



# Our Lady of Mount Virgin Parish

1531 Bradner Place South, Seattle, WA 98144

(Parking on 28th Avenue S. north side of the church)

## Covid-19 Mass and Prayer Time

Public Indoor Mass Schedule:

**Saturday** 5pm (Vietnamese);

**Sunday** 8:30am (Vietnamese/English);  
10:30am (English/Chinese/Laotian).

Mass registration required at [www.mountvirgin.org](http://www.mountvirgin.org)

The church remains open for private Mass, prayer and adoration before the Blessed sacrament for the overcome of this pandemic:

**Wednesday - Friday 9:00 am - 11:00 am**  
**Mass starts at 10:00 am**

**Saturday 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm**

**Sunday 8:00 am - 11:30 am**

Please keep safe distance inside the Church during your prayer.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of Mount Virgin is a pastoral center welcoming people and immigrants from different cultures.

Honoring Mother Mary and under the influence of the Holy Spirit, we are born as a community of missionary disciples in love, worship, service and stewardship.

### Fr. Hung Nguyen, Pastor

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Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. – Noon

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- \* Sacrament of Reconciliation: 30 min before Mass or by appointment with Fr Hung
- \* Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:  
1st Saturday 4:30pm before the Vigil Mass
- \* Sacrament of Baptism or Confirmation for Youth - contact Fr Hung or Parish Office
- \* Sacrament of Matrimony - contact Fr Hung at least six months in advance



**OLMV WEEKLY BULLETIN**

**November 29, 2020**

Nov 29, 2020  
First Sunday of Advent  
Liturgical Year B

**First Reading** [IS 63:16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7](#)

You, LORD, are our father, our redeemer you are named forever.

**Responsorial Psalm** [PS 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19](#)

Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

**Second Reading** [1 COR 1:3-9](#)

God is faithful, and by him you were called to fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Gospel** [MK 13:33-37](#)

Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come.

ADVENT SEASON  
NOVEMBER 29 - DECEMBER 24

Beginning the Church's liturgical year, Advent (from, "ad-venire" in Latin or "to come to") is the season encompassing the four Sundays (and weekdays) leading up to the celebration of [Christmas](#).

The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and also to the anniversary of the Lord's birth on Christmas. The final days of Advent, from December 17 to December 24, focus particularly on our preparation for the celebrations of the Nativity of our Lord (Christmas).

Advent devotions including the [Advent wreath](#), remind us of the meaning of the season. Our Advent calendar above can help you fully enter in to the season with daily activity and prayer suggestions to prepare you spiritually for the birth of Jesus Christ. More Advent resources are listed below.

<https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year-and-calendar/advent>

ADVENT CALENDAR 2020						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
November 29 The First Sunday of Advent Begin your Advent journey by reflecting on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 1 Make a resolution to be more of the things you love about God. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 2 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 3 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 4 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 5 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 6 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.
November 30 The Second Sunday of Advent Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 2 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 3 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 4 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 5 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 6 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 7 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.
December 1 The Third Sunday of Advent Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 3 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 4 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 5 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 6 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 7 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 8 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.
December 2 The Fourth Sunday of Advent Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 4 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 5 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 6 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 7 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 8 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.	December 9 Reflect on the promise of God's coming. Read the opening of the Book of Isaiah.

Advent Prayer

**Lord** Jesus, Master of both the light and the darkness, send your Holy Spirit upon our preparations for Christmas. We who have so much to do and seek quiet spaces to hear your voice each day, We who are anxious over many things look forward to your coming among us.

Reflection of Today's Gospel

Today's Gospel passage is the conclusion of Jesus' discourse with his disciples. It is about the end of time, the coming of the Son of Man, and the final judgment. We hear this description of the final



judgment at the conclusion of our liturgical year, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King. In the context of Matthew's Gospel, this passage might also be read as a conclusion of Matthew's report on Jesus' life and ministry; the remaining chapters report the events of Jesus' Passion and Resurrection.

In today's Gospel, Jesus describes to his disciples the scene of the judgment of the Son of Man. All the nations will be assembled before him, and he will separate them as a shepherd separates sheep and goats upon their return from the pasture. The judgments made by the Son of Man will be based upon the acts of mercy shown to the least ones—the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the ill, and the imprisoned. Indeed, Jesus, who suffered on the Cross, identifies himself with the least ones.

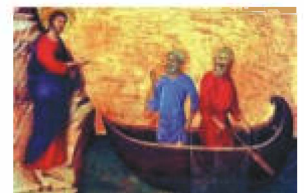
Recall that [last week's parable](#) of the talents taught us that the gifts that we have been given are intended to be used for the service of others, especially the least among us. Our judgment before God will be based not only on how we have used these gifts and talents, but also on how we have extended ourselves in service to these least ones. Indeed, Jesus tells us that whenever we have served these least ones, we have served Christ himself.

When we read today's Gospel in the context of the chapters that follow in Matthew's Gospel, we learn the extent to which Jesus identifies with the least ones. In accepting death on the cross, Jesus shows himself to be one of the hungry, the naked, the ill, and the imprisoned. To accept Jesus is to accept him who suffered and died on the Cross as one of the least ones.

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/>

St. Andrew (or Andreas) the Apostle

Andrew, Peter's brother, and John were the first disciples to follow the Lord. With tender delicacy the Gospel (John 1:35-42) describes their first meeting with Jesus. Andrew did not belong to the inner circle of the apostles, Peter, James and John, and the evangelists narrate nothing extraordinary about him (John 6:8); but tradition (resting on apocryphal Acts) extols his great love of the Cross and of the Savior; and the Church distinguishes him both in the Mass (his name occurs in the Canon and in the Libera since the time of Pope St. Gregory I who had a special devotion to him) and in the Breviary.



