

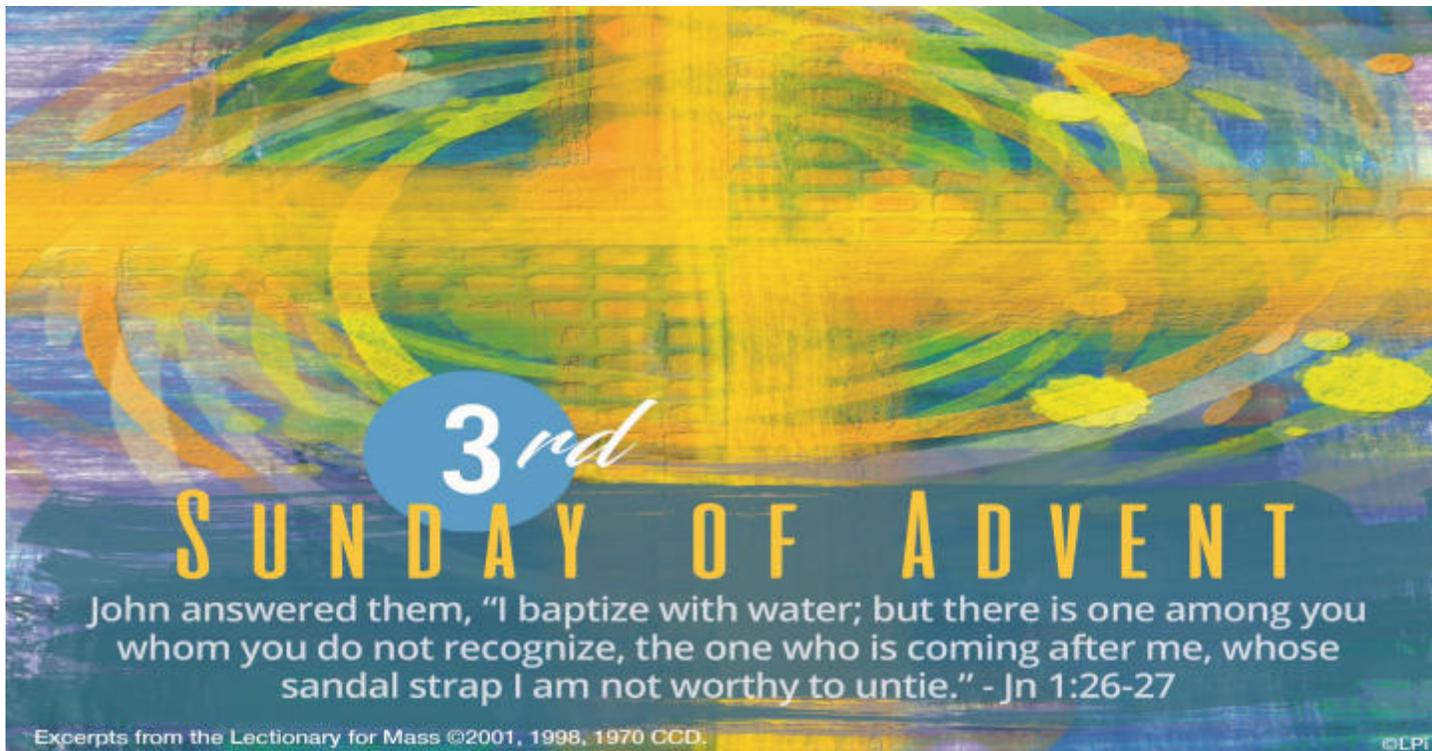
# Church of the Beloved Disciple

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December 13, 2020 Third Sunday of Advent



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9:00am — 12 Noon, 1:00pm — 4:00pm

Friday: Closed

## Mission Statement

We, The Church of the Beloved Disciple, Are Called By Our  
Baptism to Worship God through Liturgy and the Sacraments,  
to Serve Others by Ministering to the Community  
and to Actively Spread the Gospel.

