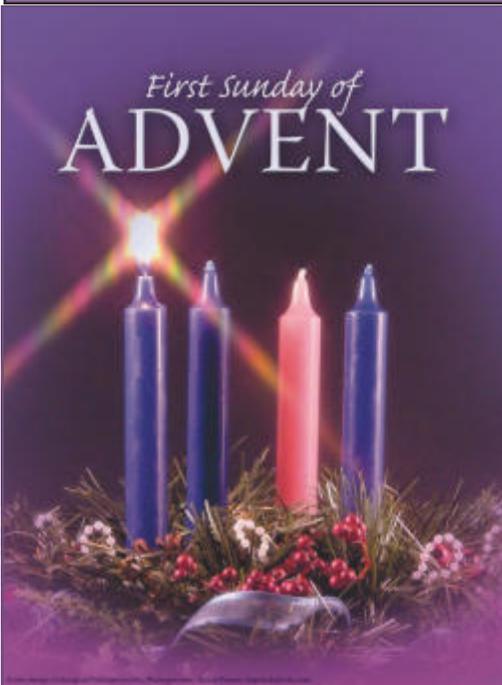


St. Patrick Parish

November 28, 2021
First Sunday of Advent



First Sunday of “Our Advent-ure”! “Prepare the Way for the Lord!”



Sacraments, especially through the gift of the Eucharist, and where we might least expect to meet Him, in the presence of the other people we are with in our everyday and ordinary life.

Let us pray that we will “carpe diem” - “seize the moment” of God’s grace and presence as we realize how blessed we truly are—for the Lord our God is with us as we continue this Adventure of Faith that leads us toward the fullness of God’s Kingdom. Until that time, let us Watch and Wait thanking the Lord for all that He in His goodness and great mercy continues to do for us. And so we “Watch” And so we “Wait”!

Advent Mass and Benediction

Everyone is invited to join us in prayer this Friday evening, December 5th at 7:00pm for an Advent Mass and Benediction. Please bring your family and others with you for this special time of Advent Prayer as we pray together for greater world peace and for vocations. I hope that you will plan to be with us.

Little Blue Book

As we have done for a number of years now, we are once again offering the familiar “Little Blue Book” for your personal daily Advent journey of faith. (We have enclosed an envelope to help defray our expenses in printing this for you).

Please remember in your prayers this Advent, the original author and

creator of this excellent daily guide for the Season of Advent, the former Bishop of Saginaw and also a former Archdiocesan priest I knew from seminary days, Bishop Ken Untener (1937-2004). After his early and untimely death, others from his diocesan office “picked up the torch” and have continued providing this annual Advent spiritual handbook for us. This daily Advent scriptural guide is available at the doors of the church this weekend. Please take one copy for your family this week. If the booklets are still at the doors next weekend, then feel free to take as many as you wish for your other family members.

I hope that this will help you as we pray together, “Watching and Waiting” this Advent Season.... “Marantha, Come Lord Jesus, Come”!

2022 Church Calendars

Our 2022 church calendars, with the theme of “Stewardship”, are now available at the doors of the church. We publicly express our deep gratitude to the manager and staff of the Elton Black and Son Funeral Home for providing them for us once again this year.

Scriptural Reflections

In my scriptural reading last week, I found this reflection on the Sacred Scriptures that I thought might be helpful to you from the writings of Jer. 33:14-16, 1 Thes. 3:12; 4:2, and Lk. 21:25-28, 34-36.

Today’s readings have a theme of preparation. The prophet Jeremiah speaks for
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Pastoral Notes

This weekend, as we enter into this year’s Season of Advent, the Church continues to invite us into a deeper relationship with the Lord as we venture into Advent 2021. You perhaps will notice in our Liturgy today how we are asked to always “be on the watch” and never be unprepared for the Lord coming to us in our everyday life. The word “Advent” means a coming or an arrival. The Season of Advent asks us to sharpen our “faith-focus” and our “faith-hearing” so that we will be alert to Christ’s presence as He comes to be with us in our daily life through His Sacred Word, the

(Pastoral Notes cont'd)

the Lord, telling the Israelites of the days the are coming when the Lord will fulfill the promise [he] made to the house of Israel and Judah. This promise was one that said he would bring forth a savior, born of the house of David. Saint Paul tells the Thessalonians that they should conduct themselves in a way pleasing to God and *to be blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of the Lord Jesus with all his holy ones.* And finally, in Luke's Gospel, Jesus vividly describes what it will be like when the Son of Man comes with *power and great glory.* He tells his disciples to be vigilant at all times and to be ready to stand before him in judgment.

