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DAILY (MON. - FRI.):
8:30am

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS:
4:30pm

SUNDAY:
8:30am & 10:30am

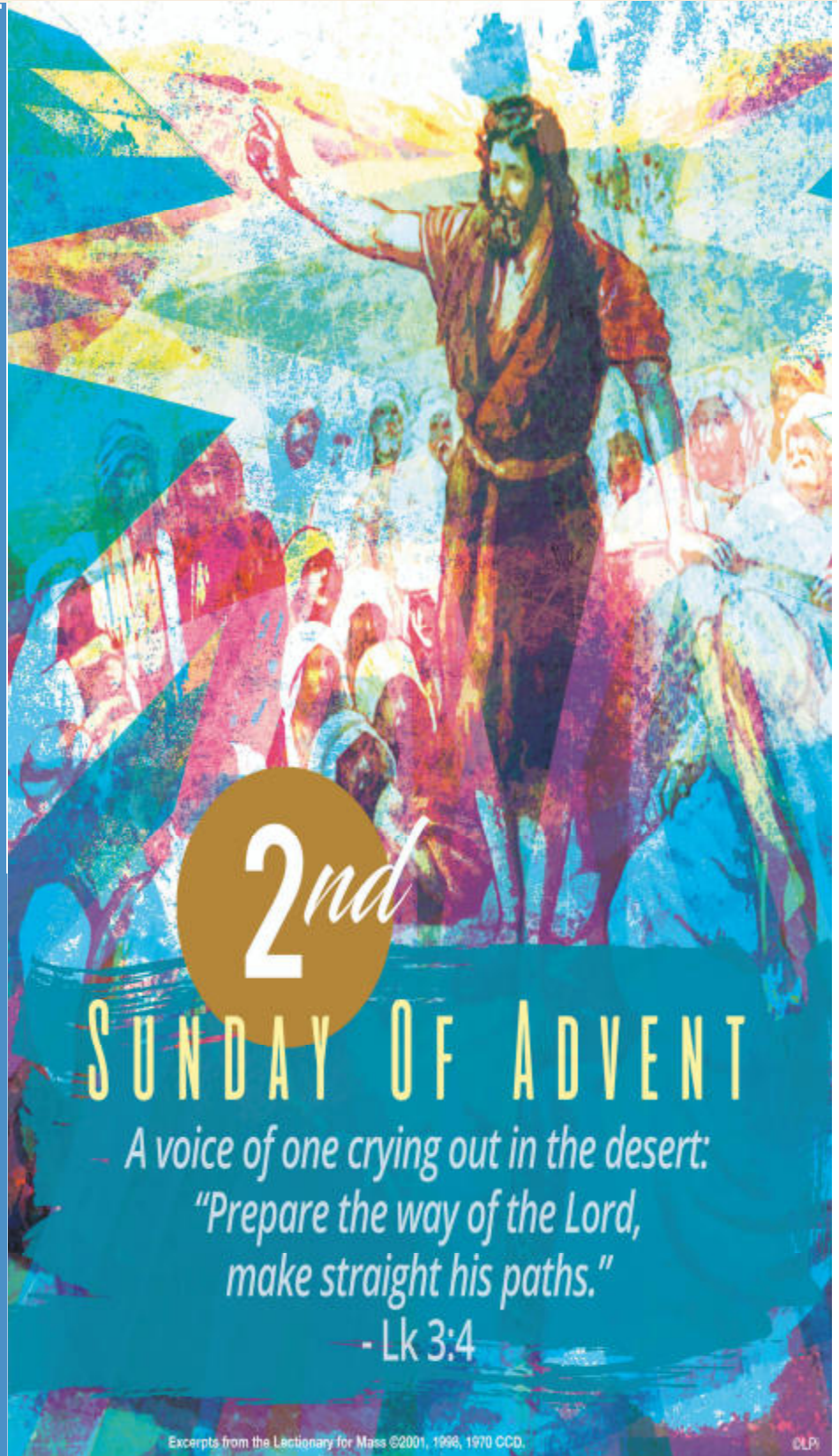
RECONCILIATION:

MON - FRI:
7:45 — 8:15am

SATURDAY:
3:30 — 4:15pm

OFFICE HOURS:

MON - FRI:
9:00am — 3:00pm



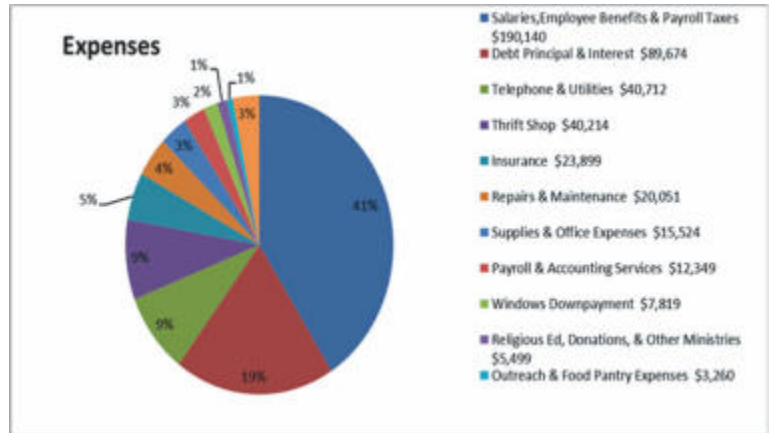
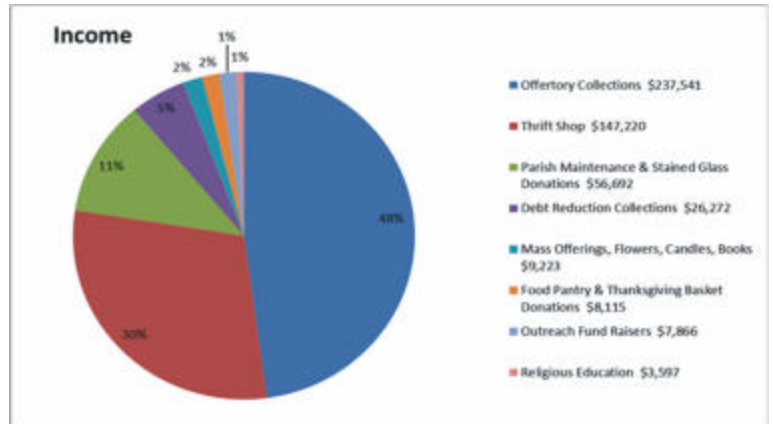
Parish News

PARISH CENSUS - Please fill out and return our parish census -Pg 6
Christmas Pageant & Thrift Store Christmas Shop News - Pg 6
Fiscal Year From July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021

Total Operating Income \$496,526

Total Operating Expenses \$464,072

Net Operating Income \$32,454



Parish Support

11/21/21 Offertory	\$4,567.00
On-line Giving	\$554.74
Debt Reduction	\$426.00
Parish Maintenance	\$215.00

Thank you for your support!

THRIFT SHOP INFORMATION

PHONE:
(321) 631 - 7786

HOURS:
Tues - Fri: 9AM - 4PM
Saturday: 10AM - 2PM

DEVOTIONS

- Monday (before Mass)**
Our Lady of The Miraculous Medal
- Tuesday - Friday (before Mass)**
The Holy Rosary
- Tuesday (after Mass)**
Adoration of the Most Holy Sacrament
- Thursday (after Mass)**
Chaplet of the Divine Mercy

2nd Sunday of Advent

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS...

**...for all our parishioners who are sick
or in need of our prayers:**

*Antonette Cossentino, Audry McDonald, Jean Hartnet,
Thomas Wilson, Margaret Casale, Tara Rae Daniels,
Rodney Champagne, Bob Boroskey, Cecile Szulkowski,
Yudoria Victoria, Rudolph Bronson, Misty Bronson,
John J Pool, Harper Reneé Reaves, Reneé Hatzold,
Ken Carter, Annett Carter, David Phillips, Annett
Fancher, Carol Barbera, Kay Shiffer, Heather Baker,
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White, Mary Collins, Marty Nowak, Shawn Nerf,
Vincent Scalice, Ana Valdez-Scalice, John Taylor,
Andrea Kosar, Nguyen V Xuan, Ilene Smiddy & Family.,
Kate Wright, Rosemarie McClave, Carol Heinemann,
Anne Davis,
Linda Moquin-Ahern, , Regis Johns
Veronica Cabrera, Cheryl Comeau*

