MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 2

5:00pm for + Carl O'Grady by Ann Cavanagh

Sunday, December 3

8:30am for + Ted Montague by Nick & Lynn Montague

10:30am for + Joanne Otterman by Helen Bokros

Tues, December 5

7:00pm for the intentions of the Parishioners

Wednesday, December 6

9:00am for + Max King by Yvette & Lionel Gagnon

Thursday, December 7 *MEMORIAL TO ST. AMBROSE*

9:00am for + Marguerite Gedatus by Shannon & Michael McCurdy

Friday, December 8 *solemnity to the immaculate conception of mary* 9:00am Special Intention for Adam & Jason Caruana by Sharon Caruana

Saturday, December 9

5:00pm for + Jules Letourneau by Frances & Bryon Blaney Sunday, December 10

8:30am for + Lynda Anstett by Mike & Linda Feeney 10:30am for + Pietro DiRidolfi by The Family

ALTAR SERVERS: Any child in grade 3 & up are encouraged to altar serve. Please let Fr know if you would like to serve.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Children are invited to come forward during mass when called by the teacher to go to the children's liturgy class.

MINISTERS OF THE HOLY COMMUNION LECTORS

5:00pm	Rita Mauro	Bill Klunder
8:30am	Linda Feeney	Tom Montague
10:30am	Harry Moretti	Maryanne Moretti
5:00pm	Pam McQuade	Rosemarie Spataro
8:30am	Terry Montague	Sue Feeney
10:30am	Loretta Kyle	Audrey Whitman
	8:30am 10:30am 5:00pm 8:30am	8:30am Linda Feeney 10:30am Harry Moretti 5:00pm Pam McQuade 8:30am Terry Montague

Advent Prayer

God of Love.

Your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us.

He is a sign of your love.

Help us walk in that love during the weeks of Advent,

As we wait and prepare for his coming.

We pray in the name of Jesus, our Savior.

Amen.

PARISH EVENTS

Mon, Dec 4	7:00pm	CWL meeting & Christmas social	
Tues, Dec 5	10am	Advent Day of Reconciliation for Priests	
ŕ		Of the Diocese, Mass here at 7pm.	
Wed, Dec 6	7:00pm	Parish Advent Reconciliation	
	7:30pm	K of C meeting	
Wed, Dec 13	6:00pm	K of C Christmas dinner	
Thurs, Dec 14	10:30am	Pastoral visit to Anson Place	
Sun, Dec 17	10:30am	Youth mass, luncheon, pageant practice	
Wed, Dec 20	11:15am	School Mass and Christmas lunch	
Thurs, Dec 21	10:30am	Pastoral visit to Parkview Meadows	

Dear Parishioners

In Isaiah Chapter 63:16 says twice, "Lord, you are our Father". let us put this same prayer in our hearts.

God is our Father; he is always looking after us, protecting us, and loving us. And unlike earthly fathers, God's fatherly love has no limits, no imperfections, no blind spots.

Advent is meant to be a time when we renew our awareness of God's perfect Fatherhood in our lives. It is meant to be a time when we lift our minds out of the hustle and bustle of life in a fallen world, and gaze with wonder and joy at the light of God's love.

We can only do that if we make time for it. There is no better way to begin Advent than by making a commitment to spend a bit more time with God in prayer between now and Christmas, personal prayer, heart-to-heart prayer. Nothing would please him more, and nothing would do more to heal and comfort our wounded souls and distracted minds.

(Below there are some few practical suggestions. You may want to focus only on one or two, depending on your own time)

We don't have to join a convent for the next four weeks, but is it too much to add a decade of the Rosary to our busy schedules?

Or maybe we could sit for fifteen minutes in the morning or evening and read through one of the Gospels or another good spiritual book, slowly, prayerfully, trying to get to know Christ.

Or maybe you may make time for your confession which is held at your parish this week

Or maybe this Advent you could sign in to the 'Formed' the one we all can have free access to so many spiritual stuff.

