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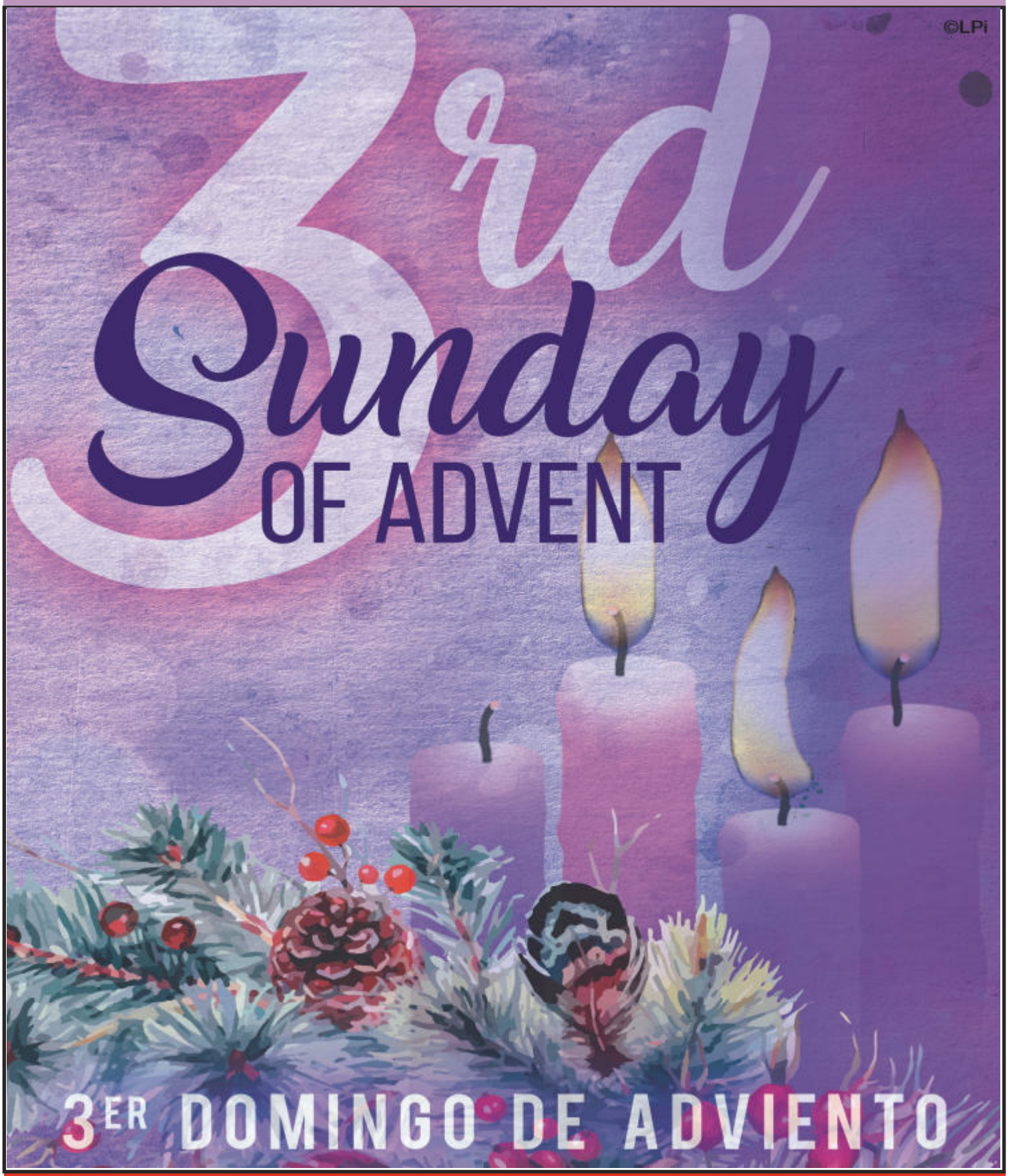

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COVID-19 MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM, 6:30PM* **Sunday**: 9AM, 11:00AM, 1:00AM*

Holy Days of Obligation Vigil: 6:00PM
Holy Days of Obligation: 9:15PM, 12:10PM, 6:00PM, 7:30PM*

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE: Monday-Saturday 9:15AM Wednesday 7:00PM*

*en Español

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays at 10AM by drive thru if weather permitting or by appointment

STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES
If you have not been receiving your offertory envelopes, please call the parish office.
Por favor llame a la oficina parroquial si no ha estado recibiendo sus sobres para la ofrenda.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
12/6—Basket $18,023.09, Online $10,681.59, **Total $28,704.68**

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EMAIL SCAM

Several Holy Cross parishioners and staff have reported receiving what seems to be e-mailed requests from Fr. Jude Michael Krill for money or assistance. **These are not legitimate!** ***Please ignore or immediately delete.***
If in doubt about the legitimacy of any email, call the office.

