



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

DECEMBER 10, 2023—SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday, December 9

8:00 a.m. Robert Shoulder (Buzzy)

3:00 p.m. Duncan/Cox Wedding

4:30 p.m. Elaine Baker (Dan)

Sunday, December 10

8:00 a.m. Bess & Russ Alberts (Family)

10:00 a.m. Robert Crupie (Family)

11:30 a.m. Darrell Dole (Wife & Family)

Monday, December 11

7:45 a.m. Brett James Noroski (Riley Way Neighbors)

Tuesday, December 12

7:45 a.m. Our Parish Family

6:30 p.m. Jim & Della Simonetta (Family)

Wednesday, December 13

7:45 a.m. John Churma (Audrey & Family)

Thursday, December 14

7:45 a.m. Dennis Clipper (Lois)

Friday, December 15

7:45 a.m. Lynnette McHugh (Cindy)

Saturday, December 16

8:00 a.m. Bob Fichtner (Family)

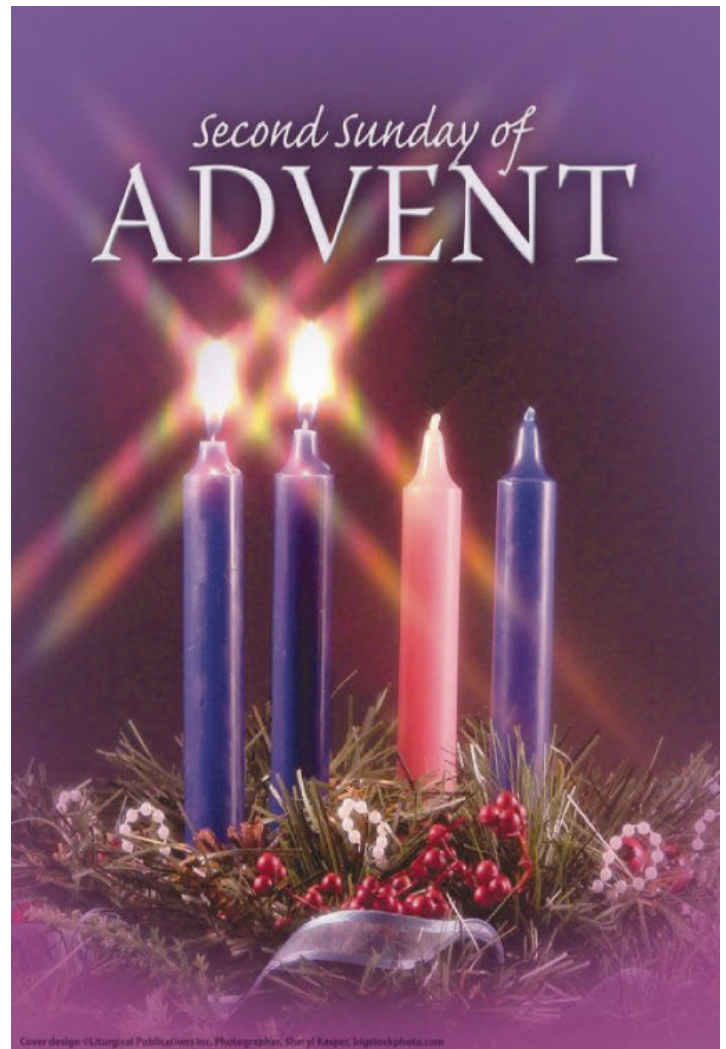
4:30 p.m. Bob Sisteck (Daughter)

Sunday, December 17

8:00 a.m. Ida & Herman Richardson (Family)

10:00 a.m. Danne & Anne Kapanak
(Dennis & Lorraine)

11:30 a.m. John & Theresa Carrera (Family)



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Monday through Friday

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HAPPENINGS ON THE CORNER!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

- ✠ Altar Candles are available for 2024, they are lit in memory of the person for a month and the cost is \$100. Please call the office at 724-863-9550
- ✠ Lessons and Carols—December 10, 2023 at 4 p.m.
- ✠ Advent Penance Service—December 19, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at Immaculate Conception Church
- ✠ IMG/IWG—will finish the sessions on “The Chosen” the following 4 weeks: 1/20, 1/27, 2/3 & 2/10/24 6:30 am



CONGRATULATIONS
FATHER
LOUIEGENE ON
CELEBRATING YOUR
11TH ANNIVERSARY OF
YOUR
ORDINATION ON
DECEMBER 5TH!
WE ARE VERY BLESSED
TO HAVE YOU AT OUR PARISH! MAY GOD
CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU ALWAYS!



