

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

WEST DES MOINES



WEEK OF NOVEMBER 21, 2021

DAILY MASS

8 am (Monday - Friday)

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE (MISAS)

Saturday

4 pm

Sunday

9 am

11 am

1 pm (en español)

5 pm

RECONCILIATION (RECONCILIACIÓN)

Saturday

2:30 pm—3:30 pm

Reconciliation Room in the Gathering Space

ADORATION (HORA SANTA)

First Tuesday of Every Month

primer martes de cada mes

Following 8 am Mass

Healing Service and Benediction

Servicio de Sanación y Bendición

6 pm

OFFICE HOURS (HORAS DE OFICINA)

Monday/lunes 7:30 am - 5:30 pm

Tuesday/martes 7:30 am - 5:30 pm

Wednesday/miércoles 7:30 am - 6:30 pm

Thursday/jueves 7:30 am - 5:30 pm

Friday/viernes 7:30 am - noon

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

NUESTRO SEÑOR JESUCRISTO, REY DEL UNIVERSO

So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?"

Jesus answered, "You say I am a king." - Jn 18:37a

Pilato le dijo: "¿Conque tú eres rey?"

Jesús le contestó: "Tú lo has dicho. Soy rey". - Jn 18, 37

WELCOME

If you are new to our Sacred Heart Parish and wish to be a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, please stop by the parish office or call 515-225-6414 to facilitate the New Member Registration. We have programs and activities available for all ages. We offer the RCIA program for those who wish to become Catholics. [We invite you to become involved as an Active Apostle at Sacred Heart Parish!](#)

BIENVENIDOS

Si usted es nuevo al Sacred Heart (Sagrado Corazón) y quiere ser se miembro, por favor pase por la oficina de la iglesia para obtener el paquete de registración. También se puede facilitar un paquete por correo si llama al 515-225-6414. Si usted necesita ayuda en español, por favor llame al 515-225-0546 para comunicarse directamente con la Directora del Ministerio Hispano. Tenemos programas y actividades para todas edades. También ofrecemos el programa de RICA para los quienes desean convertirse a la fe católica o los quienes necesitan terminar sus sacramentos de iniciación. [¡Los invitamos a participar como Apóstoles Activos en la Parroquia de Sacred Heart!](#)

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**PLEASE PRAY FOR
POR FAVOR ORE POR**

Joe Cimino	Cora Newcomb
Andy Crouse	Pete Peterschmidt
Joanie DeWitt	Steph Salana
Viola Dubay	Colleen Salazar
Vicki Ferin	Gabe Savala
Florence Fligg	Olivia Steffensmeier
Tony Giorgio	Lori Tiffaney
Ella Harkin	Lyle Veach
Mary Ann Hilderbrand	Anne Marie Wilkinson
Ali Lasell	Abby Woodson
Brooks Mack	Heather and Mary

Please let us know of if you would like us to pray for you.

Please call the office at 515-225-6414.

Por favor déjenos saber si usted conoce una persona quien necesita oraciones de la comunidad. Comuníquese con Karla.

**OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS
TO THE FAMILIES OF THE FOLLOWING...**

Maria Marziano
Mother of parishioner Vincent Marziano

Jim Schmitz
Father of parishioner Tammy Schmitz

Fred Woolson
Father of parishioner Eric Woolson

...GOD GRANT THEM ETERNAL REST

**Thanksgiving
at Sacred Heart Church**

THANKSGIVING MASS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH - 9 AM (NO 8 AM MASS)
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26th - 8 AM

THANKSGIVING OFFICE HOURS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH - CLOSING AT NOON
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH - CLOSED
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH - CLOSED