...and the deceased of our parish family

**For the month of November, the deceased priests of our
Diocese are:**

Dec. 2, 2015 - Msgr. Vidal Arboleda

Dec 5, 2008 - Rev. Steven Phillips

Dec. 13, 1971 - Msgr. William Mullally

Dec, 21, 1997 - Rev. William O'Farrell

Dec. 22, 1981 - Rev. Vincent Smith

Dec. 22, 2010 - Rev. Gerard Granahan



Please call or stop by the parish office to reserve your Mass Intentions for this year and 2022. You may mail your check or drop in mail slot in parish office door. God bless you for remembering your loved ones with a Mass Intention.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 4th

4:30 PM † Rob Munchbach

Sunday, December 5th

8:30 AM † William Lee Jones

10:30 AM † Jozef Zuziak

Monday December 6th

8:30 AM † Richard Trumble

Tuesday December 7th

8:30 AM † Sharen Bell

Wednesday December 8th

8:30 AM † Paul Godinet

7:00 PM Sp Int for Judith and Vincent McMahon

Thursday December 9th

8:30 AM † Fr Peter Hoang Xuan Nghiem

Friday December 10th

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Saturday, December 11th

4:30 PM † John Mansingh

Sunday, December 12th

8:30 AM † Colonel Marvin Lee Jones

10:30 AM † Jason Pearce



FIRST READING

For God will show all the earth
your splendor:
you will be named by God forever
the peace of justice, the glory of God's
worship. (Bar 5:4)



PSALM

The Lord has done great things for us; we
are filled with joy. (Ps 126)



SECOND READING

And this is my prayer:
that your love may increase ever
more and more
in knowledge and every kind
of perception,
to discern what is of value,
so that you may be pure and blameless
for the day of Christ. (Phil 1:9-10)



GOSPEL

*The winding roads shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth,
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.*
(Mk 7:37)

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WORSHIP & MEDITATION



OPEN THE DOOR FOR CHRIST

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

St. Ambrose shares some wisdom on our need to prepare the way and open the door for Christ. "You see that when the Word of God knocks hardest on your door, it is when his hair is wet with the dew of the night. In fact, he chooses to visit those who are in tribulation and trial, lest one of them be overwhelmed by distress. So, his head is covered with dew, with drops, when his body is laboring hard. It is important to keep watch so that when the Bridegroom comes, he is not shut out. If you are asleep and your heart is not keeping watch, he will go away without knocking; but if your heart is alert for his coming, he knocks and asks for the door to be opened to him." When life gets overwhelming and difficult and we find ourselves feeling a bit downhearted and miserable, these words can bring great comfort.

We sometimes choose to remain stuck in our uncomfortable darkness and being stuck becomes our norm. In this time of self-focus our hearts are closed to the graces and life God desires to give us. Wrapped in the robe of mourning and misery, we fail to see the mercy, justice, and love the Bridegroom wants to bring. If we take seriously the need to prepare the way for Christ and open our hearts in preparation for his visit, we can hear God's gentle voice calling us deep within. It beckons us to seek out its source and discover the inner calm and peace that can prevail over the darkness of despair. Sometimes our darkness is so dark that it may seem unsurmountable. Trusting in the spiritual friends who journey with us, and God's promise may bring a glimmer of light even when it is most difficult to keep our hearts' doors open. Sometimes, the only light in the darkness is found in trusting the faith of others both past and present.

We have to trust that God has already begun the accomplishment of good work in us and that humanity is on an incredible journey to something wonderful and awesome. God is not done. When we open the doors of our hearts, straighten the paths of our lives, and prepare the way, Jesus can come with God's simple gifts of peace, grace, and joy. Life throws a great deal at us. It is easy to get tired and confused. We have to train our hearts to keep watch, discern what is of value, and forge ahead. Not allowing ourselves to become so weighed down by things and brought out of focus is a tremendous goal to achieve this Advent season. God is knocking. Answer the door. You will see and understand life in ways you never thought possible before.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021 | 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 5, 2021

- 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
- Monday:** Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26
- Tuesday:** Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13 [cf. Is 40:10ab]/Mt 18:12-14
- Wednesday:** Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
- Thursday:** Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/Mt 11:11-15
- Friday:** Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/Mt 11:16-19
- Saturday:** Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Mt 17:9a, 10-13
- Next Sunday:** Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18

