

Cathedral of St Raphael & St. Patrick Church

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December 04-05, 2021 | Second Sunday of Advent | 2° domingo de Adviento



Reflection We live in a part of the state where the bluffs, rivers, creeks, and winding roads provide us with beautiful sights and views to behold. To the west of Dubuque where I grew up, land is flatter. While maybe not as attractive, the land is more productive and farming is not as challenged by the bluffs of this area. Travel is also smoother.

I wouldn't say one is better than the other. Each offers benefits. For travel, the flatter is quicker and maybe easier, but it can be repetitive and one can more easily "fall asleep at the wheel." For inspiration and awe, the natural beauty of the bluffs excels!

Today's gospel describes John the Baptist as, "A voice of one crying out in the desert," and his message is, "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. Every valley shall be filled and every mountain and hill shall be made low. The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

The prevailing image is leveling the mountains and filling in the valleys. It is not speaking of the actual hills and valleys we encounter, but rather the hills and valleys of our lives. The hills represent the obstacles that arise in our relationships. They inhibit us in seeing and experiencing the fullness of God's love and our ability to fulfill the great commandment of loving God, neighbor and self.

The valleys are the voids in our life which can arise through our own shortcomings or sinfulness, or the challenges of life ranging from sickness, death, disappointment, etc.

How can we make the most of this Advent? In his letter to the Philipians, Paul admonishes the community to form a "partnership for the gospel," confident "that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus."

The result of doing so is, "... that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness."

Where do we begin in this Advent to "knock 'em down" and "fill them up"? The rewards are out of this world! *Fr. Tom*

MASS SCHEDULE

Cathedral of St. Raphael
Horario de Misa

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

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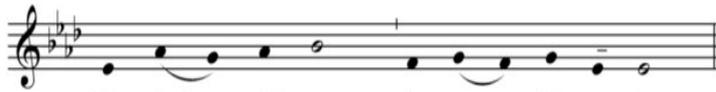
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ADVENT II
December 5, 2021

Introit *Cantor will engage you on refrain*



The Lord will come to save his peo - ple.

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, *Second Sunday of Advent, Kelly OSB*
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1. On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry
2. Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin;
3. For you are our sal - va - tion, Lord,
4. To heal the sick stretch out your hand,
5. All praise to you, e - ter - nal Son,



An - noun - ces that the Lord is night;
Make straight the way for God with - in,
Our ref - uge and our great re - ward;
And bid the fall - en sin - ner stand;
Whose ad - vent has our free - dom won,



A - wake and heark - en, for he brings
And let each heart pre - pare a home
With - out your grace we waste a - way
Shine forth and let your light re - store
Whom with the Fa - ther we a - dore,



Glad tid - ings of the King of kings.
Where such a might - y guest may come.
Like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.
Earth's own true lov - li - ness once more.
And Ho - ly spir - it, ev - er - more.

Text: *Jordanis oras praevia*; Charles Coffin, 1676-1749; Tr. by John Chandler, 1806-1876.
Tune: CONDITOR ALME SIDERUM, LM; Mode IV

Sign of the Cross|Greeting

Penitential Act A

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do. [striking breast] through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Presider: May almighty God...

Assembly: Amen.



Priest, deacon, or cantor, then all: Ky - ri - e, e - lé - i - son. *Priest, deacon, or cantor, then all:* Chri - ste, e - lé - i - son.



Priest, deacon, or cantor; all repeat or sing longer conclusion: Ky - ri - e, e - lé - i - son.

Opening Prayer

Children's Dismissal *Repeat entire refrain after Cantor*

"Go and listen to the Word of God, God has the words of everlasting life"

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Reading Baruch 5:1-9

Psalm 126 *Cantor will engage you refrain*



The Lord has done great things for us;
 we are filled with joy.

Verse 1: When the Lord brought back the captives of Zion, we were like men dreaming. Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with rejoicing.

