

**Saint Alphonsus Catholic Church** *A Redemptorist Community*  
**Iglesia Católica de San Alfonso** *Una Comunidad Redentorista*

... where all God's people grow as disciples in a diverse, compassionate community. Wherever you are on the journey of faith, you have a place among us.  
... donde todo el pueblo de Dios crece como discípulos en una comunidad compasiva diversa. Donde quiera que estés en el camino de fe, tienes un lugar entre nosotros.

**Welcome | Bienvenido**

**4TO. DOMINGO DE ADVIENT**  
**4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**December 19, 2021**

**ENGLISH MASS TIMES**

Monday — Friday: 8:00AM

Saturday — 5:00PM (also livestreamed.)

Sunday — 8:00AM and 10:00AM

**MISAS EN ESPAÑOL**

Domingo — 12:00PM

Jueves — 6:30PM

**PRO-LIFE ROSARY**

M-F After Morning Mass.

**RECONCILIATION | RECONCILIACIÓN**

Saturday | Sábado

8:30AM and 4:00PM

Or by appointment. | O con cita.

**ADORATION | ADORACIÓN**

Tuesdays and Thursdays,

Martes y Jueves

1:00-3:00PM

**OFFICE HOURS | HORAS DE OFICINA**

Monday — Thursday | Lunes a Jueves

9:00AM—4:00PM

Friday | Viernes

9:00AM — 12:00PM

Closed for lunch | Cerrado por almuerzo

12:30PM — 1:30PM



**¡Viva la Virgen de Guadalupe!**

Gracias a todos quienes hicieron de la fiesta de la Virgen de Guadalupe una experiencia hermosa y espiritual para la parroquia. ¡El coro, líderes del rosario, novena y refrigerios, ministros litúrgicos y hospitalidad, decoradores, grupo de jóvenes y su presentación de la historia!

Thanks to all who made the Fiesta de Guadalupe a beautiful and spiritual experience for the parish. The coro, leaders of the rosary, novena, and refreshments, liturgical ministers and ushers, decorators, the youth group and their presentation of the story!

*Muchisimas gracias. P. John, C.Ss.R.*

**Pastor, Rev. John Schmidt, C.Ss.R.**

**Parochial Vicars, Fr. Quy Duong, Marcel Okwara, and Huy Vu, C.Ss.R.**

**Priests-in-Residence, Fr. Bill Peterson, and Son Tran, C.Ss.R.**

**Missionary-in-Residence, Fr. Greg Wiest, C.Ss.R.,**


## INTRODUCTORY RITES

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice.

Indeed, the Lord is near.

— *Philippians 4: 4-5*


### GATHERING SONG *Awake, Awake and Greet the New Morn*



1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el,  
2. O come, O Wis - dom from on high,  
3. O come, O come, great Lord of might,  
4. O come, O Rod of Jes - se's stem,  
5. O come, O Key of Da - vid, come,



And ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,  
Who or - der all things might - i - ly;  
Who to your tribes on Si - nai's height  
From ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them  
And o - pen wide our heav'n - ly home;



That mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here  
To us the path of knowl - edge show,  
In an - cient times once gave the Law  
That trust your might - y power to save,  
Make safe the way that leads on high,



Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
And teach us in her ways to go.  
In cloud and maj - es - ty and awe.  
And give them vic - t'ry o'er the grave.  
And close the path to mis - er - y.



Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u - el



Shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.



And that war - fare now is o - ver.  
And the hills bow down to greet him.  
That his word is nev - er bro - ken.

Text: Isaiah 40:1-8; Tröster, tröster, meine Liebe; Johann Olearius, 1611-1684; tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878, alt.  
Tune: GENEVA 42, 8 7 8 7 7 8 8; Geneva Psalter, 1551; item, adapt. from Claude Goussiel, 1505-1572

### GREETING and PENITENTIAL ACT



Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.



Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.



Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

## COLLECT

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### FIRST READING

*Zephaniah 3:14-18a*

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Psalm 80*



Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your



face and we shall be saved.


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#### SECOND READING

*Philippians 4:4-7*

#### GOSPEL PROCLAMATION

*Luke 3:10-18*



Al - le - lu - ia, Al-le-lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia, Al-le-lu - ia!

*Behold, I am the handmade of the lord. May it be done to me according to your word*

— *Luke 1:38*

## HOMILY

### PROFESSION OF FAITH — *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 as able)*

and by the Holy Spirit  
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,

and became man.

*(all stand upright as able)*

**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 OF

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

## PREPARATION SONG *Like A shepard*

Like a shep-herd he feeds his flock and gath-ers the  
lambs in his arms, hold-ing them care-ful-ly  
close to his heart, lead-ing them home.