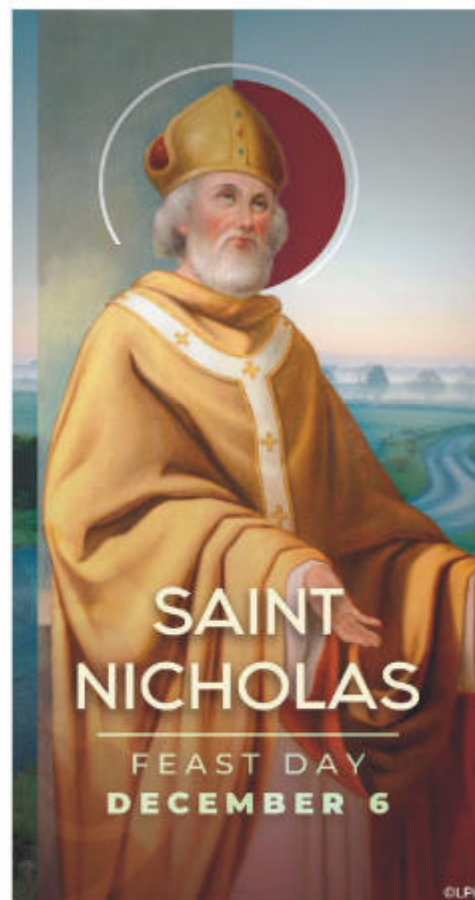
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 5, 2021

- Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Advent
- Monday:** St. Nicholas, Bishop
- Tuesday:** St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Wednesday:** The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Thursday:** St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin
- Friday:** Our Lady of Loreto
- Saturday:** St. Damasus I, Pope
- Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Advent

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Sometimes, especially when life gets overwhelming and difficult, we can find ourselves feeling a bit downhearted and miserable. Wallowing in this uncomfortable darkness seems to be our norm and it's difficult to see a way out of, or through, this experience. If we listen carefully enough, we will hear God's voice calling out deep within, beckoning us to seek out its source and discover the inner calm and peace that can prevail over the darkness of despair. Faith tells us that God has already begun the creation of a good work in us and is with us, bringing it to completion, until Christ Jesus comes again. It is this light of God's glory for which we are asked to pave the way and straighten the paths of our lives so that it can shine. With all that life can ask of us and bring to us, it is our task to constantly discern what is of value. So that we do not get so weighed down by things that we no longer see, or feel, God's salvation.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Nicholas of Bari (March 15, 270 – December 6, 343), the bishop of Myra in the fourth century, is the saint that Santa Claus is modeled after. Known for his kindness and generosity to the poor, the story has it that St. Nicholas once tossed bags of gold through the open window of a poor man's house to help his daughters avoid a life of prostitution.

According to legend, the gold landed in stockings dangling on the corners of the beds, which is why many of us celebrate St. Nicholas Day by hanging stockings and filling them with candy, fruit, and small toys.

Not much else is known about this beloved saint, but regardless, his reputation as a generous man continues today.

December 5, 2021

Come and visit the Thrift Store Christmas Shop during the holiday shopping season. Located behind the Thrift Store, it will be open from November 26th through December 23rd every day except Sundays and Mondays. The hours will be: Tuesday - Friday 12:00 to 4:00 pm; Saturday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Most of your Christmas gift needs can be found at unbelievable prices! The Christmas Shop will be operated by the Knights of Columbus and all proceeds will go directly to the Blessed Sacrament Thrift Store.