Verse 2: Then they said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them." The Lord has done great things for us; we are glad indeed.

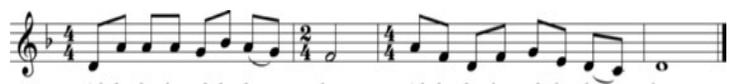
Verse 3: Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the torrents in the southern desert. Those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.

Verse 4: Although they go forth weeping, carrying the seed to be sown, they shall come back rejoicing, carrying their sheaves.

Lectionary for Mass, Kelly
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Reading Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

Gospel Acclamation *Cantor will engage you on refrain*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

"Veni Emmanuel" Pishner
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Verse: Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Gospel Luke 3:1-6

Homily

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.

Prayer of the Faithful

***** We have returned to the offertory collection being taken at the 4 pm and 9am masses. At the 11 am and 5 pm masses, please place your sacrificial offerings and donations in the baskets found at each entrance.**

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Eucharistic Acclamations

Roman Missal

Holy

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and earth
are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is
he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Memorial Acclamation

We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your
Res-ur-rec-tion un-til you come a-gain.

Great Amen

A - men.

Lord's Prayer

Chanted

Lamb of God

Cantor: Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer-cy on us.
All: Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, grant us peace.

***** At this time as we experience a surge in Covid cases, communion is only being distributed in the hand. Thank you for your cooperation.**

Communion Antiphon *Cantor will engage you on refrain*

Be - hold 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, Second Sunday of Advent, Kelly OCP Publications, copyright 2015

Communion Hymn *Cantor will engage you on refrain*

For you, O Lord, my soul in still-ness
waits, tru-ly my hope is in you.

"My Soul In Stillness Waits" Haugen GIA Publications, copyright 2005

Hymn of Praise

1., 8. Be - hold, O Zi - on, God will come To
2. O Is - rael's Shep - herd, hear our prayer. You
3. You brought a vine from E - gypt's land, Re -
4. The hills were shel - tered in its shade, Its
5. Why have you bro - ken down its walls That
6. O bring us back, O Lord of hosts. From
7. To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, And
1., 8. save the na-tions of the earth. Your hearts will quick - en
2. guid - ed Jo - seph like a flock. In all your splen - dor
3. moved the na-tions by your hand. You blessed your vine with
4. boughs like might - y ce - dars stood; It stretched its branch - es
5. pass - ers - by its treas - ures loot, The wild boar rav - ag -
6. heav'n be - hold and tend your vine. Re - gard the stock your
7. God the Spir - it prais - es be, Who was be - fore the
1., 8. at the sound Of his ma - jes - tic, glo - rious voice.
2. show your - self, Who rides a - bove the heav'n - ly host.
3. am - ple room, It took deep root and filled the land.
4. to the sea, And to the riv - er went its shoots.
5. es its roots, And for - est beasts de - vour its fruit?
6. hand has set And plant - ed af - ter your de - sign.
7. world be - gan, Is now and in e - ter - ni - ty.

"Behold, O Zion, God Will Come" Tietze (Tune: Winchester New) World Library Publications, copyright 2005

Blessing|Dismissal

Recessional

Instrumental

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Next Week's Readings Zep 3:14-18a; Is12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

Confession Times at the Cathedral of St. Raphael are as follows: Sundays from 8:15-8:40 am and 4:15-4:40 pm. Reconciliation is also available at St. Patrick Church: 11:30 am on Thursdays, 3:30-3:45 pm on Saturdays, and 10:30 am on Sundays. *Also available by appointment.*

Death Announcements The St. Patrick Church and St. Raphael Cathedral parish communities extend prayerful sympathy to the families of Thomas Lambe (SR), Wayne Kilburg (SR), Beverly White (SR), and Karen Potter (SP). May they rest in peace.

