December 10, 2017

Second Sunday of Advent (B)
Is 40:1–5, 9–11
2 Pt 3:8–14
Mk 1:1-8

Waiting Expectantly

Most of us are not good at waiting. We want things right away and would rather arrive just on time than stand around uselessly. Few things are as annoying as waiting in a doctor's office, a government office, or being stuck in traffic.

Piece: Virgin and Child Enthroned Between Sts. John the Baptist and St. Jerome, 1510 Artist: Marco Palmezzano Location: Vatican Museums

Yet waiting can also be an exciting and busy time, like a bride and groom preparing for their wedding. There is no time to waste, since the date is approaching and there is so much to do in order for everything to be prepared perfectly. Advent waiting should be more like this expectant waiting.

John the Baptist was sent to point toward Christ and invite the people to their wedding with God. The divine spouse was coming back to his beloved and sent the groom ahead to let everyone know he was coming.

Thus John preached preparation, conversion, and setting aside everything that would distract people from getting the heart ready for Jesus. Loving, active planning was as necessary for those who listened to John the Baptist as it is for us.

This means going up the mountain and into the desert. Set aside normal distractions and dedicate more time to think about Christ, preparing our hearts and minds for the big day of his arrival.

Advent isn't a nervous time of sitting around and hoping the line goes quickly. It is an active, engaged, and hopeful anticipation of one we eagerly await.

-Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection

What distractions am I setting aside to make this Advent time like my little wedding preparation? The Church invites me to a special time of repentance, fasting, and almsgiving. How is it going?

The Lord...is patient with you, not wishing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

(2 Peter 3:9)



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Sunday Offerings

General Fund \$6,400 Tuition \$1,300
Children's offering \$3 Lunch \$639
Loose \$61 Votive Stand \$43
Hall Rental \$150 Main. & Rep. \$2,150

Total Received

ved \$10,746

Parish Office Hours

Mon-Thurs

8:30am-2:30pm

Fri 8:30am-12:30pm

76 general offering envelopes collected, including children.

Special Collections:

Thanksgiving Donation \$30
Religious Stand \$143
Seminary Collection \$75
Total: \$248

Places to go.....

12/14 ECAMRL meeting 7 pm at St. Francis Borgia Parish Jesuit Hall-Orange Room **12/28** Burger Night at KC Hall 5:30-8:30pm for OLL ProLife Trip

12/31 St. Gertrude New Year's Eve Dance \$30 in advance & \$35 at door **1/20** St. Joseph Neier Church's Trivia Night

Call to reserve a table 314.808.3364

Parish Services

Weekend Masses

Saturday, 5 p.m.
Sunday, 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.
Weekday Masses

Monday, Wednesday-Friday 8 a.m.

Tuesday 7:30 p.m. and PH Devotions

Confessions

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. or by appointment

Baptisms and Marriages

By arrangement with Fr. Terry J Borgerding

Note From Deacon Paul:

Scriptures & Coffee will be cancelled on December 27 & January 3 & 4. Thank you!

Please stop by the table in back of Church! There is new reading material for Advent.

We need Servers for Christmas Eve & Christmas Masses. Please contact the Parish Office to be put on the schedule. THANK YOU!

Don't forget over the holidays to collect the items that can benefit St Ignatius and what each one can be worth!

Box Tops for Education \$.10 for each unexpired Box Top

Tyson A+ certificates \$.24 per certificate

My Coke Rewards —

ATLEAST \$.05 for each cap

Best Choice labels program \$.06 per eligible label

Upcoming Events at St. Ignatius

12/10 Basketball game at 1pm

12/10 ***Choir Practice at 7 pm***

12/11 Church cleaning this week for Team 3 (Leader-Debbie Hawkins)

