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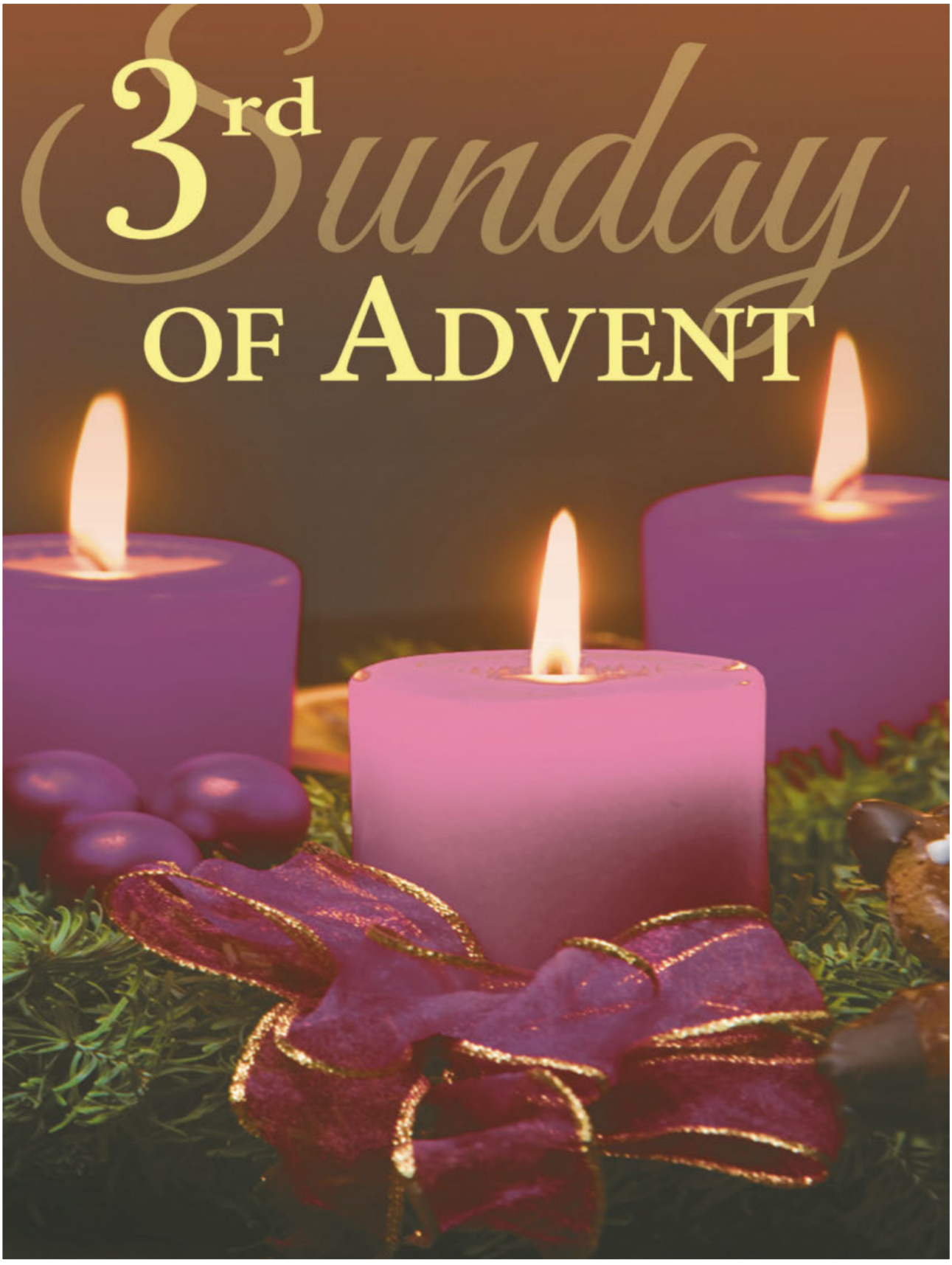

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WELCOME

JOIN OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Welcome to St. Alphonsus Liguori Catholic Church! We invite you to join our faith community, both at Mass and in fellowship. Visit the parish office, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm, or register online: ZionsvilleCatholic.com/Register.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 11, 2022

Sunday	Is 35:1-6a, 10/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11
Monday	Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/ Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
Tuesday	Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Mt 21:28-32
Wednesday	Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25/Lk 7:18b-23
Thursday	Is 54:1-10/Lk 7:24-30
Friday	Is 56:1-3a, 6-8/Jn 5:33-36
Saturday	Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17
Next Sunday	Is 7:10-14/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 11, 2022

