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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2021

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



“Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.” - Lk 21:27-28

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 28, 2021

- Sunday** Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 [1b]/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36
- Monday** Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11
- Tuesday** Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10]/Mt 4:18-22
- Wednesday** Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37
- Thursday** Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27
- Friday** Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31
- Saturday** Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
- Next Sunday** Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6

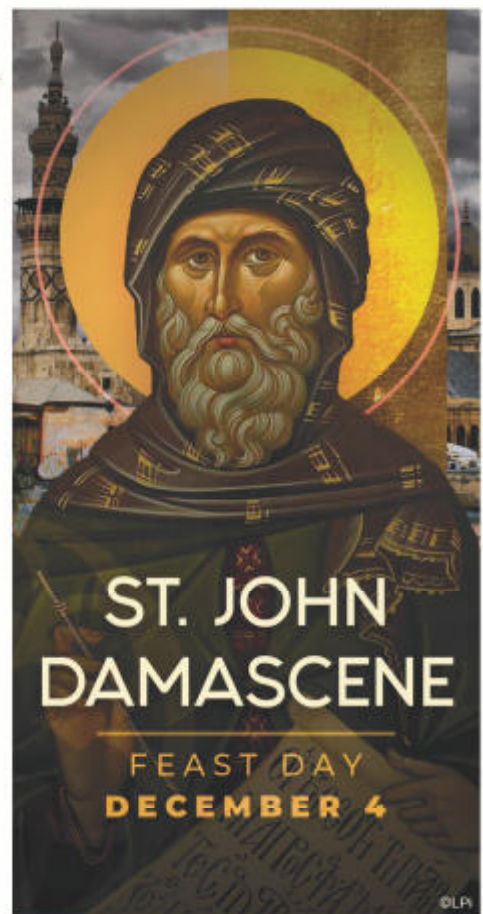
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 28, 2021

- Sunday:** 1st Sunday of Advent
- Tuesday:** St. Andrew, Apostle
- Friday:** St. Francis Xavier, Priest
- Saturday:** St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church
- Next Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Advent

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Any human success requires vigilance. Opportunities and powerful moments of encounter can easily be missed when we are not attentive. It is all too easy today to live distracted and preoccupied lives. There is so much vying for our attention that it can be hard to be selective and really focus. Caught up in this whirlwind of busyness and anxiety, we become tired and almost sleepwalk through life. Advent is a time to selectively focus. These beautiful four short weeks are a time to look backward and forward and be attentive to the human journey and God's revelation. From the beginning of time, God has been seeking our attention. He constantly reminds us of the justice he desires to bring and the promise of his abiding unconditional love. Understanding and growing in these truths requires alertness so that we can be strengthened in our faith and prepared for whatever will come.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

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.



NOTES FROM THE PASTOR...

Fr. Roy Horning

The 1st Sunday of Advent has arrived! Advent is a season of joyful expectation and has a two-fold character: First, we look forward to celebrating the birth of our Lord Jesus on December 25th and secondly, we prepare for his glorious Second Coming at the end of time. How should we prepare for these two great events in human history? The culture has certainly influenced how Catholics celebrate Christmas. The world places emphasis on the gift giving and the economic stimulus that results, while often forgetting the Savior for whom the season is named. The birth of Jesus in Bethlehem can get lost in all the seasonal activities of family gatherings, office parties, etc. In a largely secularized society the spiritual dimensions of this feast are sadly overlooked or completely replaced sentimental feelings of Christmas' past. Charles Schultz noticed this in the 1960's and made the *Charlie Brown Christmas Special* in 1965, to remind a prosperous people what they were truly celebrating. The famous ending with Linus reciting the Christmas story of the birth of Jesus was perfection; it was the essence of how to evangelize and share the real meaning of Christmas. I believe that this simple formula and explanation for all the festivities is still timely. God became flesh and dwelt among us! The King of kings and Lord of lords was born in a stable, in a backwater province of the Roman Empire, witnessed by a few animals with Mary and Joseph. The angels announced the good news of glad tidings to shepherds in the nearby fields tending their flocks. No gift that one may buy and wrap for a loved one, can compare to the gift that God the Father gave to the world on that night.

Christians around the world can point to this truth by simply celebrating the real meaning of Christmas. Christmas is a shortened abbreviation of *The Nativity of the Lord Jesus Christ* whose birth we celebrate with Christ's Mass; this Holy Day is far more than a secular holiday. Our celebration of Jesus' birth is truly the reason for the season. These are familiar clichés that convey the truth of our joyous celebration. Our Lord was under no illusion about humanity's weakness and short attention span, so what we have now is no surprise to Him. This is why he told his disciples that they were to be salt, light, and yeast in the world. It only takes a little salt to add flavor to a soup, a little yeast causes the whole loaf to rise, and a match struck on a clear night in the desert can be seen miles away from an elevated mountain top. So too, the joyous celebration of Christmas by one disciple can change how a family experiences a Christmas gathering. A Yule Log or Christmas wreath with three purple candles and one pink candle can convey the Advent Season. A Nativity set with an elaborate array of animals, wise men, angels with Mary, Joseph and the baby Jesus, or just a simple manger with the infant Jesus surrounded by Mary and Joseph points to the true meaning of Christmas. God became Incarnate, and was born in humble surroundings to bring salvation to men and women of goodwill. It is a message of love and hope for sinners.

