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THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, NOVEMBER 28/29, 2020

BLESSING FOR AN ADVENT WREATH

Lord God, your Church joyfully awaits the coming of its Savior, who enlightens our hearts & dispels the darkness of ignorance & sin.

Pour forth your blessings upon us as we light the candles of this wreath; may their light reflect the splendor of Christ, who is Lord, for ever & ever.

Amen



ADVENT begins this weekend. We are offering our parishioners the Little Blue Books published by the Diocese of Saginaw. Each book contains reflections for the weeks of Advent & Christmas season. They have been carefully crafted to help you explore the depths of Scripture & deepen your relationship with Christ.

Pick up one of these little books, & spend some quiet time with the Lord. The books will be available at all the churches.



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY UPDATE - The Faith Build Coalition raised just over \$970 from its October scrap metal collection & just under \$1100 from its rummage sale in November. The FBC served as the sponsor for the recent house build in Glouster which was dedicated on November 12 (& is now raising funds for its next build sponsorship).

LINEN CARE	November 29	December 6
CTK	Karen Oswald	Sue Payne
STP	Terri Trese	Terri Trese

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. (CTK) People of the Parishes
- 8:30 a.m. (SMH) Joe Pidcock (the Walsh & Sandor Family)
- 9:30 a.m. (SH) Traci Bartels Houdashelt (the Matkovichs)
- 10:00 a.m. (CTK) Rich Harter (Bev Harter)
- 10:00 a.m. (HC) Donald McDonald (Carl & Karen Myers)
- 12:00 p.m. (CTK) Diocesan Seminarians
- 6:00 p.m. (CTK) Those Who are Sick in Mind, Body & Spirit

Monday

- 8:00 a.m. (STP) Vocations to the Priesthood for Our Diocese
- 12:15 p.m. (CTK) Holy Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday

- 8:00 a.m. (STP) Saunders & Halley Families, Living & Dec. (John & Blaine Halley)
- 8:30 a.m. (SMH) People of the Parishes
- 12:15 p.m. (CTK) Greater Respect for Life

Wednesday

- ~~8:00 a.m. (STP)~~ No Mass
- 8:30 a.m. (SH) Monsignor John Yonk
- 12:15 p.m. (CTK) Newborns & Their Families

Thursday

- 8:00 a.m. (STP) Diocesan Priests
- 12:15 p.m. (CTK) Safety for Those on Active Military Duty

First Friday

- 8:00 a.m. (STP) Extraordinary Form
- 8:30 a.m. (SH) People of the Parishes
- 12:15 p.m. (CTK) Julius Gorgos (Wendy Serbonich)

First Saturday

- 8:30 a.m. (SH) Greater Protection for the Unborn
- 4:30 p.m. (SH) Rose Denison (Ed & Sheila Cozart)
- 5:00 p.m. (CTK) Linda Maher (George & Nancy Bain)

Sunday


- 8:00 a.m. (CTK) Mary Pedigo (Alpha Tau Sorority)
- 8:30 a.m. (SMH) Charles Schilling (Roger & Grace Randolph Family)
- 9:30 a.m. (SH) Katherine Lemaster (Mike & Margie Lawson)
- 10:00 a.m. (CTK) Stephen Messina (the Messina Family)
- 10:00 a.m. (HC) Gladys Richards (the Family)
- 12:00 p.m. (CTK) Caroline Wert (Richard & Patty Manzey)
- 6:00 p.m. (CTK) Those Who are Lonely & Oppressed

**SACRED HEART
PRAYER FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER**

We pray for our country & our Church that
God's grace guides & protects us from the evil
entities seeking to devour souls.

BAPTISM - On Thanksgiving we celebrated
the Baptism of *Austin Jacoby Fife* at
Sacred Heart church. Austin is the son
of Weston & Jilaine David Fife. Congratulations,
Austin!



 **HOLY HOUR** - On Wednesdays, from
9:00 to 10:00 a.m. we will have a Holy Hour
with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

CONFESSIONS will be heard in the small chapel on
Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:00 p.m. & on Sundays from
8:30 to 9:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart.

At Christ the King in Athens, Confessions will be
heard at 10:00 a.m. on Saturdays.

MASSES - First Friday Mass will be celebrated at
8:30 a.m. on Friday, December 4.

First Saturday Mass will be celebrated at
8:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 5.
We will pray the Rosary following
Mass on Saturday.



COLLECTION - The First Sunday Collection,
which will be taken up at both Masses on the
weekend of December 5/6, will continue to be
designated for the roof replacement.

As a reminder, the actual replacement of the roof will
begin next spring.



The CWC of St. Ambrose is taking
orders for lovely Marian Shrines. The
shrines would make a nice addition to a
home or make a thoughtful gift. Order
forms can be found in the vestibule.

GIVING TREE 2020 - The Children's Services project is
different this year. The agency is not asking for
direct donations of toys or other gift items.

Options: *make a financial contribution at:
athenscountysantaproject.blogspot.com,

*mail a check, Kroger gift card, or Walmart gift
card to Friends of Children's Services, PO Box 1046,
Athens, Ohio 45701

*purchase a gift from our AmazonWish
List. Visit athenscountysantaproject.blogspot.com to find a
link to the list.

All of the tags have been taken from the
Giving Tree. What a blessing! Thank
you for your generosity!! Please return
any food or gift items to the Giving
Tree by December 13.



ACCFP/ELIJAH MINISTRY - The Athens Catholic
Community Food Pantry is donating our December
offerings to the Elijah Ministry, a group of
parishioners who express the care & concern of our
parish community to those in this community with
pressing needs.

The parishes have provided financial assistance to
parishioners through the Elijah Ministry for food,
rent, utilities, medicine, child care, educational fees,
& gasoline.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - Please join the women
of our parishes for a Bible Study beginning Thursday,
January 7, & continuing until June 10. We will learn
how God worked in the lives of Biblical women &
discover how that pertains to us today.

Go to www.WalkingWithPurpose.com to learn
more & to order your book. Please contact Eileen at
freedomfertilitycare@gmail.com if you have questions.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS - Please use the
envelope from your envelope packet to make
a donation for Christmas flowers. Print
clearly the names of those you wish to have
remembered & place the envelope in the collection
basket no later than December 13.