

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 19, 2021

"Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." Luke 1:42

CALENDAR OF MASSES/EVENTS

Sunday, December 19, 2021

Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:30 am Liturgy **For The Parish Community**

10:30 am RCIA

NO am PRE Classes



Monday, December 20, 2021

Tuesday, December 21, 2021 – Winter Begins

9:00 am Weight Loss Support Group



Wednesday, December 22, 2021

Thursday, December 23, 2021 – Office Closed

8:00 am Liturgy + **Tony Leisner** by: Carmen Kreider

9:00 am Adult Ed

3:45 pm Garden Café

7:00 pm AA & Al Anon

Friday, December 24, 2021 – Christmas Eve

Office Closed

6:00 pm Liturgy + **Terri Hentze** by: Holy Spirit



Saturday, December 25, 2021 – Christmas Day

9:00 am Liturgy **For The Parish Community**

No Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 26, 2021

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

9:30 am Liturgy **For The Parish Community**

10:30 am RCIA

NO am PRE Classes

SUNDAY OFFERING



PARISH SUPPORT

Needed Weekly for Budget.....	\$ 6,094.81
Offering	\$ 6,407.00
Maintenance Fund Last Wk....	\$ 110.00
Community Services.....	\$ 60.00
Flowers.....	\$ 425.00
Immaculate Conception.....	\$ 569.00
November On line Donations.....	\$ 6,393.00

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P O Box 424

Hernando, MS. 38632

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RELIGIOUS GOODS STORE

December 18 – Kelli Bishop/Dec. 19 – Cathy Powers

December 25/December 26 Closed



Holy Spirit Office Hours

Current Office hours are Monday – Friday
9:00 am–noon – 1:00 PM–3:00 PM

Our Religious Goods store is open also.



Ministry Schedule

PLEASE REMEMBER:

You are to arrive at least 20 to 30 minutes before mass is to begin. This is important to be prepared and ready.

Friday, December 24 – 6:00 p.m. – Christmas Eve

Greeter: Maureen Finley/Paula Busler

Usher: Tom & Paula Busler

Server: Help

Lector: Maribel Arguinizoni/Leanne Meng

Gift Bearer: Help

Eucharistic Minister: Jose` Martinez



Saturday, December 25 - 9:00 am – Christmas Day

Greeter: Help

Usher: Help

Server: Help

Lector: Jim Buechele/Diane Cullen

Gift Bearer: Milton Ferrell/Barbara Nickarz

Eucharistic Minister: Amanda Ready

NO SUNDAY VIGIL

Sunday, December 26 - 9:30 am

Greeter: Cil Johnson/Diane Cullen

Usher: Ron & Shirley Henderson

Server: Mark Printup/Poppy

Lector: Sal Galtelli/Amanda Ready

Gift Bearer: Williamson Family

Eucharistic Minister: Chris Mitchell

REMINDER: If you are unable to fulfill your ministry obligation, it is your responsibility to find someone that can serve in your place. Thank you.



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giving? By creating a login and contributing

online you'll always have a report of your giving history available. Signing up is as simple as scanning the QR code and start the process. Thank you for remembering your parish during these difficult times.



Weekday Mass Schedule

Queen of Peace—Monday, Tuesday & 1st Friday at NOON

Christ the King, Southaven—Wednesday (Bilingual Mass)

and Thursday (English Mass) at NOON.

Holy Spirit, Hernando—Thursday and Friday at 8:00 AM

ALTAR LINENS MINISTRY

December – Donna Grasso



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<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/holy545151>

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Use this email address to get in touch with me.

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Sacrament of the Sick

Facing surgery or serious health tests?

We encourage all parishioners to make an appointment with one of our priests to receive the Sacrament BEFORE an anticipated entrance into the hospital. Please call Holy Spirit at 662-429-7851.



<https://www.youtube.com/c/NWMississippiParishes>

Sunday homilies are posted now.

Youtube: new videos are up.

See Fr. Louis on Confession and Sr. Emily on the Advent Prophets!

There will not be a vigil mass for Holy Family at any of our parishes on December 25th. Holy Family Mass will be Sunday, December 26th at the normal Sunday mass times.

Holy Spirit Mass time for Sunday is 9:30 am.



Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, Friday, December 24th

4:00 pm Christ the King, Southaven
Good Shepherd, Robinsonville
St. Gregory, Senatobia

6:00 pm Queen of Peace, Olive Branch

Holy Spirit, Hernando

7:00 pm St. Joseph, Holly Springs

8:30 pm Christ the King, Southaven

Christmas Day – Saturday, December 25th

9:00 am Queen of Peace, Olive Branch

Holy Spirit, Hernando

There will not be a vigil mass for the Epiphany of the Lord at any of our parishes on January 1, 2022. The Epiphany of the Lord will be Sunday, January 2, 2022 at the normal Sunday mass times. Holy Spirit Mass time for Sunday is 9:30 am.