12/11 Basketball practice 5:30-8:30pm

12/12 Basketball practice 6-7:30pm

12/13 Scriptures & Coffee for the Men @ Ulett's coffee shed 6:30am

12/13 Basketball practice 5:30-8:30pm

12/14 School Christmas Concert 7pm

12/16 Private Event in Cafeteria

12/18 Basketball practice 5:30-8:30pm

12/19 Basketball practice 6-7:30 pm

12/20 Scriptures & Coffee for the Men @

Ulett's coffee shed 6:30am

12/20 School Christmas Mass

12/20 Noon Dismissal

12/20 Basketball practice 5:30-8:30pm

12/21 No School ~ Christmas Break

12/21 Scriptures & Coffee for Women in the Parish Hall 7am



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MISSOURI LIFE CARAVAN

March for Life in Washington, D.C. Thursday- Saturday, Jan. 18-20, 2018 Join us and thousands of others from across the U.S. for this huge pro-life gathering in our nation's capital. This trip is open to anyone ages 7 and up (chaperones not provided). We depart from several locations in the St. Louis area and we do not stay in hotels as we sleep on the buses. The cost if received by Dec. 22 is \$190. The cost after Dec. 22 is \$205. For registration and bus information contact us at: 314-434-4900 or mrl.eastern@yahoo.com. You can also download our registration form at www.missourilife.org. Registration deadline is Jan. 2, 2018.

"The right to life is the first among human rights. To abort a child is to kill someone who cannot defend himself."

~Pope Francis

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 9

5:00 p.m. † People of the Parish Eucharistic Ministers: Paul Hecktor

Jackie Heggemann | Diane Lierman Patty Mebruer | Lori Huenefeld

Lector: Stacy Kloeppel

Ushers: Jackie Heggemann & Diane Dothage Servers: Hannah Faust & Izabella Glosemeyer

Sunday, December 10 8:00 a.m. † Molly Schuler

Eucharistic Ministers: Debbie Hawkins Norbert & Joan Engemann|Elaine

Glosemeyer | Rick Hawkins Lector: Norbert Engemann Ushers: Gary & Chris Meyer

Servers: Erica Schwoeppe & Sam Heggemann

10:00 a.m. † Larry Kavanagh Eucharistic Ministers: Angie Carr Becky Schoppenhorst | Katie Engemann Shari Kopmann | Audrey Hellebusch

Lector: Alice Kluesner Ushers: Bob & Kitty Heberle

Servers: Jacob Gildehaus & Kate Kopmann

Monday, December 11 8:00 a.m. † Bonnie Engemann

Tuesday, December 12 7:30 p.m. † Rusty Borgerding Wednesday, December 13 8:00 a.m. † Leonard Barringhaus

Thursday, December 14 8:00 a.m. † Leon Heggemann

Friday, December 15

8:00 a.m. † For our Deceased Priest

Saturday, December 16 5:00 p.m. † Wilbert Unnderstall

Eucharistic Ministers: Francis Hellebusch Betty & Rich Bruckerhoff | Geralyn Smith|

Patty Mebruer

Lector: Geralyn Smith

Ushers: Ralph & Vikki Glosemeyer Servers: Jacob Lierman & Austin Cooper

Sunday, December 17

8:00 a.m. † Loretta Glosemeyer Eucharistic Ministers: Paul Hecktor

Larry Sander | Elaine Glosemeyer | Sue Hecktor

Bill Schuler

Lector: Larry Sander

Ushers: Denny & Elaine Glosemeyer

Servers: Ryan & Luke Kloeppel

10:00 a.m. † The People of the Parish Eucharistic Ministers: Debbie Brewe

Syd & Ellen Fees | Carl Brewe | Shari Kopmann

Lector: Ellen Fees

Ushers: Carl & Debbie Brewe

Servers: Sam Chambers & Carley Kopmann

Poco a Poco From the Desk of Fr. Terry...

Christmas Confession Schedule:

Tuesday, December 19th 5:30-7 pm & after 7:30 pm Mass

Thursday, December 21st 5:30-7 pm Saturday December 23rd 3:30-4:30 pm

Christmas Mass Schedule:

 4^{th} Sunday of Advent - December 23^{rd} & 24^{th}

Saturday 23rd 5pm and Sunday December 24th 8 am & 10 am

Christmas Mass

Sunday, December 24th 5pm

Monday, December 25th Midnight and 10 am

Saturday, December 30th Mass at 5pm

Sunday, December 31st Mass at 8 am & 10 am and 5pm

Monday, January 1st at 10am

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Friday, December 29th at 7pm in the Parish Hall, we will have a Parish Party to celebrate the great year we have had! All parishioners 21 years old & older are welcome! This is not a fundraiser, nor even a potluck; the parish will provide beer, wine, soda, and food for this occasion. We do need a count of how many will come so we can have enough food. Please contact the parish office or drop a note in the collection basket by Friday, December 22nd if you plan to come! Hope to see you there!

