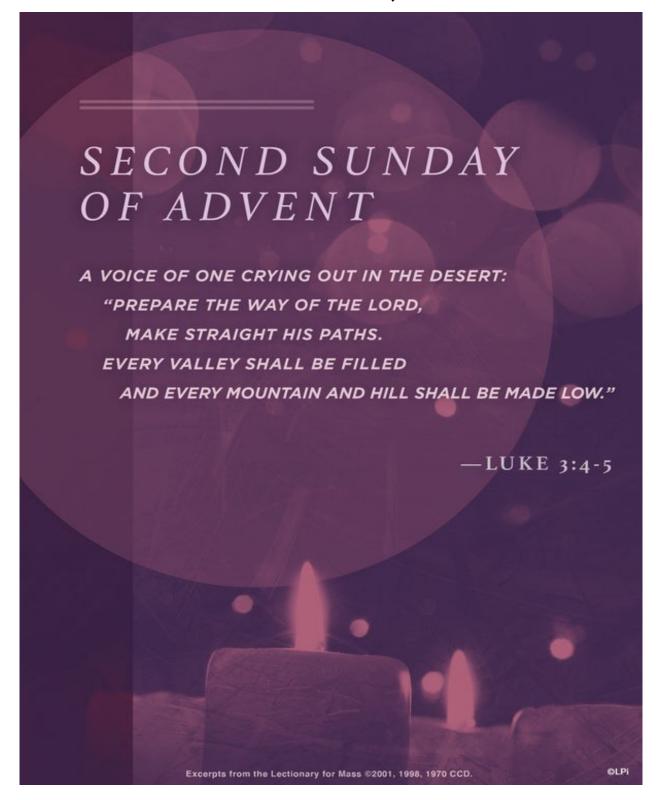


DECEMBER 5, 2021



FROM THE PASTOR...

December 5, 2021

By the time you read this we should have signed the month-to-month lease for partial use of the Produce Center parking lot. We will have full access to the 24 spots to the north (closest to Moody) 24/7 but will only have a right to use the spots closest to the Produce Center after 6:00 p.m. when the Covid testing company leaves. Just to be clear, we are not to use the Covid testing drive through area and spots until after 6:00 p.m. in the evening. As you can see the owners of that property put up a fence on most of the alley side but there is an opening for foot traffic to get to the church, gym, and school. Please only use Milwaukee Ave. when entering/exiting the parking lot by vehicle.

The Archdiocesan real estate office along with a local broker is helping us negotiate a fair sale price for us to consider acquiring the whole Produce Center property. You can be assured that both the Parish and Finance Councils will have input and real say about what that property would ultimately be worth to us. We agreed to the short-term parking lease to help satisfy our needs until our own parking lot gets the city permit and is completed. While this patient waiting might seem endless, it's not much when compared with the waiting the remnant of Israel went through for the coming of the Messiah. We are in Advent after all!

Every year during Advent we hear the preaching of John the Baptist, the Precursor who calls us to prepare the way for the Lord. The Baptist is sent before our Lord to warn us against sin and rouse our hearts to believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God and savior of the world.

I read a homily by St. John Cardinal Newman on the second Sunday of Advent, and he asks the question: "How is it that some people come to believe the revealed word of God, why does one believe, and another does not?" He says that there are those who have a good disposition towards faith and those who don't. While faith is a gift of grace, it is also a call. Our Lord both praises and rebukes people for their faith or lack of it. Why?

We can't hear God's voice if we're not open to it. We can have good will or apathy about the message. How can we have a good will or disposition to have faith? Cardinal Newman says faith starts first through God's subtle voice in our conscience. The conscience commands us to do good and avoid evil. While sometimes we are not clear about the dictates of conscience, the very existence of a moral law that we did not create points to the reality of an unseen Author who is behind it. Being faithful to the voice of conscience helps dispose someone to the Gospel when it is heard.

Furthermore, the more someone listens to their conscience the more difficult it is to separate the voice of conscience from our own "passion or pride, self-love or self-will." Because it's hard to tell when we're honestly seeking the truth or when our own self-will is talking. A person who doesn't have a teacher or ultimate guide in this situation would want to find one. "Thus, a religious person who does not have the blessing of the infallible teaching of revelation is led to look for it." "Such is the definition of every religious person who has not the knowledge of Christ, he is on the lookout." Everyone should be on the lookout for the divine message if they haven't found it yet.

One final reason why all people should be on the lookout for a savior and Divine teacher is that when a person tries to follow their conscience, they are alarmed at how imperfectly they do it! Our sins are daily before us and point us painfully to our need for a savior. Every person has some knowledge of God through the dictates of conscience. Obeying that voice is the first good disposition for faith.

