

# Second Sunday of Advent

## December 4, 2016

### The Story and You™



Sacred Conversation

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There are so many ways to waste time on the internet these days, but I can't stop myself from lingering over those heart-warming videos of those inter-species animals playing and cuddling up together.

Here's a cat and dog opening a door, a bear and tiger snuggling, a beautiful bird swimming with a dolphin. What speaks to us, I think, in these anomalies of nature is that the animals seem to delight in getting to know each other, to investigate each other's fur and size and wingspan, without fear of betrayal or attack.

It's that peaceable kingdom, that idyllic and lovely playground where animals frolic instead of preying on each other, which Isaiah promises. Imagine it. In spite of everything we have ever thought, the most terrifying of tigers is actually meant to snuggle contentedly with the sheep in the pasture. Why?

Because the tiger is not hungry, and is not hunting among the defenseless lambs for food for her cubs. Take hunger out of the equation, and the Peaceable Kingdom has already arrived.

There might be some memory extraction required. Eagles and fish will need to rethink their relationship. Tigers might need to unlearn what they've known for thousands of years. But oh, what a fun education that would be.

Are humans smart enough to attend this school? Can the most recent—and by far most predatory—arrivals in earth's long history miraculously pull together and save ourselves? Can we, finally, learn to work together to open the locked door, to find comfort in each other, to delight in swimming the seas together? As Advent always asks, "If not now, when? If not us, who?"

*How are you helping to bring about the Peaceable Kingdom?*

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#### Segundo Domingo de Adviento

Existen tantas maneras de desperdiciar el tiempo en el internet hoy en día, y yo no puedo evitar entretenerme con esos videos que te enternecen el corazón de animales de varias especies jugando juntos y apapachándose.

Hay uno de un gato y un perro abriendo una puerta, un oso y un tigre acurrucados, un hermoso pájaro volando con un delfín. Lo que nos impresiona, creo yo, en estas rarezas de la naturaleza es que los animales parecen deleitarse en conocerse, en investigar como es el pelaje del otro, el tamaño de sus alas, sin miedo de un ataque o de una traición. Es ese Reino Pacifico, ese ideal y encantador parque de juegos donde los animales retozan en vez de atacarse, el cual promete Isaías. Imagínatelo. A pesar de todo lo que hemos pensado antes, el más aterrador de los tigres realmente fue hecho para acurrucarse contentamente con la oveja en el pasto. ¿Por qué? Porque el tigre no tiene hambre, y no está cazando a los indefensos corderos para conseguir alimento para sus cachorros. Si sacas el hambre de la ecuación, el reino pacifico ha llegado ya.

Tal vez se requiera de un tanto de extracción de recuerdos. Las águilas y los peces van a tener que reinventar su relación. Los tigres tendrán que desaprender lo que han sabido por miles de años. Pero, oh, que tan divertida educación sería eso. ¿Somos los humanos lo suficientemente inteligentes para asistir a esta escuela? ¿Podemos los más recientes- y por mucho los más depredadores- habitantes en la larga historia de la tierra enmendarnos y salvarnos a nosotros mismos? ¿Podemos, finalmente, aprender a trabajar juntos para abrir las puertas cerradas, para encontrar consuelo unos en los otros, para deleitarnos al nadar en los mares juntos? Como siempre, el Adviento nos pregunta, "¿Si no ahora, entonces cuándo? ¿Si no nosotros, entonces quiénes?"  
*¿Cómo estás ayudando tú a traer a la tierra ese Reino Pacifico?*

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## *Around the Parish and the Community*

### **FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION**

**Dec 06 6:30 pm**

\*Confirmation class

**Dec 07 7:00 pm**

\*RCIA Adults

**Dec 08 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

\*Masses at 8:30 and 6:00 pm

**Dec 11 10:15 am**

\*Children's Faith Formation

\*Advent Series Part 2

### **ADVENT SERIES!**

We are very pleased and excited to announce a special series on Advent entitled *Waiting for God in the Dark*, presented by Kathy McGovern, former liturgist at St Rose of Lima and author of *The Story and You*, which is featured in our bulletin each week. The series will be offered on Sunday, December 4, 11 and 18 at 10:00 am during our Faith Formation time. Mark your calendars and make plans to attend this special "mini-retreat."

### **BAPTISM**

*Please pray for the newest member of our St Rose of Lima faith family:*

**Olive Diaz**

Please keep Olive and her family in prayer as they continue to journey with us in faith!

**FAMILY MOVIE...** Our Family Movie for this month will be *The Nativity Story*. The movie will be offered on Sunday, November 18 at 1:00 pm in the church basement. Lunch will be served. Please join us for this well done story about Mary and Joseph and their journey to Bethlehem for the birth of Jesus.

We are looking for singers to sing with us at the 10:00pm Mass on Christmas Eve. Please feel free to contact me: [paquita727@yahoo.com](mailto:paquita727@yahoo.com) or phone, 831.277.3632. Thanks. Frances Rossi, Music Director

### **Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish—**

Barbara Deaguero, Annie Martinez, Mary Beeler, LeRoy Kress, Chuck Bauer, Isabel Guzman, Raymundo Pimentel, Deacon Jerry Kotas, Bruce Courchene, John Tapparo, Clarita Rubio, Regan Capps, Fernando Pimentel, Gretchen Testerman, Jana Purdy, Michelle Childers

Community Ministry needs—**Canned Tomatoes and Canned Ravioli** for the month of December. You can place your donation in the basket in the entrance of the church. Thank you for your generosity!