1. Say to the cit-ies of Ju-dah: Pre-pare the  
2. I my-self will shep-herd them, for oth-ers have  
way of the Lord. Go to the moun-tain top,  
led them a-stray. The lost I will res-cue and  
D.C.  
lift your voice; Je-ru-sa-lem, here is your God.  
heal their wounds and pas-ture them, giv-ing them rest.  
D.C.  
Verse 3  
3. Come un-to me if you are  
heav-i-ly bur-dened, and take my yoke up-  
D.C.  
on your shoul-ders, I will give you rest.

Text: Isaiah 40:9f, Ezekiel 34:11, Matthew 11:28ff; Bob Dufford, SJ, b.1943  
Tune: Bob Dufford, SJ, b.1943; acc. by Sr. Theophane Hytrek, OSF, 1915-1992, alt.  
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## EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

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



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

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son; and his name will be called emmanuel

—Isiah 7:14

**COMMUNION SONG** *My Soul in Stillness Waits*

A - men, A - men,  
A - men, A - men, A - men!

Refrain

For you, O Lord, my soul in still-ness waits;  
En el si - len - cio te a - guar - do a ti, Se - ñor.

tru - ly my hope is in you. you.  
Tíe - res mi luz y mi a - mor. mor.

**OUR FATHER and SIGN of PEACE**

**ADVENT LAMB OF GOD**

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

Verses

1. O Lord of Light, our on - ly hope of
2. O Spring of Joy, rain down up - on our
3. O Root of Life, im - plant your seed with -
1. Oh Sol na - cien - te, tu glo - ria es - pe -
2. Fuen - te de go - zo, da - nos a - gua
3. En nues - tras al - mas e - cha tus ra -
4. Sa - bi - du - rí - a, guí - a nues - tros
5. En su pre - sen - cia en - tre - mos y pos -
6. Nos re - u - ni - mos con quien los cie - los

glo - ry, Your ra - diance shines in all who look to  
spir - its; Our thirst - y hearts are yearn - ing for your  
in us, And in your ad - vent, draw us all to  
ra - mos Y tu bri - llar en nues - tro co - ra -  
vi - va. Ver - bo de Dios, te - ne - mos sed de  
fí - ces. Por tu lle - ga - da, trá - e - nos a  
pa - sos. Aun - que bus - ca - mos, no hay sa - tis - fac -  
tré - mo - nos. El co - ra - zón a - bra - mos al Se -  
hi - zo, De las mon - ta - ñas y ma - res, el Crea -

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

In the Lord I'll be ev - er thank - ful, in the Lord I will re -  
El Se - ñor es mi for - ta - le - za, el Se - ñor es mi can -

you; Come, light the hearts of all in dark and  
Word; Come, make us whole, be com - fort to our  
you, Our hope re - born in dy - ing and in  
zón. Ven, con tu luz, a los que es - tán en  
ti. Ven y res - táu - ra - nos, sé nues - tro con -  
ción. Y por tu pas - cua da - nos la es - pe -  
ñor. Dios de la paz, en - sé - ña - nos tus  
dor. So - mos el pue - blo que Dios es - co -  
Es - tás a - quí, Se - ñor de las es -

joice! Look to God, do not be a - fraid. Lift up your  
ción. Él nos da la sal - va - ción. En él con -

D.C.

shad - ow.  
hearts.  
ris - ing.  
som - bras.  
sue - lo.  
ran - za.  
sen - das.  
gió.  
tre - llas.

voic - es, the Lord is near; lift up your voic - es, the Lord is near.  
fí - o, no te - me - ré. En él con - fí - o, no te - me - ré.

4. O Key of Knowledge, guide us in our pilgrimage;  
we ever seek, yet unfulfilled remain;  
open to us the pathway of your peace.
5. Come, let us bow before the God who made us;  
let ev'ry heart be opened to the Lord,  
for we are all the people of his hand.
6. Here we shall meet the Maker of the heavens,  
Creator of the mountains and the seas,  
Lord of the stars, and present to us now.

