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DECEMBER 12, 2021 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We continue the work of Jesus Christ, to Unleash the Gospel and help everyone seek and experience the love and mercy of God.

Father Bogdan's Corner

Two weeks separates us from the Holy Night, the night that Christ will be born. Many thanks to all those who came to decorate church on the outside. Through the decorations, we are manifesting to the world our faith, tradition and our love for the Man—Son of God, who gave the beginning to our Western Civilization. Are we ready to welcome Christ? A few things must be done: shopping, cleaning, sending wishes, visiting families and friends, etc. On our spiritual level, it is a time for more intense preparation: Prophet Isaiah, one of the figures of Advent, call his people to make straight the way for the coming of the Lord. In the dessert, sheep had their roads to look for grass and water. Walking every day through the sand they made deep ditches - paths. Prophet Isaiah called people for physical work, “prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his path, simply that the road will be made smooth.

John the Baptist is giving us a powerful message that the Son of God, Jesus Christ, is the center of our lives. No money, no physical power, no extortion, only God who is coming to us through the Incarnation. Nothing should replace Emanuel—God is with us in political, economical, and medical structures of the world.

With the help of the Blessed Virgin Mary, whose Immaculate Conception we observed last week, and her title—Our Lady of Guadalupe today, let us use the time we have left wisely and prudently, so we will be able to meet the Son of God coming to us through the rough road of our lives.

May God Bless you all,

Fr. Bogdan

Christmas Season Masses

December 24 – 4:00 p.m.	December 31 - 4:00 p.m.
- 8:00 p.m.	January 1 - 11:00 a.m.
December 25 – 8:30 a.m.	- 4:00 p.m.
11:00 a.m.	January 2 - 8:30 a.m.
December 26 – 8:30 a.m.	-11:00 a.m.
- 11:00 a.m.	





MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, December 15th 9:00 a.m.

- ✠ E. J. Facca - req by Mr. & Mrs. Gary Zilli
- ✠ Carol Piper (Birthday Rem) req by Dan & Mary Zebula

Friday, December 17th 9:00 a.m.

- ✠ Souls in Purgatory req by Dolores Pustelny
- ✠ Carl Godlewski req by Dan & Mary Zebula
- ✠ Daniel Zebula (Birthday Rem) req by Dan & Mary Zebula

Early Bulletin Deadlines

<u>Bulletin</u>	<u>Due</u>
Dec 26th	Dec 14
Jan 2nd	Dec 20

This Week:

Monday, December 13th

9:00 a.m. - No Mass

Tuesday, December 14th

9:00 a.m. - No Mass

Wednesday, December 15th

9:00 a.m. - Mass

Thursday, December 16th

9:00 a.m. - No Mass

Friday, December 17th

9:00 a.m. - Mass

Saturday, December 18th

3:00 p.m. - Confession

4:00 p.m. - Mass

Sunday, December 19th

8:30 a.m. - Mass

Confession between Masses

11:00 a.m. - Mass



During the week of

December 12, 2021

the candle next to the Tabernacle will burn in memory of

*Mary Ann Moga Zarb
(79th Birthday Remembrance)*

req by

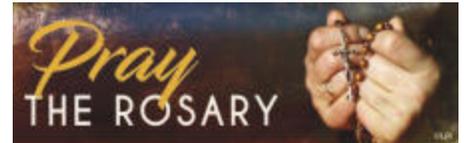
Rosemary Konwerski



Father Bogdan and the parish of St. Faustina offer sincere sympathy to the families of

*Shirley Amodéi
Robert & Elaine
Mularski*

We commend them to the Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.



