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Daily Mass

Monday-Tuesday-
Wednesday-Friday- Saturday
Holy Hour 7:00 AM
Mass at 8:00 AM

Sunday Obligation

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 7:30 AM

Eucharistic Adoration

Fridays 12PM to 3 PM

Confession

Friday 12 Noon to 1:00
Saturday 5:15 to 5:45

Immaculate Conception Holy Day Mass - December 7 - 5:00PM
Reconciliation – Dec 13 – 6 to 8 PM

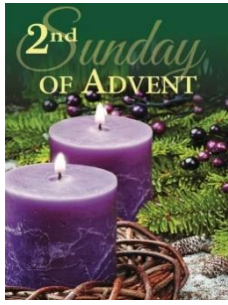
"Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you for the glory of God" states St Paul Romans 15:7.

Our God is a welcoming God and His Son, Jesus, also welcomes everyone into His presence. As parishioners of St John the Baptist parish we too wish to display this same welcoming attitude. And so we say, "Welcome to each of you who visit our Church.

Welcome into our lives of faith, of family and of community.

May God Bless You with Peace and All Good Gifts!

December 4 - Second Sunday of Advent
December 8 - Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
December 11 - Third Sunday of Advent



December 4, 2022

Second Sunday of Advent

A voice of one crying out in the desert.

“Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths”

John’s preaching of repentance is not meant to be a fire and-brimstone ultimatum frightening us into obedience. He preaches to prepare us to recognize the One who heals and perfects our own humanity. “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” And “the Kingdom of God means Christ himself” (CCC 2816). Thus, John preaches that “we might have hope” in the One who will come “with the Holy Spirit and fire,” who will tame what is savage in wild beasts, who will put a halt to harm and ruin, who will decide aright for the land’s afflicted. With the sure hope of all this, there is nothing more reasonable than repentance—that is, changing in us whatever keeps us from saying yes to the love of God.

Magnificat – December 2022

Sunday Readings

Isaiah 11:1-10

He shall judge the poor with justice and decide fairly for the land’s afflicted.

Romans 15:4-9

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to think in harmony with one another, in keeping with Christ Jesus.

Matthew 3:1-12

John the Baptist said, “Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.”

A Word from Pope Francis

God changes the desert into a sea, parched ground into springs of water....God turns his gaze to wherever sadness and loneliness abound....He comes to us in difficult situations; he fills our inner emptiness that makes room for him; he visits our existential deserts. The Lord visits us there.



*Homily, Athens
December 5, 2021*

Reflection Questions

Do we strive to live peacefully with the great diversity of people of our world?

- How open are you to people of different faiths, races or nations?

- What can you do to make real the peaceable kingdom of heaven?

PRAYER Lord Jesus, so that by our words and our actions we may point the way to you, we pray—
Be born in us, be born in our world.

We pray in Jesus’ name. AMEN.

The Redeemers



Bulletin Reflection:

In today’s Gospel, St John the Baptist reminds us that to be a follower of God requires action on our part.

Living Stewardship – Pillar of Service

As Christians, we are called to put our faith into action—this means many things, including to be at the service of others. This week, try to perform at least one additional work of mercy.

General Intercession:

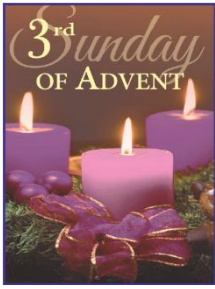
For all those who will not be home with their families on Christmas, that they feel God’s comfort.

We pray to the Lord...



December 8 – Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

God chose Mary, the Immaculate Conception, to be our “model of holiness” and to be the perfect Mother for the Savior. At Mary’s conception, the Lord was already preparing the world for the Incarnation of his Son within her virginal womb. Mary’s purity makes her closer to us than anyone else, for sin is what divides, while grace unites and heals. Mary loves us with perfect, maternal selflessness. The Immaculate Conception overcomes the trickery of the serpent, begins God’s recreating work of salvation, and renders Mary, in a new way, “the mother of all the living.” Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing!



December 11, 2022
Third Sunday in Advent

When God enters our lives,
he provides us with the power we need to change our world.

If our world does not resemble Isaiah’s astonishing portrait or the healing that Jesus was able to accomplish, might it be that we have not done what we can to remedy the hardships of the life that hold so many captive? When God enters our lives, he provides us with the power we need to change our world, but we must be willing to allow that power to work through us. If we are open to God in our midst, our world will be rich with the life and healing, and everyone will know that God is really here.

Bringing Home the Word, December 2022

Sunday Readings

Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God...he comes to save you.

James 5:7-10

You too must be patient...because the coming of the Lord is at hand.

Matthew 11:2-11

The blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them.

Reflection Questions

When God enters our lives, he provides us with the power we need to change our world.

- In what ways might you enrich the life of another?
- What can you do to heal the broken relationships in your life?
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PRAYER Lord Jesus, so that every person on this earth may know they are loved, we pray----Be born in us, be born in our world.

We pray in Jesus’ name AMEN
The Redeemtorists

A Word from Pope Francis

Advent tells us that it is not enough to believe in God it is necessary to purify our faith everyday. It is a matter of preparing ourselves to welcome not a fairy-tale character, but the God who challenges us...The Child who lives in the manger has the face of our brothers and sisters most in need.