Divine Renovation at Sacred Heart

**VISION OF OUR CATHOLIC
COMMUNITY OF SACRED HEART:**

**Sharing the Good News of God's Love
through Active Apostleship**

SACRED HEART MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
9:00 am Mass Mass Intention: Tresa Gardell	7:30 am Parish Rosary	7:30 am Parish Rosary	7:30 am Parish Rosary	Thanksgiving Day 7:30 am Parish Rosary	7:30 am Parish Rosary	
11:00 am Mass Mass Intention: Teresa Kordick	8:00 am Mass Mass Intention: Frank and Mary Brower	8:00 am Mass Mass Intention: Sally Schenkelberg	8:00 am Mass Mass Intention: Karen Heddinge	9:00 am Mass Mass Intention: Rustico Santos	8:00 am Mass Mass Intention: Teresina Vulcano	New Times! 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Reconciliation Gathering Space Reconciliation Room
1:00 pm Mass (En Español) Mass Intention: SH Parishioners	6:30 pm Parish Rosary		8:30 am Parish Prayer Group <i>Drop in. All are welcome.</i>			
5:00 pm Mass Mass Intention: Grace Bilstad						4:30 pm Mass Mass Intention: SH Parishioners

**PLEASE NOTE: New Weekend Mass Times
Beginning on November 27th/28th!**
Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am & 1pm (en español)

St. Vinnie's Corner

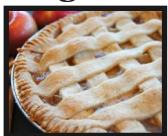
November is the time of year we think about what makes us grateful. St. Vincent de Paul of Sacred Heart has wonderful volunteers that have worked throughout this pandemic for which we are so very grateful. Many of our activities are still on pause yet we have been able to continue much of our mission of helping others, help themselves!

From October 2020-October 2021, we helped 3,239 people. We've had 232 events (Café Connection, food pantry, personal care product supply, Shoe box events for homeless, Rosary at Manor Care, Holiday food assistance, etc.) for a total of 1,700 volunteer hours. Our members keep track of the mileage they drive while volunteering yet we do not get reimbursed for it. Would you believe that we have driven 7,602 miles? We pick up cart loads of bread and other items from area grocery stores and deliver to several shelters downtown. During the height of the pandemic, one of our members did this daily! The value of the items donated and delivered totaled over \$129,000.00. Thank you to our fellow Vincentians and to Sacred Heart Parish for all their support!

Food Pantry Collection

Sacred Heart has a special collection each month to benefit the Des Moines Area Religious Council (DMARC) Food Pantry. This collection will occur November 20/21. The collection usually occurs on the 3rd weekend of the month. Thank you for your generosity.

Knights of Columbus Update



Your Thanksgiving pies ordered from the Knights of Columbus will be **ready for pick-up this weekend—November 20/21** in the parish gathering space after all Masses.

There will be a limited number of extra pies for purchase on a first come basis if you forgot to put an order in the last two weekends.

Decorate the Church for Advent



The Art & Environment Committee will be decorating our church for Advent on **Saturday, November 27th at 8 am**. We will be taking out the fall decorations and installing the Advent décor including the Nativity set.

Elizabeth Andrew said, "Volunteers do not necessarily have the time, they just have the heart." Come join in the fun of getting our Church ready for Advent! As always, service hours are available and teens are welcome!

Join the Sacred Heart Staff Now Hiring Hispanic Ministry Director



The Hispanic Ministry Director position serves as the key individual for visioning, integrating and administrating the ministerial needs of the Hispanic community at Sacred Heart Church. The job requires ensuring this community's talents, resources, culture and faith are incorporated into the life of the parish as well as a willingness to work as a team with the Sacred Heart staff. The Hispanic Ministry Director will be a bridge between this community and the rest of the church and promote good relations between all parishioners. The Director will team up with our Parochial Vicar in coordinating all Hispanic events to grow and support the Hispanic Community, celebrate culture and strive toward being an excellent example of a Shared Parish as defined by the USCCB. The Director will report to the Pastor. The position is for 30 hours per week and will be eligible for benefits.

Required: Fluent in English and Spanish. Basic computer skills and comfort with Microsoft Office required. Ministry experience and Bachelor's degree preferred. For a full description of the position, please visit www.sacredheartwdm.org/employment.

