



November 29, 2020

1st Sunday of Advent

Mass Intentions

Sunday November 29 **All Nurses and Teachers**

Tuesday December 1 **Beverly Rupprecht**

Sunday December 6 **Duke-Baxter family**

Liturgical Ministers:

	November 29	December 6
Greeter	Jim & Scott Strange	Louis Kocher & Rose McGuire
Bell Ringer	Jim Strange	Jim Strange
Lector	Elaine Pepmeier	Betty Vash
Sanitizers	volunteers	volunteers
Eucharistic Minister	Jill Doades	Kim Stinebaugh
Server	Gretchen Carie	Holtman Doades

Music:	November 29	December 6
Gathering:	696 Come Now, Almighty King	not known
Communion	331 Taste and See	at this time
Sending Forth:	385 City of Gog	

GIVING TREE TAGS AVAILABLE NOW TAKE ONE--BRING BACK ON December 6th

Stewardship of Treasure Sunday Nov 15 56 present			
adult	820.00	Growing Campaign:	400.00
Children:	0.00	Votive:	10.00
Loose Collection:	20.00	Campaign for human dev	20.00
TOTAL	1270.00		0

S7. Philip Neri News:

Rosary Monday @ 6:30 pm-----Mass Tuesday @ 6:00 pm with Eucharist Adoration- 5:30pm

Missals available for Mass readings and songs--will not be printed separately anymore.

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and thou O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts by the POWER OF GOD, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

From Fr. Tony

Dear Friends,

As we come to the end of the Church year and prepare for a new one, this is a good time to consider the liturgical seasons of the Catholic Church.

Advent begins the Church year. Advent comes from the Latin word adventus meaning "arrival" or "coming." The first season of the liturgical year begins four Sundays before Christmas and ends on Christmas Eve. Traditionally observed as a "fast," Advent's purpose focuses on preparation for the coming of Christ. Often conceived as awaiting the coming of the Christ-child at Christmas, the modern Lectionary asks us early in the season to prepare for, and await, the final coming of Christ. An Advent wreath often marks this season, which is a garland of evergreens with four candles. The symbolism of the advent wreath marks the progression of time, but some churches attach themes to each week, most often 'hope', 'faith', 'joy', and 'love'.

The Christmas season immediately follows Advent. The traditional Twelve Days of Christmas begin with Christmas Eve on the evening of December 24th and continue until the feast of Epiphany. The actual Christmas season continues until the Feast of the Baptism of Christ, which is celebrated on the Sunday after January 6th.

Ordinary time follows Advent. "Ordinary" comes from the same root as our word "ordinal," and in this sense means "the counted weeks." Ordinary Time consists of 33 or 34 Sundays and is divided into two sections. The first portion extends from the day following the Feast of the Baptism of Christ until the day before Ash Wednesday. The main focus in the readings during Ordinary Time is Christ's earthly ministry. The counting of the Sundays of Ordinary Time resumes following the Easter Season; however, Pentecost and Trinity Sunday replace two of the Sundays in Ordinary Time.

The next season is Lent. Lent is the major penitential season in preparation for Easter. It lasts 40 days. Lent extends from Ash Wednesday to Holy Saturday, not including Sundays. Sundays retain their character as "little Easters" and are not days of fasting and abstinence and are not included in the 40 days of Lent.

Easter is the celebration of the Lord's resurrection. The date of Easter varies from year to year, according to a lunar-calendar dating system. The Easter season extends from the Easter Vigil through Pentecost Sunday. The Easter Triduum consists of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

We return to Ordinary time after the feasts of Easter, Ascension and Pentecost. Ordinary Time resumes on Pentecost Monday and ends on the Saturday before the First Sunday of Advent.

As we begin Advent and a new Church year, let us pray that it will be a year of growth in our love for the Lord and one another.

God Bless, Fr. Tony