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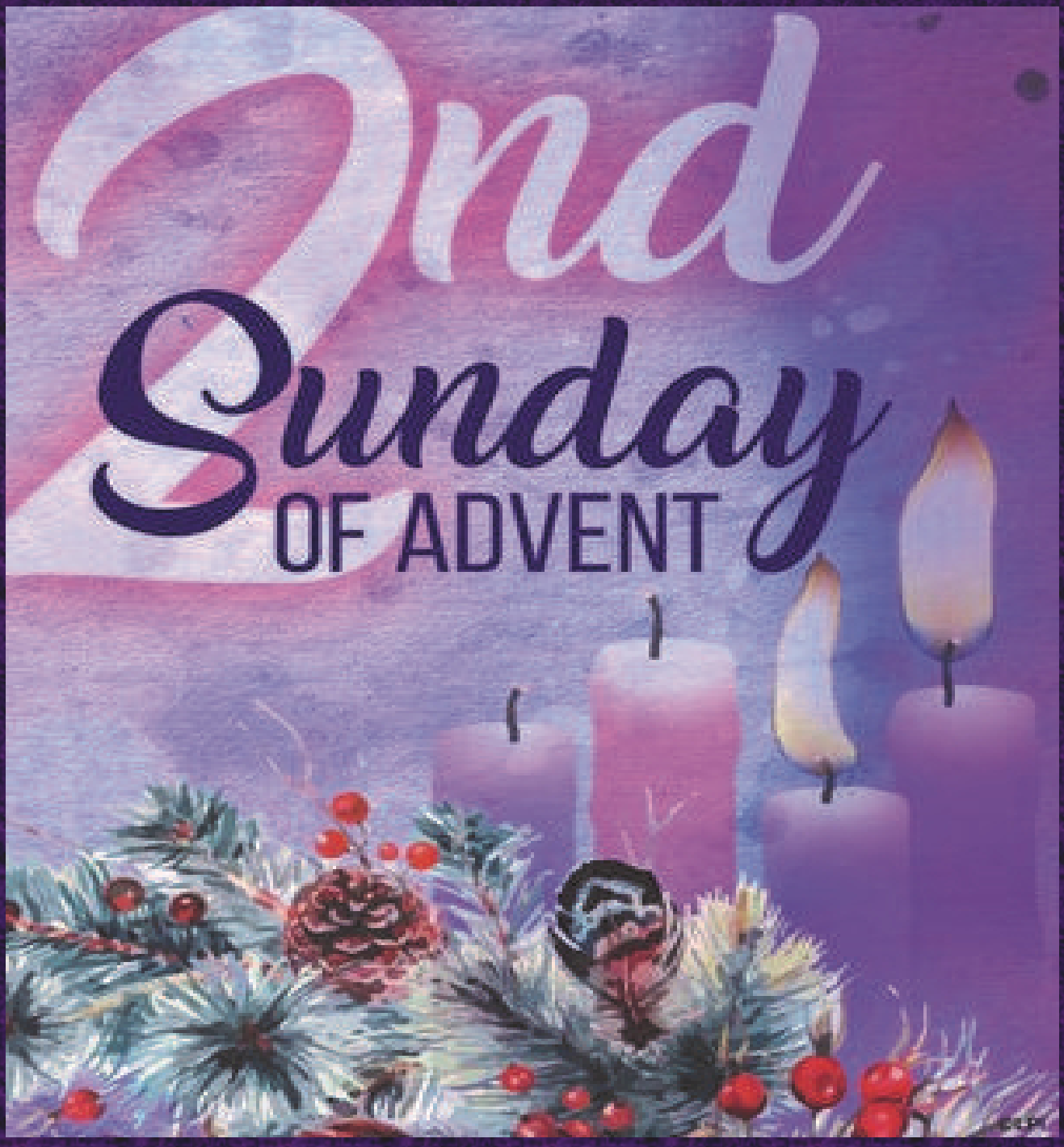

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LIMITED MASS SCHEDULE

St. John the Evangelist, Swampscott 4:00 PM Saturday
(live streamed on Facebook page "NahantSwampscottCatholic"

St. Thomas Aquinas, Nahant 9:00 AM Sunday

You must register each week for Mass. Please call
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If you are interested in receiving the Sacrament of Marriage, or Baptism, please contact the office.

2nd Sunday of Advent

"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." John's call to repentance and the forgiveness of sins happened in a particular time and place. God continues to move in our daily lives. What we hear in today's Gospel - and what we anticipate at Christmas - occurs in our daily lives. God works in concrete ways in time and space. He did that 2,000 years ago, and He continues to do so today!