Unete Al Personal Del Sagrado Corazon Ahora Contratando Director Del Ministerio Hispano

El puesto de Director del Ministerio Hispano sirve como la persona clave para visualizar, integrar y administrar las necesidades ministeriales de la comunidad hispana en la Iglesia del Sagrado Corazón. El trabajo requiere asegurar que los talentos, los recursos, la cultura y la fe de esta comunidad se incorporen a la vida de la parroquia, así como la voluntad de trabajar en equipo con el personal del Sagrado Corazón. El Director del Ministerio Hispano será un puente entre esta comunidad y el resto de la iglesia y promoverá las buenas relaciones entre todos los feligreses. El Director se unirá a nuestro Vicario Parroquial para coordinar todos los eventos hispanos para hacer crecer y apoyar a la Comunidad Hispana, celebrar la cultura y esforzarse por ser un excelente ejemplo de una Parroquia Compartida según lo define la USCCB. El Director reportará al Pastor. El puesto es de 30 horas a la semana y será elegible para recibir beneficios.

Requerido: Fluidez en inglés y español. Se requieren conocimientos básicos de informática y comodidad con Microsoft Office. Se prefiere experiencia en el ministerio y una licenciatura. Para obtener una descripción completa del puesto, visite <http://www.sacredheartwdm.org/employment>.

Giving Tuesday 2021 Tuesday, November 30, 2021



Giving Tuesday 2021 benefits, Works of Mercy, an exciting way to help those in our community. 100% of the money donated to Works of Mercy goes to support the corporal and spiritual works of mercy in our community. What does this look like? It is purchasing a winter coat for someone in need, providing a bicycle to a household without transportation, giving a bible to a person who wants to know God better, providing a restaurant gift card to a family with a new baby, the possibilities are endless! Go to www.sacredheartwdm.org/worksofmercy to donate online or send your contribution to the office, with the memo, Works of Mercy.

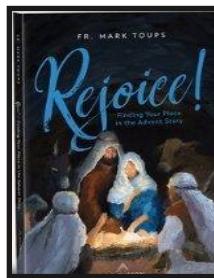
*"A bit of mercy makes the world less cold and more just."
-Pope Francis*

Giving martes 2021 Martes, 30 de noviembre de 2021

Giving martes 2021 presenta Obras de Misericordia, una forma emocionante de ayudar a los miembros de nuestra comunidad. El 100% del dinero donado a Obras de Misericordia se destina a apoyar las obras de misericordia corporales y espirituales en nuestra comunidad. ¿A qué se puede comparar esto? Es como comprar un abrigo de invierno para alguien que lo necesita, proporcionar una bicicleta a un hogar sin transporte, regalar una biblia a una persona que quiere conocer mejor a Dios, proporcionar una tarjeta de regalo de un restaurante a una familia con un nuevo bebé, ¡las posibilidades son infinitas! Vaya a sacredheartwdm.org/giving-tuesday para donar en línea o envíe su contribución a la oficina, con el mensaje, Obras de misericordia.

*"Un poco de misericordia hace que el mundo sea menos frío y más justo".
-Papa Francisco*

Rejoice! Finding Your Place in the Advent Story



In preparing for Christmas there are many tasks that come along with it. We spend our Advent Season buying presents, sending cards, etc. We find it a challenge to stay peaceful. How would you like this Advent to be different? This Advent season we invite you to experience a Jesus centered Advent through the new Rejoice! Finding Your Place in the Advent Story. This journal invites you to see the places, meet the people, and experience the events that shaped the first Advent. This will allow you to experience this Advent season as you never have before. Each day will include two minutes of scripture, as well as imaginative prayer and reflection for each day of Advent. Limited books available. Cost is \$10 and books can be picked up at the parish office. To reserve your book, please sign up at: www.sacredheartwdm.org/rejoice-advent-meditations

Advent Wreath Making for Kids!



Join us in the Parish Center on **Sunday, November 28** after the 9:30 & 1:00 Masses for cookies and wreath making with your children. Make an advent wreath and receive a booklet to guide your family through the Advent Season.

