



St. Hugh Parish

7939 West 43rd Street, Lyons, Illinois 60534-1533

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December 4, 2016

Second Sunday of Advent

Weekend Masses Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am

Daily Mass Monday - Saturday
10:30am

Penance A priest-confessor is available Saturday after the morning Mass or by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick Contact Father for a family member who is seriously ill.

Communion for Homebound Call the Parish Office to request a Minister of Care to visit.

Baptism Infants are baptized at the parish where their parents are active members - usually on Sunday after the Mass. Contact the Pastor to schedule.

Marriage Celebrated for current parishioners. Engaged couples should begin preparations with the parish at least six months in advance of a proposed wedding.

Funerals The family of the deceased should rely on the professional skill of a funeral director who will assist in making arrangements with the parish and cemetery.

Parish Office Hours Monday - Friday
9:00am - 3:00pm
fax: 708.447.9870

Saint Hugh of Grenoble 1052 – 1132
He was named a bishop at age 27. In time of famine he sold his Episcopal ring in order to aid the poor. Assisted Saint Bruno in founding the Carthusians. Feast: April 1.

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Advent Reconciliation Service with individual confession & absolution 1:00pm on Saturday December 10

**Saint
John
the
Baptist**

...
**Pray
for
us.**



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From the Pastor's Desk

A window-less Advent Calendar on this Second Sunday of Advent

Monday December 5: Our Society of Catholic Women will gather in church for their annual Misericordia Mass at 6:30pm with the monthly meeting to follow in Keating Hall.

Tuesday December 6: Saint Nicholas, the patron of children, was a fourth century bishop and martyr. Learn more on December 18 (see below).

Wednesday December 7: Ask Saint Ambrose, another fourth century bishop, to pray for the children in our annual pageant. They have a rehearsal tonight.

Thursday December 8: The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is Holy Day of Obligation. It is under this title that the Mother of Jesus is the patroness of the United States and of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Parish Masses celebrated at 10:30am and 7:00pm

Friday December 9: Our SCW hosts a free movie night. Doors to Keating Hall open at 7:00pm *The Nativity Story* begins at 7:30pm. Concessions for sale. No children under 12 without an adult.

Saturday December 10: Our Advent Reconciliation Service with individual confession and absolution is at 1:00pm. For some of our younger parishioners this will be their first time receiving this sacrament - pray for them.

Sunday December 11: On Gaudete (*Rejoice!*) Sunday we light the pink candle as a reminder that we are now in the home stretch of Advent. Our Girl Scouts host a Pancake Breakfast with Santa 8:00am-Noon. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and younger. 708.442.5664. Gifts for the Giving Tree are due today.

Monday December 12: The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. In 1531, Mary appeared to Saint Juan Diego at Tepeyac. It is under this title that the mother of Jesus is the Patroness of the Americas.

Tuesday December 13: Martyred around the year 304, today the legend of Saint Lucy is associated with festivals of light especially in Scandinavia.

Wednesday December 14: Ask Saint John of the Cross to pray for the children in our annual pageant. They have another rehearsal tonight.

Thursday December 15: Consider how you will promote hospitality and help parishioners and visitors feel welcome when they come to worship here.

Friday December 16: Our Advent Family Evening includes seasonal crafts for children. \$5 per child. Register through the Faith Formation Office or call 708.447.3108 for details.

Saturday December 17: The O antiphons begin tonight as the Advent liturgies focus more directly on preparations for the Lord's birth.

Sunday December 18: O *Wisdom* - Saint Nicholas visits the Religious Education classes. All are invited to his presentation in church at 9:15am

Monday December 19: O *sacred Lord*

Tuesday December 20: O *Flower of Jesse's stem*

Wednesday December 21: O *Key of David*

Thursday December 22: O *Radiant Dawn*

Friday December 23: O *King of all the nations*

Saturday December 24: O *Emmanuel* - Children's Pageant at 3:45pm prior to the first Christmas Mass at 4:00pm

Sunday December 25: The Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord with Christmas Masses at 8:00 and 10:30am

Let us continue to pray for one another and for our parish.

