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Mission Statement: "Sacred Heart of Jesus—St. Patrick Parish, as one family, proclaim and live our Catholic Faith through Liturgy, Sacrament, and Ministry. As a united parish, we seek to love and serve God and our neighbor."

DECEMBER 6, 2020—SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Liturgy Schedule
Fall/Winter
(Reduced due to pandemic)

St. Patrick Church
At Oxford & Fulton Streets 

Sunday Masses (Nov.-Apr.)
Sunday: 8:00 AM
10:30 AM

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church
At Division & N. Dewey Streets

Adoration:
Monday: 8:30 AM-6:00 PM

Confessions:
Wednesday: 5:15-5:45 PM
Saturday: 9:00-10:30 AM

Weekday Mass (Nov.-Apr.)
Wednesday: 6:00 PM

Parish Office Staff:

In the Parish Life Center
At 448 N. Dewey Street

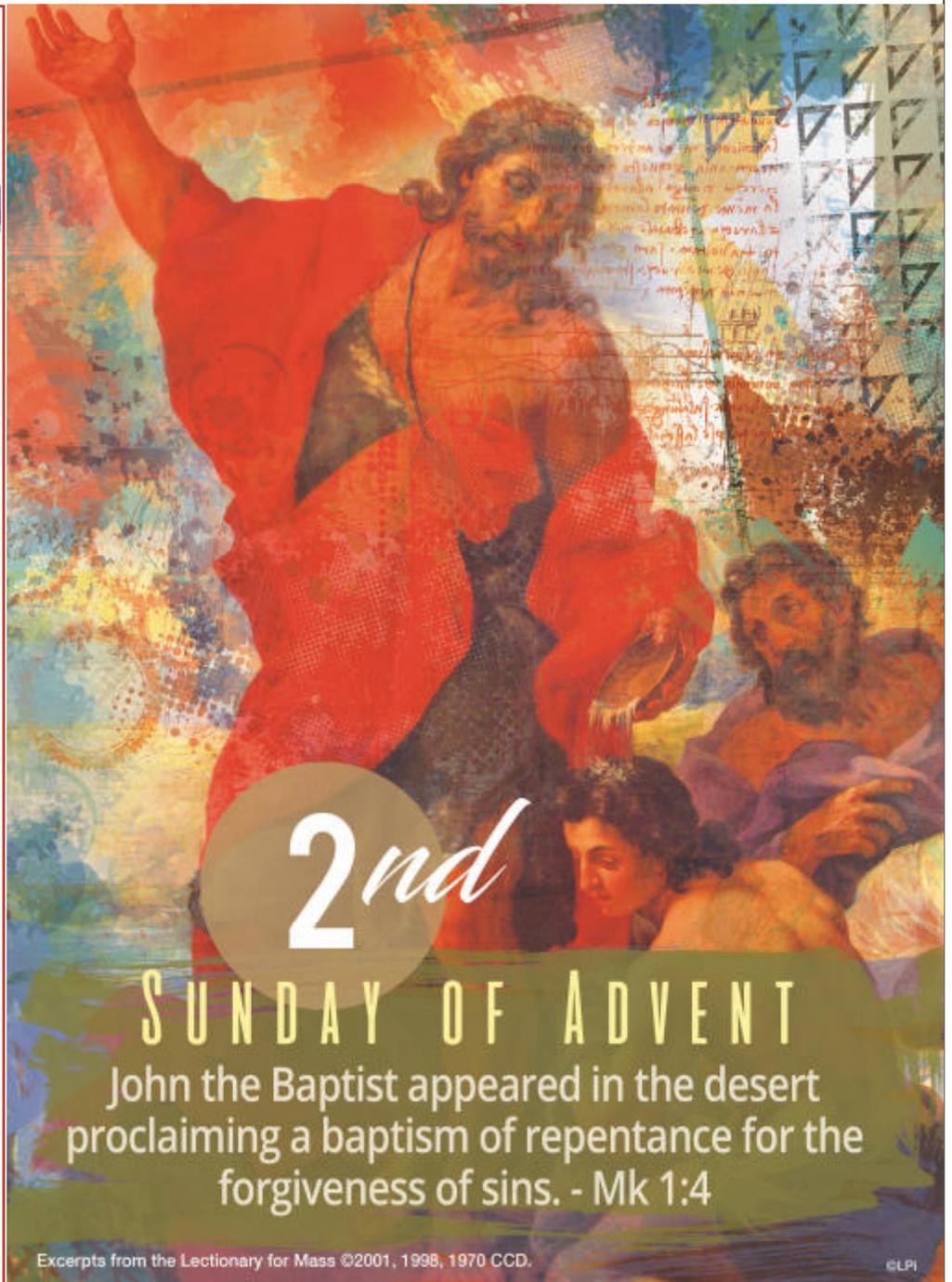
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Issue 43