It is fitting that the Scriptures speak of being prepared, for that is a state of being we ought to maintain—at least spiritually. We know that Christ will come again, we just do not know when. And so we begin our Advent time in anticipation of celebrating the anniversary of Christ's birth, we also "wait in joyful hope for the coming [again] of our Savior".

Each year, on this first Sunday of Advent, the Universal Church begins a new liturgical year. We examine, once again and still, the fullness of the Paschal Mystery in all its facets. The Paschal Mystery refers to Christ's passion, death, resurrection, and glorious Ascension, i.e., the means by which he accomplished our salvation. But our liturgical year is so much more than an annual history lesson on the life of Christ. It is an opportunity to immerse ourselves into all that Jesus did and taught, and relate it to our own redemption—here and now in 2021. For "by dying, he has destroyed our death, and by rising, restored our life".
(Preface, Easter 1)

This Paschal Mystery is at the heart of every liturgy - we celebrate what God has already done for us and we anticipate the fullness of the Kingdom to come. It is in the Lord's Prayer, as we say, "thy Kingdom come, thy will be done". It is in the creed we profess, "He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead". We have spoken the words of the mystery in liturgies past: "Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again". And we have sung or recited, or heard others

do so, that wonderful verse from the Book of Revelation: *Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come.*"
(Rev 4:8)

As we begin Advent, we welcome the opportunity to grow in faith and in conformity to Christ. May our preparation for the celebration of his birth, and his awaited second coming, be one that draws us ever more into the Paschal Mystery, and enables us to be *blameless in holiness before our God and Father.*

Peace and Joy in the Lord Whom We Serve as We Begin "This Season of Advent-ure",

Fr. Tom

Preparing the Manger

Where do you fall in the "Christmas-songs-in-November" debate — do you like them, tolerate them, or outright hate them? There's no theological problem with Christmas songs in November outside of worship, even if it's not everyone's cup of tea. But there is a problem with getting so caught up in the baggage of the season — the trimmings, the gifts, the celebrations, all of which are marvelous in their own way — that you forget to prepare the manger.

Every good Catholic knows that Lent is a penitential season. It's hard to miss that point — Lent doesn't even have any fun songs you can groove to on the radio. We are pretty good at recognizing that Lent calls us to examine ourselves. To deny ourselves. To give of ourselves. And most of all, Lent calls us to prepare, as a good steward does, for the return of our master.

It's harder for us to remember that with Advent, but Advent is just as much of an opportunity for penance, preparation, and reconciliation to God — and just as much reason, too. The very name of the season — "advent" — encourages us to focus on what is coming, not what is already here. Be on guard, the readings tell us today, "so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and (the coming of the Lord) catch you unexpectedly, like a trap."

So let us not forget — our master's advent is upon us. And let us ask ourselves: how can we prepare the manger?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



The collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will take place on the weekend of December 11/12. Please be generous to those who spent their lives in service to the Church.



Do you need a break from the hectic pace of the holidays? Advent prayers remind us to stop and take time to focus on what really counts this time of year, to prepare for the arrival of our Lord Jesus Christ, both in the Nativity and in His Second Coming as well! During Advent, we await the celebration of Jesus' birth at Christmas while taking stock of our readiness for His return.

Advent prayers like this one below reflects this spirit:

"Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to prepare the ways of Your Only begotten Son, that we may attain to serve You with purified minds, through His advent. Who with You lives and reigns in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, world without end. Amen."

Remember, in the midst of this season that we need to include Jesus in our holiday preparations. Although Christmas comes "but once a year," Christ's love is with us always and He is counting on us to share it with others!

ADMINISTRATION

Gay Pousho, Business Manager 248-698-3100

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION SUMMARY

WEEK OF 11/21/21	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>DIFFER- ENCE</u>
WEEKLY OFFERTORY	Report to be published next week!		
ONLINE GIVING			
TOTAL		\$18,692.31	
YEAR TO DATE	\$371,187.84	\$373,846.20	(\$2,658.66)

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

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



“Fuel the Mission”

Parish Goal: \$124,786.00

This is our share of the support which provides for the work of the Catholic Services Appeal.

