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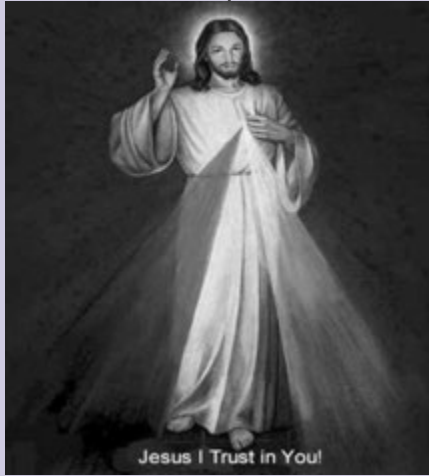
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Monday to Friday
9:30 AM to 1:30 PM

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**First Sunday of Advent
December 2, 2018**

Mass Schedule:

Saturday Evening Vigil: 5:00 PM April through October

4:00 PM November through March

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM in English & 12:30 PM Spanish

Holydays: Vigil: 6:30 PM English

Noon, 6:30 PM English., 7:30 PM Spanish

Check the bulletin for Christmas & Easter Schedules

Weekdays: Mon. – Fri.: Noon

Saturday: 9:00 AM

Confessions: Monday - Friday after the noon Mass, **3:00 PM Saturday**
and call the priest for an appointment

Baptisms: Call the Parish Office to make an appointment with a priest.

Marriage: A year in advance, Call the Parish Office to make an appointment with a priest.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact a priest at any time.

Communion calls: For anyone confined to their home, arrange with the office.

Devotions:

First Friday: Holy Hour with Exposition of Blessed Sacrament, 11:00 AM

First Saturday: MORNINGS WITH MARY, begins with 9:00 AM Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet and reading diary of St. Faustina: 4th Saturday of the month before Vigil Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena: Monday after Mass

St. Jude Novena: Thursday after Mass

Societies of the Parish:

Bukas Loob sa Diyos - BLD: Fri. 7:30 PM - Parish Center

Filipino Choir – 3rd Sunday, 5:00 to 6:30 PM Church

Worship Apostolate, in Room 104

Reuniones Hispanas

Eucaristía Dominical: 12:30 PM

Bautismos: Porfavor llamar la oficina de lunes a viernes.

Matrimonio: Feligreses registrados tienen que presentarse un año antes de la boda.

Reconciliación: Confesiones cada Domingo 12 hasta 12:30 PM

Unción de los Enfermos: Por favor llamar la oficina para visitas a las casa o hospital.

Educación Religiosa: 732-382-0004

Coro: Miércoles 7:30 PM

Movimiento Juan XXIII: – Jueves 8:00 PM – Parish Center, Aula 201

Grupo Guadalupano -Martes 7:00 PM - Iglesia

Grupo Juvenil "Angeles de Jesús" - Sábado 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM Aula 208

Grupo de Oración - Sábado 7:00 PM Connell Hall

Escuela "Jesus el Buen Pastor" Todos los Lunes, 7:30 PM, clases de Biblia, Connell Hall

First Sunday of Advent **December 2, 2018**

We have arrived at the powerful season of Advent, a season to prepare with awe and gratitude for the Feast of the Incarnation of Jesus, born to us as Savior and Brother. A season to prepare for His return at the end of time. It is also a moment to remind ourselves that our individual judgment day is coming, too — the moment when we will be called to give an account for all the love God has shown us and the gifts He has given us during our lifetime. An important document on stewardship published by the Diocese of Wichita titled *The Pillars of Parish Stewardship* says, "God reveals His perfect and infinite love for us most visibly in His son, Jesus Christ. A steward makes God's love visible by imitating Jesus... Stewardship is the response of the disciple to God's unconditional love for us. Stewards bask in the wonder and awe of God's love" Or, in other words, Advent is a steward's season!

Our readings for the first week of Advent waste no time in calling our urgent attention to these themes of reflection and preparation. They seem to shout, "Wake up! Get ready!" and offer us some practical advice to make the most of this Season.

The Gospel, from Luke, warns, "Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life." How easy it is to lose focus on our Lord either by too much indulgence in our lives or by too much worry about our lives. Both extremes are easy to fall prey to. To avoid these traps this we are told to "be vigilant" and "pray for strength to sustain us." During Advent, we Christian stewards must ask ourselves some hard questions. Am I staying faithful to my prayer life? Am I using my energy and skills to serve others? Am I overly concerned about material gain? Am I relying my "stuff" or my investments as my source of comfort or security? Am I living for the moment or for the coming of the Lord?

Our Second Reading, from Thessalonians, offers us a beautiful Advent prayer as we move through this season of reflection and preparation. Let us make it our prayer for each other: "May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all... so as to strengthen your hearts, to be blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming our Lord Jesus with all his holy ones. Amen."