Sun.	12/11	8:00 am	† Ben Hall	Hall
		10:30 am	Parish	
		5:00 pm	† 1st Ann. of Death: Carol Anne McCormack	Parish
Mon.	12/12	9:00 am	† Deborah Perry	O'Brien
Tue.	12/13	9:00 am	† Julia Devlin	Moss
Wed.	12/14	6:00 pm	† Mary Griggs	Van Note
Thurs.	12/15	9:00 am	† Francis Pliska	Haydock
Fri.	12/16	9:00 am	† Arthur Bottorff	Nguyen
Sat.	12/17	4:30 pm	† 1st Ann. of Death: John Caito	Parish
Sun.	12/18	8:00 am	Parish	
		10:30 am	† Julia Devlin	Moss
		5:00 pm	† Deb Perry	Herron

CONFESSION TIMES

Wednesday @ 6:30 pm | Saturday @ 3:15 pm | By Appointment

INCENSE AT MASS & ON OTHER OCCASIONS

Sunday, Dec. 11 @ 10:30 am | Sunday, Dec. 18 @ 5:00 pm

ROSARY WITH THE DAUGHTERS OF IMMACULATA: AFTER 8 AM MASS IN THE NAVE

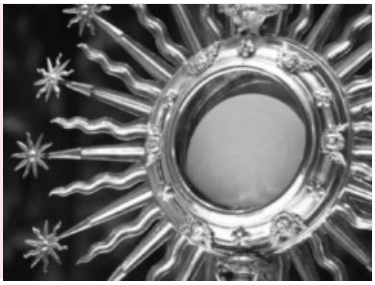
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

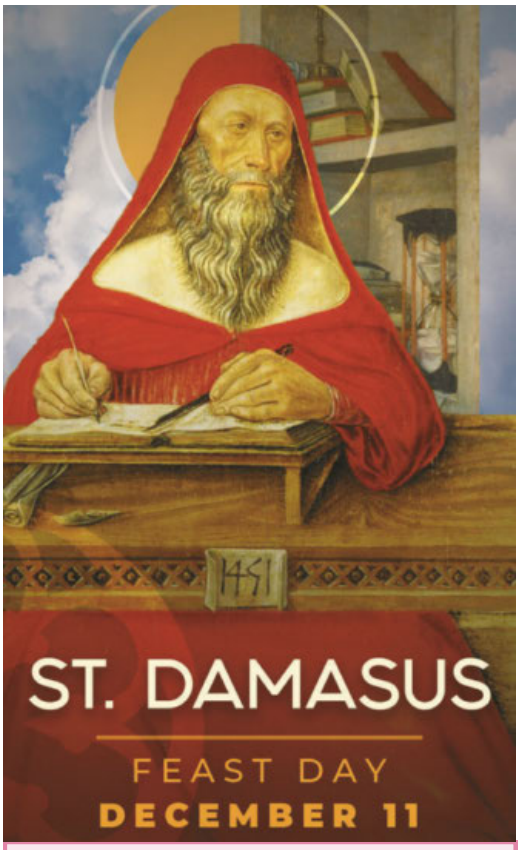
Monday - Friday: 7:00 am - 8:00 pm

Saturday: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Sunday: 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Commit to one hour at adorationpro.org/zionsvillecatholic.





St. Damasus served as Pope Damasus I for 18 years. He endured controversy early in his pontifical reign when a factional group of bishops insisted that their claimant was the true pope. Both sides resorted to violence before the issue was decided in favor of Damasus. He focused on the unification of the Church and countered division caused by heresy.

While pope, Damasus called a synod in 382 that declared Christianity as the official religion of the Roman Empire. This synod also established Rome as the direct descendant of the Church. To further unify the Church, Damasus introduced Latin as the liturgical language and commissioned his secretary St. Jerome to compile and revise various translations of the Bible into one official translation.

A writer and poet himself, St. Damasus lives on in history through his works that can be found in the Roman catacombs. Jerome described him as being "an incomparable person, learned in the Scriptures, a virgin doctor of the virgin Church, who loved chastity and heard its praises with pleasure."

Remember in Your Prayers

THE SICK
John Newport, Ron and Caregiver, Andy Ratz, Liz Roush, Scott Foster, Pilar Jarro, Josephine, Judy Kline-Stratton, Nick Alton, Ward Deglar, Judith Neff, Jean Stratman, Nicki Baltz, Holly Melton, Bobbie Hynson, Craig Comer, Jeff Carisch and all the ill of our parish and community.