Total Current Pledges:
\$100,992.50

Number of Pledges: 372
81% of our Goal

Balance Needed: **\$23,793.50**

Additional Donors



THINKING OF SWITCHING TO ONLINE GIVING

ParishSoft/Ministry Brands will match your gift, if you're NEW to online giving between November 1 and December 31, 2021

THIS IS THE SEASON FOR GIVING

For every **NEW** recurring gift that's added between November 1 and December 31, 2021, ParishSoft/Ministry Brand will match the gift, up to \$50, with a maximum match of \$1,000 per organization. To be eligible for the matching gift, more than one installment must be set-up and the first recurring gift will need to be completed by December 31, 2021. ParishSoft/Ministry Brand will disburse the matching gifts to our organization in Q1 2022.

Please visit our website www.stpatrickwhitelake.org and click on the online giving tab to create an account. Thank you in advance for your generosity. God Bless!

The Business Administration Team

Please Pray for Our Men & Women in the Military

- EM2 Christian Kopicko - Coast Guard
- HMC Geraldine Petrick – Navy Reserves
- SPC Kerry Petrick – Army Reserves
- Lt. Paul Campbell – USN
- Sr. Airman Eric Kelly – Airforce
- Major Andrew Atanasoff – USAF
- Major Kathleen Atanasoff – USAF
- S SGT Casey Crowley – Marines
- PFC Dustin Crowley – Nat. Guard
- Capt. Joseph Payne- Army
- Michael Territo- Navy
- Andrew Lucas-USMC
- Jesse Arbuckle- Navy
- E-1 Jacob Collins -National Guard-Army
- 1st Lt. Marcel Cloutier – Air Force
- Lt. Kirk S Seleski – U.S. Army
- Austin Oberlander US Army
- Sarah Schneider US Air Force
- Justin Riordan, Army National Guard
- LCpl Bryce D. Samoylov—Marines
- Evan Caswell—Marines



Summer's End Non-Fair Report!

As of: 11-15-2021

Checks: \$16,500.00
 Cash: \$ 150.00
 Online: \$ 3,773.00

 Total: \$20,423.00



WORSHIP

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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.



Join Father Susai on
Friday, December 3rd at
7:00 pm
in the Church for Advent-
Mass and Benediction

We hope you can join us



The Advent Wreath

As we begin to prepare our Hearts and Home for the Birth of our Savior, let us not forget the four weeks leading up to Christmas. ADVENT! As we prepare for the First Sunday of Advent, here is a little background on the Advent Wreath: Traditionally, Advent wreaths are constructed of a circle of evergreen branches into which four candles are inserted, representing the four weeks of Advent. Ideally, three candles are purple, and one is rose, but white candles can also be used. (The white candle is known as the Christ Candle).

The purple candles symbolize the prayer, penance, and preparatory sacrifices and good works undertaken at this time. The rose candle is lit on the third Sunday, Gaudete Sunday, when the priest also wears rose vestments at Mass; Gaudete Sunday is the Sunday of rejoicing, because the faithful have arrived at the midpoint of Advent, when their preparation is now half over, and they are close to Christmas.

The progressive lighting of the candles symbolizes the expectation and hope surrounding our Lord's first coming into the world and the anticipation of His second coming to judge the living and the dead.



This Week's Readings

Monday, November 29

Is 2:1-5
Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday, November 30

Rom 10:9-18
Mt 4:18-22

Wednesday, December 1

Is 25:6-10a
Mt 15:29-37

Thursday, December 2

Is 26:1-6
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday, December 3

Is 29:17-24
Mt 9:27-31

Saturday, December 4

Is 30:19-21, 23-26
Mt 9:35; 10:1, 5a, 6-8

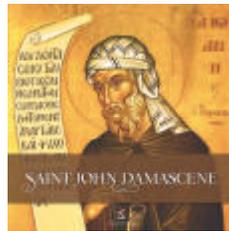
Sunday, December 5

2nd Sunday of Advent

Bar 5:1-9
Phil 1:4-6, 8-11
Lk 3:1-6



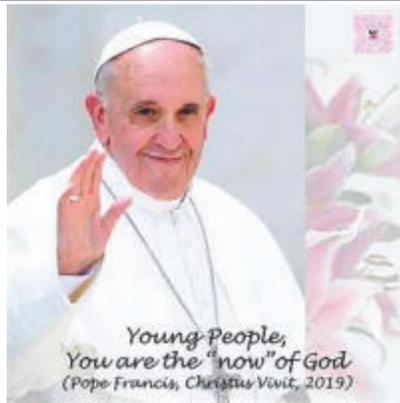
Little Blue Books are available at the doors of the church. Please take one for your Advent devotions. An envelope is provided to help defray the costs.



