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DECEMBER 3, 2023 FIRST 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

Welcome to the new Liturgical Season— Advent. This year Advent will be very short because on the Fourth Sunday of Advent, after the 11 a.m. Mass, it will be time to celebrate Christmas. In our parish the Nativity of the Lord Celebration will begin with 4 p.m. High Mass. Traditionally, it is the best attended Mass for several reasons: it is the family Mass, it is the children's Mass, it is a good time for teens and for all of us because after the Mass we can go to the restaurants and continue to celebrate the Birth of Christ. You do not need to make reservations for the Mass because our church can accommodate up to one-thousand people, but I am encouraging you to make reservations at the restaurant after the 4 p.m. Mass. How nice it would be if the restaurants on Christmas Eve night would give all customers 5 or 10% discount. The owners would be blessed for the whole year.

But to experience all the blessings dispensed to us on Christmas we have to prepare ourselves. God is taking one step—we have to make another. What I mean by our step: For three weeks of Advent be focused on the light—Christ is the Light that comes from our churches. It is during the consecration that Christ is born. Let us come and adore Him. What you should do: Watch AoD web page where Archbishop, bishops, priests, and lay ministers are sharing or instructing us about the spirit of Christmas. I know that you do not want to miss that spirit. It will be a big loss for the whole year.

In our parish we offer you every Friday at 8:30 a.m. and on Saturday at 3 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation. On Thursday's during Advent at 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour with the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. On December 14th at 12 noon an "Advent Gathering" with lunch, speaker and singing, that will be open to all men & women.

On Friday, December 8th, on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, Mass will be at 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. During the evening Mass, there will be blessing of the Christmas lights outside as a sign of our readiness from the outside. Inside of ourselves, preparation must continue until December 24th.

May God Bless You,

Fr. Bogdan



Wednesday, December 6th 9:00 a.m.

✠ Gary Lee, Jr. req by Mother

Friday, December 8th 9:00 a.m.

✠ Al & Polly Zilli req by Mr. & Mrs. G. Zilli

Friday, December 8th 6:00 p.m.

♦ Our St. Faustina Family



This Week

Monday, December 4th

6:00 p.m. - Religious Education

Tuesday, December 5th

Wednesday, December 6th

9:00 a.m. - Mass

Thursday, December 7th

6:30 p.m. - Rosary & Devotion

Friday, December 8th

8:30 a.m. - Confession

9:00 a.m. - Mass

6:00 p.m. - Mass

Saturday, December 9th

3:00 p.m. - Confession

4:00 p.m. - Mass

Sunday, December 10th

8:30 a.m. - Mass

11:00 a.m. - Mass



December 8th

Immaculate Conception is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses will be at 9 a.m.

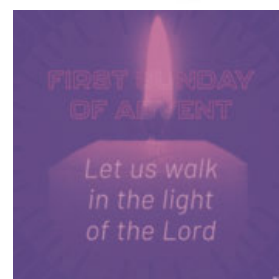
and 6 p.m.



Religious Retirement Fund

Next weekend will be the Retirement Fund Collection for Religious. Your gift will provide essential care for nearly 25,000 senior sisters and brothers and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to serving others. Let us show our gratitude to these selfless individuals by giving generously. Envelopes are available on the back tables.

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Early Bulletin Deadlines

Bulletin	Deadline
Dec 17, 2023	Dec 6, 2023
Dec 24, 2023	Dec 12, 2023
Dec 31, 2023	Dec 19, 2023
Jan 7, 2024	Dec 21, 2023

