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First Sunday of Advent



Celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday, 4:00 pm ❖ Sunday, 10:00 am

Wednesday and Thursday, 9:00 am

First Friday, 10:00am

Holy Days of Obligation, 6:30 pm

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

One hour before each Mass until Fifteen minutes before Mass or by appointment

Second Sunday of Advent

FIRST READING: (Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11) **2nd Reading** (2 Peter 3:8-14) **Gospel** (Mark 1:1-8)

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE HOSPITAL OR ON HOSPICE:

Bobby Butler, Vita Collins and Carrie Odell. Please keep all the sick and their caregivers in your prayers.

OUT OF RESPECT for the privacy of our parishioners, names of those who are in the hospital are not listed in the bulletin without prior approval by the individual or an immediate family member if the individual is unable to speak for themselves.



PRAYER BOOK: The prayer book in the narthex is available for all prayer requests. Please pray daily for these requests.

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS: Especially our families, friends and loved ones who are currently in active military service: Brett King (Stateside) Delia King (Stateside), Jason King (Stateside) Please keep all of our brave men and women in your prayers. **Please call the office to add to or remove names from this list.**

PLEASE JOIN OUR PARISH! We would love to have you as a registered member of St. Patrick. If you would like to join our parish, please pick up a Census Card in the narthex, fill it out and put it in the collection basket.

First Sunday of Advent Advent is a time of watching and waiting. Are you open to the surprising ways God comes to you? Be attentive to God's call in the ordinary. **(Mark 13:33-37)** Let us pray for those who are in discernment about their vocation in life, that they may be open to the signs of God at work in their lives.
(Vocation View is sponsored by Serra Club)



SPIRIT is taking orders for our Annual Fruit Basket Sale. See any SPIRIT Youth or Youth Leader to place your order. All orders are due by December 13th. Baskets can be picked up after Mass on the weekend of December 19th and 20th. The Fruit Baskets are \$25.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION is Tuesday, December the 8th. Mass will be here at 6:30 pm. There will be a 10:00 am Mass at St. Stanislaus.

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS WHO ARE UNABLE TO LEAVE THEIR HOMES

Mickey Davidson, and Linda Karch. Please keep these, all the homebound, and their caregivers in your prayers. If you know of any parishioner who should be added to or removed from this list, please contact the office.

FAITH FORMATION Classes resume in the classrooms Wednesday, December 2nd at 6:30 pm. Please do not arrive before 6:15 pm. All Covid Protocols remain in place.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Weekly handouts for Children's Liturgy of the Word will be on a table in the Narthex.

RCIA will resume this Tuesday, December 1st at 6:00 pm. Please bring your mask and join us in the St. Joseph Hall.

PECAN SALE: The Ladies Auxiliary will be selling Pecans after Mass. Cost is \$12.00 per pound.

FAREWELL DVD: Doris Moody has "limited edition" DVD's of a movie production compiled from nearly 1,000 photos collected for Fr. Vernon's farewell reception. If anyone wants a copy, please contact Doris Moody (ragtopmom@gmail.com). There is no charge but rather suggest that you donate food or cash to the St. Vincent de Paul Society as they gear up to provide Thanksgiving and Christmas meals for those in need.

BREAKING BREAD MISSLES are available this weekend. They are located on the back pews of the church where the sign indicates "Pick up". If you would like to pick one up you are welcome to take it home and bring it back with you each week or place it in the "Return" stack upon leaving the church. It is believed that the Corona Virus, if deposited on paper or cardboard, is only active for a couple of days. After several days of rest they will be put back in the pick-up stack for the next weekends Liturgy.

BE THE GIFT Advent Mission Conference at Our Lady of Sorrows Church Wednesday December 2nd from 6-9 pm. Livestream at mercynight.com. For more information please call the office or see the bulletin board.



ANGEL TREE AND PENNIES FROM HEAVEN The Angel Tree continues this weekend! We still have children on the tree! You are asked to buy the suggested gift or any age appropriate gift(s) and return the gifts **unwrapped** in a plastic bag with the angel attached no later than Sunday, December 13th. The Pennies from Heaven money and the Lavender Angels money are for gifts for shut-ins and for those in need during the holidays. Please put your monetary donation in the envelope and place the Lavender Angel in the collection basket. **THANK YOU** for your support of this ministry and for your generosity.

NOVEMBER ALTAR OF REMEMBRANCE: Please pick up your photos this weekend. Any that are left will be placed in the St. Joseph hall for you to pick up at your convenience.



CORONA VIRUS seems to be ramping up in certain areas and there are many who have taken the Dispensation from Mass in the last two weeks. Unfortunately the collection is showing signs of lower attendance. If you are staying home please remember to send in your donations by mail or use the PayPal feature on the web-site. There are only a few people using PayPal and each use does incur a fee. If more people are not interested in this service the decision may be made to discontinue its use.

2nd Collection

Weekly Mass Schedule

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| My Christmas Gift to the Church | ➡ | Saturday | 11/28 | 4:00 pm | William Carter- † |
| | ➡ | Sunday | 11/29 | 10:00 am | For the People |
| | | Monday | 11/30 | No Mass | |
| | | Tuesday | 12/01 | 9:00am @ St. Stanislaus | |
| | | Wednesday | 12/02 | 9:00 am | Pat Evans - † |
| Capital Improvement | | Thursday | 12/03 | 9:00am | Kathy McGehee - SI |
| | | Friday | 12/04 | 8:00 am @ St. Stanislaus | |
| | | Friday | 12/04 | 10:00 am | Frank Alfano - † |
| | ➡ | Saturday | 12/05 | 4:00 pm | David Smith - † |
| | ➡ | Sunday | 12/06 | 10:00 am | For the People |



distancing.

SVDP MEETING: SVDP Meeting - SVdP will meet after Mass on Sunday, December 6 in St. Joseph Hall. Please wear your mask and practice social

SHOP AT AMAZONSMILE: Amazon will donate a portion of any online purchase to SVdP. Simply click the icon on the SVdP page on St. Patrick website to place your order. Donations will be computed by AMAZON and automatically transferred to our account.

PLEASE HELP THE SVdP PANTRY

Mustard & Ketchup
Cereal
Flour
Jellies
Mayo
Corn Meal
Mac & Cheese
Crackers
Canned goods
Cooking oil



First Sunday of Advent: As we begin Advent we are called to "Be watchful! Be alert" as we stand in joyful anticipation for the grace of Christmas to once again bless our lives. **Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box will help the poor to celebrate the grace of God's love this Christmas.**



Prayers for Lighting the Advent Wreath Candles

First Week (Light one purple candle)

All-powerful God, increase our strength of will for doing good that Christ may find an eager welcome at his coming and call us to his side in the kingdom of heaven, where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

Second Week (Light two purple candles)

God of power and mercy open our hearts in welcome. Remove the things that hinder us from receiving Christ with joy so that we may share his wisdom and become one with him when he comes in glory, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

Third Week (Light 2 purple candles and the rose candle)

Lord God, may we, your people, who look forward to the birthday of Christ experience the joy of salvation and celebrate that feast with love and thanksgiving. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Fourth Week (Light all four candles)

All-powerful God, your eternal Word took flesh on our earth when the Virgin Mary placed her life at the service of your plan. Lift our minds in watchful hope to hear the voice which announces his glory and open our minds to receive the Spirit who prepares us for his coming. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

- Author Unknown