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Church of Saint Andrew
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2018

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The Reverend Lino Gonsalves, In Residence

Janel Rodriguez, Office Manager
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Carlos Gomez, Director of Maintenance
Don Barnum, Music Director, Canoni Chorale
Michael Tucci, Music Director, Schola Cantorum

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 Novena
Wed.: St. Jude	Fridays of Lent: Stations of the Cross
Thurs.: The Holy Spirit	
Fri.: The Rosary	

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 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 23, 2018 Year B

MEMORIES AND DREAMS

Throughout our lives, we retain the language and habits of our native region and family of origin. Should we return to our home after a long absence, we quickly revert to its familiar speech and practices. Our deep memory is reflected in old stories and words and speech patterns. This familiarity runs like an underground river and accompanies us wherever we go.

Not only do we remember, we are incorporated into and made part of a greater memory. In remembering and recollecting, we are in turn gathered up and re-collected.

Today we remember Mary, a small figure travelling the country roads to visit Elizabeth. All the great pronouncements and dreams of the prophets point to this time when the Lord's words to Mary would be gathered and fulfilled. The memories of her people are alive in her, and memories of her nourish our own living faith. —Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.,



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — From Bethlehem-Ephrathah shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel (Micah 5:1-4a).

Psalm — Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved (Psalm 80).

Second Reading — We have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Christ once for all (Hebrews 10:5-10).

Gospel — Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken by the Lord would be fulfilled (Luke 1:39-45).

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READINGS THIS WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79

Tuesday: **Vigil:** Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

Wednesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Thursday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Friday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In ancient pagan Rome, these days in mid-December were a time for general slacking off at work and far too much rejoicing. The period of leisure after the harvest and a whole cluster of pagan festivals were a force for the church to reckon with. The Saturnalia, breaking out on December 17, was a time of high living and loose morals. Christians were advised by their bishops to drop out of the mayhem and do some serious fasting.

A famous church council at Saragossa in Spain made a season of fasting mandatory from December 17 to

December 23, exactly coinciding with the Saturnalia. The bishops at that time were perhaps less concerned with preparing for Christmas than with resisting the kind of loose living going on.

Modern times have restored a bit of the Saturnalia spirit to our culture, so that a general period of partying with a vague connection to religion is now upon us. How does a Christian keep balance? The practice of charity by remembering the poor in our gift-giving, of hospitality in finding a place at our holiday tables for the poor and lonely, and of daily prayer in the home and at church are great helps. Although Advent is not a penitential season like Lent, it is a time for making room in our lives for what matters most.

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



**THE FOURTH
SUNDAY
OF ADVENT
December 23, 1018**

Blessed are you
among women,
and blessed is
the fruit of your womb.

— Luke 1:42



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2018



**Christmas Eve
Monday, December 24th**



Confessions 12:00-1:30 pm

MASS OF THE VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS:

**5:15 pm with our Canoni Chorale
and**

**Solemn High Mass of Christmas at 9:15 pm
with our
Schola Cantorum Choir**

**Christmas Day
Tuesday, December 25th**

**Masses at 10:15 am and 12:15 pm
with our Schola Cantorum Choir**



The Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God

**Vigil Monday, December 31st
Mass at 5:15 with Choir**

**New Year's Day
Tuesday, January 1, 2019
10:15 am & 12:15 pm**

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Advent
Monday: **Vigil of Christmas**
Tuesday: **The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)**
Wednesday: **St. Stephen**; First Day of Kwanzaa
Thursday: St. John
Friday: **The Holy Innocents**
Saturday: Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Thomas Becket

O HOLY NIGHT...

*the stars are brightly shining,
It is the night of
our dear Savior's birth.
Long lay the world
in sin and error pining
Till He appeared and the soul felt its
worth!*



THE RENEW + REBUILD CAMPAIGN

... is a \$200 million capital campaign. Our parishes will raise a minimum of \$177 million of the total goal with a primary focus on the renewal of our local faith communities.

The Renew + Rebuild Goal for Our Lady of Victory & St. Andrew is \$419,000

**We have secured more than \$202,000 (48%)
with gifts from just 12 parishioners!**

And 74% of the funds we raise in the *Renew + Rebuild* campaign will remain with us for our parish needs!

