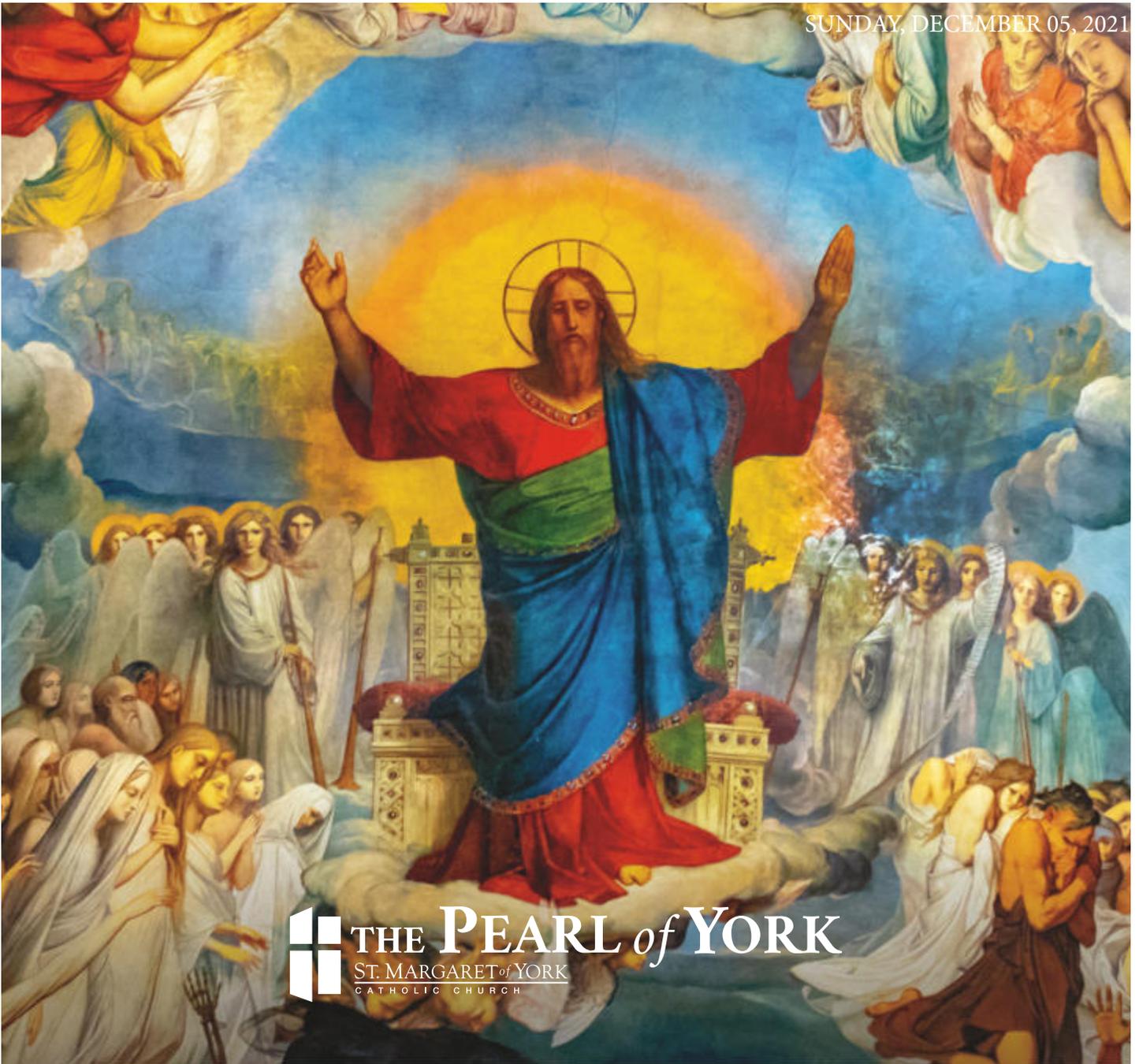
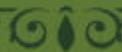


SUNDAY, DECEMBER 05, 2021



 **THE PEARL of YORK**
ST. MARGARET of YORK
CATHOLIC CHURCH

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



*“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.”
- Lk 3:5-6*



Mass Times

Monday:
6:00pm

Tuesday - Friday:
8:15am

Saturday:
8:15 am | 4:30 pm

Sunday:
8:30am* | 11:00am | 5:30pm

*Mass is Livestreamed watch via YouTube:
bit.ly/SMOY-YouTube

Notice of Filming and Photography
In order to offer Mass online, we will be live streaming during the 8:30 Sunday Mass. This means there is a possibility your image and likeness may appear on camera.



Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at our scheduled time or by appointment.

Fr. Bedel | 513.697.3101
Fr. Pasala | 513.697.3102

Scheduled Confession Times

Monday:
6:30pm-7:00pm*
Saturday:
8:45am - 9:15am*
3:00pm - 4:00pm

* Or until last Confession is heard

Sacraments

Please note all sacraments require formational preparation prior to the reception of the sacrament. Please contact the following for more information and to schedule:

Baptism: baptism@smoy.org
Marriage: marriage@smoy.org

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Food Pantry Ministry

What is the mission of your ministry?

The Food Pantry Ministry provides parishioners with educational and service opportunities rooted in the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy, supporting clients of the Kings Local and Loveland LIFE Food Pantries.

How did you personally get involved in the ministry? What excites you the most about leading the ministry?

Colleen: Shortly after talking with Lindsey about food pantry services etc the parish posted a call for leadership. The rest is history! I'm motivated by the simplicity of the ministry coupled with its accessibility to all parishioners at any given time. God has used this ministry in a few ways we didn't plan for, and it's amazing.

Lindsey: Colleen and I had talked before about various social justice topics, so when she heard about the need for leadership in this ministry she invited me along. I've been constantly amazed by the generosity of our fellow parishioners and I feel fortunate to be able to see that in such a close-up and practical way.

Tell us how your ministry leads others to a closer relationship with Christ.

The ministry is under the patronage of St. Gemma Galgani. St. Gemma was intensely devoted to the poor as a child. Later, her own family found itself in a situation paralleling modern day hidden suburban poverty.

On the first of the month, a prayer warrior group of around fifty women pray for a specific ministry intention. On St. Gemma's Feast Day, a Mass is offered for the intentions of all those who donate, staff, and receive from the ministry/pantries.

We try to remember that at the heart of our ministry our volunteers are acting as the hands and feet of Christ. The Sermon on the Mount and Matthew 25:34b-40 especially serve as a reminder that their service is rooted in scripture.

How can someone get involved in your ministry?

We need volunteers both to donate items and deliver those donations to the two local food pantries.

To donate: We promote Items of the Month that are much needed, rarely donated, and/or often not covered by SNAP benefits and align with current local food pantry needs. However, any non-perishable items are welcome and can be placed in the wooden box opposite the Parish office. Parishioner Liam Rogers built our beautiful donation bins as his Eagle Scout project this year - check them out!

To deliver: Each pantry receives one delivery each month. To sign up as a delivery driver you can email Lindsey at lindseygalles@gmail.com.

Food Pantry Ministry

Winter Break Kid Meals

Winter vacation finds kids away from school-based breakfast and lunch, so the pantries assist by providing them the following: **Breakfast:** Poptarts, granola bars, cereal **Lunch:** Microwaveable mac and cheese cups, canned pasta **Dinner:** Canned meat (chicken, tuna, SPAM, beef, salmon) These and all non-perishable food and baby items can be left in the wooden box opposite the Parish Office. Top Ten Requests lists are also available next to the box.



From the Pastor's Desk

Fr. Bedel

Beloved in Christ,

Thank you very much for your spiritual bouquets and prayers of every kind during my sabbatical! It is great to be back. There's no place like home. I look forward to a spiritually fruitful Advent Season with you in anticipation of the joys of Christmas. I also thank Fr. Pasala for his excellence in his role as temporary administrator while I was away. And I thank my staff and faculty for doing what they do best in helping me serve you, making disciples of Jesus Christ. Be assured of my daily prayers for you.