When Andrew was led to the place of martyrdom, on beholding the cross from a distance he cried out: "O good Cross, so long desired and now set up for my longing soul I confident and rejoicing come to you; exultingly receive me, a disciple of Him who hung on you." Forthwith he was nailed to the cross. For two days he hung there alive, unceasingly proclaiming the doctrine of Christ until he passed on to Him whose likeness in death he had so vehemently desired. - The legendary account of our saint's martyrdom has this value: it presents to us the mysticism of the Cross of later times. <https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2018-11-30>



## WORLD DAY OF POOR INITIATIVES ADAPT TO PANDEMIC, VATICAN OFFICIAL SAYS

VATICAN CITY – Even during a global pandemic, the World Day of the Poor will be an important opportunity for parishes to highlight the importance of charity and spiritual comfort for those in need, said a Vatican official.



Although restrictions meant to mitigate the spread of the coronavirus have meant some initiatives had to be canceled or modified, the November 15 day remains an occasion for dioceses around the world to “keep alive a sense of attention and fraternity toward the most marginalized and disadvantaged,” said Archbishop Rino Fisichella, president of the Pontifical Council for Promoting New Evangelization, which coordinates the World Day of the Poor activities.

At a Vatican news conference November 12, the archbishop detailed what the Vatican and the Diocese of Rome had planned.

Pope Francis was to celebrate Mass in St. Peter’s Basilica November 15 in the presence of 100 people, who will represent those around the world who face poverty as well as volunteers and benefactors who assist them, he said. The Mass will be livestreamed at [vaticannews.va](http://vaticannews.va).

Instead of the mobile health clinic, which is usually set up in St. Peter’s Square for the week, and lunch for 1,500 people with the pope, he said the papal almoner’s office has been operating a smaller clinic under the colonnade in the square offering free COVID-19 swab tests for people who need them in order to stay at a homeless shelter or to return home abroad. For the past two weeks, they have conducted about 50 tests a day, he said.

Mobile units also will be parked in different locations on the outskirts of Rome offering free HIV and hepatitis-C tests, he added.

Thanks to the generosity of donors, 2.5 tons of pasta will be given to local soup kitchens and charities, and 5,000 care packages will be distributed to families in need in Rome. Each box will contain quality brand-name staple foods, face masks and a prayer card from the pope.

About 350,000 face masks will be given to 15,000 students in the city to alleviate costs for families in need and to invite students “not to underestimate the risks of the pandemic, especially with behaviors that could be harmful once they return from school to their families with the presence of elderly people,” the archbishop said.

Priests and chaplains can download a pastoral guide in five languages from the council’s website, [www.pcpne.va](http://www.pcpne.va), to help make sure the day is not just dedicated to charitable activities, but is supported by prayer, eucharistic adoration and other spiritual endeavors “that can never be lacking in order for our witness to be complete and effective,” he said.

The pope’s message for the day was made public in June and the day’s theme is “Stretch forth your hand to the poor.”

Concrete signs and gestures are necessary every day, especially at a time when so many people find themselves in difficulty because of the pandemic, the archbishop said.

“Now is a good time to recover the conviction that we need one another, that we have a shared responsibility for others and the world,” the pope said in his message.

<http://www.nwcatholic.org/news/international-news/world-day-of-poor-initiatives-adapt-to-pandemic-vatican-official-says.html>

### Weekly Mass Offerings

11/15/20 — Present Sunday Collection —  
11/15/20 — Present E-Giving —

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### St. Francis Xavier - Dec 3

*Jesus asked, “What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?” (Matthew 16:26a).*



Francis Xavier, 24 at the time, and living and teaching in Paris, did not heed these words at once. They came from a good friend, Ignatius of Loyola, whose tireless persuasion finally won the young man to Christ. Francis then made the spiritual exercises under the direction of Ignatius, and in 1534, joined his little community, the infant Society of Jesus. Together at Montmartre they vowed poverty, chastity, obedience, and apostolic service according to the directions of the pope.

From Venice, where he was ordained a priest in 1537, Xavier went on to Lisbon and from there sailed to the East Indies, landing at Goa, on the west coast of India. For the next 10 years he labored to bring the faith to such widely scattered peoples as the Hindus, the Malayans, and the Japanese. He spent much of that time in India, and served as provincial of the newly established Jesuit province of India.

Wherever he went, Xavier lived with the poorest people, sharing their food and rough accommodations. He spent countless hours ministering to the sick and the poor, particularly to lepers. Very often he had no time to sleep or even to say his breviary but, as we know from his letters, he was filled always with joy.

Xavier went through the islands of Malaysia, then up to Japan. He learned enough Japanese to preach to simple folk, to instruct, and to baptize, and to establish missions for those who were to follow him. From Japan he had dreams of going to China, but this plan was never realized. Before reaching the mainland, he died. His remains are enshrined in the Church of Good Jesus in Goa. He and Saint Thérèse of Lisieux were declared co-patrons of the missions in 1925.

<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-francis-xavier>

### Readings of the Week



Nov 30	<b>Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle</b> <a href="#">ROM 10:9-18</a> ; <a href="#">MT 4:18-22</a>
Dec 1	<a href="#">IS 11:1-10</a> ; <a href="#">LK 10:21-24</a>
Dec 2	<a href="#">IS 25:6-10A</a> ; <a href="#">MT 15:29-37</a>
Dec 3	<b>Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier, Priest</b> <a href="#">IS 26:1-6</a> ; <a href="#">MT 7:21, 24-27</a>
Dec 4	<a href="#">IS 29:17-24</a> ; <a href="#">PS 27:1, 4, 13-14</a>
Dec 5	<a href="#">IS 30:19-21, 23-26</a> ; <a href="#">MT 9:35-10:1, 5A, 6-8</a>



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