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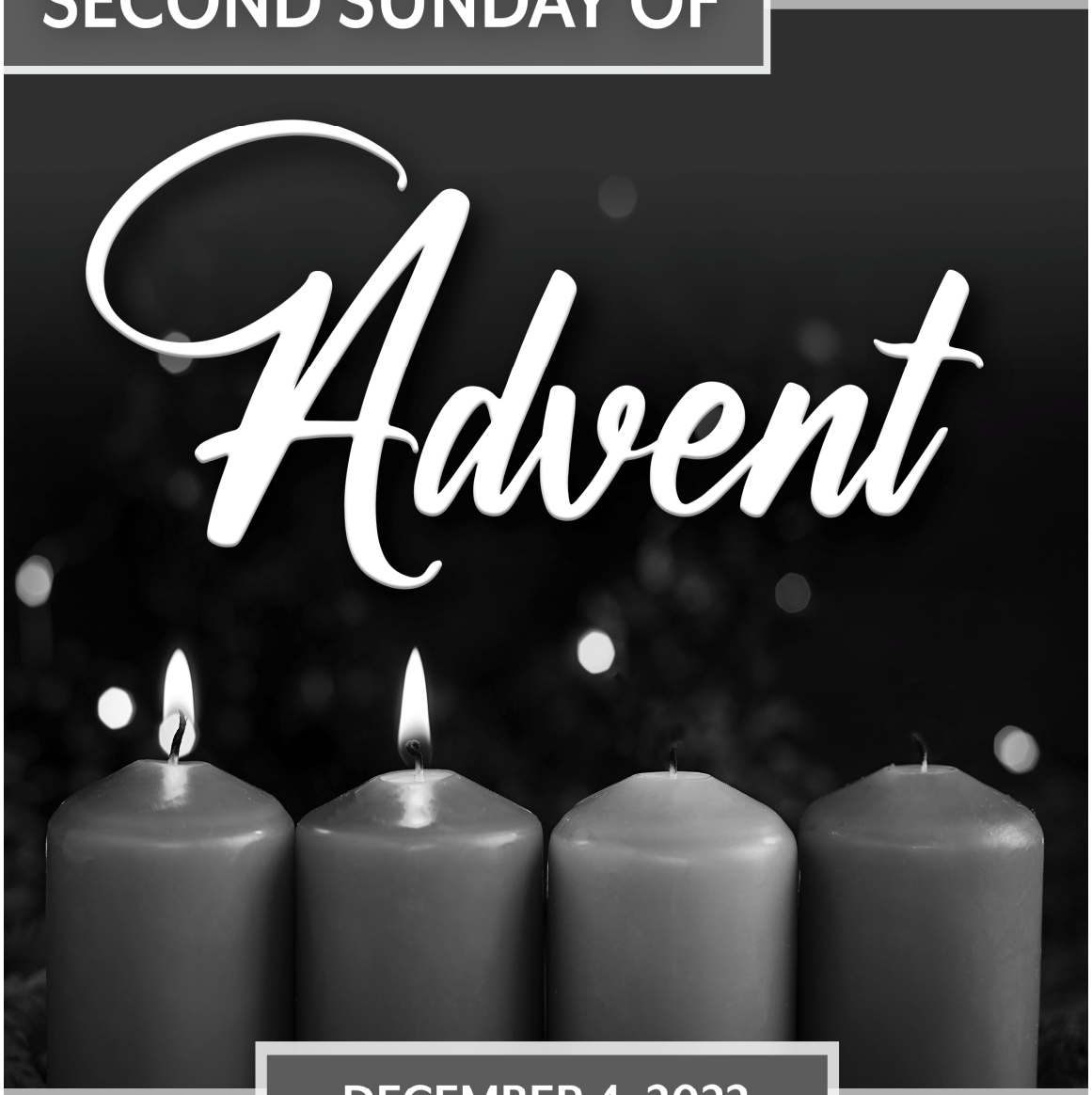
SECOND SUNDAY OF Advent



DECEMBER 4, 2022

John the Baptist appeared,
preaching in the desert of Judea and saying,
"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!"

