



## Second Sunday of Advent

December 9, 2018

*We echo the cry of John, the baptizer of the Lord Jesus:  
“Make ready the way of the Lord. Make his paths straight!”*

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### **Saturday, December 8 – Second Sunday of Advent**

##### **(Anticipated Vigil Mass)**

5:00 pm †Verona Pereira req by the family  
†Gunter Andrews req by Myrna  
Deceased members of the Pereira family  
Mass of Thanksgiving and Intentions for the  
Virgin Mary

#### **Sunday, December 9 – Second Sunday of Advent**

9:00 am †Eduardo & Cecilia Ferrera req by the Ferrera  
family  
Intentions of the Pereira family req by the Ferrera  
family

11:15 am For Our Parishioners

#### **Tuesday, December 11 – Second Tuesday of Advent**

9:00 am Souls in Purgatory

#### **Wednesday, December 12 – Feast, Our Lady of Guadalupe**

9:00 am †Gilles Percy req by Luzette

#### **Thursday, December 13 – Memorial, St Lucy, Virgin, Martyr**

9:00 am Private Intention

2:30 pm Mass at Chapel Hill Retirement home

#### **Friday, December 14 – Memorial, St. John of the Cross,**

##### **Priest, Doctor**

9:00 am Souls in Purgatory

#### **Saturday, December 15– Third Sunday of Advent**

##### **(Anticipated Vigil Mass)**

5:00 pm †Josh Reader req by the Keable family

#### **Sunday, December 16 – Third Sunday of Advent**

9:00 am For Our Parishioners

11:15 am †Gunter Andrews

*Please pray for our sick; Deacon Dan Careau, John & Alice Leach, Joe MacDonell, Jean Scharf, Romina Andrews, Lorretta Dillon-Robinette, Monica Rios, Jean-Ella Lemire, Maurice Lemire, and Michael Nortey.*

*Please pray for our deceased, that they may be received into God’s love*

There is always **The Stations of the Cross** on Thursday mornings after mass and there is always the **Divine Mercy Chaplet** on Fridays at 3:00 p.m.

## Offering for December 2, 2018

Sunday Envelopes:	\$ 2504.00
PAC/Visa/MC	\$ 2660.00
Loose:	\$ 766.00
Total Collection:	\$ 5930.00

### CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

#### **Christmas Eve**

Monday, Dec 24<sup>th</sup> 4:30, 7:00, 9:00 and midnight

#### **Christmas Day**

Tuesday, Dec 25<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am

#### **Mary, Holy Mother of God Vigil Mass**

Monday, Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 5:00 pm

#### **Mary, Holy Mother of God**

Tuesday, Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 10:00 am

#### **Parish Reconciliations**

Wednesday, December 12 @ 7:00 pm

#### **Parish Potluck Saturday December 15 following 5:00 pm Mass**

The annual parish potluck will be held on Saturday December 15 following the 5:00 pm Mass. It is a wonderful opportunity for parishioners to gather together to enjoy a shared meal and fellowship. To assist with the planning sign up sheets are at the back of the church for you to sign up and let us know how many people in your family will be attending the potluck and the type of food dish you will be providing. We are also looking for volunteers to help manage the potluck. If you are able to help out please send an email to Alan Dunham, [alan1.dunham@gmail.com](mailto:alan1.dunham@gmail.com), indicating your availability.

#### **Reverse Advent Calendar Project**

**Advent Week 2:** We continue to fill our boxes with food and items for the Food Cupboard. Advent is a season of preparation...we are invited to consider our activities during this season. The handouts on this activity are posted on the parish website:

<http://www.thegoodshepherdparish.com/newsandevents.html>

Say a prayer each day...**Come, Lord Jesus!** ...then place an item in your box.

#### **ADVENT FAMILY PRAYER**

"Where two or three gather in my name, there am I in their midst".

Matt. 18:20

Please join in our Advent Family Prayer, which is found in our Parish Bulletin. Colour the Advent Wreath, the Candles - 3 purple and 1 pink and the Baby Jesus in the Manger. Place the Card on your kitchen table. Each morning and evening say the prayer for the corresponding week for the four weeks of Advent.

As we participate in this prayer we are praying together as a 'Parish Family.'

Thank you to the Catholic Women's League for sponsoring this Advent Prayer.

The Good Shepherd Conference of Saint Vincent de Paul wishes to thank parishioners for their very generous support following World Day of the Poor. Your support will enable us to continue helping many families in need. To date the total amount collected is \$ 3286.20

**St-Vincent de Paul and the Knights of Columbus would like to announce:** “Pick an angel tag and buy a Christmas present for a child in need!”

By the main entrance, you will find two baskets filled with angel tags. The blue tags indicate the age of a boy, and the pink tags indicate the age of a girl. This is in order to provide a gift appropriate for this child. If you wish to purchase a Christmas present for this child, take a tag with you. Buy a present for this child and tapped the tag on the top of the gift. Do not wrap the present, and place it inside the decorated box at the main entrance. Please, return your present by Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Take note, there isn't any suggested amount to purchase a present as we want this to be a personal experience, and to go with your budget. If you wish to make a donation in dollar amount, please indicate on an envelope that this is for a Christmas present for child. We will purchase a gift on your behalf.

**Christmas Décor for our church – poinsettias, etc.**

Everyone is invited to consider donating to the liturgical décor for the celebration of the birth of Jesus. If you so wish, your donation may be made in memory of a loved one. All “in memory of” names will be published in the bulletins on the weekends of 22/23 and 30/31 December 2018.

Specially marked envelopes are available from the Greeters or the Ushers at each Sunday Mass on the first three weekends of Advent; Please clearly PRINT your name and envelope number (for tax purposes), and clearly PRINT the name of the person(s) in whose memory you are making the gift. Donations will also be accepted at the parish office during working hours up to Friday 14 December 2018.

Any extra donations received will go towards the purchase of a new Nativity set as the current one is in great need of being replaced. Thank you very much for supporting the liturgical décor of your church

**Campaign Life Christmas Cakes** will be available for sale after all the Masses December 8th & 9th. This is a very important fundraiser for Campaign Life, your support is greatly appreciated.

<b>Upcoming Events</b>		<b>Week ending December 16</b>
<b>Mon, Dec 10</b>	1:30 - 2:30	Christian Meditation
	7:00 – 9:00	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
<b>Tues, Dec 11</b>	7:15 – 9:15	CWL Pot Luck General Meeting
<b>Wed, Dec 12</b>	7:00 – 9:00	Parish Penitential Service
<b>Thurs, Dec 13</b>	8:00 –12:00	Legion of Mary
	9:45 –11:30	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 1
	4:30 – 6:15	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 2
	7:00 - 9:00	RCIA
	7:30 – 9:30	Finance Council Meeting
<b>Sat, Dec 15</b>	6:00 – 8:00	Parish Pot Luck
<b>Sun, Dec 16</b>	4:00 – 6:00	Tamil Mass & Pot Luck Dinner