St. John Damascene **Feast Day December 4**

St. John Damascene (676 -749) was the son of the chief of the revenue department in the city of Damascus. Through his father, he received a classical and theological education and attempted to follow in his footsteps by serving in a government position. However, the Lord was calling him to a different life, and a few years later he resigned from his position and went to the Monastery of St. Sabas, where he wrote books and composed hymns along with his adopted brother, Cosmas. St. John Damascene is best known for his writings against the iconoclasts, who opposed the veneration of images; his treatise, *Exposition of the Orthodox Faith*, a summary of the Greek Fathers; and his work as a poet, one of the two greatest of the Eastern Church. His devotion to the Blessed Mother and his sermons on her feasts are well known.

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Christus Vivit National Youth Award

The Christus Vivit National Youth Award recognizes young Catholics in either their junior or senior year of high school who have helped bring Christ to life in their parishes, schools, and local communities. These are the young people who live and model what it means to be a missionary disciple in the world today. Through their Christian service and stewardship, their advocacy for those in need, and their model of Christian living, they serve as lights for the world so that others may glimpse the good news of Jesus Christ alive within them.

This year, Pope Francis has declared Christ the King Sunday as a Global Celebration of Young People. Youth all over the world will be recognized on this day for bringing Christ to life in their parishes, school and local communities.



Last weekend we recognized **Olivia Brothers, Julia Christiansen, Zachary Hill and David Strzelewicz** as St. Patrick's first recipients of the Christus Vivit National Youth Award.

Congratulations and THANK YOU for your service to our parish and the greater community!



YOUTH MINISTRY

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

Charity Christmas Program -

Sunday, December 12th, 1:30-4:00pm

Looking for teens to help run various stations for this new elementary aged Christmas gathering. Stations include crafts, games, movie, drama and snack. Great service opportunity for older brothers and sisters of those in attendance.

Children’s Village Christmas Party—

Sunday, December 12th 6-8pm

We will be hosting a Christmas party for one of the buildings in the Village. Teens are needed to bring fun and friendship to the resident teens.. We will play some games, share a meal and bring gifts provided by St Patrick parishioners.. Help provide some Holiday Cheer !

To sign-up or for more info, please contact Julie

Jcavanaugh@stpwl.org



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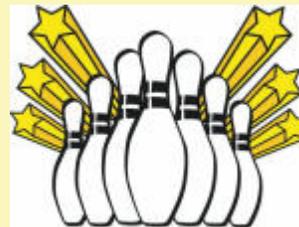
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Bowling Night



Bowling, Pizza and Pop
Monday, November 29th 2021

6:30-8:00pm

Waterford Lanes

7100 Cooley Lake Road, Waterford
(near Hospital Road)

SEE YOU THERE!

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Sunday, December 5th 7:00-8:30pm - Our next Confirmation Session focusing on Holy Orders, Blessed are the Peacemakers and the Gift of Fortitude. It's our last session for 2021. We will resume again on January 9th.

No Youth Mass on Sunday, December 19th - This is the evening of our Parish Christmas Concert. Please come enjoy the talented musicians in our parish and get in the Christmas spirit. This is a great event for candidates and sponsors to attend together. **Next Youth Mass will be on January 16th at 5:00pm**

Confirmation Names— Those candidates who have yet to choose a Confirmation name should be doing their research this month. Our retreat is quickly approaching at the end of January and all candidates will need to have chosen a name by then.

Service—Check out the opportunities on December 12th. Confirmation service time should be completed by February 15th.



Faith Formation News

Dear St. Patrick Families,

Hello, my name is Vicki Krier and I am excited to announce that I will be the new Faith Formation Director. I am from St Benedict's of Waterford Parish where I have led faith formation for the past five years. I have my advanced certification in catechesis and in 2020 graduated from Sacred Heart Major Seminary where I received my certification in Catholic Theology. As I reflect on my spiritual journey, I can see how the Spirit of the Lord has prompted me for so much more than I have ever expected.

I have a husband of 21 years, a 5th grade boy and 7th grade girl. In my spare time I teach ballet at Modern Messages, a faith based dance studio. I am not new to St Pat's as I have participated in many events here over the years. I am so excited to begin my new journey here at St Pat's and I look forward to meeting everyone in this faith community.

We are in need of volunteers for our Charity Christmas Program on December 12th from 1:30-4:00p.m.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



We are asking for help with set up, craft and movie stations, games, and snacks.

