

# To the Parishioners of St. Mary the Virgin

## ADVENT MEANS THE COMING OF THE LORD

Isaiah is the great prophet of Advent. In the eighth century before the coming of Christ he foretold that a Child would be born from a virgin; this Child would bring together into Jerusalem the people who were enslaved in the pagan country of Babylon. For us, Jerusalem means Heaven. For we are the people in exile, enslaved by sin. He who comes to save us will bear the titles "God, Almighty, Prince of peace." St. John the Baptist shows him to us. The bridegroom is at hand, and so "the bridegroom's friends rejoices." And the Church continues the preaching of John the Baptist, Christ's herald. She invites us to prepare for him, to be sorry for our sins, to go out to meet the bridegroom who is coming to seek us because he loves us.



And finally, the Virgin Mary inspires hope in us. Her loving influence pervades the whole season of Advent. Blessed is she who believed God's word! In her faith she has accepted the Lord; she becomes the Mother of her and our Savior.

Advent means the coming of God, the King of eternity, King of the world, King of the poor. Advent means the coming of God who wants to unite us with himself by making himself a child of our human race. Advent means the coming of God, who in the course of history transforms, "divinizes" the world and brings mankind into the divine kingdom.

## Prayer for Vocations

**Priest:** Please kneel for our prayer for vocations. Let us ask God to give worthy priests, brothers and sisters to His Holy Church.

**All:** O God, / we earnestly beseech Thee / to bless this Ordinariate / with many priests, / brothers / and sisters, / who will love Thee with their whole strength / and gladly spend their entire lives / to serve Thy Church / and to make Thee known and loved.

**Priest:** Bless our families. / Bless our children.

**All:** Choose from our homes / those who are needed for Thy work.

**Priest:** Mary Queen of the Clergy!

**All:** Pray for us. Pray for our priests and religious. Obtain for us many more. Amen.

Each day say this Advent Prayer:

*Rorate Caeli (Drop down from heaven)*

**Refrain:** Pour out your dew, you heavens, from above, and bid the clouds rain down the Just One.

Do not be angry, Lord, forget our wickedness. See, the city of your Holy One has become a wilderness; Sion is deserted; Jerusalem lies desolate, that dwelling place of your holiness and glory where our fathers praised you. Pour out...

We have sinned, we are unclean. We have all fallen like dead leaves, our sins have carried us away as on a wind. You have hidden your face from us, you have crushed us in punishment for our wrongdoing. Pour out...

Look on your people's misery, Lord, and send forth him who is to come. Send forth the lamb to rule the earth, from the desert rock to the hill of the daughter of Sion, that he may take away the burden of our slavery. Pour out...

God answers:

Be comforted, my people, be comforted! Your salvation is coming soon: why are you eaten up with mourning, why are you so distressed? I shall save you: do not be afraid, for I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your redeemer.

Pour out your dew, you heavens, from above, and bid the clouds rain down the Just One. Amen.

From: *The Layman's Missal Prayer Book & Ritual*, 1962.

## Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam

*(For the Greater Glory)*

**Flowers:** No Flowers During Advent.

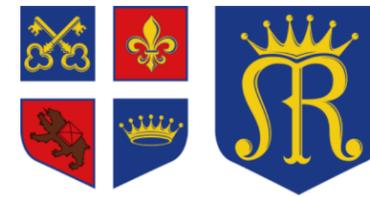
**Sanctuary Light:** Helen Mitchell *in loving memory of Helen & Dorsey Mitchell.*

**Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady:** The Oliver family *in loving memory of Victoria Muschalek's birthday.*

**Lamp at the Shrine of Joseph:** The Oliver family *in loving memory of Kyle J. Roberts.*

**Lamp at the Shrine of St. Therese:** Teresa Dean *for repose of the souls of members of the Legion of Mary.*

**Lamp at the Shrine of Blessed Charles I:** SMV *for the people of the parish.*



# The Catholic Church of ST. MARY THE VIRGIN

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Welcome to The Catholic Church of St. Mary the Virgin. We are a parish of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter authorized by Pope Benedict XVI in 2012 for Anglicans seeking to become Catholic. Ordinariate parishes are fully Catholic, while retaining elements of their Anglican heritage and embracing the roots of the Catholic faith's rich tradition through reverent liturgy and historical music. All Catholics are invited to participate in our Divine Worship liturgy and receive communion by kneeling (if able) at the altar rail and receiving our Lord on the tongue.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the parish for details regarding the preparation program. Under Ordinariate policy, couples should contact a member of the parish clergy at least six months prior to their proposed wedding date.