MATTHEW 3:1

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HOLY NAME of JESUS PARISH

We Are A MISSION PARISH With A Mission

COME SERVE WITH US & COME PRAY WITH US

PLEASE GIVE THIS YOUR ON-GOING ATTENTION

The Covid-19 coronavirus pandemic continues to affect many parish life activities and our worship together. Our **Parish Directory** reflects our hope for schedules to return to something more normal.

Continue to consult the **Parish Bulletin** for more specific real-time information as well as listen for the most recent information being announced by **St. Louis County** and the **State of Missouri**.

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Human development *is primarily* ***a vocation****, every person's calling from God* ***'to be more'****.*

Therefore, the Church teaches that the ***essential quality*** *of 'authentic' development is* ***to promote the good of every man*** (person) *and of* ***the whole man*** (person).

CELEBRATING MASS & SACRAMENTS

Liturgy of the Eucharist (Weekend & Weekday Masses)

Saturday **4:00 pm** (CST) / **5:00 pm** (DST)
Sunday **9:30 am**

Tuesday – Friday **8:00 am**

Holy Days of Obligation 9:00 am & 7:00 pm
Civil Holidays *See Bulletin Mass Intentions for Time*

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays 2:30-3:30 pm
3:30-4:30 pm (*Daylight Savings Time)*
Day & Evening Times during Advent & Lent Weekdays
Anytime by Appointment with Fr. Mike at Home / Church

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick
1st Saturday of Every Month—After Evening Mass
3rd Sunday of Every Month—After 9:30 am Mass
Anytime by Appointment with Fr. Mike at Home / Church

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Tuesday 8:30 am -12:00 midnight

Perpetual Help Devotions
8:30 am—After Tuesday Morning Weekday Mass

Parish Rosary
8:30 am—After Weekday Mass
3:30 pm CST / 4:30 pm CDT—Monthly on 3rd Saturdays
7:30 am & 10:00 am—Monthly on 3rd Sundays

THE ONGOING PRIORITIES OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

MEMBERSHIP * PARTNERSHIP * STEWARDSHIP

mission notes

we are a mission parish with a mission

Being True To Each Other

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Mass on Thursday, December 8th.

9:00am & 7:00pm

The mystery
of knowing and trusting
that God is with us
is always worked out in the
context of human relationships.

We live most days
in the absence of angels.

We learn to be
True to Each Other
even as we are often
tempted to be silent with
our doubts, fears, and questions.

Join us once again today at the
Table of the Lord
as we celebrate the saving,
redeeming love of God.

FROM ADVENT TO ACTION
Open a door of hope to others

Recently, there was an article from Alban Weekly, put out by Duke Divinity School. The article, From Advent To Action called us "to look beyond advent as a historical event and called us to faithful action." **Rather than viewing this season as awaiting a return to the past, we can embrace it as an invitation to transformation and action,**
Since our recent, "Do small things with great love" initiative, we are more aware that we are an evangelizing community by what we model and what we do each day, we now see the opportunity to consider what actions we can take that might truly inspire hope in those who live in darkness.
We can prepare and declare the good news that the Messiah is coming by sharing with others where we find our hope, peace, love and joy. "What if we approached this advent by intentionally connecting the good news of the long-awaited Messiah to the current crisis and conflicts that confront our persons, families, parish, communities, arch-diocese, and world"

What does *hope* look like?
How can we embrace *peace?*
How do we embody *love?*
Why is the gift of *joy* a necessity?

We would again like to use our door display in the back of church during advent to share what you think about these questions. How do the questions touch you personally? Share on just one or more if you like. The
Greeters will be handing out cards to you at the end of Mass today. Please take these cards and answer one or more of these questions and return them in the collection basket next weekend or turn them in at the office. We will then display on our doors until the end of the Christmas season. There will be extra cards in the back if you would like to add more comments.
Also, Deacon George has provided us with the Little Blue Books with reflections for Advent. You will find them at the church doors.