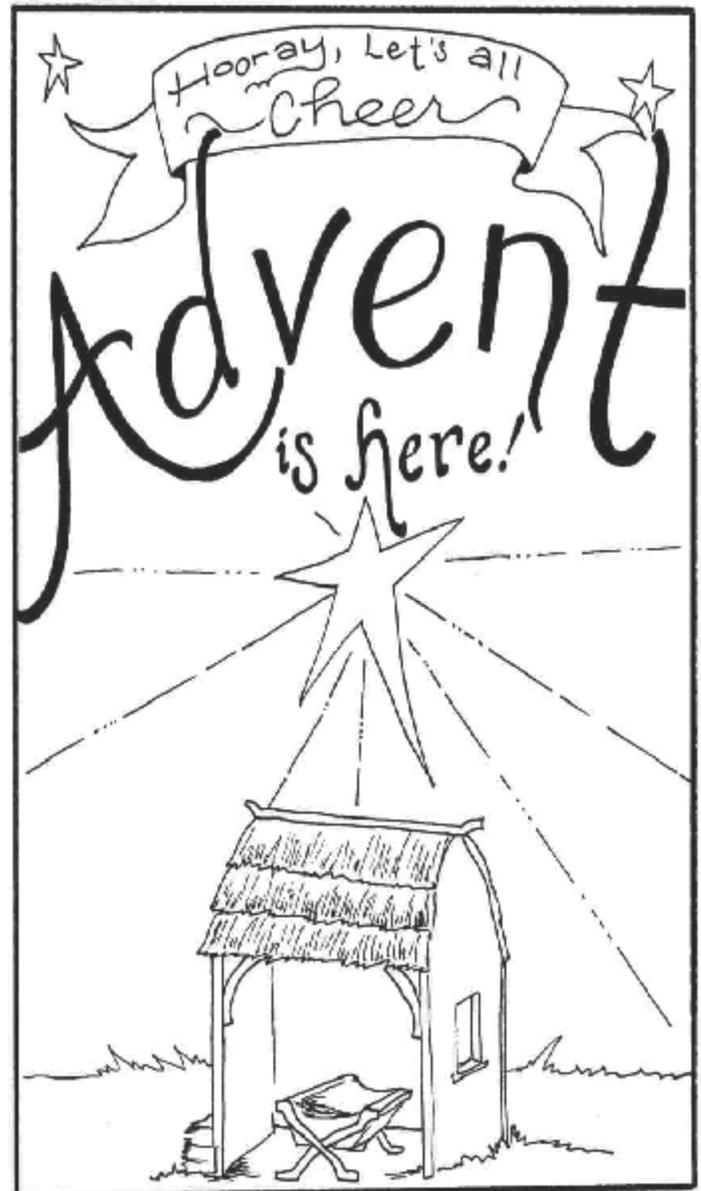
Admission is free. We are asking for a donation of matching hat and glove set, all ages.

For more information contact Karen McCuean at donmccuean@aol.com or text 313-433-1062

UPCOMING EVENTS!

11/29 K-5 Religious Ed 5:45 - 7:00pm

12/04 First Communion Prep 3:30 - 5:00pm





Luke 21:25-28

²⁵"There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea. ²⁶People will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken. ²⁷At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." "Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

TAKE TIME TO CHAT

In today’s Gospel, Jesus wants us to be ready when he comes again. We do not know when that will be.

What are some ways you can stay vigilant and be ready for Jesus? The word “redemption” means being saved from sin. **Does everyone in the world need to be saved from sin? Explain your answer.**

What does it mean to “stand before the Son of Man” at the end of time?

How can we prepare for this now?

FAMILY FUN

Create an Advent Wreath

Advent wreaths help us to “prepare the way of the Lord.” Create an Advent wreath for your home or to give as a gift.

Here’s what you need:

- 4 toilet paper tubes
- Purple construction paper and/or marker
- Pink construction paper and/or marker
- Green construction paper (or green marker or crayons)
- 1 piece of yellow paper (construction paper, Post-it notes, highlighted paper, etc.)
- A round plate (a paper plate is fine)

Cut the green paper into a circle so that it fits on top of the plate. Trace handprints on the green paper to make leaves for on the wreath. Wrap 3 of the toilet paper tubes in purple construction paper or color them purple. Wrap the remaining toilet paper roll in pink. Place the tubes on the plate, spaced evenly around the perimeter. Secure them with tape. Make flames from the yellow paper and tape the flames on the candles as appropriate



Life, Camp Fire, and other Scouting Organizations: Start your Scouting Year with a blessing!



