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**SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 27
2022**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

M—TH: 9 am–12 pm & 1–3 pm

Friday—Closed

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4 pm

Sunday: 8 am and 11 am

Weekday Masses

Monday: NO MASS

Tuesday: 9:00 am

Wednesday: NO MASS

Thursday: 9:00 am

Friday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 9:00 am

Saturday 9:30 am –
Confession

PARISH STAFF

Pastor

Fr. Richard Allen

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Mrs. Gretchen Wagner

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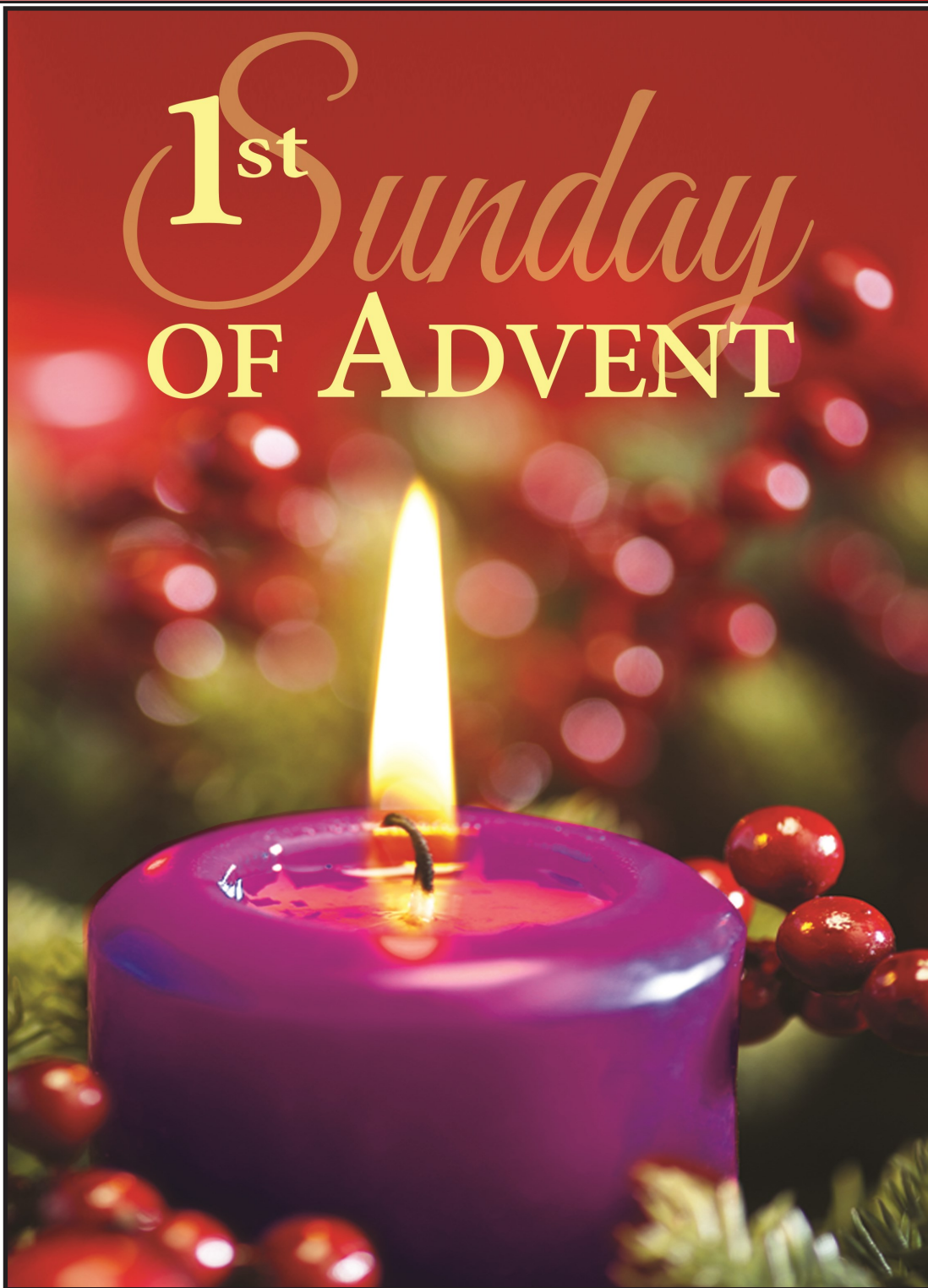
Secretary

