

THE

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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SAINT BENEDICT

DECEMBER 5, 2021

SAINT SCHOLASTICA



St. Scholastica Parish
17320 Rosemont
Detroit, Michigan 48219
www.scholastica.church

Fr. James W. Lowe CC, Administrator

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday through Friday	12:05 p.m.
Saturday	8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m.
Holydays	12:05 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

MARRIAGE

Parish priest must be contacted six months prior to date of intended marriage.

BAPTISMS
Contact Fr. James W. Lowe, CC

CONFESSIONS

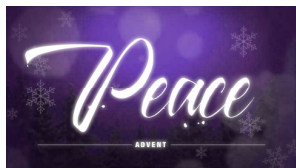
Tuesday-Saturday Mornings: Immediately Following Mass
Sunday: 9:15 a.m. until 9:45 a.m.
All other times - Call Parish Office For Appointment

ROSARY
Sunday 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel

PHONE NUMBERS

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REFLECTING ON GOD’S WORD



On most days since early October, the students in the college residence in which I live have been eagerly and insistently bouncing Christmas carols off walls and into hallways. It began with occasional songs on the piano. Soon after, the Christmas CDs were brought out, and a week later one of them came upon an old turntable and some Sinatra Christmas LPs. As they left for Thanksgiving vacation, they each reminded me that the radio would begin playing Christmas music all day long on the day after Thanksgiving. As a result of all this I’ve found myself wondering what it is that’s driven these twenty-year-olds toward such early visions of Christmas sugarplums.

I’ve come to believe that beneath all the glitter draped and swagged with ribbons and bows over these days, deeper longings are at play, longings beyond desire for the newest iPod or the latest cell phone, longings for community or healed relationships, longings too for peace among nations and for some sort of equality among people.

Curiously, such deepened longings are never marketed by any hype. Yet like Christmas spirit, they just seem to sprout wherever the human spirit finds a niche. I suppose one could make the observation that a twenty-year-old’s longing for Christmas is little more than leftover nostalgia for childhood Santas and once-upon-a-time daydreams. Maybe so. Yet Paul once wrote to the Philippian community that such urgings for goodness all begin with God and that ultimately “the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus” (Philippians 1:6). In other words, these deeper longings, they seem to be God’s doing, and who are we to put them on a timetable?

—Rev. Joseph J. Juknialis
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LIVING GOD’S WORD

Advent is about the very place from which all of our dreams begin—in God. It’s where gorges of human pain and suffering are filled and where mountains of injustice are brought low. It’s the way God begins to lead the people home to where it all began.

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NATIVITY SPECIAL COLLECTION



The parish has purchased a beautiful outdoor Nativity to welcome all to our parish. What better beacon of light and God’s love than the Holy Family, to attract the community to St. Scholastica. Building the stable has been a work of love for some of parishioners and friends of the parish. Others have offered financial support, but we wanted to give everyone the opportunity to be a part of this new community outreach. So, we are having a special collection during advent. It would be wonderful if we could raise enough money to both pay for the Nativity and the supplies to make and secure the stable. Your generosity would be appreciated. Gold envelopes are available in the back of the church that can be put in the collection basket or just send your contribution to the parish with an indication that it is for the Nativity. Our goal is \$3,400. By the end of last Sunday, when it was first announced, we had reached \$801 in donations and pledges.

TODAY’S SCRIPTURE READINGS



Baruch 5:1-9

Psalms 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

Luke 3:1-6



Check here each week for a St. Scholastica history question. The answer will be given in the next week’s bulletin.

TO WHAT PARISH DID ST. SCHOLASTICA DONATE ITS ORIGINAL WOODEN CHURCH? WHEN?

ANSWER: ST. PATRICK’S PARISH IN UNION LAKE, MICHIGAN, 1949

WHEN DID SUNDAY EVENING MASS BEGIN AT ST. SCHOLASTICA?