PASTOR'S LETTER

Good Advent People of Holy Cross,

Today a voice in the wilderness. Look up the word *wilderness* in the dictionary and you will find its any place where there is the lack of rainfall or vegetation. Life, because it is life, plops us right in the middle of such places. The stories are legion of people who have finally arrived at the place they have always longed to be, only to discover a wilderness. All of us have a good friend in John the Baptist, he was living a wilderness to get closer to God.. By the thousands, people came to the Jordan River to ask: "Are you the Christ?" His answer? "I am only the voice calling in the wilderness; make a straight path for the Lord." Jesus is born into the wilderness of human life. I cannot possibly know your wilderness past, present, or future but do know 100% that Jesus knows your wilderness well. Jesus knows that every one of us is going to die in this wilderness of life unless we let him be our way, our truth, and our life. John's voice in the wilderness is good news. So, if you are in a wilderness today it's okay, but in God's name, hear this awesome good news. The wilderness may be the place where you finally, even joyfully hear the voice of God. This barren patch may even be the place where you come face to face with the One who made you, understands you, and loves you, no matter what. Now take the next step: listen to the voice in the wilderness that bids us follow our Lord Jesus Christ all our days.

Advent Joy be yours,
Fr. Jude Michael

Buen Adviento Gente de Holy Cross,

Hoy una voz en el desierto. Busque la palabra desierto en el diccionario y encontrará cualquier lugar donde haya falta de lluvia o vegetación. La vida, porque es Vida, nos deja en medio de esos lugares. Las historias son una legión de personas que finalmente han llegado al lugar que siempre han anhelado estar, solo para descubrir un desierto. Todos tenemos un buen amigo en Juan el Bautista, él estaba viviendo en un desierto para acercarse a Dios. Miles de personas vinieron al río Jordán para preguntar: "¿Eres tú el Cristo?" ¿Su respuesta? "Yo soy solo la voz que clama en el desierto; haz un camino recto para el Señor ". Jesús nace en el desierto de la vida humana. No puedo conocer tu pasado, presente o futuro en el desierto, pero sé al 100% que Jesús conoce bien tu desierto. Jesús sabe que cada uno de nosotros va a morir en este desierto de la vida a menos que dejemos que él sea nuestro camino, nuestra verdad y nuestra vida. Las voces de John en el desierto son buenas noticias. Entonces, si estás en un desierto hoy, está bien, pero en el nombre de Dios, escucha estas asombrosas buenas noticias. El desierto puede ser el lugar donde finalmente, incluso con gozo, escuche la voz de Dios. Este desierto puede ser incluso el lugar donde te encuentras cara a cara con Aquel que te hizo, te entiende y te ama, pase lo que pase. Ahora da el siguiente paso: escucha la voz en el desierto que nos invita a seguir a nuestro Señor Jesucristo todos los días.

Que la alegría de Adviento sea tuya,
Fr.. Jude Michael

MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES

Sunday/Domingo 12/13 Third Sunday of Advent

5:00pm Vigil	Xuyen Ha ✞
	Genevieve Azar
	Mike Hardin ✞
6:30pm* Vigilia	Adelfo Gonzalez ✞
9:00am	Wallace Taylor ✞
11:00 am	For the people of Holy Cross/ Por la gente de Holy Cross
1:00pm*	Adelfo Gonzalez ✞
	Jesus Salado ✞

Monday/Lunes 12/14

9:15am	Thomasina Reyes ✞
	Aleyda & Tim Reticker

Tuesday/Martes 12/15

9:15am	Adam Perez ✞
	Carrie Mayhan

Wednesday/Miércoles 12/16

9:15am	Olga Hopkins ✞
7:00pm*	Adelfo Gonzalez ✞

Thursday/Jueves 12/17

9:15am	Deceased Confreres, Relatives & Benefactors of the Order
	Tammy Thornton

Friday/Viernes 12/18

9:15am	Leena Manuel ✞
	Carol Conner

Saturday/Sábado 12/19

9:15am	Tony Siso ✞
5:00pm Vigil	Judy & John Eurton & Family
6:30pm* Vigilia	Adelfo Gonzalez ✞

