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## **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2018**

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### **PARISH OFFICE**

**Monday-Friday: 8:30am-5:00pm**

# **The Catholic Faith Community of Our Lady of Victory and the Church of St. Andrew**

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## **OUR LADY OF VICTORY**

### **MASSES**

**Saturday (Fulfills Sunday Obligation): 5:15pm**

**Sunday: 10:15am, 12:15pm, 5:15pm**

**Mon. - Fri.: 7:15am, 8:15am, 12:15pm\*, 1:15pm\*\*  
& 5:15pm\*\*\* (All in Upper Church.)**

\* Following the 12:15, the Novena of the day follows.

\*\* Following the 1:15, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by the Novena of the day.

\*\*\* Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 5:05 pm, followed by Mass.

**Saturday: 12:15pm, 5:15pm (Vigil Mass)**

**Holidays: 8:15am & 12:15pm**

**Holy Day Vigil: 5:15pm**

**Holy Days: 7:15, 7:45, 8:15, 11:45am  
12:15, 12:45, 1:15, 1:45, 4:45, & 5:15pm**

### **CONFESSIONS**

**Mon. - Fri.: 7:45-8:15am, 12:45-1:30pm, 5:00-5:30pm**

**Sat.: 4:50-5:15pm**

### **NOVENAS & DEVOTIONS**

**Mon.:** Miraculous Medal

**Sat.:** The Rosary

**Tues.:** St. Anthony

**1st Fri.:** Sacred Heart

**Wed.:** St. Jude

Novena

**Thurs.:** The Holy Spirit

**Fridays of Lent:**

**Fri.:** The Rosary

Stations of the Cross

### **EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

After the 1:15pm Weekday Mass.

Benediction will be at 5:05pm, before the 5:15 Mass.

**BAPTISMS:** Please call the rectory for information.

## **ST. ANDREW'S**

### **MASSES**

**Monday - Friday: 12:15pm, 1:15pm**

### **CONFESSIONS**

15 minutes after each Mass

### **DEVOTIONS**

Novena after the 12:15 weekday Mass

Novena and Rosary after 1:15pm weekday Mass

## **PARISH ACTIVITIES**

**Monday: 5:45pm – Legion of Mary (OLV)**

**4th Friday: 5:45pm – Patrician Catholic  
Discussion Group (OLV))**

**As Announced: FiDi Catholic Young Adults**

# THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 9, 2018 Year B

## AWAITING THE SALVATION OF GOD

The world does not seem big enough to contain the jubilation of the first reading. In the Gospel reading, the Roman empire isn't big enough, either. The great powers of Rome are named and made to stand waiting for the arrival of God's salvation. And we find Paul meditating joyfully on what really matters.

According to Baruch, the city of Jerusalem is like a person standing on tiptoe looking for God's salvation, which is coming from the east. Those who were led away on foot, heads down, now come back, a proud people. Why, the very way is smoothed out. The path is lined with fragrant, lush trees.

It can't get any better than this, can it? Well, yes, it can. For a voice calls out in the desert. Here is the beginning of the salvation of God.

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## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Take off your robe of mourning and misery; put on the splendor of glory from God (Baruch 5:1-9).

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

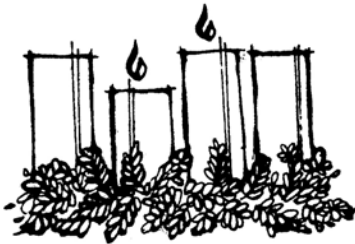
**Second Reading** — I am confident that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus (Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11).

**Gospel** — The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth (Luke 3:1-6).

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## THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 9, 1018



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God has commanded that every lofty mountain be made low.

— Baruch 5:7

## READINGS THIS WEEK

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712

Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80: 2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-6; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Look around most Catholic churches, and you will discover an image of John the Baptist, often in the old baptistery, or in a window near where the font is or was located. He has two feast days in the calendar: one commemorating his birth, and the other his death. There are only three nativities in our calendar: for Jesus, for Mary, and for the Baptist. John's birthday is reckoned according to the schedule given in Luke's Gospel of the angel's announcement to Mary. The angel tells her that her cousin Elizabeth is in the sixth month of pregnancy, and so Mary hastens to help her. Reckoning Christmas as December 25, we count backwards nine months to March 25 for the Feast of the Annunciation.

