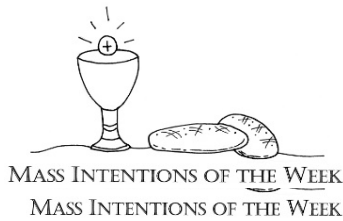


# First Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2019



## Saturday, November 30

5:30 Cathy Simen (L), John Rundle

7:00 Bette Jane Osgood - Bilingual Mass

## Sunday, December 1

8:00 Heitor Cerqueira, John Martinez

10:00 Joe and Catherine Doherty, Margaret  
And James Haughey

12:00 Imelda Mangan, Mary Pascarelli

6:00 Marjorie Welsh  
Parishioners of Sacred Heart

## Monday, December 2

9:00 Patricia MacInnes, Intentions of Kathleen  
Kolkhorst

## Tuesday, December 3

9:00 Sick and Deceased of Sacred Heart Parish  
Outreach, Intentions of Kathleen Kolkhorst

## Wednesday, December 4

9:00 Rose Marie Bass' Family and Friends  
Members of Sacred Heart Holy  
Souls Society

## Thursday, December 5

9:00 Anne Rider, Minafo and Lombardi Families

## Friday, December 6

9:00 Elvira Barone, Rose Marie Bass' Family  
and Friends

## Saturday, December 7

9:00 Steve Mende, Rose Marie Bass' Family  
and Friends

5:30 John Curtiss and Matthew Tarnowski,  
Mary L. Ferrigno

7:00 Anne Rider -Bilingual Mass

## Sunday, December 8

8:00 Anna Windels, Henry Greve

10:00 Deborah Schrepel, Geraldine Gray

12:00 Francesca Viola, Joseph Steiner

6:00 Sunday Dixon  
Parishioners of Sacred Heart

\* If you are interested in selecting one of these Masses, please call the parish office. Because of the bulletin's printing schedule these Masses will not appear in the following week's bulletin, but the intention will be announced by the celebrant of the Mass.

# Pope Francis' Intentions for December

## The Future of the Very Young

That every country take the measures necessary to prioritize the future of the very young, especially those who are suffering.

## Fund a Religious Education Student

RE<sup>+</sup>IGIOUS  
EDUCATION<sup>+</sup>

Not every family in our parish is able to afford the registration fees which cover the expense of books and supplies. If you would like to "adopt" a child/family, it would be appreciated!

## Father David's Website

Like what you heard? Want to hear it again or share with some else? You can listen to Fr. David's homilies at [www.fatherdavidrider.com](http://www.fatherdavidrider.com)



Today hundreds of religious communities lack enough savings for retirement and eldercare. Your contribution will provide support for necessities such as medications and nursing care. Please be as generous as possible.

## An Advent Prayer to Prepare My Heart for Christ's Coming

Father, just as You sent John the Baptist to prepare the way for Jesus, help me to clear the path in my heart, too. Show me the distractions in my life that block me from all-out worship of You this Advent. Lord, I await Your coming! As I celebrate the first Advent—the first coming—I look toward the day where I will see You face to face. I imagine what it will be like. Give me a heart, Lord, that looks for Your coming on a daily basis. Help me to live my life where I'm constantly seeking Your presence. My offering to You today is my righteous life for I know I am only clean because of Jesus. Show me today how I need to be refined, purified, forgiven. Give me the strength to ask for forgiveness and to then change my ways.

~Sarah Marti

## Sacred Heart's Lucky Draw Raffle 2019



Tickets are available in the parish office and after all Sunday Masses for the 2019 Lucky Draw Raffle. The tickets are \$52 for the year and one person will win \$100 each week. The last winner of the year will win \$1,000.

**Our winner this week is:  
Because of the bulletin publication deadline,  
three tickets will be pulled next week.**

**Three more tickets were sold this week.  
So far 208 tickets have been sold.**

**If we sell all 300 tickets, Sacred Heart will make  
\$9500. Please help us reach our goal.**

## Christian Service Committee Monthly Meeting

The Christian Service Committee will be holding their December meeting on Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am in the St. Theresa room in the parish center. New members are always welcome. Consider joining the committee for 2020.



**November 16-17, 2019**

**Collection - \$**

**Because of the bulletin's publication deadline, the  
past collections will be reported next week.  
Thank you for your faithful stewardship to our  
parish.**

## Hear Our Prayers O Lord



### The Deceased

Vincent Pontillo, Off. Rasheen McClain (MI), Inv. Cecil Ridley (GA)

### The Military

We have placed our military roll honoring the men and women of our parish family currently serving our country in the Church's military shrine. If you would like to add someone to the roll, please call the parish office.