This Sunday, examine your own Christmas preparations. Is there anything you need to repent of before the Christmas season? Are there low points in your life, valleys to "be filled" by the love of God? Are their mountainous obstacles in your spiritual life? How can they be "made low"? Are you making decisions that have moved you away from God? This Advent season is the time for them to "be made straight and rough ways made smooth." Prepare the way in your heart for Christ today!

Schedule for Celebrant, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers

St. John the Evangelist

DECEMBER 12 - SATURDAY

4:00 PM Father Kelly + Christopher Ratley + Irene Dalton and James Wynne

DECEMBER 13 - SUNDAY

10:30 PM Father Kelly + Denis Pilotte + Pam Larson and Cynthia LaSala

St. Thomas Aquinas

DECEMBER 13 - SUNDAY

9:00 AM Father Kelly + James Kirby + Diane Dunfee and Maureen Ward

Christmas Mass Schedule

This year due to the current Covid Virus restrictions, we will have **reservations only** for our Christmas Masses. Sheets will be available at the back of the Church for you to fill out stating your Mass preference. You can also call the Parish Office at 781-593-2544. Tickets will be handed out at the up-coming Masses or mailed in December. Thank you for your patience during these trying times.

ADMISSION TO MASS WILL BE BY TICKET ONLY!

St. John the Evangelist

Thursday, Dec. 24 Christmas Eve
3:00 PM and 7:00 PM
Friday, Dec. 25 Christmas 10:30 AM

St. Thomas' Schedule

Thurs., Dec. 24 Christmas Eve 5:00 PM
Friday, Dec. 25 Christmas 9:00 AM

Immaculate Conception Mass Schedule

The Immaculate Conception Holy Day Masses will be celebrated at St. Thomas' on Monday, Dec. 7th at 7:00 PM and at St. John's on Tuesday evening, Dec. 8th at 7:00PM.

St. John's Parishioners

Every year St. John's helps many families who call or write asking for Christmas presents for their children. We usually ask our Religious Education families to help but this year that can't happen. Some requests have started to come in and we were wondering if you would like to help out. If so, please call the Parish Office at 781-593-2544. As the requests come in, we will call you with the gift information.

St. John the Evangelist Mass Intentions

Saturday, Dec. 5	4:00 PM	John and Mary DiLisio	Memorial
Sunday, Dec. 6	10:30 AM	Elvira Casale	Memorial
Sunday, Dec. 12	4:00 PM	The Tedeschi and DeMichele Families	Memorial
Sunday, Dec. 13	10:30 AM	Veronika & Viktor Palavra and Pejo Crnoja	Memorial

St. Thomas Aquinas Mass Intentions

Sunday, Dec. 6	9:00 AM	Anna Macera	Memorial
Sunday, Dec. 13	9:00 AM	Neil Foley	Memorial

Religious Education Program
St. John the Evangelist

The Family Faith Formation Program will be live-streamed on Facebook with lesson information for the Parents on Sunday mornings at 9:30AM. Parents will then lead their children, grades 1 - 8, in the lesson. The next session for parents will be on Dec. 13th. The first lesson for the second grade First Communion class will be on Sunday, Dec. 6th at 9:30 AM. If you need additional info, please call Maureen at 781-599-4711. The next Confirmation class will be on Sunday, December 6th via live-stream at the Nahant-Swampscott Facebook Page. The first year Confirmation class will be at 4:00 PM and the 2nd year Confirmation class will be at 4:45 PM. Your lessons will be emailed to you weeks prior to the class.

ST. JOHN'S LECTOR'S BOOK

Lectors, please pick up your copy in the Sacristy on the vestment case. Thank you.

St. John the Evangelist Church recently celebrated the funeral Masses for

Elizabeth Corcoran and Glenn Messinger

Please keep Elizabeth and Glenn and their families in your prayers.

Parish Support Collections
St. John the Evangelist

Offertory for November 21.....$2,776
Retired Religious……..….$479
Offertory for November 28……...$3,107
Fall Collection to Date……....$47,900

St. Thomas Aquinas

Offertory for November 22.....$1,043
Retired Religious……...….$266
Offertory for November 29.....$1,390
St. Vincent dePaul…… $292
Fall Collection to Date……...….$30,617

May God bless all those who continue to support our Parish Families. Thank you!

Our congratulations and prayers go to the following new members who were baptized during the month of November.

St. John the Evangelist

Ayla Grace Kelly
Victoria Grace Meleg
Fernanada Amelia Mendoza

St. Thomas Aquinas

Fiona Lynne Doherty

May the Lord shower these children with his choicest blessings.

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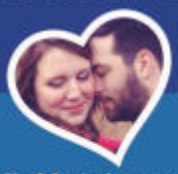
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