**Readings for the week of
December 6, 2020**

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11
Ps 85:9-14
2 Pt 3:8-14
Mk 1:1-8

Monday: Is 35:1-10
Ps 85:9ab-14
Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20
Ps 98:1-4
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12
Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31
Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10
Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20
Ps 145:1, 9-13b
Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19
Ps 1:1-4, 6
Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Zec 2:14-17
(Ps) Jdt 13:18bc, 19
Lk 1:26-38

Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11
(Ps) Lk 1:46-50, 53-54
1 Thes 5:16-24
Jn 1:6-8, 19-28



RCIA
Interested in becoming Catholic? For info, please contact us at 715-832-0925 or office@shspec.org.

Baptism Preparation



Parents who will be having a child baptized are required to attend one Baptism class. Attending class during pregnancy is ideal. During the pandemic, appointments will be made on an individual basis. Please contact the Parish Office to schedule a meeting.

Bulletin Info Deadline:

Kindly submit items for inclusion at least 15 days, inserts 10 days, prior to bulletin date. (Dec. deadlines are early.)

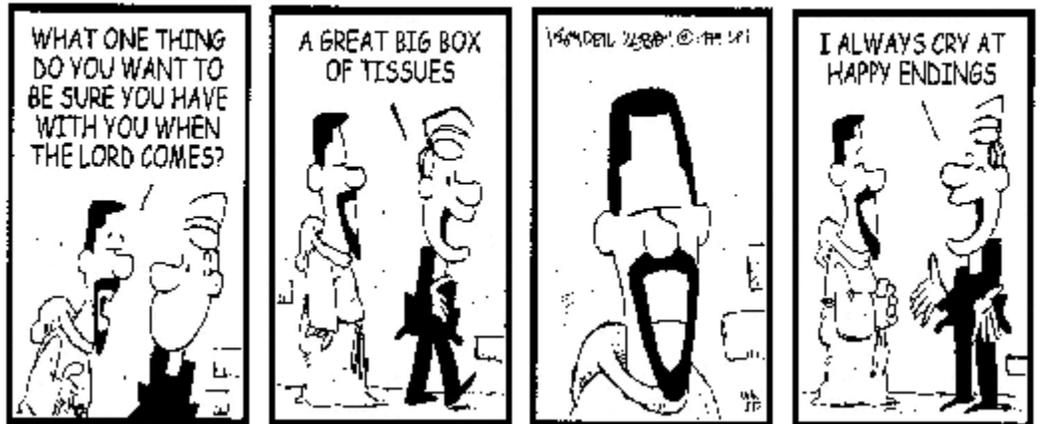
As of Nov. 1 & through April 2021, Sunday Masses are at St. Patrick Church.

Our Compliance Managers wish to thank you for your flexibility as we have made the transition to holding Sunday Masses at St. Patrick Church. We already have made a few adjustments to the procedures, and we hope things are going smoothly. Here are a couple things to be aware of:



- You can enter through one of two entrances: the side, ramp door; or the front, center door. This will determine on which side of the church you sit.
- Ushers will guide the communion line: there are fewer Xs at the front of church than at Sacred Heart.
- The sign-up procedure now is one 'ticket' per household and you specify how many people will be attending.