## Liturgical Schedule

Weekend Masses:

4:30pm Saturday Evening

8:00am Sunday Morning

11:00am Sunday Morning

Daily Masses: 8:00am

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

Adoration: Thursday; 2-4pm

Holy Day Masses: As scheduled in the bulletin

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### ***A Message from Deacon Owen,***

The third Sunday of Advent is called “*Gaudete Sunday*” because the Mass for today (in its original Latin text), begins with the opening antiphon: “*Gaudete in Domino semper*” --“*Rejoice in the Lord always.*” This opening prayer is to remind ourselves that we are preparing for the very joyful occasion of the birth of Jesus. We light the rose candle in the Advent wreath, and the Presider at Sunday liturgy may wear rose vestments. The common theme of the day’s Scripture readings is one of joy and encouragement. The readings urge us to prepare as we await the rebirth of Jesus in our lives and in our hearts. Our Readings and Gospel reminds us that the coming of Jesus, past, present, and future, is the reason for our rejoicing.

Our daily mission, as brothers and sisters of Christ and members of His Church, is to reflect the light of Christ to others, just as the moon reflects the light of the sun. It is especially important during the Advent season that we reflect Christ’s love and forgiveness to others. There are too many people who live in darkness and poverty, and who lack real freedom because of their addictions and poor choices. There are others who are distracted by the glittering attractions of the world. Many in our world, community and own families feel lonely, unwanted, rejected, and marginalized. We are called as believers to bring the true Light of Christ to illuminate the lives of our brothers and sisters in need during this Advent season. We do that by showing mercy, practicing forgiveness, and joyfully provide humble service. We will be strengthened by attendance at community worship and reception of the sacraments to perform our Christmas duty. The graces we need to accomplish this mission of radiating to others Christ’s Light only are reinforced by our daily prayers, by reading the Bible often and by actually performing corporal and spiritual works of mercy where we see these are needed.

There are so many people waiting for us to reflect the Light of Christ into their lives and to turn their world into experiences of joy, wholeness, and integrity. First let us look at our families, then friends and our community to bring the joy of Jesus, the joy of Christmas to this *Gaudete Sunday*. It doesn’t come from a gift-wrapped bobble or a toy. The joy of Christmas, the promise of Peace on Earth can only be ours to the extent that we work with Jesus to bring true joy into the lives of others. Let us remember that Christmas is not complete unless we show real generosity to those who have nothing to give us in return. That is the how we celebrate this Sunday this is how we --“*Rejoice in the Lord always.*” Peace, Deacon Owen

***EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP -  
RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS***

**A Constant Companion**

As Christians, we are called to a life of prayer. This is not just during seasons like Advent, but all year long. When we talk about being prayerful everyday stewards, we are speaking about cultivating an awareness of God being with us at all times. Each day we begin by offering God the entirety of our day. Each night we rest in Him and hope that the hours that passed gave Him glory.

During this busy time of Advent, it is hard to cultivate this life of prayer, but without it we can too easily lose sight of the reason for the season. It is during this time of year we need to heed the words of St. Paul more than ever when he wrote to the Thessalonians, "Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing." This is how we will be able to avoid the pitfalls of consumerism and secularism and keep our eyes fixed on Jesus.

Bring Jesus with you into the office Christmas party. Take him with you shopping for gifts in the department store. Be aware of him when you sit down to watch television specials you have seen every year of your life. Give him all your time and let his presence fill your every moment. By striving to be connecting with Jesus at all times, you will bear greater fruit and the joy you experience will be much greater than you could imagine. You might even spend a few less dollars and spend more time with those you love, particularly the one who loves you the most, the Incarnation himself.— *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS* ©LPi

***LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK***

What gives you joy? Joy is discovered when we connect with something or someone very deeply and experience a dimension of ourselves that material or secular possessions cannot bring. Joy is stumbled upon when we see our newly born child for the first time, get caught up in the vastness of a mountain landscape, and are led out into infinity gazing at an ocean's horizon, or being lovingly present with someone when they are vulnerable and in need. Joy is a profound experience that in its uniqueness grounds us in ultimate truth. Did you know that all authentic, profound, and memorable moments of joy mirror the eternal joy we desire from God? We can have glimpses of this eternal Divine joy as we embark upon our earthly journey, mirrored in our human connections with joy, but experienced directly during moments of deep prayer. God is the joy of my soul. Ponder those intense words! You will know moments of true and real joy by paying attention to your response to the experience. You will find yourself rejoicing and saying thank you.

***QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK***

**First Reading:** Isaiah shares his understanding of his prophetic call and his experience of the Lord as a God of justice and compassion. As we continue in the season of Advent, what new spiritual insights are you discovering? **Second Reading:** Paul encourages the Thessalonians to be thankful to God and be active in their newly found faith in Christ by following his moral imperatives. How are you putting your faith into practice during this Advent? **Gospel:** John tells us that the religious leaders in Jerusalem questioned the identity of John the Baptist, wondering if he was the Messiah, Elijah, or the Prophet who Moses prophesied would come. John the Baptist responds in humility, with a clear sense of his own call. Do you humbly accept God's call in your life?

**Mass Schedule for the Week****Monday, December 14**

**8:00am Deceased Members of the Fourth Degree  
Knights of Columbus Natale Rossi Assembly**

NM 24: 2-7; 15-17, MT 21: 23-27

Saint John of the Cross, priest and doctor of the church

**Tuesday, December 15**

**8:00am Freida Gaugler — Michelle Blatt**

ZEP 3: 1-2; 9-13, MT 21: 28-32

**Wednesday, December 16**

IS 45: 6-8; 18; 21-25, LK 7: 18-23

**Thursday, December 17**

**8:00am Frank Dydek, Jr. — Blanche Bonanni**

GN 49: 2; 8-10, MT 1: 1-17

**Friday, December 18**

**8:00am Barb Reiss —**

**Thomas and Betty Klemmer**

JER 23: 5-8, MT 1: 18-25

**Saturday, December 19**

**Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Advent**

**4:30pm Michael Herndon —**

**Tom and Lori Cirillo**

JGS 13: 2-7; 24-25, LK 1: 15-25

**Sunday, December 20, Fourth Sunday of Advent**

2 SM 7: 1-5; 8-12; 14; 16, ROM 16: 25-27,

LK 1: 26-38

**8:00am For the Living and Deceased**

**Members of Our Parish**

**11:00am Dr. Antonio and Giuliana Cavalli —**

**Nando and Anna Maria Saglio**

**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

Did you ever stop and realize that there is no earthly gain that can ever really satisfy us? Think of winning the Lotto. On this side of the winning ticket, it's all about the money, the new car, house, vacations, bank accounts, and infinite pleasures. The possibility of acquiring all of these earthly securities brings us back again and again to the purchase of a ticket. Then, one day we win! Our dreams are fulfilled, and happiness is on the horizon. Then one day, we wake up and realize that nothing has really changed, and I am not as satisfied as I thought I was or would be. I find myself living in my incompleteness and with my profound sorrow and grief. I did not find joy.

Glimpses of joy are possible but not by material means. They are brought to us through incredible experiences of connection that bring us face to face with real and authentic faith, hope, and love. And, they are glimpses and do not last. The moment we find ourselves looking back at them, they are gone, and we find ourselves remembering the moment in memory. To carry joy within us is to realize that it is not something I create, manufacture or even acquire. It is not able to be purchased. It is a gift. My need for joy mirrors my need for eternity, for a Creator who has a claim on the very essence of who I am and desires a home within me. As C. S. Lewis discovered, joy is a surprise that speaks to my very soul and is given as gift by the God who loves me.

The beauty of Advent is found in discovering the beauty of the gift of joy. God has visited his people for no other reason than to show them where and how to find joy! All of our human and earthly joy experiences are always only glimpses. They never satisfy us, sustain us or fulfill us. It is only God who is the joy of my soul. Real, Divine experiences of joy catch us off guard, make us stop and become aware, bring a feeling of awe and rightness and have an eternal Otherness about them. Nothing created by humans can ever come close to this. We probably will not fully realize the truth of all of this until we actually meet God face to face in heaven one day. Then, in that sacred moment when our hearts leap for joy we will understand what we have been tirelessly searching for all along. Intense gratitude will most surely follow. ©LPi

**Sacrificial Giving the Week**

**of November 29, 2020**

**Online Giving is Available**

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online contributions.**

Families in Parish: Envelopes Mailed:

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**Yearly Budget: 535,176.00**

**Weekly Budget: 11,149.50**

**Our Total:**

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## Christmas Mass Schedule 2020

### Daily Mass Schedule

Monday & Tuesday 8:00am

Thursday & Friday 8:00am

### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday, 4:30pm

Sunday, 8:00am & 11:00am

### Christmas Eve Mass Schedule

Thursday, December 24

4:30pm, 7:00pm & 10:00pm

### Christmas Day Mass

Friday, December 25

9:30am

Reservations are Encouraged!

