

**First Sunday of Advent
December 3, 2017
Fr. Dooley – Celebrant**

Sunday, December 3

- 9:10 a.m.** Rosary Meditations for the
Return of Fallen Away Catholics
- 9:30 a.m.** Mass for Mary Jo Dooley
by Genny Long & Family
• Coffee and Donuts Social after Mass
- 10:45 a.m.** PSR Classes in the Rectory

Wednesday, December 6

- 5:00-5:15 p.m.** Private Confessions
- 5:10 p.m.** Rosary Meditations for the
Return of Fallen Away Catholics
- 5:30 p.m.** Mass for Fallen Away Children: Sara, Matt,
& Victoria by The Pyzik Family

Thursday, December 7

- 5:30 p.m.** Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass
• Mass for Angela Morgan
by Santos-Mauntel & Bamba Families

Sunday, December 10

- 9:10 a.m.** Rosary Meditations for the
Return of Fallen Away Catholics
- 9:30 a.m.** Mass for Gilda Bickett by Jean Moorman
• Coffee and Donuts Social after Mass
- 10:45 a.m.** PSR Classes in the Rectory
- 11:00 a.m.** Sr. Leonard & Fr. Dooley
discuss India in the Church

**Suggestions for Outreach Food Pantry:
Cereal**

Advent Penance Service: Our Advent Penance Service will be held on Wednesday, December 13th at 5:30 p.m. We will also have Eucharistic Adoration while Confessions are being heard. The confessors will be Fr. Hahn, Fr. Hartge, and one of the priests from the Scioto County Consortium. Please note that there will be no Mass that day. We encourage you to take advantage of this sacrament before Christmas. If you haven't been to Confession in a while, the priests will help and guide you in the confessional.

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception: Our Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception will be held on Thursday, December 7th at 5:30 p.m. Please note that this is a holy day of obligation this year.

Christmas Flower Donation: If you would like to make a donation in memory of a loved one, please pick up a Christmas Flower envelope on the information table at the entrance of the Church. Please place your completed envelope in the collection basket on or before Sunday, December 17th.

March for Life 2018: The March for Life Pilgrimage in Washington, D.C. will be held from Thursday, January 18th-Saturday, January 20th. Every year, thousands gather to pray for the end of abortion in our country. This is open to all people in the Consortium. Those who can attend must be 8th grade or older. (8th graders with a parent). Adults must take the PGC session and have a BCI background check on file. An information form (can be picked up at St. Mary's Parish Office) and a \$30.00 deposit is needed for the pilgrimage. If the deposit is a financial hardship, please let Fr. Dooley know, no one is refused attendance for this reason.

Our time there will include: the Vigil Mass for Life at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, attending the March itself, and seeing a couple of sites in the D.C. area. Deadline for the form and deposit is Thursday, December 7th. If you are interested or plan to attend, please contact Fr. Dooley at (740) 774-1407, ext. 5.

Nominations now open for the 2018 Catholic Man

of the Year: The Catholic Men's Luncheon Club is accepting nominations for the Diocese of Columbus 2018 Catholic Man of the Year. This annual award – to be presented by Bishop Frederick Campbell on Friday, February 2, 2018 at the Men's Luncheon – recognizes one lay man who, through his daily actions, words, and prayers, exemplifies the "good and faithful servant". The recipient will have the opportunity to share his personal testimony during the ceremony. Nominations will be accepted through December 29th. For details, nomination instructions and the required nomination form, go to <https://www.catholicmensministry.com/cmoy>. Email the completed nomination form and up to five supporting testimonials to catholicmanoftheyear@gmail.com. Submit a nomination and let us know why your husband, father, son, uncle, brother or friend is the Catholic Man of the Year!

Protecting God's Children: A Protecting God's Children training session for those wanting to volunteer with the youth and children at the parish, as well as those interested in learning about the subject, has been scheduled. The next Session is scheduled for Saturday, December 2 9:00 a.m. at St. Peter's Church in Chillicothe. Preregistration is highly recommended but not required. Registration can be completed at www.virtus.org or by calling Jenny French at St. Peter's, 740-774-1407

**St. Mary Queen of the Missions Parish
Christmas Schedule**

Sunday, December 24th:

Mass at 9:30 a.m. – Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 24th:

Mass at 9:30 p.m. – Christmas Eve

Monday, December 25th:

Mass at 9:30 a.m. – Christmas Day

Sunday, December 31st:

Mass at 9:30am – The Holy Family

Sunday, December 31st:

Mass at 5:30 p.m. – Vigil of Mary, Mother of God



Sr. Leonard and Fr. Dooley present: India! Join Sr. Leonard and Fr. Dooley today, Sunday, December 10th at 11:00 a.m. in St. Mary's Church as they share some photos and stories from their experiences in India. This presentation will last for an hour. We hope to see you there!