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Tuesday, December 7, 2021
12:05 p.m. † Souls in Purgatory by Evelyn Alesna

Wednesday, December 8, 2021
12:05 p.m. † Ronald Marine by the Children

Thursday, December 9, 2021
12:05 p.m. † Patrick Nolan by Gerald and Mary Ellen Clark

Friday, December 10, 2021
12:05 p.m. † Jan Gale by the Comisky Family

Saturday, December 11, 2021
8:00 a.m. No Intention
4:00 p.m. Special Intentions of Gerald and Mary Ellen Clark by Helen Burton

Sunday, December 12, 2021
10:00 a.m. For Parishioners

LECTOR SCHEDULE



December 4, 2021
Connie Borg
Patricia Smith

December 5, 2021
The Second Sunday in Advent
Daniel Sute
Antoinette McDermott

December 8, 2021 (12:05 p.m.)
The Immaculate Conception
Connie Borg

December 8, 2021 (7:00 p.m.)
The Immaculate Conception
TBA

December 11, 2021
Connie Borg

December 12, 2021
The Third Sunday in Advent
Jonathan Jackson
Evelyn Alesna

ADVENT GIVING PROJECT

There will be an Advent Giving Tree in front of the choir loft of the main church until January 2, 2022. The items collected will be donated to “Operation Layette” and should be for infants up to 9 months old. A list of items that are needed will be published in next week’s bulletin.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

UPCOMING EVENTS:



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8TH:
The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Mass: 12:05 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11TH:
Decorate the Convent for Christmas
12:00 Noon

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12TH
Parish Christmas Party
3:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17TH:
Become the Fire Prayer Gathering
7:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19TH:
Decorate the Sanctuary with Christmas Decorations
2:00 p.m. – After POLOV Mass

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24TH:
The Nativity of the Lord
Music: 4:00 p.m.
Mass: 4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25TH :
The Nativity of the Lord
Music: 9:30 a.m.
Mass: 10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26TH
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, Joseph



WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND PARISH MEMBERS:

Bruce Henderson, Elma Thorpe, Annie Laurie Shannan, Courtney Atlas, Eileen Clark, Sandra Moulton, Christopher Staff, Margaret Porath, Drew Lund, Roland Martin, Marian Hubbard, Jean Geran, Betty Kell, Gloria Seacord, Fermon Sanders, Diverna Stephenson, William Walker, Daisy Allen, Victoria Crowe, Dennis Lund, Matthew Onwudingo, Irma Gistennar, Justin Doucette, Denise Goodine, Jonathan Jackson, Yolanda Stephens, Thomas Norfolk, Bennie Bailey, Julie Hacker, Michele Mooney, Robert Weed, Jerome Bies, Annie Stacherski, William Moulton, Stella Blair, Colleen Darjean, and Dr. Irah Charles.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL



Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do you, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen

FAMILIES OF PARISHES PRAYER



Father in Heaven, renew your wonders in our time, as though by a New Pentecost.

Holy Spirit, increase your gifts in us to move boldly into Families of Parishes with confidence.

Deepen our desire for every person to encounter Jesus anew, grow daily as his disciples and give witness to his love and mercy.

This is our mission! And we embrace it anew.

Grant that your Holy Church in Detroit, praying perseveringly and insistently with one mind, together with Mary, the mother of Jesus, and guided by St. Joseph, St. Anne and Bl. Solanus Casey, may increase the reign of the Divine Savior, the reign of truth and justice, the reign of love and peace.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen



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PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL



Having heard God's word, we now present our needs before Him with confidence.

That the Church throughout the world may faithfully and joyfully call upon all nations to prepare the way of the Lord, we pray to the Lord...

That governments may be inspired by the words of the prophets to promote justice, mercy, and peace, we pray to the Lord...

The Pope's Monthly Intention: Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray to the Lord . . .

That the Church may bring about effective repentance from the sin of abortion, and the gift healing to those wounded by it, we pray to the Lord...

That the sick and the lonely may enjoy the consolation of the presence and love of family, friends, and the wider Christian community, we pray to the Lord...

That those who have died may be filled with the joy of seeing Jesus face to face, we pray to the Lord...

For the Intentions of this Mass, we pray to the Lord . . .