Due to the pandemic regional Reconciliation services will not occur. However, Father will do additional confessions on December 15 from 6:00pm—7:00pm and December 20 from 1:00pm—2:00pm.

## PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORM

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I am new in the parish and wish to register \_\_\_\_\_

Change of Address \_\_\_\_\_

Moving out of Parish \_\_\_\_\_

**Capital Campaign News:** 152 Families  
 Pledged: \$ 139,200.36 Paid: \$134,889.11 Due: \$8,498.00  
**Catholic Service Appeal** 163 Families  
 Pledged: \$93,174.00 Paid: \$72,363.00 Due: \$18,383.00

**New to our Community? Join our Parish!**

Welcome to our parish! Please contact the parish office for an appointment to register. We hope you will become a part of our parish family!

**Mission of Friendship/Sister Parish** For over thirty years, the Church of the Beloved Disciple has shared its resources with Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish in Colonia, Mexico, which is located within the Archdiocese of Yucatan. We continue to offer them our heartfelt prayers and affection.

**Sacramental Preparation** For all Sacraments: Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation, Penance, Marriage and Holy Orders; or the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), please call the parish office for information and assistance.

**Pastoral Care of the Sick** We are pleased to visit the sick or home-bound and administer the sacraments. Please contact the parish office to make the staff aware of your need. NOTE: Due to privacy laws effecting hospitals and care facilities families are asked to make our parish office aware of an admission so we don't miss visiting the sick.

**Stewardship** We ask that all families commit to sharing their time, talent and treasure to express their love of the Lord and His Church. All parishioners have something to offer to our Church; every gift is valued and appreciated.

Joseph Bandi, ext. 113 *Liturgical Music, Weddings*  
 Mikey Bancroft, ext. 100 *Parish Secretary, Outreach*  
 Angie Felicetty, ext. 112 *LIFT Team, Sacramental Prep*  
 Tina Greig, ext. 113, *Director of Liturgical Music*  
 Lisa Bablak, 115, *LIFT Secretary*  
 Dianne Schleigh, *Liturgical Environment*  
 Victoria Wagner, 116, *LIFT Team, Outreach*  
 Lorie Wizorek, 724-748-6868 *Little Disciples Pre School*  
 Tony Bancroft, *Custodian*  
 James Shuey, *Custodian*

**Book Club Update:**

Our next book(s) are "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens (in keeping with the holiday spirit) and the "Chisbury Ladies Choir" by Jennifer Ryan. Both are available online. The meeting for these two books will be on December 30, again 11:00 AM or 7:30 PM. Information on how to connect will be provided in December. Call Deacon Owen in the Parish Office if there are questions or concerns.

**Owen Wagner is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.**

Topic: Advent Candle and Evening Prayer

December 13th —18th 7:00pm

Meeting ID: 896 6257 2529 Passcode: 764099

**Owen Wagner is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.**

Topic: Rosary at Noon

December 15th-17th at Noon

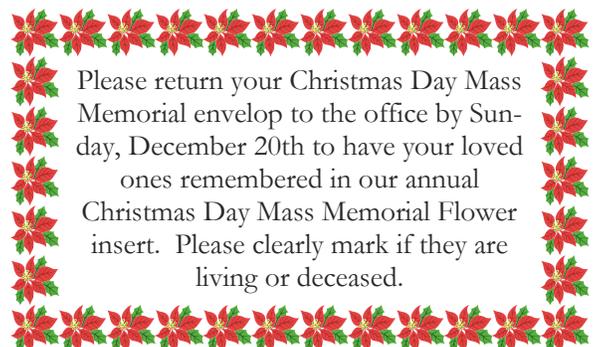
Meeting ID: 826 3069 0865 Passcode: 683655

**Owen Wagner is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.**

Topic: Catholic Topic: Incarnation

December 16th — 6:00pm

Meeting ID: 852 9070 7333 Passcode: 526058





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