Mass / Presider	Intentions
Saturday, December 9 th 4:00 p.m. Fr. Bogdan Milosz	✠ Anna DiGirolamo (25th Anniv) req by Daughter June ✠ Sister Joanne Therese (20th Anniv) req by June DiGirolamo ✠ Laurie Loiacano req by Husband Sam ✠ Jeff Loiacano req by Father ✠ Rosalie Loiacano req by Brother ✠ Poor Souls in Purgatory req by Maria Lucia ✠ Virginia T. Sawyer req by Maria Lucia ✠ Mary Ann Ryntz req by Husband Ed ✠ Gerald Labiak req by Wife Geri ✠ Loraine Dyrval req by Sister Geri ✠ Andrew Clothier req by Friend
Sunday, December 10 th 8:30 a.m. Fr. Bogdan Milosz	✠ Anna & Jerry DiGirolamo req by Daughter June ✠ John & Agnes Dziwik req by Grandson ✠ Dora Lombardi req by Antoinette Rosati ✠ Dolores Endres (Birthday Rem) req by Karen Endres ✠ Nicole St. John-Endres (2nd Anniv) req by Karen Endres
11:00 a.m. Fr. Bogdan Milosz	✠ Jessie Bruley req by Mr. & Mrs. G. Zilli ♦ "Special Favors" req by Etrych Family

ADVENT

The Liturgical Season of Advent marks the time of Spiritual preparation by the faithful before Christmas, extending over the four Sundays before Christmas. The word *Advent* from the Latin *advenio*, “to come to,” and refers to the coming of Christ. And the term *the coming* includes three references: first of all, to our celebration of Christ’s birth at Christmas; second, to the coming of Christ in our lives through grace and Sacrament of Holy Communion; and finally, to His second coming at the end of time.

Our preparations, therefore, should have all three comings in mind. We need to prepare our souls to receive Christ worthily.

Advent begins Sunday, December 3 and ends Monday, December 25th. We are giving you some ideas to do as a family as we prepare for the celebration of Jesus Christ’s Birthday, Christmas.



THINGS YOU CAN DO AS A FAMILY

Sunday 12/03: Prepare an Advent wreath: three purple candles, one pink candle, and some evergreens. Place all on a tray or large plate. The candles can symbolize Hope, Faith, Joy, and Peace. Light the first purple candle and pray to God about the things you hope for.

Monday, 12/04: Make a nativity scene with household materials. Paint paper tubes to make the Holy Family. Use bits of fabric to make clothes. Use a shoebox to make the barn and a small box for the manger. Wait for Christmas Day to put Jesus in the manger.

Tuesday, 12/05: The Christmas story begins with one small family set to change the world. On yellow strips of paper, write ways that your family can help bring light and hope to your community during Advent. Keep the papers in a jar. As you complete these actions, place them in the nativity scene you made to act as hay.

Wednesday, 12/06: Feast of Saint Nicholas: Listen to a story about the legendary gift giver. Make or buy a small, thoughtful gift for someone you know. A Polish custom was that the children put their shoes outside of their bedroom and Saint Nicholas would come and leave them a small token.

Thursday, 12/07: Mary and Joseph were immigrants traveling far from their home when Jesus was born. Try sleeping in a different place in your house tonight. Swap beds with a sibling or sleep in a sleeping bag on the floor. Thank God for the comforts of your home.

Friday, 12/08: Feast of the Immaculate Conception: Honor Mary, Mother of God by praying the Hail Mary today. Mary is Jesus’ mother. Take special care of your mother or a mother figure in your life today.

Saturday, 12/09: Feast of Saint Juan Diego: Juan Diego lived in Mexico, and Mary appeared to him. Eat a Mexican meal today and pray the Hail Mary before your meal in honor of Saint Juan Diego’s devotion to Mary.



Join us for an Advent Gathering on December 14th at 12:00 p.m. Sandwiches along with homemade cookies will be on the menu. Tickets will be \$15.00. Get your tickets early for an afternoon of socializing and an inspirational talk to prepare us for the Birth of Christ.

Our Guest Speaker will be Mrs. Lisa Rajnicek, M.Ed., MAPS.

