

# November 29, 2020 First Sunday of Advent



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A Covenant Community

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## 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT



"Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time  
will come." - Mk 13:33

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*Worship Aid and Bulletin*

Jesus the Good Shepherd Catholic Community Covenant Prayer

Father, you have called us to be a People of the Covenant. You sent your only begotten Son to be our Savior so that we might praise You, proclaim your Word, encounter You in the sacraments, welcome each other, share our faith, bring our sacrifices and be strengthened for your service.

We pray that we might be a source of compassion toward the poor, justice for the oppressed, peace for the troubled, healing for the wounded, and wisdom for the searching.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us that we might live the mystery of your love and fulfill the covenant we celebrate in the Eucharist. Father, we ask this Jesus' name. Amen

### Introductory Rites

#### Entrance Antiphon

#### ADVENT LITANY

Michael R. Prendergast and Rick Modlin



Ma-ra-na-tha, ma - ra-na-tha. Come, O Lord, and set us free.

Verses available in accompaniment books. Setting of full Gathering Rite available in octavo 30106259.  
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#### Greeting

#### Penitential Rite and Confiteor:

I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done  
and in what I have failed to do,  
*[All strike their breast three times]*

through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

#### Opening Prayer

### Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 63: 16B-17, 19B; 64:2-7

You, LORD, are our father, our redeemer you are named forever. Why do you let us wander, O LORD, from your ways, and harden our hearts so that we fear you not? Return for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your heritage. Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, with the mountains quaking before you, while you wrought awesome deeds we could not hope for, such as they had not heard of from of old. No ear has ever heard, no eye ever seen, any God but you doing such deeds for those who wait for him. Would that you might meet us doing right, that we were mindful of you in our ways! Behold, you are angry, and we are sinful; all of us have become like unclean people, all our good deeds are like polluted rags; we have all withered like leaves, and our guilt carries us away like the wind. There is none who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to cling to you; for you have hidden your face from us and have delivered us up to our guilt. Yet, O LORD, you are our father; we are the clay and you the potter: we are all the work of your hands.

The Word of the Lord

**R: Thanks be to God**

## Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 80

Owen Alstott



Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.

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## Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Brothers and sisters:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always on your account for the grace of God bestowed on you in Christ Jesus, that in him you were enriched in every way, with all discourse and all knowledge, as the testimony to Christ was confirmed among you, so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will keep you firm to the end, irreproachable on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, and by him you were called to fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord

**R: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation:



**R. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.**

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## Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Be watchful! Be alert!

You do not know when the time will come.

It is like a man traveling abroad.

He leaves home and places his servants in charge,

each with his own work,

and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch.

Watch, therefore;

you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming,

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whether in the evening, or at midnight,  
or at cockcrow, or in the morning.  
May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping.  
What I say to you, I say to all: "Watch!"

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily

Blessing of the Advent Wreath

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Universal Prayer

### **Liturgy of the Eucharist**

Music during the Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts

#### **Instrumental**

*The offertory baskets will not be passed, instead we ask that you give your offering on your way in or on your way out in the contactless drop baskets.*

*To maintain the brevity of the Mass and protection of all during this pandemic, the Eucharistic Acclamations will be recited.*

Preface Dialogue

Preface Acclamation

Memorial Acclamation

The Great Amen

The Lord's Prayer

## Communion Rite

### Communion Antiphon Blessed and Holy, Bernadette Farrell

#### Christ Be Our Light

Refrain/Estribillo



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.

Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gath-ered to - day.



#### An Act of Spiritual Communion by St. Alphonsus Liguori

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I 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



During Communion: The direction for communion is the opposite of what we used to do. We will be using the side aisles to receive and return on the opposite aisle.

The outside sections go first and then the center sections. Center sections, please remain kneeling until it is your turn.

Please use the markings on the floor to maintain 6ft from other families in the communion aisle out of care for our community.

## Concluding Rite

Blessing

Solemn Dismissal

Sending Forth **Instrumental: Come Thou Long Expected Jesus**

*Please be patient as you leave and avoid crowding the aisles by using all church exits. Thank you for worshipping with us today, and we are praying for you and your family!*

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Weekend Mass Times

**Saturday Vigil**—4:30 p.m.

**Sunday**— 8:00 a.m. in the church; 10:45 a.m. In church or in your car *live-streamed at 10:45 a.m. on Facebook and YouTube*

Click here to [Sign up for Mass](#)

Click here for the [JGS Facebook Page](#)

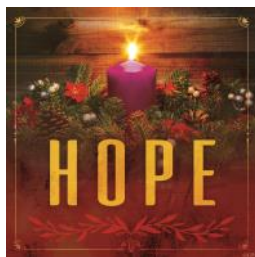
Weekday Mass

Mon—8 a.m. Eucharistic Service (in the church)

Tues-Sat—8 a.m. (in the church)

*live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube*

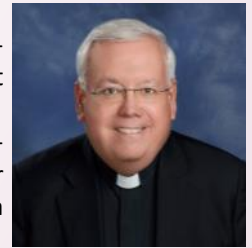
Click here for the [JGS YouTube Channel](#)



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In the midst of the pandemic, the Season of Advent brings us all hope and joy – IF we allow it to!

The servants in the Gospel for this **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT** were *physically* watching for the return of their master; our watching is of a *spiritual* nature.



Our readiness to welcome the Lord rests in our heart. There, we sort through the obstacles that prevent us from recognizing the Lord in the midst of our lives; that is, things like busy schedules that interfere with a time for prayer; like the fear and uncertainty of the pandemic; like a singular focus on our own interests at the expense of the needs of others; like too-filled personal schedules that keep us from the liturgical celebrations of the Church. Be alert!

One way we experience the inner hope, joy and peace that Jesus alone gives us is our celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Penance. When was the last time you went to receive God’s graces through this sacrament?

During Advent, the times for the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Penance have been expanded:

Advent Tuesdays, December 1, 8\*, 15, 22\*; 10-11 a.m.

Advent Saturdays, December 5, 12, 19; 3- 4 p.m.

Third Sunday of Advent, December 13\*\*, 4 – 5:30 p.m.

\*2 priests will be present.

\*\* 4 priests will be present.

For your convenience, this time slot is daylight, in late afternoon, but before dinnertime and not in the evening darkness.

Let us pray.

*Ever-loving God, your chosen people were a people of great hope and you did not disappoint them as they waited for your salvation. Grant to us, who await the glorious return of your Son and the celebration of His birth at Christmas, Hopeful, peaceful and joyful hearts. Amen.*

I wish you and your loved ones a blessed and joyful Advent. God bless you!

*Father Mike*

**Weekend Mass Intentions for November 28-29, 2020**

4:30 PM Vigil	For the repose of the soul of Marie Mocny at the request of Louis and Laurel Ann Renaud
8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of James William Newman at the request of Craig and Sheryl Fischer
10:45 AM	For the repose of the soul Cecelia Kirch, 106 years old, cousin of OJ Boccabella

**Mass Intentions for November 30—December 5, 2020**

Mon	11/30	8 AM	<i>Communion Service</i>
Tues	12/1	8 AM	For the repose of the soul of Lilly Nunez at the request of Steve and Suzy Cleary
Wed	12/2	8 AM	For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
Thurs	12/3	8 AM	Blessings and healing for Paula Kozik at the request of Cheryl Gilmer
Fri	12/4	8 AM	For the repose of the soul of Rosa Chin Dao at the request of her family
Sat	12/5	8 AM	Blessings and healing for Tim Hudson, cousin of Maureen Hudson, at the request of Cheryl Gilmer

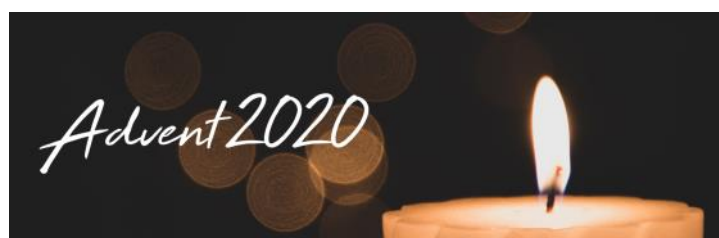
Ministry Schedule for December 5-6, 2020

Mass	Eucharistic Support	Lector	Greeter	Sanitizing Volunteer
4:30 PM Vigil	Please volunteer on MSP			
8:00 a.m.				
10:45 a.m.				
To volunteer please email Sheryl Fischer at <a href="mailto:receptionist@ccjgs.org">receptionist@ccjgs.org</a> or call 410-257-3810 ext 1001				

**New to JGS?**

**NEW MEMBERS**—Are you new to Jesus the Good Shepherd Catholic Community? WELCOME! The registration form for JGS is available on the JGS website by clicking here: [ccjgs.org](http://ccjgs.org) and scrolling down. We would like to welcome you in person. You and your family are invited to our next New Member gathering on Sunday, January 10, 2021 in the Centre following the 10:45 Mass. Masks required.

**Upcoming Events**



Advent is here! Have you signed up for Formed? How about downloading "Around the Advent Circle"? See below for details. Liz is waiting to hear from you.

If you haven't already, please:

- sign up for Flocknote, by clicking the logo
- sign up for [Formed.org](http://Formed.org)
- like us on Facebook

*Around the Advent Circle*



**ADVENT 2020 DISCUSSIONS & REFLECTIONS! AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD!**

- \* Around the Advent Circle is a weekly reflection and discussion guide
- \* Ideal for any group! Virtual JGS small groups, families (teens+), or a circle of friends!

- \* Corresponds with the Sunday readings of Advent
- \* Available for download via email
- \* Please contact Liz Parker at [adultfaith@ccjgs.org](mailto:adultfaith@ccjgs.org) if you would like a digital file of this guide or if you are interested in leading a virtual small group with JGS.

**MEN'S CLUB DRIVE-THRU DINNER: SAT, DEC 5 FROM 5:30-6:30 P.M.**

Menu: Chicken Parmesan • Pasta Green Beans & Roasted Red Peppers • Dinner roll • Dessert • Bottler Water

Please pre-order via faithdirect [by clicking here](#).

The pick-up time is from 5:30 - 6:30 on Sat, Dec 5.

\$10 per meal or \$30 per family - 3 or more.

Will need at least 50 individual orders to make this happen. **RSVP by Thursday, Dec 3 by 5:00 PM.**

To pick up dinner order: Come to the Center (follow physical distancing protocol) during service time from 5:30-6:30pm. For curb-side pick-up, park in back lot near playground and someone will be out to deliver dinner and collect donation.

**Tuesday, December 8, Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception:** Under normal circumstances, this would be a mandatory holyday of obligation. Due to the pandemic, the obligation to attend Mass is dispensed. Our only Mass will be celebrated at the usual time at 8 a.m. in the church and also available on our Facebook and YouTube pages.

**You are invited to the Celebration of Christmas  
December 24 – 25 at  
Jesus the Good Shepherd Catholic Community**

- † 3:00 p.m. outside at the pavilion. Car spots also available. After Mass all are welcome to stay for physically distanced fellowship by the firepit. Hot cocoa and cider will be served. And, who knows, we may have a surprise visitor!!!
- † 8:00 p.m. in the church
- † 12:00 a.m. Midnight Mass in the church
- † 9:30 a.m. Christmas Day in the church



Sign-ups are now available by clicking here [ccjgs.org/virtual-resources](http://ccjgs.org/virtual-resources).



**ADVENT CANDLES ARE AVAILABLE.** Please let the church office know if you would like a set of advent candles for \$5.00. We will leave them on the shelf for you as soon as we receive payment. A limited stock of advent wreaths are also available for \$6.00. Contact Laura or Sheryl at 410-257-3810 or [secretary@ccjgs.org](mailto:secretary@ccjgs.org) or [receptionist@ccjgs.org](mailto:receptionist@ccjgs.org).



**FEED YOUR SOUL** Looking for an On Demand service that deepens your faith and feeds your soul?

**FREE On Demand service through JGS.**

- Learn about the Saints
- Participate in a bible study
- Watch a series that deepens your faith, increases your joy and delivers hope!

**JOIN TODAY! Click on the link <https://formed.org/signup>**

**SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE OF ALL AGES!**



**SHARE THE HOLIDAYS BY DONATING A HOLIDAY DINNER TO A LOCAL FAMILY IN NEED**  
Can you help a family in need?

Your generous donation of \$38 will buy a full Christmas Dinner for one of our families.

There are two easy ways to support this important effort.

- 1) You can donate through Faith Direct by clicking here <https://membership.faithdirect.net/events/details/5580>
- 2) Or you can make a cash or check donation using the *Share the Holidays* donation box in the Vestibule at church. Simply place your donation in one of the envelopes and leave it in the box.

If you have questions, or would like to place a food order for yourself, please call or email Lynn Robinson at 301-467-8550 or [Lynn@rwminc.com](mailto:Lynn@rwminc.com).

Accepting Christmas orders through December 7<sup>th</sup>.



**Children's Faith Formation** Children's Faith Formation classes (Pre-K4 through 8th) are currently meeting online. Upcoming class dates are [Dec 6](#), [Dec 20](#).

Interested in volunteering, now or later? The VIRTUS Child Protection workshop is currently being offered via Zoom. The steps for becoming a volunteer have never been easier. Attend the workshop once and it never expires. To sign up, contact Casey Esser ([religioused@ccjgs.org](mailto:religioused@ccjgs.org)), Tammy Genelin ([religiouaide@ccjgs.org](mailto:religiouaide@ccjgs.org)) or Pam Huseman ([accounting@ccjgs.org](mailto:accounting@ccjgs.org)).



**Active Catholic Teens** ACT youth group meets from 6:20 to 7:30pm in the Youth Room and Gym. Upcoming sessions are Dec 6, Dec 20. All high school teens are invited to join us to play games, make friends, and grow in faith. Registration is helpful but not required and is available at [ccjgs.org/youthministry](http://ccjgs.org/youthministry). Questions? Contact Casey Esser at [youth@ccjgs.org](mailto:youth@ccjgs.org).

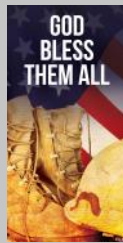


**Confirmation Preparation** Confirmation prep is over two years, typically 8th grade and 9th grade. Our 9th grade Confirmation Preparation this year includes an online group and an in person group. Upcoming sessions are Dec 6, Dec 20.

## Virtue of Spirituality

**We pray for all the members of the United States Military. We pray that all are kept from harm, especially:**

<i>Staff Sergeant Christopher R. Skirchak; LT Jg Matthew Schwartz; Steve Looney; Billy Looney; Will Jones; Michael Hardy; LT. Alex Scott; Nicholas Majers; David Keffer; James Lanson Weeks; Captain Robert Patterson, USMC; LT Nadila Khan, USN; Ross Noon; Col Phil Noltemeyer;</i>	<i>chael Henry Thayer; LT. Col. Gerald Cullens; Noah Pirner; Scott Mega; Capt. Kal Bassma; Mark Smith; Jacob Floyd; Joseph Masoero; Christopher Kuczek; Tyler Menoche; Tim Addison; Dylan Rayfield; Joshua Snyder;</i>
<i>Sr A Matthew Cullens; William Ryan Thayer; LT. Col. Brian Genelin; Michael Parker; Mi-</i>	<i>Brennan McConnell; Ian Torr</i>



Please contact the church office to have a name added to this list.



# ADVENT



HOPE. LOVE. JOY. PEACE.

Advent Wreath Prayer for Home

*Saturday evening before the First Sunday of Advent, gather the household around the wreath. Point out that the wreath is circular, with no beginning or end, like God's love. Explain there are four candles, one for each Sunday of Advent. The third candle is rose because on their third Sunday we celebrate the joy of waiting for Christmas. Before you begin, find the reading John 1:1-5 in your bible, and choose a reader. You can begin with a simple advent song "O Come O Come Emmanuel" or "Soon and Very Soon." Have an older child or adult read the leader parts. You can continue this prayer service each Sunday.*



**JOURNEY TOWARDS CHRIST!** Are you ready to learn more about the Catholic Faith? Do you know someone who is interested in learning more about the

Catholic faith? Discover the love Jesus has for you and the critical role Catholicism plays in this incredible faith journey! RCIA begins in just a couple weeks! For more information, contact Liz Parker at [adultfaith@ccjgs.org](mailto:adultfaith@ccjgs.org).



**The sick:** Tammy Pierce, Jay Roque, Elizabeth Ann Hebb, James Richardson, Sr., Steve Collins; Verna Jurewicz; Greg Bodenhorn; Sandi Bressi; Bev Ganley;

Christopher Crandall; Louis Johnson; Doreen Dardzinski; Katie Lakie; Elaine Shelby; Mary Ann Harlan; Keith Hanagriff; Tim Connors; Alma Marie Streicker; Frank Santora; Sue Baczynski; Anne Brophy; Ray Wenderlich; Duke Dusseau; Buddy Curtis; Bob Adams; Marsha Dunn; Janet Cleary; Pat Conway; Leslie Hill

For the repose of the soul of Sue Leser.

Friends/relatives in need of prayer and for those who have died contact the church office monthly to include them in our bulletin.



### Readings for the week of November 29, 2020

Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37  
 Monday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10]/Mt 4:18-22  
 Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/ Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf. 7]/Lk 10:21-24  
 Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37  
 Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27  
 Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31  
 Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8  
 Next Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8 ©LPI

**Leader:** Since ancient times, people have marked the passage of time with the light of the sun. In this holy season of Advent, we observe the passage of time through the light of this wreath, for each candle represents another week closer to the radiance of the newborn Son Jesus. Our anticipation for his glorious arrival can teach us much about patience as well as sharing the flame of our faith. So let us begin our time of prayer with the sign of the cross.

**All:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy-Spirit. Amen.

(Light the candle(s). Then stand and sing an Alleluia.)

**Reader:** A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. John 1:1-5. (read Gospel passage.)  
 The Gospel of the Lord.

**All:** Praise to you Lord, Jesus Christ.  
 (All sit and observe silence.)

**Leader:** God Our Creator, Bless us as we gather around this Advent wreath, Ever anxious for the arrival of your Son, Jesus. Renew us with your patience and The light of your promise. Help us to prepare our hearts so that we are open to your coming into our lives. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.  
 (All make the sign of the cross).

Taken from Children's Daily Prayer 2020-2021, Archdiocese of Chicago; Liturgy Training Publications



## Virtue of Stewardship



Thank you to everyone who took a tag from the Angel Tree. Please return the unwrapped gifts in a bag by next weekend: **Sunday, Dec. 6**. Remember to attach the tag to the bag. Thank you for helping bring a smile to a child on Christmas morning.



**SHARE FOOD ORDERS ARE DUE DECEMBER 5-6.** You can order a food package via email, text or phone by contacting Lynn Robinson, [Lynn@rwmnc.com](mailto:Lynn@rwmnc.com) or 301-467-8550. For the menu, please click here: <https://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/share/> or copy and paste this link to your browser.

## COVID-19 UPDATE

Because we love our neighbor, JGS has been operating at a capacity of 25% in the church.



Even though our max capacity is 500, given the shape of the venue, and the pews, we could not safely increase our capacity beyond 125 while keeping 6-ft distances.

With the current pandemic restrictions changing due to COVID numbers going up, please know that we are maintaining this 25% capacity of 125 for each mass, with overflow in the Centre set at 75.

If current conditions concern you, please remember that you can participate in Mass by listening on your car radio at both 8:00am and 10:45am Masses and receive Holy Communion outside.



**NEED A LITTLE LAUGHTER?** If you find either the pandemic and/or getting ready for Christmas putting you on edge, we hope you'll get some "Advent relief" and a chuckle from these actual bloopers from other church bulletins.

- The homily at this morning's Mass: "Jesus walks on Water." The homily at tonight's evening Mass: "Searching for Jesus."
- Ladies, don't forget the annual church rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands.
- For those of our young parents who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
- Today's Conference, *Prayer and Fasting*, will include meals.
- At the evening Mass tonight, the homily will be: "What is Hell really like?" Come early and listen to our choir practice.

Contact Laura Cleary at 410-257-3810 ([secretary@ccjgs.org](mailto:secretary@ccjgs.org)) for Mass Cards/Intentions; Sponsor Certificates (for Sacraments) or to place bulletin announcements. *Deadline for bulletin items is Thursday at noon, 10 days before the weekend you want your article to appear. Thank you!*



**GIVING TUESDAY IS DEC 1ST!** Early giving has begun. Our pledge for this year is "Love Thy Neighbor". 2020 has been an unusual year and the need for funds is abundant. Your gift on **#Giving Tuesday (Dec 1)** will enable us to live out our mission of evangelizing through Spirituality, Hospitality and Stewardship. We thank you for visiting our page and for your generosity. Click here to give: <https://washington.igivecatholic.org/organizations/jesus-the-good-shepherd-church>



**SECOND COLLECTION, WEEKEND OF DEC 5-6:** Have you benefitted from a Catholic education? Please consider "passing on" the gift of a Catholic school education by supporting the second collection at all Masses **Dec 5-6**. All income goes to the operating funds of our regional Catholic school, Cardinal Hickey Academy (CHA). Even in this current environment, CHA is providing a Catholic education to our students. Your gift can make a difference. **Please give generously to the CHA Second Collection, Dec 5-6 to support CHA. God bless you!**

**2020 ANNUAL APPEAL:** The Annual Appeal of the Archdiocese of Washington supports the most vulnerable and needy apostolates through our archdiocese. Jesus the Good Shepherd received its last report last week. I am happy to share that Jesus the Good Shepherd has attained 84% of our goal. To all those who have made a pledge, thank you! To those who have not yet made a pledge, you are kindly asked to do so electronically through various means. Please go to [ADW.org](http://ADW.org) today to make your pledge. Your pledge will also assist our community in making 100% of its goal. Thank YOU!

SACRIFICIAL GIVING for the weekend of November 15, 2020:  
Weekly Offertory \$ 5,678

We need \$7,000 weekly in the offertory to stay afloat  
October *FaithDirect* offertory \$ 34,006  
We need \$32,500 monthly in Faith Direct to stay afloat  
\*Egiving through FaithDirect is calculated monthly.  
Thank you for your generosity!

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS!

**ARE YOU ON FAITH DIRECT?** Offertory is essential to your JGS church operations! JGS relies heavily on Sunday offertory to maintain operational budgets, staff, and resources for our community. It is essential that, during this isolation time, we continue to give an offering to our church for it to be sustained in the future. Questions? Contact Pam Huseman [accounting@ccjgs.org](mailto:accounting@ccjgs.org)



### OFFERTORY WILL BE COLLECTED AS FOLLOWS:

**Via FaithDirect** • go to [ccjgs.org/partners](http://ccjgs.org/partners)

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