

"For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." - Lk 2:11-12



*"One in Mind and Heart, Intent
Upon God" ~ St. Augustine*



MASS INTENTIONS

For the week of December 21, 2020

MONDAY, DECEMBER 21

Mario & Loreto Macioce
Edwards J. Matthews

Family
Wife

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22

Laura & Joseph Izzo
Jason Sochia

Daughter
Mom

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24

CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25 NATIVITY OF THE LORD

CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26

Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family

Frank Pfitz
Gerald B. Lahue & Gerald J. Lahue
Eleanor T. Masterson
Frank Mazza

Kathy Judge
Family
Family
Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27

Primeau Family
Leo & Rose Soulier
Robert Perry Sr.

Family
Susan
Shirley



December Calendar of Events

12/20 Fourth Sunday of Advent
12/24 Christmas Eve— Masses at 3 pm & 6 pm
12/25 Nativity of the Lord ~ 10 am mass

**PLEASE
REGISTER**

QUESTIONS FOR THE FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT

First Reading




Today's reading from Second Samuel narrates the context in which God establishes his covenant promise to King David around the year 1000 B.C. In the birth of Jesus, God fulfils his covenant with David. What does this teach us about the idea of "salvation history?"

Second Reading

Paul concludes his letter to the Romans with a hymn of praise to God for the long awaited revelation that all are saved and justified through faith in Christ. In what ways are you praising God during this season of Advent?

Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel reading records the angel Gabriel's announcement to Mary of the upcoming birth of Christ. Mary's acceptance of God's will for her life ("May it be done to me according to your word.") models for all of us unconditional faith. How can we encourage others to embrace such faith?

DECEMBER BREAD In Memory of ANTHONY & HELEN MEROLA Given by FAMILY WINE In Memory of ANTHONY & HELEN MEROLA Given by FAMILY	DECEMBER SANCTUARY CANDLE In Memory of ANNA M. WELLS Given by DR. ANNE MARIE WELLS In Memory of JACK O'BRIEN Given by FAMILY	DECEMBER MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL In Memory of MARCEL SOULIER Given by FAMILY
		

**Registrations are still being accepted for the
10 am Christmas Day Mass.**

**The 3 pm and 6 pm Christmas Eve Masses are full,
however the 3:00 pm Mass will be livestreamed.
The dispensation from the obligation to attend
mass due to the pandemic is still in place.**

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Please pray for all the sick and suffering and for anyone close to death; for those troubled in body, mind, or heart, and for their care givers in a special way: Carol Travis, Anna Papperman, Alexa Papperman, Marcia Trombly, Margaret Rose DeLucia, Connie Laviolette, Muriel Smith, Patricia Komoroski, Jack Neumann, Mary Beth Woodard, Carol Hervieux-Potts, Althea Alger, Sandee Murphy, Irene Marra, Maria Pascarella, Robert R. White, Judith M Hervieux, Cathy Powers Vanina, Andrew Melville, Christopher Goyette, Brady Sullivan, Bill Dame, Michael Clune, Ginny Grigoliet, Randy Morley, Melissa Rice, Paula Navojosky, Nicholas Muscatiello, William Furlong, Scott McGowty, Father Joseph Getz O.S.A.

Please help us keep our list up to date, and call the office (518.237.3131) with any changes.



My Dear Friends,

Several weeks ago, I celebrated the first Friday liturgy for our students at St. Mary's School. And within my homily, I explained to the boys and girls the true meaning of Advent. Advent, of course, means 'coming'. During these four weeks, we prepared ourselves not simply for the coming of the liturgical celebration of Christmas, but for the second coming of Christ as well. Advent is a time of anticipation, when we await wonderful things to come. Our job is to allow it to happen by the way we open ourselves up to God's grace.

The seasons of Advent and Christmas are also a time of hope. This year, perhaps more so than any other year in recent history, it has become difficult to keep our focus on the hope that can be found only through our relationship with Jesus Christ. There is so much around us that can distract from the true meaning of this season and celebration and, dare I say, to cause us to lose hope.

For the past few weeks, the readings and Gospel passages have reminded us that we are to remain alert, watchful and prayerful.....

Alert to His presence,

Watchful for the ways we can make His presence known in the world and

Prayerful that our future unfolds according to God's plan.

May the good Lord continue to grace and enrich your lives, keep you hopeful and faithful and always be with you on your journey of faith. I wish you all a very blessed Christmas.

*Fr. David Kelley, O.S.A.
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