Please see the important letter from Archbishop Schnurr in this bulletin and stay close to the developments at beaconsaoc.org as they unfold for the latest information on our future "Family of Parishes" and how St. Margaret of York can be an even more vibrant parish of disciples making disciples.

Be a saint! What else is there?

Blessed Advent,
Fr. Bedel

Donuts After Mass Welcome Back Fr. Bedel!

Join us after the 8:30am & 11:00am Masses for donuts sponsored by the Knights of Columbus to welcome back Fr. Bedel in the Gathering Space.

Retirement Fund for Religious

Next weekend give in gratitude. A donor to the Retirement Fund for Religious writes, "I still remember the lessons the sisters gave us and how they instilled in us the love of our faith." Show your thanks for the prayerful service of elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. Your gift to next week's second collection helps provide care, medicine, and more. Please be generous.



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Parish Financial Support

Sunday Offerings (November 2021)

November 7	\$16,971
EFT	\$14,533
November 14	\$9,852
EFT	\$14,593
November 21	\$9,720
November 28	\$ -

WeShare Offering \$23,862

Total for current month to date \$89,531

Sunday Offerings (YTD) (July 2021 - June 2022)

YTD Actual:
\$521,229

Fiscal Budget:
\$ 1,400,000

Difference:
(\$878,771)

Special & Designated Collections (November 2021)

Debt Reduction (Close the Gap):
\$2,038

St. Vincent de Paul
\$900

World Mission Sunday
\$500

Campaign for Human Development
\$1,315

Total for Current Month:
\$4,753

Mortgage Indebtedness

Principal balance on mortgage:
\$2,613,372.14

Number of Months left until payoff:
83

Amount of last payment:
\$33,689.70

Save the Date

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Holy Day of Obligation

December 7th
6:00pm

December 8th
8:15am | 12:00pm | 6:00pm*

*Livestreamed

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Confession-a-thon

December 09 | 2:00-8:00pm

Stop by the parish and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. On Thursday, December 9th from 2:00 - 8:00pm we will have 2 confessors available to hear confessions.

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Lessons & Carols

December 12 | 2:00pm

We remember and recall the story of our salvation history, so that it may prepare us to receive more fervently, more prayerfully, and more joyfully the Christ-child: from Adam's great condemn, we seek the shoot from Jesse's stem, to under the star in Bethlehem let us rejoice! Come, listen with new ears, and revitalize your soul this Advent season; come, let us sing songs to prepare the way of the Lord; come, to St. Margaret of York's Service of Lessons and Carols.

Christmas Masses

Holy Day of Obligation

December 24th
4:30pm | 10:00pm*

December 25th
8:30am | 11:00am

*Livestreamed

Wisdom of the Word Bible Study

THE WILD GOOSE

Come Holy Spirit. At this very moment, stop and ask the Holy Spirit to come to you. If you allow him, the Wild Goose, the name the ancient Celts called the Holy Spirit, will lead you to a place of mercy, healing, peace, and presence. The Wild Goose series will help you experience a deeper relationship with the Person of the Holy Spirit, and as you come to experience God's presence and power, this very same Spirit will transform you and bring you freedom.

Study begins **January 12, 2022**

Registration Deadline:

December 21, 2021 at 5:00pm

Cost:

\$15 cash or check payable to SMOY.
Drop off to parish office or mail to 9499
Columbia Rd, Loveland, Ohio 45140

Location:

Holy Hallway
(outside the Day Chapel)

Morning Study

9:30 – 11:30am

Registration:

<https://forms.office.com/r/tcPLUbRcuq>

Questions:

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Evening Study

7:00 – 8:30pm

Registration:

<https://forms.office.com/r/ChJ7rYvBV2>

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December 5, 2021
Second Sunday of Advent

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

This past June 19 was the bicentennial anniversary of the founding of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, marking an important milestone in the life of the local Catholic Church. We give thanks to our generous God for the many blessings He has bestowed on us over our first 200 years and look forward with expectant faith to what is to come.