Seriously Sick & Hospitalized

Please Pray For The Sick

Your prayers are requested for the following who are having/recovering from surgery or are seriously ill:

Nicole Pitcher Hill (Dean niece), Becky Abernathy, Erica Orive (George's mom), John Marking (Bill's Bro), Juanita Young, Sr. Rose Hacker, John Weishaar (Nix), Sharon Bryson (Greer niece), Gwen Savage, Joe Greenwell (Dean bro), Chris Carroll (Sr. Rose Nephew), Michael Muse (Jim Buechele), Nancy Potts, Marvin Dixon, Sherri Ligon (Pam Hall sis), Nancy Stapor, Danielle Lorson (Lance Nelson niece), Gene Snoko (Gawel sonnlaw), Pete Rizzo (B. Caruthers sonnlaw), Jan Norris (B. Caruthers cousin), Bill Warner, Emily Bernard, Dorothy Tatum, Judy Ferguson (daughternlaw), Al Gawel, Jo Ann Tominello, Ron Gaunt, Ellie Carr (Fink-Preemie), Sarah Galtelli, Allen Sanders (G. Savage bro), Rosangela Tarverna (C. Bonner mom), Sr Mary Myles (Powell sis), Deanne Greer, Pat Mentgen, Rebecca Baker (LaRae), Charles Hill, Donald Grafe (J. Hughes bro), Kathy Eldred, Gene Winters (Nix), Glenn Donnelly, Bobby Nickarz (brother), Joeng Won Cho (Myong's mother), Dorothy Sheffe (C. Massa sis), Jennifer Thompson (L Holland), Melissa McNary (Kistler), Jennifer Donnelly, Ann Landers (Massa sis-n-law), William Selvo (N. French bro), Chris Selvo (N. French), Mary Greenwell (B. Dean's sis), Jared Smith (Liz Brown). Please notify the Pastor when serious illness occurs or when hospitalization is indicated: we would like to strengthen the ill with the Eucharist and the Sacrament of the Sick (Anointing).



Considering being Catholic? RCIA is open. Contact Sr. Emily at 662-342-1073 or ctksemily@aol.com



ADVENT TOOLS FOR PREPARATION



Table tent – Each family should have received a table prayer to keep on the table during the season of Advent.

When you gather as a family for a meal you will pray the prayer for that week of Advent. The table tents are located in the Narthex if you haven't gotten one.



Placemat – Each child will receive a placemat to keep on the table during Advent. There are wonderful opportunities for you and your child to be enriched and blessed during this time of preparation for Our Lord's coming. The placemats are located in the Narthex as well.





What is your
gift to *Jesus?*

THE GIVING TREE

This Advent
Season we will fill
our Giving tree
with gifts that we

will give to Jesus as we help prepare the way for
Him. A tag is available for you to write your gift
each week when you come to Mass. Place it on the
tree in the Narthex.

Your gift will be something you will do during the
week for others. Each week you will offer a new gift
to Jesus. On Christmas we will place all of our gifts
that we have done into a basket and place
it in the stable where Baby Jesus rests.

**Solemnity of
Mary, Mother of God
Mass Times
Friday, December 31, 2021**

4:00 pm

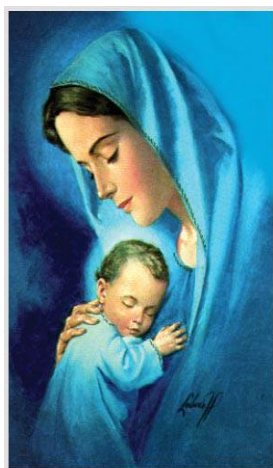
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6:00 pm

Queen of Peace, Olive Branch
Holy Spirit, Hernando

7:00 pm

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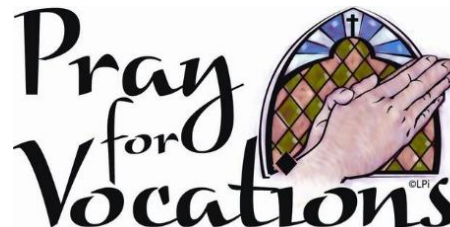


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mass time. Holy Spirit Mass time is 9:30 am***



**The 2022 parish
calendars** are located on
the table in the Narthex. Be
sure and get yours before
leaving today

The **Word Among Us** includes daily meditations based
on the Mass readings of the Catholic Church,
inspirational essays, testimonies and stories of the saints
and other Christian heroes! Copies are located in the
Commons area.



MERCY ADVENT CALENDAR

We have begun a new liturgical year and have entered
into the holy season of Advent. The Sisters of Mercy have
prepared a digital Advent Calendar for your prayer and
reflection.