### Liturgical Ministers

December 1, 2019

- 8:00 a.m. Altar Server.....Jon Carr  
Ushers .....Nance FitzGibbon & Eli Castro
- 10:30 a.m. Master of Ceremonies.....John Williams, Jr.  
Thurifer .....Martin Morris  
Crucifer .....Joseph Morris  
Torchbearers... ..Nathaniel Brinkley / John Paul Morris  
Boat Boy.....Matthew Garland  
First Reading .....Joe Morris  
Intercessory Prayers .....Carole Morris  
Ushers.....Brandon Brinkley / Walter Crawford
- 6:00 p.m. Altar Servers ..William Harvey / Paul Denning (C)  
Ushers.....Charlene Schwartz/Maria Zichichi  
Office Help.....Nance FitzGibbon / Ben Oliver

## Divine Worship Order of Holy Mass

The First Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2019

### Music of the Mass

*Music is in the red or blue hymnal or in the tabs of the Divine Worship notebooks indicated in bold.*

Prelude.....	TBA
Entrance Hymn....	<i>The Litany</i> <b>Mass Settings Tab</b> Page 19
Kyrie.....	<b>Mass Settings Tab</b> Page 2
Sanctus, Agnus Dei.....	<b>Mass Settings Tab</b> Page 2
Offertory Hymn.....	<b>Hymnal</b> Page 61
Mysterium Fidei.....	<b>Mass Settings Tab</b> Page 14
Amen.....	<i>Simple Chant Amen</i>
Pater Noster.....	<b>Mass Settings Tab</b> Page 17
Communion Hymn.....	<b>Eucharist Tab</b> Page 21
Communion Anthem.....	<i>Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending</i>
Recessional Hymn.....	<b>Hymnal</b> Page 60

Adult Choir will rehearse Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in Cleburne. Youth Choir will rehearse after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays. **Both choirs rehearse this Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at St. Patrick Cathedral choir loft and again on Saturday at 1:00 p.m. for the 2:00 p.m. Jubilee Mass.**

### Collect

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through the same Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## Scripture of the Mass

### First Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5

The word which Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it, and many peoples shall come, and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh.

8:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Masses chanted by priest and people. Chanted by the choir at the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

### Alleluia

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Show us thy mercy,

O Lord: and grant us thy salvation.

### The Holy Gospel

Matthew 24:37-44

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, "As were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and they did not know until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of man. Then two men will be in the field; one is taken and one is left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one is taken and one is left. Watch therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But know this, that if the householder had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have watched and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready; for the Son of man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

8:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Masses said by lector and people after the First Reading. Chanted by the choir at the 10:30 a.m. Mass.

### Gradual

For all they that look for thee:  
shall not be ashamed, O Lord.

V. Make known to me thy ways, O Lord:  
and teach me thy paths.

### Second Reading

Romans 13:11-14a

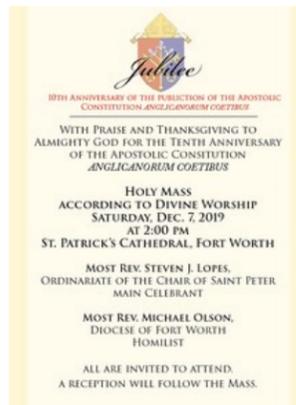
Brethren: You know what hour it is, how it is full time now for you to wake from sleep. For salvation

## Ordinariate Celebration Mass on December 7th

The special Anniversary Mass according to Divine Worship on Saturday, December 7th at 2:00 p.m. at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Fort Worth, is a part of the Jubilee Ordinariate celebration announced by Bishop Steven Lopes.

The Jubilee began November 3 and will continue until the Patronal Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham, September 27, 2020.