STEWARDSHIP

In Our Parishes Thank you to those who helped prepare the stars with the names of the homebound for the Advent trees in the Cathedral Center and at St. Patrick's Church. We would also like to thank the members of the Parish Life Committee who donated, filled, and delivered 70 Christmas bags to Manor Care and 170 Christmas bags to Stonehill for residents.

Treasure Shared To Date *Due to early bulletin submission deadlines, the money count will not be available. This bulletin was published on November 30, 2021.*

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, donations to be credited for 2021 will need to be at the rectory by **Friday, December 31st.**

- CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE -

We encourage everyone to join us celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ by participating in parish events and/or attending Masses. As always, all are welcome.

Please note carefully with Christmas falling on a weekend this year.

Christmas Eve | Nochebuena *Friday, December 24*

4:00 pm & Midnight Cathedral of St. Raphael

4:00 pm St. Patrick Church

Christmas Day | Navidad *Saturday, December 25*

9:00 am Cathedral of St. Raphael

Feast of the Holy Family | Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia

Saturday, December 25

4:00 pm St. Patrick Church

Sunday, December 26

9:00 am & 5:00 pm Cathedral of St. Raphael

11:00 am St. Patrick Church

PASTOR'S UPDATE

Dear all, I thought it might be good to give a detailed update on the Cathedral sitework project which began July 15 and concluded November 20. It was a very busy several months.

We need to go back in time to get the big picture. The Archdiocese began an appeal in 2018, ArchOne, to raise money for a number of causes, including the Cathedral. Visit cathedralstpats.org/cathedral-renovations for more information. The Appeal was suspended temporarily due to covid. Although it was suspended, several gifts were secured and fortunately the gifts and pledges designated for the Cathedral equaled the amount need for the sitework project.

The project included the installation of drainage pipe, since we are negatively affected by a lot of ground water, including that which comes from the bluff behind the Cathedral and runoff from our building roofs. We often experienced flooding in the rectory and cathedral basements after which affected the long-term stability of these important historic diocesan structures.

Once the drainage pipes and storm sewers were installed, all hard surfaces needed to be replaced since all had been displaced.

The end result has been a completely new parking lot for the main lot as well as the lot between the two apartment buildings (formerly the school and convent since that was part of the sale agreement many years ago).

In addition to a new striped lot, we have been able to create several new parking stalls, enhanced the aesthetics of the property, and made all entrances accessible except the front entrance of the rectory. The majority of work is complete, but there remain some details to be completed with the project including the installation of some railings. Landscaping will take place in the Spring. The area between the former school and church needs to be cemented.

Phase II of the project includes the roof and tuckpointing of the Cathedral and rectory where needed. We would anticipate the Archdiocesan appeal to begin again in 2022 to which all will have an opportunity and hopefully will contribute.

We anticipate that repairs to the interior of the Cathedral and center will occur in 2023 after the site work and exterior.

You may have been inconvenienced at times or had questions but with this update I hope to conclude updates until work is to begin next spring.

Thanks for your support and patience.

God bless,
Fr. Tom

PARISH NEWS



Congratulations to Ellison Rae, daughter of Raymond and Alaina Gansemer, who was baptized on Sunday,

November 14 at the Cathedral. We would also like to congratulate Don and Joan Phofl, who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary last weekend at St. Pats.

Aging Religious Need Your Help Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests ministered for years for little to no pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate retirement savings. Your gift to today's distribution of envelopes for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to provide medications, nursing care, and more. Please be generous.

! Cathedral Campus Update ! The Cathedral campus will be without power on **Wednesday, December 08** during business hours. Please direct all calls to St. Patrick's at ☎ 583-9749.

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, the patronal feast of the United States, is a Holy Day of Obligation observed on **Wednesday, December 08**. This feast honors Mary, the Mother of God, and celebrates the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary. The Immaculate Conception refers to the conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the womb of Saint Anne. The Vigil Mass will take place at 5:30 pm at St. Pat's and the Mass of the day will be at 7:30 am at the Cathedral and noon at St. Pat's.

