

## November 28, 2021 The First Sunday of Advent

Welcome to the University Parish Newman Center. We cherish your presence among us and invite you to enter wholeheartedly into our worship. As Catholics, we understand our worship as our community's grateful response to God's goodness and love. Thus our liturgy is not a "spectator" experience; participation in prayer and in song is everyone's responsibility and privilege. Please do not be a stranger. Pray and sing with us as members of God's human family.

### Music for Worship

(Mass setting can be found on the blue pew card)

Gathering Song: Creator of the Stars of Night (420)

Psalm 25: To You O Lord (39)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Presentation of Gifts: People of the Night (407)

UNIVERSITY PARISH MASS

Holy, Holy, Holy  
Memorial Acclamation  
Amen  
Lamb of God

Communion: O Come, O Come Emmanuel (395)

Sending Forth: God of All People (412)

### Liturgical Ministers for December 5

#### 9:00 am

Sacristan	Tim & Laurie Perison
Lectors	Bob Stadulis (1) Dick McNeil (2)
E.M.H.C.	Margaret Gerhardstein
Greeter	Jack Kline
Altar Server	Barb Boltz

#### 11:00 am

Sacristan	Marlene Wetshtein
Lectors	Adele Fussner (1) Vanessa Earp (2)
E.M.H.C.	Paul Kubala
Greeter	Eileen & Vicki Kelly

#### 7:00 pm

Sacristan	Brian Scalfano
Lectors	Cassidy Kolonko (1) Raena Temelkoff (2)
E.M.H.C.	Nora Woods
Greeter	Seth Rainey
Altar Server	AJ Darby

### Mass Schedule and Parish Events

#### Sunday, November 28

No 7 pm Mass

No Sacrament of Reconciliation

9:00 am – Mass: For the Community

11:00 am – Mass: † Mary Ann & Ted Hughes

#### Monday, November 29

7:30 am – Mass: † Shelby Huon

7:30 pm – Choir rehearsal

8:00 pm – CSA Bible study

#### Tuesday, November 30

7:00 pm – Rosary

7:00 pm – Sacrament of Reconciliation

8:00 pm – Mass: Healing for Michelle

#### Wednesday, December 1

7:30 am – Mass: † D'Alessio Family

8:00 am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00 pm – RCIA

7:00 pm – Finding God in the Ordinary

#### Thursday, December 2

7:30 am – Mass: The health of James Stanley

4:00 pm – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

#### Friday, December 3

7:30 am – Mass: Special Intentions

7:00 pm – CSA Men's Group

#### Saturday, December 4

3:00 pm – Sacrament of Reconciliation

6:00 pm – CSA Breakfast Prep

#### Sunday, December 5

9:00 am – Mass: † Betsy Page

9:30 am – CCD Grades 2-8

10:00 am – CSA Breakfast

11:00 am – Mass: † Charles & Catherine Stabilla

11:00 am – CCD Pre-K-1st Grade

6:00 pm – Sacrament of Reconciliation

7:00 pm – Mass: For the Community

### Mass Intentions

We are in need of Mass intentions for the new liturgical year! Mass intentions can be scheduled by placing an envelope containing your intention and donation in the offering plate, or by contacting Corey in the parish office.

### Sunday Collection

Due to holiday printing schedules, the collection for Sunday, November 21 will be reported next week. Thank you for your generous giving.

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**From the desk of Fr. Rick**

Dear University Parish,

Every Sunday we pray to be freed from anxiety "...as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ." God's promise to remain with us always helps us face life's challenges with peace, patience and courage. During this holy Advent season take some extra time in prayer to marvel at God's hope made evident through the gifts entrusted to each member of our parish. Fulfill your hope for peace through celebrating the sacrament of reconciliation. Express your hope for justice through using your time and treasure to care for others. Share your hope in the coming of Jesus through inviting family and friends to join you at Mass through the holy days of Advent and Christmas. May the peace of Christ be with you throughout this holy Advent season and always.