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



PRAYER CHAIN: If someone is seriously ill or facing surgery & prayers are needed or wanted, call Dee at 715-835-8347, or Mary at 715-514-4541.

Parish Support

Fund	November 22	November 29
Envelopes	\$4,676.00	\$3,707.00
Plate	\$57.00	\$177.00
Other Funds	\$427.00	\$376.00
Total:	\$5,160.00	\$4,260.00



Parish GOAL: \$67,675.00
Received: \$29,215.00
Under Goal: \$38,460.00

SCRIP Update: Weeks of Nov. 8-22

Weekly Sales	\$5,805.00
Number of Orders	23
Returned to Parish	\$211.00

Fiscal YTD (7/1/20-6/30/21)

Sales	\$62,135.00
Number of Orders	209
Returned to Parish	\$2,494.00

Thank you for your generous support!

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or TEXT SHSP to 55321

Let us know if you prefer to receive emails or text messages from us. Follow the response to update your profile and select email or text message as your preferred form of contact. You can also find and join the groups and apostolates you're a part of.

**COME AND PRAY
WITH JESUS
in
EUCHARISTIC
ADORATION
at Sacred Heart Church**



on Mondays,
8:30AM -
6:00PM

Please use side door
from parking lot.

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

READING 1: IS 40:1-5, 9-11

Comfort, give comfort to my people,
says your God.
Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her
that her service is at an end,
her guilt is expiated;
indeed, she has received from the hand of the LORD
double for all her sins.
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;
the rugged land shall be made a plain,
the rough country, a broad valley.
Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together;
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Go up on to a high mountain,
Zion, herald of glad tidings;
cry out at the top of your voice,
Jerusalem, herald of good news!
Fear not to cry out
and say to the cities of Judah:
Here is your God!
Here comes with power
the Lord GOD,
who rules by his strong arm;
here is his reward with him,
his recompense before him.
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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 85:9-10-11-12, 13-14

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

I will hear what God proclaims;
the LORD—for he proclaims peace
to his people.
Near indeed is his salvation to those
who fear him,
glory dwelling in our land.

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



Kindness and truth shall meet;
justice and peace shall kiss.
Truth shall spring out of the earth,
and justice shall look down from heaven.

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

The LORD himself will give his benefits;
our land shall yield its increase.
Justice shall walk before him,
and prepare the way of his steps.

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

READING 2: 2 PT 3:8-14

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved,
that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years
and a thousand years like one day.
The Lord does not delay his promise, as some regard “delay,”
but he is patient with you,
not wishing that any should perish
but that all should come to repentance.
But the day of the Lord will come like a thief,
and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar
and the elements will be dissolved by fire,
and the earth and everything done on it will be found out.
Since everything is to be dissolved in this way,
what sort of persons ought you to be,
conducting yourselves in holiness and devotion,
waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God,
because of which the heavens will be dissolved in flames
and the elements melted by fire.
But according to his promise
we await new heavens and a new earth
in which righteousness dwells.
Therefore, beloved, since you await these things,
be eager to be found without spot or blemish before him, at
peace.

GOSPEL: MK 1:1-8

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God.

As it is written in Isaiah the prophet:

*Behold, I am sending my messenger
ahead of you;
he will prepare your way.*

*A voice of one crying out in the
desert:*

*“Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths.”*



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John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

People of the whole Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to him

and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins.

John was clothed in camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist.

He fed on locusts and wild honey.

And this is what he proclaimed:

"One mightier than I is coming after me.

I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals.

I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

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CANDLES. If you would like to remember someone by having a candle lit, you can do so at \$5 for one 7-day candle. There are candles available at both churches. Call the Parish Office.



SH: Virgin Mary: (1) † Verona Loechler
(1) † Karen Lokken

St. Joseph: (1) Sp. Intention (SK) (1) † James Mach

SP: Virgin Mary: (1) † Vinnie Lee (1) † Rosenda Burns



USHERS and SANITIZERS are needed to help our parish provide a safe, clean environment during the pandemic. Please contact Liz to sign up to serve others!

We can use the help!

