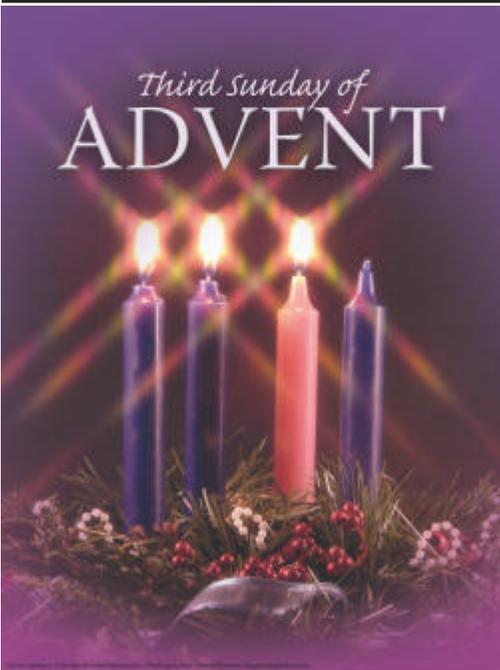


St. Patrick Parish

December 13, 2020
3rd Sunday of Advent



Third Week of Advent... “Joy In The Lord”! Christmas Mass - Reservations Required!



half of Advent, may we all try to be a living sign of hope, love, joy and peace to those whom we are called upon to serve. “Maranatha, Come, Lord Jesus, Come”.

Christmas Celebration Next Week!

The time is fast approaching. Christmas comes whether we are ready or not! Next weekend we will celebrate the Liturgy for the Fourth Sunday of Advent...and then Christmas!

Masses on Christmas Eve, December 24th, will be at 4:00pm and 8:00pm. Masses on Friday, Christmas Day, will be at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 12:00 p.m.

Reservations must be made for all these Masses either by calling the parish office or by going on our website www.stpatrickwhitelake.org.

I ask that you be especially generous when you offer your contribution to the Christmas collection. (By the way, as a gift from the Archdiocese to the parishes, this is the one annual offertory collection that is not assessed the 7% tax for the Archdiocese as is true for all of the other church collections of the year.) So, this means that we are able to keep the entire Christmas collection for all our St. Patrick Parish needs.

I’m sure that, as you are aware of your own increasing utility costs at home, with the cold weather and the increasing utility costs for our church, you

understand that we can certainly use all the financial help that we can get. Thank you for your generous support. May God bless you for your generous Christmas hearts! We do need your financial help, especially during this time of the Covid 19 virus epidemic!

Retirement Fund for Religious Appeal!

If you would still like to offer your contribution to this important annual collection, simply mail an envelope or use the one provided. Just mark it “Religious Retirement Appeal”, and if you offer a check—make it out to “St. Patrick Church Religious Retirement Appeal” - enclose your donation and see to it that we receive it at the office or place it in the collection box when you come to Mass. We will forward it to the Religious Retirement Office of the Archdiocese. May the Lord bless you for your willingness to help those religious sisters, priests and brothers who willingly and generously offered their lives in the service of the Church and to the people of God. “...Please give to those who have given a lifetime”!

Reservations Required!

Dear St. Patrick Parishioners,

As Charles Dickens once wrote, “It was the best of times, it was the worst of times.” This year we have experienced both. However, the past ten months has been a time when, due to the worldwide pandemic of COVID-19, almost everything in our personal comfort zone has been turned upside down. This COVID-19 virus has upset us all and has

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Pastoral Notes

This weekend, as we come to the mid-point of the Advent Season, we are celebrating the Liturgy for the Third Sunday of Advent, “Gaudete Sunday” (Sunday of Rejoicing), focusing our thoughts on our Joy in the Lord. In today’s Gospel, we hear about the ministry and mission of a great Advent model—St. John the Baptist. Through the message of St. John the Baptist, we are invited to follow the Lord and increase the “Christ Presence” within us. Let us pray that through this year’s “Advent-ure”, we will all try to do our part to prepare a smoother way for the coming of the Lord. Now, as we continue our prayer, during this second

(Pastoral Notes cont'd)

caused havoc in our lives, our relationships and our celebrations. Many events in our parish and our community have been curtailed or cancelled, which means that Christmas will be unlike any other we have known in the past. For us, here in our parish, many things will be different this year. As the saying goes, "We've never done anything like this before!" Our primary concern is that we try to stay safe and not spread this life and death virus in our parish and community. That means that we will follow the Archdiocese of Detroit protocol and wear masks, practice social distancing and continue other sanitizing practices.

