

The Giving Tree

Once again this year we will have the opportunity to purchase Christmas gifts for people in the larger community with special needs. Our Giving Tree will be set up the weekend of the 1st Sunday of Advent. Please take a colored tag and place the gift beneath the tree the following weekend. Each week different colored tags will be added to the tree representing each group we will be helping. **You can also sign up at the welcome counter if you and your family are willing to help deliver the gifts.**

Please attach the tag to your gift so we can determine which organization is to receive them.

Advent I

WOMEN'S SANCTUARY

Please turn in these gifts by Dec 6th

Advent II

CENTER OF FAMILY LOVE

Please turn in these gifts by Dec 13th

Advent III

THE WILLOWS (BIRTH CHOICE)

Please turn in these gifts by Dec 20th





November 30th – December 6th

9:00am	Mass	Monday
†Giuse Nguyen Van Ken		
9:00am	Mass	Tuesday
†John Martinez		
5:30pm	Mass	Wednesday
†Helen Sebestyen		
9:00am	Mass	Thursday
†Nguyen Thi Hoa		

Second Sunday of Advent

5:00pm	Mass	SATURDAY
†Matthew Jones		
9:00am	Mass	SUNDAY
†Cecil Thornhill		
11:45am	Mass	SUNDAY
Our Parish Family		

The Sacrament of Forgiveness

Saturdays 4—4:30pm
Wednesdays at 5pm
Mon, Tue, Thurs after 9am Mass
Or, Any Time by Appointment



*Happy
New Year
Of Grace*

The world observes New Year's Day on January 1st. Our Jewish brothers and sisters celebrate it in September, and our Vietnamese and other Asian friends celebrate it in February. It's a big deal in the US complete with fireworks and partying but it's focus is on fun and entertainment. The Catholic Church's New Year is only a "big deal" for those who are making an effort to live in the kingdom of God here on earth one day at a time.

The word *Grace* is used frequently in the scriptures as a word that is synonymous with the *Life of God* itself. God's *Life* is offered to us in a generous fashion and without cost. With God's *Life* in us all things become possible. We can move beyond our wants, beyond our fears from death into *Life*.

We celebrate the Year of Grace in a seasonal fashion. The principal and most important season is that of Lent & Easter which celebrates the Paschal Mystery—The Death & Rising of Christ—in which we remember Christ's suffering and death that culminated in his Resurrection and our hope of eternal life. The other important season is that of Advent & Christmas during which we rejoice in the coming of Christ at Bethlehem and look forward with joyful hope for the final and glorious coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ. In between these seasons comes the one we refer to as *Ordinary Time* or *Kingdom Time*. It is during that long season that the Gospel passages in particular reveal to us the Good News of Jesus Christ. It's a wonderful way to organize our lives but it requires a deepened faith.

We can pursue such a faith beginning in Advent as we make every effort to reject the meaning of the season according to the popular culture: a season for extravagant buying and endless songs about a fellow with reindeer and elves. *Happy New Year!*

Worship & Spiritual Life

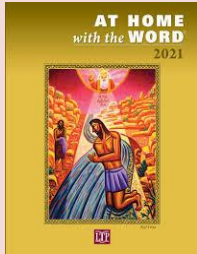
December 5-6	Altar Server	Holy Communion	Usher	Hospitality	Lector	Coordinator
Saturday 5:00 pm	Stephen Houseknecht Amy Houseknecht Lea Houseknecht	Lynn Grant-Yingling Samuel Warnecke	Karen Foust Martin Fitzgerald David Aulner	Michelle Leon John Lynch Patricia Knight Emma Potter	Pat Jaques Martha Penisten	Tina Wharton
Sunday 9:00 am	Alexander Dunn Kim Thien Doan Thomas Doan	Jane Behr Michael Varner Sandra Varner Noreen Valadez	Mike McCall Harold Coburn Robert Bussa	Priscilla Krittenbrink Dina Jones-Griggs David Boren Tim Pham	John Krittenbrink William Orland	Martin Ortega
Sunday 11:45 am	Jordan Foster Turner Tharp TJ Tran	Deborah Friedt Thomas Tran	Jane Mitchell Sandra Hernandez Jeff Davidson	Bentley Hedges Bonnie Hedges Lyndell Mitchell Richard Farmer	Claire Powell Angela Lister	Roy Lyle

MSPPro app is available within the "My Parish" app. Open My Parish app, click on "parish info". Last menu item is MSPPro.

ADVENT GIFT SHOP SALE

ADVENT MEDITATION BOOKS

Many of our parishioners have been using these "Little Blue Books" for years. Only \$1 each in the Gift Shop.