# PRAYER after COMMUNION

## CONCLUDING RITES

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BLESSING and SENDING

### SENDING SONG *People look east*

1. Peo - ple, look East. The time is near Of the  
2. Fur - rows, be glad. Though earth is bare, One more  
3. Birds, though you long have ceased to build, Guard the  
4. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim, One more  
5. An - gels an - nounce with shouts of mirth Him who

crow - ing of the year. Make your house fair as you are  
seed is plant - ed there. Give up your strength the seed to  
nest that must be filled. E - ven the hour when wings are  
light the bowl shall brim, Shin - ing be - yond the frost - y  
brings new life to earth. Set ev - 'ry peak and val - ley

a - ble, Trim the hearth and set the  
nour - ish, That in course the flow'r may  
fro - zen God for fledg - ing - time has  
weath - er, Bright as sun and moon to -  
hum - ming With the word, the Lord is

Peo - ple, look East and sing to -  
ta - ble. Peo - ple, look East:  
flour - ish.  
cho - sen.  
geth - er.  
com - ing.

Peo - ple, look

Love, the Guest, is on the way.  
Love, the Rose, is on the way.  
Love, the Bird, is on the way.  
Love, the Star, is on the way.  
Love, the Lord, is on the way.  
East: Love is on the way.

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## MINISTERIO DEL RESPETO POR LA VIDA



*St. Josephine Bakhita*

"Oh, santa Josefina Bakhita, ayuda a todos aquellos que están atrapados en la esclavitud; en nombre de ellos, intercede ante Dios para que sean liberados de las cadenas de su cautiverio. Que los que han sido esclavizados por los hombres, que Dios les conceda la libertad."

(USCCB, "Oración a santa Josefina Bakhita" -

<https://www.usccb.org/about/migration-and-refugee-services/national-migration-week/upload/M7-266-Josephine-Bakhita-Prayer-Card.pdf>

## CABALLEROS DE COLON

**Un regalo de Navidad para usted de parte de Caballeros de Colón** --Es el libro de Matthew Kelly, "Life is Messy". Los libros estarán disponibles para recoger el fin de semana de Navidad en las entradas de la iglesia. Un libro por familia y adultos solteros mayores de 18 años. Los libros están disponibles en inglés y español. Les deseo una Feliz Navidad y un Bendito Año Nuevo de parte del Consejo Padre Donald Schumaker de Caballeros de Colón # 6772.

## COMIDA PARA EL CENTRO DE OPORTUNIDADES

Los feligreses de St. Alphonsus prepararán y servirán la comida del mediodía en el Opportunity Center en Minneapolis este martes 21 de diciembre. Puede participar horneando galletas, barras o muffins para agregar al menú. Por favor traiga sus golosinas a la oficina parroquial el lunes 20 de diciembre o a la cocina del salón de CSsR el martes por la mañana a las 9 am. Si desea ayudar a comprar la comida, su donación monetaria es bienvenida. Coloque un cheque o dinero en efectivo en un sobre marcado con las palabras "Centro de oportunidades" y envíelo o entrégalo a la oficina parroquial, o puede colocarlo en la canasta de recolección durante cualquier misa de fin de semana. Gracias por su gran generosidad con nuestros vecinos hambrientos.

## RESPECT FOR LIFE MINISTRY

## IN THE WORD



*St. Josephine Bakhita*

"O St. Bakhita, assist all those who are trapped in a state of slavery; Intercede with God on their behalf so that they will be released from their chains of captivity. Those whom man enslaves, let God set free."

(USCCB, "Prayer to St. Josephine Bakhita" - <https://www.usccb.org/about/migration-and-refugee-services/national-migration-week/upload/M7-266-Josephine-Bakhita-Prayer-Card.pdf>)

## KNIGHTS OF COLOMBUS

**A Christmas Gift for You from The Knights of Columbus --** It's Matthew Kelly's book "Life is Messy." Books will be available for pickup Christmas weekend in the church entryways. One book per family and Single adults over 18. Books are available in English and Spanish. Wishing you a Merry Christmas & a Blessed New Year from the Knights of Columbus Father Donald Schumaker Council# 6772.

## OPPORTUNITY CENTER MEAL

St. Alphonsus parishioners will prepare and serve the noon meal at the Opportunity Center in Minneapolis this Tuesday, December 21. You can participate by baking cookies, bars or muffins to add to the menu. Please bring your goodies to the parish office Monday, December 20, or to the kitchen of the CSsR hall Tuesday morning by 9 am. If you care to assist in purchasing the food, your monetary donation is most welcome. Place a check or cash in an envelope marked with the words "Opportunity Center" and send or deliver it to the parish office, or you can place it in the collection basket during any weekend Mass. Thank you for your great generosity to our hungry neighbors.