Mrs. Mary Lou Hornyak

Business Manager

Mrs. Ann Miller

**1st Sunday
OF ADVENT**



WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 27, 2022

Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

Monday: Is 4:2-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 27, 2022

Sunday: 1st Sunday of Advent

Wednesday: St. Andrew, Apostle

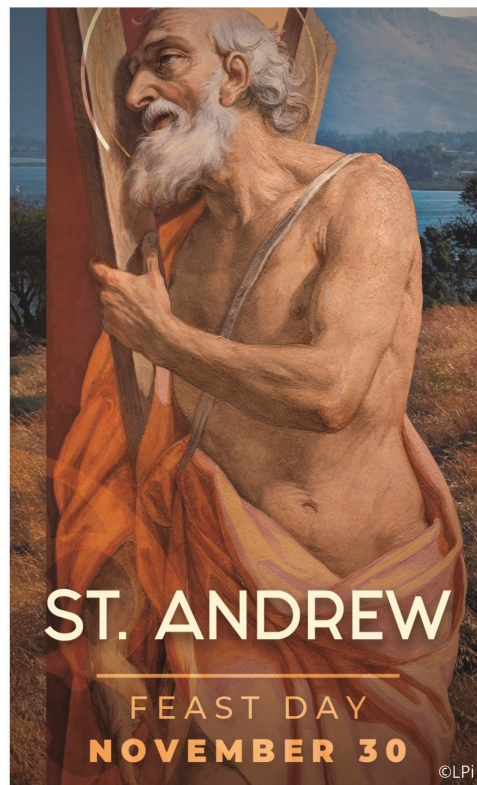
Saturday: St. Francis Xavier, Priest

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Advent; St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Whether it is the surgeon performing an operation or the pilot directing a flight, one expects them to be alert. When we entrust our lives to someone, we presume that they will attend to them with the utmost care and vigilance. If we have this expectation of others, why would we not have it of ourselves? Our lives are precious vessels on an eternal journey. We can only stay afloat and on the course because of God's love and mercy. It is easy to get distracted, lazy, preoccupied, and tired. Apathy can wreak havoc on the most dedicated of souls. God's word transforms all that it touches, even a lukewarm heart. Let us seek God's grace this Advent season so that we can walk more fully in His light. Then, finding ourselves more attentive, focused, alert, and watchful, we will be eager and well prepared to meet our Lord when He comes. Why would we not want to be ready, awake, and watchful for the One we have waited for so long?



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Saint Andrew was a fisherman in Galilee, along with his brother, Peter, when they were called by Jesus to leave their boat and become fishers of men. John's Gospel also places him as a follower of John the Baptist before he came to be one of Jesus' twelve Disciples. Beyond the scant references in the Gospels, not much is known of Saint Andrew's life.

According to Christian tradition Saint Andrew, like many of his fellow Disciples, went out into Greece and Turkey to preach the Good News. A 4th century account of the saint's life tells of his martyrdom by crucifixion in Patras. Medieval accounts describe the cross used as X-shaped because Andrew said he was not worthy to die on the same style of cross as Jesus.

Famously, Saint Andrew is the patron Saint of Scotland, the country's flag bearing the X-shaped cross associated with him. Legends claim that the saint either traveled to Scotland to spread the Gospel or that his relics were brought there by St. Regulus who had a vision telling him to take the bones to the end of the earth. Regulus set out and was shipwrecked on the coast of Scotland. Today relics of St. Andrew which had been held by the Vatican are now at a shrine in Patras.

WORSHIP & MEDITATION



FIRST READING

They shall beat their swords into
plowshares
and their spears into pruning hooks;
one nation shall not raise the sword
against another,
nor shall they train for war again. (Is 2:4)



PSALM

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the
Lord. (Ps 122)



SECOND READING

It is the hour now for you to awake
from sleep.
For our salvation is nearer now than
when we first believed;
the night is advanced, the day is at
hand. (Rom 13:11-12)



GOSPEL

"Therefore, stay awake!
For you do not know on which day your
Lord will come." (Mt 24:42)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

We can embrace and relish each moment of our lives as a sacred sacrament or nonchalantly and robotically attend to what life presents. We have our feet in two worlds. One is holy and sacred, and the other is profane and secular. Which one has the greater claim on us? To what do we devote most of our energy? We can easily be consumed with the particular demands and essentials of daily life: family, work, obligations, and the like, that we don't really notice anything more than what is right before us. We become masters at "doing" and neglect our need to "savor." Jesus reminds his friends that "as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. In those days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark. They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away."

