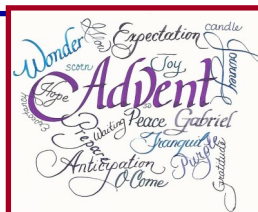


November 29, 2020

First Sunday of Advent



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 28 ~ Vigil/1st Sunday in Advent
5:30 PM Richard Cinque, Anastatia & William Grahame, Vera Grahame Stack & Martin Stack, Anne Stack Barry

Sunday, November 29 ~ 1st Sunday in Advent
9:30 AM

Monday, November 30
9:00 AM Hetty Ericksen

Wednesday, December 2
9:00 AM Ona Morrison

Friday, December 4
9:00 AM Grace Frasciello

Saturday, December 5 ~ Vigil/2nd Sunday in Advent
5:30 PM Grzybek Family, Kruk Family

Sunday, December 6 ~ 2nd Sunday in Advent
9:30 AM

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, December 5 ~ Vigil/2nd Sunday in Advent
5:30 PM Joe Herschel

Sunday, December 6 ~ 2nd Sunday in Advent
9:30 AM Al Ceriale

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, December 5 ~ Vigil/2nd Sunday in Advent
5:30 PM Kathy Fayol

Sunday, December 6 ~ 2nd Sunday in Advent
9:30 AM Ann Clouse

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE

Alexandria Baker-Bonitz (*Navy*)
 Dylan Bonitz (*Navy*) Chase Bowen (*Navy*)
 Sarah Bowen (*Navy*) Juan Gonzalez (*Navy*)
 Kaila McGowan (*Marines*) David Nguyen (*Marines*)
 Anthony Pagano (*Navy*) Joseph Ruize (*Navy*)
 Carissa Tironi (*Army*) Elliott Weidel (*Marines*)

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Joanne Bach, Hank Bodendorf, Margaret Ellen Burke, S.C., Barbara Ceriale, Charles Clark, Bob Cross, Brian Cross, Nicole Dawson, Lucy D'Amato, Anna Gallo, Joe Gallo, Michael Gallo, Maggie Horne, Anthony Pagano, Sr., Helen Ryan, Sadie, Frances Salewski, Pam Sibley, Chris Strobl, Gary Texter, Katylynn Auer Weidel

PRAY FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOMES

Rosella McKane, Regina Parthesius, Virginia Steinbeck, Robert Wise

LOOKING AHEAD

FOOD PANTRY – 9:00 AM by appointment
(Every Saturday Unless Announced)

Saturday & Sunday, November 28 & 29
 Select Bells & Stars Gift Tags from the Giving Tree in the Gathering Area *(due back 12/12 & 13)*



Tuesday, December 1
 Religious Ed Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM *(On Line)*

Friday, December 4
 First Friday Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament ~ 7:00 PM



Tuesday, December 8
 Feast of the Immaculate Conception
 Mass at 7:00 PM

Tuesday, December 8
 Religious Ed Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM *(On Line)*



Saturday & Sunday, December 12 & 13
 All Bells & Stars Gifts are Due Back *With Their Tags Attached*

Tuesday, December 15
 R.E. Students & Parents Reconciliation
 Religious Ed Classes
 6:30-7:30 PM *(On Line)*



Saturday, December 19
 Bells & Stars Gifts Distributed ~ 9-11 AM



Today's Scripture

1st Sunday in Advent

Isaiah 63:
 16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7
 1 Corinthians 1:3-9
 Mark 13:33-37

An intervention is called for so that we might experience God's love in our lives. This is the meaning of salvation: to live in God's love.

In the earliest days of the Church, Christians believed that Jesus was going to return in glory within a very short while. As time passed, they came to realize that it might be quite some time before Jesus did come. Thus, they began to speak about the second coming as something that would happen as unexpectedly as the arrival of a thief in the night.

We do not know how long we are going to live. This does not mean that we should live in terror, but rather that we should live with the proper perspective. We must live each day as something precious, for there might not be another day.

We must live today as if it were our first day, last day, and only day.

Mass Attendance/Collection

Attending Mass November 21 & 22: **77**
 Weekend's Collection: **\$1,131.00**



We Give Thanks

A Thanksgiving Prayer Service kicked off last Saturday morning's distribution of 30 Thanksgiving baskets. Contributions of Thanksgiving dinner ingredients were received from parishioners, as well as \$1,360 that was used for ShopRite Gift Cards and to supplement the needed number of baskets. The morning went quite smoothly . . . thank you, one and all!



Advent

Advent is a season of the liturgical year observed in most denominations as a time of expectant waiting and preparation for both the celebration of the Nativity of Christ at Christmas and the return of Christ at the Second Coming. Advent is the beginning of the liturgical year in Western Christianity.

Week 1 ~ Hope

The tradition for the first Sunday of Advent includes **lighting the candle of hope**. This candle of hope symbolizes promises delivered through the prophets from God as well as the hope we have in Christ. God crafted a great rescue plan that he lays out in Scripture. This plan foretells years in advance the arrival of Christ.



A PRAYER FOR PEACE OF MIND AND HEART

Lord Jesus, Give Me Your Peace. Give me confidence in the depths of danger. Give me hope when I am surrounded by fear. Still my worries, calm the anxieties pressing in on me from the world I live in. Lord Jesus, give me Your peace. Reassure me that You are with me when I seem alone. Ease my doubting, as You did Thomas's. Lord Jesus, give me Your peace. Guide my searching for peace, so that I may not seek it where it is not to be found, but I may seek it in You. Lord Jesus, live in me and give me Your peace.

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