

November 29, 2020

FIRST SUNDAY OF
ADVENT

St. Columbanus Parish

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HOPE



“Stay awake, that you may be prepared!”
Matthew 24:37-44

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY ~ November 29

8:00 a.m. Mary Gillick
10:00 a.m. Elsie Courage
12:00 noon For Our Parish & Parishioners

MONDAY ~ November 30

St. Andrew, Apostle

9:00 a.m. Mary S. Foy

TUESDAY ~ December 1

9:00 a.m. Mary Gillick

WEDNESDAY ~ December 2

9:00 a.m. Ronald Powe

THURSDAY ~ December 3

St. Francis Xavier, Priest

9:00 a.m. The Barber Family (living)

FRIDAY ~ December 4

St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

9:00 a.m. Thomas & Richard Jennings and
Patricia Ciccarone

SATURDAY ~ December 5

8:30 a.m. Ronald Powe
5:00 p.m. Mary Gillick

Reminder: the 7:30 a.m. mass is private (priest only).
Any previously arranged intentions for said mass are offered at
the mass by the priest, however no attendance is permitted.



SUNDAY'S READINGS



1st Reading: *Oh, that you would rend the heavens and
come down!*
(Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7)

Psalm: *Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your
face and we shall be saved.*
(Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19)

2nd Reading: *We wait for the revelation of our Lord
Jesus Christ.*
(Corinthians 1:3-9)

Alleluia: *Show us, Lord, your love; and grant us
your salvation.*

Gospel: *Be watchful! You do not know when the
Lord of the house is coming.*
(Mark 13:33-37)

November 24, 2019 \$7,414.50

November 22, 2020 \$



Thank you to those who are able
to continue to support our parish
during this Pandemic.
God Bless you.



Pray for children hidden from sight,
but not from God.

WINE, HOST, AND TABERNACLE CANDLE



A donation of \$25 will provide for the weeklong burning of the tabernacle
candle in memory of loved ones. A like donation for the hosts and wine of-
fered at Mass may be given as a memorial as well. Please call or stop by the
rectory if you would like to honor your loved ones in this holy manner.



Names of the sick are listed for six months from the date of the initial request. Contact the rectory to add someone.



Ann Marie & Patricia Barber, Thelma Doebbler, Juliet Epasmo, Justin Fedele,
Richard Funari, Matthew Hempel, Alex Hetsko, Tom Kemple, Colleen Kennedy,
Kevin Kolosky, Vincent McKenna, Robert McLoughlin, James McSweeney,
Roselea Megna, Robert Modena, Vivian Pabon, Doreen Robinson, Jake Reyes,
Patricia Salvador, Fr. Frank Samoylo, Pete Samoylo, Joan Schneider, Gertrude
Selleck, Aurea Simbulan, Kelly Small, Rosamma Thomas, Brigid Velluzzi,
Deborah Zolluccio

And all those effected by the COVID-19 virus.

FOR THOSE WHO CANNOT ATTEND MASS

Watch mass on TV, pray with your family (rosary), read the scriptures and make an act of spiritual communion (see below, from Fr. Frank's May 31, 2020 Pastor's notes):

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.

SECOND COLLECTION

Next week we will have a second collection to help offset our fuel cost to heat the Church. Please be as generous as your means allow.



Please join us in welcoming the below families who joined our parish this month:

Mrs. Skahill
Ms. Matheson

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Tuesday, December 8th is the Feast of The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass times will be:

<u>Monday, Dec., 7th</u>	<u>Tuesday, Dec., 8th</u>
6:00 p.m. vigil	7:30 a.m.
	12:00 p.m.
	7:00 p.m.

BINGO IS CANCELED

CONFESSION

As a reminder, St. Columbanus offers confession on Saturdays from 4:00 to 4:45 p.m. You do not need an appointment. Please feel free to stop by and receive the comfort and strength this sacrament provides.



WHY SHOULD I PRAY THE ROSARY?

The Rosary is a special set of prayers to God that help us to remember the most important events in the lives of Mary and Jesus. These events are called the Mysteries. There are 20 Mysteries in all: 5 are called the Joyful Mysteries, 5 are called The Luminous Mysteries, 5 are called the Sorrowful Mysteries, and 5 are called the Glorious Mysteries. These Mysteries are stories about the lives of Mary and Jesus and each group of Mysteries is called a decade.

HOW DO I PRAY THE ROSARY?

- Choose which of the decades you will contemplate
- Start, holding the crucifix, say the Apostles Creed
- First big bead: Our Father
- Next three small beads: Hail Mary
- Next big bead: Glory Be, then the Fatima Prayer then announce the first mystery.
- Next big bead: Our Father
- Next 10 small beads: Hail Mary
- Next big bead: Glory Be, then the Fatima Prayer then announce the second mystery.
- Repeat the routine of one Our Father, 10 Hail Mary's, a Glory Be and the Fatima Prayer, announcing next Mystery.
- When all Mysteries have been contemplated, end with a Hail Holy Queen.