Father Reszel

You are invited to:

Saint Joseph H.S. Open House

1:00-3:00pm on Sunday December 4
stjoeshs.org / 708.562.4433+116

Saint Laurence H.S. Open House

Sunday December 4, 10:00am-Noon
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Milk & Cookies with St. Nick Sunday December 4, 9:00am-1:30pm at Saint Mary Parish, 126 Herrick, Riverside. This free event is sponsored by the Bishop Ketteler Council, Knights of Columbus. 708.447.4265

Annual Lessons & Carols presented by Concordia University Chicago at 4:00pm on December 4, 7400 Augusta St. River Forest. Freewill offering

Advent Day of Reflection and Reconciliation at The Shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii, 1224 W. Lexington St., Chicago. Saturday, December 10, 9:00am- 3:00pm. Featuring biblical scholar Dianne Bergant, C.S.A. \$25. Register by 12/7 at 312.421.3757 or www.ourladyofpompeii.org/event/advent-day-2

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Advent at the Abbey *Let Peace be your Quest and Aim* 9:00am-3:00pm on Saturday December 10. St Procopius Abbey and Benedictine University in Lisle offer this opportunity for the Sacrament of reconciliation and an experience of Benedictine Spirituality. Register at procopius.webs.com/advent-at-the-abbey, or contact Fr. Becket at 630.829.9253 bfranks@procopius.org

Joyful Again! Two day program for widows & widowers who want to find joy in living again. January 21-22 at Our Lady of the Angels House of Prayer in Lemont. Space is limited - register early at 708.354.7211 or www.joyfulagain.org

Suburban Catholic Singles Group Multi-parish ministry for those in their 40s and 50s - Sunday December 11, 11:00am Mass at Mater Christi Parish, 2431 S Tenth Ave., North Riverside then lunch at Tipster's 8839 W Cermak, North Riverside. \$24. RSVP required by 12/06 to singlesadmin@gmail.com

**Saints or Observances,
Readings, and Mass Intentions**



Second Sunday of Advent
Is 11:1-10; Ps 72;
Rom 15:4-9;
Mt 3:1-12

4:00 Intentions of the Parish

8:00 Walter Ignash;
Sister Barbara Jean & Wally Ciszek

10:30 Phyllis Jordan;
William Pennington

Monday December 5
Is 35:1-10; Ps 85; Lk 5:17-26

10:30 Intention of Christine Dolgopol

Tuesday December 6 St. Nicholas
Is 40:1-11; Ps 96; Mt 18:12-14

10:30 Robert Pondelicek

Wednesday December 7 St. Ambrose
Is 40:25-31; Ps 103; Mt 11:28-30

10:30 Bruce Sainsbury

Thursday December 8 The Immaculate
Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Gn3:9-20;Ps98; Eph1:3-12; Lk1:26-38

10:30 Intentions of the Parish

7:00 Frank Tobolaski

Friday December 9 St. Juan Diego
Is 48:17-19; Ps 1; Mt 11:16-19

10:30 Saint Hugh Purgatorial Society

Saturday December 10
Sir 48:1-11; Ps 80; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

10:30 Mabel Stednitz



Third Sunday of Advent
Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146;
Jas 5:7-10;
Mt 11:2-11

4:00 Intentions of the Parish

8:00 Leona & Paul Carrabotta;
Sister Barbara Jean & Wally Ciszek

10:30 Pro Life; Victoria Michaels

Weekly Vincentian Reflection



In today's Gospel, John the Baptist urges us to "Prepare the way of the Lord." This is what Advent is all about, for we are called to help prepare the

way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts, in our family and to reach out to those in need.