Please join the Catholic Youth Organization Spiritual Scouting Program for a Pilgrimage Mass at St. Thomas the Apostle in Garden City on **Sunday, January 9, 2022 at 2:00pm.** Members and former members of all scouting groups are invited. Come with your family, your den/troop or on your own—all Scouts past and present are invited. Current and former members are encouraged to wear uniforms, sashes/vests, and or pins. A St. Thomas the Apostle Pilgrimage Activity Patch Program will be available to Scouts the day of the pilgrimage. A special patch will also be available for purchase.

All Scouts are requested to bring a non-perishable food item for donation. Scouts who would like to participate in the Mass as a reader, greeter, gift bearer or flag carrier, please contact scouting@cyodetroit.org.

St. Thomas the Apostle
31530 Beechwood Ave.
Garden City, MI 48135

For more information, please contact John Savage, CYO Spiritual Scouting Director, at 313-963-7172 ext.8 or scouting@cyodetroit.org.

**GOSPEL MEDITATION
ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

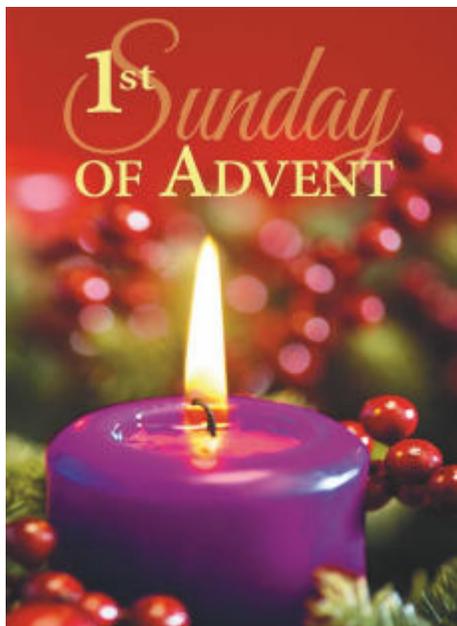
**November 28, 2021
1st Sunday of Advent**

Staying awake can often be a challenge, especially when we are exhausted. Life's demands have a way of zapping every last bit of energy out of us. When we are tired it affects us not only physically, but psychologically and spiritually as well. All of our senses are dulled and diminished. We can overlook details, become disinterested, lethargic and apathetic, and detached. Getting sufficient physical rest only helps so much. We need to be rejuvenated, refreshed, and reenergized in other ways. If we are psychologically exhausted, we need to understand what is draining our emotions and taxing our relationships. If we are spiritually tired, we need to find the necessary "shot in the arm" to put us back in touch with God. Unfortunately, exhaustion is seldom limited to just one part of who we are. When we lack energy and zeal it is usually the case that everything suffers. We not only are affected physically, but psychologically and spiritually as well. In short, when we run out of gas the engine stops.

And yet, our Lord's directive is clear, "Be vigilant at all times." Even Jesus knew what "the anxieties of daily life" can do to us. One day pours into another and time quickly flies by. Any one of us can take a moment and reflect on how many wonderful, creative opportunities we miss because there is always so much "stuff" to do and so little time to do it. Usually these are missed moments of love, and if we are missing love encounters we are also missing God. Sleepwalking through life, we check the boxes next to our list of "must and have to dos" and justify it all by convincing ourselves that tomorrow is another day and there'll be more time. It may surprise us, but tomorrow is here, and time is running out. While we may like to believe that we have an "eternity" of time to do all those things that require the focus, energy, and desire we do not currently have, we don't. We're on a limited ride and time is short.

Jesus is also clear on another point. "That day [will] catch you by surprise like a trap." If we are going to be judged on love and so easily justify not having all that much time to do so, then it seems we must shift focus a bit. St. Teresa of Calcutta tells us, "We desire to be able to welcome Jesus at Christmas-time, not in a cold manger of our heart, but in a heart full of love and humility, a heart so pure, so immaculate, so warm with love for one another." Getting to this place doesn't "just happen." It requires vigilance and discipline both with a knowledge of what is really of importance and what really needs to be the focus of our energy and time. Pray, starting now and not tomorrow, that we can stay alert, be strengthened in our faith, and prepared for whatever will come. Don't miss another opportunity to love.