MASS INTENTIONS

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, December 6

8:00 AM SP: People of Sacred Heart-St. Patrick

10:30 AM SP: Intentions of Ken Amundson

Tuesday, December 8 *Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

No Confessions available before Mass.

6:00 PM SH: People of Sacred Heart-St. Patrick

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, December 13

8:00 AM SP: † Terese & Bernard Minerath

10:30 AM SP: People of Sacred Heart-St. Patrick

Sunday Communion Instructions:

*An Usher will excuse you from your pew. Please wait to stand or move toward the center aisle until the Usher signals to you.

*The line will be single-file, and the Usher will release some pews on one side, then some pews from on the other side, and in that way alternate sides. Please follow the Usher's directions. **Please maintain 6 feet of distance between households while in line.**

*Those sitting in the side pew sections will be ushered through the center section to join the Communion line.

*At the front of the line will be a sign with instructions for dealing with your mask in order to receive communion, as well as a bottle of hand sanitizer:

- First remove your mask
- Then sanitize your hands
- Go to STAND on the farthest available X in front of the pew on your side of the church.
- Households of 2 people may stand together on an X. Larger households should divide so there are no more than 2 people on an X. Remember to leave adequate room between Xs.
- Receive Communion
- Replace your mask while still at the X.
- Return to your pew (more hand sanitizer is available in the front corners)

*If you will not be receiving Communion today, please still come forward in line. When you get to the front of the line, move past the Xs to the side aisle to return to your pew.

*At the X (for those receiving Communion), Father will move from communicant to communicant. He will be wearing a mask and will sanitize between communicants if he believes any contact was made.

*You are encouraged to receive Communion on the hand, but you will not be refused Communion if you desire to receive on the tongue.

We realize this will take time, and we appreciate your patience. We are not in a rush, so please don't feel that you have to be, either.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

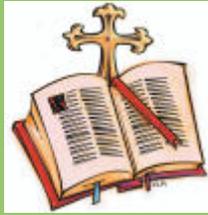
Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.



LECTIO DIVINA

The Lord is constantly trying to speak to your heart. It is when you come to Him in prayer that dialogue with your Creator takes place. Dialogue, conversation, time - this is what builds relationship, deepens relationship. Your love for God can only grow when you create space and time for Him. Join others who are seeking Him! Pray with the Word of God through a meditation known as 'Lectio Divina'. Weekly meetings will occur in the Sacred Heart Church building at 6:00pm on Mondays (following Eucharistic Adoration). Due to the nature of Lectio Divina, there is no sense of a series, no sign-up, no commitment. So, come once, come weekly, come as the Spirit inspires you to deepen your faith in His Word and support one another.



Common COVID-19 protocols will be followed.

Little Blue Books for Advent and Christmas Seasons are available at the Parish Office & in our churches. Pick one up & pray through the season!



Give in thanksgiving. "I shall always be grateful for my Catholic education" writes a donor. Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. Next week's special collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Please give generously.

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Times are being determined and will be posted next week.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORERS NEEDED: Come spend an hour with our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration every week! Prayer partners are needed for Adoration on Mondays during several time slots between 8:30am & 6pm. To sign-up as an adorer or to be on the substitute list, contact Ann at 715-505-4756.



DAILY MASS THIS WEEK has SHIFTED to TUESDAY, DEC. 8 still at 6:00PM at Sacred Heart Church for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. No Confessions available beforehand.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION of MARY

CONFESSIONS & PRAYER TIME Saturday Morning, December 12, from 9:00-10:30 at Sacred Heart Church

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Do you wish to remember a loved one or to honor someone special during the Christmas Season? Complete & return this form in an envelope with your donation.



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List will be published in Dec. 27 bulletin.

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Was the Immaculate Conception Necessary? When Catholics say Mary was immaculately conceived, they mean that at the moment of her conception Mary was filled with God's sanctifying grace. God protected her from sin throughout her life, but did it have to be this way? Find this 2-minute video and other Catholic Answers videos using the search feature on Formed. Go to formed.org/signup and find our Parish to register for your free account!

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