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December 05-06, 2020 | 2nd Sunday of Advent | 2° domingo de Adviento



Virtual Fireside with Archbishop Jackels

Wednesday, December 09 from 6:30-7:30 pm via Zoom • Pull up a chair to the virtual fireplace and join Archbishop Jackels for a family-friendly evening with warm conversation, entertainment, and good cheer. Archbishop will be hosting a first ever virtual *Fireside Get-Together*. You will need to register in advance at [🌐 dbqarch.org/fireside](https://dbqarch.org/fireside). A confirmation email will be sent to you along with the link to access the event. “See” you there!

Sharing Christmas Memories

Submission due Wednesday, December 09 • In an attempt to connect with our parishioners who are unable to gather for Christmas Mass, and residents in care facilities, the faith formation team is asking families to write a Christmas Memory to share. Please email your reflection to Jan Thyne at [✉ dbq054ff@dbqarch.org](mailto:dbq054ff@dbqarch.org).

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Saturday, December 12 from 7:00 am-4:00 pm at St. Patrick Church • St. Patrick Church will be open throughout the day for private prayer.

Live Stream Mass

Sundays from 9:00-10:00 am at the Cathedral via live stream • We encourage those who are not able to attend Mass with us in person to join us virtually every Sunday. A link to the live Mass and additional resources can be found by visiting [🌐 cathedralstpats.org/live-mass](https://cathedralstpats.org/live-mass).

MASS SCHEDULE

Cathedral of St. Raphael

Horario de Misa

Mon-Fri 7:30 am
Sun 9:00 am & 5:30 pm

St. Patrick Church

Tue & Thu Noon
Sat 4:00 pm
Sun (*Mass in Spanish*) 11:00 am

OFFICE HOURS

Cathedral of St. Raphael

Horas de Oficina

Mon-Thu 8:00 am–4:30 pm
Fri Closed

St. Patrick Church

Mon-Thu 9:00 am–12 Noon
12:30 pm–3:00 pm
Fri 9:00 am–Noon

FIND US ONLINE

Stay Connected We encourage our parishioners to use the “Contact Us” feature on our website and to check our website or Facebook page often:

[🌐 cathedralstpats.org](https://cathedralstpats.org)

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OUR MISSION “As a Eucharistic community, rich in diversity, united in our Catholic faith, we strive to live and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ.” **NUESTRA MISIÓN** “Como una comunidad Eucarística, ricos en diversidad, unidos en nuestra fe Católica, nos esforzamos por vivir y proclamar el Evangelio de Jesucristo.”

ADVENT II
December 6, 2020

*** Due to the increasing number of Covid cases at this time, the decision was made to further scale back musical participation of the assembly with a priority of keeping all in our worship space safe. As the cantor sings the texts of the liturgy, we ask you to follow along and pray them in your mind and heart. We look forward to the day when we can resume "full and active" assembly participation, the core and strength of our community worship!

Prelude

Introit *Sung by Cantor Only*

Antiphon: *The Lord will come to save his people*

Introit Verse: *O people of Sion, behold, the Lord will come to save the nations, and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy of your heart.*

*Introit for the Second Sunday of Advent, Kelly OSB
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Sign of the Cross|Greeting

Penitential Act C

Priest or Deacon: *You were sent to heal the contrite of heart.... Lord have mercy.*

Assembly: Lord have mercy

Priest or Deacon: *You came to call sinners.... Christ have mercy.*

Assembly: Christ have mercy

Priest or Deacon: *You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us. Lord have mercy.*

Assembly: Lord have mercy

Presider: *May almighty God.... everlasting life.*
Assembly: **Amen.**

Opening Prayer

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Psalms 85 *Sung by Cantor only*

Refrain: *Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.*

Verse 1: I will hear what the Lord God speaks; he speaks of peace for his people and his faithful. His salvation is near for those who fear him, and his glory will dwell in our land.

Verse 2: Merciful love and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have kissed. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth, and justice look down from heaven.