Sunday/Domingo 12/20

Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:00am	Alice Taylor ✞
11:00 am	For the people of Holy Cross/ Por la gente de Holy Cross
1:00pm*	Acción de Gracia familia Garcia Canedo
	Adelfo Gonzalez ✞

*Español, ✞ Deceased

PRAYERS

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Victoria Bivens
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Loving God, Holy One,
Your desire is for our wholeness and well-being.
We hold in tenderness and prayer the collective suffering of our world at this time.
We grieve precious lives lost and vulnerable lives threatened.
We ache for ourselves and our neighbors, standing before an uncertain future.
We pray: may love, not fear, go viral.
Inspire our leaders to discern and choose wisely, aligned with the common good.
Help us to practice social distancing and reveal to us new and creative ways to come together in spirit and in solidarity.
Call us to profound trust in your faithful presence,
You, the God who does not abandon,
You, the Hold One, breathing within us, breathing among us, breathing around us in our beautiful yet wounded world. -Chris Koellhoffer, IHM

FAITH FORMATION

Dear Faith Formation Families:
The new liturgical year started with the 1st Sunday of Advent. This coming year is Year B in the liturgical cycle which means that most of the Sunday Gospel readings will be from the Gospel of Mark.
'Gospel' means 'Good News', and Jesus is the Good News. This good news fulfills the deepest longings of our heart. As we continue in this season of Advent, one of the key figures is John the Baptist. We may not receive any Christmas cards with the Baptist's words about repentance. And I don't know of any Christmas jingles about John the Baptist. But the Church features him on this coming 2nd Sunday of Advent because John the Baptist is, in a sense, the voice of Advent. A voice that prepares the way of the Lord, and points to the coming of the Lord.
St. John the Baptist preaches the great importance of repentance, which helps us prepare the way of the Lord into our life. Then Christmas becomes not only a holiday season, but a healing season as well. Since we are on the topic of repentance, Advent is a season when many people avail themselves to the sacrament of reconciliation. Now would great time for all of our students who are being Confirmed this Spring to make an appointment or go to Reconciliation on a Saturday.
Have a blessed Advent! Renay Ceasar, Director of Faith Formation

Estimadas familias de Formación en la Fe:
El nuevo Año Litúrgico comenzó con el primer domingo de Adviento. El próximo año es el año B del Ciclo Litúrgico, lo que significa que la mayoría de las lecturas dominicales del Evangelio serán del Evangelio de Marcos.
"Evangelio" significa "Buenas Nuevas", y Jesús es la Buena Nueva. Esta buena noticia satisface los anhelos más profundos de nuestro corazón. Mientras continuamos en esta temporada de Adviento, una de las figuras clave es Juan el Bautista. Es posible que no recibamos ninguna tarjeta de Navidad con las palabras del Bautista sobre el arrepentimiento y no se conoce ningún villancico navideño sobre Juan el Bautista, pero la Iglesia lo presenta en este segundo domingo de Adviento porque Juan el Bautista es, en cierto sentido, la voz del Adviento. Una voz que prepara el camino del Señor y anuncia la venida del Señor. San Juan Bautista predica la gran importancia del arrepentimiento, que nos ayuda a preparar el camino del Señor en nuestra vida. Entonces la Navidad se convierte no solo en una temporada festiva, sino también en una temporada de sanación. Ya que estamos en el tema del arrepentimiento, el Adviento es una temporada en la que muchas personas se acercan al Sacramento de la Reconciliación. Ahora sería un buen momento para que todos nuestros estudiantes que serán confirmados esta primavera, hagan una cita un día sábado para recibir el Sacramento de la Reconciliación.
¡Que tengas un bendecido Adviento! Renay Ceasar, Directora de Formación de Fe

CHURCH NEWS

Christmas Flowers Donations

The parish office has sent Christmas flower envelopes in the most recent mailing of offertory envelopes. Please use these envelopes to help cover the expense of Christmas flowers. You can donate in memory of a deceased loved one or in honor of the living. You can also donate just to help defer the cost, without a dedication. Place your envelope in the offertory basket or drop it by the front office. Thank you for your generosity!

Flores Navideñas

La oficina parroquial ha mandado sobres navideños en el envió más reciente de sobres para la ofrenda. Por favor use este sobre para ayudar a cubrir los gastos de las flores de Navidad. Usted puede donar en memor a de un ser querido o en honor a alguien. También puede donar sólo para ayudar a diferir el costo, sin ninguna dedicación. Coloque su sobre en la canasta de la ofrenda o entréguelo en la oficina parroquial. ¡Gracias por su generosidad!