May we heed both the voice of our conscience and St. John the Baptist who says, "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."

In Christ, Fr. Mike A voice of one crying out in the desert: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."



In today's Gospel, John the Baptist urges us to "Prepare the way of the Lord," and this is what Advent is all about. We are called to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts and in our family and by reaching out to those in need.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (through the parish office) so that together we can help the suffering and poor celebrate Christmas.

McDonald's Gift Cards for the Homeless

Again, this year, Mary Klug and the St. Vincent de Paul Society are collecting McDonald's Gift Cards. These will be distributed to the homeless prior to Christmas. For the sake of equity, they ask that the cards be in either \$5 or \$10 denominations. Please be sure the amount is shown on the card.



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2022 CALENDARS

The St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish calendars for 2022 are now available in all three church vestibules.

We would like to thank Colonial Funeral Home for their sponsorship of them.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

There will be three Masses on for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception Tuesday, December 7 - 6:30 p.m. and Wednesday, December 8 - 8:30 a.m. (with school children present) and 6:30 p.m.



EVERYONE IS INVITED TO A VERY SPECIAL PARISH EVENT

Plan to join us next weekend to hear **Dr. Anthony Liles** speak to us about our parish patron, St. Elizabeth of the Trinity.

The talks will be in the auditorium, on Saturday, December 11 at 6:00 p.m. and Sunday, December 12 at 10:00 a.m. and in church on Monday, December 13 at 9:00 a.m.

Anthony Lilles, S.T.D. is an associate professor and the academic dean of Saint John's Seminary in Camarillo as well as the academic advisor for Juan Diego House of Priestly Formation for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. For over twenty years he served the Church in Northern Colorado where he joined and eventually served as

dean of the founding faculty of Saint John Vianney Theological Seminary in Denver. Through the years, clergy, seminarians, religious and lay faithful have benefitted from his lectures and retreat conferences on the Carmelite Doctors of the Church and the writings of St. Elisabeth of the Trinity. After graduating from Franciscan University of Steubenville, he completed licentiate and doctoral studies in spiritual theology at the Angelicum in Rome. In 2012, he published Hidden Mountain, Secret Garden: a theological contemplation of prayer by Discerning Hearts. Married with two young adult children pursuing their careers and a teenager still at home, he has settled in family in Oxnard, California.



Friday, December 24 - Masses will be at 3:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m. Saturday, December 25 - Masses will be at 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. in Spanish

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

(not a day of obligation this year)

Friday, December 31 - Mass will be at 5:00 p.m.
Saturday, January 1 - Masses will be at 9:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. (Spanish)
There will also be the normal confessions at 3:30 p.m. and Vigil Mass at 5:00 p. m.)





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SAVE THE DATE!!

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Holy Name Society / Men's Club Championship Sunday Party Sunday January 30, 2022



EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES

All items for the following bulletins, including Mass intentions, are due as follows:

December 12 is due no later than December 6

December 19 is due no later than December 10

December 26 is due no later than December 16 January 2 is due no later than December 21

Jim Madura, (jmadura@archchicago.org)

PICTURES OF THE DECEASED

Any pictures that were placed in our All Souls Shrine during November can now be picked up in the main vestibule of the church.



Michele Schmidt—Maria Szumski—Carol Williams—Gary Sowell—Virginia Barski—Jeffrey Lalowski—Jadwija Chudzynski—Amy Grudzinski—Bernadette Bannach—Patricia Newell—Guzman family—Angela Ross—Kasia Worth—Nicholas Guerrieri—Cathy Minnick—Marie Brasher—Stan Wolenczuk—Beverly Underwood—Molly Morris—Paola Estrada—Judy Biala—Eva Anderson—Elise Fernandez—Gerard Rangel—Roger Rangel—Emery Tanski—John Carr—Fr. Dan Fallon—Cathy Muldoon-Pauly—John Morrison—Sr Roda Villaruz MSHT—Sr Kelly Masdat MSHT — Darlene Russo — Lou Galassini (Call the rectory office to have your name added or removed)

Bilingual Novena December 3 - December 11, 2021

Friday	Dec. 3	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	Dec. 4	7:00 p.m.
Sunday	Dec. 5	2:00 p.m.
Monday	Dec. 6	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	Dec. 7	8:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Dec. 8	7:00 p.m.
Thursday	Dec. 9	7:00 p.m.
Friday	Dec. 10	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	Dec. 11	7:00 p.m.

Serenade to the Blessed Virgin of Guadalupe Sunday, December 12 - 5:00 a.m.