**PARISH OFFICE WILL BE
CLOSED AT NOON ON
DECEMBER 15th DUE TO A
MEETING AT THE GOOD
SHEPHERD CENTER.**



MARK YOUR CALENDARS:
**ADVENT PENANCE
SERVICES**
**ALL PENANCE SERVICES
WILL BEGIN AT 6:30 PM**

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19TH

Immaculate Conception, Irwin

WEDNESDAY - DECEMBER 20TH

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, North Huntingdon

THURSDAY - DECEMBER 21ST

Saint Agnes, North Huntingdon



Jesus is Our Christmas Gift

One of our parish family traditions reminds us that Jesus is our most important Christmas present. Each family festively gift wraps the Baby Jesus from their home manger Scene and brings Him to Mass the weekend of December 16/17. Father will bless the gifts, and each family can take their “present” home to be opened first thing Christmas morning!



Tis the Season! We are looking for a few good men, women, teens to help the **Decorating Committee** for Christmas with lifting, climbing ladders, decorating trees, setup mangers etc.!

Thursday, December 21, 6:30 pm. Questions--call Sandy, 724-863-5860. Something for everyone!



Holiday Cash

FOUR DAYS TO WIN



Winning number taken from First PA Pick 3 EVENING Number drawing on

Dec. 25, 2023 - Win \$2000.00 CASH

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Dec. 31, 2023 - Win \$1000.00 CASH

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Benefits Immaculate Conception Parish

Donation \$10.00

1000 Tickets Sold

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**THERE ARE STILL TICKETS AVAILABLE IN
THE PARISH OFFICE FOR HOLIDAY CASH
RAFFLE AND ALSO THE ST. ANNE'S HOME
IN GREENSBURG LOTTERY CALENDERS -
\$30. PARISH OFFICE - 724-863-9550**

*The light
of the Lord
draws near*

PASTOR'S NOTES

JESUS IS BORN BUT HAVE "WE" FOUND HIM YET? IN SEARCH OF THE MESSIAH

In light of what we have been seeking this Advent Season I thought you might find this article very insightful and appropriate for meditation at this time of year. The article appeared on [Catholic online.com](http://Catholic.online.com) By Dr. Chris Anthony Butterworth, Malaysia.

Once again, we are in the season of Advent indicating that Christmas is just around the corner. Many of us may remember the once popular hymn during this season, "Oh Come Divine Messiah" whose lyrics are to the right.

Yes, those days life was very simple as we waited in silence full of hope that good will soon triumph over evil thereby ridding our lives of sadness.

Those words were so meaningful and bring back pleasant memories of Christmas of the yesteryears. Christmas is a commemoration of God's coming into the world. He came for all of us – believers and non-believers alike. His birth should bring us hope and triumph which will dispel the sadness from our lives. But after years of celebrating Christmas after Christmas many of us are yet to see that triumph in our lives and our hopes may be giving way to despair. Has the Messiah really come? If He has, where is He? Why doesn't He bring the triumph that dispels the sadness of man?

The real problem today is that we are waiting for God to literally come to us. We celebrate His birth just like that of any one of us – offering prayers, eating, drinking and making merry. We celebrate his coming into the world but we do not welcome Him into our hearts and lives.

Yes, He has come into the world and is very much in our midst but unfortunately, we refuse to recognize Him therefore fail to welcome Him.

