



## First Sunday of Advent, December 1, 2019



Jesus said to His disciples: "As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come. So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." – Mt 24:37-44

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Mon. - Dec. 2	7:30 am	† Gerald & Patricia Freeman
Tues. - Dec. 3	7:30 am	† Mary Margaret Wells
Wed. - Dec. 4	7:30 am	† Donald Yahner, Jr.
Thurs. - Dec. 5	7:30 am	† James J. Karlheim, Anniv.
Fri. - Dec. 6	7:30 am	L&D Knights of Columbus, Queen of Angels Council
Sat. - Dec. 7	7:30 am	† Chuck Nagle, Anniv.
Sat. - Dec. 7	5:00 pm	† Joseph & Rose Novak, Anniv.
Sun. - Dec. 8	7:00 am	† Mark Albright, Anniv.
Sun. - Dec. 8	9:00 am	Parish Mass
Low Mass, Latin	11:00 am	The Parrish Family

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday, 4 – 4:45 PM, or anytime by appointment



Latin  
in Patton  
.com

The Sanctuary Lamps burn  
**In Memory of**  
**John Semonich**, the week of  
December 1 – December 7

### ALTAR SERVERS

#### Saturday, December 7

**5 PM** Amanda Price & Kylie Karlheim

#### Sunday, December 8

**9 AM** Alice Hoover, Evan Larkin & Malia Anderson

### LECTORS

#### Saturday, December 7

**5 PM** Alice Leiden

#### Sunday, December 8

**9 AM** Jennifer Anderson

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

#### Saturday, December 7

**5 PM** Kathy Noel

Blood

#### Sunday, December 8

**7 AM** Jerry Yahner

Blood

**9 AM** Dan Thomas

Blood

### FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Families using Sunday Envelopes:

	NUMBER	PERCENT
<b>November 24, 2019</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>46%</b>
November 24, 2019, weekly / monthly - \$2,633.00		
Repair Fund, November 24, 2019 - \$35.00		
Fuel Fund, November 24, 2019 - \$518.00		
St. Vincent de Paul, November 24, 2019 - \$506.00		
† SVDP Conference - \$142.00		
† SVDP Food Pantry - \$364.00		
Add. <u>Benedictine</u> Appeal - \$5.00 (\$2,756.58 to date)		
Add. All Saints Day - \$3.00		
Add. Catholic Charities - \$125.00		
St. Mary/St. George Cemetery Collection - \$125.00		
St. Lawrence Cemetery Collection - \$25		

**2019 Catholic Ministries Drive – 40 Families (15%)  
have donated \$8,265.00 Our Parish Goal is \$20,527.**

**Parish Breakfast**– Please join us for the “last breakfast of the year!” **This Sunday, December 1** from 8 AM – 1 PM in the lower level of the Parish Center, served by the ‘Men of the Parish.’ **Prices:** Adults, \$8 / Children, (5-12), \$4 and Children (under 5), free. We thank you for your support this past year(s), and look forward to seeing you “next year.”

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**Parish Prayer List**– We entrust to the care of Christ the Divine Physician, those members of our Parish Family in need of Healing in Body, Mind, or Spirit especially **Marianna Carthew, Rita Yahner, Steve & Vicki Doughty, Louise Leonard, Alvin Spacht, MaryAnn Chapman, Dolores Shatrosky, Leona Hoover, George Yuknavich, Dorothy Sheehan, Dorothy Boyle, Bernard Caber, Lucille Whiteford, Renee Pellas, Kara Vozniak, Dick Anna, Joe Anna, Rose Moxley, Maximilian Huffaker, Ruth Palamidessi, Jake Kalis, and Derek Miller.** May they embrace their trials in union with the Crucified Christ for the salvation of souls, and the remission of sins.

**THE ICBU** will host their Annual Advent Party/ Covered Dish on **Sunday, December 8 at 1 PM.** All festivities will be held in the **upper level** of the Parish Center. There will be a collection for the Carmelites.

**CCD NEWS** - Classes will be held on Sunday, December 8 @ 10:15 AM. The Students will be delivering their Holiday Gift Bags to the residents of the Hummingbird Estates. If you know of anyone who needs a little “pick-me-up”, stop by the Parish Office for one of the Holiday Bags. They will be given out on a first come basis.