Lisa is the Director of Discipleship Formation – North Macomb Family #1 and Director of Continuing Religious Education – St. Lawrence Parish.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

First Reading: IS 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7

You, LORD, are our father,
our redeemer you are named forever.
Why do you let us wander, O LORD, from your ways,
and harden our hearts so that we fear you not?
Return for the sake of your servants,
the tribes of your heritage.
Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come
down,
with the mountains quaking before you,
while you wrought awesome deeds we could not hope
for,
such as they had not heard of from of old.
No ear has ever heard, no eye ever seen, any God but
you
doing such deeds for those who wait for him.
Would that you might meet us doing right,
that we were mindful of you in our ways!
Behold, you are angry, and we are sinful;
all of us have become like unclean people,

First Reading (Cont'd)

all our good deeds are like polluted rags;
we have all withered like leaves,
and our guilt carries us away like the wind.

There is none who calls upon your name,
who rouses himself to cling to you;
for you have hidden your face from us
and have delivered us up to our guilt.
Yet, O LORD, you are our father;
we are the clay and you the potter:
we are all the work of your hands.

Responsorial Psalm PS 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

R. (4) **Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face
and we shall be saved.**

O shepherd of Israel, hearken,
from your throne upon the cherubim, shine forth.
Rouse your power,
and come to save us.

R. **Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and
we shall be saved.**

Once again, O LORD of hosts,
look down from heaven, and see;
take care of this vine,
and protect what your right hand has planted
the son of man whom you yourself made strong.

R. **Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and
we shall be saved.**

May your help be with the man of your right hand,
with the son of man whom you yourself made strong.
Then we will no more withdraw from you;
give us new life, and we will call upon your name.

R. **Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and
we shall be saved.**

Second Reading:

1 COR 1:3-9

Brothers and sisters:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always on your account
for the grace of God bestowed on you in Christ Jesus,
that in him you were enriched in every way,
with all discourse and all knowledge,
as the testimony to Christ was confirmed among you,
so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift
as you wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus
Christ.

He will keep you firm to the end,
irreproachable on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
God is faithful,
and by him you were called to fellowship with his Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Alleluia**R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Show us Lord, your love;
and grant us your salvation.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.**Gospel****MK 13:33-37**

Jesus said to his disciples:
"Be watchful! Be alert!
You do not know when the time will come.
It is like a man traveling abroad.
He leaves home and places his servants in charge,
each with his own work,
and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch.
Watch, therefore;
you do not know when the lord of the house is coming,
whether in the evening, or at midnight,
or at cockcrow, or in the morning.
May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping.
What I say to you, I say to all: 'Watch!'"

NICENE CREED

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,

PS 85:8**NICENE CREED (Cont'd)**

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
glorified,
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.

Thanksgiving Interfaith Service

I hope that you had a nice Thanksgiving Day. With our early bulletin deadlines I did not have a chance to write about the Interfaith Service. On November 15th twelve religious leaders participated with their parishioners here at St. Faustina Parish. Additional pictures are on page 6.

Fr. Bogdan



St Vincent de Paul Thank You!



Knights of Columbus will
Meet on December 12th at
7 p.m. in the Family Center.

St. Vincent de Paul would like to sincerely thank all who donated gift cards, monetary donations, or food for our Thanksgiving Bags. Thanks to you, our parishioners, all the extra goodies were well received. Our needs this month are canned chicken, canned spam, canned tuna, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, canned ravioli, hamburger helper, rice sides, cereal, hearty soups, boxed potatoes, peanut butter, jam/jellies, canned fruit, snack pack pudding, crackers, toilet tissue, paper towels, laundry soap, and hand soap. As always, we are grateful for all of your donations. Have a Blessed Holiday Season!

Interfaith Service and Reception November 15, 2023



Events within our Family



Join us for our **WOMEN'S ADVENT TEA**
December 6, 2023 at 6:00pm
St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families Hall
8075 Ritter, Center Line
Bring your tea cup and enjoy tea, cookies and an inspiring
speaker!
RSVP to Parish Office 586-757-3306
A free will offering will be accepted at the door



He Called Me By Name

Please join the ladies of St Mark Parish for an Advent Program on Thursday, December 7th at 6:30pm. This event will be presented by Peggy Aoun. Light refreshments will be served. Tickets are \$7.00 and must be purchased by Sunday, November 26th, through the parish office or prior to Mass

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 Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
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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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