While certain things require our daily attention, we cannot become so consumed with them that we fail to see the larger picture of what is coming. For the Christian, Advent is the time to pause, reflect, and savor. It is a time to see life as a sacrament of the moment and not just an investment in secular interests, pleasures, and personal obligations. It is easy to get distracted, lazy, preoccupied, and tired. Apathy can quickly wreak havoc on the most dedicated of souls. Whatever we can do this Advent season to be more attentive, focused, alert, and watchful will serve us well. It will make us eager and well-prepared to meet our Lord when he comes. It is for certain that he will come.

Who made me? What is my purpose? What will happen to me when I die? These are pivotal questions that, in life's busyness, we hardly find time to ask and answer. They define who we are, and the answers we provide serve as guideposts and anchors in the seas of our lives. Advent is the perfect time to make friends with our souls. It is a time to perk ourselves up, open our eyes, ears, and hearts and seek God's presence in the simple moments of our lives. God is with us. Ask God to grant you a deeper appreciation for His presence and the gift of attentiveness.



VIDEO MASS 11/27 +Msgr. Zeitler

MON 11/28 NO MASS

TUES 11/29 9AM +Ginny Kocis [Ray & JoAnn Horner]

WED 11/30 NO MASS

THU 12/1 9AM +Pam Brestelli [Family]

FRI 12/2 9AM +Ed Kurelko [Family]

SAT 12/3 9AM +Courtney Hillman [Kaczmarczyk Family]

SAT 12/3 4PM +Joe Valley [Mike & GERALYN Ballo & Daughters]

SUN 12/4 8AM +Dennis Watson [Patrice Dinger]

SUN 12/4 11AM +Margery Buzzeo [Husband & Family]



Next Sunday's "Pantry Shower" item is **BROTH, STOCK, & CREAMED SOUPS [CREAM OF MUSHROOM, ETC.]**. The upcoming item will be large garbage bags.

Thank you for your care and concern for God's needy.

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

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SAT 12/3 4PM

LECTOR

M. Bradac

EUCCHARISTIC MIN.

**D. Boller / D. Boller
P. Polesnak / P. Polesnak**

ALTAR SERVER

A. Bowser

SUN 12/4 8AM

LECTOR

B. Lackey

EUCCHARISTIC MIN.

**P. Clark / S. Gociano
J. Trenga / J. Wolinsky**

ALTAR SERVER

Volunteer Needed

SUN 12/4 11AM

LECTOR

B. Moder

EUCCHARISTIC MIN.

**K. Davenport / B. McVey
A. Orndorff**

ALTAR SERVER

Volunteer Needed

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary - VIGIL

WED 12/7 7PM

LECTOR

M. Multari

EUCCHARISTIC MIN.

**A. Costar / T. Pagliaroli
D. Palisin / P. Thornburg**

ALTAR SERVER

Volunteer Needed

***ATTN VOLUNTEERS! Please sign-in prior to Mass**

ST. BARTHOLOMEW MASS SCHEDULE:

DAILY :

**MON, WED, FRI
7:30 AM**

TUES

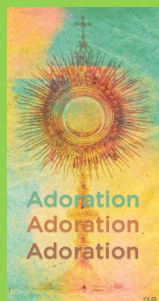
6:00 pm / *6:30 PM Confessions

WEEKEND:

**SAT
5:30 PM**

**SUN
9:30 AM**

**The Parish Office will be closed
Monday, November 28th.**



Monday & Wednesday

9:00 AM-11:00 PM

Tuesday,

9:30 AM-11:00 PM

**For more information call:
Jo Feeney 724-699-3340
Monica 724-977-7665**



#iGIVECATHOLIC

Tuesday, November 29, 2022

**Thank you for being a part of the
Notre Dame community!**

We're excited to announce that we are once again participating in #iGiveCatholic on #GivingTuesday, November 29, 2022!