Angeles, Rome
December 15, 2019



Bulletin Reflection:

In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells St John the Baptist’s disciples of the good works He has done.

Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Hospitality

When you read and hear of Jesus’ works, have courage to turn to Him in prayer and ask Him to help you with what you are struggling with.

General Intercession:

For those in need of Jesus (especially those who do not realize it).

We pray to the Lord...



November 20	\$2,434.00
November 27	2,443.00
Thanksgiving	67.00
Votive Candles	238.00
Cemetery Fund	110.00
Campaign for Human Development	510.00
Capital Improvement	125.00

Dec 7	Holy Day Mass 5PM
Dec 10/11	Giving Tree Gifts Due
Dec 13	Reconciliation 6 to 8 PM
Dec 24	Christmas Eve Mass at 9PM
Dec 25	Christmas Mass at 10:30AM
Dec 31	New Year’s Eve Mass 5 PM
Jan 1	New Year’s Mass 10:30AM

DECEMBER 11 IS A SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR THE RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS. Please generously support the thousands of elderly Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests.

Advent/Christmas Season Schedule

Saturday Mass changed to 5:00 PM

Dec 4 Golden Gate Choir 7PM, Damm Theatre



WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Mass on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Friday and Saturday 8:00 AM.
Holy Hour begins at 7:00 AM.

MASS Intentions

Sat	Dec 3	8:00 AM	✠ Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	Dec 3	5:00 PM	✠ Jim McCain
Sun	Dec 4	7:30AM	✠ Bill Purdy
Mon	Dec 5	8:00 AM	✠ Father's Special Intention
Tues	Dec 6	8:00 AM	✠ Paul H Wissel

Feast of Immaculate Conception

Wed	Dec 7	8:00 AM	✠ Those on Prayer List
Wed	Dec 7	5:00 PM	✠ Paul Miller
Fri	Dec 9	8:00 AM	✠ Mary Jane Jansing
Sat	Dec 10	8:00 AM	✠ Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	Dec 10	5:00 PM	✠ Jennifer Sloan
Sun	Dec 11	7:30AM	✠ John & Lou Miller
Mon	Dec 12	8:00 AM	✠ Father's Special Intention
Tues	Dec 13	8:00 AM	✠ Paul H Wissel
Wed	Dec 14	8:00 AM	✠ Those on Prayer List
Fri	Dec 16	8:00 AM	✠ Bill Purdy
Sat	Dec 17	8:00 AM	✠ Fr Binu & All Priests
Sat	Dec 17	5:00 PM	✠ Jeff & Gene Ogden
Sun	Dec 18	7:30 AM	✠ Marlene Jones

Praying for ✠ In Memory ✠

Mass Intentions Available. Please stop in the parish office, mail, call or drop in the collection basket to have a Mass said for your loved ones. Mass stipends are \$10.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Dec 7 5PM

Coordinator	Ron Miller
Greeter	Jill Jansing
Lector	John Holzer
Eucharistic M	John Holzer

Dec 10 (5PM) Dec 11 (7:30AM)

Coordinator	Sharon Voegeli	Jeff Greiwe
Greeter	Bob Voegeli	Steve Mathes
Lector	Gary Taylor	Jill Jansing
Eucharistic M	Bob Green	Jill Jansing

Dec 17 (5PM) Dec 18 (7:30AM)

Coordinator	Sharon Voegeli	Ted Wissel
Greeter	Bob Voegeli	Ron Miller
Lector	Gary Payne	Jessica Gorman
Eucharistic M	Ron Ebinger	Jessica Gorman

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Preschool to Grade 5 - Wednesday, 6:45 PM
Dec 7 Class, Dec 14 Christmas Party, December 21 & 28 No Class, January 4 Class.

Junior High & High School - Sunday 8:30 AM
Dec 4, 11 Class

Food Pantry Ministry

Each month we list items that are needed by a local food pantry. The baskets will be available at all times.



Suggested Items for December:

Mac'n Cheese, Spaghetti Sauce, Baking Items, Noodles, Peanut Butter, Cereal (Hot & Cold), Hand Lotion.

UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL



Being united today helps us give others hope for tomorrow. Sacrifice makes our lives holy because we are giving back to God something that actually belongs to Him. We make a gift to Him of a gift He has already given to us. It is a good a beautiful thing.

Our Goal This Year - \$12,834

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

Helping the Pregnancy Care Center and the Sisters of St Francis Oldenburg. We need all the gifts returned by the weekend of **December 10th and 11th**. Thank you for helping these two organizations during the Christmas season.



- Rita Bedel
- Amy Castner
- Tim Castner
- Todd Castner
- Paul Fullenkamp
- Dottie Fullenkamp
- Amy Graham
- Lily Handt
- Seth Hull
- Keith Jarvis
- Larry Kendall
- Linda McCain
- Melvin Meisberger
- Mark Meister
- Teresita Noah
- Tom Noah
- Bill Oeffinger
- Eileen Ogden
- Gary Patton
- Pavi Pathak Family
- Ethan Siegel
- Randy Simon
- Dolores Simon
- Pam Thomas
- Catherine Werner

Ministry to Assist Parishioners in Need of a Ride to Church

We would like to set up a list of those who need a ride to church and a list of those who could assist these parishioners. Please call the Church office if you are in need of a ride or could be a driver. This can be on an as needed basis or on a regular basis.