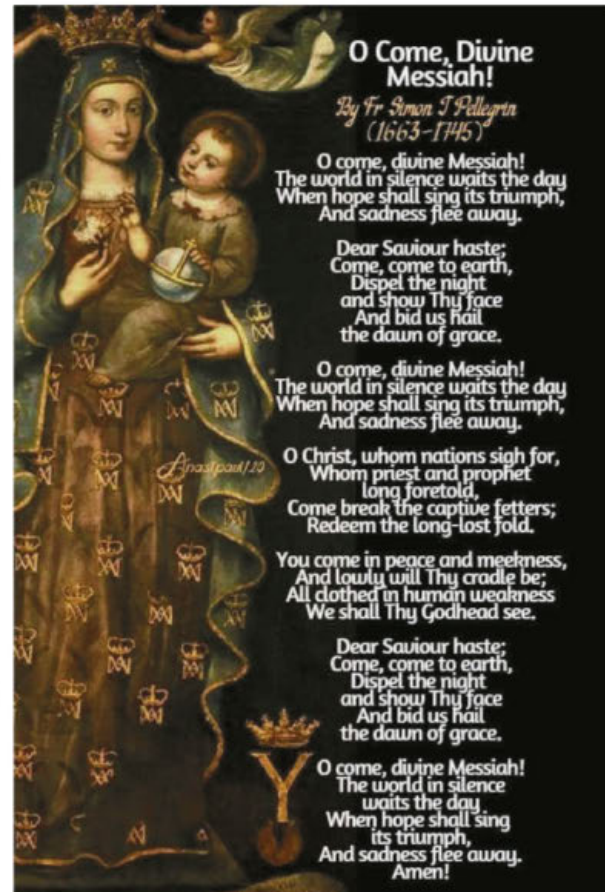
By being born to poor parents, in an environment of extreme poverty, Jesus is telling us where He dwells - not in places of majesty and glamour but among the poor and the down-trodden, the sick and dying, the hungry, the oppressed and in those we love and even in those we hate. In short, He is among the masses.

Amidst our celebrations this Christmas, let us pause a while to look around us to recognize that Jesus was born into the world two thousand years ago. He is among us in every person and in every trial and tribulation we encounter in our lives. Let us take a moment to look around to recognize Him in those who do not have joy and peace in their lives.

Let us do the little within our means to alleviate the pain and misery in their lives. Let us do whatever we can to give them the hope that triumph will one day wipe out the sadness in their hearts.

We too, like Jesus, must have the humility to come down from our positions of comfort and power to meet Him in the people around us. If we isolate ourselves from the masses by building a fortress around us with all our wealth and power together with greed, selfishness and pride, then we can keep waiting for Jesus all our lives but it will only be in vain.

To us then His birth into this world, that is Christmas, will be just another day to celebrate, eat, drink and make merry. It will never become the day when hope shall sing of triumph and sadness flees away.



PASTOR'S NOTES CONTINUED

Heart/Soul Healthy Advent:



Three Things to Strengthen Your Disposition

Last Sunday, in my homily I suggested as our mission to “Become Heart/Soul Healthy” as a way to prepare for the coming of our Salvation. We all know that a healthy heart provides us with a healthy life. Jesus and Saint Paul remind us that we must not lose heart and to be strengthened by the love of God in order to be found blameless in His sight. So this stands as a reminder of the Three things we can do during this Advent Season to be Heart/Soul Healthy.

1. **Exercise 20 minutes a day.** We all know that prayer is the exercise of our Spiritual lives...So, let's pump it up over the next 20 days! Suggestion: Use the **BLUE ADVENT BOOK** that we handed out last week. This day to day exercise (15 minutes) will set your heart and soul on a focus for the day. These little meditations are best as morning prayer. Also make the **ADVENT NOVENA PRAYER** a part of your family prayer at night. (There are copies/cards in the narthex and in the Nov. 26th bulletin). This prayer sets our hearts and souls in Bethlehem at the very moment of the birth our Lord. “Ask and you shall Receive!”
2. **Eat Properly** and be nourished with substantial Foods. I suggested that is why we attend Sunday Liturgy so that we can “Feed” on the Bread of Life....Christ our Lord. We first eat of the Word of God in the Liturgy of the Eucharist and then feast on His Divine Presence in Holy Communion. I would challenge you to eat more of this food during Advent: consider attending Saturday morning Mass or Tuesday evening Mass. Eat of the Holy Word of the Scriptures: read the beginning of Saint Luke's Gospel...the Infancy Narratives...wonderful reading as a family as well.
3. **REST** - We all need a “rest” from the hustle and bustle of the “xmas” season....Award yourself this rest by **PRAYING YOUR CHRISTMAS CARDS** - Once a day sit in the quiet and open your Christmas Cards and pray them...most of them have a spiritual verse....Let it resonate in your heart/soul. Then pray for the sender and their families. Make it a true spiritual gift rather than a decoration on the back of the door or to adorn your stair case....you deserve to know that you are loved by the Faith shared in Christ by the sender.

