

# SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 6, 2020

## Mass Intentions

<i>Mon.</i>	6:00 P.M.	Annie Bolech
<i>Tues.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Special Intention <i>Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>
	8:15 A.M.	Charles & Helen Fikac
<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Tom Heidaker <i>San Juan Diego</i>
<i>Thurs.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Special Intention <i>St. Frances Xavier, Priest</i>
<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Trinidad Montez <i>St. Damasus I</i>
<i>Sat.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Christina Ramirez & Anita Brown <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i>
	5 P.M.	Marie Luecke
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Fred & Emma Baros, Rhonda Huehlefeld
	9 A.M.	Parish Family <i>Pro Populo</i>
	11 A.M.	Trinidad Montez

## Sanctuary Candle Intention

St. Joseph Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of Ernest Gomez, Jr.

St. Ann Sanctuary Candle will burn this week in memory of the Weyman Adamek.

## Prayer List

Contact Theresa Bordovsky at 293-3124 or  
Ann Marie Bludau at 798-2959.

## This Sunday's Holy Scriptures

Is 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

## Your Gift to God: November 29<sup>th</sup>

St. Joseph Parish Support	\$2,988
Online Giving Parish Support	\$1,160
Building Fund	\$175
Online Building Fund	\$100
Helping Hands	\$632.50
St. Ann Parish Support	\$543
Online Giving	\$80
Building Fund	\$20

*May God reward your generosity!*

## Please Note: Confessions

Wednesday confessions will be heard from 5 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. On Saturdays confessions are available from 4 p.m. to 4:40 p.m.

## Liturgical Assignments

### Lectors

<i>Mon.</i>	6 P.M.	Charles Kvinta
<i>Tues.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Rick Jahn
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Gladys Jiral
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Nancy McNease
	9 A.M.	Patrick Matusek
	11 A.M.	Gabriel Espinosa

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

<i>Mon.</i>	6 P.M.	Theresa Belicek
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Bobby Jiral
<i>Sun.</i>	11 A.M.	Susana Trujillo

### Ushers/Hospitality

<i>Mon.</i>	6 P.M.	Ernest Miller, JoJo Machalec, Bill Lopez, Rhonda Hansel
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Charlie & Carolyn Hoepfl, Bill Lopez, Bobby Fikac
<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	Tom Chilek, Paul Ebner
	9 A.M.	Randy & Debbie Randazzo, Bobby & Bea Welfl
	11 A.M.	Guillermo & Maria Vigna, Miguel Trujillo, Vicky Vasquez

### Servers

<i>Sun.</i>	7 A.M.	A. J. & Luke Adamek
	9 A.M.	Tyler & Addison Ferry
	11 A.M.	Erick & Gael Castillo

## Reminder

Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and Ushers should wear masks when assigned. Masks are available in the Sacristy if needed.

## Christmas Flowers

Extra envelopes for the Christmas Flower donations may be found in the Church entrances. Donors and their listed memorials will be in the bulletin after Christmas. This applies to St. Joseph and St. Ann Parish.

*"Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make straight his paths."*

## Feast of the Immaculate Conception

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, December 8<sup>th</sup>, is a holy day of obligation.

### Mass Schedule:

**Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 P.M. (Vigil Mass)**

**Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> – 6:30 A.M. & 8:15 A.M.**

## KJT #13 Christmas Brunch

KJT Society #13 Annual Christmas Brunch and meeting will be held today, December 6<sup>th</sup> in the Family Center. Registration will begin immediately following the 9:00 A.M. Mass with a short meeting to follow at 10:30 A.M. All members are encourage to join in celebrating the Advent Season and Our Savior's birth. COVID guidelines will be followed.

### Attention: CDA Members

The Catholic Daughters meeting has been moved to **Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>** at 6:00 P.M. at the Family Center. All members are asked to bring snacks and/or sweets to be shared by all.

## KC Christmas Party Cancelled

The Knights of Columbus have elected to cancel their annual Christmas gathering this Wednesday. Have a Blessed, Merry & Healthy Christmas!

The next KC meeting will be held January 13, 2021.

## KJZT #37, St. Ann's

Due to COVID concerns, the annual KJZT #37, St. Ann's Christmas Social for 2020 has been cancelled.

## Advent Confessions

With the continued concerns of the pandemic, we will not be having a "traditional" penance service. Extra opportunities for the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be on **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (December 15-17) starting at 5 P.M.**

*"Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women."*

## Rite of Welcoming

This Sunday we will formally celebrate the Rite of Welcoming for those in RCIA who have begun praying, reflecting a discerning the Lord's call to them to receive the Sacraments of Initiation with the guidance and assistance of Deacon Dennis: Byron Bailey, Deborah Bailey, Keirah Lauer, Laney Respondek, Ian Fisher and Ashlie Pritchett.