Please come to

Vespers

At Saint Angela Merici Parish

3860 North Highway 67

On each of the four Sundays of Advent
(December 4, 11, & 18)

Starting at 7:00pm

"Vespers" are the official Evening Prayer
Of the Catholic Church.
It is traditional to celebrate them

With great solemnity
On Advent's four Sundays.
Come join us in observing this holy season
With the solemnity it is due!
(Eucharistic exposition and Benediction included.)

Monthly Candlelight Community Peace/Social Justice Vigil

Our monthly candlelight community peace/social justice vigils are held outdoors on the front steps of our church on the last Sunday of each month. Our next vigil will be held on December 18, at 7 pm. In case of inclement weather, we will gather in the Church vestibule. This monthly vigil is sponsored by the Holy Name of Jesus Social Justice group, Justice Grows, and lasts 30 minutes. The purpose of these monthly vigils is to pray for unity in our community, to raise awareness of social justice issues in our greater metropolitan community, and to pray for an end to violence, especially gun violence. These vigils consist of music, a time of silent reflection, and group prayer. **All are welcome** to join us every month or whenever you're available to pray with us. We hope to see you on December 18, 7:00pm

Room at the Inn Wish List

Bath tissue
Paper towels
Paper plates
Plastic cutlery
Paper cups
Foil
Plastic wrap
Storage bags, qt. & gal. size
Food storage containers
Trash bags, 13 & 44 gal. or larger

Laundry Detergent
Fabric Softener
Liquid dish soap
Bar soap
Hand & Body lotion
Shampoo & conditioner

Cleaning Products

Bath Towels (new)
Wash Cloths (new)
Socks, all sizes and gender
Mesh laundry bags

Women's sweat pants, pajama bottoms and colored T-shirts (Med, Lg, XL, XXL, XXXL)
Men's sweat pants, pajama bottoms, and white and colored T-shirts (Med, Lg, XL, XXL, XXXL)

Gift cards for grocery stores, Walmart, Target, gas stations and bus passes

Please leave your donations in the box marked "***Room at the Inn***" located in the back vestibule of the church. If you would prefer to make a monetary gift or a gift card donation, please place it in an envelope marked "***Room at the Inn***" and put it in the collection basket in church or drop it off at the Parish office.

Collecting donations through December 18th.

Thank you for your generous support.

MASS INTENTION

Tuesday	**December 6**
8:00am	Butch Mollerus
Wednesday	**December 7**
8:00am	Joseph & Maria
Thursday	**December 8**
9:00am	Mary Rosegrant
7:00pm	People of the Parish
Friday	**December 9**
8:00am	Ryan Georgen
Saturday	**December 10**
4:00pm	Zofia & Josef Fitzkowski
Sunday	**December 11**
9:30am	Kathy Uhlenbrock

PLEASE PRAY *for* :

Donna Lane, Bob Seidel Jr, John Spaedy, Matt Cody, Bernette Goymerac, Mildred Miller, Mary Masterson, Tim Downs, Cooper Treacy, John Baboer, Maureen Williams, Al Haines, Betty Kondracki, Jerry Nogalski, Mary Lou Sammelman, Patty Corbin, Chris Deaton, Glen Marstall, Anne Marlowe, Dorothy Anderson, Joan Geerling, Carol Jones, Mike Swoboda, George Lawler, Phyllis Lawler, Lynda Brand, Audrey Corbin, Marjorie Dubray, Colin Schultheis, Bill Oliver, Mike Coffer, Whitney Coke, Ken Ellis, Tom K., Carol Lawrence, Lisa Erickson, Mark Hayes, Karen Pilgram, Wayman Brown, Pat Bogaski, Jackleen Thomas Dudley, Delores Bamert, Aurelien Akakpo-Lado, Donna Kahr, Rhonda Finney, Dale Brown, Jennifer, Crisanta Castro

PRAYER CHAIN

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please call Betty Kondracki @ 868-0176

IMPORTANT HOSPITAL NEWS

If you **or** a friend, relative, neighbor, etc. are being admitted to a hospital please contact the Parish Office to let us know.

