

# November 27, 2022 1st Sunday of Advent



#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, Nov. 26 ~ Vigil/1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent
5:30 PM
Rich Cinque, Helen Ryan Felice,
Risa & Ryan Rothschild

Sunday, November 27 ~ 1st Sunday of Advent

9:30 AM Rocco Guglielmello, Linda Fantini

Monday, November 28 9:00 AM

Wednesday, November 30 9:00 AM

Friday, December 2

9:00 AM The People of the Parish Saturday, December 3 ~ Vigil/2<sup>nf</sup> Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 3 ~ Vigil/2<sup>m</sup> Sunday of Advent 5:30 PM Hank Bodendorf, Dave Barbuti

Sunday, December 4 ~ 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent 9:30 AM Hank Bodendorf

#### **MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

Saturday, December 3 ~ Vigil/2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent 5:30 PM Ted Wall

Sunday, Decdmber  $4 \sim 2^{nd}$  Sunday of Advent

9:30 AM John Drumm

#### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Saturday, December 3 ~ Vigil/2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent 5:30 PM Kim Grzybek (a), Kathy Fayol (c) Sunday, December 4 ~ 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

9:30 AM Ann Clouse (a), Marie Barnett (c)

#### **PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE**

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

#### PRAY FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOMES

Regina Parthesius, Robert Wise

#### PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Bridget Auer, Joanne Bach, Rob Brosnan,
Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke, Courtney Collins, Peter Cavalier,
Barbara Ceriale, Brian Cross, Nicole Dawson, Marie DiMare,
Tina DiMare, Mary Donnelly, Agnes Ferrone, Anna Gallo,
Joe Gallo, Lenore Giansanti, Margaret Hale, Judy Jackman,
Ninette Kondratowicz, Laura Lade, Nicole Langer,
Regina Lempka, Jon Miller, Janet Murphy, Helen Ryan,
Frances Salewski, Sue Schmaus, Chris Strobl

#### **LOOKING AHEAD**

#### **Helping Hands Food Pantry**

Every 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday by Appointment (9 AM start)



#### **ADVENT BEGINS**

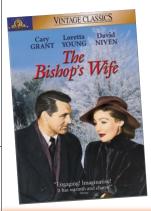
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent ~ November 27

#### **Tuesday, November 29**

Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM

#### Friday, December 2

First Friday Holy Hour wth Exposition ~ 7 PM



Saturday, December 3
Christmas Movie Night:
"The Bishop's Wife"
Homemade Pizza,
Popcorn & Beverages
Come to the Parish Center
lower level right after
the 5:30 Mass.

# **Mass Attendance/Collection**

Attending Mass November 19 & 20: 118
Weekend's Collection: \$1,071.00

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# **Today's Scripture Readings**

1st Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 2:1-5 Romans 13: 11-14 Matthew 24:37-44

#### **ABOUT THE LITURGY**: Belonging to One Another

During this season of Advent, a time of preparation, we are invited to quiet ourselves amid all the busyness of a peak retail season, to look into our hearts and reflect on the One who is coming. This is not only a private reflection; it is a liturgical action of the whole community. As the community is called to be open and hospitable to our coming Guest, and to one another, then an important question to consider is, "How are we bringing people together?"

Since the Son of Man will come at an hour that we do not expect, we must prepare a holy space and take serioiusly the words of Isaiah as "[a]ll nations shall stream towards . . . the mountain of the Lord's house." Isaiah calls for unity, beating swords into ploughshares, turning spears into pruning hooks. The challenge for us to consider during Advent is how are we bringing the vision to bear on our own lives. And since the psalm calls us to joy in the presence of the Lord, is there anything that is keeping us away from joy?



For many Christmases past, our tradition has been to have a Children's Christmas Pageant during the Christmas Eve Mass at 5:30. Covid shut it down for two year, but we are hoping to resurrect it this year. However it is not possible to have a pageant without a Mary and Joseph, without Wise Men, without Shepherds and without Angels (and, hopefully, a choir). That means at least a dozen children. Currently only 3 have signed up!

We need to know this week if your child wishes to participate. They do not need to be involved in our Religious Education program, i.e. your cousin(s) will be visiting from out of state. They would be welcome to get involved along side their relatives. For planning purposes, it is vital we know that now. Otherwise we will be forced to cancel.

Please help us keep this wonderful tradition alive! Let one of the following know this week who your participants will be.

Mildred Pitt 845-733-1405 ♦ Church Office 845-733-1477 Chris Herschel 845-733-1518

# The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church

By the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

# II. OUR RESPONSE B. Conversion

**46.** There are some sins, however, that do rupture the communion we share with God and the Church, and that cause grave offense to human dignity. These are referred to as grave, or mortal, sins. One commits a mortal sin by freely, knowingly, and willingly choos-



ing to do something that involves grave matter and that is opposed to charity, opposed to love of God and neighbors.

**47.** One is not to celebrate Mass or receive Holy Communion in the state of mortal sin without having sought the Sacrament of Reconciliation and received absolution. As the Church has consistently taught, a person wo receives Holy Communion while in a state of mortal sin not only does not receive the grace that the sacrament conveys; he or she commits the sin of sacrilege by failing to show the reverence due to the sacred Body and Blood of Christ. St. Paul warns us that whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily will have to answer for the body and the blood of the Lord. A person should examine himself, and so eat the bread and drink the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body, eats and drinks judgment on himself. To receive the Body and Blood of Christ while in a state of mortal sin represents a contradiction. The person who, by his or her own action, has broken communion with Christ and his Church but receives the Blessed Sacrament, acts incoherently, both claiming and rejecting communion at the same time. It is thus a counter sign, a lie—it expresses a communion that in fact has been broken.

## An Advent Prayer

May you take a breath and inhale the miracle of that sweet baby in the manger.

May you consider the wonders of the Savior's return.

May the entire month be a celebration of what has been, and what is to come.

Amen

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