### **Altar & Rosary's Holiday Cash**

**Bonanza !!!**—It's here! The drawing for the Christmas Cash Bonanza is right after the 11:30am Mass. This is the major fundraiser for the year of the Altar & Rosary Society. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. **The drawing is after the 11:30am Mass.**

**2016 St Rose of Lima Christmas Toy Drive**—  
timeline as follows:

Toy Box in Gathering Area→

--November 12-December 10

Last day to turn in gifts→

--December 14

Wrap gifts→

--December 15 & 16

Santa makes a special trip in→

--December 17

## Readings for the week of December 4, 2016

Sunday Is 11: 1-10//Rom 15: 4-9//Mt 3: 1-12

Monday Is 35: 1-10//Lk 5: 17-26

Tuesday Is 40: 1-11//Mt 18: 12-14

Wednesday Is 40: 25-31//Mt 11: 28-30

Thursday Gn 3: 9-15, 20//Eph 1: 3-6, 11-12//Lk 1: 26-38

Friday Is 48: 17-19//Mt 11: 16-19

Saturday Sir 48: 1-4, 9-11//Mt 17: 9a, 10-13

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday December 3

4:00 pm +Olga Petersen

### Sunday December 4

9am +Melissa Garcia

by Garcia family

11:30am People of the Parish

### Monday December 5

8:30am Communion Service

### Tuesday December 6

8:30am +Dawn Martinez by family

### Wednesday December 7

8:30am +Warren Foote

by Virginia Foote

### Thursday December 8

8:15am +Louann Foster by family

6:00pm +Danny McCauley by family

### Friday December 9

8:30am +Juan Carlos by family

### Saturday December 10

4 pm +Viola Anguiano by family

### Sunday December 11

9am +Phil Trujillo by Casias family

11:30am People of the Parish

## A LOOK AHEAD-----

**December 4**—Kathy McGovern Advent series—“Waiting for God in the Dark” in the Community Room.

--Altar & Rosary Christmas Cash Bonanza Drawing at 12:30pm.

**December 8**—Holy Day of Obligation, Masses at 8:30am and at 6:00pm.

**December 9**—Adoration & Benediction, with Confessions, 6:00pm

**December 11**—Kathy McGovern Advent series—“Waiting for God in the Dark” in the Community Room.

--Holy Name Club 50 monthly drawing at 12:30 pm.

**December 12**—SRL Academy Mass for Our Lady of Guadalupe, 8:30am.

**December 15**—Knights of Columbus meeting

**December 16**—Adoration & Benediction with Confessions, 6:00pm.

**December 17**—Kathy McGovern Advent series—“Waiting for God in the Dark” in the Community Room.

**December 23**—Adoration & Benediction, with Confessions, 6:00pm

**December 24**—Christmas Eve

Mass at 4:00pm

Mass at 10:00pm

**December 25**—Christmas Day

Mass at 9:00am—BI-LINGUAL

*FLUS*--**NO** 11:30am Mass

**December 31**—New Year's Eve

Mass at 4:00pm

**January 1**—New Year's Day

Mass at 9:00am

Mass at 11:30am (Bi-Lingual)

**COME PRAY WITH US...** On each Friday during Advent, at 7:00pm to 8:00pm, we will be offering Eucharist Adoration and Benediction with Vesper (Evening Prayer). Also the opportunity for Reciliation will be available each Friday. We will have song selections for Evening Prayer and music for Adoration & Reconciliation. Take some time to feed your Spirit during this busy holiday season and join us for prayer and reflection.

**SPECIAL NOTICE**--At 10:15 (ACTUAL DATE TO BE DETERMINED) , in the Rose Room, there will be a meeting and You are invited!

The Holy Name Society is hosting a meeting for all church leaders-members-parishioners. To discuss and share ideas and find ways to work together and to break barriers for a closer community for Saint Rose of Lima Parish and Academy. Coffee and donuts will be served.

A la 10:15 en la mañana, (FECHA POR DETERMINAR) el Sociedad de Santo Nombre está organizando una reunión por los líderes de la iglesia-miembros-feligreses. Todo en la sala de Rosa. Para discutirán y compartan ideas, para encontrar maneras de trabajar juntos, y para romper las barreras. Por una comunidad más cerca por Santa Rosa de Lima Parroquia y Escuela. Café y donuts se servirá.

**Men's Advent Retreat**—Hey Guys—looking for a chance to renew and your Christmas Spirit? The Denver Seminarians are hosting an Advent Men's Retreat at St John Vianney Seminary on Sunday, December 18 from 10am to 5pm. Contact: [www.DenverSeminarians.org](http://www.DenverSeminarians.org)

The Society of St Vincent de Paul helps the local poor and is asking for your help. This Tuesday, go to the Colorado Gives website and your gift will be matched up to \$7500. December 6, log onto [www.ColoradoGives.org](http://www.ColoradoGives.org), and type "St Vincent de Paul" in the search window and help the Society in their work.

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The **Denver Preschool Program** (DPP) will host its 5th annual Preschool Showcase on January 14, from 10am to 2pm at the J Churchill Owen Boys & Girls Club at 3480 W Kentucky. Find out how to access preschool tuition support. Spanish translators will on-site. Find out the dollar amount your preschooler can get in tuition support and apply on the same day.

Christ in the City is a Catholic non-profit organization dedicated to forming missionaries, volunteers, and communities toward knowing, loving and serving the poor. They are looking for socks, coats, shoes, etc. They are also in need of items for their new headquarters: desks, wardrobes, folding chairs, floor lamps, etc. all Rebecca at 303.952.9743 for more info.

