




December 19, 2021 The Fourth Sunday of Advent



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“BLESSED ARE YOU WHO BELIEVED
THAT WHAT WAS SPOKEN TO YOU BY THE LORD
WOULD BE FULFILLED.”

—LUKE 1:45

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Worship Aid and Bulletin

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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 in Jesus' name. Amen

Introductory Rites

Entrance Hymn **Christ Be Our Light**

Bernadette Farrell

Week 4: 3. Longing for food, many are hungry. Longing for water, many still thirst. Make us your bread, broken for others, shared until all are fed.

REFRAIN

Hope for Those Who Are Wounded—Responsive Litany

Advent is a time to bind up the broken hearted.

Come, Lord, and make all things new.

For past wrongs that prevent us from moving forward:

Come, Lord, and make all things new.

For any bitterness that scratches our soul:

Come, Lord, and make all things new.

For relationships left in decay and neglect:

Come, Lord, and make all things new.

For any action that has wounded us or by which we have wounded others:

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.

Today we light four candles. The first candle is the light of hope for those in times of waiting. The second candle is the light of hope for those who are wearied by the circumstances of life. The third candle is the light of hope for those eagerly watching for God's promised glory. The fourth candle is the light of hope for those who carry the wounds of life. Today we acknowledge our pain and the pain we have caused others. As the light shines, we turn to the Savior who came to rescue the lost, to help the hurting, and to bind up the broken

Refrain

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.

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KYRIE

Greeting

Cantor: Lord, have mer - cy. *Assembly:* Lord, have mer - cy.

Penitential Rite

Cantor: Christ, have mer - cy. *Assembly:* Christ, have mer - cy.

Cantor: Lord, have mer - cy. *Assembly:* Lord, have mer - cy.

Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Micah 5:1-4a

Thus says the LORD:

You, Bethlehem-Ephrathah
too small to be among the clans of Judah,
from you shall come forth for me
one who is to be ruler in Israel;
whose origin is from of old,
from ancient times.

Therefore the Lord will give them up, until the time
when she who is to give birth has borne,
and the rest of his kindred shall return

to the children of Israel.

He shall stand firm and shepherd his flock
by the strength of the LORD,
in the majestic name of the LORD, his God;
and they shall remain, for now his greatness
shall reach to the ends of the earth;
he shall be peace.

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

Responsorial:

Psalm 80:2-3, 15-
16, 18-19



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Second Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10

Brothers and sisters:

When Christ came into the world, he said:
“Sacrifice and offering you did not desire,
but a body you prepared for me;
in holocausts and sin offerings you took no delight.
Then I said, ‘As is written of me in the scroll,
behold, I come to do your will, O God.’”

First he says, “Sacrifices and offerings,
holocausts and sin offerings,
you neither desired nor delighted in.”
These are offered according to the law.
Then he says, “Behold, I come to do your will.”
He takes away the first to establish the second.
By this “will,” we have been consecrated
through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once
for all.

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

Gospel Acclamation



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Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

Mary set out
and traveled to the hill country in haste
to a town of Judah,
where she entered the house of Zechariah
and greeted Elizabeth.
When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting,
the infant leaped in her womb,
and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit,
cried out in a loud voice and said,
“Blessed are you among women,

and blessed is the fruit of your womb.
And how does this happen to me,
that the mother of my Lord should come to me?
For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached
my ears,
the infant in my womb leaped for joy.
Blessed are you who believed
that what was spoken to you by the Lord
would be fulfilled.”

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

Homily

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 Scrip-

tures. 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.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Music during the Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts

HAIL MARY, GENTLE WOMAN

Intro: Cantor

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women and
blest is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners now
and at the hour of death. Amen.

Refrain: All

Gen-tle wom-an, qui-et light, morn-ing
star, so strong and bright, gen-tle
Moth-er, peace-ful dove, teach us
wis-dom; teach us love.

Carey Landry

Verses: All

1. You were cho - sen by the Fa - ther;
2. Bless - ed are you a - mong wom - en,
1. you were cho - sen for the Son. You were Bless - ed
2. blest in turn all wom - en, too. Bless - ed
1. cho - sen from all wom - en and for Bless - ed
2. they with peace - ful spir - its. Bless - ed
to Refrain
1. wom - an, shin - ing one.
2. they with gen - tle hearts.

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Preface Dialogue

HOLY

A Christmas Mass
Paul Gibson

Cantor/choir:
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord. God of hosts.

All:
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord. God of hosts. Hea - ven and

Cantor/choir:
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

All:
high - est, Ho - san - na in the high - est, high -

All:
est, Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Cantor/choir:
Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord,

All:
Bless'd is he who

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Memorial Acclamation

Cantor, then all:

We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your
Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

Great Amen

AMEN

Priest: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.

Cantor, then all:

A - men, a - men, a - men, a - men.

Communion Rite

Lord's Prayer
Lamb of God

AGNUS DEI

Cantor:

1. Je - sus, wis - dom and might - y Lord:
2. Je - sus, true branch of Jes - se's tree: you
3. Key of Da - vid and Day-spring from on high:
4. De - sire of na - tions, our Em - man - u - el:
* Lamb of God, Lamb of God:

Assembly:

take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us, have
mer - cy on us. grant us peace, grant us peace.

Communion: Servant Song Donna Marie McGargill, OSM

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|--|---|
| 1. What do you want of me,
Lord?
Where do you want me to
serve you?
Where can I sing your prais-
es?
I am your song.
Jesus, Jesus, you are the
Lord.
Jesus, Jesus, you are the way. | Sing your songs in me.
Jesus, Jesus, you are my
Lord.
Jesus, Jesus, you are the way. |
| 2. I hear you call my name,
Lord,
and I am moved within me.
Your Spirit stirs my deepest
self. | 3. Above, below and around
me,
before, behind and all
through me,
your Spirit burns deep within
me.
Fire my life with your love.
Jesus, Jesus, be the warmth
of my heart.
Jesus, Jesus, you are the way. |

Refrain

1. Je - sus, Je - sus, you are the Lord.
2. Je - sus, Je - sus, you are my Lord.
3. Je - sus, Je - sus, be the warmth of my heart.
4. Je - sus, Je - sus, you are my Light.
5. Je - sus, Je - sus, "Let it be done to me."
1-5. Je - sus, Je - sus, you are the way.

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Meditation: : The Angel Gabriel, Gerard Chuisano

Concluding Rite

Blessing

Solemn Dismissal

Sending Forth Hymn: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel VENI, VENI, EMMANUEL

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel,
And ransom captive Israel,
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.

2. O come, Thou Wisdom from on high,
Who ord'rest all things mightily;
To us the path of knowledge show,
And teach us in her ways to go.

Refrain
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel!

3. O come, O come, Thou Lord of might,
Who to thy tribes on Sinai's height
In ancient times didst give the law,
In cloud and majesty and awe.

Text: LM with refrain; 'O' Antiphons, Latin, 9th cent.;
verses 1, 3-6 para. in Psalteriolum Cantionum Catholi-
carum, Cologne, 1710; tr. by John M. Neale, 1818-
1866; verses 2, 7 tr. fr. The Hymnal 1940, alt.
Music: Chant, Mode I; Processionale, French, 15th
cent.; adapt. by Thomas Helmore, 1811-1890.

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

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Summer Weekend Mass

Times

Saturday Vigil—4:30 p.m.

Sunday— 8:00 a.m. in the church; 10:45 a.m. in church

live-streamed at 10:45 a.m. on Facebook and YouTube



Weekday Mass in the Chapel

Mon—8 a.m. Eucharistic Service

Tues-Sat—8 a.m.

JGS offers Sunday Mass via livestream, either on our Facebook Page or on our Youtube page.

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Happy Advent!

As Christmas draws near, we naturally hear on this Fourth and last Sunday of Advent in our Gospel about Mary! Mary receives the message of the angel, and unlike Zechariah, she cannot be silent – she must share her joy! When she greets Elizabeth, several things happen at once. Elizabeth is filled with the Holy Spirit, and suddenly and mysteriously, she understands who Mary is, “. . . blessed . . . among women.”

At the same time, the infant John the Baptist leaps in her womb, and Elizabeth recognizes that, blessed as Mary is, the child in her womb is more blessed still. Mary is blessed not because she carries the Christ in her womb, but because she “believed.” We are called to be like Mary.

Let us pray. Loving Father, as we approach the celebration of Christmas later this week, show us your will for our lives and open our hearts to receive the Christ Child once again. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

I look forward to seeing you at one of our Christmas Masses later this week. I wish you much peace and joy this Christmas Season! Remember the Christmas Season lasts until the Baptism of the Lord Jesus; so we have a lot of rejoicing ahead of us! God bless you!

Father Mike



Weekend Mass Intentions for December 18-19, 2021

Sat	4:30 PM Vigil	For the repose of the soul of Natalina Bofrone at the request of the Scott family
Sun	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Martha Nguyen at the request of Anthony and Quy Le
Sun	10:45 AM	For the repose of the soul of Greg Bodenhorn, husband of Cathy, at the request of the JGS Men's Club

Mass Intentions for December 20-25, 2021

Mon	12/20	8 AM	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>
Tues	12/21	8 AM	For the repose of the soul of Beatrice Schreiber at the request of the Schreiber family
Wed	12/22	8 AM	Blessings for Tara Reinecker Forèt on her birthday at the request of Tom and Jeannette Reinecker
Thurs	12/23	8 AM	For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
Fri	12/24	4:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Hunter Sondberg at the request of his family
		6:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of Florence Fitzpatrick, aunt of Jane Smith, at the request of her family
9:00 PM & Midnight—Special Intention			
Sat	12/25	9:30 AM	Special Intention



Liturgical Ministers — Help is needed!

We are back to full capacity!! Did you know it takes 7-8 volunteers for *EVERY* Mass to run smoothly? Can you help? Please contact the church office as soon as possible if you can help fill this critical need. We need Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters, Lectors and Altar Servers. You may contact Sheryl at receptionist@ccjgs.org or Katie at music@ccjgs.org. Interested Altar Servers may contact Laurie Spence at Laurietspence@yahoo.com. Thank you so much!

News and Events



FAMILIES NEEDED TO LIGHT THE ADVENT WREATH! FINAL WEEKEND! Hear ye! Hear ye! A very important job in our liturgical season is upon us! We need families for each Sunday of Advent at each of the Masses to

light the Advent wreath and represent the Assembly! All families welcome to sign up! Please click on the link below or use the Flocknote to sign-up or call the church office. <https://ccjgs.flocknote.com/signup/74343>



KOC BREAKFAST THIS SUNDAY, DEC 19 AFTER BOTH MORNING MASSES—All are welcome! After both morning Masses next Sunday, the Knights of Columbus invites everyone to a buffet breakfast. Please come join us. Your good will offering is appreciated and will help fund the many causes the KOC supports.



JOIN US FOR THE NEXT COMMUNITY DINNER AND TRIVIA NIGHT!
SHARE IN FELLOWSHIP AND HOSPITALITY BY DINING IN THE CENTRE

When: **Saturday, January 8**
Serving Time 5:30 - 6:30

Menu:
Pork Bolognese over pasta
Seasoned Broccoli
Salad
Homemade desserts
Dinner roll

Suggested cost is \$10 per person and \$30 per household. Need at least 50 orders to make this work. We ask that you pre-order and pre-pay for the buffet dinner. Please click the link or copy and paste this link to your browser: **need new link** Or reach out to Don Poudrier at djpoudrier@gmail.com or Mike Horabik at Michael.Horabik@comcast.net. Please have orders in by Thursday, January 6, 5:00 PM.

If you wish to have orders "To Go", the team will help you out. Please be patient with To Go orders, as all meals are prepared via buffet style. **All proceeds benefit the Men's Club Citizenship Award.**

THE JANUARY COMMUNITY DINNER IS ADDING TRIVIA NIGHT. Enjoy a meal (5:50 - 6:30) and then pull your team together for a Trivia Contest. Trivia will start at 7:00. If you need babysitting, our Active Catholic Teens will be happy to provide the service in the gym for a Good Will offering that will assist with the Summer Mission Trips. Those with young children, this is a great opportunity to enjoy dinner as a family and then relax and play trivia as the kids have their fun in the gym. Children should be of age where they use the bathroom on their own.



Christmas Eve Masses

Friday, December 24

(no 8 a.m. Mass)

4:00 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 9:00 p.m. in the church
12:00 a.m. Midnight in the church

Christmas Day Mass

Saturday, December 25

9:30 a.m. (no 8:00 a.m. Mass)

Satisfy this weekend's Mass obligation (no 2 for 1):

Solemnity of the Holy Family

Sunday, December 26, 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

Holy Day

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Friday, December 31, 4:30 p.m. Vigil

Saturday, January 1, 2022, 9:30 a.m.

Satisfy this weekend's Mass obligation (no 2 for 1):

Epiphany of Our Lord

Sunday, January 2, 2022 8:00 & 10:45 a.m.

(Livestream as well)

Baptism of Our Lord – January 8-9, 2022

Regular weekend schedule; officially closes the Christmas Season



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT—Will resume on January 6, 2022. [Click here to sign up or go to:](https://ccjgs.flocknote.com/signup/76709)

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MARCH FOR LIFE— Friday, January 21, 2022—Its not too early to plan!

JGS Pro-Life Ministry has arranged for a school bus to take parishioners to the March for Life Rally on the Mall, which starts at noon, followed by the March to Capitol Hill and the Supreme Court. We should return to JGS by 5 p.m. All adults and families

in our community are welcome to stand up (and march!) for the "least of my brethren", the unborn child. A sign up sheet will be available in the atrium starting in the New Year or contact Buzz Burek (301-812-1868, buzzburek@comcast.net). More details to follow. For more information about this national event please go to <https://marchforlife.org/>.



CHILDREN AND YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Morning Classes will meet: Dec 19, Jan 9, Jan 23

Evening Classes will meet: Dec 19, Jan 9, Jan 23

ACT Youth Group will meet: Dec 19, Jan 9, Jan 23



Confirmation Class: Dec 19, Jan 9, Jan 23

Contact the church office at 410-257-3810 if you have questions.

CONFIRMATION 2022 FAMILIES: All Confirmation families are kindly reminded if they have not done so to submit their application for Sponsor into the church office ASAP. The updated Eligibility Form was distributed at the latest Confirmation meeting and also sent out via email with a follow-up letter with other important information. The quicker the application is submitted to the church office, the quicker the sponsor can be approved. Thank you!



Attention! Do not miss all the good stuff:

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PLEASE SLOW DOWN: Over the years, we have seen more traffic on our grounds due to the use of the pavilion, an increase in truck deliveries due to more “on-line” shopping, visits to our cemetery, a gradual return to more social activities at JGS and the regular, daily traffic patterns for Cardinal Hickey Academy. Unfortunately, there has also been a simultaneous increase in speeding. This past summer saw some minor car accidents resulting in car damage, “rattled nerves,” and the involvement of personal insurance companies of drivers.

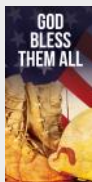
To help remedy this situation, a few years ago more safety/caution signs were installed. Despite these words of caution and increase in number, there continues to be excessive speeding on parish grounds warranting further action. This action is being pro-active to address the future safety of all parishioners and visitors, especially the most vulnerable among us – our children, the disabled and the elderly.

As a result, speed bumps at four critical areas in our large parking lot are about to be installed. This action is being taken after consultation with and recommendation by Cardinal Hickey Academy, the Safety and Security Committee and the Stewardship Committee of JGS. There will be an evaluation to see if these few speedbumps will work in slowing down vehicles. Hopefully, this will sufficiently address the problem. Thank you for your cooperation in slowing down in general as you enter, park and leave our parking lot for the overall safety of all drivers and pedestrians.

PRAYERS FOR THE MILITARY

Staff Sergeant Christopher R. Skirchak; LT Jg Matthew Schwartz; Steve Looney; Billy Looney; Will Jones; Michael Hardy; LCDR Alex Scott; Nicholas Majers; David Keffer; James Larson 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; Noah Pirner; 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 Wyvill; Mike Wilson; Shane Nissen; Lt. Ridge Alkonis, USN



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



Christ desires to be born in each of us as well. But for this new birth to happen in our hearts, we need what Mary and Joseph had. We need the motherly womb of Mary in which God’s Word took flesh, for, like Mary, we must also learn to take God’s word into our lives, in faith, so that this Word might take form within us.

But we also need Joseph, who listened to his dreams. For in our dreams God often shows us what he hopes to do in our lives. He want to show us that He is not merely a God who is far off but one who lives within us, filling our heart with his light and love.

• Practice •

The week before Christmas is often quite busy! But take some time this week to reflect on your faith in God. Do you trust that God can speak to you, as he did to Mary, personally? Test your thoughts to discern whether they are of the Holy Spirit or whether they arise from your own pride, from your superego. How can you distinguish this? You’ll know they are from God if they bring aliveness, peace and love into your life. Trust such thoughts, and say with Mary: “See, I am ready to trust myself to you and to serve you. Let it be with me according to your word.” Adapted from *Your Light Gives Us Hope, 24 Daily Practices for Advent*, Fr. Anselm Grun, Paraclete Press, 2017].



JGS Walking With Purpose Women's Bible Study

—Dear JGS Women and your sisters, mothers and women friends, have you been thinking about making a New Year’s Resolution to spend more time on your spiritual

growth? Would you like to study scripture with other women in a safe and loving environment? Have you heard about the video series, **The Chosen**, and would you like to watch it with other women and be able to discuss the content? Ever wonder what God’s plan is for you and what His priority is? How about joining us for a new Walking With Purpose Study called “Ordering Your Priorities?” Maybe you would like to join our Bible Study, “Touching the Divine”, to learn more about God’s message in the Gospel of John? We have all these options for you beginning in January 2022. If you would like to know more, please reach out by email or phone to Vicki Thorne, JGS Walking With Purpose Pastoral Coordinator at vw22@comcast.net or cell 301-325-4904. Our classes are held in the JGS Shepherd’s Cove and are as follows:

Monday 9:30-11:30 am January 10 - May 3 **The Chosen**

Tuesday 9:30-11:30 am January 10 - March 8 **Ordering Your Priorities**

Tuesday 7-9 pm January 4-April 26 **The Chosen**

Thursday 6:30-8:30 pm January 6-April 21 **Touching the Divine**

Lord Jesus, teach me to know you better through your scriptures. Amen.



The sick: Marty Oberman, brother of Cindy Morgan; Karen Worrell; Gloria Leber, Dante Nazzaro; Rachel Guest & son Patrick Michael Guest; Patty Shields; Jean Mench; Thomas

Haug; Lorraine Dusseau; Maria Huffer; Lou Flaig; Anita Stuck Culkin; Gail Ricker; Les Silva; Jenna Beeson; Marilyn Cooney; Chuck Kuhn; Dolores Marinaccio; Gina Richardson; Tony Dockum; Ronald Joseph Furr; Becky Furr; Mary Ann Silva; Janet Barna; Tom Floyd; Riley Bodenhorn; Ed Brophy; Linda Patterson; John Albright; Ralph Smola; Anthony Wyvill; John Hepp; Tammy Pierce; James Richardson, Sr.; Verna Jurewicz; Doreen Dardzinski; Katie Lakie; Elaine Shelby; Keith Hanagriff; Tim Connors; Alma Marie Streicker; Sue Baczynski; Anne Brophy; Duke Dusseau; Bob Adams; Marsha Dunn; Janet Cleary; Pat Conway; Leslie Hill; Bobbie Martin; Chad Martin.

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



The Blessing of a Christmas Tree

Did you know? The use of the Christmas tree at home is relatively modern. Its origins are found in the medieval mystery plays that depicted the tree of paradise and the Christmas light or candle that symbolized Christ, the Light of the World.

Usually, a prayer is said before a Christmas tree is illuminated. In the home the Christmas tree may

be blessed by a parent or another family member [Catholic Households Blessings and Prayers, USCCB].

My brothers and sisters, amidst signs and wonders Christ Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea: his birth brings joy to our hearts and enlightenment to our minds. With this tree, decorated and adorned, may we welcome Christ among us; may its light guide us to the perfect light.

Lord our God, we praise you for the light of creation; the sun, the moon, and the stars of the night. We praise you for the light of Israel: the Law, the prophets, and the wisdom of the Scriptures. We praise you for Jesus Christ, your Son: he is Emmanuel, God-with-us, the Prince of Peace, who fills us with the wonder of your love. Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we illumine this tree. May the light and cheer it gives be a sign of the joy that fills our hearts. May all who delight in this tree come to the knowledge and joy of salvation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



STATUS ON MASK REQUIREMENTS: Beginning Mon, Nov22, Calvert County will join the District and St. Mary's County in NOT requiring face coverings at indoor Masses and most parish events. Masks are still required for now at all schools either by government requirement or Catholic Schools Office policy.

APPEAL FOR DONATIONS FOR NEW TABLES FOR THE CENTRE: Since 1990, the round tables in our Centre have faithfully served our community. Over the last 30+ years, these tables have been used for COUNTLESS parish dinners, hospitality after Masses and receptions of all kinds.

Unfortunately, the tables are showing more "wear and tear." In addition, with today's technology, new tables are more durable but more lightweight. We are currently inviting members if they would like to make a donation specifically toward a new table. The new tables will be so much easier for people to set up/breakdown for our many social needs at JGS.

Our current tables which are still useable will be kept and placed in storage for when we need tables for outside events [e.g., Covenant Sunday]. This will help us to rent fewer tables in the future and reduce annual expenses. The cost of a new table is \$438.57. If you can assist, even with a partial donation, that would be deeply appreciated! A total of 25 tables is needed for the Centre. As of this writing, there are donations to purchase 5 tables. Thank you very much for your kind support.

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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Dear Members and Friends of Jesus the Good Shepherd Community,

The last year or so have certainly changed all of our lives. For us at Jesus the Good Shepherd, these times have been both a challenge and a blessing. As we approach Christmas this year, we can recall Christmas last year . . . what a difference a year makes! One of the many blessings that pulled us through was your tremendous generosity at the Christmas collection. I am so very grateful to you, because I know many also struggle during these difficult times.

Now as we approach Christmas, 2021, I again appeal to you to help ensure that Jesus the Good Shepherd gets off to a positive start for the New Year. I ask every household to consider your Christmas offertory gift to your parish community at Jesus the Good Shepherd. We have always relied on a strong Christmas collection. There is so much to be thankful for in the past but also as we look to the coming days and consider how to go forward. We cannot do it without you. Your heartfelt generosity has gotten us through in the past and I rely heavily on you again. I thank God for your willingness and I count on you again. God bless you!

Father Mike

As an added incentive for JGS Faith Direct Recurring Gift Match Promotion

For every first gift from a new recurring donor that is added between November 1 and December 31, 2021, *FaithDirect* will match that first gift, up to \$50, with a maximum match of \$1,000 per parish. To be eligible for the matching gift, more than one installment must be set-up and the first recurring gift must be processed through Faith Direct by December 31, 2021.



Click or go to ccjgs.org/partners or use the QR code to sign up today!

SACRIFICIAL GIVING for the weekend of December 5, 2021:

Weekly Offertory \$ 9,349

We need \$7025 weekly in offertory to stay afloat
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Thank you for your generosity!

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Next Adoration will be January 6, 2022
Please sign in using the sign-in sheet on
the table next to the door.

Please note: The JGS office will be closed
December 23—December 31.
Eucharistic Adoration will resume
Thursday, January 6, 2022.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

CONFESSIONS ARE IN THE CHAPEL :
Saturdays 3:00-4:00 p.m.



OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.—4 p.m.

The church office will be closed
Thursday, December 23—Friday, December 31, 2021
for the Christmas Holiday.

NEW TO PARISH? – Welcome to our Catholic Community! We encourage you to register with us as soon as possible. To register go to ccjgs.org/im-new. The best way to connect with us is through Flocknote. **From your phone:** Text: 84576 Keyword: ccjgs **From your computer:** <https://app.flocknote.com/ccjgs>. 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 offering and involvement.

RCIA – We welcome adults interested in becoming Catholic into our RCIA program. Please contact the church office at 410-257-3810 x1000, 1001 or 1003.

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.

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.

Mission Statement: "We, the Roman Catholic Parish of Jesus the Good Shepherd Catholic Community, have chosen to serve the Lord by evangelizing through the virtues of Hospitality, Spirituality and Stewardship." 10

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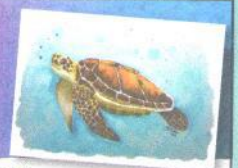
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