Giving Tree

The Giving Tree for the children of Lyons is located near the baptismal font. Each ornament indicates the name and the wished for gift. Please take a tag with a wish you can fulfill. Then attach the ornament tag to your wrapped present and place under the Giving Tree on or before Sunday December 11. Thank you for brightening a local child's holiday.

Pray for the sick

Fr. Angelo Biancalana, George Boksa, Liz Bryson, Virginia Bryson, Richard Callahan, Bernice Ciszek, Ronald Demco, Dawn Gilbert, Glen Gilbert, Florence Gorgen, Will Gorgen, Dawn Hainsworth, Annette Jaworski, Leo Jeselski, Gloria Kucan, Patrick Miller, Lorraine Polcyn, Marianne Salvino, Elaine Snella, Vicki Stephansen, Pat Stone, Elsie Tobolaski

Annual Misericordia Mass & Gathering this Monday

On December 5, our Society of Catholic Women will gather in Church for their annual Mass to benefit the residents of Misericordia. After Mass, they will hold their monthly meeting in Keating Hall. Agenda will include an initial review of the annual bazaar. Of course, refreshments will be served.



S.C.W.



Seasonal Choir

Seeking voices in all ranges to sing during the Advent and Christmas liturgies. Rehearsals are on Sundays at 9:15am in the Music Classroom. Rehearsal with instrumentalists on Monday

December 19 at 6:30pm will be in the choir loft. Contact Fran Serpe, music director, 708.447.3108 +7 or ffserpe@gmail.com

Weekend of December 10 - 11				
Mass	Priest / Deacon	Reader	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
4:00pm	Father Reszel	Celeste Quezada	Olivia Quezada Maggie Schemenaur Cathy Bergman	Mary S Marissa H
8:00am	Father Reszel Deacon Mamolella	Makayla L	Rosemary Kufra Edgardo Ramos Nina Konopasek	Alexys A Brian B
10:30am	MCCJ Father	Veronica A	Liz Shermack Patti Krueger	Anthony W Ashley B

MCCJ = Comboni Missionaries of the Sacred Heart of Jesus; *Missionarii Comboniani Cordis Iesu*

B-I-N-G-O & Pull Tabs

Every Thursday in Keating Hall.
Doors open 5:00pm
Early Bird game 6:45pm
Crew #4 to assist on December 1

Stewardship thought

Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. MATTHEW 3:10

Do you bear good fruit for Christ? Or, do you spend your time, talent and treasure constantly acquiring more toys, clutter and junk. Our time, our talent and our treasure are gifts that God has given us. What we do with them is our gift back to God. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?

Wills / Bequests

After providing for your loved ones, please consider naming Saint Hugh Parish as a beneficiary of your estate.

Manna Group Scrip New Orders on December 6

Shopping this way benefits our parish.

Gift cards, aka Scrip, can be used for your holiday shopping or as a holiday gift. Many retailers make their cards available via the Manna Group. A percentage of your order (2 - 30% depending on the merchant) is then rebated in cash to Saint Hugh.

Next weekend after Mass see Marilyn Krebel (4:00), Nina Konopasek (8:00), or Kim Thomas (10:30).

They have in-stock gift cards for: Amazon \$10, Burger King \$5, CVS \$25, Dunkin Donuts \$10, Home Depot \$25, iTunes \$10, Jewel \$25, Meijer \$25, Menard's \$25, Starbucks \$10, Target \$25, Walgreens \$25, and Walmart \$25.

To order scrip from other retailers, see the list in the church vestibule or visit www.sthughlyons.org and click FUNDRAISING

Oplatki

This Christmas wafer is a central European holiday tradition celebrated in Poland, Lithuania, and Slovakia during *Wigilia*, or the Christmas Eve Vigil. An envelope with two white rectangular wafers is available for purchase in the sacristy or the parish office for \$1.

