

Infant Jesus Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule

Saturday—5:00 PM
Sunday—8:00 AM; 10:30 AM;
6:00 PM [Life Teen Mass]

Daily Mass

Tuesday—6:00 PM

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday—
8:30 AM

“Cry Room” is open during all Masses.

Confession

Saturday: 4:00-4:30 PM
and by appointment

Office Hours

755-1734
Monday thru Friday
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Church offices are located at
243 S. LHS Dr.

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Persons wishing to use the Adoration
Chapel should contact the Parish Office
for more information.

Religious Education

Office Hours
Monday-Thursday 9AM to 2:00PM

Grades K-8: Wednesdays, 5:30-7:00 PM
Grade HS: Wednesdays, 6:00-7:30 PM

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Andrew Moore	Pastor	ext. #103
Rev. Duc Duong	Parochial Vicar	ext. #102
Rev. Mr. L.D. Keen	Deacon	ext. #100
Rev. Mr. Garry LeBlanc	Deacon	ext. #100
Rev. Mr. Bruce Grimes	Deacon	ext. #100
Dianne Maxey	Secretary	ext. #100
Virginia Fischer	Receptionist	
Stacy Keen	Director of Rel. Ed.	ext. #114
Reagan Gear	Dir. of Music/Liturgy	ext. #105
	Lectors/Eucharistic Ministers	
Jim Maxey	Maintenance	ext. #100
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Shelia Kane	Bereavement Committee	755-3073
Ellen Hancock	Baptism Preparation	673-3622

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PRAYER GROUP

Pray for the sick

Mary Jo Hebert, Cass Faykus, Ashlyn Hanna, Robert Gossett, Ralph Gonsoulin, Ryleigh Kate Chilek, Yvain Hanley, C. M. Bahnsen, Fr. Martin Nelson, Kim Daylor, Rachel Hall, Maxine Russell, Forrest Lutz, Peggy Myers, Janet Horton Smock, JoAnn Sonnier, Virginia Schlihab, Marciano Guerrero, Bo & Pam Horka, Michael Carbello, Billy Campbell, Jolene Teutsch, Kenneth Teutsch, Paul, Mark, Jack & Michelle, Frank Snider, Dylan Glorioso,

Joe Farve, Kenny Fretz, Jim Fischer, Lois Lockwood, Margaret Darby, Peggy Parrie, Mary Huggins, David Norton, Patrick Maher, Sandy Taggart, John Darby, Daniel Begnaud, Justin LeGros, Karen Getz, Eileen Chapman, Donald Poche, Debbie Desmond, Jackie Brinson, Florence Paladino, Gail Montalbano, Lee Summers, Margie Poche, Trevor Reeves, Debbie Leleux, Johnnie Foret, Judson Stone, Jackie Bonvillion, Ronnie Vincent, Hunter Oney

Names placed on the prayer list will remain for one month unless the Parish Office is notified otherwise.

CATHOLIC I.Q. (Catechist.com Magazine)

Fun fact about our mission

The word catechesis literally means “_____” in Greek. *a) to echo b) Sunday school c) study the Bible d) talking about Jesus*

BIBLE STUDY

Breaking Open the Sunday Readings

A BIBLE STUDY WITH DEACON KEEN

Wednesday — 6:00-7:30pm in the Fellowship Hall

Good News Inspiration for Daily Life December 15

Never was a whimpering bit of humanity so powerful that, while lying on His bed of straw, He could command the very stars to direct whom He wished to visit Him. Never a child so wise or so rich as this little Infant who was full of grace and incarnate truth. ~St. Peter Canisius (1521-1597), Doctor of the Church Feast Day December 14

END OF THE YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions for the year of 2019 must be in the office by December 31, 2019, any contributions turned in after December 31st will be posted for the year 2020. The office will be closed December 23—January 2, envelopes may be placed in the drop box slot on the office door.

Third Sunday of Advent

Third Sunday of Advent

December 15, 2019

Those whom the Lord has ransomed will return
and enter Zion singing,
crowned with everlasting joy.
— Isaiah 35:10a

FLU SEASON

With the Flu season underway and for the health of community, at Holy Communion please refrain from drinking from the chalice if you have a cold, cough or other contagious symptoms. **A sacramental reminder: A person who receives the Eucharist in the form of bread or wine is receiving the complete Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

REASON TO REJOICE

Dark violet is used throughout Advent to express its character as a season of spiritual preparation for Christmas and “the coming of the Lord.” But on the Third Sunday of Advent, formerly known as *Gaudete* (Latin for “rejoice”) Sunday, rose may be added to the liturgical environment. The entire liturgy is infused with a spirit of rejoicing.