If you are elderly, have a compromised health situation or choose not to attend Mass this Christmas in-person because of the danger of the virus, I encourage you to join us virtually. We will have Livestream Masses available at our 4pm Christmas Eve Mass and our 12pm Christmas Day Mass. We will also have a Mass available to view anytime during Christmas Eve/Christmas Day. All of our livestream / YouTube channel is available on our website at: www.stpatrickwhitelake.org. Please be aware that Archbishop Vigneron has extended the dispensation for attending Mass to February 21, 2021, Ash Wednesday.

Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 restrictions, we will not be able to accommodate our "normal" Christmas crowds or provide full seating capacity in the Church. Because of these limitations, if you do plan to join us in-person, I do want you to know that we will have a special reservation process for Christmas Mass attendance.

Reservations will be available through our website or by calling our Parish office at 248-698-3100, from December 9 through December 23rd, or when the Mass is "full". Please visit www.stpatrickwhitelake.org and follow the Christmas Mass prompt on the home page. It is unfortunate that we have to follow this process and limit our attendance, but the decision was made to ensure the safety of all in our community.

Our Mass schedule for Christmas Masses will be:

December 24, Christmas Eve 4pm & 8pm

– Masses held in the Church and Gym (4pm is the livestream Mass)

December 25, Christmas Day 8am, 10am & 12 Noon

– Masses to be held in the Church (and the Gym if required – 12 Noon is the livestream Mass)

December 26th -5pm

– Mass to be held in the Church

December 27th - 8am, 10am & 12pm Noon - Mass to be held in the Church

Please notice that we have included with this letter a special Christmas offertory envelope. This pandemic has affected all of us, in so many ways and our Church is no different. The absence of our Church family every week is saddening and the financial affects is profound. I'm sure you realize how important your financial support for our parish is at this time. We deeply appreciate your assistance in this special Christmas appeal. Whether you give to the Church on a regular basis, or attend occasionally, we are asking you to generously and prayerfully consider contributing to St. Patrick this Christmas season. May you be richly blessed by the Lord in this season of grace for your willingness to share your blessings with your parish.

May we always remember that even in time of personal darkness, in these remaining days of Advent, God's love and strength will always be there for us. May the days of Christmas remind us of how God continues to bless us and remember that Jesus, our Emmanuel is always "God-with-us" bringing us hope and joy as we prepare, once again, to celebrate His birth. For "Love" came down at that first Christmas and is still with us today!

Our Annual Christmas Concert This Sunday - 4:00pm

As was announced last week, our annual Christmas Concert will take place this Sunday, December 13th at 4:00pm! Please note that because of the Covid 19 restrictions, this will be available only on our Parish

Livestream-Facebook Page. It will take place in our church but it will not be available in person. So, please plan to be with us from your home for this unique virtual concert and do not plan to be present in the church at that time.

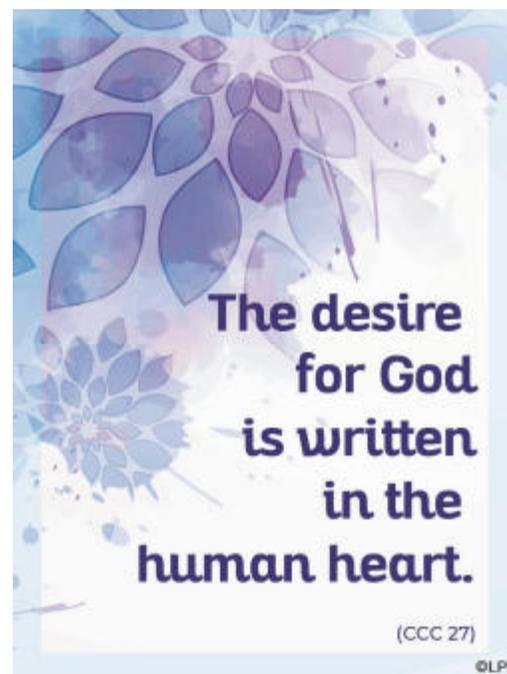
We hope that you and your family will plan to be with us for our first "virtual" Christmas Concert in your home. It will also be available on our parish website, at your convenience, after that time.

There will be several of our musical groups, vocalists, instrumentalists, carols for participation and ensembles - all will be here to perform under the direction of Mr. Aaron Kaleniecki, our parish Minister of Music, organist and conductor. We will also have a few surprises for you as well. I want to express a note of deep personal gratitude to Mr. Aaron Kaleniecki and to all those participating in this pre-Christmas concert for all that they did as a labor of "musical love for the Lord" to make this possible.

Please extend this invitation to your family members, relatives, friends and neighbors to be with us.