A quick note on Eucharistic Adoration in December: Please note that there will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesday December 6th (our First Wednesday). Our Adoration time for December will be during the Advent Penance Service.

Hope Clinic of Pike County

The Hope Clinic of Pike County is a free clinic for the uninsured residents of the surrounding community of Pike County, Ohio. Our county is a medically under-served community which means there aren't enough doctors to provide medical care for the people who live here. As Christians who understand this need, we desire to live out the Gospel of Christ by working to meet the healthcare needs in our community. We are at 116 South Market Street, Waverly (former Pike County Sheriff's office building), on Tuesdays from 6:00-8:00 p.m. You may also make a tax-deductible donation to: THE HOPE CLINIC OF PIKE COUNTY, PO BOX 101, WAVERLY, OH 45690. See: www.hopeclinicpike.org for volunteer form.

Elizabeth's Hope Pregnancy Resource Center

Pregnant? Need help? Phone 740-947-1060, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Call option line 1-800-395-HELP, Confidential, caring assistance is available 24 hours.
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.

Raphael's Hands Healing Outreach

A place where you will find an open door to hope, prayer and a safe comfortable environment, as you walk the path to healing the wounds caused by abortion in your own life. Our "NEW" location, St. Francis Catholic Outreach Center, 2311 Stockham Lane, Portsmouth. Call (740-357-9822), or email RaphaelsHands@yahoo.com to begin your journey of healing today. We are praying for you.

Weekly Reflections for First Sunday in Advent

At the beginning of Advent, watch and wait;
be attentive to the ways in which God comes into your life.
Be willing to be surprised. (Mark 13:33-37)

Lay Ministers for Sunday, December 10th

Eucharistic Ministers: Jerry M. – Sr. Zephрина – Karen

Lectors: Hank – Judy

Altar Servers: Grace – Abby

Rosary:

Collection Counters: Mary & Mike Lilly

Church Cleaning Week of December 11th – Volunteers

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Monday, December 4:

Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122:1-9; Matthew 8:5-11

Tuesday, December 5:

Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Luke 10:21-24

Wednesday, December 6:

Isaiah 25:6-10; Psalm 23:1-6; Matthew 15:29-37

Thursday, December 7:

Isaiah 26:1-6; Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27;
Matthew 7:21, 24-27

Friday, December 8:

Genesis 3:9-15, 20; Psalm 98:1-4; Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12;
Luke 1:26-38

Saturday, December 9:

Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26; Psalm 147:1-6;
Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5-8

Sunday, December 10:

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; Psalm 85:9-14; 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8

Happy Birthday This Week to Barbara Terry, Michelle Noel, and Sarah Sand.

Pray for the Sick: Hank Adler, Antonio Arriaga, Rose Bamba, Mike Blanford, Susan Biogan, Jim Bonifield, Juanita Bryant, Jon Click, June Close, Tucker Davis, Rebecca Fouts, Lauren Frost, Evelyn Hammond, Judy Hart, Sr. Frances Joseph Hildebrand, Lawrence Hoffman, Kim Howard, Ronald Hurles, Cliff Jones, Bob Lee, Andrea Lutz, Frank McDonald, Andy O'Pry, David O'Pry, Patricia Perez, Bobbie McEhee, Connie McQuay, Abby Melton, Jeff Morris, Lucille Nichols, Tracy Patterson, MaryAnne Raphael, Wayne Robarge, Betty Simpkins, Ray Simpkins, Kathy Tapp, Randy Tong, Patsy Walder, and Jeannie Williams.

Shut-Ins: John Cannon, William Haidet, Esther Kordes, Mike Murphy, Richard Renollet, Wanda Salvail, Leona Sarver, Betty Shea, Katherine Skinner, and Kim Summers.

Pray for Those Serving in Our Military: Matthew Pyzik

(Please check the Prayer List for people who are no longer in need of prayer. We strive to keep this list current for those in their hour of need. If someone needs to be removed, please call the office (740-947-2436). If someone is in need of prayer, let us know that, too!

Note: If someone is in the hospital and needs a visit, please let one of the priests or the office know since the hospital cannot notify us.

From the Desk of Fr. Dooley

"Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come (Mark 13:33). These are the words that we hear as we begin the Advent Season. The Gospel writer hits on our human condition. Each of us have those central questions within ourselves: what am I looking for in life? What will bring me fulfillment? Only God can fully help us answer these questions.

While everyone already has their Christmas decorations out and songs blaring, we take time to evaluate and discern the importance of Jesus Christ in our lives. May this Advent Season bring you joy, peace, and growth.

Enjoy your week and happy Advent,
Fr. Dooley