

DECEMBER 11, 2022 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

OUR MISSION STATEMENT
We continue the work of Jesus Christ, to Unleash the Gospel and help everyone seek and experience the love and mercy of God.

Father Bogdan's Corner

In this bulletin on page 6 you will find the last part of the Advent Reflection published by Sophia Institute Press. I hope that you enjoyed this article and enriched your spiritual life.

It is my intention to provide you with a deeper understanding of the Christmas Celebration. We have to observe and celebrate Christmas in such a way that it will affect our life style on that day and every day in the future. Personally, I would begin this day with a restful sleep the night before. It is important to enter the Holy Night followed by Christmas Day without worry, stress and tirelessness. Show your guests that you appreciate that day—Christmas Day, because you can host them, or visit those who invited you. That dinner, on that Holy Day is possible because of the big event—the Word of God became flesh. God, in the person of Jesus, entered the humanity, gave a beginning to a new era and gave to His Son our human flesh. How great we are having the same flesh as Jesus. How important it is to wear, on this day, more elegant clothing. By wearing nice clean dress clothes, different from your weekly ones, you will make a difference in your daily or weekly habit. You are showing yourself, family and friends that the birth of Jesus is making a difference in your life. Not only in your inner life but at home also by serving food, exercising hospitality and a positive attitude. Some people decorate their cars for Christmas. Keep working to celebrate Christmas in a secular culture but in a religious and spiritual way. Respectful for this occasion, dress is NOT enough to celebrate Christmas. The Religious Service, the Holy Mass with its readings, music, singing and reception of Holy Communion IS THE CENTER OF THAT Night, Christmas Day and the whole year. Only your presence at the Mass, on that night or day, makes your Christmas meaningful and guarantees your spiritual renewal. Jesus Christ, born through celebration of the Holy Mass, is the unifying center of all reality, material and spiritual. The answer to all human questions, and the fulfillment of every desire for happiness, goodness, love and eternity present in the human heart. I am inviting my parishioners and their guests for our Christmas Masses at 4 p.m. or 8 p.m. on Christmas Eve or 8:30 a.m. or 11 a.m. on Christmas Day. I will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation on December 14th at 9:30 a.m., December 17th at 3 p.m. and December 18th at 9:30 a.m. In conclusion, continue to get ready for the Nativity of the Lord.



May God Bless you, Fr. Bogdan

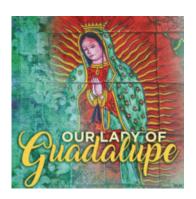


Wednesday, December 14th 9:00 a.m.

⊕Leo Aretha (5th Anniv) req by Wife
⊕Salah Slewa

Friday, December 16th 9:00 a.m.

⊕Ramona Fons req by Mr. & Mrs. G. Zilli ⊕Lucia Salem





Monday, December 12th

9:00 a.m. - No Mass

6:00 p.m. - Religious Education

Tuesday, December 13th

9:00 a.m. - No Mass

7:00 p.m. - KofC Meeting

Wednesday, December 14th

9:00 a.m. - Mass

9:30 a.m. - Confession

Thursday, December 15th

9:00 a.m. - No Mass

6:30 p.m. - Rosary & Devotion

Friday, December 16th

9:00 a.m. - Mass

Saturday, December 10th

3:00 p.m. - Confession

4:00 p.m. - Mass

Sunday, December 11th

8:30 a.m. - Mass

11:00 a.m. - Mass



During the week of

December 11, 2022

the candle next to
the Tabernacle
will burn in memory of
Mary Ann Zarb
(80th Birthday Remembrance)
req by

Rosemary Konwerski



If you would like to have Masses said in Rome Italy, for your loved ones, we can set that up for you. Fr. Andrew Mlele, that was here as a Missionary, is studying in Rome. We are in contact with him, and he will say Masses there for your loved ones if you are interested. Please contact the parish office if you would like to do this. Masses are \$10 each. Thank you!



Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, Lord of the Harvest, call forth vocations to the priesthood from our archdiocese and families.

Jesus, Eternal High Priest, give us men willing to sacrifice and serve.

Make their hearts after your own Sacred Heart.

Holy Spirit, Everlasting Love between Father and Son,

strengthen, inspire, and set men on fire with divine charity.

Grant them the courage to say yes to their vocation.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, Mother of priests,

comfort and protect your sons as they discern their call.

With Saint Joseph, may they know your love and companionship as they deepen their relationship with

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us. St. Anne, pray for us.

