

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

November 27, 2016

“You . . . must be prepared,
for at an hour you do not expect,
the Son of Man will come.”

— Matthew 24:44

Masses for
the Week



SUNDAY - November 27 - First Sunday of Advent

7:30 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family - Clergy

10:00 am - Edward Simper †

MONDAY - November 28

8:00 am - Santos Cantu †

TUESDAY - November 29

8:00 am - Alton Marbach †

WEDNESDAY - November 30 - St Andrew, Apostle

8:00 am - Cecilia Schoener

THURSDAY - December 1

8:00am - †Wallace & †Kathy Bianchi - family

FRIDAY - December 2

8:00 am - †Felix & †Pauline Rivera, Sr

8:30am-12:30pm **ADORATION**



SATURDAY - December 3 - St Francis Xavier, Priest

8:00 am - Stephen C. Yeary

10:00 am - Mass & Healing Services - Fr. Phi -Celebrant

5:00 pm - Rick Snow †

SUNDAY - December 4 - Second Sunday of Advent

7:30 am - Buddy Waida †

10:00 am - Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Family - Clergy

11:30 am - Vietnamese Community - Fr. Phi -Celebrant

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

Mon: Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tue: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

Wed: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Thu: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

Fri: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Sat: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sun: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

NEXT WEEKEND - December 3 & 4

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
of HOLY COMMUNION**

and **LECTORS**

Sat. 5:00 pm - Lori Ballard,

Joe Lara, *Volunteer*

Laurie Bautista

Sun. 7:30 am - Connie Novak,

Dennis/Dorothy Boehm

Volunteer

Sun. 10:00 am - Melissa Spann,

Andy/Olivia Aguilar

John Vecera

ALTAR SERVERS:

Sat. 5:00 pm - James Record, Carson Miller, Felix Ramirez

Sun. 7:30 am - Kaden, Kylie, & Kalynn Fikac

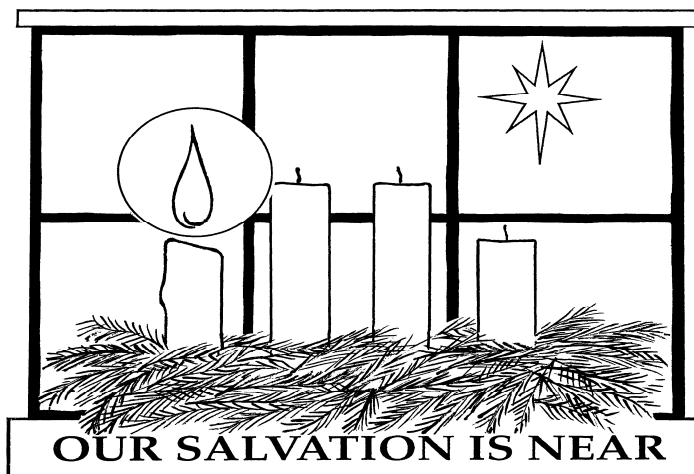
Sun. 10:00 am - Aaron & Renee Bradicich, Carlie Richter

USHERS:

5:00 pm - M John, F Motal, T Goslin, R Dominguez

7:30 am - F Marbach, J Novak, M Fikac, *Volunteer*

10:00 am - K Spann, A Schoener, H Raska, *Volunteer*



OUR SALVATION IS NEAR

This Week

SUNDAY - First Sunday of Advent

Extra Envp. Collection: *StVDP "Black Bag"*

Advent SVDP & VCAM Food Drive....in progress

WEDNESDAY - R.C.I.A. - 7:00 pm - R.E. Bldg

FIRST FRIDAY - ADORATION - 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

SATURDAY - 10:00 am Mass & Healing Services - Fr. Phi

Confessions - 4:00 - 4:30 pm

ELITE Ultrasound Screenings - Sign Ups after 5pm Mass

SUNDAY - Second Sunday of Advent

2nd Collection: *Building Repr. & Maint.*

11:30 am - *Vietnamese Community - Fr. Phi -Celebrant*

ELITE Ultrasound Screenings - Sign Ups after Masses

*Weekly
Offering*

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday
early publishing deadlines, there is no
weekend Stewardship to report at this time.