Stewardship of Treasure

Your Gifts of Support for Our Parish Mission

November 27, 2022	**$5,024.26**
Online Giving (included above)	$1,095.00
Budgeted weekly offertory	**$8,028.00**
This week's <loss>	$3,003.74
Budgeted weekly expenses	**$12,843.00**
This week's <loss>	$7,818.74
Thanksgiving Day STVDP	$970.00

LECTORS

December 8	
7:00pm	Bess Arends
December 10	
4pm	**Joan Aslin**
December 11	
9:30am	**Mark Tranel**

Eucharistic Ministers

December 8	
7:00pm	Karen Kulla
December 10	
4:00pm	Marilyn Gittemeier
December 11	
9:30am	Susan Tolentino

Post Listening Session Survey

Steadfast in Faith * Forward in Hope

Thanks again to all who participated in our Parish Listening Sessions. As we continue to plan for the future of our Catholic Church in this part of St. Louis County, your ideas and your voice are important and will make a difference. **Whether or not you were able to attend a Listening Session**, I encourage you to go to our parish website **www.holynamestlouis.org** and click on the link for the **Post Listening Session Survey**. Review the material presented at our Listening Sessions and then complete the on-line survey to give your feedback on what you have learned.

The Season of Advent

What are we really waiting for during Advent? The longstanding tradition of the Church is that the Advent season really marks not one but three comings of Christ: his coming into history two thousand years ago, his coming in glory at the end of time, and his coming into our hearts here and now. Advent starts with a focus on the future coming of Christ so that we might see the big picture. If Christmas is to make any sense at all, we have to ask the question, "What are you doing to get ready for the (final) coming of Christ?" This perspective opens us up to the sense of anticipation experienced by the Jewish people on the eve of the first coming of Christ. This Advent, we will hear John the Baptist tell them (and us) how best to prepare. He urges repentance and an examination and reform of our way of life.

Then on the Fourth Sunday, we are drawn in to the history of Jesus' arrival as the child of Joseph and Mary. Our work of spiritual preparation brings us to the point of the whole season. What good is it that Christ comes into my heart if I don't then carry that presence out into the world, just as Mary did?

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — He shall bring justice for the afflicted; the earth shall overflow with the knowledge of the LORD (Isaiah 11:1-10).

Psalm — Peace and justice will come in the day of the Lord (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — Glorify God by living in harmony with one another, welcoming each other as Christ welcomed you (Romans 15:4-9).

Gospel — Produce good fruit worthy of your baptism; repent, for the reign of God is near (Matthew 3:1-12).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday:	Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday:	Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
Thursday:	Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Friday:	Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
Saturday:	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Sunday:	Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

Thank you from your St. Vincent de Paul Society

On behalf of the neighbors in need that we serve, thank you to everyone who brought donations of food and money to the Thanksgiving Day Mass. As always, we are extremely grateful for your kindness and generosity to the families we are privileged to serve on your behalf.

Also, as you do your holiday shopping for family and friends on your list who already seem to have everything, may we suggest a donation to our St. Vincent de Paul Conference in their honor? A card will be sent to your Honoree notifying them of your kindness. There are donation cards available at all the church entrances that you can drop in the collection basket or mail to the Parish Office. You can specify on that card if you want their notification sent to them on a certain date or just to arrive before Christmas. Or it can be mailed to you if you'd like to give it to them yourself. Just indicate your preference on your donation card. It's a beautiful way to remember someone who means a lot to you and help someone in need as well!

May God bless you all throughout this Advent season!

JOIN US FOR THE

OLD ST. FERDINAND SHRINE

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

DEC 4TH 2022, 3PM

PRESENTED THIS YEAR AT

FLORISSANT VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

1025 NORTH US HIGHWAY 67 AT ST FERDINAND
(NEXT TO CULVER'S)

FEATURING

THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY CHOIR

PRESENTING

"A NOEL CELEBRATION"

SPECIAL APPEARANCE BY

THE FVBC JAZZ TRIO

COOKIE FELLOWSHIP IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING.
FOR MORE INFOMATION CALL 314-837-2056

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Send 200 bulletins

Until further notice

Thank You