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 20

*Isiah 7:10-14*

*Luke 1:26-38*

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

*Song of Songs 2:8-14*

*Luke 1:39-45*

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22

*Samuel 1:24-28*

*Luke 1:46-56*

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23

*Malachi 3:1-4,23-24*

*Luke 1:57-66*

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24

*Samuel 7:1-5,8b-12,14a,16*

*Luke 1:67-79*

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25

*Isiah 62:11-12*

*Titus 3:4-7*

*Luke 2:15-20*

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

*Sirach 3:2-6,12-14*

*Colossian 3:12-17*

*Luke 2:41-52*



**THIS WEEK  
ESTA SEMANA**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19**

- 11:15AM RCIA**
- 11:15AM SJBC Rehearsal**
- 1:30PM RICA**
- 1:30PM Youth Group**
- 6:00PM Spanish Pastoral Familiar**
- 4:00PM Spanish Prayer Group**
- 4:00PM Swahili Mass**
- 5:00PM Swahili Group Gathering**

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 20**

- 6:00PM Blood Drive**

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21**

- 6:30PM Finance Council**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19**

- 10:00AM Children's Liturgy Of The Word**
- 11:00AM Pan African Network**
- 11:15AM SJBC Rehearsal**
- 3:30PM Spanish Pastoral Familiar**

**DICIEMBRE 17—DICIEMBRE 23**

- 7:00PM Posadas**

**CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES**

**December 24, Christmas Eve**

**3:00pm**

**6:00pm (Spanish**

**9:00pm**

**December 25, Christmas Day**

**8:00am**

**10:00am**

**12:00pm (Spanish)**

**December 31, New Year's Eve**

**8:00am**

**January 1, New Year's Day**

**10:00am**

**5:00pm**

**Blessing of a Christmas Manger**

In its present form the custom of displaying - gures depicting the birth of Jesus Christ owes

its origin to St. Francis of Assisi, who made the Christmas crèche or manger for Christmas

Eve of 1223.

The blessing of the Christmas manger or nativity scene may take place on the Vigil of Christmas or at another suitable time.

When the manger is set up in the home, it is appropriate that it be blessed by a parent or another family member.

All make the sign of the cross as the leader says:

Our help is in the name of the Lord.

R/. Who made heaven and earth.

One of those present or the leader reads

a text of sacred Scripture, for example,

Luke 2:1 (lines 1-8) or Isaiah 7:10

(lines 10-15, the birth of Emmanuel).

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

R/. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

The leader prays with hands joined:

God of every nation and people,

from the very beginning of creation

you have made manifest your love

when our need for a Savior was great

you sent your Son to be born of the Virgin

Mary.

To our lives he brings joy and peace,

justice, mercy, and love.

Lord,

bless all who look upon this manger;

may it remind us of the humble birth of Jesus,

and raise our thoughts to him,

who is God-with-us and Savior of all,

and who lives and reigns forever and ever.

R/. Amen.

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## MASS INTENTIONS INTENCIONES DE LA MISA

Bendición de una sarna navideña En su forma actual, la costumbre de exhibir figuras que representan el nacimiento de Jesucristo debe su origen a San Francisco de Asís, quien hizo el pesebre o pesebre navideño para la Nochebuena de 1223.

La bendición del pesebre o belén puede tener lugar en la Vigilia de Navidad o en otro momento adecuado. Cuando se instala el pesebre en el hogar, es apropiado que sea bendecido por uno de los padres u otro miembro de la familia.

Todos hacen la señal de la cruz como dice el líder:

Nuestra ayuda está en el nombre del Señor.

R /. Quien hizo el cielo y la tierra.

Uno de los presentes o el líder lee

un texto de la Sagrada Escritura, por ejemplo,

Lucas 2: 1 (líneas 1-8) o Isaías 7:10

(líneas 10-15, el nacimiento de Emmanuel).

Lector: El Evangelio del Señor.

R /. Alabado seas, Señor Jesucristo.

R /. Alabado seas, Señor Jesucristo.

El líder reza con las manos juntas:

Dios de toda nación y pueblo,

desde el principio de la creación

has manifestado tu amor:

cuando nuestra necesidad de un Salvador era grande

enviaste a tu hijo a nacer de la virgen María.

A nuestras vidas trae alegría y paz,

justicia, misericordia y amor.

Señor,

bendice a todos los que miran este pesebre;

que nos recuerde el humilde nacimiento de Jesús,

y le levantemos nuestros pensamientos,

quien es Dios con nosotros y Salvador de todos,

y que vive y reina por los siglos de los siglos.

R /. Amén.