CHURCH NEWS

Advent/Christmas Giving "Tree" Gift cards and monetary donations only needed by Dec 18th

We are excited and grateful to once again partner with our faithful and generous church family. Although COVID-19 restrictions will modify our methods for this year, the goal is still the same: to provide help at Christmas for our brothers and sisters in need.

This year we are asking that you purchase a Gift Card, in increments of $25 or less, to a place that has toys, clothing, and groceries *(please write gift card $$ amount on the gift card)*. We will also accept cash donations. We ask you to put your gift(s) in an envelope clearly marked "Advent Giving" and you can drop them in the collection basket, send them in the mail, drop them at the Parish office during business hours or give electronically through our Online Giving (there will be an Advent Giving option) by December 18th.

All gifts help our Parish and local families and charities. Thank you for your continued support and prayers for this ministry. Contact Lesley McGee at donlesmcgee@bellsouth.net or 404-583-1593 with any questions.

Adviento / "Árbol" de Navidad

Las tarjetas de regalo y las donaciones monetarias se necesitan antes del 18 de diciembre

Estamos emocionados y agradecidos de asociarnos una vez más con nuestra fiel y generosa familia de la parroquia. Aunque las restricciones de COVID-19 modificarán nuestros métodos para este año, el objetivo sigue siendo el mismo: brindar ayuda en Navidad a nuestros hermanos y hermanas necesitados.

Este año le pedimos que compre una Tarjeta de regalo, en incrementos de $ 25 o menos, para una tienda que tenga juguetes, ropa y comestibles (escriba el monto de la tarjeta de regalo en la tarjeta de regalo). También aceptaremos donaciones en efectivo. Le pedimos que ponga su (s) obsequio (s) en un sobre claramente marcado como "Donaciones de Adviento" y puede dejarlos en la canasta de recolección, enviarlos por correo, dejarlos en la oficina parroquial durante el horario laboral o darlos electrónicamente a través de nuestro Donaciones (habrá una opción de donaciones de Adviento) antes del 18 de diciembre.

Todas las donaciones ayudan a nuestra parroquia y familias y organizaciones benéficas locales. Gracias por su continuo apoyo y oraciones por este ministerio. Comuníquese con Lesley McGee en donlesmcgee@bellsouth.net o al 404-583-1593 si tiene alguna pregunta.

Christmas at Holy Cross/Navidad en Holy Cross

Archbishop Hartmayer has granted permission to celebrate Christmas eve masses earlier this year. On Christmas Eve we will offer 2 masses simultaneously (if needed) in church and in our social hall beginning at 2PM. The schedule will be:

El arzobispo Hartmayer ha otorgado permiso para celebrar misas de Nochebuena más temprano este año. En Nochebuena ofreceremos 2 misas simultáneamente (si es necesario) en la iglesia y en nuestro salón social a partir de las 2:00 p.m. El horario será:

Christmas Eve/Noche Buena

English Mass: 2PM, 4PM, 6PM, and 10PM

Spanish Mass: 8PM

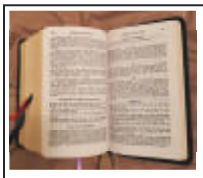
Christmas Day/Navidad

English Mass: 10AM *Spanish Mass: 12PM*

MASS/MISSALS/PARISH OFFICE SCHEDULE

The Parish Office will closed on December 23 at 11AM and will reopen on December 28 at 9AM.

La oficina parroquial cerrará el 23 de diciembre a las 11 a.m. y volverá a abrir el 28 de diciembre a las 9 a.m.



Sunday Missals for the 2021 Liturgical year

will be available for sale after masses beginning this weekend. The cost of the missals will be $5.00 (including tax) each. We will be accepting cash or personal checks only – no credit cards.
(If paying by cash, you will need to have the exact amount of purchase).
At this time, we only have the English version of the missal.
We hope to have the Spanish version available soon.

We will not have 9:15 AM Mass on December 31 and no confessions.

Mass will resume with 5 PM Vigil Mass on December 31.

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La Parroquia de Holy Cross es una comunidad de fe Franciscana de la Provincia de Nuestra Señora de los Ángeles, en la Arquidiócesis de Atlanta. Conozca más sobre nuestra Provincial en www.olaprovince.org. Estamos para servirles.

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