



CALENDAR OF SPECIAL EVENTS

Important Dates & Times: November and December

Thanksgiving Day, November 25th: 9 am Mass

Wednesday, December 8th: Holy Day of Obligation, Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary

Mass Times: Dec. 7th Vigil Mass at 5 pm Dec. 8th at 8 am, 12 Noon and 6 pm

Christmas Mass Schedule

Friday, December 24th: Church 4 pm, 6 pm, 8 pm, 10 pm

Parish Hall: 4:15 pm, 6:15 pm

Saturday, December 25th: Church 7 am, 9 am, 11 am

Additional Confession Times During Advent

December 2, 9, 16, 23: Thursdays from 5 pm – 6 pm

Office Closure Dates

Thanksgiving Day, November 25th

Monday, December 27th

Friday, December 31st

Christ the King Eucharistic Adoration Procession: Sunday, November 21st!

All parishioners are invited to join us at Sundial Circle Plaza in downtown Carefree after the 11 am mass to publicly proclaim our faith. Fr. Jess will lead us in prayer and song as we process around the circle. Afterward, a box lunch will be offered to all participants and seating will be provided. Please RSVP for box lunch to parish office at 480-488-2229.

Parish Advent Project: First cash/check collection weekend will be on Saturday, November 20th and Sunday, November 21st

The funds collected after each mass will provide Christmas gifts for students at St. Agnes Catholic School in Phoenix and St. Charles Mission School on the Apache Reservation. The generosity of our parishioners ensures that the children in these underserved communities will have Christmas gifts.

Parish Mission Featuring Patrick Madrid: Monday, Dec. 6th & Tuesday, Dec. 7th

Our Lady of Joy is happy to announce its Advent Parish Mission will be led by Patrick Madrid, best-selling author and host of the Patrick Madrid Show on Relevant Radio, heard daily on 190 stations across the country. This two-night event will take place on Monday, December 6th and Tuesday, December 7th from 6:30PM-8:00PM in our church. All are welcome to attend this free event, although it is recommended that you arrive early for good seats! Invite others to join you for this fantastic event! No registration necessary.

A Christmas Concert... "Why We Sing": Friday, December 10th

All parishioners, friends, family and members of our community are invited to Our Lady of Joy's first Christmas concert! Join us in the church on Friday, December 10th from 7pm to 9 pm for this special musical experience celebrating Advent and Christmas. This celebration will feature the talents of our parish choir and also professional singers and musicians under the direction of our own Gabriel Martinez. Admission is free (donations to the OLOJ Choir will be accepted). Complimentary refreshments will be available during the intermission in the courtyard. Complimentary child care will be available in the OLOJ Preschool. No RSVP required. All are welcome!

Breakfast with St. Nick: Sunday, December 12th at 10 am

We invite our parish families to join us after the 9 am mass for this traditional event featuring performances by our preschool students, breakfast prepared by our Knights of Columbus, photos with St. Nick and children's Christmas craft activities. Tickets are \$12.00 per person and may be purchased on the parish website at www.oloj.org Look for the St. Nick's banner at the top of the page!