

Weekly Mass Schedule				
Day of Week	Date	Time	Mass Intention	Church
Monday	Dec. 23		No Mass	
Tuesday	Dec. 24	3 p.m.	Donald Rose & David Zumberger	Osgood
		5 p.m.	Armella Ungruhn	North Star
Wednesday	Dec. 25	8:30 a.m.	Raymond Mangen	Osgood
		10:30 a.m.	Frank Huber & Carl Kremer	North Star
Thursday	Dec. 26		No Mass	
Friday	Dec. 27	8 a.m.	Elizabeth "Betty" Jutte	Osgood
Saturday	Dec. 28	4:30 p.m.	Roman & Norma Buening & Family & Albert & Nihla Davis Family	North Star
Sunday	Dec. 29	8:30 a.m.	Ervin & Verlina Ahrens & Lorys Bohman & Craig Poeppelman	Osgood
		10:30 a.m.	For the Parishioners of St. Louis & St. Nicholas & Paul Keiser	North Star

#### ST. LOUIS CHURCH LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Gift Bearers
Dec. 24 Tuesday 5 p.m.	Xavier Grillot Eli Grillot Quentin Grillot	Eric Mescher	W-Eric Mescher E-Katie Eilerman C-Lydia Grillot	M/M Andrew Bertke
Dec. 25 Wednesday 10:30 a.m.	Noah Barga Delaney Barga Levi Barga	Ben Selhorst	W-Conie Grillot E-Danielle Hesson C-Rita Kremer	M/M John Bey
Dec. 28 Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Alex Westgerdes Kyle Westgerdes Lydia Kelch	Deb Hemmelgarn	W-Deb Hemmelgarn E-Joyce Hiestand C-Phyllis Krieg	Jacqueline Billenstein
Dec. 29 Sunday 10:30 a.m.	Maxwell Wilker Ethan Wilker Dean Smith	Johna Hemmelgarn	W-Louis Grillot E-Mary Bergman C-Emily Langenkamp	Kelly Billenstein Family

#### ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Gift Bearers
Dec. 24 Tuesday 3 p.m.	Joshua Brunswick Cole Brunswick Brandon Pleiman	Ashley Bergman	C-Natalie Kramer W-Ashley Bergman	Mary Pierron
Dec. 25 Wednesday 8:30 a.m.	Ethan Bertke Colton Pohlman Jack Gerling	Renee Gerling	C-Kurt Meiring W-Hannah Kramer	M/M Alan Pleiman
Dec. 29 Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Allyson Franck Nicole Franck Ian Rindler	Teresa Grieshop	C-Luke Tangeman W-Teresa Grieshop	M/M Andrew Pleiman

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December 22, 2019

**St. Louis Catholic Church, North Star**  
**St. Nicholas Catholic Church, Osgood**  
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**Pastor: Rev. David G. Howard, JCL**



#### Christmas Masses at our Parishes

##### **December 24**

3 p.m. - St. Nicholas Church, Osgood

5 p.m. - St. Louis Church, North Star

##### **December 25**

8:30 a.m. - St. Nicholas Church, Osgood

10:30 a.m. - St. Louis Church, North Star

*There will be no morning Mass and no Evening Confessions on Thursday, December 26.*

#### Solemnity of Mary Mass Schedule

*This is a holy day of obligation.*

##### **December 31**

4:30 p.m. - St. Louis Church, North Star

##### **January 1**

9 a.m. - St. Nicholas Church, Osgood

*There will not be Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesday, January 1 at St. Nicholas Church.*



**Weekend Mass times at our parishes will change beginning January 4/5 weekend and continue through the end of June.**

**4:30 p.m. Saturday and 10:30 a.m. Sunday Masses will be at St. Nicholas, Osgood**

**8:30 a.m. Sunday Mass will be at St. Louis, North Star**

Confessions will continue on Thursdays from 7-9 p.m. at St. Louis Church, North Star and 9-9:30 a.m. at St. Nicholas Church, Osgood.



FOURTH SUNDAY OF *Advent*

### St. Louis Catholic Church

#### Confessions

Thursdays 7-9 p.m.

#### Masses

Tuesdays & Thursdays - 8 a.m.

Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:30 p.m.

Sunday Mass - 10:30 a.m.