Verse 3: Also the Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase. Justice will march before him, and guide his steps on the way.

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Reading 2 Peter 3:8-14

Gospel Acclamation *Sung by Cantor only*

Verse: *Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all flesh shall see the salvation of God.*

Gospel Mark 1:1-8

Homily

QUESTION OF THE WEEK



Gospel Reading Mark opens his Gospel by presenting the words and activities of John the Baptist in the context of fulfilling Isaiah's prophecy heard in our first reading. Why do you think connecting Isaiah to John the Baptist was important to Mark and his community?

Pregunta de la Semana Evangelio Marcos abre su Evangelio presentando las palabras y actividades de Juan el Bautista en el contexto del cumplimiento de la profecía de Isaías escuchada en nuestra primera lectura. ¿Por qué crees que conectar a Isaías con Juan el Bautista fue importante para Marcos y su comunidad?

Next Week's Readings Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11; Luke 1:46-48, 49-50, 51-54; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24; John 1:6-8, 19-28

Advent Resources Visit our parish website to find Advent reflections from Bishop Barron, blessings, and activities to help keep you and your family engaged during the Advent season at cathedralstpats.org/advent.

End of Year Contributions As the end of the calendar year approaches, it is good to review one's contributions to your parish. While donations are always welcome, those to be credited for 2020 will need to be at the rectory by **Thursday, December 31**.

STEWARDSHIP

In Our Parishes Thank you to those who have helped us keep our parish sites clean and safe so that we may continue to serve our community through this pandemic.

Treasure Shared To Date

Cathedral	Week 22 of 20/21 FY	St. Patrick
\$151,007.91	Adult Envelopes	\$54,069.21
\$160.00	Children Envelopes	\$5.00
\$4,540.00	Offertory	\$3,075.00
\$923.00	Holy Days	\$1,989.00
\$0.00	Christmas	\$186.00
\$0.00	Easter	\$10.00
\$210,462.00	Budget (YTD)	\$70,964.00
\$156,630.91	Received (YTD)	\$59,334.21
(\$53,831.09)	Over/(Short)age	(\$11,629.79)

PASTOR'S UPDATE

Dear all, In this week's gospel, John the Baptist cries out, "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." John's proclamation is not his own words, but rather a reference to the prophet Isaiah, who in the first reading prophesied, "A voice cries out: In the desert, prepare the way of the LORD! Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill shall be made low."

We have all seen roads and highway constructed over the years, an image with which we can easily connect. In order to make a road which can be easily traveled, earth movers knock down mountains and hills, pushing them into valleys and ravines. Where possible, they also try to straighten curves, knowing that a straight level road provides the best and safest travel without challenge.

This Advent, we are encouraged to reflect upon and name the "hills and valleys" of our lives. What obstacles have taken over our lives, getting in the way of clearly seeing God? Possibly power, prestige, possessions, or maybe even people?

Secondly, we consider what are the voids in our lives into which we have fallen and need to be lifted from? Past hurts, loss, pain, loneliness, depression? Have we found ourselves trying to fill the voids in unhealthy ways?

Isaiah says, "Comfort, give comfort to my people, says your God." Each of us undoubtedly seeks comfort from many things. For example, we seek comfort from all of the covid-related issues; sickness, economic concerns, job insecurity, food insecurity to name a few. We seek comfort from division and disunity. We can each add to the list.

Prayerfully and with Christian hope, these immediate issues will pass and be resolved.

However, through sin and human weakness, our human tendency may be to replace these obstacles with others and new voids will be created. Just as the physical roads we travel need to be cleared in winter, and holes filled in the spring and summer, so too, we need to commit to keeping the way straight.

We must keep in mind we don't need to do this alone. As Isaiah concludes, "Like a shepherd he feeds his flock; in his arms he gathers the lambs, carrying them in his bosom, and leading the ewes with care." Jesus the good shepherd will be there for us. Let us reach out in confidence and hope!