Today likewise marks an important milestone. I am pleased to announce the final Families of Parishes, bringing to close the first major phase of Beacons of Light. Beginning at noon today, these Families of Parishes can be viewed online at www.BeaconsAOC.org. Thank you to the thousands of Catholics in the archdiocese whose thoughtful feedback has significantly shaped this phase of our pastoral planning. I am deeply grateful.

The enduring mission of the Catholic Church, *our mission*, entrusted to the apostles by Jesus, is to proclaim the Good News of salvation and make disciples. We have a responsibility to make the best use of all the means which God has provided us to pursue this sacred mission. The purpose of Beacons of Light is to ensure that all our resources – human, physical and financial – are properly ordered to missionary discipleship. I am convinced that Beacons of Light, born of great hope, will enable us to form stronger parishes, centered on the Eucharist, that radiate the love of Christ and joy of the Gospel in a world that is frequently indifferent or even hostile.

We now move on to the next major phase of Beacons of Light, the implementation of the new Families of Parishes on July 1, 2022. This will involve a great deal of planning and preparation over the coming months. Please pray for me and all the priests and lay people of our archdiocese who will play significant roles in this effort. Please also know of my prayers for you.

Our life in Christ is always a response to God's initiative. As we continue this challenging but exciting endeavor, may we stay attentive to all that the Lord is doing in our midst. God has abundantly blessed our first two centuries and will certainly bless the next. He has promised to never leave us. May God bless and keep all of us as we journey together toward the celebration of the birth of our Lord with certainty in our hearts that Christ remains with us always.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Dennis M. Schnurr
Archbishop of Cincinnati

RADIATE CHRIST

BEACONS  of LIGHT

VIEW THE FINAL FAMILIES OF PARISHES ONLINE AT

BEACONSAOC.ORG

Available at noon on Sunday, December 5



New Day Grief Support

New Day Grief Support at the Community of the Good Shepherd is a structured way for adults to work through the “tasks of grief” when mourning the death of a loved one from any cause. The program consists of nine grief support sessions and is offered at different times during the year. There is no fee, but donations to The Community of the Good Shepherd will be gratefully accepted.

• **Program:** 9 Mondays | January 31 – March 28, 2022 | 1:00-3:00pm

Register Online: <https://good-shepherd.org/new-day-grief-support-registration>

More Info/Questions: Kathy Teipen | 513.489.7489 | kteipenzoomtown.com

Become a Bulletin Sponsor

Did you know, our weekly bulletin is paid through our bulletin sponsors and actually provides extra funds to the parish? Becoming a bulletin sponsor is a great way to support the parish and get your business in front of your fellow parishioners. Interested? Contact: Nancy Macmillan | 859.443.2073 | nmacmillan@4lpi.com

Eucharistic Exposition

Weekly Adoration

Saturday
9:00am – 4:00pm
(Benediction @ 4:00pm)

24hrs Adoration

3rd Saturday into Sunday
8:45am – 7:00am
(reposed 4:00 – 5:30pm for Mass)
Benediction at 6:50am

Church

The Church is open whenever Mass isn't in progress for adoration. For access to building after hours, please contact:

Jacilyn Jackson
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Morning Prayer from Liturgy of the Hours

Daily
7:15am

Rosary

Tuesday – Saturday
8:45am

Monday
6:30pm

The Temperament God Gave You



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Join our Mothers of Young Children group today!
Meet awesome moms just like you.

Small Groups are now forming to begin the Temperament study in January 2022

Interested in joining St. Margaret of York's Temperament Group?

