

November 29, 2020

First Sunday of Advent

“What I say to you, I say to all: ‘Watch!’”

“Watch out! Don’t cry or pout. He’s making a list and checking it twice. He’s gonna find out who’s naughty or nice. He sees you sleeping and knows when you’re awake. He knows who is bad or good, so be good for goodness sake.” Have you figured out who HE is? There is going to be celebration of His birth, including singing and eating and drinking. People will visit family and friends and exchange expensive gifts, some of dubious value and usefulness. Do you know who HE is? It is Jesus, of course! This First Sunday of Advent is the beginning of a brief time for us to reflect on the incredible miracle and mystery of God Incarnate, God become man. It is a time for us to contemplate why the God who created us become one of us? His unconditional, unlimited love for us is certainly one reason. The celebrations, the food, the gifts, are nice. But spending time to comprehend the magnitude of God’s love for us is the real purpose of Advent. That is a gift we can give to the God who created us and became one of us.



Misericordia Divina Divine Mercy Spanish Prayer Group Wed. 10 am call Sofia Craft at (931) 591-8042 or Gladys Douglas at (931) 225-8557 We visit families. Visit Amos las familias.

**** Please take note, parking on the grass is NOT ALLOWED**

**** Parents please take note, Children are NOT ALLOWED in the hall during mass or classrooms after CCD Classes.**

Parish Updates

- The holidays are quickly approaching. We are collecting non-perishable item donations for Christmas food baskets to help 20 families during this holiday season. Donations can be dropped off in the blue basket located in the church foyer on the left side near the Holy Water font. Your donations are greatly appreciated!
- 2021 church envelopes and calendars have arrived. Please stop by and pickup up your envelopes and calendar located on the left as you enter the church.
- We have received notice from Diocese of Owensboro that all in-person classes have been temporarily suspended effective immediately due to the resurge of COVID19. Please monitor your emails as Ms. Bernadette will be sending out updates regarding the way forward for Faith Formation classes. Thank you!
- Do you have some spare time? Looking to participate in the ministry of the Church? Come and support the Faith Formation program. We are looking for Faith Formation teachers and teacher assistance. Contact Ms. Bernadette for more information.
- Adults who are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith and/or would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation come and join the RCIA group. RCIA meets every Wednesday from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM. Please contact Deacon Tom for any questions or concerns. There will be no RCIA classes this Wednesday.
- Disciple Response fund is still ongoing. You may pick up an envelope at the entrance of the church. Let us please respond to it with a Christian Spirit.
- Spring is coming around the corner. We are still looking for more hands to help with the mowing of the church compound. For more information, please reach out to Mr. Raul De Jesus or Mr. George Lake. Thank you!
- Brother and Sisters, we kindly ask that if you have a moment after mass, if you could please help us sanitize the pews for our safety and the safety of others. Thank you!

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Bulletin

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Weekend Mass Schedule :

Sat 5:00 PM
Sun 8:30 & 11:30AM

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Mon, Thur., Fri 9:00 AM
Wed. 6:00 PM
Tues. No Mass

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St. Michael the Archangel CATHOLIC CHURCH



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PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL, THE ARCHANGEL

St. Michael the Archangel

defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell

Satan and all the evil

spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

Celebration of the Sacraments

Baptism- takes place every 3rd Sunday, during or outside of Mass. Contact Fr. Julian or Deacons Jack, Tom, or Wayne to set a meeting to prepare for the Sacrament and set a date.

Baptism for older youth and adults occurs at the Easter Vigil.

Confession- Saturdays, 4:30 pm, before or after any Mass or by appointment with Fr. Julian.

Communal services during Advent and Lent.

First Reconciliation- is celebrated during Advent.

First Eucharist- is celebrated during May each year with children in the second grade or older.

Confirmation- for youth is conferred by the Bishop. Adults receive the Sacrament at the Easter Vigil or before Marriage by Fr. Julian.

Marriage- Contact Fr. Julian or Deacons Jack, Tom or Wayne for Marriage and Annulment needs.

Holy Orders- Contact Fr. Julian or Deacons Jack, Tom or Wayne if you are interested in the vocations of Priesthood, Diaconate or Religious.

Anointing of the Sick- Anyone who is seriously ill or going to surgery should request anointing by contacting Fr. Julian.

Opportunities for Life Hotline

Call (800) 822-5824 for help for those experiencing an untimely pregnancy.