### The Sick

Rachael Snitofsky, Erica Jane Burns, Heiner Lakas, Barbara Stilo, Francine Stilo, Rev. Terrence McCarthy, Susan McCarthy, Blossom Johnson, Talia Phelan, Christine Barry Furlano, Paul Kosara, Keyla Mercato Diaz, James Fordham Purcell, John O'Hare Jr., Mike Mele, Nicholas McShea, Art Byrons, John Carey, Michael Kowalski, Jeff Davidson, Elaine Gabel, John O'Clair, Karen de Jesus Diaz, Tommy Durso, Kevin Carberry, Olivia Lipinsky, Dr. Steve Pavia, Carole Rosenberger, Maureen Martin, Fred Klueber, Jean Leonardo, Cheryl Davis, Doug Rizzi, Mary Jo Kanzler, Adam Volpe, Thelma Cochrn, Margaret Dillon, Agnes Reis, Linda Blazek, Charles Engels, Edward Henning, Ron Klein

## In loving Remembrance

The **Sanctuary Candle** for the month of **December** is for the family and friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. Ricciardi.

The **Bread and Wine** this weekend is in memory of Lawrence Grosso. Lovingly requested by Cathleen and Michael O'Hare and Family.

**Anyone wishing to memorialize the sanctuary candle, the flowers or bread and wine is asked to contact the parish office.**



## LOOSE CHANGE COLLECTION

***Your Change Can Make a Change***



**For the repair and reupholstering of pews and kneelers and new carpeting**

**Goal - \$78,000  
October Collection – \$551.44  
Total to Date -\$8,951.36**

**Next Collection Date – December 22**

## Sacred Heart School Presents

### Designer Handbags and Bingo

**December 6**



**Doors open at 6:00 pm. Games begin at 7:00.**

**\$40 admission includes 10 games (3 cards for each game). Additional cards available for purchase.**

**50/50, Tricky Tray and Door Prizes**

**Bring your own Beverage and Appetizer  
Complimentary Coffee, Tea and Dessert**

**Event will sell out!**

**Register by calling Alexandra Ortiz at 917-488-0134**

**Make checks payable to Sacred Heart School**

## Some Simple Things to Pray For During Advent

- ❖ Pray for attentiveness to what truly matters, without being distracted by trivial things.
- ❖ Pray for opportunities to learn something new regularly.
- ❖ Pray for discernment of how God would like you to set your priorities and the ability to focus on them consistently to fulfill His purposes in your life.
- ❖ Pray for the grace to be able to rest, become aware of God's presence, and enjoy it.
- ❖ Pray for strong relationships with other people in the bond of loving community.
- ❖ Pray for peace in all situations, no matter what the circumstances.
- ❖ Pray for an enlivened imagination that helps you contribute to the world in creative ways.
- ❖ Pray for freedom from all that burdens you - past mistakes, fears, destructive habits, hurts other people have inflicted, and more.
- ❖ Pray for joy and a sense of humor.
- ❖ Pray for confidence in God's love for you and trust in His power to work things out for the best in your life.
- ❖ Pray for a clear mind and the ability to clearly communicate what you value to others.
- ❖ Pray for purity so you can grow as a person and encounter God more fully.
- ❖ Pray for openness to the Holy Spirit's guidance.
- ❖ Pray for a genuine awareness of God's grace in your life and the humility to extend grace to others.
- ❖ Pray for a passion to pursue justice.

~ Edited from Whitney Hople's "Pray for Simplicity this Advent"

**God  
With  
Us**



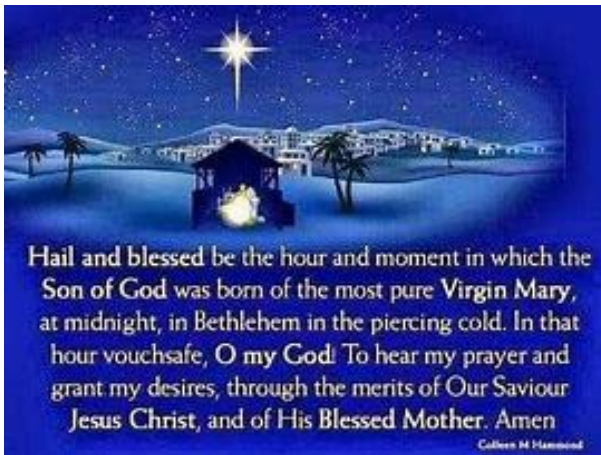
**Emmanuel**

## St. Andrew Novena

An Advent tradition for many is to begin praying the Saint Andrew Christmas Novena on **November 30**, the day the Catholic Church celebrates the feast of Saint Andrew. The novena is not actually addressed to Saint Andrew but to God Himself, asking Him to grant our request in the honor of the birth of His Son at Christmas.