Peace and Joy in the Lord - our
"Emmanuel" Whom We Serve,

Fr. Tom



ADMINISTRATION

Gay Pousho, Business Manager 248-698-3100

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION SUMMARY

Number of Households Requesting Envelopes	2920
Number of Registered Households	3075

WEEK OF 12/06/20	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>DIFFERENCE</u>
WEEKLY OFFERTORY	\$10,295.36		
ONLINE GIVING	\$8,729.50		
TOTAL	\$19,024.86	\$18,692.31	\$332.55
YEAR TO DATE	\$381,901.18	\$429,923.13	(\$48,021.95)

TO REGISTER FOR ONLINE GIVING, VISIT WWW.STPWL.ORG

Please use blue or black ink when writing checks! Thank You!



This Week's Readings

Monday, December 14

Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a

Mt 1:23-27

Tuesday, December 15

Zep 3:1-2, 9-13

Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday, December 16

Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21c-25

Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday, December 17

Gn 49:2, 8-10

Mt 1:1-17

Friday, December 18

Jer 23:5-8

Mt 1:18-25

Saturday, December 19

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a

Lk 1:5-25

Sunday, December 20

4th Sunday of Advent

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

Rom 16:25-27

Lk 1:26-38

ELECTRONIC GIVING

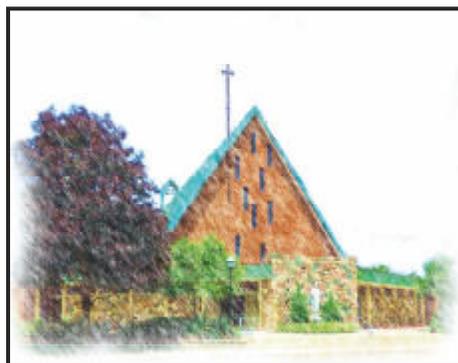
To make your Sunday contribution electronically:

If your bank offers free bill pay, we suggest you use that service **OR** go to our website at OLOnline.org and click on "Parish: then :Online Giving". Either method allows you to choose the frequency : one-time, weekly, monthly, or annually. If you are contributing electronically and no longer wish to receive envelopes, please let us know. Call Bridgett at 248-698-3100 ext. 228, or bgriffith@stpwl.org

PARISH UPDATE

Have you moved...dropped your landline? Do we have your email?

Please notify the parish office at 248-698-3100 ext. 228



Parish Office Update: Covid Protocol

In an effort to keep both parishioners/visitors and our parish staff healthy and safe, the Parish Office is instituting new protocol for visiting the parish. When visiting the office, please follow the guidelines below:

 Please ring the buzzer (to the right of the main doors) upon arrival - to best serve you, you will be asked the reason for your visit and will then get the direction of entering, etc.

 If you are dropping off an item or picking up an item, we have two tables inside the entrance area, one for pick-up and one for drop-off. Your item should be on that table.

 Please wear a mask when entering the building.

 **ENTER** If your visit requires entry into the Parish Offices, please sign the Health Assessment form (located on the drop-off table) and use the hand sanitizer.

We certainly encourage our parishioners to participate in Mass and Parish activity, but we are trying to limit the visitors to the office. If your business can be done on the phone, please by all means...give us a call - 248-698-3100. We thank you for your understanding during these most unusual times!

CSA 2020

Ready to make a contribution and no reply card? Just send in your contribution or pledge to the parish office, made out to Archdiocese of Detroit-CSA, and we will forward it for you. If you want to contribute with a credit card, please call the parish office at 248-698-3100 ext. 228 and we will give you instructions on how that can be done.

REMINDER!

Please make out your
CSA check to:
Archdiocese of Detroit/CSA



Greetings St. Patrick Parishioners
And Friends,

This year we will be performing our Parish Christmas Concert as a live stream only event.

The concert will take place **this Sunday, December 13th at 4:00pm** and can be viewed on our Facebook Page. As with all of our Live Feed Masses, the stream will go live a few minutes before 4pm and will run the duration of the concert. We hope you can join us for this unusual but festive presentation.

Members of our cantor program and instrumentalists from our Folk Group are preparing “virtually” for this concert, and we are excited to be able to bring it to you in your homes.

Thanks again for your continued support during this unusual time.

Sincerely,

Aaron Kaleniecki
Minister of Music
St. Patrick Catholic Community

WORSHIP

Ann Rogers arogers@stpwl.org 248-698-3100 x 222

Sacristans Needed

Before Mass, Sacristans set out the correct amount of bread and wine along with the appropriate liturgical vessels. Sacristans prepare everything in a timely way for the ministers and the assembly who will worship together at Mass. It is easy to do and training is provided. We particularly need Sacristans at the 12:00 Mass. Please call Ann at 248-698-3100 x 222 if you are interested in serving your parish in this very important way.