Bingo Winners

Billie Broome **Diana Champagne**
Diana Gratton **Irene Weaver**

Thursday evenings

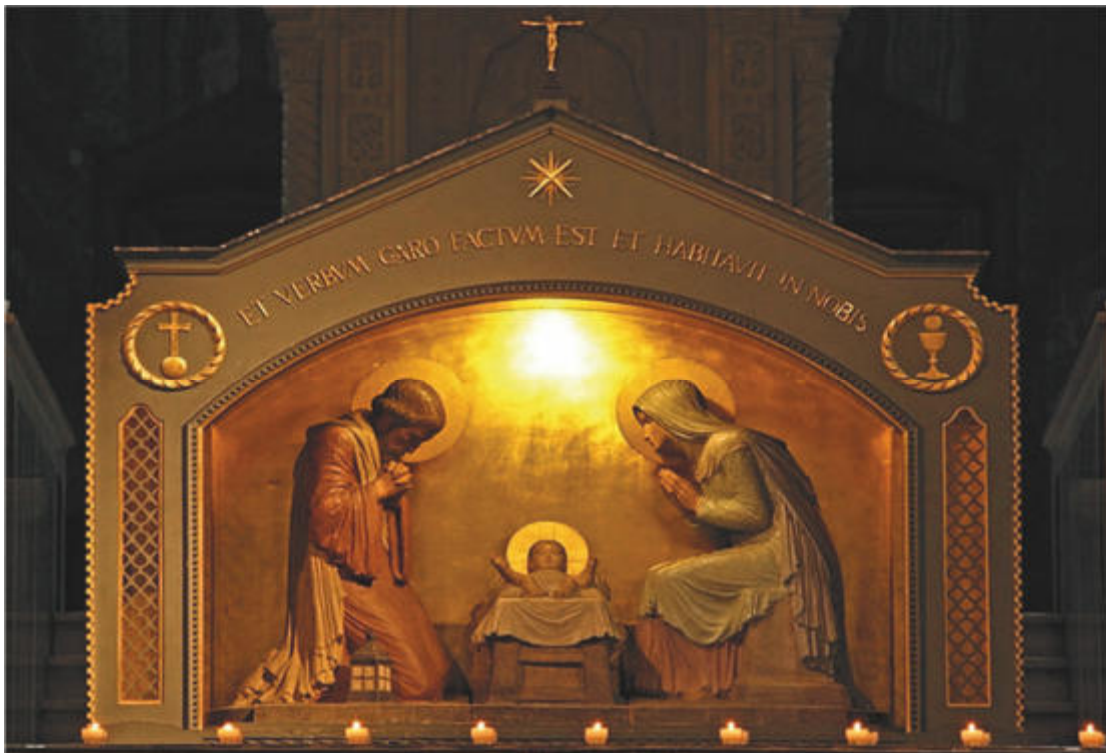
Early Bird - 5:15

Regular Session - 6:30

Come Join The Fun!

Blessed Sacrament's Religious Education classes are proud to present the **Christmas Pageant** on **December 19, 2021** at **3 p.m.**

Participants in the pageant should plan to arrive by 2:30.



Immediately following will be a potluck dessert. So, bring your favorite Christmas cookies and join us for a fun filled afternoon to help kick off this blessed season.

Food Pantry

Our food pantry is open on Fridays from 11am—1:30pm. All donations are welcome (canned goods, non perishable items, etc.). Thank you for your generous donations which can be dropped off in the back of the Church or in the Church Office.

99 People served



Rejoice in the wonder of His birth
this Christmas and always

Fr. Mark, SDS, Dc. Nick, Dc. Bill

and

Blessed Sacrament Parish

Administration Staff

Christmas Blessings

Nov. 28 – Dec. 24, 2021 Advent, Christmas and New Year 2022 Schedule

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

- *Mon. — Fri.: 7:45am—8:15am
- *Sat.: 3:30pm—4:15pm
- *No Confessions on Dec. 24th and 25th

Holy Masses:

- *Mon. — Fri.: 8:30am
- *Sat.: 4:30pm
- *Sun.: 8:30am & 10:30am
- Dec 8th, Wed.: **Immaculate Conception of BVM**: Mass: 8:30am & 7:00pm
- *Dec 24th, Fri.: **Christmas Eve**: Masses: 4:30pm & 10:00pm
- * **Christmas Eve**: Concert of Blessed Sacrament Choir: 9:30pm
- *Dec 25th, Sat.: **Christmas**: Masses: 8:30am & 10:30am
- * **Holy Family of Jesus**: Vigil Mass: 4:30pm
- *Dec 26th, Sun.: **Holy Family of Jesus**: Masses: 8:30am & 10:30am
- *Dec 31st, Fri.: Mass 8:30am and **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**, Vigil Mass 7:00pm
- *Jan 01st, 2022, Sat.: **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**, Masses: 8:30am & 10:30am
- * **Epiphany of the Lord**: Vigil Mass: 4:30pm
- *Jan 02nd, 2022, Sun.: **Epiphany of the Lord**: Masses: 8:30am & 10:30am

A Blessed Advent & Christmas to All!

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