The calendar offers daily meditations featuring
Scripture, art and/or music.

<https://en.calameo.com/read/0003460915f92285cc396>

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Breakfast with God is a 30-minutes children's faith
formation program on Zoom that creatively wraps
prayer, song, a children's story and craft, in the themes
from the Sunday Gospel message.

You're invited to join us at 9:00 a.m. EST on Zoom on
the following Sundays:

Sunday, December 26th

» **Register for Breakfast with God**

» **Download the new themed Breakfast with God
Guides**

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web/centers/church21/programs/BWG.html](https://www.bc.edu/content/bc-web/centers/church21/programs/BWG.html)

Celebrate the season of Advent with the DRAWING
GOD PICTURE BOOK, for both children and
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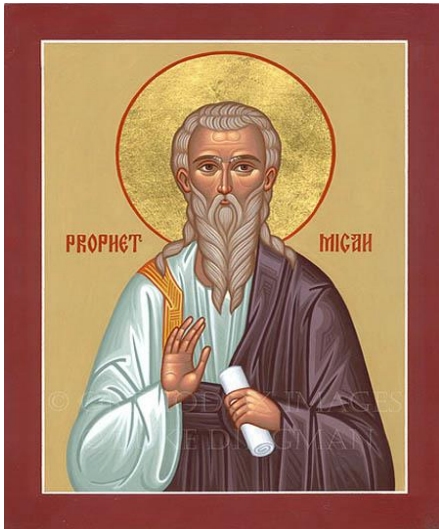
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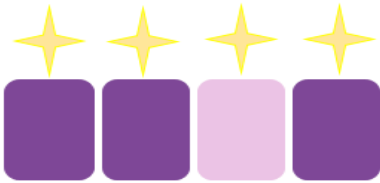
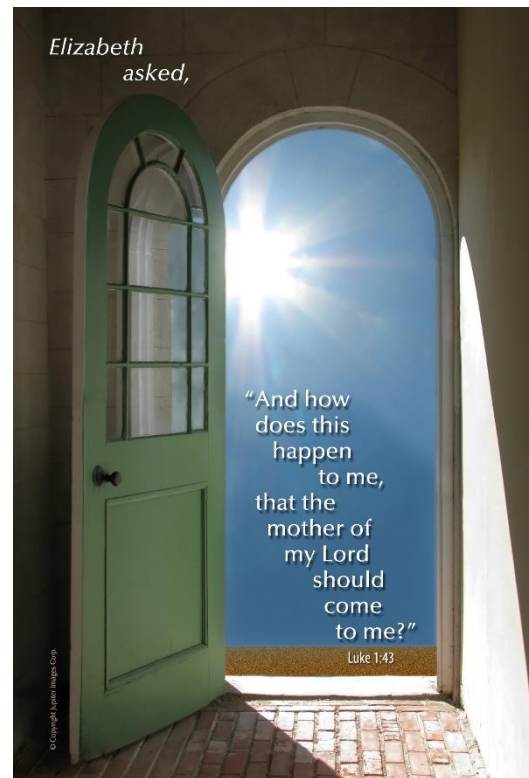
FR. LOUIS has three new videos on the Sacrament
of Reconciliation.

SR. EMILY has a new video every week on THE
PROPHETS OF ADVENT in English and Spanish. They
follow the readings for each Sunday in Advent.





MICAH
 Micah was a prophet who prophesied from approximately 737-690 BC in Judah. He was a contemporary of the prophets Isaiah, Amos and Hosea. He is considered one of the twelve minor prophets of the Tanakh, or Old Testament. Micah's messages were directed chiefly toward Jerusalem. He prophesied the future destruction of Jerusalem and Samaria, the destruction and then future restoration of the Judean state. He rebuked the people of Judah for dishonesty and idolatry. His prophecy that the Messiah would be born in the town of Bethlehem is recalled in the Gospel of Matthew.



Fourth Sunday of Advent

*light all four of your advent candles

All: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

Reader: The **fourth Sunday candle** stands for **“peace.”** It is also proclaimed as “Angel’s Candle.” Jesus is the ‘Prince of Peace.’ He brings peace in the hearts of each person and in societies. The Angels proclaimed peace.

Be sure to use the table tent Advent prayer card provided, as well as, the Bible passage Is. 9:6, for reflection.

To note: In medieval times Christ was customarily represented by a burning candle in the center of a laurel wreath. It was kept burning throughout the Holy Night and each night thereafter during the holy season. The tradition has been carried on over time, and in many forms around the world.

Jesus is the greatest gift to us from God, He is a sign of God’s love!
 Emmanuel, God is with us!

For the purposes of the IRS, we must credit donations in the calendar year we receive them. Consequently, the last day to receive credit for 2021 taxes is December 31st, Mass of the Mother of God.