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Questions? Contact April Rongo, a.rongo@icloud.com

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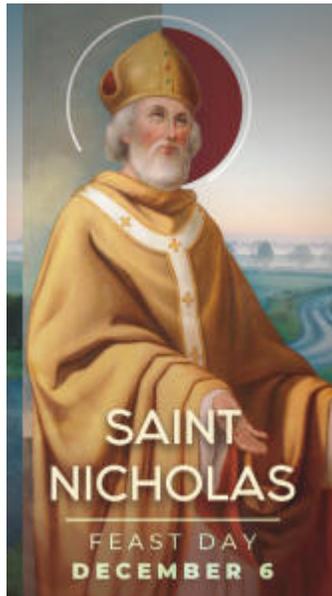
St. Nicholas | Feast Day December 6

St. Nicholas of Bari (March 15, 270 – December 6, 343), the bishop of Myra in the fourth century, is the saint that Santa Claus is modeled after. Known for his kindness and generosity to the poor, the story has it that St. Nicholas once tossed bags of gold through the open window of a poor man's house to help his daughters avoid a life of prostitution.

According to legend, the gold landed in stockings dangling on the corners of the beds, which is why many of us celebrate St. Nicholas Day by hanging stockings and filling them with candy, fruit, and small toys.

Not much else is known about this beloved saint, but regardless, his reputation as a generous man continues today.

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Everyday Stewardship

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

God's Personal Assistants

If you have ever planned a large-scale event, whether it's a musical performance or a religious conference, you may have dealt with someone's personal assistant. Possibly this person would be a representative of the keynote speaker or the master of ceremonies for the local bishop; perhaps it's even the staffer of a local politician or the lackey of a well-known musical act.

Personal assistants are masters of stewardship – overseeing things in their boss' absence. They prepare the way. This person's job is to get everything ready for the person in charge, so that when he or she shows up – whoever he or she is – it's smooth sailing for them to do whatever it is they need to do: sing, speak, pray, mingle, what-have-you. It's usually a big job full of little things, a gig where attention to detail is key.

God is the guest of honor in our life, the keynote speaker, the main event. And what He wants – what He needs – to do is to change our hearts. Constantly, over, and over, and over again.

We are all His personal assistants in this endeavor. We need to prepare the way of the Lord, to make straight His paths. We need to make everything ready so that when He shows up – however He shows up, whether it's in the form of a neighbor in need or a burning bush right in front of us – everything is ready for Him to do His job.

– Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Catechetical Corner

Q&A

Christmas

Question:

Happy times and events bring fond memories and a renewed sense of love and kinship with others. The anticipation is half the joy of the event itself. The coming of the Lord is that kind of event that people have been looking forward to for generations with fervent hope and desire. It gave them strength and courage as they waited for the coming of the Lord.

We know that Christmas is rushed. Sales begin in August and carols blare long before the season begins. Everyone laments the commercial aspects of the season, but as Advent begins, do something to help you be more mindful of the Lord's coming. Use an Advent wreath, or enthrone the Bible prominently, or read the readings from the Bible assigned to each day. Postpone the tree and decorations until closer to Christmas. Establish new family rituals, customs and prayers that help remind everyone that we are preparing to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Fasting, daily Mass, a special celebration of reconciliation, reaching out to those alienated from family or society, and visiting the homebound manifest the love of the Christ Child and the Holy Family. Resist the temptation to rush the season. In his own time and in his own way, God will come. Our task is simply to be watchful and ready.

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Why Go to Reconciliation

In the RCIA, it is not unusual for a candidate to have their first Sacrament of Reconciliation when they are 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, or even 80 years old. That's a lot of years to examine your conscience over. There are also many cradle Catholics that haven't received the Sacrament for 10, 20, 30, 40, or even 50 years who have a long period of time to examine their sins. If you fall into this latter category, and you have no sense of urgency to get yourself into the confessional, let me share some of the reasons you should.

Sin is real. The devil is real. Our culture downplays the reality of sin...or worse, decides for itself what constitutes sin and what doesn't. Being in a state of sin, even if it's not mortal sin, leaves the door cracked open for the devil to worm his way into your thoughts and your actions. The devil's number one goal is to separate you from God, plain and simple. There is a hell, and Satan wants you there with him. Slam the door in the devil's face by going to confession.

*"When God forgives a sinner who humbly confesses his sin, the devil loses his dominion over the heart he had taken."
- Saint Bernard of Clairvaux*

Sin harms your relationship with God and with our entire community. Even sins that are committed in private like pornography, hurt those around us. When you sin, you hurt the entire Body of Christ and when you are sorry and ask forgiveness in Reconciliation, you are reconciled with God and with your community. Think about your family or your workplace. If a spouse, child, or co-worker is feeling guilty and carrying the weight of sin, it affects everyone around them. One sin that really does damage in the community is gossip.