Fr. Tom

PARISH NEWS



Congratulations to Wyatt and Sophia, children of Katie Nurre and Jay Osbourne who were both baptized at the Cathedral last Sunday.

Special Collection Next weekend, Dec. 12-13, there will be a special collection for the Retired Religious fund. Please return the envelope found in your packet.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception Traditionally a Holy Day of Obligation, due to the pandemic Catholics are dispensed from attending Mass on **Tuesday, December 08**. Those who are able to attend Mass may celebrate the feast day during the 7:30 am Mass at the Cathedral and the Noon Mass at St. Patrick Church. The Blessed Virgin Mary, under her title of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, is patroness of our country. As our country is experiencing so many difficulties and concerns, let us invoke her intercession. If not attending a Mass that day, consider praying the rosary.

Helping Hand Thanks to generous donors, St. Patrick's is in a position to financially assist our parishioners who may be having difficulty providing gifts and meals for their families this Christmas. If you or someone in the parish you know will be needing some help this holiday season, please call the St. Patrick rectory at ☎ 583-9749 to tell us how we can be of assistance.

NOTICIAS PARROQUIALES



Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe Este año la Iglesia de San Patricio estará abierta durante el día para la oración privada para celebrar a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe el **sábado, 12 de diciembre** de las 7:00 am-4:00 pm. *Debido a la pandemia, no tendremos las Mañanitas ni un convivio.*

Ayuda Disponible Gracias a generosos donantes, S. Patricio está en condiciones de financiar ayude a los feligreses de nuestras parroquias que puedan tener dificultades para proporcionar regalos y comidas para sus familias esta Navidad. Si usted o alguien de la parroquia que conoce necesitará ayuda durante esta temporada, por favor llame a la rectoría de S. Patricio al ☎ 583-9749 para decirnos cómo podemos ser de asistencia.

DECEMBER 07-13 CALENDAR

SR—St. Raphael • SP—St. Patrick • CC—Cathedral Center
Church doors open 30 minutes before Mass.
Weekly Mass Intentions Are Highlighted

Monday, December 07

7:30 am Wayne Kahle • SR

7:00 pm RISE! Men's Group • SR

Tuesday, December 08

The Immaculate Conception

7:30 am Joseph Conlan • SR

Noon For the People • SP

6:30 pm Pastoral Council Meeting • via Zoom

Wednesday, December 09

7:30 am Arky, Mary & Keith Hanson • SR

6:30 pm Virtual Fireside w/ Archbishop Jackels

6:30 pm Religious Education Classes • via Zoom

Thursday, December 10

7:30 am Jayne Zehentner • SR

Noon Rose Mary & Raymond Davis • SP

7:00 pm RISE! Adoration • SR

Friday, December 11

7:30 am Lawrence Bakey • SR

Saturday, December 12

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Wedding of Corey Kaiser and Teah Meyer

4:00 pm Brian Waldbillig • SP

Sunday, December 13

3rd Sunday of Advent

9:00 am Marie Kearney Anniversary,
Clarence & Mike Kearney and
Ambrose & Katherine Neumann • SR

10:30 am Confirmation Class • via Zoom

11:00 am For the People • SP

5:30 pm For the People • SR

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father, through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

All bow: and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Universal Prayer

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Preface Prayer

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Memorial Acclamation

Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Great Amen

Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

***** Please remain seated in your pew for the distribution of communion. The ministers will come to you.**

Communion Antiphon *Sung by Cantor only*

Refrain: *Behold the joy which comes to you from God.*

Verse: *Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from God.*

Communion Antiphon for the Second Sunday of Advent, Kelly OSB OCP Publications, copyright 2015

Solemn Blessing|Dismissal

***** For Covid safety, please lower the kneeler in your pew so that cleaning ministers may identify pews to be sanitized after mass. Please also take your bulletin and all personal belongings with you as you exit.**

Recessional

Instrumental

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