gold was a gift that was fit for a King. The magi did not perceive Jesus as their equal but rather as their King. Frankincense was a gift fit for a priest. The magi perceived Jesus to be a priest, one who is an advocate between

God and man. Myrrh was used to embalm the dead. While the magi perceived that Jesus was their King and a priest, they also perceived that He would die for the salvation of mankind.

St. Paul in his letter to the Ephesians reminded us today that prior to the glorious Resurrection of the Lord Jesus, the salvation of the Gentiles had remained a mystery. Saint Paul was called to make known to the world the grace of God that had descended upon the entire world.

In the Gospel Matthew teaches us that Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea during the reign of King Herod. The record of the magi, like the genealogy of Jesus confirms that Jesus was the promised King and Messiah. For it is a King that the magi were seeking to worship.

As the story of Christmas tell us, when the magi found the house, they entered it and found the Child Jesus with Mary His mother. They knelt before Jesus and presented Him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh as prophesied in the Old Testament.

As the Magi knew the true God, let us also remind ourselves of this truth. let us review our spiritual needs and commit ourselves to overcoming one of our weaknesses so the glory of God may shine through us more effectively.

May God bless all of us,
Fr. D

Mass Intentions

Monday December 29 8:45am

No Mass

Tuesday December 30 8:45am

+Helen Gajewski (Richard Gajewski)

Wednesday December 31

No Mass

Thursday January 1 10:00 am

+Jeanie Browne (Browne Family)

+Diane Kaminski (Family)

+Gerry Czisholm (Nina McEachern)

+Sylvia Kapelanski (Family)

Friday January 2 8:45am

+Rolando Garcia (Family)

+Rodger Rowley (Bonnie & Phil

Michels)

Saturday January 3 4:00pm

+Herb Weis (Jane Theeck)

+Manuel & Mary Grech (Anthony & Carmen Grech)

+Kevin Oswald (Burgor Family)

+Peter Marrocco (Anna Fiscelli)

+Lora Kushnak (Sylvia Wencel)

Sunday January 4 9:30am

+Ronald Johnson (Wife, Dorothy)

Sunday January 4 11:30 am

+Timothy Kerrigan (Altar Boys)



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 Guingon,
Green Beret (Army)
Cody Plohg,
(Coast Guard Training)

Current Ministry Schedule

January 1 2026

Lector

10:00am..... Robin Partrich

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00pmAnnie Pearson, John Mosella, Stella Mosella

Purifiers and Finger Towel Laundry.. January 3-4 Lorraine McFee

Current Ministry Schedule

January 3 & 4

Lector

4:00pm Len Vokal

9:30am..... Michael Kava

11:30am..... Louise Fregonara

Eucharistic Ministers

4:00pm Al Conrad, Susan Goldsmith, Gerry Lefteroff

9:30am..... Linda Curmi, Jennifer Davis, Fred Davis

11:30am..... Jane Dewald, Cathy Elliot, Gina Gibson

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 of you this Christmas Season,
Penney Cummer
Pantry Director



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 IN MEMORY OF DIANE KAMINSKI

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 Pepita 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, pinners, 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 Ziembra 313-590-8908 or Mike Kava 313-300-1526

Sacraments

Order of Masses

Saturday4:00pm

Sunday9:30am, 11:30am

Tuesday8:45am

Thursday, Friday8:45am

Wednesday

No Mass or Prayer Service

Holy Days

As Announced

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday3:00 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



Total Our 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.