Eucharistic celebration
Sunday, December 12, 2021 - 1:00 p.m.
Celebrants: Bishop Mark Bartosic and
Rev. Michael Grisolano
Music Directed by Angel Abarca



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DECEMBER 5TH CLASS
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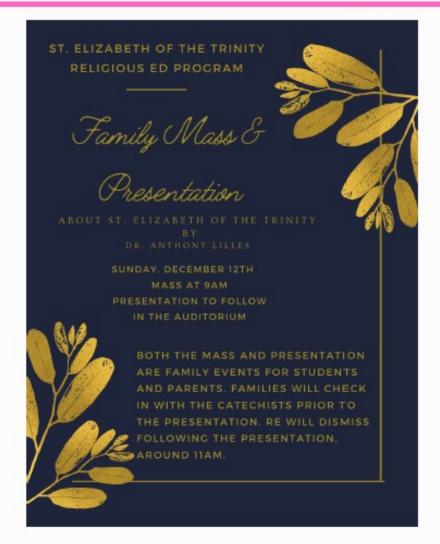
LIFE WITH CHRIST IS A WONDERFUL ADVENTURE!-POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II

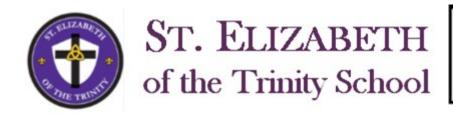
Second Sunday of Advent: Peace

Today, we light the second candle in our Advent wreath. This candle represents peace; the peace the Infant Jesus brings to each of us. As we continue our journey through Advent, how can we bring that same peace to our homes? One way is to, as it says in Mark 1:3, "Prepare the way of the Lord; make His paths straight." How can our family make straight His path and prepare a place for the Baby Jesus?



Prayer for the Second Sunday of Advent: Jesus, help make our home a place of peace this Advent as we prepare for Your coming. Amen.





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Vespers, also called Evening Prayer, is one part of the Liturgy of the Hours or the Divine Office. In the Liturgy of the Hours, the Church fulfills Jesus' command to "pray always" (Luke 18:1; see also 1 Thessalonians 5:17). Through this prayer, the people of God sanctify the day by continual praise of God and prayers of intercession for the needs of the world.

Evening Prayer gives thanks for the day just past and makes an evening sacrifice of praise to God (see Psalm 141:1).

The structure of Evening Prayer is as follows:

Introductory Verse: The Prayer begins with the Sign of the Cross, a request for God's assistance, and a doxology of praise.

Hymn: The introduction is followed by a hymn suited to the season or event.

Psalmody: Singing or recitation of Psalms follows the hymn. At Evening Prayer, the psalmody consists of two psalms (or two parts of a longer psalm) and a canticle (or hymn) taken from the Epistles or the Book of Revelation in the New Testament. The Psalms are an important part of the Church's prayer. In praying the Psalms, the Church follows Jesus' example since He, too, prayed the Psalms (see, for example, Matthew 27:46 and Mark 15:34 which quote Psalm 22 or Luke 23:46 which quotes Psalm 31). The New Testament canticles come from the earliest days of the Church.

Each Psalm is preceded by an antiphon. The antiphon calls attention to the spiritual meaning of the Psalm, particularly any meaning especially appropriate to the feast or season. When the Psalms are chanted, the antiphon gives the tone (or melody) for the singing.

Each Psalm is followed by a brief period of silent reflection. It may be followed by a short prayer high-lighting important themes of the Psalm.

Scripture Reading: The Psalmody is followed by a reading from Sacred Scripture (the Bible). This reading may be followed by a period of silence or a brief reflection.

Responsory: A short responsory is sung or recited. This responsory highlights themes of the reading or the season and concludes with a doxology of praise.

Gospel Canticle: At Evening Prayer, those assembled sing or recite the Canticle of Mary, also called the Magnificat after the first word in the Latin text of this prayer. This canticle comes from Luke 1:46-55. Mary sang this song upon meeting her kinswoman Elizabeth, a meeting that took place shortly after Mary assented to God's plan that she bear His Son, Jesus. This Canticle is treated with the reverence given to the reading of the Gospel at Mass. It is introduced with an antiphon and the Sign of the Cross and it concludes with a doxology of praise and the repeating of the antiphon. At celebrations of particular solemnity, it make be accompanied by incense.

Intercessions: In the Intercessions, those assembled pray for the needs of the Church and the world. These Intercessions often include a prayer for those who have died.