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1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Bonnie Degen

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Christmas Seasonal Sharing

Seasonal Sharing tags are now up on the Christmas Trees – two trees in the church lobby and on the Bulletin Boards. Please take a tag or two and fulfill someone's wish and return it to the statues at the back of Church by the date indicated.

We will also be utilizing the online **Sign Up Genius** for the agency families, agency requests and individuals we are sponsoring. Please check www.stpatrickwhitelake.org or [Facebook](#) for the link to Sign Up Genius to access the list of agencies, such as Open Door, Jail Aftercare, Briarwood, Teggerdine House, Lakeside Manor, Atherton Schools, Children's Village and Oakland Family Services.



PARISH NURSE MINISTRY Save a LIFE -AREA BLOOD DRIVES:

December 3rd: West Bloomfield Parks, 4640 Walnut Lake Rd., West Bloomfield, 12noon – 6:00pm

December 12th: St. Joseph Mercy Oakland Hospital, 44405 Woodward Ave. Pontiac, 9:00am-3:00pm

December 13th: Oakhurst Golf & Country Club, 7000 Oakhurst Lane, Clarkston, Noon-6:00pm

December 14th: Wixom Community Center, 49015 Pontiac Trail, Wixom – 1:00pm-7:00pm

For your convenience, please consider making an appointment at www.redcrossblood.org

The Bloomfield **Donation Center** at 4190 Telegraph Road, and is open 7 days a week by appointment only, times vary, see their website.

The Farmington Hills **Donation Center** at 31150 Haggerty Rd, times vary, make an appointment at the website above.

Right to Life/ LIFESPAN The Reason for the Season

Right to Life-LIFESPAN Christmas cards are available. They reflect the true message of the season... the joy of the birth of Christ. Sending Christmas cards to friends and family seems to be a tradition that is waning. Share the Reason for the Season! For information, please call the LIFESPAN OFFICE, 248-816-1546

Coffee and Donuts



Please join us for coffee, donuts, and fellowship in the social hall after 8 AM and 10 AM Masses this weekend. The proceeds are donated to local mission services in our area.



St. Vincent de Paul

Please remember the poor boxes at the doors of the church. Requests for help are high in these uncertain times. Thanks you so much for your generous and continued support.

Board Game Night at Independence Village

November game nights at Independence Village White Lake are cancelled due to Thanksgiving and other events. Game Night will resume in December. Please contact Kelly at kbrittingham@stpwl.org for more information.



St. Patrick Advent Tea Sunday, December 5 2 to 4 PM

Please come pray, hear our guest speaker and partake as we wait and prepare to celebrate our Blessed Mother delivering Baby Jesus into this world on Christmas Day.

Please consider being a hostess for a table of up to 8; invite your women friends and family to join you. For more information or to RSVP call 248-698-3100 Ext 215 by **Friday December 3rd**.

Hostesses are asked to invite up to 7 friends and family, provide table decorations, tablecloth for 8' rectangle table, and a candle to light for your table.

All Attendees are asked to bring their own special tea cup or mug and either 2 dozen small tea sandwiches or small desserts, ready to serve with serving utensil (please let your hostess know which you will be providing.) No hot foods as our kitchen will be closed on December 5.

We are happy to announce that Fr. Susai will be our guest speaker that day. He will be speaking to us about *The Role of Women in the Salvation of Humanity*.

Please join us for what is sure to be a very inspiring and fun-filled afternoon!

COMMUNITY COLUMN

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!

Christian Service Outreach is looking to build a small group of volunteers interested in doing various tasks in the community. Could be helping an elderly parishioner, cleanup at a retirement home, Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, Meals on Wheels, etc. Our group of volunteers would be called upon for various tasks and outreach possibilities as needed in our community. This will not be a weekly commitment, just "when you can help" type group. Email Kelly Brittingham at kbrittingham@stpwl.org, or call and leave a message at 248 698 3100x 215.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

1st Tuesday of every month at 3:00 pm, and Sunday the 3rd week of each month at 2:00pm at the Dublin Senior Center. For more information, please call 248-918-1622.

.Do you Knit, Crochet or Quilt?

Christian Service is looking for lap blankets to distribute to local seniors who participate in our programs for Christmas. If you would like to donate to this cause please contact Christian Service 248-698-3100 ext. 216.



Attention! Attention!

We are looking for adult volunteers to assist with A Charity Christmas event for kindergarten – 5th Grade. The date is Sunday, December 12, 2021, from 1:30 – 4pm in the St. Patrick Social Hall. There will be different stations set up for groups of children to move between. Station Leaders are necessary for this program to be successful. If you are interested, please contact Karen McCuean at 313-431-1062 or email donmccuean@aol.com.