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

5:00pm † Larry Kop

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

8:00am † Marvin Knox

10:00am † Linus Amajuoyi

12:00pm † Maria de Lourdes

Cano Martinez

† Juventino Carrera

† Tomasa Martinez

† Alicia Montenegro

Marin

Parishioners

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 20

8:00am † Elmer Pouliot Family

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

8:00am † Dick Sharp

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22

8:00am † Jane Borer

† Kathy Hagberg

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23

8:00am † Dean Peterson

6:30pm † Delfino Zuniga

Macareno

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24

8:00am † Ardelle LeBlanc

## YOUTH GROUP AND FAITH FORMATION

Queremos agradecer abiertamente a todas las personas que nos ayudaron para lograr que la presentacion de la Virgen De Guadalupe halla sido un exito. Gracias a los Caballeros de Colon, Jorge y Leticia Mungia por introducirnos en la obra y por preparar el altar.

Rosalia y Jorge Martinez, Cesar Galabert, Señor Bulmaro, David Castillo, y Franklin Andrel Por habernos apoyado en la realizacion de este evento nuevo y maravilloso para nosotros, y a todas aquellas personas que de un modo u otro formaron parte de la realizacion de esta obra.

A los jovenes y a sus padres de familia en especial que se tomaron su tiempo para practicar los dias que fueron necesarios y nunca fallar.

Mil gracias por todo.

We want to openly thank all the people who helped us in the presentation of the Lady of Guadalupe be a success. Thanks to the Knights of Colombus, Jorge and Leticia Mungia for introducing us to the work and for preparing the altar.

Rosalia and Jorge Martinez, Cesar Galabert, Señor Bulmaro, David Castillo, and Franklin Andrel

For having supported us in the making of this new and wonderful event for us, and to all those who in one way or another were part of the of this work.

To our youth and their families especially who took their time to practice the days that were necessary and never failed.

Thanks you for everything.



## IN OUR PRAYERS

Ruth Blass  
Mark Beert  
Tracy beert  
Patricia Budd-Urbia  
Donney Cooper  
Jim Denn  
Merle Duerr  
Lily Faw  
Danny Hanley  
Avery Hanson  
Kathy Hallermann  
Harold Holmberg  
Kathleen Karason  
Joe Malak  
Rosaline Moore-Gray  
Francis Noonan  
Ray Peterson  
Tanneh Petters  
Tom Pomeroy  
Alfred Quaye  
Rita Roehrl  
Rocio Sanchez  
Gordy Smith  
Joe Thill  
Patrice Williams  
All afflicted with COVID-19  
All caregivers and medical  
workers  
† Hugo Amaro Carretero  
† Joshua Ferris  
† Maria Felix Fragoso  
† Guillermo Aranda

## FAITH FORMATION

Dear parishioners, On behalf of the Faith Formation team, I am infinitely grateful to all of you who took a word and returned it with a donation. God bless you for all the support you give to our program. It is never too late to donate! If you want to support and do not know how, give me a call and I will gladly help you

—Viridiana Flores 763.503.3329

Estimados feligreses de esta nuestra Parroquia; En nombre del equipo de Formación de Fe les doy las gracias infinitamente a todos ustedes que se llevaron una palabra y la regresaron con donación. Dios les bendiga y multiplique siempre por todo el apoyo que dan a nuestro programa. Nunca es tarde para donar! Si deseas apoyar y no sabes como, dame una llamada y con gusto te ayudaré

—Viridiana Flores 763.503.3329

## MUSIC MINISTRY

Hey all you singers!

Without any music groups meeting these days, without a music director, and without hymnals in the pews, cantors and accompanists have provided most of the music at Masses. If you have been in one of the music groups and have one of the Gather hymnals and would really like to sing...how about this? Come to the 5:00 P.M., 8:00 A.M., and/or 10:00 A.M. Masses with your hymnals and sit in the choir loft area. Just show up ready to sing!! If you don't have a hymnal but would like to sing, just come and we will do our best to provide you with a book to use during Mass. Most hymns would be in both the old and new Gather books. The same would be done for the Christmas Masses and any other special Masses during the Season. We will then have spontaneous singing groups at all the Advent and Christmas Season Masses. All the music has been chosen, and it is 98% familiar. We can sing in parts as we are able. If you can come a little early, we could even go through a few things before Mass. Of course, if we get a new director, all this could change but in the meantime we could have a little more music at our Advent/Christmas services.



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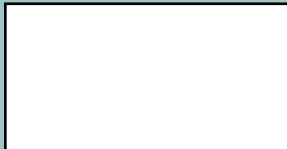


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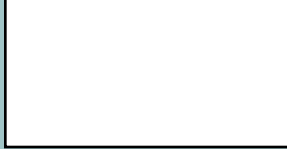
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