Nationwide Mass Times

Automated Church Lookup:
1(858) 207-6277 or log on to www.masstimes.org

SINCERE WELCOME TO ALL FRIENDS VISITING WITH US TODAY.

To register with the parish, please stop at the Office after Mass to fill out the form.

**Mass Intentions \$5
Sanctuary Candle \$10**

Please put your donation in an envelope and indicate († if deceased). Please give your name and phone number and the date wanted in the collection basket. If the exact time and date you requested is not available, the closest available Mass time and date will be assigned. Envelopes for Mass Intentions are in the foyer on the table.

****Bulletin Deadline - Wednesday**
Email bernadetteann.crisostomo@gmail.com

WEBSITE

St. Michael's new Website is now available at www.stmichaelokgrove.church Please check it out for more information. Web page POC is Jessica Carroll. She can be reached at fisherj21@yahoo.com or text to 701-371-4690 for web page input

Blessed Mother Bookstore
Open: Sunday 9:30 - 11:30 am
Temporarily Closed

Readings for this week 11/30 - 12/6

Mon	St Andrew, Apostle	
	ROM	10:9-18
	PS	19:8-11
	MT	4:18-22
Tue		
	IS	11:1-10
	PS	72:7-8, 12-13, 17
	LK	10:21-24
Wed		
	IS	25:6-10a
	PS	23:1-6
	MT	15:29-37
Thu	St. Francis Xavier, Priest	
	IS	26:1-6
	PS	118:8-9, 19-21, 25-27a
	MT	7:21, 24-27
Fri	St John Damascene, Priest	
	IS	29:17-24
	PS	27:1, 4, 13-14
	MT	9:27-31
Sat		
	IS	30:19-21, 23-26
	PS	147:1-6
	MT	9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sun	Second Sunday of Advent	
	IS	40:1-5, 9-11
	PS	85:9-14
	2 PT	3:8-14
	MK	1:1-8

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Reflection Theme

Advent Season – A Time to Prepare for Two Comings of Christ



Advent, according to the Universal Norms No. 39 “has a two-fold letter, for it is a time of preparation for the solemnities of Christmas, in which the first coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered, and likewise a time when by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ’s Second Coming at the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight”. Advent also is a time to recall the cry of the early Christians: Maranatha! “Come Lord Jesus!”

On this First Sunday of Advent we hear how Jesus predicts the end-times, the second coming. He warns His disciples and all of us that we will not know in advance when that dreadful day will be. We are advised by Christ to stay awake, to be alert so that we may stand in confidence before the Son of Man when he comes in glory. With this warning and advice from Christ, every serious Christian should adopt the proper attitude in preparation for that day, the attitude of alertness and readiness and a spirit of repentance for our sins. The whole of our Christian lives ought to be one of preparedness, getting ourselves fit for that Last Day.

The Season of Advent like the Lenten Season is the right and proper time when we prepare for the second comings. The First Advent is a time of preparation for the Incarnate Word of God. “The Word became flesh and lived among us.” (John 1:14) The Solemnity of Christmas, the anniversary of that great event in the life of the world. But while we are doing this, we are also preparing ourselves for that Last Day, the day of Christ’s second coming. It is often like this in the liturgy, we frequently find ourselves doing two things at once and during Advent we do precisely this. On the one hand we look back in time 2000 years as we prepare to mark one again Christ’s birth in the Stable of Bethlehem.

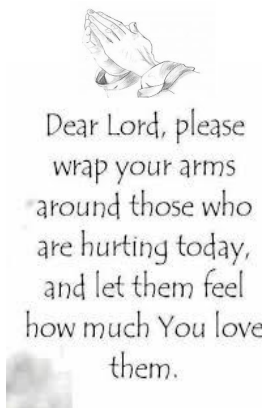
And on the other hand, we look forward to the end of time as we anticipate Christ’s second coming. But in looking back and at the same time looking forward we are actually considering the same thing namely our salvation. Christ comes as our Savior. That is literally what the name Jesus means; “One who saves.” He came into the world with the sole purpose of saving us from our sins and He carries this out by the Sacrifice of His Life on the altar of the Cross. The culmination of this saving work occurs on the Last Day when the whole mankind experiences what we call the general judgement. Our own particular judgement occurs at the moment of our death. (Hebrews 9:27), but in the church we also believe that there will be a general judgement which takes place at the end of time (Hebrews 9:28) the parusia. The Scripture taught us that there will be a great gathering of the whole of humanity and the Son of Man. Christ will appear to judge the nations. (Matthew 25:31-46)

This will be the definite and final conclusion to His great work of salvation. Christ tells us how to get ready for Judgement Day. He says, “Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen. This is the attitude that Christs would have us bring to this opening day of Advent. “Stay awake. You do not know the day nor the hour when I will come for you.”