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Schedule for November 30 & December 4 & 5

DATE/TIME	MINISTERS OF THE WORD	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST	ALTAR SERVERS	OFFERTORY
Tuesday Nov. 30 Video Mass 11:00am Fr. Tom	Pat Mackowiak	Volunteers	Volunteers	Video Volunteers Camera: Earl Audio: Steve Director: Teresa Producer: Steve
Saturday Dec. 4 5:00 pm Fr. Alex Steinmiller	Pat Baumgarten	Volunteers	Isabella Casab Kaitlyn Pesta June Spencer Michael Spencer	Volunteers
Sunday Dec. 5 8:00 am Fr. Susai	Morey Yaklin	Volunteers	Gavin Garbinski Sela Kubiak Angelina Samona Zoey Toton	Volunteers
10:00 am Fr. Tom / Deacon Ken	Tricia Fitzsimons	Volunteers	Amalie Christiansen Brendan Cooney David Maleszyk Nolan Woloski	Volunteers
12:00 pm Fr. Susai / Deacon Mike	Bill Boyda	Volunteers	Gregory Davies Brady LeMarbe Olivia Ludwiczak Ashleigh Holubeck-Gotts	Volunteers

Mass Intentions Scheduled for November 29 - December 5

Day/Date	Time	Intentions	By
Monday, November 29	8:00 am	Jackie Henaman on her Birthday	Sister
Tuesday, November 30	11:00 am (Video Mass)	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	
Wednesday, December 1	8:00 am	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	
Thursday, December 2	8:00 am	For All the Parishioners of St. Patrick Parish	
Friday, December 3	8:30 am	Sophie Pentlicki For All Seminarians	Her Loving Family
Saturday, December 4	5:00 pm	Terry Mersino—6th Anniversary of Death Riley James Frush—Birthday Remembrance	Husband & Family Family
Sunday, December 5	8:00 am	Jackie Henaman on her Birthday Living & Deceased Members of the Rosary Altar Society	Sister
	10:00 am	Nancy Meyer on her Birthday Deacon Mike Chesley on his Birthday William Nihill—Anniversary of Death Richard Zerio - In Remembrance Lorraine Rogalski - In Remembrance	Friends St. Patrick Family Virginia Scheuring Virginia Scheuring Nancy Meyer & Family
	12:00 pm	Kathy Ronkowski—Anniversary of Death	The Sawruk Family

WEEKLY CALENDAR
November 29 - December 5

MON. Nov. 29

Mass - 8:00am

5:45pm - Rel. Ed K-5

6:30pm - Middle School Outing/Bowling

TUES. Nov. 30

Mass - 11:00am (Video Mass)

7:00pm - Music Ministry Rehearsal

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 1

Mass—8am

8:15am - Women's Bible Study

3:00pm - Girl Scout Trp. #76828

7:00pm - Couples Bible Study

Thursday, Dec. 2

7:00pm - Boy Scout Mg.

Venture Scouts Mtg.

Friday, Dec. 3

School Mass - 8:30am

9:30am - Bible Study

Saturday, Dec. 4

8:30am - Basketball Games

11:00am - Reconciliation

3:30pm - 1st Communion Prep

Mass—5pm

6:00pm - K of C Appreciation Dinner

Sunday, Dec. 5

Masses: 8am, 10am, 12pm

11:00am - RCIA for Adults & Children

Youth Ministry Social

7:00pm - Adult Evening for Families

8:00pm - Men's Basketball



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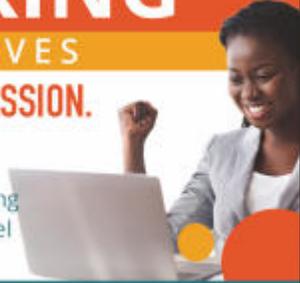
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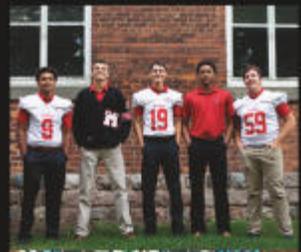
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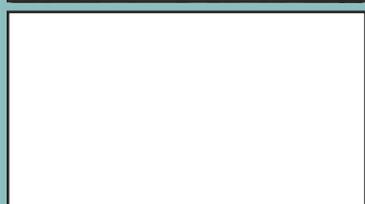
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