Tune in each night at 7 p.m. for our daily devotion. Our You-Tube channel is:

stfaustina.tv

Mass / Presider	Intentions
Saturday, December 18 th 4:00 p.m. Fr. Bogdan Milosz	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✠ Al, Dave & Dan Schilkey req by Family ✠ Louis Deluca req by Wife ✠ Kevin King (10th Anniv) req by Daughter Kaitlyn ✠ Laurie Loiacano req by Husband Sam ✠ Jeff Loiacano req by Father ✠ Rosalie Loiacano req by Brother ✠ Ray Skinner req by Wife ✠ Gerald Labiak req by Wife Geri ✠ Dolores Pustelny req by Family
Sunday, December 19 th 8:30 a.m. Fr. Bogdan Milosz	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✠ Alfred Lipinski (Birthday Rem) req by Daughters ✠ Diane Kruk (Birthday Rem) req by Family ♦ Thanksgiving for 20th Anniversary Genaro & Maria Bagtas ♦ 14th Birthday for Gavin Manuel Bagtas
11:00 a.m. Fr. Bogdan Milosz	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✠ Linda Facca req by Mr. & Mrs Gary Zilli ✠ Krystyna Klim (2nd Anniv req by Family ✠ Lucy Hein (37th Anniv) req by Family

AT HOME ADVENT ACTIVITIES FOR FAMILIES

SUN 12 Gaudete Sunday Light the pink Advent candle. This candle is a symbol of joy because we are at the midpoint of Advent. Pray about things that make you joyful and the ways you bring joy to others. Today at Mass, notice that the priest will be wearing pink vestments!

MON 13 Read Matthew 2:1-12 as a family and learn about the Magi who followed the star to find Jesus after his birth. Go outside with your family tonight and do some stargazing. Pray about the beautiful world that God has created for us.

TUE 14 Gather together for a meal and begin with a blessing. Make a plan to donate a meal to a person or family in need in your community.

WED 15 Gather as a family around the Christmas tree or the Advent wreath and pray a prayer of blessing.

THUR 16 As you prepare for Jesus' coming, plan a day and time for family members to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation

FRI 17 O Wisdom of our God Most High! Today begins the O Antiphons. These are special prayers as the birth of Jesus draws closer. Pray to God about areas of your life where you need the gift of wisdom to grow.

SAT 18 O Leader of the House of Israel! Pray for help to follow Jesus' leadership. Demonstrate good leadership to younger classmates and siblings.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you
take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have
mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

First Reading:

Zep 3:14-18a

Shout for joy, O daughter Zion!
Sing joyfully, O Israel!
Be glad and exult with all your heart,
O daughter Jerusalem!
The LORD has removed the judgment against
you
he has turned away your enemies;
the King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst,
you have no further misfortune to fear.
On that day, it shall be said to Jerusalem:
Fear not, O Zion, be not discouraged!
The LORD, your God, is in your midst,
a mighty savior;
he will rejoice over you with gladness,
and renew you in his love,
he will sing joyfully because of you,
as one sings at festivals.

Responsorial Psalm IS 12:2-3, 4, 5-6

R. (6) Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

God indeed is my savior;
I am confident and unafraid.
My strength and my courage is the LORD,
and he has been my savior.
With joy you will draw water
at the fountain of salvation.

R. Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

Give thanks to the LORD, acclaim his name;
among the nations make known his deeds,
proclaim how exalted is his name.

R. Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

Sing praise to the LORD for his glorious achievement;
let this be known throughout all the earth.
Shout with exultation, O city of Zion,
for great in your midst
is the Holy One of Israel!

R. Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

Second Reading:

Phil 4:4-7

Brothers and sisters:
Rejoice in the Lord always.
I shall say it again: rejoice!
Your kindness should be known to all.
The Lord is near.
Have no anxiety at all, but in everything,
by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving,
make your requests known to God.
Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding
will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.



Alleluia**Is 61:1****R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.**Gospel****Lk 3:10-18**

The crowds asked John the Baptist,
“What should we do?”
He said to them in reply,
“Whoever has two cloaks
should share with the person who has none.
And whoever has food should do likewise.”
Even tax collectors came to be baptized and they
said to him,
“Teacher, what should we do?”
He answered them,
“Stop collecting more than what is prescribed.”
Soldiers also asked him,
“And what is it that we should do?”
He told them,
“Do not practice extortion,
do not falsely accuse anyone,
and be satisfied with your wages.”
Now the people were filled with expectation,
and all were asking in their hearts
whether John might be the Christ.
John answered them all, saying,
“I am baptizing you with water,
but one mightier than I is coming.
I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals.
He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.
His winnowing fan is in his hand to clear his
threshing floor
and to gather the wheat into his barn,
but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable
fire.”
Exhorting them in many other ways,
he preached good news to the people.