~PASTOR'S NOTES~

November 29, 2020

I hope all had a nice Thanksgiving. Despite the troubling times we are in, we have many things to be thankful for in our parish. Our school, thanks to the hard work and dedication of the administration, teachers, staff, parents and parishioners, will continue to serve our children for many, many years to come. We should pray for our archdiocese and the children involved that all parents who want to have a good Catholic education for their children will be able to do so. I am thankful for the many organizations and people that do so much for our parish. I hope they can return to a full range of normal activities. I am thankful that we have a large church so we can safely accommodate all who want to attend Sunday Mass. Let us invite someone to Mass as we prepare for the Christmas season.



Botticelli *The Annunciation* (1489)

Today we begin a new church year with the beginning of Advent. We prepare to celebrate the coming of God in the flesh as a child born to the Blessed Virgin Mary for our redemption. In preparation we have four weeks of a somewhat penitential season to prepare ourselves to celebrate the coming of God as man. It is a time for us to sacrifice, praying and doing works of charity. It is a time to put away the “old man,” turn away from our sins and bad habits, and prepare a dwelling place in our hearts for the coming newborn King, Jesus Christ.

Some points to ponder in Advent:

“Advent is concerned with that very connection between memory and hope which is so necessary to man. Advent’s intention is to awaken the most profound and basic emotional memory within us, namely, the memory of the God who became a child. This is a healing memory; it brings hope. The purpose of the Church’s year is continually to rehearse her great history of memories, to awaken the heart’s memory so that it can discern the star of hope... It is the beautiful task of Advent to awaken in all of us memories of goodness and thus to open doors of hope.”

Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger

“At this Christmas when Christ comes, will He find a warm heart? Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving the others with God's own love and concern.”

— **Mother Teresa**

“In many people Christ lives the life of the Host. Our life is a sacramental life.

This Host life is like the Advent life, like the life of the Child in the womb, the Child in the swaddling bands, the Christ in the tomb. It is a life of dependence upon creatures, of silence and secrecy, of hidden light. It is the life of a prisoner.”

— **Caryll Houselander**

I would like to suggest one way that we can prepare ourselves is to visit our Lord in church during the week. Of course, we have exposition and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament each Monday at 7 p.m. Also, on December 8, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation, we will be having a special evening of prayer and adoration for the National Day of Prayer for Life. Our Lord will be exposed on our altar from 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 8, and close with benediction at 1:00 a.m. Wednesday morning, December 9. Please come and spend some time in prayer for life before our Lord. We will pray the Divine Mercy and a chaplet of the Rosary the first hour and a chaplet of the Rosary during the last three hours. There will be time for private prayer, as well.

In Jesus and Mary,
Fr. Frank Samoylo

PRAYER AGAINST PLAGUES

V. Deal not with us, Lord, according to our sins.
 R. And take not vengeance on us because of our misdeeds.
 V. Help us, O God, our Deliverer.
 R. And for Thy name's sake, O Lord, free us.
 V. Remember not, O Lord, our sins of old.
 R. Hasten to us with Thy compassion, for we are become exceeding poor.
 V. St. Sebastian, pray for us.
 R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.
 V. O Lord, hear my prayer.
 R. And let my cry come unto thee.
 V. The Lord be with you.
 R. And with thy spirit.
 Let us pray. Vouchsafe to hear us, O God, our only salvation! And through the intercession of the glorious and blessed Mary, Mother of God, and ever Virgin, of Thy blessed martyr, Sebastian and of all the saints, deliver Thy people from the terrors of Thy wrath, and restore their confidence by the outpouring of Thy compassion.
 Be moved to pity, O Lord, at our earnest entreaties, and heal the illness of body and soul; so that experiencing Thy forgiveness we may ever rejoice in Thy blessing.
 We beseech thee, O Lord, grant us a hearing as we devoutly raise our petitions to Thee and graciously turn away the epidemic of plague which afflicts us; so that mortal hearts may recognize that these scourges proceed from Thine indignation and cease only when Thou art moved to mercy. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigned with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

THIS WEEKS EVENTS

Monday ~ Adoration 7:00 p.m.

Saturday ~ Confession 4:00—4:45 p.m.

HEALING MASS

A Healing Mass, with a free flow of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, will be held on Tuesday, December 1, 2020, at St. Kateri Tekakwitha Parish, 1925 Rte 82, LaGrangeville, NY 12540. Celebrant will be Fr. Pancrose Kalist, Pastor of St. Kateri. Praise and worship at 7pm, mass at 7:30 pm. Adoration, general prayers for healing, benediction will follow Mass. The Mass is livestreamed: <https://www.facebook.com/SKTLagrangeville>
 Proper social-distancing rules are adhered to.
 Contact Pat or Joe (845) 440-3519, (845) 235-2848 or Mackey_Patricia@yahoo.com.