Haga una corona de adviento

*Familias: Únanse a nosotros en el Centro Parroquial el **domingo 28 de noviembre** después de las misas de 9:30 y 1:00 para hacer galletas y guirnalda con sus hijos. Haga una corona de adviento y reciba un folleto para guiar a su familia a través del tiempo de Adviento.*

Sacred Heart Parish
Celebrating Our Lady of Guadalupe

Sunday, December 12th
11:00 am Procession
11:30 am Mass
12:30 pm Celebration in the Gym



(no 1 pm Mass on 12/12)

Novena Begins December 3rd



La Iglesia del Sagrado Corazón
Celebrando Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

domingo 12 de diciembre
11:00 am Procesión
11:30 am Santa Misa
12:30 pm Celebración en la escuela



(no hay misa a la 1 pm el 12/12)

Novena desde el 3 de diciembre

SACRED HEART
New Mass Times!

Mass/Misas

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 7:30 AM

9:30 AM

11:30 AM

1:00 PM (en español)

Reconciliation/Reconciliación
Saturdays 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Beginning November 27th/November 28th



**BAMBINELLI
SUNDAY
DECEMBER 11/12**

A SACRED HEART
TRADITION



You are encouraged to
bring the Christ Child
from your Nativity set to
All Masses on Bambinelli
Sunday for a special
blessing!

12 VINOS DE *Navidad*

**CELEBRE LOS 12 DÍAS DE NAVIDAD
PROBANDO LOS VINOS DE IGLESIA
DE LAS IGLESIAS CATÓLICAS DEL
METRO DE DES MOINES**

Esto es solo en preventa con una
donación sugerida de \$ 10 para
compensar los costos. Recibirás 12
envases de 2 oz. muestras de vino para
llevar a casa. Regístrese antes del 24/11

12 WINES OF *Christmas*

**CELEBRATE THE 12 DAYS OF
CHRISTMAS BY SAMPLING THE
CHURCH WINES OF THE DES MOINES
METRO CATHOLIC CHURCHES**

This is pre-sale only with a suggested
donation of \$10 to offset costs. You
will receive 12 2 oz. wine samples to
take home. Register by 11/24

Watch for Sacred Heart's 'Moving Nativity'

As we near the first Sunday of Advent this year, Sunday, November 28th, we encourage you to use our 'Moving Nativity' to share the Christmas story with your family. Sacred Heart is blessed to have a beautiful nativity set and a wonderful group of volunteers, led by Pam Douglas, who spend time each week during Advent to create that week's story with our nativity set. Each week, the people of Bethlehem, the shepherds and even the animals are moved around our church telling the Christmas story. You are invited to follow along with our description in the upcoming bulletins of where the figures are and the meaning behind their location. Stay tuned for this unique way to share the story of Jesus' birth in a special way here at Sacred Heart!

Esté atento a la "Natividad en movimiento" del Sagrado Corazón

A medida que nos acercamos al primer domingo de Adviento de este año, el domingo 28 de noviembre, le animamos a utilizar nuestro "Belén en movimiento" para compartir la historia de la Navidad con su familia. El Sagrado Corazón tiene la suerte de contar con un bello belén y un maravilloso grupo de voluntarios, dirigidos por Pam Douglas, que dedican tiempo cada semana durante el Adviento a crear la historia de esa semana con nuestro belén. Cada semana, el pueblo de Belén, los pastores e incluso los animales se mueven por nuestra iglesia contando la historia de la Navidad. Te invitamos a seguir nuestra descripción en los próximos boletines de dónde están las figuras y el significado de su ubicación. Permanezcan atentos a esta forma única de compartir la historia del nacimiento de Jesús de una manera especial aquí mismo, en el Sagrado Corazón.

Women's Guild Updates Support the Jesse Tree Advent Project

The Women's Guild and St. Vincent de Paul Society hope the entire parish will join in its effort to make Christmas brighter for local nursing home residents and others who need essential items for daily living. Please take an ornament from the Jesse Tree in our church gathering space, starting Thanksgiving weekend. Each ornament highlights a gift our potential recipients would like for Christmas. We also would like word scramble and Sudoku paperbacks, small-sized personal care items for our donations. The deadline to return gifts will be Sunday, Dec. 12. For those listing a student, please put the item in a gift bag and tie/tape on the ornament on the bag handle. For all others, please tie/tape the ornament to your item but do not wrap the gift.