*"Gossiping is like terrorism because the person who gossips is like a terrorist who throws a bomb and runs away... With their tongue they are destroying and not making peace."
- Pope Francis*

You can see the damage a bomb causes not only where it is detonated, but also in the shattered windows, bursts ear drums, and flying shrapnel all around it. Just like Adam and Eve's sin broke their relationship with God, with each other and with God's creation, so your sin affects everything around you.

God's mercy is vaster than an ocean and it's better to be forgiven here in the present than to stand in front of the judge who requires justice to be served at the end of your life. While we are on earth, Jesus said His mercy is infinite, and He wants nothing more than for you to receive it. Once you're dead, it's too late. No one can escape standing before Jesus and being asked for an accounting of his or her entire life. It's so much better if you jump into the ocean of His mercy and drown in His forgiveness now than if you wash up on the beach like stinky seaweed entangled in your sins.

*"Today the Lord said to me, Daughter (Saint Faustina), when you go to confession, to this fountain of My mercy, the Blood and Water which came forth from My heart always flows down upon your soul and ennobles it. Every time you go to confession, immerse yourself entirely in My mercy, with great trust, so that I may pour the bounty of My grace upon your soul. When you approach the confessional, know this, that I Myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I myself act in your soul."
- Saint Faustina Kowalska*

Confession gives you an opportunity to practice the virtue of humility. Let's face it, it's quite humbling to have to sit in front of another human being, even though the priest is in the person of Jesus and say out loud those things that you have done or failed to do that you are ashamed of and embarrassed by. When you regularly humble yourself and confess your sins, you exhibit more mercy toward others who aren't perfect either. Your pride is slowly tamed through this Sacrament.

*"The torrents of grace inundate humble souls. The proud remain always in poverty and misery, because My grace turns away from them to humble souls."
-St. Faustina, Divine Mercy in My Soul*

It's cheaper than therapy.* Have you ever felt that "Catholic Guilt"? That's really your conscience telling you something you have done is an offense against God. You know that because God designed you and He's the one that gave you a conscience in the first place. Your conscience is a gift, but you also need to make sure that it is formed properly so that you know right from wrong in terms of Catholic teachings and not just society's definition of right and wrong. That guilt burden can be lifted by years of counseling or by getting humble, saying you messed up and asking God to forgive you. Remember, confession is free.

It forces you to slow down and look at how you are living our life. Traveling at warp speed in a noisy world is "normal" in our culture. Sometimes you don't slow down and take time to examine your life regularly unless you hit a crisis moment. Examining your conscience and taking an honest look at yourself in order to confess, moves you to conversion and repentance.

*"One clue that you're doing something wrong is when you start spending a lot of time trying to convince yourself that what you're doing is right."
- Crystalina Evert*

It's a clean slate for your soul. Confession gives your soul a spring cleaning. A clean slate lets you start fresh with God, your family, and your friends. Your sins are erased, and you can move forward without lugging baggage around.

*"First, we invite sin into our house, then sin stays as a guest, and then sin makes us a slave."
- Stanislaw Jerzy Lec
(Polish/Jewish poet)*

Your Confidentiality is guaranteed. The Seal of the Confessional forbids a priest to tell anyone your sins or to even tell anyone that you went to confession. You could share your sins with a friend to relieve your guilt, but there's no guarantee that this friend won't share something with someone else out of "concern" for you, out of gossip or out of malice if your friendship should fall apart. The secrecy that protects what is said in confession outweighs any doctor-patient or attorney-client confidentiality.

Can. 983 §1. "The sacramental seal is inviolable; therefore, it is absolutely forbidden for a confessor to betray in any way a penitent in words or in any manner and for any reason."