REPOSE OF THE SOUL
Mary Nicastro, wife of Mark Nicastro and mother to Brittany.

OUR HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS & THOSE IN NURSING HOMES

PARISHIONERS DISCERNING RELIGIOUS LIFE
Tyler Kreipke, Deacon Andrew Morand, and Sam Bhatt

MILITARY
Chaplain Akeriwe, US Army; **Major Willis Brown**, USAF; **IT2 Luke Derocher,** US Navy; **LTC Jason Doffin**, US Army; **MAJ Nicholas Gibson**, USMC; **LT David Hamlin,** US Navy; **Chaplain Janko**, USAF; **Captain Mark Kite**, USAF; **Captain Brent Lasher**, USAF; **LT Joseph Lupinski,** US Navy; **SGT Alex Niksch**, US Army; **PO1 Nicholas Parsley**, USCG; **Major Matthew Read**, USAF; **PO1 Blake Reel**, US Navy; **CPL David Soderstrom**, USMC; **WO1 Zachary J. Stillions**, US Army, **Sam Ferguson,** US Navy...and the families of all soldiers who are deployed.

Names of the sick remain in the bulletin for 8 weeks. At that time, you may call the office to resubmit a request: (317) 873-2885 or email bulletin@zionsvillecatholic.com.

THE NEXT BIG STEP
Last weekend, our candidates and catechumens participated in the Rite of Acceptance. Please continue to pray for them as they continue their journey in the faith!

RCIA

With joyful hearts, we welcome those who have been baptized since July of this year.

Miles Baxter
Dominic Beckner
George Carter
Kennedy Carter
Gabriel Evankobich
Madeline Fox
Wesley Hetzer
Genevieve Mason
Amelia Miller
Tatum Olds
Leonard Orlowski
Margot Pitcock
Finley Sahm
Maeve Sochinski
Jackson Windlow
Charlotte Woodhams

2022 ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES
You are encouraged to participate in the sacrament of Reconciliation at least once this Advent season.

Advent Penance Services in our area:

Monday, December 12 | St. Alphonsus Liguori in Zionsville
Monday, December 12 | St. John Vianney in Fishers
Tuesday, December 13 | Holy Spirit at Geist in Fishers
Wednesday, December 14 | St. Louis de Montfort in Fishers
Thursday, December 15 | St. Maria Goretti in Westfield
Monday, December 19 | Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Carmel
Tuesday, December 20 | St. Elizabeth Seton in Carmel
Wednesday, December 21 | Our Lady of Grace in Noblesville

MINISTRY

MIDDLE SCHOOL

12/18 - 1/8/23: Christmas Break. We will see you in 2023!

Sign your child up by **December 15** to receive an Early Bird Discount!

Religious EDUCATION

Our RE classes will be on Christmas Break from December 18 to January 2. We look forward to seeing you in the new year starting **January 8 & 9!**

LITTLE ONES & VOLUNTEERS WELCOME!

Children in 2nd grade and younger are invited to the Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) in the Reception Room during 10:30 am Mass on the 2nd and 4th Sundays, January through April.
The first session is January 8.

We also need volunteers who are interested in leading our returning CLOW program. **Three volunteers are needed per Mass.**
To sign up, visit bit.ly/REvolunteer22.

SAL Activity Calendar
Dec. 12: Advent Penance Service
Dec. 13: Prayer Shawl Ministry
Dec. 18: Zionsville Band Christmas Concert
Dec. 24: Christmas Pageant
Dec. 25: Christmas Day
Dec. 26 - Jan. 1: Christmas Break The Parish Office is closed.
Jan. 4: Prayer Shawl Ministry We'll be in the St. Bridgid Room at 6:30 pm!
Jan. 8: CLOW begins CLOW meets during 10:30 am Mass. Children in 2nd grade and under are welcome!
Jan. 8: The DOE is In! Director of Evangelization Kimberly Overmyer wants to meet you! She will be in the narthex after 5:00 pm mass.
Jan. 9: The DOE is In! The Director of Evangelization will be outside of RE classes from 5:30 to 6:30 pm.
Jan. 10: Prayer Shawl Ministry
Jan. 14: Daughters of Immaculata Retreat
Jan. 14: The DOE is In! Share your thoughts with the Director of Evangelization after 4:30 pm mass.
Jan. 15: Coffee & Donuts Director of Evangelization Kimberly Overmyer will be there!
Jan. 15: Blood Drive
Jan 25-26: Rummage Sale Drop Off Days
Jan. 27-28: Rummage Sale Shopping Days
Jan. 28: Middle School Retreat
Take a look at our online calendar!

