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Second Sunday Of Advent

December 6, 2020

Pastor :
Rev. Father Hamish Currie

Assistant Pastor :
**Rev. Father Clarence
Narendra**

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 :
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**
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the request has been made.

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Bulletin Announcements :
Email yours to
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Before 11:00 AM Wednesday

Prayer Line :
Corona McNally
705-575-6975



Weekdays Scripture Readings: 7th December to 12th December, 2020

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	Isaiah 35.1-10	Luke 5.17-26
Tuesday	Genesis 3.9-15, 20	Luke 1.26-38
Wednesday	Isaiah 40.25-31	Matthew 11.28-30
Thursday	Isaiah 41.13-20	Matthew 11.11-15
Friday	Isaiah 48.17-19	Matthew 11.16-19
Saturday	Zechariah 2.10-13	Luke 1.39-47

NEW OFFICE HOURS
THE OFFICE WILL NOW BE OPEN
9:00 AM TO 1:00 PM MONDAY TO FRIDAY

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Father Hamish



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that is in need of comfort from a shawl.
Please call Corona at 705-575-6975.

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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*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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Second Sunday of Advent

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.**”

December 12th is the Feast- of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

We focus on the first readings from the Prophet **Isaiah** this week. With the Babylonian Captivity, the temple was destroyed, the leaders of the people were taken away to Babylon and a remnant was left behind. A life-threatening desert separated the people. In this context, Isaiah proclaims God's vindication of the people in exile. The desert will be reborn. A highway will bring their liberation. And the signs will be that there is healing and peace. “**Comfort, give comfort to my people,**” says the Lord. The valleys will be filled in the mountains leveled - every obstacle will be overcome - to build a highway for our God to come and save us. The people can hardly believe the good news. They are weak and weary of their captivity. Isaiah proclaims, “**They that hope in the LORD will renew their strength, they will soar as with eagles' wings.**” The people have been at a distance from the Lord for some time and were not obeying the commandments. The Lord says, “**I am the LORD, your God, who grasp your right hand; It is I who say to you, 'Fear not, I will help you.'**” God promises them that if they follow his teachings, “**Your descendants would be like the sand... their name never cut off or blotted out from my presence.**” The final first reading this week is a piece from the book of **Sirach** in which the prophet Elijah is praised. Elijah, who was destined to come again to restore order before the day of the Lord, is seen in the reading from **Matthew's Gospel** to be John the Baptist.

The Third Sunday of Advent offers us more of the promise. The words used by the prophet **Isaiah** to describe God's vindication are the ones Jesus points to as describing his own mission: “**The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, to heal the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, to announce a year of favor from the LORD and a day of vindication by our God.**”