

Our Lady, Help of Christians

Parish Newsletter & Announcements

O Mary, powerful virgin, thou art the mighty and glorious protector of the Church; thou art the marvelous help of Christians; thou art terrible as an army in battle array; thou alone hast destroyed every heresy in the whole world. In the midst of our anguish, our struggles and our distress defend us from the power of the enemy, and at the hour of our death receive our souls in paradise. Amen.

Prayer to Our Lady, Help of Christians composed by St. John Bosco

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Latin Classes - for adults and college/high school students, Mondays, 10:30am in the St. Therese Hall, starting January 8. Those interested should obtain the text: Familia Romana (Lingua Latina, pars I) by Hans Orberg, which can be found on [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com). Though helpful, no Latin experience is necessary. Contact Christopher Green (cgreen22@zoho.com) with any questions.

First Sacraments Classes – begin in January! The class will use the St. Joseph First Communion Catechism. The church will provide this book if you don't already have it. First Confession will be on March 3; First Communion will be May 6. Preparation classes will follow the Monday, 9:00 am Masses and will last approximately 30 minutes. If you have a student ready to prepare for First Confession and First Holy Communion, please submit the child's name/age to Jennifer Mackintosh (jenmackintosh@icloud.com). If you do not have a copy of the St. Joseph's First Communion Catechism, please include that in your email to Jennifer so that books can be provided.

Altar Server Training - Father would like all new servers and those servers who would like to advance to the next level of serving to be present for Altar Server training on January 13 (immediately following 8:00 am Mass).

January 16 - There will be Adoration and an Hour of Reparation from 4:30 - 5:30 pm; Mass at 5:30 pm; the Adult Education Class will follow Mass and Father will continue discussing heresies from the book, The Great Heresies by Hilaire Belloc.

Teen Apologetics class with social time following - on Saturday, January 27. Details will be emailed to the teen group.

LOOKING AHEAD

- * Septuagesima Sunday is January 28!
- * Ash Wednesday is February 14.
- * Father Shannon of the Missionaries of St. John the Baptist (<https://www.msjb.info/>) will be here the week of February 11 - 15 to lead the annual parish mission. There will be Mass each morning followed by a catechism class (suitable for all ages), and each evening, Father Shannon will offer a conference talk (suitable for adults and older children). Confession times will be available daily. Detailed schedule will be provided in the February newsletter.



Adoration of the Magi, Gentile da Fabriano, 1423

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