Christmas Bake Sale

The annual Women's Guild bake sale will be held **Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 4 & 5**. The proceeds benefit Sacred Heart's ministries and community nonprofits through a grant application process. Qs? Contact our Bake Sale Co-Chairs Barb Baker at: barb.baker@sacredheartwdm.org or Carole Hays at: carolehays61@gmail.com

Tiempos de Misa Sacred Heart:
December 8:
8 AM - en ingles
9:30 AM - en ingles
5:30 PM - en ingles
7 PM - Español

Mass Times at Sacred Heart:
December 8:
8 AM - English
9:30 AM - English
5:30 PM - English
7 PM - Spanish



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Holy Day: December 8
Solemnidad la Inmaculada Concepción: 8 de Diciembre

SACRED HEART WOMEN'S GUILD



**CHRISTMAS
BAKE SALE**



SAT & SUN, DEC 4 & 5, 2021

AFTER ALL MASSES

SHOP IN THE GATHERING SPACE, DEC. 4 & 5
OR **PRE-ORDER SMALL &/OR LARGE PLATTERS BY DEC. 1**
FOR EASY PICK-UP DURING THE BAKE SALE WEEKEND!

Shop for **special holiday platters** for corporate gifts, teacher presents, hostess gifts, holiday party trays, your own family & more!

We'll have **cookies, bars & candies** in cellophane-wrapped platters, each tied with holiday ribbon or topped with bows.

Also for sale: **gluten-free & sugar-free items, soups & more!**

Proceeds benefit parish ministries and community nonprofits.

Pre-Order Form

Checks: Sacred Heart Women's Guild or Venmo: @shguild / Code 6451 / Note: Bake Sale

Any Qs or to Place Pre-Orders:
Barb Baker, 1070 Prairie View Dr, West Des Moines, IA 50266
515.339.1561 or barb.baker@sacredheartwdm.org

\$15/ea. x _____ (quantity) = \$ _____ **SMALL GIFT PLATTER** (15 assorted treats ea. platter)
\$25/ea. x _____ (quantity) = \$ _____ **LARGE GIFT PLATTER** (30 assorted treats ea. platter)

My Name: _____ Total Paid: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Winter Feast Days

WHAT TO CELEBRATE & WHEN



December 8 - Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

- 11** - Vigil Masses for the 3rd Sunday of Advent after 4 pm.
- 12** - The 3rd Sunday of Advent. This falls on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. It is required that the readings of the day be for the 3rd Sunday of Advent. Marian hymns, prayers and mention of Our Lady of Guadalupe in the homily are encouraged.
- 24** - Christmas Eve Masses after 4 pm.
- 25** - Christmas Day Masses all day. Parishioners may attend an evening Mass on this day that counts as their Sunday obligation only if they have already attended either a Christmas Eve or Christmas day Mass. One Mass cannot count for both obligations.
- 26** - Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.
- 31** - Vigil Masses for the Feast of Mary, Mother of God after 4 pm.
- January 1** - The Feast of Mary, Mother of God until 4 pm. / Vigil Masses for the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord after 4 pm.
- 2** - The Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord.

Holiday Planning

Our Lady of Guadalupe – This falls on the 3rd Sunday of Advent. It is required that the readings of the day be for the 3rd Sunday of Advent.

Christmas Day – As you make plans for the holidays, keep this in mind: Christmas Day falls on a Saturday this year. As the solemn celebration of Jesus' birth, this day remains a Holy Day of Obligation. Likewise, the Sunday obligation (for the Feast of the Holy Family) also remains in force. Thus, we will have 2 Mass obligations to fulfill between December 24 and December 26, one for Christmas and one for Sunday. Please note, one cannot "kill two birds with one stone." We must go to two Masses, one for each obligation.

***Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe** - Esto cae en el tercer domingo de Adviento. Se requiere que las lecturas del día sean para el tercer domingo de Adviento.*

***Día de Navidad:** cuando haga planes para las vacaciones, tenga esto en cuenta: el día de Navidad cae en sábado este año. Como celebración solemne del nacimiento de Jesús, este día sigue siendo un día santo de obligación. Asimismo, la obligación dominical (para la fiesta de la Sagrada Familia) también permanece en vigor. Así, tendremos 2 obligaciones de Misa a cumplir entre el 24 y el 26 de diciembre, una para Navidad y otra para el domingo. Tenga en cuenta que no se pueden "matar dos pájaros de un tiro". Debemos ir a dos misas, una por cada obligación.*



Christmas Mass Schedule

Friday, December 24th

Christmas Eve:

- 4 pm Church & Parish Center
- 6 pm Church
- 10 pm Church

Saturday, December 25th

Christmas Day:

- 9 pm Church

Horario de Misas para celebrar la Navidad

Viernes 24 de diciembre
Nochebuena:
 6 pm Español
 en el Centro Parroquial

Women's Advent Candlelight Evening

Advent Traditions

Featured Speaker: Julie Nelson

Thursday, December 2nd
Sacred Heart Church
7:00 p.m.

Doors open at 6:30 pm to enjoy music led by local musicians



Join Us This Advent:

- New Mass times starting Nov. 27th/28th
- Adoration each Tuesday from 8:30AM-7PM
Music & Reconciliation at 6PM
- Family Advent wreath making in Parish Center, Nov. 28th after the 9:30 AM and 1 PM Masses
- Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Dec. 8th Masses: 8 AM, 9:30 AM, 5:30 PM
7 PM Español
- Bambinelli blessing at all weekend Masses
Dec 11th & 12th
- Our Lady of Guadalupe bilingual Mass
December 12th at the 11:30 AM Mass
Celebration following in the school gym
(No 1 PM Mass that day)

More Advent Events:
sacredheartwdm.org

Acompáñenos en este Adviento:

- Nuevos horarios de Misas a partir del 27/28 de Noviembre.
- Adoración cada martes de 8:30 AM-7 PM.
Música y Reconciliación a las 6 PM.
- Corona de Adviento en el Centro Parroquial, el 28 de Noviembre después de las Misas de 9:30 AM y 1 PM.
- Fiesta de la Inmaculada Concepción 8 de diciembre. Misas: 8 AM, 9:30 AM, 5:30 PM Inglés y 7 PM Español.
- Celebración bilingüe de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe el 12 de Diciembre en la Misa de 11:30 de la mañana seguida de la celebración en el gimnasio de la escuela.
(No hay Misa de la 1 PM en ese día)

Más eventos durante el Adviento:
sacredheartwdm.org



FAMILY CHRISTMAS FEST

PRESENTED BY

MERCYONE

Saturday, December 4 • 9 - 11 a.m.

Pastoral Center, 601 Grand Ave, DM

Join us for our new family-focused event!

"We hope that parents, grandparents, and kids of all ages will join us for this fun new event, all in support of the programs and services provided by Catholic Charities,"

- Barbara Decker, Executive Director

- Children's GAMES AND CRAFTS
- CHRISTMAS STORY by Bishop Joensen - 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.
- Hand-carved nativity RAFFLE
- ONLINE AUCTION: November 27- December 4
- 'TERRY' & WHITE CHRISTMAS COLLECTION: Bring donations of white bath & hand towels and wash cloths, TP, and paper towels to help support our programs!

Online Registration:

catholiccharitiesdm.org/2021christmas/

Contact: Holly at hackermann@catholiccharities or 515-237-5027

LITURGY CORNER

Advent

Did you know Advent...

- Is Considered to be the start of the Liturgical Year
- Begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas
- Is a time of joyful preparation and anticipation for Christmas
- Also a time of penance, but this aspect is secondary to the spirit of hope-filled waiting
- Is represented in the four advent candles lit each week on the Advent wreath
- Focuses heavily on John the Baptist who prepared the way of the Lord, much like we are to prepare ourselves
- Has a seasonal color of Violet, except for the 3rd Sunday which is Rose.
- The 3rd Sunday is Gaudete Sunday
- Gaudete is the Latin word for REJOICE!
- Call us to not only prepare for the coming of the baby Jesus, but also when we will meet his again in death
- And calls us to recognize Jesus in all we meet in life
- Should be a time for silence and prayer more than other times in the liturgical year
- How do you prepare your hearts, minds, and lives for the coming of our Lord during this season?