What is an Antiphon?

An antiphon (Greek ἀντίφωνον, ἀντί "opposite" and φωνή "voice") is a short chant in Christian ritual, sung like a refrain in a song. Antiphons were written with pieces of the Psalms and other verses from the Hebrew Scriptures. They also express deep theological convictions!

The singing of Antiphons (as sung in early Christian communities by the end of the 5th century) had its root in the Synagogue. Early Christians borrowed the Jewish traditions of chanting psalms and of singing hymns together.

There is some evidence from Acts of the Apostles that early Christians stayed close to those Jewish traditions of chanting and singing together. For example Acts 2:46-47 states that "with one accord in the Temple, and breaking bread from house to house did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, praising God, and having favor with all the people."

When we say the ancient Antiphons today, we are joining our voices with those who have said these very sentences for thousands of years. When you say or sing the Antiphons, you are adding YOUR VOICE to the endless songs of praise to God from the Communion of Saints!

FUN FACT!

The seven titles for Jesus Christ (in Latin) mentioned in these seven Antiphons leading up to Christmas Eve are:

Emmanuel, Rex, Oriens, Clavis, Radix, Adonai, Sapientia

The first letters of these titles, from last to first, form a Latin acrostic!

The first letter of each of these titles spells out two Latin words “ERO CRAS” meaning, “Tomorrow, I will come.”

Therefore, the Lord Jesus, whose coming we have prepared for in Advent and whom we have addressed in these seven Messianic titles, now speaks to us on the last day of the Antiphons, responding to our Antiphon prayers: “Tomorrow, I will come.” So the O Antiphons not only bring intensity to our Advent preparation, but bring it to a joyful conclusion in a greeting and promise from Jesus.



The "Great Days of Advent" being TODAY!

The Advent Antiphons for the last seven days of Advent (also called "the Great Days of Advent") are often called the "O Antiphons" because they all begin with the greeting to God "O..." These last seven days of Advent focus on 7 different titles of Jesus and they all include the verb "come" so that the Church sings the names of Christ for each day while asking Jesus to COME into our world and into our lives!

Tuesday, December 17 ***"O Wisdom*** of our God Most High, guiding creation with power and love: come to teach us the path of knowledge!"

REFLECTION QUESTION: Where in your life has God had some of your time and attention to teach you something powerful about things like meaning or love or faith? At what time in your life, since birth, has God had the most of your attention?

Wednesday, December 18 ***"O Adonai,*** Leader of the House of Israel, giver of the Law to Moses on Sinai: come to rescue us with your mighty power!"

REFLECTION QUESTION: When have you been rescued?

Thursday, December 19 ***"O Root of Jesse's stem,*** sign of God's love for all people: at whom Kings shall shut their mouths, come to save us without delay!"

REFLECTION QUESTION: When have you been left speechless? Has anything at church or from God left you speechless?

Friday, December 20 ***"O Key of David,*** Scepter of the House of Israel, you open and no one can shut. You shut and no one can open. Come and bring the prisoners out of prison, those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death."

REFLECTION QUESTION: Have you ever known anyone in jail or prison? Have you ever visited anyone in jail or prison? Is there any part of, or time in your life that has felt like a prison to you? Covid?

Saturday, December 21 “O Radiant Dawn, splendor of eternal light, sun of justice: come and shine on those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death.”

REFLECTION QUESTION: How do you feel when you see a sunrise? Do you have a favorite place in the world where you have seen (or would like to see) a sunrise?

Sunday, December 22 “O King of all nations and keystone of the Church: come and save humankind, whom you formed of clay.”

REFLECTION QUESTION: Have you ever made, built or developed something significant from scratch and finished it? Did someone help you or teach you how? How did you decide to create that thing?

Monday, December 23 “O Emmanuel, our King and Giver of Law: come to save us, Lord our God!”

REFLECTION QUESTION: ‘Emmanuel’ means ‘God with us.’ When was the last time you felt that God was surely with you? When was the last time you felt that you were apart from God?

Tuesday, December 24 (Christmas Eve) “O Bethlehem, make ready to receive Christ; for the Word made flesh comes to dwell in you, opening Eden to His people. Make ready, O Manger, to behold the deep mystery; He who cannot be contained will be contained in you, Alleluia!”

REFLECTION QUESTION: Christ is born in us at our Baptism. Christ chooses to be contained in you. When do you feel Christ in you? What habits or practices help you to know and trust that Christ is in you?

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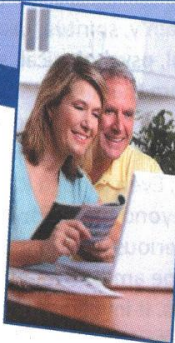
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