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**NIGHT PRAYER AS ADVENT PIETY** – Each Sunday evening at 7 PM, during the Advent Season (December 1, 8, 15 & 22), the last ‘hour’ of the Divine Office will be prayed here at Queen of Peace Church. Night Prayer consists of a hymn, 3 Psalms, a brief reading from Scripture, the Nunc Dimittis of Simeon, and a concluding prayer. Please make room on your busy schedule for a soothing 35 minutes of prayer. If you have never attended, please try just one week. **Advent begins on Sunday, December 1.**

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**ADVENT GIVING TREE** – Please don’t leave gifts in Church, bring them to the Parish Office by 3 PM Friday, December 6. **\*Please attach the tag from the tree onto the package\***

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**Retirement Fund for Religious** – Next weekend, December 7/8. Do you remember the sisters, brothers, or religious order priests who made a positive difference in your life? Today, many are elderly and need assistance. Their religious communities struggle to meet retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. Thank you in advance.

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**NEEDING A QUICK GIFT? THE QUEEN OF PEACE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE** is offering a 6 month Lottery Card/Ticket for sale for 2020. The cost remains at \$20/ticket, which consists of 2 numbers based on the first 7 PM daily Pick 3 drawing. Only 500 tickets printed, and have sold out the past 2 years! Call Jack (674-8948); Marsha (674-5740); Jay (674-5434); Grace (674-8762) or the Parish Office (674-8983) if you are interested.

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**CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT** – The 2019 “Choir of Angels” Ornament is on order. You may pre-order yours by calling the Parish Office. The ornament will stay the same price at \$20. All previous ornaments are on display in the Parish Office, and are for sale at \$10 each/ buy another for ½ price.

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**CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE** – Saturday, December 15. Doors open at 9 AM. There will be an abundant array of Christmas cookie platters & trays; cinnamon rolls & sticky buns; pumpkin rolls; apricot, nut, poppy seed, prune & raspberry rolls; panettone bread; brandied fruit cake; Yule logs; Old English plum pudding; cheese balls; and much, much more. Come early for the best selection. **NO PRE-ORDERS...**

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**ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES** – Take advantage of the schedule of Confessions that will be held at our Church and our neighboring Churches.

† St. Bernard Church, Hastings	2 PM Sunday, December 15
† St. John Church, Summerhill	7 PM Monday, December 16
† <b>Queen of Peace Church, Patton</b>	<b>7 PM Tuesday, December 17</b>
† St. Nicholas Church, Nicktown	7 PM Wednesday, December 18
† St. Benedict Church, Carrolltown	7 PM Thursday, December 19
† Prince of Peace Church, Northern Cambria	7 PM Friday, December 20

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**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS** – If you would like to help defray the cost of providing flowers and decorations for the Altars and the Church this Christmas, please use the envelope provided in your packet for this purpose. Thank You...

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**2020 CHURCH ENVELOPES and CALENDARS** are now available in Church. Please take a minute after Mass and pick up your packet. **ALL ADULTS** living in households need to be registered and use the envelopes. **Only registered and practicing Catholics can be sponsors for Baptism and Confirmation.**

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**Bishop Carroll H.S.** is sponsoring a Cookie Contest, Bake Sale and Christmas Crafts Day on **Saturday, December 7** from 9 – 11 AM in the School Library. There will be a \$5 entry fee for the cookie contest. Please make 1 dozen cookies for judging. Prizes will be awarded for best overall cookies based on design and taste. (Please bring your entry fee and cookies to the library by 9:30 on the day of the event.) Judging takes place at 10:30 AM. For more info, visit [www.BISHOPCARROLL.COM](http://www.BISHOPCARROLL.COM)

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### **ADVENT, GOD COMES AMONG US**

More than just a memory of the past, Advent is a celebration of the seeds of our faith, the gift of God’s grace gradually growing to fulfillment in the world. Like the people of ancient Israel, we long for the completion of God’s reign on earth. At the same time, we know that our redemption has been won for us and that our sins have been forgiven. As we celebrate Advent in the liturgy of the Church, we experience the longing for Christ in our lives as we wait in the hope that is joyful because we have been redeemed. Just as our world is in desperate need of God’s grace, our own lives are in need of reform to live more fully in Christ. The rituals of preparation at home and in Church remind us that this special time of the year is more than just a winter holiday. Miraculously born of the Virgin Mary by the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus continues to come among us through the Sacraments, Scripture and the Christian community gathered in prayer. May we experience the presence of Christ, the proclamation of the Kingdom and the call to conversion this Advent Season.