You get grace. Grace is God's divine life within you. Think of it like God's supernatural power flowing through your veins. If you are in mortal sin, you have no grace flowing in you, in fact, the Holy Spirit has exited the building – the building being you, yes you, the Temple of the Holy Spirit. The only way to get that grace flowing in you again is to go to confession. But then, there's the bonus... you get the grace to help you overcome

the sins you hate committing so much. Say you hate it when you curse. As soon as a curse word slips out of your mouth, you feel guilty and you know you've done wrong, but you go right back to it the next time something angers you. Grace received from confession helps you to catch yourself before you curse, it helps to close your mouth and hold your tongue. You can't overcome sin on your own.... you need grace.

God is your Daddy, and you want to make things right with your Daddy! He loves you like the precious and beloved son or daughter you are. How can you disappoint a father who sees you as the apple of His eye? Through Reconciliation, Catholics know for certain that their sins are forgiven and don't have any remaining doubts. You know we are right with the Father who loves you beyond measure.

So if you have excuses like....I don't remember how to go to confession, I'm embarrassed to confess to Father and then see him on Sunday, I'm a good person, it's not like I've murdered anyone or committed adultery, I've already apologized to the person I hurt, my sins are too big to be forgiven or whatever it is that keeps you out of the confessional, I say, it's all excuses and the only person you are hurting is you.

*"Be ashamed when you sin, not when you repent."
- Saint John Chrysostom*

On Dec. 9th from 2-8pm, we have two priests available continuously for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Check the bulletin for our regular Reconciliation times as well.

**Confession heals the soul but is not a substitute for professional mental health therapy.*

Written by: Birgitt Hacker

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 06

6:00PM Mass

+ Fran Bruns req by Friday Friends

Tuesday, December 07

8:15AM Mass

+ Don Tassone Sr req by Bill & Jane Morand

6:00PM Mass

+ Celebrant's Intention

Wednesday, December 08

8:15AM Mass

+ Carole Borellis req by Katherine Noyes

12:00PM Mass

Annemarie Scaramuccia req by Melissa Capella

6:00PM Mass

+ Barbara Ann Wingate req by Whang Family

Thursday, December 09

8:15AM Mass

+ Mary Toerner req by Bill & Jane Morand

Friday, December 10

8:15AM Mass

+ Edward Schwarz req by Mike & Maureen Schwarz

Saturday, December 11

8:15AM Mass

+ Ray A Meyer req by Kim & Joe Fishback

4:30PM Mass

+ David Williams req by Nancy Williams & Family

Sunday, December 12

8:30AM Mass

+ Jennifer Witt req by Marilyn Jacoby

11:00AM Mass

+ George Antolik req by Betty Forbes

5:30PM Mass

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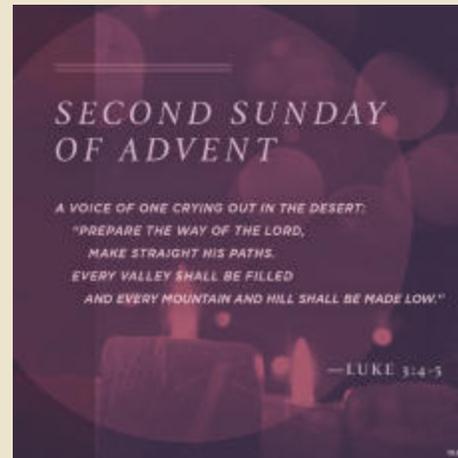
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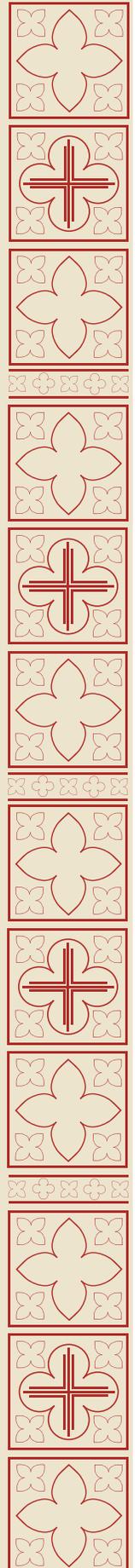


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