Today’s first reading and Gospel proclaim the reality of God’s saving work in our midst. Isaiah exuberantly describes the idyllic transformation of all creation as a result of God’s presence in the midst of the people. In the Gospel, Jesus connects Isaiah’s prophecy with what is happening in his own ministry. In addition to the list of healings from Isaiah (the blind, the lame, lepers, and the deaf), Jesus’ presence brings two other reasons for rejoicing: “The dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them” (Matthew 11:5).

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THE LOOK OF LOVE

What does love look like?

It has feet to go to the poor and needy.

It has eyes to see misery and want.

It has ears to hear
the sighs and sorrows of others.

—St. Augustine

PERSPECTIVE

A mountain shames a molehill until they both are humbled by the stars.

—Old adage

Homeless Ministry

The next Homeless Ministry run will be Saturday December 21 with start time at 6:30am in Dollinger Hall. All are welcome to join.

Items needed...pop top can goods, stocking hats, gloves, socks, snacks.

For more information call Cass Faykus at 409-656-9253 or Cass.matityahu@yahoo.com

Note from Pastor:

This third Sunday in Advent is known as the Sunday of joy. As we have passed the halfway mark of Advent, we begin looking with joy to the celebration of the gift of our Savior at Christmas. As a tangible sign that marks this day, we light the single rose-colored candle on the Advent wreath, and the ministers have the option of wearing rose-colored vestments in place of the regular penitential Advent purple.

Passing the halfway mark of Advent also reminds us of the importance of our continued spiritual preparations for Christmas. We are all invited to be refreshed and renewed in the Sacrament of God's mercy as the best way to prepare our hearts to celebrate Jesus' birthday.

At both Infant Jesus and St. Mark's we have regular confession times available each Saturday at 4pm.

In addition, this week, we will have extended confession opportunities available.

Confessions will be available at Infant Jesus this week on Tuesday, Dec. 17, from 6:30pm until 9pm.

Confessions will be available at St. Mark's on Wednesday, December 18, from 5:30 until 8pm.

All are welcome, no longer how long it's been. Don't worry if you don't remember the process; we'll help you through it!

To prepare for a good confession you can google "Confession Examination of Conscience" or download the iConfess app to your smart phone for a helpful guide.

May this Sunday of joy fill your hearts with gladness and determination as we prepare a place for the newborn King in our hearts.

--Fr. Andy

Please be reminded of our Christmas schedule. It is the same for Infant Jesus and St. Mark's.

Christmas Eve 5pm

Christmas at midnight

Christmas morning at 10am

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent

Monday: Las Posadas begins

Saturday: St. Peter Canisius; Winter begins

December 15, 2019 | Third Sunday of Advent



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Quiz Question Answer:

A) To catechize is to "re-sound" or "echo" the teachings of Christ and the Church through the centuries so that each generation might encounter Christ.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FAMILY OF THE MONTH

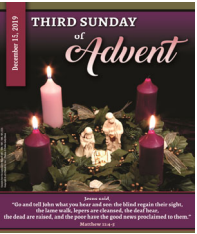
Bill and Deborah Miller

December, 2019 BIRTHDAYS

Anthony Tantillo, Jacob Major, Dexter LeLeux, Rick Thomisee, Jared Craiger, Mike Daleo, Calvin Bates, James Broussard, Jerry Bourg, Harvey Zernial, Tyler Black

Business Meeting every 2nd Monday of each month at 6:00pm in Dollinger Hall.

Family Night meets every 4th Monday of each month at 6:30pm in Dollinger Hall. **ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED.** Bring your favorite covered dish.

15 Third Sunday of Advent 8:00am Mass <i>Debbie LeLeux</i> 10:30am Mass <i>Sandy Brummell</i> 6:00PM Mass <i>People of the Parish</i> 	16 8:30AM Mass <i>John Knobloch</i> Parish Offices Open 9:00 AM-2:00 PM 	17 6:00PM Mass <i>Norma Bonvillion Willis</i> Parish Offices Open 9:00 AM-2:00PM 6:30-9:00pm Confessions	18 8:30AM Mass <i>Debbie LeLeux</i> Parish Offices Open 9:00AM-2:00PM 5:30pm Rel. Ed. 6:00pm Bible Study (FH)	19 8:30AM Mass Parish Offices Open 9:00AM-2:00PM 6:30pm RCIA (FH)	20 8:30AM Mass <i>Carol Cook</i> Parish Offices Open 9:00AM-2:00PM 	21 5:00PM Mass Vigil~Fourth Sunday of Advent <i>Gaspar Attardi</i> 6:30am Homeless Ministry Run (DH) 
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FH-Fellowship Hall, DH-Dollinger Hall, CR-Conference Room, D-Drexel Building, B-Bosco Building, AS-Altar Society Rm

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Sunday December 15, 2019
Tuesday December 10, 2019 : 12 noon

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