### St. Nicholas Catholic Church

#### Confessions

Saturdays 9-9:30 a.m.

#### Masses

Wednesdays & Fridays - 8 a.m.

Sunday Mass - 8:30 a.m.

Dear Parishioners,

Please allow me to express my profound gratitude for your warm welcome and for your generosity, and thank you for remembering me on your Christmas lists. I am grateful for the cards, the treats, and the gifts. But, most of all, I am thankful for you. The greatest Christmas gift that I have received is to be with you as your Pastor, and I am extremely blessed to be a part of your lives. I am thankful for the many invitations that I have received to be with you and to share in your lives at Christmas parties and at other celebrations. While I do my best to accept invitations, conflicting schedules do not always make it possible for me to accept every invitation. But I try my best. As we continue to prepare for, and to celebrate, the coming of the Lord at Christmas, I pray that you and your loved ones, as well as our beloved parishes, will continue to receive the many blessings that Almighty God has in store for us, and I look forward to our time together. In the meantime, may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you!

Fr. Howard

**Baptism** for Nolan Louis Brown, son of Daniel and Leah Brown, will be held at the 8:30 a.m. Mass next Sunday, December 29 at St. Nicholas Church. Congratulations to the family!

**Contribution envelopes** for 2020 are available in the Gathering Room at St. Louis Church and in the basement at St. Nicholas Church. Please pick up your packet at your earliest convenience.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** St. Louis Parish is in need of persons to pray on the first Tuesday of each month from 1-2 p.m. during Eucharistic Adoration. Please call the office if you can fill this time slot.

**From the Archdiocese of Cincinnati regarding the Easter Vigil:** "The Easter Vigil must take place during the night, so that it begins after nightfall. In the Archdiocese of Cincinnati the Easter Vigil should begin no earlier than 8:45 p.m." Holy Saturday Mass will begin at 8:45 p.m. on April 11 at St. Nicholas Church.

### CCD News

There will be no CCD on December 25 and January 1. CCD will resume January 8. St. Louis Right to Life posters are due on January 8.

**Attention Ushers:** The Archdiocese has asked that each parish collect Mass counts one Sunday per month during 2020. We ask that ushers count Mass attendance on the first weekend of each month during 2020 and also at the Easter and Christmas Masses.

**Baptism & Beyond Class** will be held February 10 at 7 p.m. in the St. Louis Church basement. All couples are to attend before baptism. Call 419-582-2531 to register.

**Mark your calendar:** St. Nicholas Parish Dinner/Dance will be held on January 25.

**Thank you so much for your recent participation in the Bottles for Babies campaign** for Elizabeth's New Life Center! St. Nicholas' generosity has helped to raise \$4,246.62, which thus far has saved almost 9 babies! Thanks again for your support and generosity!

**Darke County Right to Life** is sponsoring a bus trip to Washington D.C. for the March for Life. It will depart on Thursday, January 23, travel through the night and return early on Saturday, January 25. The group will be attending a Right to Life Rally and Mass at the Cathedral of St. Matthew as well as the March for Life Rally on Friday, January 24. The trip cost is \$70 per person. Contact Jake DeMange at 419-336-1034 for further details or to sign up. Donations for the bus trip are appreciated and help keep the cost of the bus trip down. If you are able to donate you can send a donation to Darke County March for Life, PO Box 65, North Star, OH 45350.

**Catholic Adult Singles Club** will go to a New Years Eve party in Coldwater on December 31. For more information call Eileen at 419-678-8691.

**Quo Vadis** young adult group is hosting a free-will donation breakfast at the Maria Stein Legion Hall on Sunday, December 29 from 8-12:30. Take the family out for breakfast and support a great cause! The next Quo Vadis Night is December 29 at 7 p.m. at the Maria Stein Shrine featuring Russia's Henry Cordonnier.

**Annual Meeting for the North Star Fire Department** will be January 14 at 8 p.m. at the firehouse.



### CYO Basketball Games today, December 22

St. Nicholas Girls Team will play St. Augustine at Minster at 3 p.m.

St. Louis Boys C Team will play Holy Redeemer C at Versailles at 2:30 p.m.

### Last Week's Contributions

Sunday Collection:

St. Louis: \$3,534.00

St. Nicholas: \$2,417.00