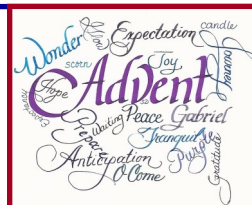




December 6, 2020

Second Sunday of Advent



MASS INTENTIONS
Saturday, December 5 ~ Vigil/2nd Sunday in Advent
 5:30 PM Grzybek Family, Kruk Family, Vincenza Sansalone
Sunday, December 6 ~ 2nd Sunday in Advent
 9:30 AM
Monday, December 7
 9:00 AM Vincent Frasciello
Tuesday, December 8 ~ Immaculate Conception
 7:00 PM June & Joe Kitson, Sandy Kitson
Wednesday, December 9
 9:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Mahoney
Friday, December 11
 9:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. Louis Harlow
Saturday, December 12 ~ Vigil/3rd Sunday in Advent
 5:30 PM Gail DiMartino
Sunday, December 13 ~ 3rd Sunday in Advent
 9:30 AM Richard Cinque

MINISTERS OF THE WORD
Tuesday, December 8 ~ Immaculate Conception
 7:00 PM Eileen Ernst
Saturday, December 12 ~ Vigil/3rd Sunday in Advent
 5:30 PM Ted Wall
Sunday, December 13 ~ 3rd Sunday in Advent
 9:30 AM Frank Schmaus

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Tuesday, December 8 ~ Immaculate Conception
 7:00 PM Joe Herschel
Saturday, December 12 ~ Vigil/3rd Sunday in Advent
 5:30 PM Kathy Fayol
Sunday, December 13 ~ 3rd Sunday in Advent
 9:30 AM Lisa Dyer

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE
 Alexandria Baker-Bonitz (Navy)
 Dylan Bonitz (Navy) Chase Bowen (Navy)
 Sarah Bowen (Navy) Juan Gonzalez (Navy)
 Kaila McGowan (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)



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

Monday, December 21
 Reconciliation Monday
 Reconciliation Available at Our Lady of Mount Carmel *only* from 4:00 to 8:00 PM



Today's Scripture

2nd Sunday in Advent

Isaiah 40:1-5. 8-11
 2 Peter 3:8-14
 Mark 1:1-8

Advent is a special time of conversion when we make straight the ways of the Lord. We are given the opportunity to remove every hindrance that prevents us from experiencing God's salvation.

John the Baptist was thought to be the new Elijah who would prepare the way of the Lord and make straight the paths before him. He would preach conversion to the people of Israel so that they would be able to open their hearts to Jesus when he arrived.

John practiced a baptism that cleansed the people of their sins. Yet while John practiced this type of baptism, he also pointed to another type of Baptism. This new Baptism not only washed us free of our sins but also gave us the gift of the Holy Spirit.

It is the Holy Spirit who makes us children of God, heirs to the Kingdom of God, and brothers and sisters of Jesus. This is the meaning of our Christian Baptism.

Mass Attendance/Collection

Attending Mass November 28 & 29: **94**
 Weekend's Collection: **\$890.00**

Immaculate Conception

This Tuesday, December 8, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Immaculate Conception ~ a day of holy obligation. Mass will be offered at 7:00 PM.



Mary's Yes

Mary could have said No.
 She was promised in marriage to Joseph. To become pregnant by another would dishonor her betrothed and risk her life in the community.

Mary could have said No.
 Herod plotted to kill her child. Simeon prophesied that her heart would be pierced. Her young Son was lost for three days in the temple.

Mary could have said No,
 to avoid the sorrow of her Son's humiliation and crucifixion, the anguish of cradling his broken body in her arms, and the despair of witnessing her Savior seemingly lost forever.

But Mary said Yes.
 Be it done unto me according to your word.

Mary said Yes.
 For God who is mighty has done great things for me.

Mary said Yes,
 And through her faith salvation came to a world starved for love.

Dear Mary, Mother most Holy.

Help me say Yes as you did,
 That God may work wonders through my own faith and life.

Help me say Yes,
 that the world may know your Son through my words and actions.

Help me say Yes,
 that I may proclaim with you the greatness of the Lord, and find joy in God, my Savior.



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