Fr. Richard Pentello

**News & Noteworthy**

**Happy New Year!** Each year on the First Sunday of Advent we begin a new Church Year, and we experience a sign-off of sorts, as one liturgical year comes to an end and another begins. We do not offer a signature goodbye. We rejoice in the fact that the God who was with us last year will be with us in the next—and forever! This past liturgical year we listened primarily to the gospel account according to Mark. As we begin a new liturgical year on this First Sunday of Advent we will be listening primarily to the gospel account of Luke. May the God of endless ages continue to bless our University Parish Newman Center. Happy New (Church) Year!

**Giving Tree:** We are closing our gift card/cash donation drive for Catholic Charities this week. If you have not yet done so, you can send in gift cards, cash, or checks to the Newman Center by this Friday, December 3. You can also use Venmo @CatholicStudentAssociation-KSU or eGiving at kentnewmancenterparish.weshareonline.org. Any gifts that were purchased are due back by next Sunday, December 5. Remember to wrap your gifts and put the colored part of the tag on the outside. Any questions, contact Eileen Kelly at 330-780-8961 or 19ekelly58@gmail.com.

**Collection for Retired Religious:** *Help Aging Religious.* Elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others—educating the young, comforting the sick, and ministering to the less fortunate. Today, many are frail and need assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps furnish medications, nursing care, and more. Please give generously.

**Advent Communal Penance Service:** There will be an Advent Communal Penance Service on Thursday, December 16, at 7:00 p.m. at St. Patrick church. The priests of Portage County will be here to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation. Please note that this will be the only Communal Penance Service in our county in preparation for Christmas. Plan now to attend.

**Christmas Mass times:** Christmas Eve, Dec. 24 at 5 pm and 11 pm. Christmas Day, Dec. 25 at 10 am.

**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception:** The vigil Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception will be Tuesday, Dec. 7 at 7 pm.

**Memorial Tree:** Next week our parish Giving Tree will become a Memorial Tree. You are invited to bring in a Christmas ornament with the name of a deceased loved one on it and place it on the tree. These loved ones will be remembered in prayer in a special way during the holy season of Christmas.

**CSA Breakfast:** Join us for the December CSA Breakfast on Sunday, December 5 at 10 am, following the 9 am Mass. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$5 for students and children, and free for children under 5. We hope to see you there!

**Campus Ministry**

**Finding God in the Ordinary:** Cultivating a consistent prayer life as a college student can seem daunting. Join Fr. Chad and Carolyn in the Social Hall on Wednesday, December 1st at 7 pm as we share about how to find God in the ordinary and turn everyday things into prayer. There will be plenty of discussion, fellowship, practical tips and reflection. Let's be saints!

**CSA Men's Group:** Come and join your fellow men for some bowling on Friday, December 3rd at 7 pm over at Legend Lanes in Cuyahoga Falls. Rides and a good time to be provided! Please email Seth Rainey at srainey5@kent.edu with any questions, comments, or concerns.

**CSA Breakfast Prep:** Prep for the breakfast is Saturday, Dec. 4 at 6 pm and more prep and serving will be on Sunday, Dec. 5 at 9 am. You can help at one or both shifts! If you would like to volunteer contact Shelly at mbender8@kent.edu or Abby at amosbach@kent.edu.

**CSA General Meeting:** Join us for the last Catholic Student Association General Meeting of the semester on Tuesday, December 7 at 8 pm. Please note the time change. All students are welcome and encouraged to bring a friend! Wear your best (or worst?) Christmas sweater! Contact Brian at bscalfan@kent.edu.

**You're invited:** Celebrate the season with your Newman family at our All Parish Christmas Party on Friday, December 10 at 7 pm. If you would like to assist with making food or planning party games, please contact Veronica at vvictori@kent.edu by December 3.

**Mass of Light:** Celebrate the Advent and Christmas seasons with your Newman family at the Mass of Light on Sunday, Dec. 12 at 7 pm. A reception will follow. All are welcome! Wear your Sunday best.