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Third SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Dec 15, 2019

Pastor :

Rev. Father Hamish Currie

Assistant Pastor :

**Rev. Father Clarence
Narendra**

Parish Secretary :

Sue St. Jules

Office Hours :

8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Sunday Masses :

**Saturday Vigil Mass : 5:00 PM
Sunday : 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
and 8:30 PM**

Weekday Masses : 8:00 AM

No Mass on Wednesday

Sacrament of Penance :

Saturday : 4:15 PM to 4:45 PM

Baptism :

Usually on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Please make arrangements **one month in advance** by contacting the Parish office.

Marriage :

Please make marriage arrangements **6 months in advance** by contacting the Parish office.

Papal Blessing :

Please allow at least **6 months** for Papal Blessing to arrive after the request has been made.

Knights of Columbus :

**Kerry Pavoni
705-575-2044**

CWL President :

**Louise Bichler
705-945-8259**

Liturgical Music / Choir :

**Bruce Douville
bruce.douville@gmail.com**

Bulletin Announcements :

Email yours to
pbcathedral@on.aibn.com
Before 11:00 AM Wednesday

Prayer Line :

**Corona McNally
705-575-6975**



CHRISTMAS EVE MASS SCHEDULE	CHRISTMAS DAY MASS SCHEDULE
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH	WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH
5:00 PM (WHEN CHURCH IS FULL DOORS WILL BE CLOSED)	9:00 AM
7:30 PM	11:00 AM
MIDNIGHT	

Blessing Nativity Scenes December 21/22

The Christmas Crib (crèche) dates back to St. Francis of Assisi. It was in 1223 that the first crèche was celebrated in the woods of Greccio near Assisi, on Christmas Eve. Nativity scenes in our homes has become a tradition throughout the world. Pope Francis encourages us to have a Nativity Scene in our homes and more importantly explain the Christmas story to our children and grandchildren. What a wonderful way to evangelize (share the faith). You are invited to bring the "Baby Jesus" to mass on the Fourth Sunday of Advent (December 21/22). We will bless the statues and our efforts to tell "The Nativity Story".

Weekdays Scripture Readings: 16th December to 21th December 2019

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Numbers 24.2-7, 15-17a	Matthew 21.23-27
Tuesday	Genesis 49.2, 8-10	Matthew 1.1-17
Wednesday	Jeremiah 23.5-8	Matthew 1.18-24
Thursday	Judges 13.2-7, 24-25a	Luke 1.5-25
Friday	Isaiah 7.10-14; 8.10d	Luke 1.26-38
Saturday	Zephaniah 3.14-18a	Luke 1.39-45



Monday, Dec 16 **8:00 AM**
 †Giuseppe Bruno by Tony Bruno & Family

Tuesday, Dec 17 **8:00 AM**
 †Jeannette Vaillancourt by Jan Zurawinski

Wednesday, Dec 18 **No Mass**

Thursday, Dec 19 **8:00 AM**
 †John & Bianca Arcangeletti by Corona McNally

Friday, Dec 20 **8:00 AM**
 †Donelda Nikkinen by Danny & Lynda Bertoncello

Saturday, Dec 21 **5:00 PM**
 †Alfonse Nanni by Wife Marion

Sunday, Dec 22 **9:00 AM**
 †Albert Raymond by Rod & Paula Smith

11:00 AM
 Intention of All Parishioners

8:30 PM
 †Maria Trunzo & Vince Runco
 by Maria & Marcel Runco

2020 ENVELOPES
 ARE AVAILABLE NOW
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 AT THIS TIME PLEASE
 ALSO CONSIDER SETTING UP
 PRE-AUTHORIZED PAYMENT
 (FORMS ARE AVAILABLE)

This week at Precious Blood
 Our Lady of the Rapids Gift Shop
 will be open on Sunday,
 before and after 11:00 AM Mass

JOURNEY CONTRIBUTIONS
 Expenses continue, please
 continue your contribution to

Sunday Collections
December 8, 2019
Monthly—November

\$4,119.30
\$3,130.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Dec 21/22	Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Greeters
Saturday 5:00 PM	Maria Esposito Jill Micomonaco	Ralph Esposito Maureen Gooderham Michelle Inch	Bernie Lysiak Richard Bubinas John Slobodecki Jean Guy Coudert	
Sunday 9:00 AM	Louise McGuire Susan Colizza	Matt Pavoni Barbara Klesh Terry Lou Legros	Brian Lidstone	Louise Bichler Edna Miskiw
Sunday 11:00 AM	Sonya Masotti Carmen Sicoly	Michael Currier Myrtle Corelli Bambi Alexander	Ted & Norma Wall Tony Pino Phil Bellerose	Bambi Alexander Gertrud Wurzer
Sunday 8:30 PM	Ivan McCaig		Gino Filice Terry Zuccato	