AT HOME WITH THE WORD

Contains all the proscribed lectionary readings for Sundays and Holy Days. Reading the lessons prior to coming to Mass can be a big help in making us ready to really *listen* to God's Word as the readers proclaim it.

Regular print \$6

Large print \$11



Please remember *The Least of Christ's Brothers & Sisters* as you shop for Christmas!

Frozen Turkey (9-12 lbs.)
2 Canned Corn (15 oz.)
2 Canned Green Beans (15 oz.)
1 Can Sweet Potatoes (15 oz.)
1 Can Cranberry Sauce
1 Instant Potatoes (13 oz. or larger box)
1 Stuffing Mix
Cake Mix
Frosting

**ALL ITEMS NEEDED BY
DECEMBER 20TH**

Thanks for your generous offering of groceries and monetary gifts that help us purchase items from the Regional Food Bank

ANNUAL ADVENT BAKE SALE



DECEMBER 19th & 20th

*Bring your best Christmas Treats
Wrapped & Priced to Sell*



- 11/29 Renea Brotherton, Lily Fox, Beth Mills, Timothy Wardwell
- 11/30 Miriam Botello, Michelle Mendoza, Kathleen Noxon
- 12/1 Henry Ashworth, Victoria Delossantos, Chris Franco, Jason Kelly, Carolyn Marcus, Steffanie McGee, Tina Pham, Andrew Spellman
- 12/2 Mia Bryant, Francisco Ceballos, Chelsea McCanna, Chi Moran, Antonio Ortega, Liam Pantoja, Margaret Tolbert, Tristan Torres
- 12/3 Melissa Babbit, Jane Baltrush, Ezekiel Quichocho, Mark Wenthold
- 12/4 Francisco Castillo, Joseph Hanson, Stephanie Nuno, Kim Warren
- 12/5 Monica Mendoza, Alexandro Murguia, Noah Newton, Maria Roberson, Adriana Simo, Conita Simo, Sharon Trotter, Justus Wappel, John Wardwell



- 11/29 Joseph & Kelly Gibbons 34
- 11/30 Martin & Ana Carrion 27
Daniel & Carla Jack 29
- 12/1 Donnie & Regina Harris 41
Jaime & Lucille Martinez 19
Migel & Noreen Valadez 13
- 12/2 Alfonzo & Susan Ramirez 42
- 12/3 Juan & Angelica Franco 27
- 12/4 Larry & Gay Meilleur 37
- 12/5 Theodore & Shannon Ware 11

PECANS FOR SALE NOW!



**Knights of Columbus, Council 9901,
are selling pecans after the Masses
in the Commons.**

COVID 19 EXPOSURE NEWS

On Tuesday afternoon, November 24th, we learned at the parish office that one of the Confirmation Prep students who was part of a small group this past Sunday (Nov. 22) had tested positive for Covid 19. We called this student's parent directly and learned that the report was true.

We don't know when or how the student contracted the virus but we have no evidence to believe that it was contracted here. **NONETHELESS**, the protocols of the Archdiocese—based on CDC guidelines—obliged us to personally contact each of the participants who were in the group with this student and advise them to observe the customary quarantine. We did so. We also contacted all others who were present at Confirmation Prep on Nov. 22 to advise them of the incident.

Evangelization & Discipleship

We Need Snacks for Classes Every Sunday

(Since We Can't Serve DONUTS
do to COVID Restrictions)

SNACKS FOR LIFE NIGHTS

Here's an easy and quick way to support ministry to our youth in grades 6-12. You can drop off pre-packed/single serve items in the box provided in the commons.

Some suggested items:

**Cookies, Snack Bars,
Breakfast Bars, Fruit
Snacks**

Life Night Announcement:

Life Night (in person and on Zoom) will be available as an alternating schedule. Times are 6:30pm-8:00pm.

December 2 – Youth Building

December 9 – Zoom

December 16 – Youth Building

December 23 – No Life Night

December 30 – Youth Building



DISCOVER!! FINDING FAITH IN LIFE! This year our Faith Formation program is one the whole family can enjoy together as your child or children are learning more about faith and discipleship whether at home or in person. Using curriculum materials approved by the Archdiocese in teaching children that being a faithful Catholic is all about how we live our lives on a day to day basis.

In Person Classes have resumed and At Home kits are available for pick up, please check your email for a reminder to pick up your materials if you have not already done so.