The First Coming was a hidden mystery concealed by Divine Providence from the eyes of almost all of humanity. The Second Coming will happen with Jesus coming enthroned on the clouds in glory, with legions of angels and trumpets announcing his return. **All humanity will see the Glorious Second Coming**, and his followers will rejoice as they see their salvation with their own eyes. The first coming was mysterious in its almost hidden silence and the Second Coming will mysteriously be seen by all. Both speak eloquently of the divine mystery that is God. Some see God's presence in every moment, while others cannot perceive his presence at all. This is because we live in the era of faith. Faith perceives what the eyes cannot see, but in the Second Coming we will be in the eternal moment of Truth; every eye will see clearly the spiritual reality that our faith proclaims. All will see the truth of God's words to Moses when he asked, *'Who shall I say sent me? Tell them I AM WHO I AM has sent me to you.'* The coming of the Lord will be a great and terrible day for humanity. Great for those who longed for his coming, and terrible for those who were spiritually blind and indifferent. We must take our lead from the example of John the Baptist and prepare the way of the Lord. Giving people the reason for our hope. God desires that all be saved and experience the healing power of his merciful love. In Christ all will be saved, but apart from Him all will be lost. Let us share the Good News of his birth and the message of Divine Mercy for those who love and know Him. The Church at her best is always a light shining in the darkness, so too may our lives reflect the Light of Christ during this Advent and every season that follows.

Liturgical Minister Schedules

Saturday, December 4th

LECTOR Beverly King
 CANTOR Anthony Avery
 E.M. Pam Sneller
 Charlene Trevorrow
 Beverly King

Sunday, December 5th

LECTOR Teresa Bourque
 CANTOR Anthony Avery
 E.M. Barb Boudreau
 Teresa Bourque



Please pray for the following people who are sick at home or in the hospital:

Nancy Kreger-Aills, Katherine Arendt, Joe Arnes, Dave Atwell, Andrea Ayers, Jane Benson, Stephanie Bosley, Joe Boris, Lila Burnash, Bob Chuchvara, Tom Coha, Elizabeth Craig, Lisa Edwards, Gary Ellsworth, Daniel Eissinger, June Fechik, Brian Fent, Peggy Fortin, Marcus Fray, Katherine Gibson, Rebecca Gillette, Don Gray, Mark Hagler, Joyce Hipkins, Brian Holyfield, Jim Hoover, Jaden Howard, Patsy & Roger Howard, Denny Howell, Dolores & Wesley Hunt, Cindy Jackson, Bob Jackson, Mary Jankowski, Dean Jones, Joanne Jordan, Geraldine Karl, Amy Kelly, Beth King, Nancy Kroetsch, Tracy Kropp, Gregg Ladd, Nate Langley, Debra, Mike and Logan LeClaire, Jamie Liddle, Sandy Martin, Sandra O'Brien, Dale Osmundson, Kay Penney, Scott Penney, Rosemary Pieknik, Rachel Porritt Southerland, Joyce Powell, Velma Savoie, Laura & Dan Schlund, Clarence Seltz, Claire Sheets, Mary Ward, Judith Ware, Keri Warren, Craig Zafiroff, and Jerrod Zuwala.

If you, or someone you know, is ill or in the hospital, or are homebound, and would like to be on the prayer list, please call the office. The requests must come from the individual or an immediate family member. Please call the parish office at 736-4040, as due to the privacy act, we may not be notified.

An Offering to God—November 13th & 14th

NIOT UPDATED DUE TO TIME OF PRINT

Weekly Sacrificial Budget \$6,200.00
 Weekly Collection Received \$8,900.00

Fiscal Year Total

Budgeted \$151,000.00
 Received \$142,486.18
 UNDER Budget (\$8,513.82)

During October, 216 of our 509 registered families contributed to our offertory collections.

The above figures are for Sunday Contributions only and

Thank you so much to all who are contributing to Holy Rosary Parish.