While a novena is normally a nine-day prayer, the term is sometimes used for any prayer that is repeated over a series of days. That is the case with the Saint Andrew Christmas Novena. It

is often called simply the "Christmas Novena" or the "Christmas Anticipation Prayer," because it is prayed 15 times every day from the Feast of Saint Andrew the Apostle (November 30) until Christmas. It is an ideal Advent devotion; the First Sunday of Advent is the Sunday closest to the Feast of Saint Andrew.



## Christmas Giving Tree



The giving trees are in the vestibule of the church. Please take tags off of the tree, buy the gift(s) the child asked for and return the wrapped gifts with the tag attached to the vestibule of the church or the parish office by December 9<sup>th</sup>. Gifts will be distributed on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, from 2:00 – 4:00 pm in the school. Volunteers are welcome to sort and bag gifts. Call 782-8510 ext. 223 if you are interested in helping.

## Christmas Novena of Masses



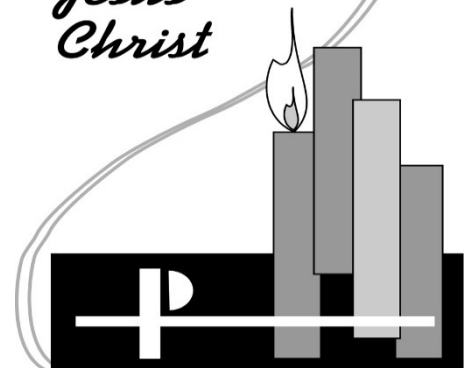
Remember your deceased loved ones with the Christmas Novena of Masses. The envelopes will be placed on the altar during the Christmas season and all names placed there will be remembered in all of the Masses. The envelopes are available in the vestibule of the church. Please PRINT the names on the envelope and place them in the collection basket at Mass or bring them to the parish office. The suggested contribution is \$10. Envelopes must be in by December 15. The names of all those remembered will be printed in the December 29<sup>th</sup> bulletin.

## Christmas Flowers



Each year our church is beautifully decorated with flowers for the Christmas season. Please join us as we remember our loved ones in a special way with our beautiful Christmas Flowers. Envelopes are available in the vestibule of the church. Please PRINT the names on the envelope and place them in the collection basket at Mass or bring them to the parish office. The suggested contribution is \$10. Envelopes must be in by December 15. The names of all those remembered will be printed in the December 29<sup>th</sup> bulletin.

*Put on  
the Lord  
Jesus  
Christ*





**Sacred Heart Parish Outreach**  
**845 783 7840**  
parishoutreach@sacredheartchurch.org

*Thank you*

Once again **St. Anastasias** has helped us obtain a 24" gas stove for a 90 year old woman who attends our Food Pantry! Thank you for such a cooperative and generous spirit!

**Thank you also to Sacred Heart Christian Service Committee** who raised \$1,270.00 for our Outreach Program. Our numbers continue increasing and we are so grateful for the additional support!

**Christmas Boutique at the SonShine Boutique!**  
Please join us at the **Chapel** for our annual Christmas sale!  
**Thursday Dec 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**Noon to 2:00pm**  
**5:00pm to 8:00pm**  
Christmas decorations  
New gifts, toys, holiday clothing!

*Christmas Outfitters!*  
*This season we will once again be collecting gently used Christmas clothing for those in need.*  
*Please bring your donations to the Parish Office.*  
*For further information please email Michelle at [paperbkwriter@optonline.net](mailto:paperbkwriter@optonline.net)*



Our Food Pantry distributes food for the week, to over 350, seniors, men, women and children every week. We were very fortunate to receive fresh produce weekly from the Farmer's Market of Monroe and Museum Village and the Cornell Cooperative Extension. This has been in effect from May through November. As the growing season comes to an end here in the NE, perhaps the next time you go shopping you can pick up some carrots, potatoes, squash for us at Our Fathers Kitchen. They can be dropped off Mondays 10-1, Wednesday s 8 am-7pm and Thursdays from 9am -2:30pm