Please contact Tommie Tran at ttran@standrewmoore.com or direct extension (405) 754-5309



ADVENT NIGHT OF HOPE

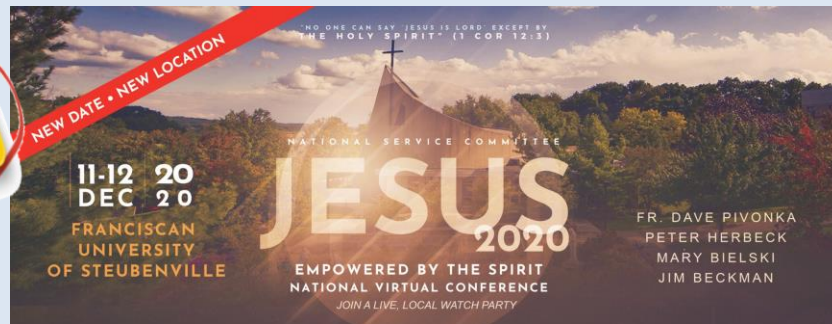
Franciscan University in Steubenville Ohio is hosting a livestreamed event for adults from its campus on **December 12 from 6:00 to 8:00PM.**

Come and draw closer to Jesus through an evening of prayer, hope and encouragement from the comfort of your own home.



A LIVESTREAMED CATHOLIC CONFERENCE TO REFRESH YOUR SPIRIT

DECEMBER 12



Jesus is Lord of all, including the year 2020! And "No one can say 'Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit'". This special conference is a great way to celebrate the blessings we find in Christ.

St. Andrew's will be hosting a live stream gathering **December 11-12 in the Joyce Center**
Only 50 spots available due to social distancing.

Contact Denise Violette by **text** with the names and number of people in your party to 405-735-1177



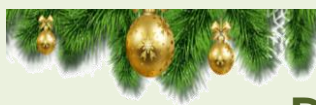
ADVENT WREATHS
ARE FOR SALE IN
THE GIFT SHOPPE

FINISHING TOUCHES FOR CHRISTMAS

Join Us Sunday DEC 20th As We
Complete Our Decorations In Preparation
For CHRISTMAS!

Together We Can Spend An Hour After
The 11:45 Mass Adding The Finishing
Touches To The Church And Sanctuary

**VOLUNTEERS PLEASE SIGN
UP AT THE WELCOME**



**Saturday
December 5th
9am-NOON**

Hanging of
the Greens

Volunteers Can Sign Up at the Welcome Counter

THE JESSE TREE



The Jesse Tree ornament kits will be available for the children in the classrooms. The kits are a fun way for you to teach your children about the lineage of Jesus through stories from the Old Testament.

There are reflection booklets available for adults at the welcome counter. Spend some time each day in ADVENT reflecting on the readings for each day.

Pray for Friends and Family Who Are Very Ill

Intercessory prayers can be very helpful not only for those who are ill but for those who are caring for them. While we are all free to offer prayers for any intention, this particular prayer list is intended for those who have suffered a serious injury or who have fallen very ill. Our prayers can help to get them back on course.

Kris Ajame
 Claudio Balderas
 Doretta Baranski
 Christine Brown
 Walker Caudle
 Theodore Cook
 Bob Culbert
 Herbert Dabelgott
 Donna Embree
 Colleen Fitzgerald
 June Gleason
 Shirley Graham
 Chester Hagnoski
 Chris Manley
 Sharon Mays
 William McVay
 John Mollman
 Eugene Moreno
 George Muñoz
 Catherine Newell
 Cheryl Painter
 Sandy Porter
 Kaily Ross
 Chris Sexton
 Danny Thomas
 Maria Valdez

Bailey Anderson
 Shere Barabasz
 Ray Brewer
 Keith Cagle
 Sheila Coffman
 Bob Crissman
 Charlie Cusack
 Tiana Denis
 Maryanne Engle
 Juanita Gibson
 Kelvin Gottsch
 Antonia Guzman
 Joanne Lane
 Donald Mays
 Rita McCallum
 San Juana Medina
 Hilary Montoya
 Rosalie Moralis
 Caroline Newell
 Paul Newell
 Ron Porter
 Phyllis Pugh
 John Santee
 Sharon Shelton
 Jim Tucker
 Lena Young

HOMEBOUND

Maria Lola Ayres
 Ann Barr
 Julia Brewster
 Harriet Cimaroli
 Clive Courtney
 Margaret Crawford
 Donelda Davis
 Nancy DeLong
 Rick Duvall
 Denise Dwyer
 Pat Everhart
 Kelly Gibbons
 Deborah Guerrero
 Mary Guzman
 Rosita Hall
 Vicky Hallauer
 Janice Horn
 Pam Johnson
 Roger Kane
 Ann Knapper
 Julia Lee
 Bill Lewis
 Alberta Marquez
 Shirley Martin
 Michelle Mathew
 Gary Means
 Juanita Murphy
 Nancy Patonai
 Bobby Rodriguez
 Roberto Rodriguez
 Frank Romero
 Anna Ross
 Rose Rytlewski
 Elinor Thompson

***PLEASE BE SURE TO CALL THE PARISH OFFICE TO
 LET US KNOW WHEN YOUR LOVED ONE IS ON THE
 MEND.***

Most of these individuals are longtime members of our parish. Others are Catholics residing in long term care facilities within our parish boundaries to whom we bring Holy Communion.