MONDAY, November 29th

TUESDAY, November 30th

St. Andrew, Apostle
 8:30 a.m. Mass: Louise Leuckeman
 by Gary and Sandy Blondin
 and Christine Schwind
 by Carmela Turchi

WEDNESDAY, December 1st

5:30-6:30 p.m. Confessions
 6:30 p.m. Mass: Patsy Groulx
 by Rick & Twila Roesner
 and the Poor Souls in Purgatory
 7:15 p.m. RCIA—Right of Christian Initiation Class

THURSDAY, December 2nd

FRIDAY, December 3rd

8:30 a.m. Mass: First Friday Memorials
 and Special Intentions
 Exposition and Adoration will follow the Mass,
 closing with Benediction at 10:30 a.m.

SATURDAY, December 4th

St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church
No 8:30 a.m. Mass or Confessions

The World Apostolate of Fatima Morning of Prayer and Reparation for World Peace will take place at St. Robert Bellarmine Church, Flushing, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

6:00 p.m. Mass: Ron Sneller
 by Pam Sneller
 and Ralph Compton
 by Alan Karl

SUNDAY, December 5th

Second Sunday of Advent
 9:00 a.m. Mass: Mark Chalut
 by the Struck Family

WELCOME

If you would like to join Holy Rosary Parish, have a change in address and/or telephone number, or would like to add someone to the Prayer List, please complete this form and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office.

Name _____
 Address _____
 City/Zip: _____
 Telephone: _____

I would like to become a registered, active parishioner
 Please change my address and/or telephone number as shown above
 Please add to the Prayer List _____

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Night Vigil.....6:00 PM
Sunday.....9:00 AM
Saturday Vigil @ St. Mary.....4:00 PM
Sunday @ St. Mary.....7:30AM & 11AM:

DAILY MASSES

Tues., Fri., Sat.....8:30 AM
Wednesday Evening.....6:30 PM
Weds., Thurs. @ St. Mary.....8:30 AM
Tuesday Evening @ St. Mary.....6:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Wednesday.....5:30-6:30 PM
Saturday.....9:00-10:00 AM
Tuesday @ St. Mary.....5:00-6:00 PM
Saturday @ St. Mary.....3:00-3:45 PM

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made with the pastor at least nine months in advance, and be a registered parishioner. Formation classes are required for the Sacrament of Marriage.

BAPTISMS

Arrangements must be made in advance. Parents/candidates must be registered, active members of the parish for at least three months. Baptism formation class is required for the Sacrament of Baptism.

SICK AND SHUT IN

Please contact the parish office if you, or a member in your family is ill— at home, or in the hospital, or if the Sacrament of the Sick is desired, as we may not be notified by the hospitals.

PARISH ADMINISTRATION STAFF

Fr. Roy Horning.....*Pastor*
Mrs. Kim Edwards.....*Administrative Assistant*
Mrs. Pamela Sneller.....*Pastoral Associate/DRE*
Mrs. Kimberly Murawski.....*Pastoral Associate/DRE*
Mr. Mark Callahan.....*Principal*
Mrs. Kimberly Kallas.....*School Administrative Assistant*
Mrs. Peggy DePottey.....*Bookkeeper*
Mr. Anthony Avery.....*Director of Music Ministry*
Mr. Arnold Lake.....*Maintenance*

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Please use this number only in **emergencies**, if you need a priest after 4:00 PM weekdays, or on weekends when the parish office is closed.

HOLY ROSARY COUNCILS & COMMISSIONS

Mrs. Ellen Anderson.....*Pastoral Council Chairperson*
Mr. Bradley DePottey.....*Finance Council Chairperson*
Mr. Dan Trytko.....*Worship Commission Chairperson*
To be determined*Education Commission Chairperson*
Mrs. Ann Marie Simon...*Holy Rosary Development Committee Chairperson*
Mr. Thomas Farkas*St. Joseph Commission Chairperson*
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Must be submitted in writing at least 10 days in advance of print date each week to ensure placement in the bulletin to holyrosaryflint@yahoo.com. Thank you.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY !

November 29th Thomas Princinsky

November 30th Mark Callahan, Connor Cook

December 1st Laura Schlund, Fr. Roy Horning, Kenneth Anthony

December 2nd Barbara Boudreau, Jacob Walters,

December 3rd Kenneth Larmor, James Blaine, Matthew Floria, Tyler Lynch

December 4th Patricia Suski

December 5th Patricia Manzo, Margaret Berta, Dan McAuliffe, Micaela Troyer, Victoria Thompson

Christmas Baskets

We are taking donations of gift cards or monies to be used towards the purchase of gift cards, for those in need at **Christmas**. Please place your donations in the collection basket-appropriately marked or bring to the parish office.

If you, or anyone you know is in need of assistance for celebrating Christmas, please call the parish office at 810-736-4040.

Thank you for all that you do!