MINISTRY & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CREATE A COMMUNITY AT HOME

Our Home Groups begin in Lent of 2023! Participants meet in small groups on a weekly or bi-weekly basis to provide fellowship and support. Groups are open to all and can be based in age, gender, or even common interests!

If you love to host, consider using your love and talent to host a Home Group! Email Tom Ponchak at adultformation@zionsvillecatholic.com or call (317) 873-2885, ext. 511 to express interest or ask for information.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Please join us on **December 13** from **9:30 to 11:00 am** in the Reception Room to create Prayer Shawls for our community!

Sunday, December 18 at 6:30 pm in the Nave

TELL CHRIST'S STORY

Our Annual Christmas Pageant will occur on **December 24** at **7:00 pm**. For all children who are participating in the pageant, we will have one more mandatory rehearsal on **December 20 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in the nave.** This is a dress rehearsal.

A parent must accompany each actor.

See you there!

Our annual Rummage Sale is coming up!
Consider dropping off your old items on the Drop Off Days and thrifting some gently-used items in the Shopping Days! All sales benefit the community of St. Anthony of Padua in Croix Fir, Haiti.

WINTERFEST WALK WITH SANCTUS!

Young adults and young families are welcome to join SANCTUS in a prayer to St. Lucy and a walk at the Maplelawn Luminary Walk on **December 16 at 6:30 pm**! There is also be an optional opportunity to enjoy s'mores with the group starting at 5:00 pm.
Look for our Associate Director of YA Ministry Emily Meiner wearing a light-up hat at the start of the walkway!
Children, friends, and family are welcome to join.

HERE & AWAY

Give yourself the gift of a peaceful day by getting away for a day at the St. Joseph Retreat Center.
To register for one of these dates, visit stjosephretreat.org/sign-up-for-an-sjrcc-retreat.

WINTER WEATHER CLOSURES

When the Sheriff of Boone County or the Police Chief of the City of Zionsville declares a "Snow Emergency," weekend Masses and all other parochial events that weekend at SAL are cancelled.

On the occasion of weather-related events that close schools and/or roads, the Episcopal policy guides the following:

A. Offices close when civil government (Sheriff) announce emergency measures and road closures in the county. All employees will not report to work until the emergency is lifted. Activities sponsored by the parish are cancelled. The respective professional ministers have the responsibility to inform attendees of the closure; do not take anything for granted - use due diligence.

B. When Zionsville Community Schools are closed, our offices remain open. As travel for some may become difficult and driving experiences differs, individual ministers will determine whether they should remain.

SAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

We are seeking a part-time bookkeeper! The individual in this position encourages ethical business practices in the financial and temporal affairs of the parish.

Areas of responsibility include managing and maintaining the accounting system, processing all invoices and receivables, reconciling and balancing accounts, preparing financial statements, distributing annual donor tax statements, supporting weekly collection volunteers, and assisting in budget planning and reporting.

The ideal candidate has a bachelor's degree in accounting or five to ten years in equivalent work experience and possesses a strong proficiency in Microsoft Excel. Candidates must be organized and attentive to detail. An understanding of and a commitment to local, state, and other governing bodies that regulate our operations is required.

Interested candidates should submit a resume via email to sderocher@zionsvillecatholic.com.

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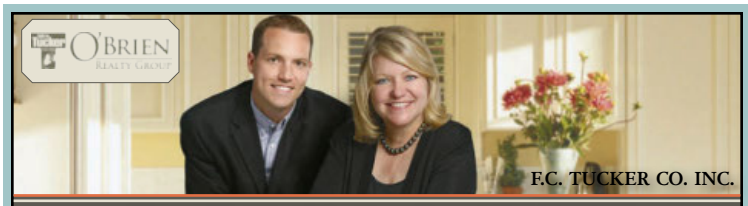

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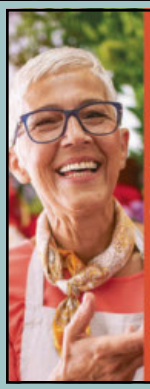

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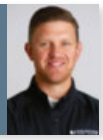

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