St. John Vianney, patron saint of priests, pray for us. Amen

Mass / Presider	Intentions
Saturday, December 17 th 4:00 p.m. Fr. Bogdan Milosz	⊕Laurie Loiacano req by Husband Sam ⊕Jeff Loiacano req by Father ⊕Rosalie Loiacano req by Brother ⊕Mary Ann Ryntz req by Husband Ed ⊕Gerald Labiak req by Wife Geri and Children ⊕Loraine Dyrval req by Sister Geri ⊕Don DeCroix req by Wife Hilda ⊕Gustaf & Clementine DeTurck req by Daughter
Sunday, December 18 th 8:30 a.m. Fr. Bogdan Milosz	⊕ Alfred Lipinski (Birthday Rem) req by DaughtersBarbara & Susan⊕ Diane Kruk (Birthday Rem) req by Family⊕ John Valente Sr. req by Wife⊕ Maria Valente req by Daughter-in-law⊕ Generoso Valente req by Daughter-in-law⊕ Lucy Aulicino & Ralph req by By Daughter
11:00 a.m. Fr. Bogdan Milosz	⊕Tom Bialozynski req by Mr. & Mrs. Gary Zilli ⊕In Thanksgiving for the Family of Gertrude Podeszwik req by Mr. & Mrs. Jim McKnight ⊕Krystyna Klim (3rd Anniv) req by Family ⊕Lucy Hein (38th Anniv) req by Family

Jesus.



ADVENT

Week 3 Daily At-Home Advent Activities

Sunday, Dec. 11: Gaudete Sunday Light the pink candle. This candle is a symbol of Joy because we are at the midpoint of Advent. Pray about things that make you joyful and the ways you bring joy to others. Today at Mass, notice that the priest will be wearing pink vestments!

Monday, Dec. 12: Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Read the story of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Sing a favorite hymn that honors Mary.

Tuesday, Dec. 13: Gather together for a meal and begin with a blessing. Make a plan to donate a meal to a person or family in need in your community.

Wednesday, Dec. 14: Gather as a family around the Christmas tree or the Advent wreath and pray a prayer of blessing.

Thursday, Dec. 15: As you prepare for Jesus' coming plan a day and time for family members to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.

Friday, Dec. 16: Read Matthew 2:1-12 as a family and learn about the Magi who followed the star to find Jesus after his birth. Go outside with your family tonight and do some stargazing. Pray about the beautiful world that God created for us.

Saturday, Dec. 17: O Wisdom of our God Most High! Today begins the O Antiphons. These are special prayers as the birth of Jesus draws closer. Pray to God about areas of your life where you need the gift of wisdom to grow.









Our Church is the place of the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. At the beginning of Advent, we lit the first candle of the Advent Wreath hoping that this light will blow out on Christmas Night. In order to express our hope this year, I am inviting you, who are attending our Church for Holy Masses to bring **only one Christmas ornament** to hang on the designated Christmas Trees by yourself. You will find one on each side of the Church and they have a crown as a tree top.

While attending one of the Christmas Masses, at 4 p.m. or 8p.m. on Christmas Eve or the 8:30 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. on Christmas Day, you will see your ornament and feel connected with the Church and St. Faustina Parish that you belong. On the Epiphany of the Lord, which will be celebrated on January 8th, you can take your ornament home. I think this will be a good way to express our unity and communion. This is another way to show your support along with your Christmas Flower Donation.

First Reading:

Is 35:1-6a, 10

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10

The desert and the parched land will exult; the steppe will rejoice and bloom.

They will bloom with abundant flowers, and rejoice with joyful song.

The glory of Lebanon will be given to them, the splendor of Carmel and Sharon; they will see the glory of the LORD, the splendor of our God.

Strengthen the hands that are feeble, make firm the knees that are weak, say to those whose hearts are frightened:

Be strong, fear not!

Here is your God,

he comes with vindication;

with divine recompense

he comes to save you.

Then will the eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of the deaf be cleared; then will the lame leap like a stag, then the tongue of the mute will sing.

Those whom the LORD has ransomed will return

and enter Zion singing, crowned with everlasting joy; they will meet with joy and gladness, sorrow and mourning will flee.



R. (cf. Is 35:4) Lord, come and save us.

The LORD God keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry.
The LORD sets captives free.

R. Lord, come and save us.

The LORD gives sight to the blind; the LORD raises up those who were bowed down. The LORD loves the just; the LORD protects strangers.

R. Lord, come and save us.

The fatherless and the widow he sustains, but the way of the wicked he thwarts.
The LORD shall reign forever;
your God, O Zion, through all generations.

R. Lord, come and save us.

Second Reading:

Jas 5:7-10

Be patient, brothers and sisters, until the coming of the Lord.

See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth,

being patient with it

until it receives the early and the late rains.

You too must be patient.

Make your hearts firm,

because the coming of the Lord is at hand.

Do not complain, brothers and sisters, about one another,

that you may not be judged.

Behold, the Judge is standing before the gates.

Take as an example of hardship and patience, brothers and sisters,

the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

Alleluia

Is 61:1 (cited in Lk 4:18)

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL

Mt 11:2-11

When John the Baptist heard in prison of the works of the Christ,

he sent his disciples to Jesus with this question,

"Are you the one who is to come,

or should we look for another?"

