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THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2019

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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

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REASON TO REJOICE

Dark violet is used throughout Advent to express its character as a season of spiritual preparation for Christmas and “the coming of the Lord.” But on the Third Sunday of Advent, formerly known as Gaudete (Latin for “rejoice”) Sunday, rose may be added to the liturgical environment. The entire liturgy is infused with a spirit of rejoicing.

Today’s first reading and Gospel proclaim the reality of God’s saving work in our midst. Isaiah exuberantly describes the idyllic transformation of all creation as a result of God’s presence in the midst of the people. In the Gospel, Jesus connects Isaiah’s prophecy with what is happening in his own ministry. In addition to the list of healings from Isaiah (the blind, the lame, lepers, and the deaf), Jesus’ presence brings two other reasons for rejoicing: “The dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them” (Matthew 11:5).

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The barren deserts will rejoice and flower (Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10).

Psalm — Lord, come and save us (Psalm 146).

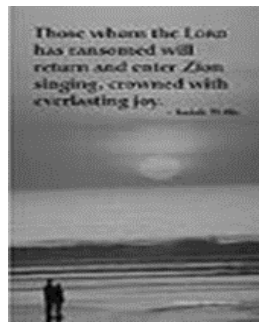
Second Reading — Be patient, for the coming of the Lord is as sure as the rain (James 5:7-10).

Gospel — Tell of what you hear and see: The blind regain their vision, the crippled their movement, the deaf their hearing (Matthew 11:2-11).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from Lectionary

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Those whom the LORD has ransomed will return and enter Zion singing, crowned with everlasting joy.
— Isaiah 35:10a



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

Wednesday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

Thursday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a;

Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25

Friday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38

Saturday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a;

Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45

Sunday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Rom 1:1-7;

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today there is an abrupt shift in the season of Advent. From here on the tone is more joyful and expectant and the tug of the Christmas message is irresistible. At daily Mass on December 17 we begin to unfold the story of Jesus’ birth. Who can resist the beauty of the first reading today—deserts aflame with flowers, arthritics set to dancing, the tone-deaf singing hymns? So we don’t miss the change, the parish may take rose-colored vestments out of mothballs, we may light rose-colored candles on the wreath, or fill in our wreaths with desert flowers, pink seashells, seed pods, cones and berries. The seeds of God’s kingdom have been sown in us. In these shining days of Advent they are sprouting in many ways. How do we bring the promise to light? This is the week to prepare gifts for the poor. It is the week to invite a lonely neighbor to your Christmas dinner, the week to write a note forgiving a lost friend, the week to shatter a family grudge so that even in the desert places of your heart, Christ’s life may blossom.

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THE LOOK OF LOVE

What does love look like?
It has feet to go to the poor and needy.
It has eyes to see misery and want.
It has ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent
Monday: Las Posadas begins
Saturday: St. Peter Canisius;
Winter begins



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2018



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE
2019

Christmas Eve
Tuesday, 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
Wednesday, 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 Tuesday, December 31st
Mass at 5:15 with Choir

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



Third Week of Advent Prayer

Say this prayer with your family as you light the candle for the third week of Advent.

Lord God, may we, your people, who look forward to the birthday of Christ experience the joy of salvation and celebrate that feast with love and thanksgiving. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

~AMEN.



Save the Date

Christmas At Our Parish, 2019
Proudly presents the following...

Christmas Concert at Our Lady of Victory & Saint Andrew

Tuesday, December 17th at 5:30 PM

Our Lady of Victory & Saint Andrew presents our Canoni Chorale singing

the Best of Traditional Advent & Christmas Hymns

**JOIN US FOR THIS WONDERFUL WAY
TO WELCOME IN THE SEASON OF
JOY!!!**

SAINT JOHN OF THE CROSS

(c. 1542-1591)

December 14

How beautiful the experience of love for God and neighbor, a fire deep within! How disheartening when love suddenly cools and our souls grow dark, our prayer arid. How painful when misunderstanding, even rejection, comes our way, sometimes from those we least expect. For all such "seasons of the soul," an inspiring fellow-pilgrim is the poet and mystic John of the Cross. As a young Carmelite, he was recruited by Teresa of Ávila for her Discalced ("barefoot," evangelical poverty) Carmelite reform, striving to renew the Church from within after the Protestant Reformation had led countless religious away. John suffered unspeakably harsh abuse, even imprisonment, from friars who rejected this reform. Yet during these times of deepest suffering, John composed spiritual masterpieces that still guide souls to God, their titles reflecting his own painful yet ultimately victorious journey: from The Dark Night of the Soul through The Ascent of Mount Carmel to his Spiritual Canticle and The Living Flame of Love. John summarized his spirituality simply: "Put love where there is no love, and you will find love."

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www.olvsta.org, scroll to the bottom of the homepage and click on the button you see pictured here:



Jesus is hanging out with St. Peter at the Pearly Gates.

An old man approaches.

St. Peter asks him, "Well, sir, what have you done to deserve entry into heaven?"

"To be honest," replies the man, "I am just a simple carpenter. It was my son who was truly great. Although, he wasn't my biological son...his birth was nothing short of a miracle. Still, I loved my boy very much. Later in life, he went through many trials and transformations. He spread joy, and his story is told all over the world even to this day."



Jesus looks at the man, with a tear in his eye, and says, "Papa?"

Parish Buffet Breakfast At Bailey's

Every Last Sunday of the Month

Following the 10:15 A.M. Mass

Children under 12 eat free

Save the Date...

December 29th!



"It is more blessed to give than to receive."
— (ACTS 20:35)



MASS INTENTIONS

*** Indications "for the intentions of"

OUR LADY OF VICTORY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

10:15 am: Lovista De Suze
12:15 pm: Fred Fossett
5:15 pm: Michael Gabriel

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16

7:15 am: Carmine, Tom,
Michelina, and Peggy D'Amato
8:15 am: Pat Martin
12:15 pm: Alice Serrano
1:15 pm: Peter Frattini
5:15 pm: Guy Eugene Cafarella

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17

7:15 am: Peter McAleer
8:15 am: Anthony John and Marie
D'Amato
12:15 pm: Gabrielle M. Block
1:15 pm: Kevin O'Neill &
James Flood
5:15 pm: Edward M. Iberger

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18

7:15 am: Marie Sluka
8:15 am: Kathleen Marsala
12:15 pm: Gabrielle M. Block
1:15 pm: Pasquale Campano
5:15 pm: Maria Grazia & Rose
D'Amato

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19

7:15 am: Emilio Duarte
8:15 am: Bienvenida Arce
12:15 pm: Peg Collins
1:15 pm: Joan Byrd
5:15 pm: Mary Lyons

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20

7:15 am: Rose D'Amato
8:15 am: Marie Quinter
12:15 pm: Colin Vint
1:15 pm: Cora Mondowney
5:15 pm: Diana T. Regan

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21

12:15 pm: Catherine Crean
5:15 pm: Joanne O'Connell

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22

10:15 am: Frances Bongart
12:15 pm: Florence Jockich
5:15 pm: Zinnie Bueno

ST. ANDREW CHURCH

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

12:15 pm: John Freyne
1:15 pm: Souls in Purgatory

12:15 pm: Carl Wardally***
1:15 pm: Vocations to
the Priesthood

12:15 pm: Mrs. Cuccia
1:15 pm: Michael Gonzalez

12:15 pm: Maureen McDermott
1:15 pm: George Shouldis

12:15 pm: Mary Freyne and
Family***
1:15 pm: Seniors of The
Southbridge Tower***

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