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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,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary,
and became man.
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 glo-
rified,
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.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE
December 12, 2021
3rd Sunday of Advent

“From silly devotions and sour-faced saints, good Lord, deliver us!” St. Teresa of Avila

We’ve all heard the adage, “Laughter is the best medicine.” In many ways, it really is. When was the last time you really laughed? The gift of imagination allows us to see possible things that are yet to be. Imagine a world filled with laughter. We take life too seriously sometimes. Fear, uncertainty, pressure, negativity, disappointment, and myriad other human experiences can rob us of the joy needed for laughter. God never promised us an easy road, and we do have to take the course of our lives seriously. However, there is a balance to be sought and a possible joy that can be brought even to the darkest and most challenging of encounters.

St. Therese of Lisieux reminds us that, “Joy is not found in the material objects surrounding us but in the inner recesses of the soul. One can possess joy in a prison cell as well as in a palace.” Falling in love with God, who is present in all of creation, allows us to bring a depth of understanding to everything we do and experience. We can more easily see above and beyond things while pursuing the only One who can truly satisfy our hearts. When we realize that God, the king of Israel, is in our midst and with us, there is no further misfortune to fear. We can celebrate the wonder and beauty of God’s gift of joy. It is no wonder that many saints radiate joy and have no reservations expressing laughter. They are happy because they have found a pearl of great price.

We celebrate with joy today with hearts filled with expectation, wonder, awe, and beauty as we ready ourselves, even more excitedly, for the coming of our Savior. Do not fear and do not be discouraged. If you haven’t laughed in a while, why? Something is preventing you from expressing the magnificence of your soul and the presence of God who dwells within. God’s power and presence within us assures us that we are loved and kept in that presence. What more is really needed? Rejoice and laugh in the presence of God! It really is the best medicine and a most perfect way to convince others that God is really with us. “Go ahead, laugh! Live your life with joy and serve the Lord with laughter! Joy, with peace, is the sister of charity. Serve the Lord with laughter.” (St. Padre Pio of Pietrelcina)



This weekend is the Annual Collection for Retirement Fund for Religious. Envelopes were included in your packets and are also available on the back tables. Please be generous

While every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of bulletin information,
we offer apologies for any errors or omissions that might occur.

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Please pray for those in our parish family in prolonged sickness:

Norma Angeleri
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Daily Masses

Wednesday & Friday 9:00 a.m.

MASSES

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
 Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday - 3:00 p.m.
 Or by appointment

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Report Abuse

The Archdiocese of Detroit encourages individuals to report clergy sexual abuse of minors and others - no matter when the abuse occurred. Individuals may contact local law enforcement authorities and/or they may report to the Archdiocese of Detroit by calling the Victim Assistance Coordinator at (866) 343-8055 or by emailing vac@aod.org. In addition, the Michigan Attorney General's Office can be contacted at its toll-free reporting hotline at (844) 324-3374 or by email at aginvestigations@michigan.gov.

More information about the Archdiocese's efforts to address abuse may be found at protect.aod.org.

Registration

Parishioners may register in person, by phone, or online.

Baptism

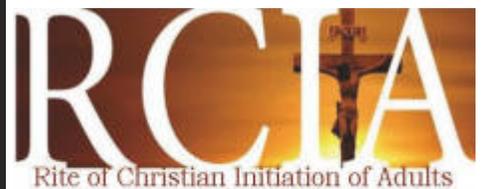
At least one parent needs to be registered, active and a practicing Catholic for at least six months. A Baptismal Preparation Class is required for both parents and godparents. The church requires that at least one of the godparents be an active and practicing Catholic. For more information call the Parish Office.

Marriages

Arrange at least six months in advance.

Communion Calls

Pastoral Staff members visit the sick in the hospital when possible and take Communion to the sick and homebound regularly. Names of the sick should be reported to the Parish Office.



If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please contact the Parish Office or send an email to stfaustina@comcast.net

St. Faustina is extending a personal invitation to you so that we can help with your spiritual needs.

If you have been baptized and have made your First Holy Communion, please contact Fr. Bogdan to inquire about Confirmation.



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