



# Precious Blood Cathedral

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## First Sunday Of Advent

**November 29, 2020**

**Pastor :**  
**Rev. Father Hamish Currie**

**Assistant Pastor :**  
**Rev. Father Clarence  
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**Parish Secretary :**  
**Sue St. Jules**

**Office Hours :**  
**9:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

**Sunday Masses :**  
**Saturday Vigil Mass : 5:00 PM**  
**Sunday : 10:00 AM**

**Weekday Masses :**  
**Not at this time**  
**No Mass on Wednesday**

**Sacrament of Penance :**  
**Saturday : 4:15 PM to 4:45 PM**

**Baptism :**  
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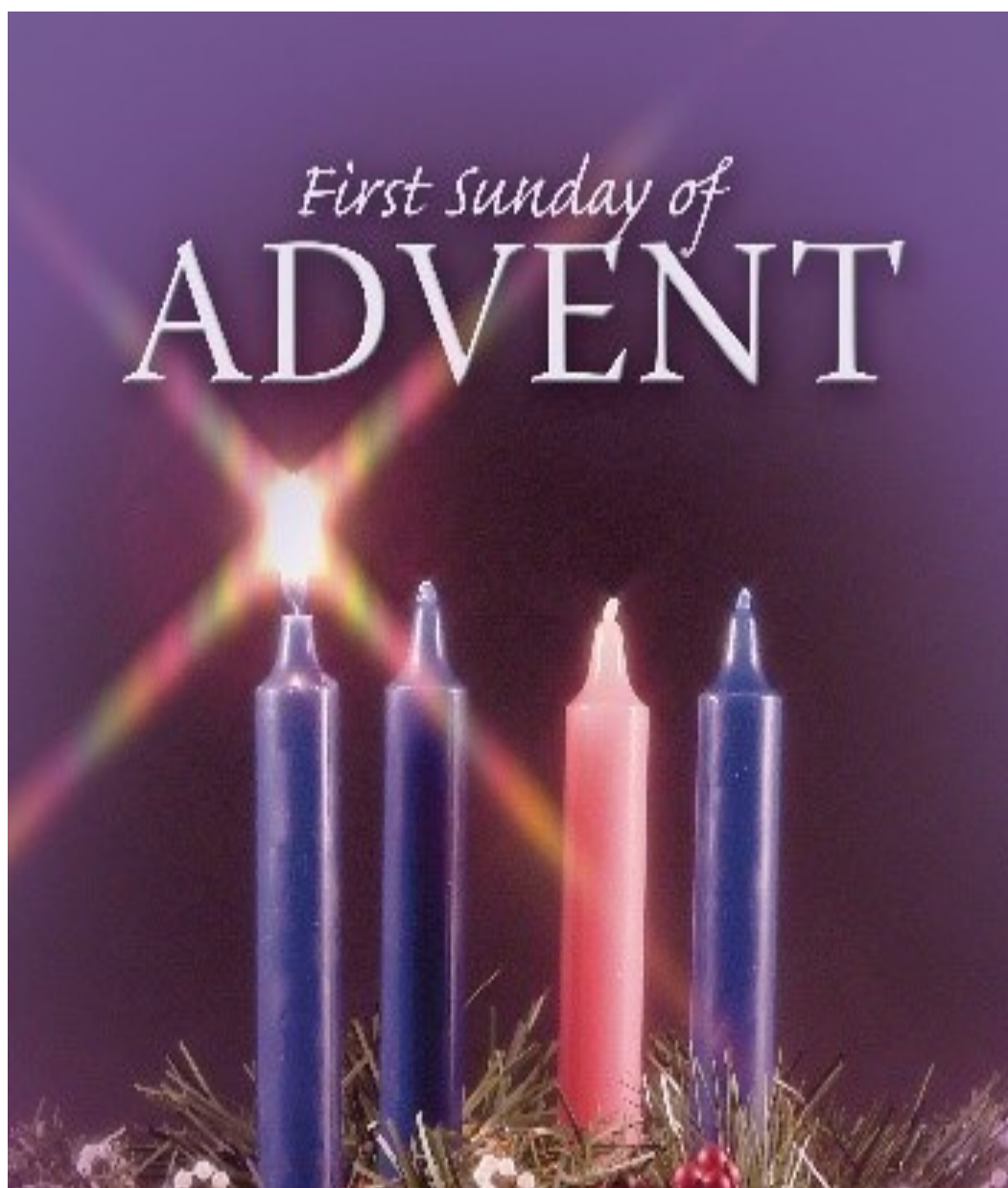
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**Weekdays Scripture Readings: 29th November to 5th December, 2020**

<b>Day</b>	<b>Reading</b>	<b>Gospel</b>
<b>Monday</b>	Romans 10.9-18	Matthew 4.18-22
<b>Tuesday</b>	Isaiah 11.1-10	Luke 10.21-24
<b>Wednesday</b>	Isaiah 25.6-10a	Matthew 15.29-37
<b>Thursday</b>	Isaiah 26.1-6	Matthew 7.21, 24-27
<b>Friday</b>	Isaiah 29.17-24	Matthew 9.27-31
<b>Saturday</b>	Isaiah 30.19-21, 23-26	Matthew 9.35-10.1, 5a, 6-8++

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## First Sunday of Advent

Sunday is the beginning of a new liturgical year with the **First Sunday of Advent**. The first reading from the **Prophet Isaiah** as the people repent before God: “**Would that you might meet us doing right, that we were mindful of you in our ways!**” **Mark's gospel** offers the image of the master who leaves his servants in charge while he is away. Be watchful! Be alert!

Monday is the **Feast of St. Andrew, Apostle**. Thursday is the **Memorial of St. Francis Xavier**.

During the first part of Advent - until December 17 - we focus on the first reading. This week it is from the **Prophet Isaiah**. These readings are about promises. Isaiah is consoling, building up and preparing his people to have hope. “**In the days to come,**” he says over and over. When the day of promise comes, “**They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; One nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again.**” Even though King David's line, and that of his father, Jesse, are almost wiped out, Isaiah proclaims hope: “**On that day, a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom.**” Who would believe even a peace in nature - lion lying down with the lamb? “**There shall be no harm or ruin on all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be filled with knowledge of the LORD, as water covers the sea.**” God's unique ways of favoring the poor, which Mary comes to know and proclaims in her *Magnificat*, are seen when Isaiah says, “**He humbles those in high places, and the lofty city he brings down; He tumbles it to the ground, levels it with the dust.**” Even Jesus' own statement about his mission is seen in the powerful images Isaiah uses to give us courage and hope: “**On that day the deaf shall hear ... the eyes of the blind shall see ... the lowly will ever find joy in the LORD ...**” “**On the day the LORD binds up the wounds of his people.**”

The gospels for this first part of Advent are chosen from several gospels. They are meant to match the first readings and to show that the promises are fulfilled in Jesus. Jesus brings healing. He raises up the childlike. And Jesus calls and sends the twelve apostles to continue his ministry.

In the **Second Sunday of Advent** we hear Isaiah write of a voice that cries out in the wilderness, “**Prepare the way of the LORD! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God!**” These lines from the prophet are repeated in the **Mark's Gospel** as we are introduced to John the Baptist who prepares the way for Jesus. John says, “**One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.**”