

Sacred Heart Parish

REFLECTION for the Second Sunday of Advent

Fr. Don

One way of really enriching our Advent journey is to keep in mind the three comings of Jesus, and how they relate to one another.

1. The Incarnation: *Jesus has come*. This coming happened over 2000 years ago. We joyfully anticipate celebrating Jesus' birth at Christmas.
2. Our Life Now: *Jesus comes to us daily* if we but ask Him to enter into our lives with its many challenges. Advent challenges us to open our hearts to allow Jesus to come into our heart and soul.
3. Our Future: *Jesus promises He will come again* in glory at the end of the ages. We anticipate being eternally among His saints in heaven.

*Now we watch for the day,
hoping that the salvation promised us will be ours
when Christ will come again in his glory.
-PAST, PRESENT, and FUTURE-*

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

This meeting is scheduled for Monday Dec. 8 at 7:30pm in the rectory. Please make an effort to come to the Mass and then to the meeting.

CBWIII HYMNALS

You may recall that we asked you to donate towards the cost of one of these hymnals recently. To date we have received donations to cover the cost of 14 out of the 20 that we have ordered. If you still wish to donate to the cost of one (\$21) please let us know.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

If you, or someone you know, wish to inquire into the process of being received as new members of the Roman Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil next Spring, please contact the Parish Office. Preparation will begin as soon as interested people come forward.

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Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Liturgical Celebrations

Weekend Masses:
Saturday - 4:30 pm
Sunday - 11:00 a.m.

Masses this Week:
Mon. & Wed- 7:00 p.m.
Tue. Thur. & Fri. at 9am

Holy Hour of Adoration:
Third Sunday of each Month
2:00 p.m.

Reconciliation
Mon & Wed after Mass

Marriages:
Six month notice is required.
A year's notice is recommended.

Baptisms:
Celebrated at Weekend Mass
after preparation session.

Current Date

December 7th, 2014
The Second Sunday in Advent

RECEIVED WITH THANKS

Last week 's Collection \$1,668.00
Building Fund 25.00
Shepherds Fund 1,386.00
Donations for hymn books 21.00

TICKETS--MEN'S GROUP

The draw will take place this Sunday Dec. 6th. The winner will be notified ASAP. We thank all those who helped in the selling of the tickets and all who purchased tickets.

SICK VISITING

We have three teams of two persons who have volunteered to visit the sick. Do you know someone who is sick and shut-in and would like to receive Holy Communion and a visit from our ministers? If so, then let us know. You can contact the Office or Fr. Don at home.

CHRISTMAS PENITENTIAL SERVICE

This service will take place on Thursday, Dec. 18 at 7pm. Priests from uptown will join us. Please avail of this opportunity to go to confession for Christmas.

PARISH CALENDARS

Again this year calendars featuring local scenery are being sold at a cost of \$15. Pictures were done by Margie Pennell. Sales are a little slow, so we would appreciate it if you could tell your friends or co-workers about them. Please sign the book at the back of the church if you wish to buy one or phone Joan Penny (785-7465) .

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Dec 8 Mon O Connor & Hawkins Family
Dec 9 Tues Wayne Frampton

Dec 10 Wed Diane Griffin
Dec 11 Thur Anthony George
Dec 12 Fri John McCarthy
Dec 13 Sat John & Frances O' Brien

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Dec 24 (Wed) 7:00 pm, 11:00 pm
Dec 25 (Thurs) 11:00am
Dec 26 (Fri) **No Mass**
Dec 27 (Sat) 4:30 pm
Dec 28 (Sun) 11:00 am
Dec 29 & 30 (Mon & Tues) 10:00 am
Dec 31 (Wed) 4:30 pm
Jan 1 (Thurs) 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

So as to make attending Mass for the Advent season possible for more of our parishioners, all Masses will be celebrated at 7pm in the evening Monday to Friday. Why not make it your personal retreat and means of reconnecting with Jesus by making a special effort to attend when possible.

POT LUCK BRUNCH

Our annual pre Christmas brunch will take place on Sunday, Dec.7, following Mass. Please come to Sacred Heart School cafeteria for this enjoyable social event and bring a dish to share .

Our Dec. Bingo will begin at 2pm. on the same day { Dec. 7th.} No one will be called for a donation for this game. However, if anyone would like to give a donation it will be appreciated. The Ladies Group will be buying turkeys & hams for this game.

LADIES CHRISTMAS DINNER

This dinner will now take place this Sunday, Nov. 30 at 5 pm. Please call Theresa if you plan to attend and for the new location.

TREE OF GIVING

A small tree has been placed at the back of the church. On it you will see tags with a grocery item written on them. Please take one of these tags and return the grocery item and put it under the tree. All food donated will go the Food Bank Network to help those in need.

ENVELOPES

The Envelopes for next year will soon be available. If you are from another Parish, but attend our church frequently, you may call the Rectory to request a package of envelopes for 2015.

FLOWERS

To donate to this effort, please use one of the **Blue** Special Offering envelopes at the back of the church. Please remember to include your envelope # or name so as to get credit for your donation.

ADVENT THOUGHT

**“Comfort, O comfort my people,
says your God.
Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her
that she has served her term,
that her penalty is paid,
that she has received from the LORD’s hand
double for all her sins.**

A voice cries out:

**“In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.
Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.
Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.”**