All gifts you make to Notre Dame on November 29, 2022, or during the Advanced Giving Day phase running from November 14th through November 28th, either online or offline through a gift of cash or check directly to our organization, will be used to continue the ministry of Taping Weekly Mass for our homebound.

Follow us on Facebook, @NotredameHermitage, visit our website, www.notredame-pa.org or download our MyParish app and remember to "Give Catholic" on November 29th!

PRAYER Line

Keeping those in need in our prayers. If you, a family member or a friend are in need of prayer please call the prayer line with your request.

Prayer Line,

Kathy Higgins #724-342-7858

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades: Pre-K - 11th / Sunday Mornings: 9:15AM - 10:45AM
Use Grotto entrance of SJPII School

****November 2022****

27 NO CLASS - Thanksgiving / Advent begins

****December 2022****

- 4 Class
- 11 Class - Confirmation Luminaria making following 11am Mass / Multi Room
- 18 Class
- 24 Confirmation Luminaria placing & lighting / 2pm church campus
- 25 NO CLASS - Confirmation Luminaria clean-up / 2pm church campus

PRINCE OF PEACE

PEGGY'S STOCKINGS TOY DRIVE

GIVING CHILDREN HOPE

NOVEMBER 13TH—DECEMBER 14TH

Brighten the lives of children this Christmas by choosing one of "Peggy's Stockings" and purchasing a gift for one of the 300 children [ages 14 and under] in need. Each of these children receiving gifts is enrolled with the Prince of Peace Center's food pantry—OR will be an identified child in need whose parents are not registered with any food pantry within the Community Food Warehouse network.

To participate, simply take a "Peggy's Stockings" tag and purchase a toy or item for the age and sex of the child. Return the unwrapped gift, along with the identifying tag attached, no later than December 14th. While we ask that gifts be offered unwrapped, feel free to include wrapping paper for parents to wrap the gifts themselves. Gifts will be delivered to families on December 15th - Christmas Eve.

If you have any questions, please call Annette Morrison, Director of Operations, Prince of Peace Center 724-346-5777.



40TH Anniversary Dinner
Prince of Peace Center

SAVE THE DATE
Saturday, February 18, 2023
6:00 PM

Avalon At Buhl Park

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Curious about the Eucharistic Revival?

Mission

Over the next three years, every Catholic diocese, parish, school, apostolate and family is invited to be a part of renewing the Church by strengthening a living relationship with Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.

Time Line

YEAR OF DIOCESAN REVIVAL

June 19, 2022 – July 11, 2023

The first year of the Revival invites diocesan staff, bishops and priests to respond to the Lord's personal invitation and equips them to share this love with the faithful through Eucharistic events.

YEAR OF PARISH REVIVAL

June 11, 2023 – July 17, 2024

The second phase will foster Eucharistic devotion at the parish level, strengthening our liturgical life through faithful celebration of the Mass, adoration, preaching, and parish resources.

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS & YEAR OF MISSION

July 17 – 21, 2024

At this historic event, more than 80,000 Catholics of all ages will gather in Indianapolis to reconsecrate their hearts to the source and summit of our faith.

To learn more and/or become involved, visit:
eucharisticrevival.org.

CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS CONTINUE:

Oplatki (Christmas Wafer) and the order form for the Wendall August Forge 2022 Ornament "Home For Christmas" are in the back of the church Foyer.

Many of our church families have collected these beautiful Ornaments for over 30 years. The ornament has our "Notre Dame Church" stamp on the back and will be available for pick up on the Second Sunday of Advent.

The Ornament prices are:
Aluminum - \$12.00 and Bronze - \$14.00

The Christmas Wafer, an Eastern European prayer tradition typically used for Christmas Eve dinner, are \$1.25 for a package of Four (4) wafers.



OWLS... LUNCHEON

The next OWLS luncheon is Sunday, December 4th after the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Main dish - pulled pork. A sign-up sheet will be in the vestibule 11/26 & 11/27. If you will not be available to sign-up, but would like to attend, please contact Ann Nicolls.

Any questions contact
Ann Nicolls at 724-962-7164.