Get ready Christian stewards! He's coming! Let us prepare with awe and wonder.

PRAYER INTENTION BOOK.

- Blessing and Adoration • Prayers of Petition • Prayers of Intercession • Prayers of Thanksgiving • Prayers of Praise •

A book for your prayer intentions is located on a podium located behind the last pew. You can also enter your prayer intentions on the Divine Mercy Parish Web Page.

SAVE THE DATE



On Sunday, December 16th at 2:30 PM, The Choral Art Society of New Jersey will be hosting a Messiah Sing-along right here in Divine Mercy Parish Church. Scores will be available to borrow and audience members are invited to join in singing some of the most beloved choruses of the Messiah, or can just sit and listen. Dr. Martin Sedek, Director of the Choral Art Society, will be conducting the event, accompanied on our pipe organ by James S. Little. There will be a \$10 donation accepted at the door.



Support the Retirement Fund for Religious. A donor writes, "Your flyer touched my heart---seing the retired religious, such memories surfaced." 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. Please give to next week's second collection.

SANCTUARY GIFTS	ST. MARY'S	SUNDAY READINGS
Tabernacle Lamp	Fr. Myers	Jeremiah 33:14-16
Altar Bread	Fr. Hermanns	Psalms 25:4-5, 809, 10-14
Altar Wine	Msgr. Buttner	1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2
Altar Candles	Fr. Kasper	Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

- Saturday, December 1
5:00 PM Nancy Weins
- Sunday, December 2
First Sunday of Advent
8:00 AM Lucy Ann & Sonia Gergino
9:30 AM Dorothy Mottley
11:00 AM Bienkowski & Szamreta Families
12:30 PM Santos Peralta
- Monday, December 3
Noon People of the Parish
- Tuesday, December 4
Noon Eileen Gore
- Wednesday, December 5
Noon Sean Healy
- Thursday, December 6
Noon Yuhas Family
- Friday, December 7
Noon Rudolf Biddar

Vigil Mass, Immaculate Conception
6:30 PM Leo & Stella Psikus

Saturday, December 8
The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9:00 AM Rosemarie Klandt
Noon Robert Dolan
4:00 PM Mary Pileggi

- Sunday, December 9
Second Sunday of Advent
8:00 AM Gory Ramirez
9:30 AM Evelyn & Fred Wolff
11:00 AM Damian & Isidra Toque
12:30 PM Ernesto Bolanos



Please remember the souls of those who have recently died. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May perpetual light shine upon them.

LORD, PROTECT THOSE WHO PROTECT US



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As we look forward to Christmas, we are in need of funds to continue our mission. We are open every Sunday to serve the needy of our community. Your generosity helps us help the hungry. Thank you for all you have done so far to make this a success. Please help us to continue.

Thank you,



Bill Belig, Edwin and Mary Blazewicz, Ruth Breen, Josephine Brown, Anna Caffrey, Marietta Clark, Kathleen Condron, Kathleen Cremona, Thelma M. Cruz, Nicholas Delmonaco, Marcia Diaz, Santiago Escobar, Eileen Flade, Helen Freshcoln, Rose Geraghty, Christine Gianella, Jose Luis Gonzalez, Nicolette Greco, Margarita Perez Hernandez, Diane Henry, Stephanie Higgins, Mary Ann Hofmann, Solomon Igbinosun, Frank Jacik, Wladyslawa Kalafut, Linda Kasprzyk, Victor Krivitski, Gloria Latherow, Ana Alvarez-Marquina, Kitty McGuire, Janice McEwen, Ida Mele, Lourdes Mendez, Travis Mitchell, Jane Monahan, Ronnie & Guy Morosini, James Mottley, Edward Mowczan, Cesar Nieto, Madison Noguerras, Nicholas Noguerras, Iena Olivo, Gladys N. Rengifo, Gregory Romeo, Ronald Rosivack, John D. Rusin, Jr., Lucille Salvatore, Stewart Santiago, Kelly Scholte, Richard Shackell, Anthony Spadora, Joseph N. Terracina, Sharon Katzenback Wilson, Fr. Peter Vo, Baby Bennett Vogel, Daniel Zur.

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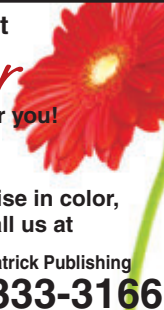


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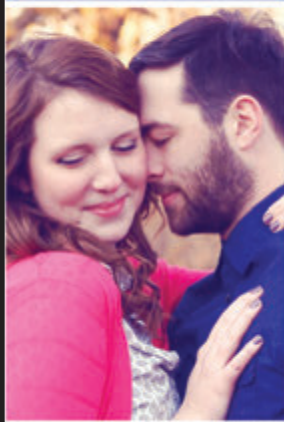
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