ADVENT CALENDAR 2020



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
November 29 The First Sunday of Advent Begin your Advent journey by blessing your Advent wreath. Light the first violet candle and sing "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel."	30 Make a resolution at the start of this liturgical year that will bring you closer to Christ.	December 1 Today is Giving Tuesday! Many of our parishes have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Consider making a recurring gift to your parish.	2 Use this Advent season to ready your heart for Jesus. In what ways can you improve your relationship with him?	3 Memorial of St. Francis Xavier, Priest In honor of St. Francis Xavier, one of the first Jesuits, try the practice of the Daily Examen .	4 "Social friendship and universal fraternity necessarily call for an acknowledgement of the <i>worth of every human person</i> , always and everywhere." (Pope Francis, <i>Fratelli Tutti</i> , no. 106)	5 Advent is a season of waiting and anticipation of the birth of Christ. It can be easy to lose sight of this, focusing more on gift giving and receiving. Set aside time to pray with your family, even virtually, to refocus on the greatest gift.
6 The Second Sunday of Advent Today, churches hold a special collection for refugees . Pray for these dedicated ser-vants of Christ as you light the second violet candle on your Advent wreath.	7 Today is the Memorial of St. Ambrose, one of the Doctors of the Church. He baptized St. Augustine and is the patron saint of catechumens. Today, pray for those seeking to join the Church.	8 On this Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception , Hail Mary before meals. As Mary is also the patroness of the U.S., take time to pray for our country today.	9 This year has been challenging for many. Bring joy to someone today. Text or call a friend, help a stranger in need, or share today's Gospel with your loved ones.	10 Walking with Moms in Need encourages us to "walk in the shoes" of local pregnant and parenting women in need and to learn how we can help. Take the pledge today!	11 "In some areas of our cities, there is still a lively sense of neighborhood. . . . Where people experience a closeness marked by gratitude, solidarity and reciprocity." (Pope Francis, <i>Fratelli Tutti</i> , no. 132) Seek out volunteer opportunities in your neighborhood this week.	12 On her feast day, pray to Our Lady of Guadalupe , that she may "help us never to see others as burdens," especially migrants to our country and communities.
13 The Third Sunday of Advent Today is Gaudete Sunday when we shift our reflection from "the Lord is coming" to "the Lord is near." Rejoice as you light the pink candle on your Advent wreath.	14 Memorial of St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church There are 10 days left in Advent. In honor of a saint known for his deep spirituality and compassion, reflect honestly on your own spiritual journey so far this season.	15 "As couples or friends, we find that our hearts expand as we step out of ourselves and embrace others." (Pope Francis, <i>Fratelli Tutti</i> , no. 89) How can you embrace others today?	16 Las Posadas , a reenactment of Mary and Joseph seeking shelter before the birth of Jesus, traditionally begins today. Pray for migrants seeking shelter around the world.	17 Today marks the beginning of the " Q Antiphons ." This tradition, which comes from Evening Prayer, has been around since at least the eighth century.	18 In today's Gospel we are reminded of St. Joseph's courage. Reflect on how God is calling you to demonstrate courage in serving him.	19 What's your favorite Christmas movie? Gather your friends or family (in-person or virtually) and watch a Christmas classic .
20 The Fourth Sunday of Advent "Mary said, 'Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.'" (Lk 1:38) Mary had complete trust in God, saying "yes" to his will. How would you describe your trust in God?	21 St. Francis of Assisi made the Christmas crèche, or manger, for Christmas Eve of 1223. Gather your loved ones, and bless your family's crèche .	22 "Jesus, Mary, and Joseph themselves were refugees in Egypt . . . with whom Christian migrants and refugees throughout the ages can identify, giving them hope and courage." (USCCB, <i>Strangers No Longer</i> , no. 26) How can you welcome the stranger today?	23 According to custom, the Christmas tree is set up just before Christmas and remains in place until the Solemnity of Epiphany. Share this blessing with your family and friends.	24 "Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; for he has come to his people and set them free." (Lk 1:68)		