Saint Catherine of Laboure: Two Day Conference

- **When:** Monday, December 11 -12th
- **Time:** 6:30 PM
- **Where:** Immaculate Conception Church

Who was she?

Catherine Labouré, DC was a French member of the Daughters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul and a Marian visionary. She is believed to have relayed the request from the Blessed Virgin Mary to create the famous Miraculous Medal of Our Lady of Graces worn by millions of people around the world.



Day 1:

- ❖ **Life Story of Saint Catherine of Laboure and her connection to our Parish of Immaculate Conception through the Miraculous Medal**

Day 2:

- ❖ **At Mass during the Homily will focus on the Miraculous Medal**
- ❖ **Blessing and reverence of the Relic**
- ❖ **Placing of the relic in the altar**
- ❖ **Miraculous Medals Blessed for all attending**



DECEMBER 10, 2023 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

CANDLES

Sanctuary Candle: In Memory of Dennis Clipper by Lois

Easter Flame Candle: In Memory of Bob & Mary Jane Sistik by Cindy

Divine Mercy Candle: In Memory of Jerold Gesmond by Dan & Joan

St. Peregrine Candle: In Memory of Robert Griffen by wife Kathy

St. Joseph's Candle: Month's Mind

Altar Candles for the Month of December:
In Memory of Ott and Yeager Families
By Family

Advent Candles: In Memory of Joe, Jinny, Beverly, Mary Jo & John Ott

Readings of the Week

December 10 - Second Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
2 Peter 3:8-14
Mark 1:1-8

December 17 - Third Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11
1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
John 1:6-8, 19-28



Prayers and Sympathy

Please pray for all of our dearly departed. May they rest in peace and may perpetual light shine upon them.

Homebound Ministry

If you know of any family, neighbors, or fellow parishioners who are homebound and would like to have a Homebound Minister bring them Holy Communion, please call Sharyn Gesmond at the Parish Office 724.863.9550 or sgesmond@dioceseofgreensburg.org

We have many opportunities to become involved:

If you are interested in volunteering or planning to resume volunteering for our parish ministries and parish activities please contact Sharyn Gesmond: at 724-863-9550 or email sgesmond@dioceseofgreensburg.org to update and/or obtain your clearances.

Handbell and Organ Advent Meditation

coming to St. Regis Parish
on December 17, at 3:00 PM

Continue your spiritual journey this Advent season and uplift your heart with instrumental music as you prepare for the coming of Christ.

St. Regis Parish
517 Homewood Avenue
Trafford, PA 15085
412-372-4577



Admission is
free

SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick

The sacrament is available during Confession hour and after each Mass per request.

Matrimony

Couples wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony must contact the parish office one year in advance of the wedding.

Baptism

Families of our parish who wish to have their child baptized please email **Susan Cheplic** – skcheplic@dioceseofgreensburg.org

Confession

Tuesday: 5:15-6:15 pm
Saturdays: 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Immaculate Conception

Parish offers

Online Giving

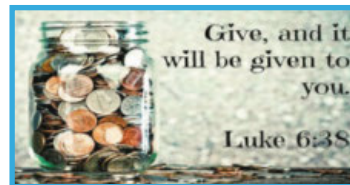
For additional information

visit our website at:

www.icirwin.org/giving/funds or scan the QR Code



If you decide to switch to online giving and would like to discontinue your envelopes please contact the parish office. Thank you!



WEEKLY OFFERING:
Sunday Offertory -
11/25 & 11/26 -
\$19,203.02

Online Giving - 11/20-11/26/23 \$4,593.80

Thanksgiving Eve collection for Saint Vincent DePaul was \$1,178.00

THANK YOU!