Dear friends here are some suggestions to start your preparation for Christ’s coming. “Become a volunteer at a local hospital and in the Church of St Michael. Help a friend with a project he or she is working on. Offer comfort to someone unhappy. Stand up for someone being treated unfairly. Reconcile with someone you have quarreled with. Wish people you meet a good day and help make it so. Doing these things will make us grow in faith and love so when that great day dawns on us, we will be confident and ready and unashamed to face the Lord when He comes in glory and power.

Have a grace filled Advent Season. And may you have a blessed and wonderful week.

Sincerely in Christ,
Father Julian Ibemere
Pastor, St Michael the Archangel



Teresa Arevalo
Jean Banasiak
Hans Braun
Judy Brown
Shirley Brown
Ann & Ken Carroll
Nia Crisostomo
Marriah Day
Margret Eck
Mark & Mike Frasca
Ron & Janis Gill
Jeff Gorski
Isabel Gonzalez
Nay Hutcheson
Pat Jurisin
Steve Kiser

Please Pray for our Sick:

Walter Klinecwich
Jessica Locklear
Sue Long
Alex B. Lucas Jr.
Frank J Luciani
Ruby Macias
David McCuiston
Mac & Sue McElroy
Sue Montoya
Ann Mcyntire
Julianna Martinez
Billy Hancock
George & IL O'Connor
Peter Robbins
Edward Robbins

Debbie Robbins
Isaac Philips
Al Stein
Linda Stagdale
Frances Thomas
John & Mae Raymond
Andrew Reyes
Robert & Eva-Maria Smith
Rudy Sheriff
Kim Weimer
Marie Welter
Bob Whelan
Jesse Villagomez
Xavier Crisostomo
Bonnie Richie

Gifts for God

Regular Collection:	\$0.00
Mass Intentions	\$0.00
Votive Candles	\$0.00
Sanctuary Candle	\$0.00
Parish Maintenance	\$0.00
Thanksgiving/Christmas Food Basket	\$0.00
Archdiocese Military Svc	\$0.00
All Saints Day	\$0.00
Help The Poor	\$0.00
World Mission Sunday	\$0.00
Faith Formation Registration	\$0.00
Christmas Flowers	\$0.00
Total	\$0.00

Attendance Nov 21 & 21: xxx
Second Collection
Nov 29—Parish Ministry
Dec 6—Parish Maintenance

If you are moving please take a moment to stop by the office to let us know or put a note with your name and forwarding address in the collection plate. Please don't leave without a copy of your sacramental documents.

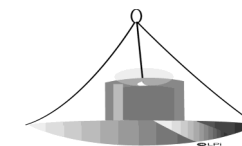
Every First Friday of the Month is

Anointing of the Sick and Adoration

Need a place to hold an event or a family gathering with friends, then why not rent the Parish Hall by contacting Dave Tilley at 931-237-5013.

Hall rentals have been temporarily suspended. Thank you!

Sanctuary Candle Intention



INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sat 11/28
Confessions 4:30PM
Mass 5:00PM
Mass Intention: Suni Robbins †

Sun 11/29
MASS 8:30AM
Mass Intention: Janet Doyle (Birthday)

MASS 11:30AM
Mass Intention: Tuyet Do †

Mon 11/30
MASS 9:00 AM
Mass Intention: Theresa Henderson†

Tue 12/01 NO MASS

Wed 12/02
MASS 6:00 PM

Mass Intention: William & Anna Booth†

Thur 12/03
MASS 9:00 AM
Mass Intention: Peter Man

Fri 12/04
MASS 9:00 AM
Mass Intention: Maria Do

Sat 12/05
Confessions 4:30PM
Mass 5:00PM

Mass Intention: Clayton & Angeline Rahm †

Sun 12/06
MASS 8:30AM

Mass Intention: Lowe Family (Living & Dead)

MASS 11:30AM

Mass Intention: Al Acuna †

Bulletin Board

Have you stopped and checked out all that is going on here at St. Michael the Archangel! It is updated weekly by Lori Snodgrass. If you need anything added she can be reached at 931-919-2794.

****Clothing Ministry****

Clothing donations are not being accepted at this time.

Thank you.