**Please Pray for Our Sick : Tina Moya,
Cheryl Barker, Amy Bernhard, Eva Kimmel,
Jewell Correll, Jean Biederman, Jerry Bassham,
Mary Louise Bittlebrun, Darlene Marvin, Amy J. Wuest**

BE PREPARED

Be prepared. It's that simple. As this Advent season opens before us, the Lord Jesus summons us to stand ready for his coming. At this time of year much of our attention is focused on being prepared for the details that accompany the holiday season. We purchase gifts; we decorate our homes, inside and out; we prepare foods that we eat only during the holidays; we write and send Christmas cards; we attend holiday concerts; we prepare either to welcome family and friends into our homes or arrange for visits to their homes. We really can't escape the details that make up the season. Perhaps this Advent is a time to attend to all those details with a different spin. As we prepare to celebrate the feast of Christmas, why not be deliberate about acknowledging the presence of the Lord as we go about these tasks? The Lord often comes to us in wonderfully surprising ways. Let us be prepared.

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TIME OF PREPARATION

This life is the time of our preparation for our future state. Our souls will continue for ever what we make them in this world.
—John Tillotson, Archbishop of Canterbury



Generations of Faith ~ GOF
Religious Education Classes

Nov 27 No GOF Class (Thanksgiving Weekend)
Dec 4 GOF **FaithAlive Sunday: "Living Advent Wreath"**
Dec 11 GOF Class
Dec 18 GOF Class
Dec 24 Children's Christmas Eve Mass
Dec 25 CHRISTMAS



The "Little Blue Book"

A resource for your daily prayerful reflection during the Holy season of Advent is being made available to you at no cost. Goodwill donations are accepted. **Books are at the back of the church.**

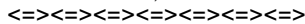


VOCATION CRUCIFIX

At the 10:00 am Mass **Bobby & Julie Venglar** will take possession and continue our prayers. **Next** to take possession on **December 4th** at the 7:30 am Mass is **Billy & Carol Pope.**

MANY, MANY GRATEFUL "THANKS" TO ALL THE HELPING HANDS, GENEROUS DONORS, BENEVOLENT PATRONS, HUNGRY DINERS AND ALL THE OTHERS WHO SUPPORTED OUR PARISH FESTIVAL OF 2016. IT IS YOU, THE MANY, THAT CAUSE OUR FUNDRAISING EFFORTS TO BE SUCH A GRAND SUCCESS. GOD BLESS YOU.

FESTIVAL WRAP-UP MEETING
6:30 PM - TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2016