Then we count forward three months to June 24 for John the Baptist's birth. Halfway to Christmas, his nativity gives

ample reason for rejoicing in the summer, and his symbols of fire and water are used playfully in bonfires and dives into the sea. Even at the polar opposite of Christmas in the calendar, the energy of Christ's birth in the Incarnation provides cause for rejoicing.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



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## RICHES

Riches are the instrument of all vices, because they render us capable of putting even our worst desires into execution.

—St. Ambrose

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Advent  
 Monday: International Human Rights Day  
 Tuesday: St. Damasus I  
 Wednesday: Our Lady of Guadalupe  
 Thursday: **St. Lucy**  
 Friday: **St. John of the Cross**

### S.T JOHN OF THE CROSS

**Feast: December 14th**

Juan de Yepes was the Castilian son of a poor silk weaver of Fontiberos, Toledo, Spain and was born in 1542. His father was of noble birth; he had married much beneath him, and for that offense had been entirely cut off by his family. The family was left in direst poverty; the children grew up always underfed, so that to the end of his life Juan remained dwarfed in stature.



Unable to learn a trade, he became the servant of the poor in the hospital of Medina, while still pursuing his sacred studies. In 1563, being then twenty-one, he humbly offered himself as a lay-brother to the Carmelite friars, who, however, knowing his talents, had him ordained priest. He would now have exchanged to the severe Carthusian Order, had not St. Teresa of Avila, with the instinct of a saint, persuaded him to remain and help her in the reform of his own Order.

Thus he became the first prior of the Discalced (meaning "barefoot") Carmelites. His reform, though approved by the general, was rejected by the elder friars, who condemned the saint as a fugitive and apostate, and cast him into prison, whence he only escaped, after nine months' suffering, at the risk of his life. Twice again, before his death, he was shamefully persecuted by his brethren, and publicly disgraced. But his complete abandonment by creatures only deepened his interior peace and devout longing for heaven.

St. John was a great contemplative and spiritual writer. He was proclaimed Doctor of the Church by Pope Pius XI on August 24, 1926. He is the patron of contemplative life, mystical theology, mystics, and Spanish poets.

### THIS WEEK

ALTAR BREAD AND WINE &  
 CHURCH SANCTUARY LAMP

*In Memory of*  
**DAMASO TABIQUE**



*Requested by Lourdes Tabique & Denise Marasigan*

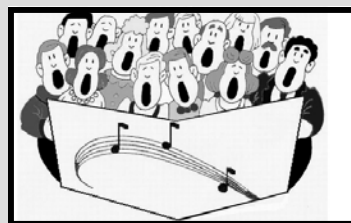
## OUR CHOIR SINGING AT BAILEY'S!

Our Canoni Chorale, which sings every Saturday evening at the 5:15 Evening Mass here at OLVSTA will be singing Christmas Carols at The Bailey Restaurant & Bar after the 5:15 p.m. Saturday evening Masses on December 15th and 22nd which are the third & fourth weeks of Advent. They will sing from:  
 6:40-7:00 pm  
 7:40-8:00 pm,  
 and 8:40-9:00 pm,

During those times they will move throughout the restaurant to sing. They will also sing an occasional carol from the group's dinner table. Come and get to know our choir and enjoy the music and cheer of the season!

**Bailey's is located at 52 William Street  
 Corner of William St. and Pine St.**

**-Across the street from the front door of our church-**



### 6-DAY CANDLES AVAILABLE

You can now light a candle in the church and have it stay lit for almost a week for your prayer intentions, in thanksgiving to God or in memorial of a loved one!

These special votive candles have clear covers decorated with a cross design and can be placed inside one of the glass holders provided before the statues of Christ the King, Our Lady of Fatima, the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Divine Mercy, Our Lady of Victory or Saint Anne, the Mother of Mary in the Upper Church only. Once lit, the candles will stay burning for your intention for about a week.