Pre-Marriage

Sponsor Couples Needed

This is a wonderful way to enrich your own marriage while sharing our faith in the ministry of preparing others for the Sacrament of Marriage. Sponsor couples are facilitators for those preparing to be married in the Church. If you are feeling called to be part of this ministry, please contact Karen Schmitt-kschmitt@stpwl.org, or 248-698-4388.

We ask that those interested be married no less than 5 years.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

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

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THE FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH
AT WILSON'S PUB 'N GRILL

YOU'RE INVITED

**ST. PATRICK MEN'S
FELLOWSHIP GROUP**

Join us for fun and
fellowship while
becoming a more
devoted disciple of
Christ.



Parish App

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Today**

You will get access to events, online giving, daily readings, our bulletin and more directly on your phone.

Just download Parish App and search for St. Patrick White Lake!

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 Robert and Carol Clifford
 Robert and Mary Lee Cori
 Frank and Nancy Crepeau
 Philip and Elaine Drellack
 Janice Gross
 Rudolf and Susan Heckmann
 Scott and Mary Heymoss
 Nancy Hindersman
 Philip and Christyne Ison
 Thomas and Colleen Keliher
 Norma Kirk
 Dennis and Judith Landin
 Markus and Leslie Leuker
 Christopher and Laura Luke
 Norm and Michele Malek
 Catherine Manning
 Ralph and Dorothy Mantela
 Julie McInnis
 William and Karla McIsaac
 James and Joanne Nicholls
 Scott and Mary Niemiec
 Craig and Paula Scheuern
 Carl and Theresa Schmitt
 Theodore and Carla Stakoe
 Jeanne Wagner
 Maurice and Verna Yaklin



Christmas Flowers In Memory of...

Karol Ciaverella
 Norma Hidalgo
 A. Joan Collins
 Len & Elaine Peltier
 Ed & Ruth Ashbaugh
 Tom Drohn
 Joseph McMahon
 Richard Cross
 The McMahon Family
 The Zajec Family
 The Love Family
 The Cross Family
 Bruce Thomas
 The Place Family
 M/M Armond C. Frasca
 Maryanne Frasca
 Richard Frasca
 Claudia Frasca
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 R. & C. Mon
 C.& I. Wills
 Albert Campanaro
 Sylvia Campanaro
 Frank Campanaro
 The Tomashik & Piterra
 Families
 Earl Whitlock, Jr. Family
 Earl & Lucille Whitlock Sr.
 The Perry Family
 Rose Turcott
 Larry & Randy Miller
 Mary & Harold Brick
 Cecelia & Joseph Brick
 Family
 Frances & Andrew
 Tomashewski
 Melvin & Bernice Bonds
 Larry Pawlovich
 Peter & Sophie Zuchowski
 Nicholas Lesniak
 Albena Pasquali
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 Nelson V. Rich, Jr.
 Robert & Arline
 Scheuring
 Nelson & Eva Rich, Sr.
 James & Joan Rich
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 Mary K. Swank
 Charles Swank
 Susan Swank-Cooper

Bill LeMarbe
 M/M Lawrence DeSmith Sr
 Larry DeSmith, Jr.
 Gerard & Irene Thibodeau
 Janice & Bernard
 Masterson
 Paul Johnson
 Ethelyn Johnson
 Regina Caprara
 Earl Raymond Tracy
 Earl Richard Tracy
 Mary Jane Tracy
 John Dwyer Tracy
 Walter & Victoria Banka
 Anthony & Mary Niemchak
 George Puscas
 Edward & Joan Oszust
 Carmel Pace
 Pauline Pace
 Salvatore Cassar
 Reed Clarke
 Joe Pace
 Barbara Russette
 William Elbe
 Richard Elbe
 Lloyd & Betty Lattrel
 Marlene Brandt
 George Huebner
 Barbara Kubik
 Dr. Raul Maghnta
 Jean Fitzsimons



Christmas Break

Parish Office Closed

**December 22nd at Noon
 will reopen,
 Monday, January 4th**



Christmas Flowers in Honor of...

D. & B. Weber
 The Cryderman Family
 The Dudek Family
 The Vu Family
 The Sobieraj Family
 M/M Franz Boos
 Ms Carole DeMarco
 M/M Steven Mashigan
 M/M Charles Christ
 Dr. & Mrs. E. Patrick Mitchell
 M/M Brian Shureb

Ms Pauline Stachurski
 Mr. William Mersino
 Ms Deborah Erhart
 David & Kelly Mesh
 M/M Joseph Baumgarten
 M/M John K. & Barbara Pilkiewicz
 Mr. Matthew Knedgen
 Miss Janice Gross
 M/M Timothy Tuohey
 M/M Kevin Markham
 M/M Mark & Kathleen Plummer



FAITH FORMATION

Shannon Fresquez, Faith Formation Coordinator



52 SUNDAYS



December 13, 2020: 3rd Sunday of Advent
He came to testify to the Light
 JN 1:6-8, 19-28

A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light.

And this is the testimony of John. When the Jews from Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to him to ask him, "Who are you?" He admitted and did not deny it, but admitted, "I am not the Christ." So they asked him, "What are you then? Are you Elijah?" And he said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" He answered, "No." So they said to him, "Who are you, so we can give an answer to those who sent us? What do you have to say for yourself?" He said: "I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, 'make straight the way of the Lord,'" as Isaiah the prophet said."

Some Pharisees were also sent. They asked him, "Why then do you baptize if you are not the Christ or Elijah or the Prophet?" John answered them, "I baptize with water; but there is one among you whom you do not recognize, the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie." This happened in Bethany across the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

FAMILY FUN

Ornament Quiz



By now your Christmas tree is probably up. Count how many ornaments are on your tree.

When did you get each ornament?

What does it remind you of?

Do any ornaments have a special story behind them?

What is your favorite ornament?

Bonus question: If you were an ornament, which one would you be? Why?

TAKE TIME TO CHAT

- * What does it mean for John the Baptist to "testify to the light"?
- * Do you think it was hard for John to admit that he wasn't as important as Jesus?
- * What is different at Mass during Advent?

MEET OUR EXTENDED FAMILY

St. Lucy (Feast Day December 13)

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We do not know much about the life of St. Lucy as it has been lost to history. We know that from the earliest time of the Church, her name has been held in high regard. She, like St. Cecilia, dedicated her entire life to God from an early age. She lived during a time of great persecution and was eventually killed for her faith. We know that she was tortured during her execution by having her eyes plucked out. When she is depicted in art, she is always shown holding her eyes on a platter as a sign of what she suffered for Christ. Martyrs are often depicted showing some aspect of the death they endured as a reminder to us that what was painful in this life, when endured for love of Jesus, is transformed into victory and God's glory in heaven.



FAMILY PRAYER

Renewal of Baptismal Promises

In preparation for the coming of Christ, recite the promises you or your parents made for you at your baptism. It is good for dad (or mom) to ask the questions and for each child to respond individually. Responses are in bold. Parents can ask each other these questions as well.

Do you reject Satan? **I do.**

And all his works? **I do.**

And all his empty promises? **I do.**

Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth? **I do.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary was crucified, died, and was buried, rose from the dead, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father? **I do.**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting? **I do.**

God, the all-powerful Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and forgiven all our sins. May he also keep us faithful to our Lord Jesus Christ for ever and ever. Amen.

Advent Resources

Advent is here! Let us prepare for the coming of the Lord. Below are a few resources for you during our preparation period. May we take a few moments to quiet our hearts and prepare for Christmas!

Dynamic Catholic



Making 2021 the Best Year of Your Life Starts with Advent!

It's a totally free and totally awesome daily video program (sent straight to your email) that will help you prepare for Christmas like never before!

To Sign Up Visit: www.dynamiccatholic.com

Ascension Press: Join Fr. Mark Toups for Rejoice! LIVE Sundays in Advent

Beginning on Sunday November 29th at 8PM

This year on the Sundays in Advent, we invite you to Rejoice! LIVE with Fr. Mark Toups as he joins us LIVE via Ascension's YouTube page.

We'll be coming together to share in the beautiful tradition of the Advent wreath to pray, unpack the Sunday Scripture reading, and prepare our hearts for the coming week of Advent.

Each Sunday Father will begin by leading us together in lighting the Advent wreath and praying the prayers found on the backs of the Rejoice! Advent Prayer Cards. We look forward to seeing you there.

November 29th 8PM - The Blessing of the Advent Wreath and Lighting of the First Candle

December 6th 8PM - The Lighting of the Second Candle

December 13th 8PM - The Lighting of the Third Candle

December 20th 8PM - The Lighting of the Fourth Candle

Visit: youtube.com and SEARCH: Ascension Presents

ADVENT FAMILY PRAYER CHALLENGE

Welcome to the Archdiocese of Detroit Advent Family Prayer Challenge! Your family is invited to enter into the beauty of the Advent season through prayer and reflection on the Scriptural themes of the season. Each day's prayer will reflect on the Evening Prayer Antiphon from the Liturgy of the Hours and how these themes touch our daily lives.

Starting on the first Sunday of Advent, participants will receive a daily reminder to pray via email or text. The Advent season gives us the opportunity to prepare our hearts and homes for Christ. This prayer challenge is a chance for families to celebrate this season in a new way. We look forward to you joining us!
How do I sign up?