Matters of Sexual Misconduct Information

If you have any suspicion about the sexual abuse (or any other type of abuse) of a minor child by anyone — please contact PA ChildLine immediately at 800-932-0313. If the alleged abuser is functioning in a parish, school or diocesan position as clergy, religious, paid staff or volunteer you are also requested to contact the Bishop's Delegate for Matters of Sexual Misconduct after you have called the ChildLine number and made the report. The Bishop's Delegate may be reached at 724-837-0901, ext. 1221.

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**Giving Tree
Gift Card Order Form**

If you would like to purchase a gift card from the Parish Giving Tree, please consider helping
Queen of Angels Catholic School at the same time. You can help raise easy money for Queen of
Angels Catholic School by purchasing your gift cards through the school's SCRIP program.

Complete These Three Easy Steps:

1. Fill out the form below
2. Include a check made payable to Queen of Angels Catholic School
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Thanks for Your Support!!!!

If you have any questions please call the school's office 724-978-0144 or contact Christina Torok at

ctorok@queenofangelsch.org



Christmas: A Reason for Hope

Grief Share

How planning benefits you

The holidays can be unpredictable in grief, but having a simple, flexible plan will help give you a bit of control over your emotions.

Will the holidays always hurt this much?

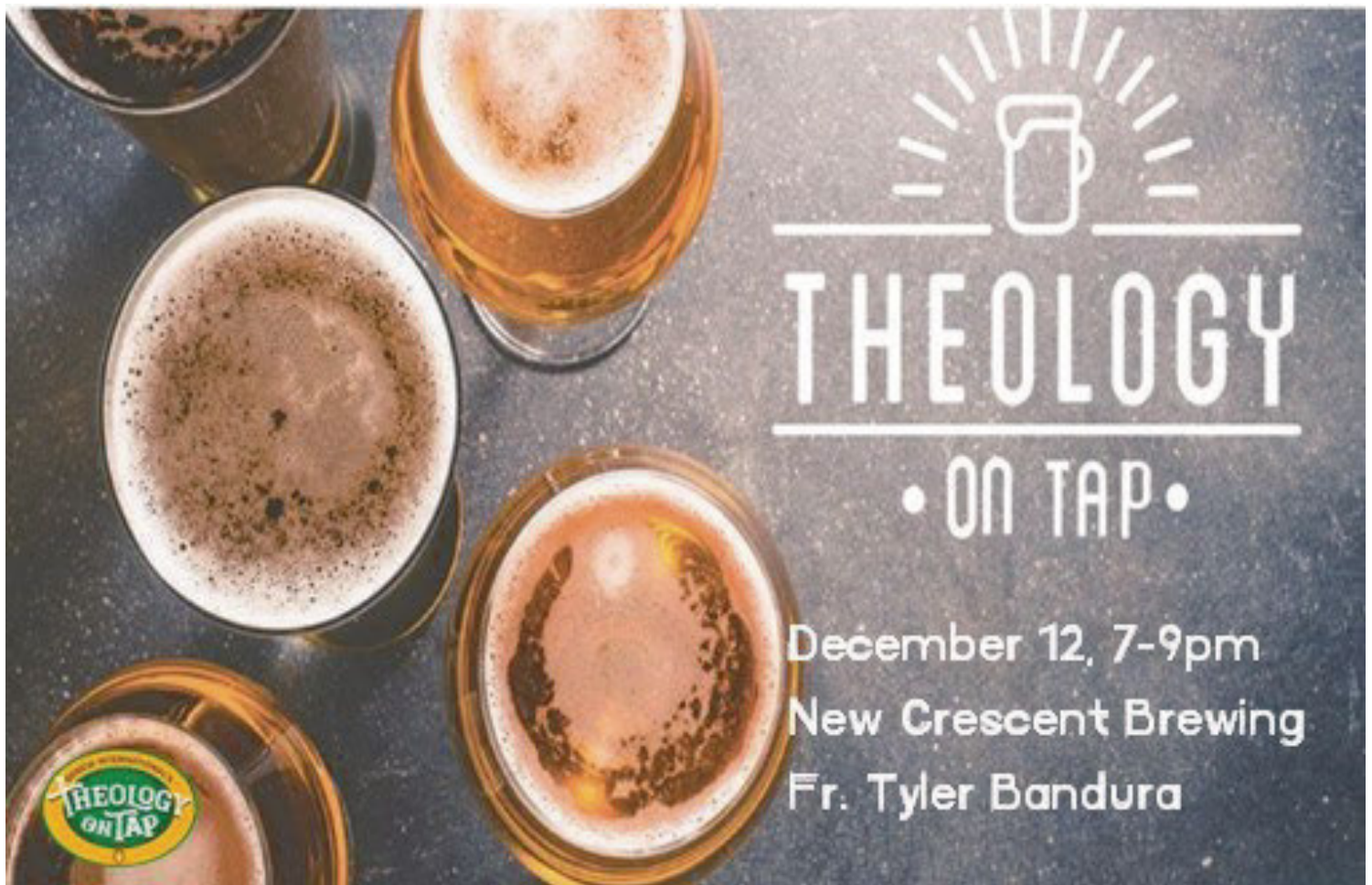
H. Norman Wright, counselor and traumatologist who faced the death of his wife and two children, answers this question.