Jesus said to them in reply,

"Go and tell John what you hear and see:

the blind regain their sight,

the lame walk,

lepers are cleansed,

the deaf hear,

the dead are raised,

and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them.

And blessed is the one who takes no offense at me."

As they were going off,

Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John,

"What did you go out to the desert to see?

A reed swayed by the wind?

Then what did you go out to see?

Someone dressed in fine clothing?

Those who wear fine clothing are in royal palaces.

Then why did you go out? To see a prophet?

Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet.

This is the one about whom it is written:

Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;

he will prepare your way before you.

Amen, I say to you,

among those born of women

there has been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."



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I believe in one God,

the Father almighty,

maker of heaven and earth,

of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ.

the Only Begotten Son of God,

born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God,

begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the

Virgin Mary,

and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,

he suffered death and was buried,

and rose again on the third day

in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory

to judge the living and the dead

and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is adored and glori-

fied,

who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins

and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

"Advent Reflections: The Crib and the Cross" published by Sophia Institute Press. This concludes the article I wanted to share with you for Advent.

"When He arrived in Bethlehem, He did so very gently. Everything in Bethlehem suggests gentleness. Mary and Joseph accepted gently being turned away at the inn. The shepherds listened to the message of the angels and gently made their way to Bethlehem to find the Child and His Mother. The Magi gently received the answer of the jealous Herod and continued their journey from Jerusalem to Bethlehem until they found the manger. There would be so much more peace in our lives if we knew how to be truly gentle with ourselves and with others. When the Infant of Bethlehem grew to manhood, He asked His followers to learn from Him so that they would be gentle and humble of heart.

An infant is the least threatening of all humans. A newborn is helpless, his simple and straightforward language — that is, his cry — is that of dependence and humility. The language of God at Christmas is the language of love, the language of humility and simplicity. Our call, as followers of Jesus Christ, is to learn that language, not only at Christmas, but throughout the year. The season brings to the surface social attitudes that may be less apparent at other time. We become more aware of the polarization in our culture as Christmas brings out the opposites: generosity and greed, gentleness and violence, kindness and coarseness, patience and bullying."—*Archbishop Michael Neary, 2004*

St. Louise de Marillac Parish CHRISTMAS COOKIE WALK

St. Louise de Marillac Parish will be hosting a Cookie Walk this year!

Let us help with your Christmas baking! All are invited to come "walk around" and choose from an assortment of delicious cookies, cakes, and candies for their holiday dessert tables – if they make it that long! Take home a little or a lot! We will provide the boxes.

Cookies will be available to purchase for \$10 per pound. Cakes and candies will be priced as is..

Cookie Walk Dates

Saturday, December 17 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm Sunday, December 18 10:30 am – 2:00 pm (or until the cookies are gone)

If you would like to donate your favorite homemade holiday cookie, cake, or candy - donations will be accepted on: Friday, December 16 (10am-2pm); Saturday, December 17 (12pm – 6pm); and Sunday, December 18 (8:30am-10 am).

Please contact Marsha Wisniewski at 586-751-3340 extension 305 or marshawisniewski@stldm.org for additional information.



Readings for the Week

of December 11, 2022

Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10/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/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23/Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday: Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday: Is 54:1-10/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/Lk 7:24-30

Friday: Is 56:1-3a, 6-8/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Jn 5:33-36

Saturday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17/Mt 1:1-17

Next Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7c, 10b]/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

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Daily Masses

Wednesday & Friday 9:00 a.m.

MASSES

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday - 3:00 p.m. Or by appointment

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Report Abuse

The Archdiocese of Detroit encourages individuals to report clergy sexual abuse of minors and others no matter when the abuse occurred. Individuals may contact local law enforcement authorities and/or they may report to the Archdiocese of Detroit by calling the Victim Assistance Coordinator at (866) 343-8055 or by emailing vac@aod.org. In addition, the Michigan Attorney General's Office can be contacted at its toll-free reporting hotline at (844) 324-3374 or by email at aginvestigations@michigan.gov.

More information about the Archdiocese's efforts to address abuse may be found at protect.aod.org.

Registration

Parishioners may register in person, by phone, or online.

Baptism

At least one parent needs to be registered, active and a practicing Catholic for at least six months. A Baptismal Preparation Class is required for both parents and godparents. The church requires that at least one of the godparents be an active and practicing Catholic. For more information call the Parish Office.

Marriages

Arrange at least six months in advance.

Communion Calls

Pastoral Staff members visit the sick in the hospital when possible and take Communion to the sick and homebound regularly. Names of the sick should be reported to the Parish Office.



If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please contact the Parish Office or send an email to stfaustina@comcast.net

St. Faustina is extending a personal invitation to you so that we can help with your spiritual needs.

If you have been baptized and have made your First Holy Communion, please contact Fr. Bogdan to inquire about Confirmation.



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