KC Council 510 Fundraiser A special fundraiser to repair and re-light the blue-lighted Centennial Cross in Key West will take place on **Saturday, December 11** from 5:00-7:30 pm, at the Joliet Event Center. Poor Man's Catering will provide a Prime Rib Beef Tips and Homemade Noodles Dinner with two sides, homemade bread, and a dessert. Cost is \$10 – RSVPs are required. Reserve your meal and arrival time by calling the Joliet Event Center at ☎ 588-2011. ALL proceeds from meal prices will be set aside for the repair and relighting of the cross.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration Everyone is invited to join us in serenading Our Lady of Guadalupe on **Sunday, December 12** at St. Patrick's beginning at 7:30 am. Coffee, hot chocolate, and breakfast pastries will be available following the serenade. Then join us for a special Mass beginning at 9:00 am (**note time change**) presided by Archbishop Jackels and followed by a social in Foley Hall.

Advent for Homebound Parishioners Consider taking a star off of the Advent trees located at both parishes to remember our homebound parishioners with prayer and a Christmas card.

DECEMBER 06-12 CALENDAR

SR—St. Raphael • SP—St. Patrick • CC—Cathedral Center
Weekly Mass Intentions Are Highlighted

Monday, December 06

7:30 am Joseph Conlan • SR

6:30 pm Parish Life Meeting • CC

Tuesday, December 07

7:30 am John Schwendinger • SR

Noon Joe & Helen O'Mara • SP

5:30 pm Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass • SP

Wednesday, December 08 *Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception*

7:30 am Hans Weinert • SR

Noon Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception • SP

6:30 pm Religious Education • Holy Ghost

Thursday, December 09

7:30 am Robert Vondran • SR

Noon Vocations • SP

7:00 pm RISE Advent Adoration • SR

Friday, December 10

7:30 am Jayne Zehentner • SR

Saturday, December 11

4:00 pm Chuck & Nancy Zillig • SP

Sunday, December 12

7:30 am Las Mañanitas / Morning Serenade • SP

9:00 am Lawrence Bakey • SR

9:00 am John Schiel • SP

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass followed by a social
NO 11:00 AM MASS AT ST. PATRICKS

5:00 pm For the People • SR

Reminders Please take the bulletin/worship aid with you at the end of Mass. Since we no longer sanitize pews after every Mass, please remember to put your kneeler up.



CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS

Donations are being accepted in memory of a loved one at both St. Raphael and St. Patrick Church. Please help us decorate the sanctuary at Christmas time. A sign-up sheet will be available in the Cathedral Center and at St. Patrick Church. Donations may be placed in a marked envelope in the Sunday collection basket or dropped off at the Cathedral and/or St. Patrick Church rectory.



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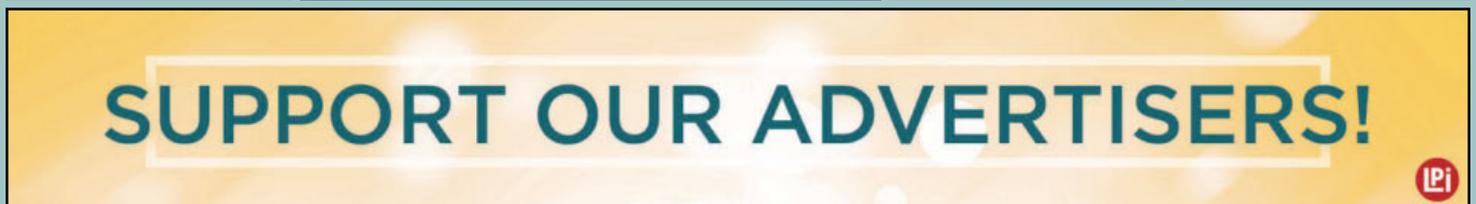
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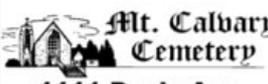
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