Join us for an afternoon with others that are struggling the loss of a loved one this holiday season.

December 17, 2023

4 PM to 6 PM

Our Lady's Plaza





December Faithful Challenge: Embrace Eucharistic Revival

Eucharistic Revival is alive and well in our faith community! Over the last year, thousands of people responded to Bishop Kulick's weekly faithful challenges on social media. And it truly has made us a more Eucharistic Community. In December, as we celebrate both the Advent and Christmas seasons, we urge you to once again accept his challenge and open your heart and mind to the power of the Eucharist! Whether it be placing an Advent wreath in the center of your home, attending daily Mass or a Mass with the Bishop, or even saying a prayer for the Eucharistic Revival, you join with the living Body of Christ.



Faithful Challenges



Faithful Challenges

Diocesan Prayer for Eucharistic Revival

Lord Jesus, You are the living bread
who satisfies the hunger of the human heart.
In the Eucharist, the bread and wine
become Your Body and Blood,
the gift of Yourself to the Church.
Deepen our faith in Your Eucharistic presence
and strengthen us as members of the Church,
the Body of Christ.

As we encounter and revere
Your Eucharistic presence,
open us to the needs of our brothers and sisters
here and everywhere throughout the world.
Help us to reveal Your love, Your promise,
Your presence to them by our lives,
and in all we say and do.
Amen



JOIN IMMACULATE CONCEPTION FOR

A Festival of Lessons and Carols

SUNDAY DECEMBER, 10TH AT 4:00 PM

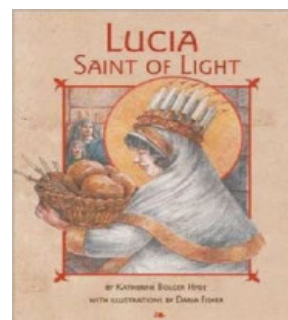
Featuring the Choirs of Immaculate Conception Parish

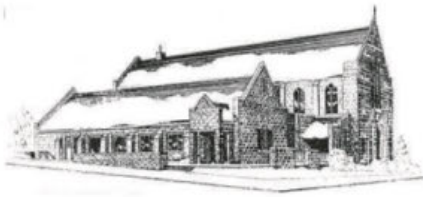
THE FEAST OF ST. LUCY—DECEMBER 13

The name Lucy or Lucia is from the Latin root word for light. In Scandinavian countries where Winters are long and dark, her feast day is celebrated as a festival of light. In Norway and Sweden, young girls dress as St. Lucy in a white dress with a red sash, with wreaths of lighted candles on their heads. They carry trays of sweet rolls to serve their families in honor of St. Lucy's service to the poor. According to tradition, St. Lucy would wear a wreath of candles on her head to light the way through the dark underground catacombs while ministering to the Christians hiding there. Special feasts in her honor are also celebrated in Italy (she was born in Sicily), Croatia, Hungary and The Philippines.