We are glad you are with us and be assured of our prayers for you on this special, grace-filled journey. We look forward to sharing the bonds of our life of faith with you at Easter's culmination of your preparation and learning! May the Lord who has begun the good work in you, bring it to completion!!!

## Locusts, Honey...and... Two Purple Candles

Mark's evangelical introduction of John the Baptizer to our Advent journey reminds us in sobering fashion of the need to make straight the way for the Lord in our lives. Lighting the second of four candles...ROSE next on our circle (taking a proactive step in anticipation of the many compliments next week about looking "pretty in pink") to raise our minds and hearts to direct our rejoicing...the season is truly fast upon us!

Note the confession schedule ahead for Advent--all confessions remain behind the screen and if a line forms--maintain distance guidelines. Bring your missalettes with you to Mass (and take them home). Maintain social distancing for everyone's safety. Plan ahead for Christmas Mass attendance. As a note of information...Midnight Mass is a special celebration rooted in traditions--and one such aspect is that it is usually the least attended of our Christmas Masses (this year in light of attendance restrictions it might be a great opportunity to experience the world in solemn stillness and come to Mass upon a midnight clear). Please continue to use the baskets placed around the church for the offertory collection for Church support--signup for online giving, use the drop slot on the pastoral center--it continues to be challenging economic times for everyone--a holly jolly Christmas certainly is different this year. The 4 pm Mass will be livestreamed to assist those unable or uncertain about venturing out in the midst of hopes and pandemic fears on that special night.

'Twas two weeks before Christmas and all will agree...may our families be blessed...and coronavirus free!

*"I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done unto me according to your word."*

## Nuestra Sra. de Guadalupe Celebracion

El sabado 12 de Diciembre se celebra las festividades de nuestra Sra. de Guadalupe. Comenzando con el Rosario a las 5:15 A.M. en seguida las mananitas a las 6:00 A.M. Inmediatamente despues celebraremos la Santa Misa a las 6:30 A.M.

## Feast of Christmas Mass Schedule

**Christmas Eve: December 24<sup>th</sup>**  
4:00 P.M. & 6:00 P.M.

**Christmas Day: December 25<sup>th</sup>**  
12:01 A.M. and 9:00 A.M.

All Christmas Masses will be at St. Joseph

## Christmas Gifts for Blue Santa

As a way of incorporating charity into our Christmas Masses at 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. on December 24<sup>th</sup>, the children are invited to bring gifts for boys and girls which will be used in the Blue Santa Program. The gifts may be placed in the boxes located at the entrances of the church

## Tis the Season...

Need an Advent wreath or candles? Looking for Christmas gifts or stocking stuffers? Copies of "From Thy Bounty" the parish cookbook are still available and make nice Christmas gifts. Check out the Twelve Days of Christmas Ornament set. We also have a nice supply of Christmas car magnets; "Keep Christ In Christmas", "Every Family Needs A Stable Foundation", or "Jesus Is The Reason For The Season". The Pastoral Center has a variety of religious articles to offer. Come see for yourself.



## A Note from Principal Mooney

**Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**

Basketball vs Sacred Heart in Hallettsville – 5 P.M.

**Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> – Feast of the  
Immaculate Conception**

Mass – 8:15 A.M.

Jesse Tree – 3 P.M. in Church

Please call or stop by the school office and speak to Mr. Mooney if you are interested in enrolling your child(ren) in St. Joseph's. Take a tour of the school and learn more about what St. Joseph School has to offer.

## Support Catholic Education

Catholic Life Insurance is sponsoring *We Love Catholic Schools* Sweepstakes and all proceeds from the sale of tickets benefit St. Joseph School.

### Grand Prize Choice of:

2021 Ford F-150 Truck\* or

2021 Ford Focus Sedan\* or

\$20,000 Prepaid Visa Credit Card

\*Or equivalent vehicle.

### Participating School Prize:

Each participating school will have a \$1,000 prepaid Visa credit card individual winner drawn from tickets sold by their school.

Tickets are \$5.00 and may be purchased at the school or parish office. For more information contact the school office at 293-9000.

## Prayer to Saint Nicholas

O good Saint Nicholas, you who are the joy of the children, put in my heart the spirit of childhood, of which the Gospel speaks, and teach me to seed happiness around me. You, whose feast prepares us for Christmas, open my faith to the mystery of God made man.

You, good bishop and shepherd, help me to find my place in the Church and inspire the Church to be faithful to the gospel.

O good Saint Nicholas, patron of children, sailors, and the helpless, watch over those who pray to Jesus, your Lord and theirs, as well as over those who humble themselves before you. Bring us all in reverence to the Holy Child of Bethlehem, where true joy and peace are found. Amen.