Due to the Jubilee celebration,



there will be **NO 9:00 a.m. Saturday morning Mass or confessions at St. Mary the Virgin on December 7th.**

The Altar Servers from St. Mary the Virgin will be serving. The music for the Mass will be a combined effort of the choirs of St. Mary the Virgin and St. John Vianney, Cleburne, Texas. St. Mary the Virgin will be hosting a reception following the December 7th Mass in the Pastoral Center at 1200 Throckmorton in Fort Worth.

## The Prayers of the People

Intercession (Form 3 on Page 25)

### For Those in Special Need

Lance; Fr. Reggie; Fr. Ray; Jaime; Kim; Buddy; John; Juan Pablo; Dominic; Donald; Peter; John; Isabella; Ronald; Carol; Beverly; Shelli; Echo.

### For Those Serving in the Armed Forces

Pierson; Lucas; Patrick; Richard; Victor; Byron; Luke; Tommy; Christian; Chelsey; Dillon; Mathew; Alton; Annie; Josh; Sebastian; Brandon; James; Jacob.

### For Those Expecting Children

Amy & Hunter; Rebecca & Brinton; Lisa & Chris; Alice & Joseph; Lisa & Adam; Colleen & Rafael.

### For the Faithful Departed

#### On the Anniversary of Their Deaths

Monday: Carl Hanvey; Marcus Smith; Tuesday: M. Esther Creaturo; Wednesday: Betty Duncan; Thursday: James Carlton Godbee; Columbus Pope.

### For those Celebrating Birthdays & Anniversaries

Sunday: John & Kathy Hargis (W); Christopher & Sheila Shirley (W); Jim Devine (B); Monday: Margaret Skinner (B); Wednesday: Kyle Burger (B); Paul Vina (B); Thursday: Dillon Jaeger (B); Angela Hall (B); Brandon Brinkley; (B); Friday: Katherine Aparicio (B); Jon Hager (B); Saturday: Catherine Crawford (B).

## This Week at St. Mary the Virgin

### Sunday, December 1

Masses at 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 6:00 p.m.

### Monday, December 2

Mass at 12:00 p.m.

(Mass Intention: Alvin Valfroid Hargis, RIP)

### Tuesday, December 3

Mass at 7:00 p.m.

(Mass Intention: Christopher Hardy)

### Wednesday, December 4

Confessions at 11:00 a.m.

Mass at 12:00 p.m.

(Mass Intention: Johnny Cantu, RIP)

### Thursday, December 5

Men's Examen Group at 10:30 a.m.

Mass at 12:00 p.m.

(Mass Intention: Lucas Yap)

### Friday, December 6

Mass at 9:00 a.m.

(Mass Intention: For repose of the souls of members of the Legion of Mary)

Adoration 10:00 a.m. — 6:00 p.m.

Evening Prayer at 6:00 p.m.

### Saturday, December 7

**Mass at 9:00 a.m. Cancelled**

**Confessions at 10:00 a.m. Cancelled**

Jubilee Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral at 2:00 p.m.

Martyrs Men's Group at 8:00 a.m.

## News and Notes

### Honor Their Lives of Service

The priests of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter left behind all that they had so that they might lead new disciples into the fullness of faith. Through your gift to today's second collection for the Ordinariate's Retirement Fund for Priests, you can help our clergy prepare to live their retirement years in dignity, free of anxiety about their means of support.

Please make checks payable to the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter, fill out the donor card, and seal in the donation envelopes. Gifts will be collected during Mass or you may mail your gift directly to the Chancery.

The need is great, no gift is too small. Thank you for your consideration.

### Knights of Columbus Tamale Sale

The Knights of Columbus have started their Tamale sale. Tamales are sold frozen and the cost is 10 tama-

les for \$15.00. All profits from the sale go toward Knights of Columbus sponsored parish events and their help for parish families in need.

### Rorate Caeli Mass

There will be a Rorate Caeli Mass on Saturday, December 14 at 6:00 a.m. This Mass will be by candlelight. Please make plans to be there.

### Family Guild Meets Dec. 14

St. Mary's Family Guild will meet at the parish hall on Saturday, December 14 at 3:00 p.m.

For more information, contact Katie Aparicio at k.e.aparicio@gmail.com.

### The Parish Offering

Weekly Offering Forecast.....\$6,000.00  
Actual Offertory Collected.....\$9,596.00  
Variance.....\$3,596.00

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