Sign up by texting ADVENT20 to 33777.

Loyola Press



Advent A to Z E-Mail Series

Observe the 26 days of Advent 2020 with *Advent A to Z*. This special e-mail series will explore seasonal themes following the alphabet for inspiration. Featured authors include Jane Knuth, Christopher de Vinck, and Vinita Hampton Wright.

Sign up to receive the daily messages from the First Sunday of Advent, November 29, 2020, through Christmas. The messages will come from the Year in Our Church from Loyola Press.

To Sign Up Visit: loyolapress.com

YOUTH MINISTRY

jcavanaugh@stpwl.org

248-698-3100 ext. 225

**Middle School Faith
and Fun Nights!****An Ugly Christmas Sweater Party**

Our next **ONLINE** gathering will be next **Monday, December 14th.**

6th grade meets at 6:30pm and 7th/8th grades meet at 7:45pm. Check your email box for the reminder and link.

We then take a Holiday break for both groups and plan to return to our every other week format January 4th for the online group and January 11th for those meeting at the church.

Questions? Contact Jcavanaugh@stpwl.org

**Help us raise \$3,500 to feed
10,000 people**

On Saturday, January 30, 2021, families from St. Patrick Parish will gather to pack 10,000 meals! **BUT, we first need to raise \$3,500**

This is a service project for middle school and high school students and their parents. Save the date – MANY volunteers will be needed!

Kids Coalition Against Hunger is a 501 c 3 humanitarian food relief organization whose mission is to significantly reduce the number of hungry children in the USA and feed starving children throughout the world.

**WE WELCOME YOUR DONATION
TO HELP THIS CAUSE**

- Mail a check or money order to:
Kids Coalition Against Hunger
P.O. Box 930794
Wixom, MI 48393
ATTN: St. Patrick's January 30 White Lake

Your donation is fully tax deductible

**Confirmation 2021**

We are getting ready to begin the process of preparing high school teens again in January with a May celebration. Please contact Julie Jcavanaugh@stpwl.org for more information on how to become registered for the Winter/Spring Track 2021 or visit the Parish Website. Our calendars for the winter online and in-person sessions are now available. If you register now, you will get the updates provided to you as they occur.

All teens wanting to prepare through the online process beginning in January need to register NOW as books need to be ordered and there is some pre-work to do before the first session on January 10th, 2021.

**Teens...Stay In touch using one
of our
Social Media Platforms!**

Remind: Text "@sptee" to 81010 For ALL things SpTeens!



Instagram: @spteenswhitelake



Facebook: SpTeens White Lake



Twitter: spteenswhitelake



Snapchat: sptateens



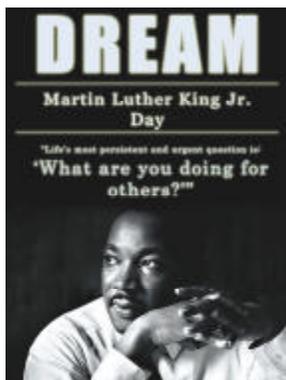
Stay home, stay safe, but please stay spiritually fed!

NEW YEAR....FULL OF NEW OPPORTUNITIES!

**Works of Mercy
for Confirmation Candidates and anyone
looking to “Unleash the Gospel”
by being a Joyful Missionary Disciple!**

Martin Luther King Service Day January 16th, 2021 10:00am—2:00pm

Youth Ministries from across the Archdiocese of Detroit will be honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by witnessing to the power of God’s Mercy. This event will mobilize hundreds of young people to serve in their communities! We will have opportunities to serve at the church or from your home on this day. The world hungers for an experience of God’s Mercy like never before! Are you in?



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Kid’s Coalition Against Hunger Meal Packaging Event

Saturday, January 30th 10:00am-noon

We are looking for 60 or 70 volunteers to help package meals for disaster relief efforts and third world countries. Come be part of an assembly line to package 10,000 boil-in-bag meals to be shipped wherever needed. This is an event that will feed others with nutrition and bring nourishment to the soul of those packaging the meals. Watch for a sign-up in early January to be part of this event.



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Soup”er Bowl Sunday Collection After All Masses February 7th & 8th

We will hold our annual monetary collections in soup pots on Superbowl Sunday weekend. Teens will be needed to hold the pots after Mass to collect donations.



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Red Cross Blood Drive February 15, 2021

Participate in our semi-annual “Service Sunday” on A MONDAY! Teens from the parish can register donors, serve juice and cookies after the donations and complete a variety of service projects for the

parish Faith Formation Office. This is on President’s day.