Such as:

- Pointing and Lighting of the Building*
- Illuminating and Cleaning stained glass windows*
- Painting the Church, restoring marble floor,
and upholstering the pews*
- Restoration of the Organ*
- Restoration of parish offices, bathrooms and kitchen*
- 2018 Cardinal's Appeal*

If you have received your campaign materials, and are ready to make your pledge, please return your pledge card to the Parish Office or put it in a sealed envelope marked Renew + Rebuild in the collections basket at Mass!

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.

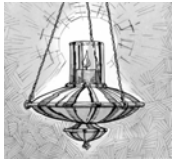
The lighting of candles for your prayer intentions is a time-honored tradition in the Catholic Church that we are happy to provide at Our Lady of Victory and St. Andrew.

THIS WEEK

Altar Bread & Wine
at St. Andrew for
Dominick & Anna Mingione



Requested by The Mingione Family



Altar Bread & Wine
and Sanctuary Lamp
at Our Lady of Victory
For *Dionisio Marasigan*

Requested by Lourdes Tabique and Denise Marasigan

Your Christmas Donation to your parish can be made online! Visit our secure Parish website: www.olvsta.org, scroll to the bottom of the homepage and click on the button you see pictured here:



O COME, LONG FORETOLD

O come, Desired of nations,
Whom priest and prophet long
foretold
Will break the captive fetters,
Redeem the long-lost fold.
Dear Savior, haste;
come, come to earth,
Dispel the night
and show your face,
And bid us
hail the dawn of grace.

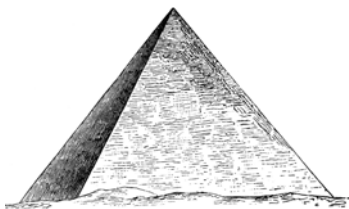
—*Simon J. Pellegrin*
(1663-1745)

Tr. by *Mary of St. Philip* (1825-1904)



BUT WAS IT COACH?

One time, during a Sunday school lesson, the teacher asked the younger children to draw pictures that illustrated Bible stories. The children got to work immediately, and after a little while their teacher began to walk around the room to look over what they each had done. When she got to one table, however, she stopped short. The boy was plainly drawing a picture of an airplane!



"Um, Peter?" she asked hesitantly, "what Bible story are you drawing?"

"The Flight into Egypt," Peter answered promptly. "See? There's Mary, there's Joseph and there's baby Jesus. And this," he said, pointing to the front of the plane, "is Pontius, the pilot."

MASS INTENTION

*** Indications "for the intentions of"

OUR LADY OF VICTORY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23

10:15 am: Luciano Gambarella
12:15 pm: Anna & Michael
Martusciello
5:15 pm: Ciriaco Estanislao
Bonilla

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24

7:15 am: Irma Acocella
8:15 am: John Connelly
12:15 pm: Patrick Marcune
1:15 pm: Mary McGinley
5:15 pm: Francis Bongart
9:15 pm: Lorna Pardo

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25

10:15 am: Rose Allen
12:15 pm: Thomas R. Moore

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26

7:15 am: Carlito
Sumague-Lourdes
8:15 am: Hugh Sheridan
12:15 pm: Carlos A. Nieves
1:15 pm: William Dickinson
5:15 pm: Dionisio Marasigan

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27

7:15 am: Helen Gleason
8:15 am: Joseph V. Shields, Jr.
12:15 pm: Rev. Robert J.
Robbins***
1:15 pm: In Thanksgiving to
Our Lady of Victory
5:15 pm: Frank Lavrigata

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 28

7:15 am: Patricia Tashjian
8:15 am: Arthur Z. Corpuz
12:15 pm: Maureen
McGovern***
1:15 pm: Souls in Purgatory
5:15 pm: Giovanna, Nicola, &
Anna Lucignano

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

12:15 pm: Joel Neftali Hernandez
5:15 pm: Luce Goussard

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30

10:15 am: Rene Goussard
12:15 pm: Dionisio Marasigan
5:15 pm: Maddalena Tota

ST. ANDREW CHURCH

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

CHRISTMAS EVE

12:15 pm: *No Mass*
1:15 pm: *No Mass*

CHRISTMAS DAY

12:15 pm: *No Mass*
1:15 pm: *No Mass*

12:15 pm: Robert Garson
1:15 pm: Rocco M.
Thompson

12:15 pm: Vocations to
The Priesthood
1:15 pm: John & Mary
Freyne***

12:15 pm: The Freyne
Family***
1:15 pm: Francis,
Carl, & Joel
Edouard***

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