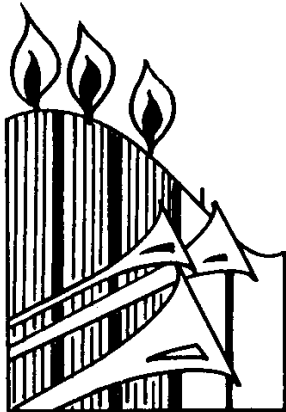


THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
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DECEMBER 12– SATURDAY: FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Morning Readings: Zec 2:14-17; Lk 1:26-38

Vigil Readings: See Sunday

4:00 PM–Fr. Jim (English) – Int. of Bob Frerick

6:00 PM–Fr. Rudy-(Spanish)

DECEMBER 13 - SUNDAY

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

9:00 AM- Fr. Rudy-(Spanish)

11:00 AM –Fr. Pat –(English) - Sue Meyer

12:30 PM – Fr. Rudy-(Spanish)

DECEMBER 14– MONDAY

Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Mt 21:23-27

7:30 AM –Fr. Pat – Charles & Mary

DECEMBER 15 – TUESDAY

Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt 21: 28-32

7:00 PM- Fr. Rudy-(Spanish)

DECEMBER 16- WEDNESDAY

Is 45: 6b-8, 18, 21c-25; Lk 7:18b-23

7:30 AM –Fr. Rudy – deceased members of the Fogarty Family

DECEMBER 17- THURSDAY

Gn 49: 2, 8-10; Mt 1: 1-17

7:00 PM- Fr. Rudy-(Spanish)

DECEMBER 18 – FRIDAY

Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25

7:30 AM –Fr. Jim – Leona & Harry Murphy

DECEMBER 19– SATURDAY

Morning Readings: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25

Vigil Readings: See Sunday

4:00 PM–Fr. Jim (English) – Ethel Zanitsch

6:00 PM–Fr. Rudy-(Spanish)

DECEMBER 20 - SUNDAY

2 Sam 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Rom 16:25-27;

Lk 1:26-38

9:00 AM- Fr. Rudy-(Spanish)

11:00 AM –Fr. Pat–(English) – Dottie Tilton

12:30 PM – Fr. Rudy-(Spanish)

Ministry Schedule: December 19-20

Lectors:

4:00 PM – S. Heidemann; 11:00 AM – R. Schinaman

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

4:00 PM – M. Sonenschein; 11:00 AM- R. Salerno

Servers:

4:00 PM – K. Fahey; 11:00 AM – K. Salerno

FROM THE FINANCE COMMISSION

Sunday offering Goal to-date: **\$ 192,280.00**

Offerings received to-date: **\$ 157024.00**

Amount needed to catch up: **\$ 35,256.00**

December 6 - Collection: **\$ 8317.00**

Direct Debit Offerings:.....**\$302.00**

Make it easy on yourself. *Use our direct debit system for your Sunday Stewardship offering.* To take advantage of this convenience, please call 541-1563.

Our Weekly Goal is **\$8,360.00**

Thank you for your generosity.

FOUR GRAND CLUB NEWS: Congratulations to Anna Eilers, William Feldman, Barbara and Luken. They are the winners of the Week 14 drawing and each won \$25.

ST. BONIFACE CHURCH

BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK: Diane Hurse (14), Rick Baltes (14) Lori Bollin (14), Bob Schinaman (15), Liam Watt (15), Helen Meinerding (16), Terry Fischer (16), Mary Juelg (17), Janet Tepe (17), Henry Wesseler (17), James Hochwalt (17), Nathan Mendel (17), Brianne Wanner (17), Phinneas Garitson (17) Linda Langer (18), Rachel Gelly (18), Nicole Pierson (18), Lexi Stroud (18), Thomas Herbert (19), Arya Nastold (19), James Hamer (20), Michael Miller (20), Kathleen Dickman (20), Maria Schlaechter (20).



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:

Envelopes may be found at the doors of church for those who would like to make a memorial offering in the name of their deceased relatives and friends with a contribution toward the

altar flowers for Christmas. Put the names of those for whom the offering is made, enclose whatever you are giving, and place it in the basket before Christmas Day. The 11:00 a.m. Mass on Christmas will be said for them.

CHRISTMAS DECORATING: We are approaching the time of year when we decorate the church for Christmas. We need volunteers to set everything up on **Wednesday, December 23, 1:00 p.m.** Please call Jenni in the Parish Office if you would like to help make our church beautiful for Christmas.

GAUDETE IN DOMINO SEMPER: "Rejoice in the Lord always! I say it again. Rejoice! Everyone should see how unselfish you are. The Lord is near. Dismiss all anxiety from your minds. Present your needs to God in every form of prayer and in petitions full of gratitude. Then God's own peace, which is beyond all understanding, will stand guard over your hearts and minds, in Christ Jesus." ([Philippians 4:4-7](#))

The spirit of the liturgy throughout Advent is one of expectation and preparation for the feast of Christmas as well as for the second coming of Christ. Even though we often forget in our busyness of preparing for the holiday celebration, Advent is a time of penance. However, on Gaudete Sunday, the third Sunday of

Advent, our Readings and our liturgy remind us of the joy and gladness of God's promise of redemption. So let us take a little pause today and "Rejoice in the Lord!"

MAKE A DIFFERENCE, RETIREMENT FUND FOR THE RELIGIOUS: "Every dollar makes a difference in covering our expenses," says a Trappist abbot. Hundreds of U.S. religious communities struggle to provide for aging members because most senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little pay. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps these communities bridge the gap, offering support for medications, nursing care and other necessities. Please be generous.

FOOD FOR ALL: Hunger exists in our communities. Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio travels to where hunger is located to serve local families. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, our pantries are changing to drive-thru pantries. We could use your help! Interested in serving? Please contact April Hoak, Food for All coordinator, ahoak@ccswoh.org, or 513-672-3720.

VOCATION VIEW: Rejoice always! Our Savior is near! The call to priesthood or the religious life is a source of great joy to those who embrace their call with their whole heart, mind, and soul (1 Thes 5:26). If you want to talk about your discernment, contact Fr. Dan Schmitmeyer, Director of Vocations, dschmitmeyer@catholiccincinnati.org.