St. Lucy (283-304) is also the patron saint of persons with eye problems or blindness because of the legend associated with her martyrdom during the Diocletian persecution. She is usually pictured holding palms (a symbol of martyrdom) and a small tray with eyes.

She is one of eight women saints including the Blessed Virgin Mary, who are commemorated by name in the Canon Mass.





IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
Irwin, Pennsylvania
Office of Liturgical Music Ministry

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 10, 2023 - Order of the Mass

VOCATIONS PRAYER

Lord Jesus, raise up from our homes those called by the Father:
courageous and humble men to the Priesthood, generous servants to the Permanent Diaconate,
faithful people to Consecrated Life, and holy men and women to the Sacrament of Marriage.
Holy Spirit, help us to live our universal vocation to holiness by listening to the Father's voice and
responding with a sacrificial love. Holy Mary, Model of vocations, pray for us.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Awake! Awake and Greet the New Morn

1. A - wake! A - wake, and greet the new morn, For
2. To us, to all in sor - row and fear, Em -
3. In dark - est night his com - ing shall be, When
4. Re - joice, re - joice, take heart in the night, Though

an - gels her - ald its dawn - ing, Sing out your joy, for
man - u - el comes a - sing - ing; His hum - ble song is
all the world is de - spair - ing, As morn - ing light so
dark the win - ter and cheer - less, The ris - ing sun shall

soon he is born, Be - hold the Child of our long - ing!
qui - et and near, Yet fills the earth with its ring - ing.
qui - et and free, So warm and gen - tle and car - ing.
crown you with light; Be strong and lov - ing and fear - less.

Come as a ba - by weak and poor, To bring all hearts to -
Mu - sic to heal the bro - ken soul And hymns of lov - ing -
'Then shall the mute break forth in song, 'The lame shall leap in
Love be our song and love our prayer And love our end - less

geth - er, He o - pens wide the heav'n - ly door And
kind - ness, The thun - der of his an - thems roll To
won - der, 'The weak be raised a - bove the strong, And
sto - ry. May God fill ev - 'ry day we share And

lives now in - side us for ev - er.
shat - ter all ha - tred and blind - ness.
weap - ons be bro - ken a - sun - der.
bring us at last in - to glo - ry.

Text: Marty Haugen, b.1950
Tune: RLJOCL, RLJOCL 9 8 9 8 8 7 8 9; Marty Haugen, b.1950
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KYRIE

Chant

Ký - ri - e, e - lé - i - son. Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son.

(Then repeat the first Kyrie.)

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Comfort, give comfort to my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her service is at an end, her guilt is expiated; indeed, she has received from the hand of the LORD double for all her sins. A voice cries out: In the desert prepare the way of the LORD! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill shall be made low; the rugged land shall be made a plain, the rough country, a broad valley. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. Go up on to a high mountain, Zion, herald of glad tidings; cry out at the top of your voice, Jerusalem, herald of good news! Fear not to cry out and say to the cities of Judah: Here is your God! Here comes with power the Lord GOD, who rules by his strong arm; here is his reward with him, his recompense before him. Like a shepherd he feeds his flock; in his arms he gathers the lambs, carrying them in his bosom, and leading the ewes with care.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 85

Michel Guimont

*Lord, let us see your kindness,
and grant us your salvation.*

SECOND READING

2 Peter 3:8-14

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years and a thousand years like one day. The Lord does not delay his promise, as some regard "delay," but he is patient with you, not wishing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will

come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar and the elements will be dissolved by fire, and the earth and everything done on it will be found out. Since everything is to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be, conducting yourselves in holiness and devotion, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved in flames and the elements melted by fire. But according to his promise we await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, since you await these things, be eager to be found without spot or blemish before him, at peace.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 1:1-8

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God. As it is written in Isaiah the prophet: *Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way. A voice of one crying out in the desert: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."* John the Baptist appeared in the Desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. People of the whole Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. John was clothed in camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He fed on locusts and wild honey. And this is what he proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF GIFTS

On Jordan's Bank



1. On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry An -
 2. Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin; Make
 3. For you are our sal va tion. Lord, Our
 4. To heal the sick stretch out your hand, And
 5. All praise to you, e ter nal Son. Whose



noun - ces that the Lord is nigh; A - wake and heark - en,
 straight the way for God with - in, And let each heart pre -
 ref - uge and our great re - ward; With - out your grace we
 bid the fall en sin - ner stand; Shine forth and let your
 ad - vent has our free - dom won, Whom with the Fa - ther



for he brings Glad tid - ings of the King of kings.
 pare a home Where such a might - y guest may come.
 waste a - way Like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.
 light re - store Earth's own true love - li - ness once more.
 we a - dore, And Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er - more.

Tune, *Godsaver* (see previous); Charles Coffin, 1678-1749; or by John Chandler, 1606-1876; or
 Tune: WINCHESTER NEW LAM, adap. from *Memorabiles Gandens*, (Hamburg, 1630)

EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

Heritage Mass
Owen Asltott



Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san-na! Ho-san-na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

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We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your
Res-ur-rec-tion un - til you come, un - til you come a - gain.

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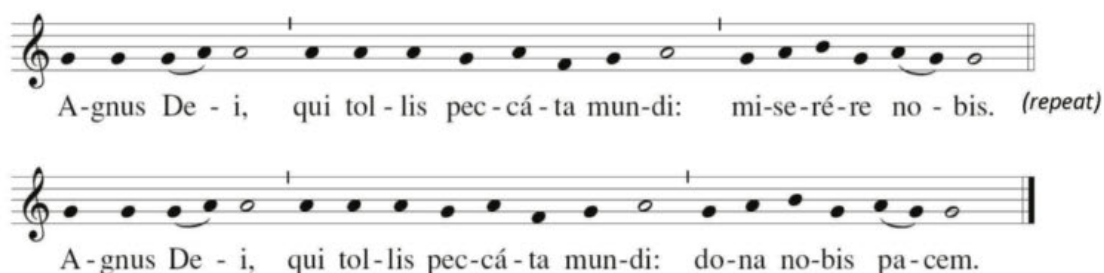


A - men, a - men, a - men.

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AGNUS DEI

Chant, Mass XVIII



A-gnus De - i, qui tol - lis pec - cá - ta mun-di: mi-se-ré-re no - bis. *(repeat)*
A - gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-cá-ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa-cem.

Music: Vatican Edition XVIII; acc. by Richard Proulx

COMMUNION HYMN

Like a Shepherd

Refrain

Like a shep-herd he feeds his flock and gath-ers the lambs in his
arms, hold-ing them care-ful-ly close to his heart,
lead-ing them home. home, lead-ing them home.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

Comfort, Comfort, O My People

GENEVA 42

1. Com - fort, com - fort, O my peo - ple, Speak of peace, now
2. Hark, the voice of one who's cry - ing In the des - ert
3. O make straight what long was crook - ed, Make the rough - er
1. says our God; Com - fort those who sit in dark - ness,
2. far and near, Bid - ding all to full re - pent - ance
3. plac - es plain; Let your hearts be true and hum - ble,
1. Mourn - ing 'neath their sor - rows' load. Speak un - to Je - ru - sa -
2. Since the king - dom now is here. O that warn - ing cry o -
3. As be - fits his ho - ly reign. For the glo - ry of the
1. lem Of the peace that waits for them; Tell of all the
2. bey! Now pre - pare for God a way; Let the val - leys
3. Lord Now o'er earth is shed a - broad; And all flesh shall
1. sins I cov - er, And that war - fare now is o - ver.
2. rise to meet him And the hills bow down to greet him.
3. see the to - ken That his word is nev - er bro - ken.

Text: 87 87 77 88; based on Isaiah 40:1-8; Johann G. Olearius, 1611-1684;
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Music: Psalm 42 (*Genevan Psalter*), 1551; Claude Goudimel, 1514-1572.

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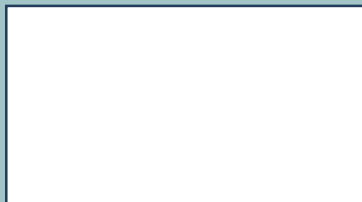
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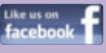
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