Lord's Prayer: The Intercessions conclude with the Lord's Prayer (also called the "Our Father" or the "Pater Noster"). Jesus taught this prayer to His disciples when they asked how to pray (cf. Mt 6:9-13, Lk 11:2-4). In this prayer, the people join their voices to pray for the coming of God's kingdom and to ask God to provide for our needs, forgive our sins, and bring us to the joy of heaven. Each day the Our Father is prayed by the Church at Morning Prayer, at Evening Prayer, and at Mass.

Concluding Prayer: The celebrant then offers a final prayer of praise and intercession to God. This prayer is appropriate to the Church season.

Dismissal: Unless a layperson is presiding, the celebrant blesses the people and dismisses them from the celebration, inviting them to "Go in peace." When a layperson presides, those present ask the blessing of God and are dismissed as usual.



Watch St. Elizabeth of the Trinity 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass live on You Tube - search for St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish channel.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2021

5:00 PM — Michael Maughan, Don Love Jr., Ralph Schmidt, Betty Reynolds, Scatena & Takien families (special intention), Lucie Allison (birthday)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021

7:30 AM — Jerry Stemper (7th anniversary), Zembal, Sit, Kowalczuk, Yarmusz & Buska families

9:00 AM — (livestreamed) - Eileen & Jack Owen, Don Quinn, Katherine & George Ahlert, Fr. Dan Fallon

11:00 AM — Terrance, Edward & Mary Wilk, Jerry Stemper (7th anniversary), John Strischek

1:00 PM — (Spanish) - Jose Luis Bucio

MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2021

8:30 AM — Katherine Pryst (birthday), deceased members of the Gonsalves and D'Souza families

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2021

8:30 AM — Joseph Dziedzic, Mary Sroka, Eleanor, Sammuel, Grace and Joseph Holden

11:00 - 6:00 PM - Adoration / Benediction at 6:00

5:30 - 6:00 PM - CONFESSIONS

6:30 PM — for our parishioners

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2021

8:30 AM — Smythe family, Steven Stanley, Carmen Carballo Rosario, Alice Hunt, Donald Putnam, Carol Madigan

6:30 PM — for our parishioners

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2021

8:30 AM — for the homebound of our parish

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2021

8:30 AM — Dennis Kitt

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2021

8:30 AM — for police officers and their families

3:00 - 4:30 PM—CONFESSIONS

5:00 PM — Malachy Byrne (birthday remembrance), Michael Maughan, deceased members of the Ognibene family, John & Helen Ptak, Dave & Carol Niehaus (50th wedding anniversary), Patrick Rodden (1st anniversary), Margaret Casey

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2021

7:30 AM — Susan Klein

9:00 AM — (livestreamed) - Eileen & Jack Owen, Don Quinn, Holy Name Society, Timothy Hirami, Coleman McDonagh

11:00 AM — Carl Carlson 1:00 PM — (Spanish) -

Presider Schedule - December 11 & 12

5:00 pm — Fr. Grisolano 7:30 am — Fr. Landfried 9:00 am — Fr. Grisolano 11:00 am — Fr. McCarthy (Spanish) 1:00 pm - Bp. Bartosic

DISPENSATION

Cardinal Cupich has continued the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday and Holy Day Mass until further notice.

REST IN PEACE

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

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

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Readings for the Week

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/Is12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]/Phil

4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18



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Saturday: 5:00 p.m. & Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. (English) and

1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

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Monday through Saturday: 8:30 a.m., Tuesday: 6:30 p.m. and

First Friday: 7:45 p.m. (Spanish)

Church is open daily for private prayer until 5:00 p.m.

Confession:

Tuesday: 5:30 - 6:00 p.m., Friday: 7:00 to 7:45 p.m. (bilingual)

Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday: 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Benediction at 6:00 p.m.)

Rectory (Parish Office) Hours - Monday through Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Baptism:

Please contact Deacon Greg Bzdon to make arrangements: gbzdon@archchicago.org

Becoming a Catholic:

Would you like to learn more about what it means to be a Catholic? The Church calls this process The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). It is a small group forum where interested people learn more about initiation and membership in the Catholic Church. Please call Kathleen Driscoll at the parish office for more information.

Marriage:

Must be arranged six months prior to the ceremony. Please contact a priest to make arrangements.

Religious Education for Public Grade School Students: Contact Kathleen Driscoll for more information: kadriscoll@archchicago.org

Parish Registration: New parishioners are asked to register at the Rectory. Forms are also available on our website under the Our Parish tab.

Communion Visits: Ministers of Care bring Communion to the homebound. Contact Deacon Steve Wagner through the rectory to make arrangements.

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Bulletin Deadline: Noon on Fridays (9 days prior to bulletin date)

"It seems to me that I have found my heaven on earth, because my heaven is You, my God. and You are in my soul. You in me, and I in You - may this be my motto."

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity