




December 11, 2022 Third Sunday of Advent



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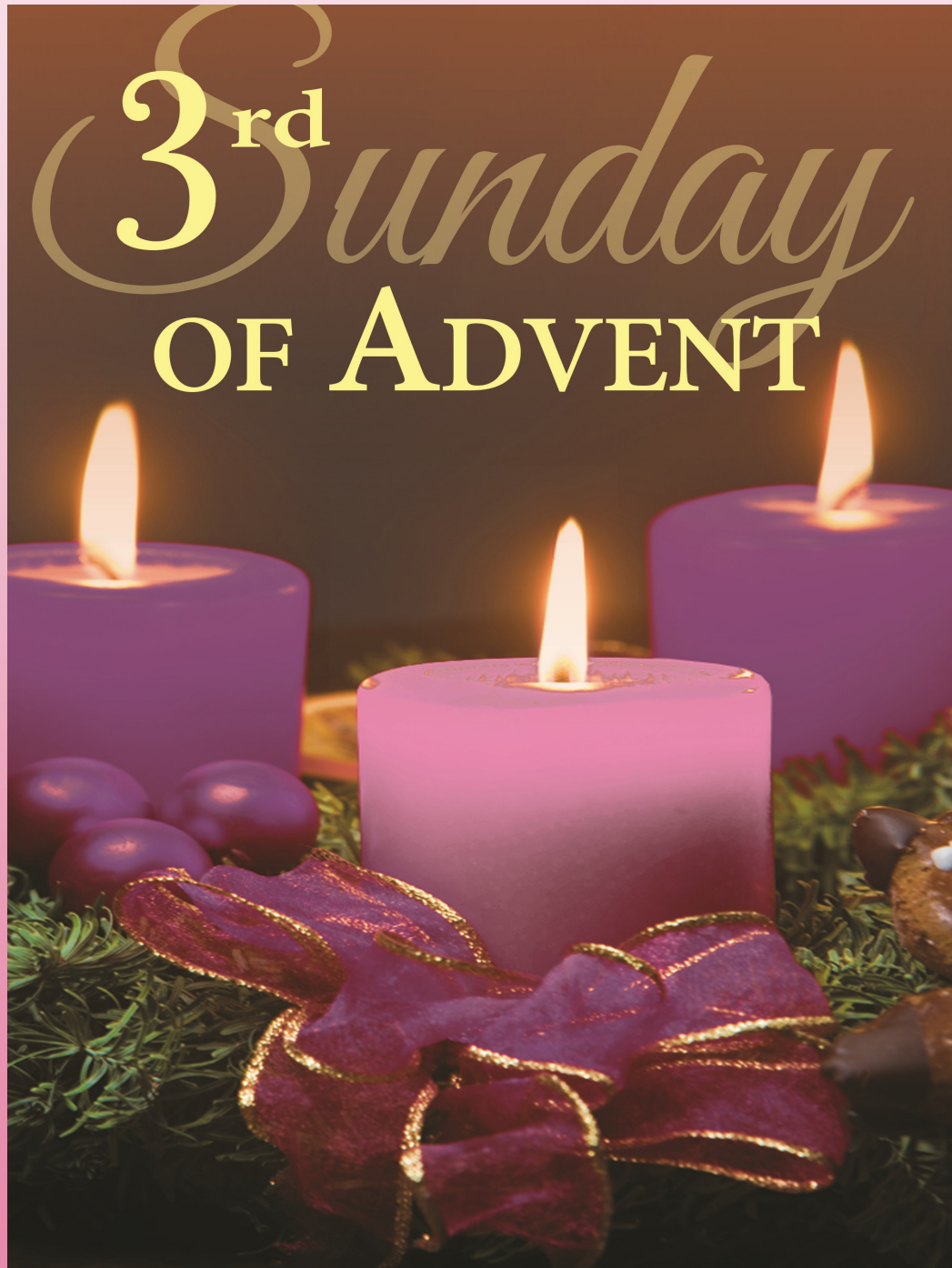
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Mass times: Weekends: Sat, Vigil at 4:30 p.m., Sundays 8:00 a.m., 10:45 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.
Daily Mass: 8:15 a.m. in the Chapel (Eucharistic Service on Mondays)



Bulletin and Worship Aid

Covenant Prayer—last page of hymnal.

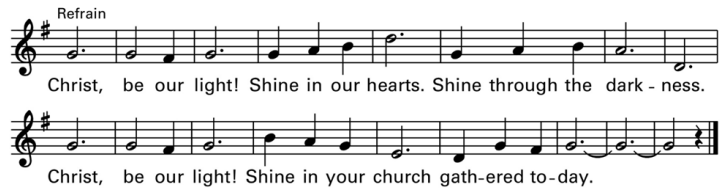
Introductory Rites

Entrance Hymn

Christ Be Our Light

Bernadette Farrell

1. Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people, light
for the world to see.



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Hope for Those Who Are Watching

Advent is a time to awaken our spiritual senses.

All: We stand in awe of your deeds, O Lord, repeat them in our day!

Grant us vision to behold your glory.

We stand in awe of your deeds, O Lord, repeat them in our day!

Quiet us so we may hear your still, soft voice.

We stand in awe of your deeds, O Lord, repeat them in our day!

Make us vessels of your mercy, compassion, and grace.

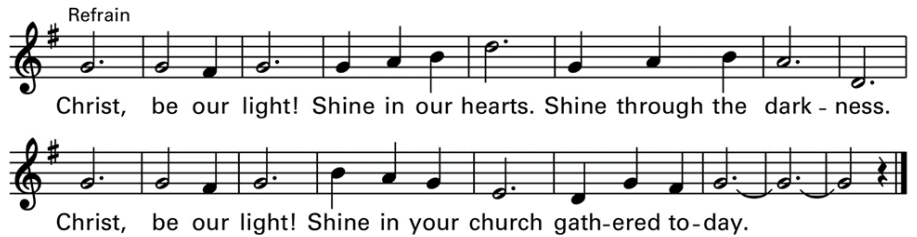
We stand in awe of your deeds, O Lord, repeat them in our day!

For all of us eagerly watching for your glory in our midst:

**Grant that we might have the peace of Christ as we wait, the love of Christ as we act,
and the grace of Christ as we speak.**

Lighting of the Advent Wreath:

Today we light three candles. The first candle reminds us of those who find themselves in a season of waiting, resting in hopeful anticipation for God to act. The second candle is for anyone feeling weakened and wearied by the circumstances of life. We echo the cry of scripture to renew their strength and increase their power. The third candle awakens our spiritual senses, challenging us to embrace the glory of God, as we await our Savior's promised coming. **Refrain**



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Penitential Rite: Kyrie (found in the pews)

Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

The desert and the parched land will exult;
the steppe will rejoice and bloom.
They will bloom with abundant flowers,
and rejoice with joyful song.
The glory of Lebanon will be given to them,
the splendor of Carmel and Sharon;
they will see the glory of the LORD,
the splendor of our God.

Strengthen the hands that are feeble,
make firm the knees that are weak,
say to those whose hearts are frightened:
Be strong, fear not!
Here is your God,
he comes with vindication;
with divine recompense
he comes to save you.
Then will the eyes of the blind be opened,
the ears of the deaf be cleared;
then will the lame leap like a stag,

then the tongue of the mute will sing.
Those whom the LORD has ransomed
will return
and enter Zion singing,
crowned with everlasting joy;
they will meet with joy and gladness,
sorrow and mourning will flee.
The Word of the Lord.
R: Thanks be to God

**Responsorial:
Psalm 146**



Second Reading: James 5:7-10

Be patient, brothers and sisters,
until the coming of the Lord.
See how the farmer waits for the pre-
cious fruit of the earth,
being patient with it
until it receives the early and the late
rains.

You too must be patient.
Make your hearts firm,
because the coming of the Lord is at
hand.
Do not complain, brothers and sisters,
about one another,
that you may not be judged.
Behold, the Judge is standing before
the gates.

Take as an example of hardship and
patience, brothers and sisters,
the prophets who spoke in the name of
the Lord.

The Word of the Lord.
R: Thanks be to God

Gospel
Acclamation:



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Verse: Show us Lord, your love; and grant us your salvation.

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

When John the Baptist heard in prison
of the works of the Christ,
he sent his disciples to Jesus with this
question,
"Are you the one who is to come,
or should we look for another?"
Jesus said to them in reply,
"Go and tell John what you hear and
see:
the blind regain their sight,
the lame walk,
lepers are cleansed,
the deaf hear,
the dead are raised,

and the poor have the good news pro-
claimed to them.
And blessed is the one who takes no of-
fense at me."

As they were going off,
Jesus began to speak to the crowds
about John,
"What did you go out to the desert to
see?
A reed swayed by the wind?
Then what did you go out to see?
Someone dressed in fine clothing?
Those who wear fine clothing are in roy-
al palaces.
Then why did you go out? To see a

prophet?
Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet.
This is the one about whom it is written:
Behold, I am sending my messenger
ahead of you;
he will prepare your way before you.
Amen, I say to you,
among those born of women
there has been none greater than John
the Baptist;
yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is
greater than he."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you,
Lord Jesus Christ**

Homily

The Nicene Creed (First page of hymnal)

Universal Prayer

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Music during the Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts: **#463 Come, Lord Jesus**

Eucharistic Mass parts for Advent/Christmas can be found in the pews.

Communion Rite

Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

Communion Antiphon: *Say to the faint of heart, be strong and do not fear. Behold our God will come, and he will save us.*

Communion: **#1015 I Receive the Living God**

Concluding Rite

Blessing

Solemn Dismissal

Sending Forth **#444 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel**

Thank you for worshipping with us today, and we are praying for you and your family!

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NEW MEMBERS ONLINE REGISTRATION!

Online registration is available on the JGS website or by clicking here: <https://ccjgs.org/im-new>. To be eligible for admission to our Children's Faith Formation Program, reception of the Sacraments or to receive testimonial letters for sponsorship, an individual must be a registered, participating member of the parish, attend the sacraments, and support the parish via offertory and involvement.

Dear Community Members,

Today, the third Sunday of Advent, is often referred to by its traditional Latin word, Gaudete ["Gow-day-tay"] Sunday or REJOICE Sunday. This is so because we have reached the halfway point of our Advent Season. We can rejoice as we approach ever closer to the celebration of Christmas!

Like the hope of a farmer who waiting for the soaking rain, sun, pollinators, rich soil, growth and ripening, we wait in hope this Advent season for the fulfillment of the promises of God.

We wait with hopeful and expected patience for the time when God returns. Are there "seeds" or projects you've planted and lost hope in? Perhaps there are things God has sown in YOU you've been too impatient to nurture? Allow God to take his time in you and in the needs of the world around you.

Let us pray. God, you are the first farmer, planting in us at our baptism the Holy Spirit. It is hard for us to notice the subtle sign of growth and then to take note when things are ripe and ready. It is hard for us wait for your return to bring peace and healing to our world. Cultivate in us, the spirit of a farmer, as we await the final harvest that is to come. Through Christ our Lord. Amen!

Father Mike

Weekend Mass Times:

Sat, 4:30 p.m.

Sun, 8:00 a.m., 10:45 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

Livestream on our YouTube Channel

Daily Mass Times:

Mon: *Eucharistic Service* 8:15 a.m.

Tues-Sat 8:15 a.m.

Confessions: Sat 3:00-4:00*

**no confessions on Sat, Dec 25 or Sat Dec 31*

Eucharistic Adoration:

Thurs 8:45 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.



**Christmas Mass
Schedule is on page 5.**

The Virtue of Hospitality

Hospitality Volunteers	1st Sunday	2nd Sunday	3rd Sunday	4th Sunday	5th Sunday
8:00 a.m.	Buck/Kaputa/Thorne	Distad/Horabik	Harrington/Langley/Selke	Addison/O'Keefe	Buck/Kaputa/Thorne
10:45 a.m.	Miller Family	Cleary/Gorman/Hepp/VanWie	Walsh/Trainor	Volunteers needed call church office	Miller Family
Bakers/Donations	Last Names A-F	Last Names G-L	Last Names M-R	Last Names S-Z	Last Names A-F

FIRST SNOWFALL PREDICTION CONTEST: Would you like to take a guess on the date of our first snowfall this coming winter season? Win a "fun" gift from the pastor! Submit all entries to pastor@ccjgs.org by December 15.



RELIGIOUS GOODS SALE, DEC 10-11—THIS WEEKEND—Little Bethlehem Christians is a group that represents over 300 Christian and Catholic families who live in Bethlehem, Jerusalem, the Shepherd's Field, and the Holy Land area, and make their livings as Olive Wood Carvers.

After all Saturday and Sunday morning masses, the group represented by the Alshouri family will display a collection of hand carved Olive Wood religious items for sale. The profit goes to support the existence of Christianity in the land of Christ. Please take a moment after mass to view this beautiful collection of items.

JGS YOUTH AND ADULT CHOIRS PERFORMING AT GREENSTREET GARDENS TODAY! SUNDAY, DEC 11TH AT 1:30 P.M.

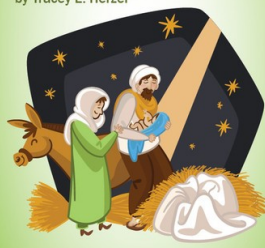
Come and enjoy and music, sights and shopping of the season. Greenstreet is located at 391 W Bay Front Rd in Lothian.



ADVENT SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Tuesday, December 20, 6:00-8:00 p.m.—extra priests will be available. Come prepare your heart for the coming of Jesus.

NO REHEARSAL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

by Tracey E. Herzer



Christmas Pageant group or email Katherine at katkingrn@gmail.com.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT –

We all know that Advent is supposed to be a time of quiet, holy mystery, but often it is the busiest time of our year. In an effort to simplify life for our families so we can all focus on what is truly important, we are going bring back the no-rehearsal format for our annual Children's Christmas Pageant. Katherine King has generously agreed to coordinate the pageant this year. Interested parents should join the flocknote group 2022



2022 Christmas Schedule Jesus the Good Shepherd Catholic Community



Advent Sacrament of Reconciliation/Penance with Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday, December 20
Confessions from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Masses Saturday, December 24

4:00 p.m. in the church and gym
7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. in the church
(no 8:15 a.m. daily Mass)

Christmas Day Mass Sunday, December 25 9:30 a.m.



THE MARTHA AND MARY SOCIETY will hold their annual Advent Party at the home of May Toepfer on Wed, Dec 14 at 5 PM. Address/directions will be given to May's by emailing maureenpcarroll@hotmail.com. There will be a potluck dinner and a \$10 wrapped gift exchange. Monetary donations for the Ladies of Charity Food Pantry will be collected.



KOC BREAKFAST—next Sunday after both morning Masses. All are welcome. Come enjoy a nice hot breakfast buffet, including Belgian waffles and made-to-order omelets. No reservations needed. See you there!



CELEBRATE THE BEAUTY OF OUR CHRISTMAS SEASON WITH A POINSETTIA DONATION Christmas flower donations in the name of a loved one can be made using the red poinsettia envelopes found in the vestibule. Please put the envelopes in the

mail slot of the church office. Please write legibly. Your donation will go towards the beautiful poinsettias and other flowers which symbolize the good will and community spirit of the upcoming Christmas season. Donations may also be made via [faithdirect https://forms.ministryforms.net/viewForm.aspx?formId=777cc90b-c2d2-4239-ade1-e6d13aecc035](https://forms.ministryforms.net/viewForm.aspx?formId=777cc90b-c2d2-4239-ade1-e6d13aecc035) Thank you for adding to the Christmas joy of our community. Deadline: Mon, Dec 19th.

Liturgical Ministry

Lighting of the Advent Wreath—thank you to everyone who signed up to light the Advent Wreath at Mass. Here is the current list:

12/10 Third Sunday of Advent	4:30 p.m. Mass	Renaud family
12/11 Third Sunday of Advent	8:00 a.m. Mass	Kohl family
12/11 Third Sunday of Advent	10:45am Mass	Poudrier family
12/17 Fourth Sunday of Advent	4:30 p.m. Mass	Collins family
12/18 Fourth Sunday of Advent	8:00 a.m. Mass	Pellegrino family
12/18 Fourth Sunday of Advent	10:45 a.m. Mass	Clark family



← The King family
The Stevens family →



Advent explained
in 2 minutes.
← Click on pic

JGS Advent Events Calendar

Sunday	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Saturday
<p>27 November</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Lighting of the 1st Advent Candle at Mass, families encouraged to sign up <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">Click picture to sign up</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Click and enjoy this Advent Choral Meditation</p>	<p>29</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">#GIVECAHOLIC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Click here to give to JGS 	<p>30 <i>At once they left their nets and followed him. Mt 4:20</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Say YES today!</p>	<p>1 December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Eucharistic Adoration, 8:45 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. 	<p>2 Spend time in quiet prayer, consider attending daily Mass at 8:15 a.m.</p>	<p>3 ❖ 9-12 p.m. Baptism Retreat-Shepherd's Cove-for parents and godparents preparing for the Sacrament of Baptism for their child-email Sheryl at receptionist@ccjgs.org</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Confessions 3:00-4:00 p.m.
<p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Lighting of the 2nd Advent Candle at Mass, families are encouraged to sign up, click the pic on the left ❖ 9:20 a.m. CFF Advent Prayer Service in church ❖ 6:20 p.m. CFF Advent Prayer Service in church 	<p>5</p> <p>Click to enjoy John Rutter's Advent playlist</p>	<p>6</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">SAINT Nicholas DECEMBER 6th</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- click pic for 5 min. video</p>	<p>7 6:30 p.m. CHA Winter Band Concert</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>For my yoke is easy, and my burden light. Mt 11:30</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Be ALERT!</p>	<p>8 ❖ Immaculate Conception Mass Times: 8:15 a.m., 7:00 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Eucharistic Adoration, 8:45 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. 	<p>9 Spend some quiet time in prayer, consider signing up to light the Advent wreath at Mass</p>	<p>10 ❖ Religious Goods Sale after Sat Vigil and Sun morning Masses – Little Bethlehem Christians will be selling religious items/gifts crafted in the Holy Land. This is a great opportunity to find a lovely Catholic gift for Xmas! Your purchase supports Christians in the Holy Land.</p>
<p>11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Lighting of the 3rd Advent Candle at Mass, families encouraged to sign up, click the pic on the left ❖ Religious Goods Sale after both morning Masses ❖ 1:30 p.m. Greenstreet Gardens Caroling, JGS Youth Choir 	<p>12</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">GUADALUPE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">click pic for more info</p>	<p>13 ❖ 7 p.m. WWP Advent Gathering, Shepherd's Cove, all women involved with WWP are invited</p>	<p>14 ❖ 6:30 p.m. CHA Winter Concert, Choral & Handbells</p>	<p>15</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Eucharistic Adoration, 8:45 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. 	<p>16 ❖ 11:30 a.m. JGS Choir at Calvert Pines Senior Center</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Pray for those who have no one to pray for them.</i></p>	<p>17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 9:30-11 SHARE FOOD pickup, Centre Pines Senior Center ❖ 9:00-11 Christmas Decorating, phase 1 ❖ Confessions 3:00-4:00
<p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Lighting of the 4th Advent Candle at Mass, families encouraged to sign up, click the pic on the left ❖ KOC Breakfast after both morning Masses ❖ Rite of Light, FHC students ❖ 12:30-2:30 Christmas decorating 	<p>19</p> <p>Click for Advent Contemporary Meditation</p>	<p>20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 6-8p.m. Advent Confessions (extra priests available) 	<p>21</p> <p>Click for the Basilica Xmas Choir of 2020</p>	<p>22 ❖ Eucharistic Adoration, 8:45 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 9-11 am Help with final decorations 	<p>23 <i>Jesus is near. Which Mass will you attend?. Arrive early, plan to sit in the back so newcomers can sit in front.</i></p>	<p>24 The Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord: Christmas Eve Mass Times</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 4p.m. in Church w/youth choir ❖ 4p.m. in gym ❖ 7p.m. w/Choir and Christmas Cantata starting at 6:30 p.m. ❖ 10p.m. (replaces midnight Mass)
<p>25 ❖ The Nativity of the Lord: Christmas Day Mass at 9:30 a.m.</p>						

Religious Education and Teen Events

Religious Education:

Helps to build a strong foundation



Faith Formation December Dates

CFF AM: 12/11, 12/18

CFF PM: 12/18

Confirmation: 12/18, due date for January retreat

RCIC (for Children): 12/18

For questions or details, please contact: Maggie Gorman at religioused@ccjgs.org



ACT WINTER RETREAT

CALLING ALL TEENS: Don't miss the winter retreat at Camp Wabanna, January 13-15, 2023.

Registration deadline is December 18th.

Questions? Email Deacon Paul at deconpaul@ccjgs.org.

The Virtue of Spirituality



Our Lady of Guadalupe
Feast Day, Mon, December 12—
JGS Eucharistic Service at 8:15 a.m.

Did you know?

- Monday, Dec. 12 we celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe
- The Blessed Mother

appeared Dec. 9-12, 1531 to St. Juan Diego and asked him to be her messenger.

- Our Lady requested a chapel be built in the Tepeyac Valley (now Mexico City) in her honor.
- St. Juan Diego told the bishop about our Lady's request, but the bishop asked St. Juan Diego for a sign. Our Lady tells St. Juan Diego to pick up flowers from the valley and bring them to the bishop.
- St. Juan Diego brought the flowers to the bishop and when he opened his tilma (outer garment/cloak), our Lady's image appeared.
- The flowers were red roses that do not survive in the middle of winter.
- The image of the bishop and others around him during the presentation of the flowers can be seen in our Lady's eyes with modern technology.
- She is the Patroness of the Americas, Patroness of the Unborn. Pray to her for the protection of unborn babies!
- The tilma is made of cactus fiber, known to be of very poor quality. However, the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe is not just a painting, and it has survived a bomb explosion and an acid spill. Replicas have deteriorated over a short period of time.
- The ribbon above her waist shows she is pregnant – and she appeared just two weeks before Dec. 24, Christmas day!
- Our Lady of Guadalupe's image in the tilma is full of symbolism. Watch [Guadalupe Video on FORMED](#) for more information and details about Our Lady of Guadalupe.

PRAYERS FOR THE MILITARY

Staff Sergeant Christopher R. Skirchak; LT Jg Matthew Schwartz; Steve Looney; Billy Looney; Will Jones; LCDR Alex Scott; Nicholas Majers; David Keffer; James Lanson Weeks; Captain Robert Patterson, USMC; LT Nadila Khan, USN; Ross Noon; Col Phil Noltemeyer; Matthew Cullens; William Ryan Thayer; LT. Col. Brian Genelin; Michael Parker; Michael Henry Thayer; Gerald Cullens; Scott Mega; Capt. Kal Bassma; Mark Smith; Jacob Floyd; Joseph Masoero; Christopher Kuczek; Tyler Menoche; Tim Addison; Dylan Rayfield; Joshua Snyder; Brennan McConnell; Ian Torr; Michael Metler; Joey Wywill; Shane Nissen; Lt. Ridge Alkonis, USN; Kyle Kampson; Katie Kampson



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

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

The sick: Finn Cusick ; Buzz Burek; Liz Born; Carlton Leslie; Richard Rosati; Art Gillings; Gael Dusseau; Ann Marie Dardinski; Maria C. Ortiz; Father John Dakes; Marguerite Suite; Meghan Knapp; Leslie Brooks; Robert J. Koehler; Alex Lobianco; Marty Oberman; Laura Ogdon; Michael Davis; Jack DeGrange, Sr.; Thomas Haug; Dante Nazzaro; Nick B.; Doug W.; Patrick Michael Guest; Jean Mensh; Lorraine Dusseau; Anita Stuck Culkin; Gail Ricker; Les Silva; Marilyn Cooney; Chuck Kuhn; Dolores Marinaccio; Gina Richardson; Tony Dockum; Janet Barna; John Barna; Riley Bodenreik; Linda Patterson; James Richardson, Sr.; Katie Lakie; Elaine Shelby; Keith Hanagriff; Tim Connors; Alma Marie Streicker; Anne Brophy; Bob Adams; Marsha Dunn; Janet Cleary; Pat Conway; Leslie Hill; Bobbie Martin; Chad Martin; Maureen Blakely; Juan Aranda, Sr.; Sean Layne; Shane Colgan

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

Weekend Mass Intentions for December 10-11, 2022

Sat	4:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of Frank Edick, son of Mary Ann Booker, at the request of Joan and Larry Hopson
Sun	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Patty Horabik, wife of Mike, at the request Lorraine Boccabella
Sun	10:45 AM	For the repose of the soul of Frank Edick, son of Mary Ann Booker, at the request of the Fran and Judy Langley
Sun	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Susan Mueller, wife of Deacon Eric, at the request of the Parker family

Mass Intentions for December 12-17, 2022

Mon	12/12	8:15 AM	Eucharistic Service
Tues	12/13	8:15 AM	For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
Wed	12/14	8:15 AM	For the repose of the soul of Austin Packard, son of Rick and Martha Packard, on the anniversary of his death
Thurs	12/15	8:15 AM	For the repose of the soul of Michael Callanan, Jr., at the request of the Parker family
Fri	12/16	8:15 AM	For the repose of the soul of Susan Mueller, wife of Deacon Eric, at the request of the Thorne family
Sat	12/17	8:15 AM	For the repose of the soul of Joan Pennington, mother of Karen Hoffman



SAFE NIGHTS - Jan 1st - 8th

Thank you to those who have already signed up to give a few hours of your time ministering to the homeless guests at the Safe Nights shelter. We are still in need of volunteers to serve meals and monitor the shelter overnight during the evenings. To signup, visit <https://signup.com/go/jaqPOyB>. For more information or help with signing up, contact Jack Neill at jackneill@gmail.com or [202-423-8677](tel:202-423-8677).

Pottery Class: Introduction to Handbuilding with Clay



Sponsored by: Shepherd's Hands Potters
shpotters.jgs@gmail.com

Instructor: Ray Bogle *MadeWithClay, LLC Huntingtown, MD*

Monday Afternoon

2PM—5PM

January 16—February 13

JGS Art Studio

\$195.00

(includes clay, glaze and firings)

The session includes 4 instructor-led classes and an opportunity On Jan. 30 to take clay home and practice learned skills. Handbuilding tools are provided during class studio sessions.

This class is for students with **limited or no experience** working with clay. Students will learn the fundamentals required to create pieces using handbuilding tools and techniques. Other topics covered include the properties of clay, kilns and firing, and an introduction to several decorating techniques.

Class is limited to 6 students and open to all JGS adult members and their friends. **Preregistration and payment by Jan. 11 is required.** Type or click here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094dafa723a3fdcf8-introduction1> to sign up.

Place payment, with your name, in the *SHP Lesson* envelope in the centre or office. Please make checks payable to: *Jesus the Good Shepherd*.



THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT OF THE LADIES OF CHARITY FOOD PANTRY! We collected 661.3 lbs at the pick-up on December 1st. For the month of September your donations helped us serve over 250 families representing nearly 650 people. We gave out over 15,800 lbs of food. Prior to the start of this school year, the Ladies of Charity also gave out 177 backpacks filled with various school supply items. **Holidays are fast approaching – we are most in need of items we will distribute with our Thanksgiving and Christmas groceries including brownie mix, corn muffin mix, gravy, stuffing, sweet potatoes, cranberries and canned pineapple. Thanks again!**

Pottery Class: Introduction to Using the Potter's Wheel

Instructor: Ray Bogle *MadeWithClay, LLC Huntingtown, MD*



This class is for students with **limited or no experience** using a potter's wheel. Students will learn the fundamentals required to make pots on the potter's wheel and complete them with glaze. Other topics covered include the properties of clay, kilns and firing, and an introduction to several decorating techniques.

Monday Evening

6PM—9PM

January 16—February 13

JGS Art Studio

\$200.00

(includes clay, glaze and firings)

The session includes 4 instructor-led classes and 1 optional open studio evening for students to practice taught skills. The open studio opportunity will be on Mon., Jan. 30. Students will need to provide their own pottery tools for the classes. If you need a basic tool kit, you can purchase a kit from SHPs for \$12.00.

Class is limited to 6 students and open to all JGS adult members and their friends. **Preregistration and payment by Jan. 11 is required.** Use this link or click here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094dafa723a3fdcf8-introduction>

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LIVING THE REVIVAL

Is the Mass a sacrifice? The Protestant reformers rejected the understanding of the Mass as a sacrifice. Dr. Brant Pitre walks us through the debate and how the Church clarified

that the Mass truly is a sacrifice. Type this link in your browser or click here to watch on YouTube.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6KXtkl91sVw>

Lenten Mission to TN



Deacon Paul will be leading a Lenten Mission in TN from March 6 through March 10, 2023 at the Holy Family Catholic Church in Lafayette TN. This is a great opportunity for adults from our community to participate in a "mission trip" experience. The trip will include a Lenten Retreat program for Holy Family parishioners dur-

ing the day and will include an evening program for the youth of their community where we will work with them in small groups to build faith and community. While there is no cost for the retreat or mission, participants will be expected to pay for their own travel and accommodations. If you are interested in going, have any questions, or want to know how you can help, contact Deacon Paul at deaconpaul@ccjgs.org.

Come join in celebrating the season of Advent with an evening of

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Refreshments to follow!

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ANNUAL CHRISTMAS GIFT TO OUR COMMUNITY: We depend very heavily on our annual Christmas collection. Our Christmas Collection helps us get off to a positive start for the new year. Because Christmas falls on a Sunday this year, all offertory donations above our usual Sunday collection are considered our Christmas collection.

For example, if our usual Sunday collection is \$7,000, but the entire Christmas collection is \$50,000, this means that \$7,000 is taxable to the Archdiocese of Washington; \$43,000 is considered "exempt" from the usual diocesan tax and is retained for our own use at Jesus the Good Shepherd. It is only when Christmas falls on a day other than a Sunday that the *entire* Christmas collection is tax-exempt by the Archdiocese of Washington.

Because Christmas falls on a Sunday this year, some members of our community may be able to increase their Sunday offertory donation 15%. Whatever all households of our community can do to help make up this difference this year is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this extraordinary request – due again to the fact that Christmas falls on a Sunday this year. God bless you!



JGS OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday 9:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.

Contact Laura Cleary at 410-257-3810 (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!*

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JGS Ministries — For a complete list of our ministries please see our website at ccjgs.org/getinvolved/parishministries or [click here](#).

- **Book Club** — Mimi Miller — millerfam1976@verizon.net
- **Decorating the altar for the church seasons** — Katie Evans — music@ccjgs.org
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RCIA – We welcome adults interested in becoming Catholic into our RCIA program. Please contact coordinator Michael Dorsett at 301-518-5711 mdorsett@gosps.com or the pastor at pastor@ccjgs.org or 410-257-3810 x1003.

BAPTISM PREPARATION - Parents seeking baptism are encouraged to call the church office at 410-257-3810 or email receptionist@ccjgs.org. We invite all new (and expecting!) parents to a baptism retreat to be held 3 times per year. Next retreat: March 4, 2023

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY - We rejoice with members who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Please contact our office at least **six months** in advance; otherwise, dates cannot be guaranteed. Please do not set a date before making Church arrangements first. Dates for weddings will not be arranged before a preliminary meeting.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND HOLY COMMUNION: Please contact the church office if you or a family member is homebound, in the hospital, or in a nursing home and would like to receive these sacraments. We will do our best as restrictions allow during the pandemic.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/PENANCE: Saturdays 3:00-4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

Request for all Sacramental Records [Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Marriage]: Please allow five business days to process.

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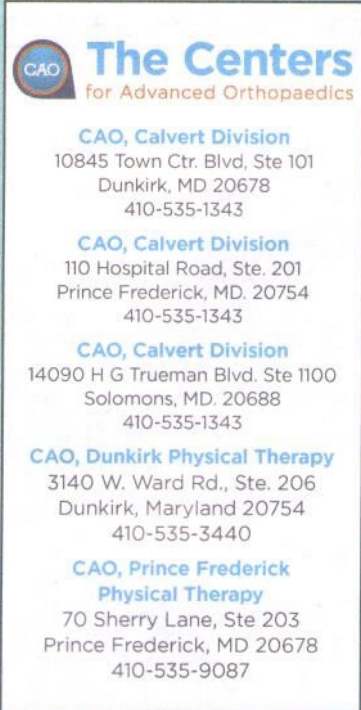
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