

† **Mass Intentions for the Week**

Sunday, December 21st

Fourth Sunday of Advent

8 AM St. Joseph's Parishioners

10 AM In Thanksgiving for an
Answered Petition

12 PM Rose and Frank Christoforo (D)

2 PM Anthony Teklits (D)

6 PM Rolando S. Villacorta, Jr. (D)

Monday, December 22nd

7 AM Helen C. Waldmann (D)

12:15 PM Robert O'Brien (D)

Tuesday, December 23rd

7 AM Aida Saint Just and

David Alexander Scott (D)

12:15 PM Francisca Santiago (D)

Wednesday, December 24th

7 AM Mike, Liam and Margaret
McInerney (D)

12:15 PM Danny, Lena, Bridget,
and Paddy McNamara (D)

5 PM St. Joseph's Parishioners

12 Midnight Margit Hangxal (D)

The Nativity of the Lord
(Christmas)

8 AM Mike, MaryAnn, Patrick
and Michael McInerney (L)

10 AM William Paul Griffo (D)

12 PM Allen Rogers (D)

2 PM Celebrant's Intention

Friday, December 26th

7 AM Jack Bigger (D)

12:15 PM NO MASS

Saturday, December 27th

8 AM Fran Pashko Lumaj (D)

12:15 PM Aida Saint Just and
David Alexander Scott (D)

4 PM Joseph Valentino (D)

Healing After Abortion

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion? There is always hope. The pain and sorrow of abortion does not need to endure for a lifetime. A "Day of Prayer and Healing" offers the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to Respond to His invitation to begin the journey of healing the wound of abortion. Upcoming dates in the NYC area are: In English: January 10, 2026; March 14, 2026, May 16, 2026. In Spanish: February 14, 2026, April 18, 2026. For more dates, locations, and confidential registration, or just to talk to a Sister, please call the Sisters of Life at (866)-575-0075 or reach us by email at hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org.

The church is open Monday through Friday from 6:30 AM to 6:00 PM, Saturday from 7:30 AM to 5 PM, and Sunday from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM.

The parish office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 6:00 PM.

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Pastor's Letter

Dear Parishioners,

From the Holy See Press Office, December 18, 2025:

Resignation and appointment of metropolitan archbishop of New York, U.S.A.

The Holy Father has accepted the resignation from the pastoral care of the metropolitan archdiocese of New York, United States of America, presented by His Eminence Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan.

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Ronald A. Hicks as metropolitan archbishop of New York, United States of America, transferring him from the diocese of Joliet in Illinois, United States of America.

Curriculum vitae

Bishop Ronald Aldon Hicks was born on 4 August 1967 in Chicago, Illinois, in the metropolitan archdiocese of the same name. He attended Niles College Seminary, obtaining a bachelor’s degree in philosophy at Loyola University, Chicago. He was a volunteer for the *Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos* Foundation. He carried out his ecclesiastical studies at the University of Saint Mary of the Lake and Mundelein Seminary in Mundelein, Illinois. He subsequently qualified as a Doctor of Ministry at the same university. He was ordained a priest for the metropolitan archdiocese of Chicago on 21 May 1994.

He has held the following offices: parish vicar of *Our Lady of Mercy* in Chicago (1994-1996) and of *Saint Elizabeth Seton* in Orland Hills (1996-1999), dean of formation at *Saint Joseph College Seminary* (1999-2005), regional director of the charitable organization *Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos* in Mexico and El Salvador (2005-2009), faculty member and then dean of formation of the University of Saint Mary of the Lake and Mundelein Seminary (2010-2014), and vicar general (2015-2020). He was appointed titular bishop of Munatiana and auxiliary of Chicago on 3 July 2018, receiving episcopal consecration the following 17 September. On 17 July 2020 he was appointed bishop of the diocese of Joliet in Illinois.

We welcome our new shepherd, Archbishop Ronald A. Hicks. He will be installed as Archbishop of New York on February 6, 2026 at St. Patrick’s Cathedral. We ask God to bless Timothy Cardinal Dolan who has served as our Archbishop for almost 17 years. He will live in retirement here in the Archdiocese of New York.

The Christmas Mass Schedule is as follows: December 24th -Christmas Eve- Vigil Mass at 5 PM Mass; Midnight Mass in Hungarian. December 25th – Christmas Day – Mass at 8 AM, 10 AM and 12 PM; Hungarian Mass 2 PM; NO MASS AT 6 PM.

The parish office will be closed on Christmas Day. On Friday December 26th there will be only one Mass at 7 AM. The church will close after Mass. The parish office will be closed on December 26th.
God Bless you!

Fr. Gerald E. Murray, Pastor

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass 4 PM	Weekday Masses	7 AM and 12:15 PM
Sunday Masses 8 AM, 10 AM, 12 PM, 2 PM (Hungarian Mass), 6 PM	Saturday Masses	8 AM and 12:15 PM
German Mass First Saturday of the Month, 5 PM	Holy Days of Obligation	6 PM Vigil, 7 AM 12:15 PM and 6 PM

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BAPTISMS: Baptism is scheduled on an individual basis.
SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION-RECONCILIATION:
Confessions: Saturdays, 3:15 -3:45 pm; Sundays, 9:30 - 9:55 AM and 11:30 - 11:55 AM
MARRIAGES: Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance.
HOLY HOUR: First Friday of each month following 12:15 PM Mass
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Sundays from 3:15 PM to 5:30 PM
HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: Please contact the rectory
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN – CCD:
Please contact St. Ignatius Loyola Parish 212-288-3588, www.stignatiusloyola.org