2020 PILGRIMAGE TO SPAIN, FRANCE & ITALY

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Volunteers Needed for Coffee After Masses

If you are interested in helping with some of the coffee times
 after the 9 am or 11 am masses, please contact Maureen Gooderham
 705-945-0852 or the parish office.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT PRECIOUS BLOOD

The Choir will practice on Dec 19th at 7:30 PM

The Rosary is recited after each weekday Mass

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



CWL News!

Join the League! Members and new members are welcome to **join the league for 2020.** The membership

Envelop (blue) can be found in the parish envelopes or there is an application form in St. Anne's Room. The annual fee is \$25.

If you have any questions please contact Anne Kasch (759-8670) or Maureen Gooderham (945-0852).

Thank you to all the ladies who signed up to help for the **Day of Confessions** on Dec. 10th.

The next General CWL meeting will be Tuesday January 7th, 12 pm in the Gathering Place. New members are welcome to attend.

THE JOURNEY GATHERING PLACE

Thank you to all who participated in our Gathering Place Kitchen party.

Your generosity and gifts for the kitchen were greatly appreciated.

**Thank you to the ladies who served,
and thank you to Bruce Douville for the wonderful music.**

A special thank you to Santa.

INTERIOR RENOVATIONS...

Prayer is a privilege and the soul's sincere desire. We can move beyond routine and 'checklist' prayers and engage in meaningful prayer as we appropriately ask in faith and act, as we patiently persevere through the trial of our faith, and as we humbly acknowledge and accept 'not my will, but Thine, be done.'

David A. Bednar



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**"ALL-U-CAN-EAT-BREAKFAST-BRUNCH" SUNDAY DECEMBER 15TH, 2019
FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 12:30 P.M. in the Parish Hall.**

**Admission:\$9.00/Adults, \$4.00/Children under 12,
and No Charge for Children under 6 years old.**

**Menu: Scrambled Eggs, French Toast, Roast Potatoes, Mini Sausages, Ham, Baked
Beans, Fruit Cocktail, Coffee, Tea, Orange & Apple Juice. Hope to see you there!**

**Celebrate Christmas with the Chamber Singers, Patty Gartshore, Director,
Sunday December 15, 3:00 p.m. at St. Luke's Cathedral.**

The program includes the most beautiful music of the season, both traditional and new. There is as well an opportunity for audience sing-along. The choir will be accompanied by organist Stephen Mallinger playing the brand-new magnificent Beckerath Pipe Organ. Tickets are \$20.00/ Adults and \$5.00/ Students, available at Savoy's Jewellers or at the door.

Prayer Line

Anyone wishing to have prayers for a special Intention,
or someone who is ill, having surgery, for the deceased, or any other intention
may contact Corona at **705-575-6975.**

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Third Sunday of Advent

The **Third Sunday of Advent** repeats an Isaiah reading from earlier in the week, filled with promise, healing and a hope for our longing: "Then will the lame leap like a stag, then the tongue of the mute will sing.... They will meet with joy and gladness, sorrow and mourning will flee."

As the last eight days of Advent begin on Tuesday, the focus of the weekday readings returns to the gospels with stories from Jesus' family in the time before he was born. In **Matthew's gospel**, Joseph decides to divorce the pregnant Mary until an angel appears to him in a dream, saying, "It is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her." The rest of the week we have nearly all of the first chapter of **Luke's gospel**. Elizabeth and Zechariah, struggling with their inability to have a child, are told they will have a child named John who will be filled with the Holy Spirit. When Zechariah doubts, he is struck speechless. Thursday's gospel is the beloved story from Luke's gospel of the Annunciation with Mary's humble response, "May it be done to me according to your word." Mary sets out to visit her cousin, Elizabeth. "When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb" and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. Mary's response to Elizabeth: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my savior for he has looked upon his lowly servant...From this day all generations will call me blessed." Zechariah's mute silence ends when he writes on a tablet that his child will be named John. "Immediately his mouth was opened, his tongue freed, and he spoke blessing God."

On the **Fourth Sunday of Advent**, we read in Matthew's Gospel about Joseph and his decision to divorce the pregnant Mary. An angel comes to Joseph: "Do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her."