Enjoy your week.....Fr. Terry















Please Pray for the Sick/Ailing/Recovering

Doug Grafrath
Irene Buenemann
Duck Brinker
Karen Brinkmann
Harper Pillman
Kim Smith
Joseph V. Borgerding
Tabitha Kersey
Judy Brouk
Stephanie Lindemann

Betty Hellebusch Virginia Bean Evelyn Tucker Shelbee Mauldin Jim Grafrath Andrew Hellebusch Carol Jacquin Brad Segar Ralph Glosemeyer Fred Borges Judi Liermann
Ethel Thomas
Fr. Finbarr Dowling
Dawn Borgmann
Natalie Ulett
Audrey Wagener
Kay Wagner
Betty Schulte
Marc Wagener
Laura Tellmann

Anniversaries of Our Dearly Departed

12.2.01 Lucille Hellebusch 12.4.14 Catherine Marquart

12.5.03 Mark Voss

Tom Meyer

12.5.10 Merlin Kopmann

12.6.19 Bill Carr

12.8.14 Evelyn Peters

12.11.12 Bonnie Engemann

12.12.95 Lawerence Glosemeyer

12.17.07 Eldina Heggemann

12.18.12 Dorothy Liermann

12.19.03 Mary Rose Hellebusch

12.25.11 Don Heggemann

12.26.96 Donald Garbs

12.26.04 Bernard Heggemann

12.27.97 Elizabeth Tillmann

12.28.94 Lester Hennecke

12.28.08 Orville Gildehaus Jr.

Calendar

Monday

December 11 Advent Weekday Is 35:1-10 Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday

December 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Wednesday

December 13 St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr Is 40:25-31 Mt 11:28-30

Thursday

December 14 St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church Is 41:13-20 Mt 11:11-15

Friday

December 15 Advent Weekday Is 48:17-19 Mt 11:16-19

Saturday

December 16 Advent Weekday Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday

December 17 Third Sunday of Advent Is 61:1-2a, 10-11 1 Thes 5:16-24 Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Dear Padre,

Especially before Christmas, I appreciate times of silence at Mass but seldom find them. Priests ask the congregation to open their missalettes after Communion to recite the daily antiphon, which seems more trouble to locate and say than to simply remain silent. Please advise.



Before Mass, it's commendable that silence be observed in the church, sacristy, vesting room, and adjacent areas so that all may "carry out the sacred celebration in a devout and fitting manner" (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 45).

During Mass, "Let us pray" is an invitation to observe a moment of silence for the congregation to "place themselves in God's presence and make their personal petitions" (Introduction to the Order of Mass, 35). Communal silence is also observed within the penitential act for people to recollect themselves, at the end of a reading or the homily for all to meditate briefly on what they've heard, then after Communion to praise and pray to God in their hearts (GIRM 45). In other words, there's a silence that reflects shame before God for our sins, a silence that reflects our need to ponder his word, and a deep silence before God that reflects awe and incapacity for words after receiving the Body of Christ!

If there's no singing after Communion, the antiphon "may be recited either by the faithful, or by some of them, or by a reader; otherwise, it is recited by the priest himself after he has received Communion and before he distributes Communion to the faithful" (GIRM 87).

Without liturgical silence, "the celebration can become perfunctory in its haste or burdensome in its unrelieved sound and song" (Introduction 48).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR, Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A Word From Pope Francis

Isaiah's invitation must resound in our hearts: "Comfort, comfort my people" (40:1) and this must lead to mission. We must find the Lord who consoles us, and go to console the people of God.... People today need words, but most of all they need us to bear

witness to the mercy and tenderness of the Lord, which...attracts people toward

-Mass with seminarians, novices, and those discerning their vocation, July 7, 2013



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