Holy Rosary Parish 2021 First Friday Memorials & Special Intentions for Living & Deceased Family Members

*Bob and Bobby Gibson
Leona & Michael Kelley
Neminski and Grantner Families
Stewart Pincumbe Families
Burnett, Clapper & Palacios Families
George & Anne Zafiroff
Karen Zafiroff-Johanning
Ronald Sneller
Ronald Isaacson
Vaughn Owens & Marzonie Families
Gary Clase, Clase and Gadany Families
Buick, Jedlowski & Korcyiak Families
Alan Uren
Margaret, Stephen, & Hyon Howard Families
Carole Jozwick
Harp, Hannon & Neumann Families
Martinbianco & Newland Families
Claude Green Families
Faris & Meredith Families
Walter & Ruth Blaine
LaGraff, Gray & Showalter Families
Kozlowski, Musialowski, Reska & Hadden Families
Louis Missitti, Sr. & Jr.
Joseph Missitti
Lawrence I Viznau
Jankowski & Haviland Families*

*Jim & Virginia Flood Families
Marion & Rose Galvas Families
Turchi & DeVito Familie
Russell & Julia Whitmeyer
Marion & Rose Galvas Family
Patrick Burnett
Phyllis Trundle
Aube & Woloszyk Families
Karl & Lindsay Families
Holy Souls in Purgatory
Pilon, Hazel, and Weiler Families
Kreger, Aills and Morgan Families
Robert & Colleen Kanous
Knoblauch, Rose, Gibault
and Trevorrow Families
George & Marion Welsh Family
Francis & Mary O'Brien Family
Irene Bennett and Joe Bennett
Nate Welsh
James & Dolores Smith Family
Frank & Maureen Smejkal
Rodriguez & Mucha Families
Mary Marzonie Gocha*

Remember your loved ones or special intentions at the First Friday Mass each month, and in the bulletin all year. The cost is \$75 for the year.

Save the Date

December 6th– Holy Hour of Prayer 7-8PM
December 8th–**Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
 Holy Day of Obligation–Masses at 8:30am & 6pm

First Friday, December 3rd

The 8:30AM Mass Intention here at Holy Rosary is for the First Friday Memorials and Special Intentions. Exposition and Adoration will follow the Mass, closing with Benediction at 10:30AM.

First Saturday, December 4th

The World Apostolate of Fatima Diocesan Morning of Prayer and Reparation for World Peace will be held at: St. Robert’s Parish 310 Cherry St., Flushing, at 8:30AM. The morning will include the Divine Liturgy celebrated by Fr. Roy Horning.

**Parish Prayer Chain
 May We Pray for You?**

There are times when we all need someone to pray for us or our families and friends. Holy Rosary has had an active Prayer Chain for a number of years and would like to restart it. The Prayer Chain is a telephone-tree of volunteers who pray for the intentions of those who ask their intercession. It is helpful to know a little bit about why the person needs prayers so that prayers can be focused on the specific need, but it is not necessary.

All parishioners are welcome to join this ministry of prayer. If you have a special prayer request or if you would like to join the parish prayer chain, please contact the Parish Office at (810) 736-4040.



The Angel Giving Tree gift tags are due back Sunday, December 12th. Please wrap the gift with the gift card attached. Thank You so much!

A collection for the 2021 Retirement Fund for Religious will be taken up on the weekend of December 12th.

The envelopes are found in your regular tithing envelope package, and extras are in the gathering space. Thank you so much for your continued generosity.

The Virtue—Fortitude

Fortitude is the moral virtue that ensures firmness in difficulties and constancy in the pursuit of the good. It strengthens the resolve to resist temptations and to overcome obstacles in the moral life. The virtue of fortitude enables one to conquer fear, even fear of death, and to face trials and persecutions. It disposes one even to renounce and sacrifice his life in defense of a just cause. “The Lord is my strength and my song.” “In a world you have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.”

* From Catechism of the Catholic Church

Excerpts from God given to St. Maria Faustina (Diary, 67)

You are not living for yourself but for souls, and other souls will profit from your sufferings. Your prolonged suffering will give them the light and strength to accept My will.

**Winter 2022
 Catechism of the Catholic Church :
 Learning and Living the Catechism
 Pillar I: The Creed**

The Creed opens up the structure of the Catechism and shows how it is far more than a list of “faith facts,” but instead a sure map for your journey of faith. Sean Innerst teaches how what we believe emerges from the living story of salvation history. Learn what God’s “innermost secret” is and how we’re called to participate in it as you discover how the *Catechism can be seen as a new catechesis for the New Evangelization.*

Pillar I reveals that our journey of faith is one from “Blessing to Blessing”—that the God who made us wills that we return to him.

This will be a 12 week study.
 Classes will be held on Tues. evenings from 6:30 - 8:30 PM and Wed. mornings from 10 AM - Noon.
Classes start Jan. 11/12 and end Mar. 29/30.
Signup sheets are in the gathering space.
Cost is \$30.

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