Keeping Christ in Christmas

Artwork Due Friday, December 18th

We would like to invite all youth at St. Patrick Parish and St. Patrick Catholic School to participate in the Knights of Columbus "Keeping Christ in Christmas" poster exhibit for all boys and girls ages 5-14. By engaging in the talents of our young people, we hope they will come to a deeper understanding of the true meaning of Christmas, and that they will inspire others to remember the true meaning of Christmas as well.

Every child can create a poster on a standard 8x11 sheet of paper, the individual artist can choose their theme as it relates to "Keeping Christ in Christmas". The poster should depict the spiritual meaning of Christmas that is applicable to the artist and their family.

Please take a photo of your creation and upload it using the online form link on our parish website.

Posters will be displayed during Christmas Masses, on our websites and across our social media platforms in order to inspire all in our community! The artists name, age, and grade (if included) will be added to the poster for use in video collages and galleries. We hope this is a fun way for our children to be able to show their art to the world and inspire a child-like love of Christ this Christmas.

"Amen, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven."
~Matthew 18:3

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CHRISTIAN SERVICE VIRTUAL GIVING TREE

Many of our requests were **not** sponsored; if you are able to provide gift cards to Meijer, Walmart, Kohls or Target, please place your gifts in an envelope marked Christian Service – and we will match it up with an unsponsored request, **PLEASE RETURN ASAP** so we may get them out to the agencies we have sponsored.

Christmas Seasonal Sharing 2020- COVID 19 STYLE

This year our Christmas Sharing will be vastly different from years past. It will not be so much fun shopping, as most agencies are requesting gift cards only for their clients. Sadly, it is much easier to sanitize a gift card than a sweet cuddly teddy bear! Also, the logistics for the agencies who usually rely on many volunteers to organize and deliver mountains of Christmas gifts are hard pressed to find volunteers willing to work during the pandemic.

We have published a list below for some of the items and gift cards we are collecting...no tags this year. Just purchase something from the list below recipient and leave by the Statues in the back of the church as always. Just purchase something from the list below, label for the intended recipient and leave by the Statues in the back of the church or place envelopes in the collection boxes.

Pregnancy Centers Mother and Unborn Baby Care-Southfield and Another Way Pregnancy Center Farmington Hills request: Please place gift cards in an envelope marked Christian Service – Pregnancy Centers and deliver to by **Dec. 6th** Place in the collection boxes or drop off box by the Parish Office door.

Kroger, Meijer or Walmart Gift Cards for the Mothers and babies needs

Jail Outreach and Aftercare Program requests: Please deliver socks and soap to the statues by **Dec 6th**, labeled JOM
JOM needs 800 pair of white Tube Socks, please donate as you are able.
JOM needs 800 bars of soap, please donate as you are able.
1600 Forever U.S. Postage Stamps in an envelope marked Christian Service - JOM and place in the collection boxes or drop off box by the Parish Office door.

St Aloysius Street Mission in Detroit request: Please deliver socks, hats, gloves, hand warmers to the statues by **Dec 6th**
Hand, toe, and body warmers-
Knit pullover hats made for very cold weather
Gloves made for very cold weather
White socks (they go through 300 pair a day)
Walmart Gift Cards- Please place gift cards in an envelope marked Christian Service – St Aloysius and place in the collection boxes or drop off box by the Parish Office door

Homebound Flower Collection: Please make your check out to St. Patrick Christian Service and return by **Dec13th**
Please place cash or checks in an envelope marked Christian Service - Homebound Flowers and place in the collection boxes or drop off box by the Parish Office door and we will use your donation to purchase plants for homebound and Senior Living facilities.

Utility Assistance: Please deliver to Christian Service or the collection boxes by **Dec 13th**
Please place a check made out to St Patrick Christian Service or cash in an envelope marked Christian Service – Utility Assistance and place in the collection boxes or drop off box by the Parish Office door. Christian Service will use the funds to pay DTE and Consumers bills for our clients in need.

The Open Door: Please deliver by **Dec 6th**
Please place a Meijer or Walmart Gift Card in an envelope marked Christian Service – Open Door and return to the collection boxes or the drop off box by the Parish Office door.

St. Anne Detroit: Please deliver by **Dec 13th**
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Meals on Wheels Pet Food Program

The pet food program was developed when it was discovered that seniors who were receiving meals through M.O.W. would feed their pet instead of themselves. When living alone, a pet can provide comfort and companionship and helps the elderly overcome depression and loneliness. Please consider donating pet food to help our senior shut-ins. You can drop off your donations in the tubs in front of the statues at the back of the church.



Please Pray for Our Men & Women in the Military

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Judy Julite

PARISH NURSE MINISTRY Stay Healthy during the Holidays!

