



DECEMBER 1, 2024

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Nov. 30 5:30 PM **1st Sunday in Advent/Vigil**
Cal Parent/healing

Sunday, December 1 9:30 AM **1st Sunday in Advent**
Corlin Carpenter, Patricia Hedderton

Monday, December 2 9:00 AM The People of the Parish

Wednesday, December 4 9:00 AM

Friday, December 6 9:00 AM

Saturday, December 7 5:30 PM **2nd Sunday in Advent/Vigil**
Agnes Ferrone, Frank Roe

Sunday, December 8 9:30 AM **2nd Sunday in Advent**
William & Paula Zahn,
Sam & Ethel Osborne

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, December 7 5:30 PM **2nd Sunday in Advent/Vigil**
Ted Wall

Sunday, Dec. 1 9:30 AM **1st Sunday in Advent**
Eric Halahan

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, December 7 5:30 PM **2nd Sunday in Advent/Vigil**
Jen Zupetz (a), Mary Morse (c)

Sunday, December 8 9:30 AM **2nd Sunday in Advent**
Marie Barnett (a), Denise Turner (c)

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE

Alexandria Baker-Bonitz (*Navy*) Dylan Bonitz (*Navy*)
Juan Gonzalez (*Navy*)

Kaila McGowan (*Marines*) Joseph Ruize (*Navy*)
Robert Pape-Laucella (*Marines*)

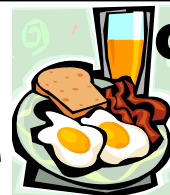
Pashko Shkreli (*Army*) Carissa Tironi (*Army*)
Nicholas Turner (*Army*) Elliott Weidel (*Marines*)

PRAY FOR THOSE IN CARE FACILITIES

Barbara Ceriale, Brad Ceriale, Gina Lempka,
Rosemary Osborn, Regina Parthesius, Sue Schmaus, Elissa Zahn

HOPE PRAY FOR THE INFIRM

Marion Andersen, Bridget Auer, Joanne Bach,
Rob Brosnan, Sister Margaret Ellen Burke,
Brian Cross, Nicole Dawson, Fr. Paul Denault, O.Carm.
John & Lorraine DiCicco, Anna DiMare, Marie DiMare,
Ray Drainville, David Felter, Anna Gallo, Joe Gallo, Louis Gizzarelli,
Margaret Hale, Nicole Langer, Fr. Joe Komonchak, Marianna Oparski,
Carol Orlando, Frank Orlando, Sal Rappo, Helen Ryan, Frances
Salewski, Beth Texter, Deacon & Fran Trapani, Terry Waterson



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LOOKING AHEAD

Helping Hands Food Pantry
Every 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturday by Appointment.
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AA Meetings
Sunday 3:00 PM ~ Thursday 6:30 PM

Sunday, Dec. 1 ~ 1st Sunday in Advent

Tuesday, December 3
Religious Education Classes 6:30-7:30 PM
Parents' Gathering during class

Friday, December 6
First Friday Holy Hour
immediately following the 9:00 AM Mass
Men's COR Gathering
5:30-6:45 PM at St. Joseph's/Wurtsboro

Saturday, December 7
Ladies' Guild Bake Sale after Mass

Sunday, Dec. 8 ~ 2nd Sunday of Advent
Christmas Brunch after Mass
Courtesy of the Ladies Guild
Wear Your Favorite Christmas Sweater
Christmas Crafts & Jewelry Sale

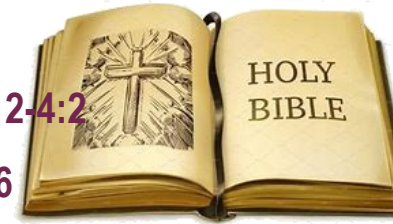
Monday, December 9
Official Celebration of the
Feast of the Immaculate Conception
A Holy Day of Obligation
Mass at 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

Today's Scripture Readings

Jeremiah 33:14-16

1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36



LIVING THE LITURGY:

Advent HOPE

Usually, the focus during the First Week of Advent is the theme of HOPE. We look forward during this time with a hope of the coming of the Lord and the salvation he will bring. But the Gospel Reading for today, at first glance, seems to offer anything but hope. We have instead, "Dismay," "Perplexed," "People will die of fright," and all kinds of destruction and ruin. This is Hope?

One must look carefully at the full text of the Gospel Reading to find that in the midst of such terrible things, the Son of Man, the Lord Jesus Christ, comes "with power and great glory." Despite all the things that can fill us with fear, there is the Lord Jesus, the Victorious One, with comes with power, truth, mercy, and love. In the meantime, we are called to be ready, vigilant, awake, and open to his coming, for he is our only hope.

We are not only looking out for the end of the world: distress can come to us today in many forms. Jobs are lost, illness strikes, loved ones die, one's home or livelihood is suddenly taken away. If we are not alert, they can overwhelm us. Daily prayer and practices of loving outreach will help us to "escape the tribulations" and "stand before the Son of Man."

How is God calling you today to be a light to those who are in need? Use the words of today's Responsorial Psalm, Psalm 25, as you ask God for guidance and understanding.

Fr. Paul A.M. Denault, O.Carm.
St. Albert's Priory, 50 Waverly Place
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"Dear friend, show your gratitude to our Lord by becoming humble and obedient. Let us ask the most Holy Virgin and the Holy Child Jesus for these two main virtues for each other every day. *St. Bernadette*

600 Club Raffle

TWO PRIZES!

1st Prize: \$1,000 2nd Prize: \$500
\$10.00 per ticket

Tickets on sale before and after Mass.
We have extended the sale of tickets one more week.
The winners will be selected after Mass on Sunday, December 15th in the Gathering Area.

An Invitation for Religious Education Parents

Once again Chris Herschel and Gary Texter invite all Religious Education parents to gather in the Parish Center Lower Level while your children are in class, for food and conversation this Tuesday, December 3 at 6:30 PM.

"You pay God a compliment by asking great things of Him."

St. Teresa of Avila



It Takes a 'Village'!

Our Thanksgiving Team took charge and distributed over 40 Thanksgiving boxes last Saturday, while our Bells & Stars Lady signed up children in need to receive clothing and toys/games for Christmas. It all happens due to the incredible generosity of our Parishioners. Shown here are (left to right): Jarod Zupetz, Jen Zupetz, Sarah Zupetz LaBagh and her son, Max, Gabriel Walsh, Patrick Cook, Ella Harget, and Holly Walsh. The lady in pink is AnnMarie Minerly who is in charge of the Bells & Stars Outreach Program.