Treasures from the tradition

Did St. Francis of Assisi invent the Christmas crib? Not exactly, but his devotion to the Incarnation and his love for the poverty of the Christ Child certainly popularized this beloved custom. Long before Francis, it was a custom at the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome to enshrine a rich image of Mary, gilded and bejewelled, embracing the child Jesus. This church was founded as a kind of home for the feast of Christmas in the fourth century. In 1223, Francis was ready to celebrate this feast in a new way. In the tiny city of Greccio, he asked friends to prepare a place where they could experience the poverty and suffering embraced by Christ in his birth. It was a living scene: an ox from the barn, an ass from the stable, and peasants standing in for shepherds and kings. The night of the celebration was beautiful, the weather was warm, and people came in crowds, bearing candles and singing hymns that echoed through the forest. Francis himself chanted the Gospel and preached. The custom spread quickly, and by the sixteenth century cribs were seasonal features not only in church, but in the home.

On December 17, the liturgy begins to unfold the Lord's birth before us, and it's the right time to follow this beautiful tradition. In Germany, each night throughout Advent children prepare a bedding for the manger. At bedtime prayer, a child places a single straw in the manger for each act of devotion or virtue performed during the day. If the children are good, then the Christ child will have plenty of soft bedding when he is placed in the manger on Christmas.

-Rev. James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.



Advent Gospels by Paul Turner

On the four Sundays of Advent, the Catholic lectionary presents a series of Gospel readings that prepare for the celebration of the birth of Christ. The Sunday Advent readings all rotate on a three-year cycle, but they always follow the same pattern.

The Gospel for the First Sunday of Advent always tells of the reign of Christ at the end of time. It echoes the theme of the previous Sunday, the solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King. Advent starts with the message that we await the second coming of Christ. This entire season is not just a reminder of a past birth but an anticipation of future glory.

The Second and Third Sundays of Advent always have Gospel readings about John the Baptist. John is an adult in these passages, proclaiming the nearness of the kingdom of God and serving as the prophet who bridges the Old and New Testaments. John foreshadows Jesus in his birth, his preaching, and his death. John's message on these two middle Sundays of this season inspires us to follow Christ.

The Fourth Sunday of Advent always tells part of the story that just precedes the birth of Christ. These familiar episodes set the stage for one of the Bible's best-known passages, the story of Christmas.

The Gospel readings of the four Sundays of Advent come to us in reverse chronology. We start with the end of time. We continue to the period when Jesus was an adult. We end in the days before his birth. Like a funnel, Advent opens with a giant theme, the grandness of Christ the King, and it ends with a specific one, the child lying in a Bethlehem manger.

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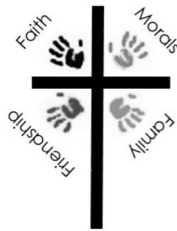
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Vocation thought

Are you called to be "A herald's voice in the desert" preparing the way of the Lord in the hearts of His people? If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact Father Francis Bitterman at 312.534.8298 or fbitterman@archchicago.org



From the Faith Formation Office

December 4: Reconciliation
Prep grades 3-11, 8:30-9:00am / RE (Religious Education) PreK-5, 9:05-10:20am

December 5: Monthly gathering of the SCW begins with the Misericordia Mass at 6:30pm in church followed by the business meeting and refreshments in Keating Hall.

December 6: RE grades 6-7, 6:00-7:30pm

December 8: Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Patron Saint of the United States) a Holy Day of Obligation - Masses at 10:30am and 7:00pm

December 9: SCW Movie Night in Keating Hall featuring *The Nativity Story* doors open at 7:00pm, movie begins at 7:30pm

December 10: First and Advent Reconciliation Service 1:00pm in church

December 11: RE grades PreK-5, 9:05-10:20am / Girl Scouts Pancake Breakfast with Santa 8:00am-Noon in Keating Hall / All gifts for the Giving Tree need to be returned today

December 16: Advent Family Evening in Keating Hall 7:00-8:30pm

December 18: RE all grades 9:05-10:20am in church / CLW (Children's Liturgy of the Word) during 10:30am Mass

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708.447.3108 for all marked (*)

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Jim Burrows



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