Which means upcoming holidays... which means (or meant) socializing, parties, visiting family & friends, and travel. This year, holidays may look totally different. Recently, the CDC has provided travel guidelines for the upcoming holiday season. Hopefully, the information included in this email will provide you with helpful information to keep everyone healthy and safe.

Staying home is the best way to protect yourself and others from getting or spreading COVID-19 and the "flu". If you do decide to travel for the holidays, follow these safety measures:

· Before you travel:

****Check** each state's COVID-19 cases in the last 7 days, including Michigan. Michigan cases are trending upwards. The more cases at your destination the more likely you are to become infected during travel and spread the virus to others when

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Sunday: 10:00am (Channel 22)

Sunday: 7:00pm (Channel 398)

(CTND is no longer telecasting the Masses)

Also available on St. Patrick home page for Virtual Masses at stpwl.org. Also available from the St. Patrick Parish Virtual Mass archives.

(as of August 30, 2020)

you return.

****Food tips:** The safest option is to bring your own food. Restaurants and stores may be closed. Other options include drive-through delivery, take-out, and curbside pick-up. Follow good hygiene and limit the amount of people in areas where food is prepared. Have one person serve all shareable food and consider using single-use items for condiments, plates and utensils. Avoid potluck gatherings.

****Did you know?**

Cloth face coverings (masks) should be washed after every use. It is important to always remove masks correctly. Wash your hands after handling or touching a used mask. Have a safe holiday. Cam West RN, Parish Nurse

Schedule for December 19th and 20th

DATE/TIME	MINISTERS OF THE WORD	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	ALTAR SERVERS	OFFERTORY
Tuesday December 15 Video Mass 11:00am Fr. Susai	Pat Mackowiak	Volunteers	None	Video Volunteers Camera: Teresa Audio: Steve Director: Teresa Producer: Steve
Saturday December 19 5:00 pm Fr. Tom	Karen Schmitt	Volunteers	None	Volunteers
Sunday December 20 8:00 am Fr. Susai	Morey Yaklin	Volunteers	None	Volunteers
10:00 am Fr. Tom / Deacon Ken	John Fitzgerald	Volunteers	None	Volunteers
12:00 pm Fr. Susai / Deacon Mike	Tricia Fitzsimons	Volunteers	None	Volunteers

Mass Intentions Scheduled for December 14-20

Day/Date	Time	Intentions	By
Monday, December 14	8:00 am	Fr. Mike Woroniewicz - Anniversary of Ordination	
Tuesday, December 15	Video Mass 11:00 am	Ben Cronan—Birthday Remembrance John Sutherland—In Remembrance Ro Crane	The Fresquez Family Sam, Pam & Anna Fiani Joanne & Rick Repicky
Wednesday, December 16	8:00 am	Michelle McCormick on her Birthday	Friends
Thursday, December 17	8:00 am	Mike Dertinger—12th Anniversary of Death	Family
Friday, December 18	8:00 am	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	
Saturday, December 19	5:00 pm	John Tracy—Anniversary of Death Lisa K. & Chet McGlynchey John Trimper—Birthday Remembrance	Family Nonie McGlynchey & Family Laura Kenney
Sunday, December 20	8:00 am	Rita Lynn—In Remembrance Nicholas Lesniak - 5th Anniversary of Death Frederick & Geraldine Poole Salim & Jalila George	Roy & Mary Lee Caswell Mother, Maria Pasqualli Family Family
	10:00 am	Benefactors of St. Vincent De Paul Society Nelson Rich, Jr. Edward & Bernice Ruby—In Remembrance	Wife, Carol & Family Children
	12:00 pm	Kurt Casebolt on his 64th Birthday	Family

WEEKLY CALENDAR
December 14- December 20

MONDAY, December 14
 Mass—8am

TUESDAY, December 15
 Video Mass—11am

WEDNESDAY, December 16
 Mass—8am
 Bible Study—7pm

THURSDAY, December 17
 Mass—8am
 Bible Study - 6:30pm

FRIDAY, December 18
 School Mass—8:30am

SATURDAY, December 19
 Confession: 10:30am-Noon
 Mass—5pm

SUNDAY, December 20
4th Sunday of Advent
 Masses: 8am, 10am, 12pm
 RCIA-10am
 Baptisms—1:30pm

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 Thursday 8:00 a.m.
 Friday 8:00 a.m.

Rosary
 The Rosary is prayed after every weekday Mass.
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Holy Day Mass Schedule
 6:30 a.m., 10 a.m., 7:00 p.m.
Mass on a Civic Holiday - 9:00 a.m.
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Parish Registration
 Call Parish office for monthly registration date.
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 Each Saturday at 11:00-11:30 a.m.
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Sacrament of Marriage
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