They are available for purchase from the parish office downstairs or from Carlos, our Sacristan, if you see him in the Upper Church.

If you wish, you can also purchase the candle and light for your home. The protective glass containers are also available for purchase.

The lighting of candles for your prayer intentions is a time-honored tradition in the Catholic Church that we are happy to provide at Our Lady of Victory and St. Andrew.

### YET TO DO

One never notices what has been done; one can only see what remains to be done.

—Marie Curie

## SUPPORT YOUR PARISH WITH ONLINE DONATIONS

Our Lady of Victory and Saint Andrew's Church is signed up for ParishPay to make it possible for all Parishioners and/or friends of our parish to make one-time, Sunday, weekly, monthly, or annual donations **online**. This easy-to-use and secure website allows you to use your credit card, debit card, or echeck for offertory gifts, special collections, capital campaigns and appeals.

Parishioners can start using ParishPay now by going to our secure Parish website: [www.olvsta.org](http://www.olvsta.org), scroll to the bottom of the homepage and click on the button you see pictured here:



ALL PEOPLE  
SHALL SEE  
THE SALVATION  
OF GOD



### DISORDER IN THE COURT (Funnies taken from real court transcripts)



**Attorney:** What is your date of birth?

**Witness:** July 18th.

**Attorney:** What year?

**Witness:** Every year.

**Attorney:** What did the doctor tell you was the condition of the body when he performed the autopsy?

**Witness:** He described it as dead.

**Prosecutor:** Do you see the defendant in court today?

**Witness:** Yes, I do.

**Prosecutor:** How is he dressed?

**Witness:** He looks pretty sharp.

**Attorney:** How was your first marriage terminated?

**Witness:** By death.

**Attorney:** And by whose death was it terminated?

**Witness:** Take a guess.

## PREPARE THE WAY



## MASS INTENTION

\*\*\* Indications "for the intentions of"

### OUR LADY OF VICTORY

#### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9**

10:15 am: Rev. Joseph Marcello\*\*\*

12:15 pm: Leon, Martha, & Leon Jr. Mikolajczyk

5:15 pm: John Nieves

#### **MONDAY, DECEMBER 10**

7:15 am: Vincent McDonnell\*\*\*

8:15 am: William G. Barry, Sr.

12:15 pm: Margaret & Kevin O'Neill

1:15 pm: Frank Giaccio

5:15 pm: Maura Cullen

#### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11**

7:15 am: Patricia V. Reed

8:15 am: In Thanksgiving to St. Michael

12:15 pm: Margaret Antonopoulos

1:15 pm: Glen Carmine D'Ambrosio

5:15 pm: Damaso Tabique

#### **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12**

7:15 am: In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:15 am: Frances Moore

12:15 pm: Carmen Nunez

1:15 pm: Mildred Alexander

5:15 pm: Helen Perrone

#### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13**

7:15 am: Dr. Anne Hogan Brennan

8:15 am: William Devine

12:15 pm: Joan & Larry King

1:15 pm: Thomas Petrizzo

5:15 pm: Rosemarie Notaro

#### **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14**

7:15 am: James Paul O'Connor

8:15 am: Mary Cirillo\*\*\*

12:15 pm: In Honor of St. Anthony

1:15 pm: Lee Rubino

5:15 pm: Vincent McDonnell\*\*\*

#### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15**

12:15 pm: John Burkly

5:15 pm: Maria Grazia & Rose D'Amato

#### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16**

10:15 am: Rev. Fr. Francisco Gomez-Franco\*\*\*

12:15 pm: Martha Pando De Benavides

5:15 pm: James Coffey

### ST. ANDREW CHURCH

*No Weekend Mass at  
St. Andrew's location*

12:15 pm: Alexander Joseph Ernest  
1:15 pm: Gloria Varban

12:15 pm: John & Mary Freyne \*\*\*  
1:15 pm: The Henriquez Family

12:15 pm: The Almonord Family  
1:15 pm: Holy Souls in Purgatory

12:15 pm: Patrice Delatour\*\*\*  
1:15 pm: The Southbridge Towers Senior Citizen\*\*\*

12:15 pm: Rafael Hernandez  
1:15 pm: Nora Van Aalst

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