A LIGHT SUPPER WILL BE SERVED

OLL Festival Giveaway

DONORS		WINNERS
Robert & Shirley Ibrom	Debit Card=\$500	Karen Kalischko
Billy & Carol Pope	Debit Card=\$500	Ed Drost
Al.Ray & Claudia Schoener	Debit Card=\$500	Eloisa Benavidez
Travis & Toni Schaar	Debit Card=\$500	David Hempel
Greg Spears	Debit Card=\$500	Victor Keefe
Joe & Marilyn Nevlud	Debit Card=\$400	Annie Page
Larry & Terry Waida	Debit Card=\$400	Rodney Rivera
Leroy & Jeanette Wenske	Debit Card=\$400	Avery Vincik
Howard & Carol Bludau	Debit Card=\$300	Tracie Book
Frank Marbach & Arlene Abbott	Debit Card=\$300	B. J. Kloesel
Thomas Tucker	Debit Card=\$300	Tracie Book
Tommy & Liz Thompson	Debit Card=\$200	Viki Hajek
Robert & Minnie Bochat	Debit Card=\$200	Joe Ryan
Marjorie Anders	Crossman AIR RIFLE	Sampson Holt
Ed Kandler	Debit Card=\$150	Mary Bianchi
Patrick & Arleen Brennan	Debit Card=\$150	Duane Kainer
Adella Mullino	Debit Card=\$150	Barbara/Clarence Parkan
Patsy Wieland	Debit Card=\$150	Dawn Burns
John M. Tinoco	Debit Card=\$100	Margaret Koenning
Benny & Lorine Mikulik	Debit Card=\$100	Cora Wilkerson
Charlie & Marjorie Tater	Debit Card=\$100	Greg Richter
Jimmy & Patsy Whitaker	Debit Card=\$100	Regina King
Evelyn Simper	Debit Card=\$100	Cindy Adams
Robert & Jackie Schumann	Debit Card=\$100	S. Borowicz
Judy Toler	Debit Card=\$100	Barbara Hagel
Jeff & April Nunley	Debit Card=\$100	Brenda Horecka
Marjorie Anders	WalMart Crd=\$25	Laura Janis



Elite Medical Imaging will be hosting a **vascular screening** on **Friday, December 16, 2016** at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church

Eight screenings are offered: Carotid Artery, Thyroid Abdominal Aorta, Liver, Spleen, Gallbladder and both Kidneys. These screenings are only available with your doctor if you already have symptoms.

Each screening is \$49 or all 8 for \$150.

Please call **1-855-303-0667** to pre-register.

A representative will be at the church on **Saturday & Sunday December 3rd & 4th**. Prevention is the **Key to early detection & good health!**

The NEXT First Friday: ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

December 2nd - 8:30 am to 12:30pm

Seize this time to devoutly praise, adore, give thanks, and speak with your Lord in the silence of your heart.

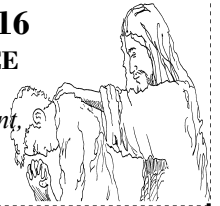


FIRST SATURDAY-DECEMBER 3, 2016

10:00AM MASS & HEALING SERVICE

Come join us at Our Lady of Lourdes as **Fr. Phi Nguyen-Chaplain, IWBS Convent, celebrates**

Mass and Healing Prayer



RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
RCIA meets each Wednesday
7 pm-9pm ~ in the Rel Ed Bldg.
The RCIA door is ALWAYS open

For more info, please contact: Bob/Laurie Bautista-573-9561
laurie.bautista@gmail.com, or Rectory -575-3813

News Around Town

Advent Vespers: November 27, December 4, 11, & 18 from 5pm - 5:45pm in the Incarnate Word Chapel. This liturgical evening prayer of the church focuses on praying the psalms, giving thanks for the day and offering praise to God. Solemn evening praise closes w/Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Lead Me Retreat by God's Embrace to be held at the **Ministries Retreat Cntr** at **1601 High Hill Rd, Schulenburg, TX.** The weekend **begins 5 pm Friday, December 9,** and concludes **Sunday, December 11** with 12:30pm Mass at St Mary Catholic Church in High Hill. Open to men and women. Space is limited. Register soon online at godsembrace.org or call 979-561-8883.

AMOR MEUS GUIDED ONE-DAY ADVENT RETREAT: December 10, 2016---9:30am - 3:30pm Deacon Leo Sharron from St. Michael's in Cuero will present a day retreat entitled, "My Soul in Stillness Waits" at Incarnate Word Convent 1101 NE Water St., Victoria, TX. This retreat provides an opportunity to encounter God in the silence of the heart. Two conferences on a spiritual topic are presented, as well as Eucharist liturgy and ample time for walking, reflecting, spiritual guidance and reconciliation. All are welcome.

The **Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament** continue their Celebration of 150 Years here in Victoria. All are invited and welcomed to an **OPEN HOUSE** at 1101 NE Water St. on **December 17, 2016** from **2:00 pm - 5:00 pm.**