Or maybe we could go to daily Mass a couple times during the week, receiving Holy Communion and praying for our loved ones.

Or maybe we could finally start going for half-an-hour of adoration in front of the Blessed Sacrament each week, talking to Jesus about what's important to him, and what's important to us.

There are special graces and blessings in the air during Advent graces that our Father wants to pour into our hearts. As he renews his commitment to us through this holy Season, let's renew our commitment to him, promising that we will do our part to make sure that those graces and blessings don't pass us by.

Have a blessed Advent Season

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH ADVENT RECONCILIATION: We will have parish reconciliation on Wed, Dec 6th at 7:00pm. Fr Stanley from St. Stephen's will be our visiting confessor. There will time for preparation, please arrive on time.

ANAWIM PRAYER GROUP: Dec 6th cancelled. Next time to meet will be in February7th.

CHRISTMAS PAGAENT: We will have a Christmas pageant this year. If you are willing to help out with costumes, practices and helping organize, please let Mary know as soon as possible.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: pray for he candidates for 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation as the continue on their faith journey.

CHRISTMAS CARDS: There are still boxed cards available at the back of both churches.

DECORATING ST. MARY'S: If you are available to decorate the inside of the church please come on Monday, December 4 at 9:00am. Thank you.

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KNOW

"I never knew my father. He was rarely around." I hear this often when I give talks to men. If the man seems open and willing, I'll ask, "Do your children know you?" It's a good question for all parents to ask. We can be so busy providing for our children's daily needs that we unintentionally withhold a lasting gift fromthem— the gift of letting them know who we are, what matters to us, and what we stand for. An easy way to offer that gift is to tell stories from your past. Use prudence, of course, and be sure to relay stories that highlight God at work in your life. Telling meaningful stories from our past helps our children know us and feel grounded in the present and better prepared to face the future.

-Tom McGrath

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MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00pm; Sunday: 8:30am St. Ann's; 10:30am St. Mary's Weekend masses: Tues, Wed, Fri, 9:00am at St. Mary's; Thursday 9:00am at St. Ann's Weekday masses:

Confessions: Sat at 4:00pm or upon request

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- T- Thank him for his Blessings. C- Cast your cares on Jesus.
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POPE'S INTENTION FOR DECEMBER

That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

PRAYING FOR THE SICK

We pray for our parishioners who are ill especially: Karen King, Lucy DiliulioChiacchia, Hoss Poirier, Heidi Modesti and Dr. Martin Mbamba.

PRAYER CALENDAR FOR DECEMBER

Rev. Edward Jankowski, Rev. Mitchell Kasza, Rev. Jose Karikompil, Rev. Cornelius Kingston, Rev. Richard Kowalchuk, Rev. Stanley Ksciuk, Rev. Christopher Kulig, Rev. Donald Layden, Rev. Rheal LeBlanc, Rev. Donald Lizzotti, Rev. Gary Luiz, Most Rev. James MacDonald, Rev. Stuart MacDonald, Rev. Paul McNeil, Rev. Stanley Makacinas, Rev. Vijay Martin, Rev. Paul McDonald, Rev. Tony McNamara, Rev. Ladislav Miskel, Rev. Josephat Msuya, Rev. Msgr Raymond Montgue, Rev. Andrew Morasse, Rev. Charles Moser, Rev. James Mulligan, Rev. Miroslaw Olszewski, Most Rev. John O'Mara, Rev. Rico Passero, Rev. Mathew Pendanathu, Rev. Stanley Pietlock, Rev. Msgr. Dominic Pizzacalla.

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

Lord Jesus Christ, You love Your church and those called to share your priesthood. With our love and prayers, we join you in asking our Heavenly Father to continue to pour out his gifts of holiness, compassion and ardent zeal on your priests everywhere. Inspire each of them to offer his life as an "Ambassador of Christ" bringing reconciliation and healing to the world. Mother of all priests, inspire us to live in peace and joy and pray this prayer with us. Amen.