

November 27, 2016

## A Sabbath Thought

Those who wander are people without a goal. But God has blessed us in baptism with lives of purpose and meaning. Every day is Advent for us who work for the coming of God's kingdom.

## About Today's Bible Readings

### ISAIAH 2:1-5

The Lord's Day will bring instruction and peace to all peoples. That day will more than fulfill our Advent desires.

**Responsorial Psalm:** 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

# R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

### ROMANS 13:11-14

Here is our Advent agenda: a way of life to match the times in which we live as we await the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## MATTHEW 24:37-44

We may know neither the day nor the hour, but one thing is certain: The Lord is coming. That fact should color all our thoughts and deeds.

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## The First Sunday of Advent

## ENTRANCE RITE – PSALM 25:1-3

- V. I wait for You, O Lord; I lift up my soul to my God. In You I trust; do not let me be disgraced; do not let my enemies gloat over me.
- R. No one is disgraced who waits for You, but only those who lightly break faith.
- V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
- R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## THE GOSPEL – MATTHEW 24:37-44

Jesus said to his disciples: "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 that Noah entered the ark. They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away. So will it be also at the coming of the Son of Man. Two men will be out in the field: one will be taken, and one will be left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken, and one will be left. Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come. Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour of night when the thief was coming. he would have stayed awake and not let his house be broken into. So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

## This is the Gospel of the Lord!

## Worship Services

SUNDAY – Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> First Sunday of Advent Cycle A 9:00 AM – HOLY MASS Blessing of the Advent Wreath

SUNDAY – Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> Second Sunday of Advent 9:00 AM – HOLY MASS Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament following the Mass

#### Altar Candles

The six new liquid candles on the main altar are already proving to be a vast improvement over the old mechanical ones. Even in liturgical matters technology can sometimes be most beneficial. We once again thank Lorraine and Maurice Persianni for their kind and thoughtful donation of these candles and we have already received offers and inquiries about replacing the rest of the altar candles with these new style liquid ones. I hope that this continues and maybe we will have them all done by Christmas.

#### ANS Christmas Luncheon

The Ladies Society for the Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament (ANS) will hold their annual Christmas Luncheon Saturday, December 10, 2016 at 12:00 Noon at Palermo's Restaurant in Trenton. Flyers with details are on the table in the Narthex.

#### The Sign & the Cross & the Lights

With the repairs to the road sign and the cross on the building complete, we are turning our attentions to the lights inside the Sanctuary. Many of them are burnt out but they are difficult to reach. Thanks go out to Chris Ewaskiewicz and his son for risking life and limb to remove samples so that we can attempt to source LED replacements for the two different styles of lamps used in the decorative fixtures. Hopefully, we will have more information next week on their availability and cost.

#### **Christmas Food Drive**

Our Thanksgiving Food drive was a success and the donated items have been delivered to those less blessed in our community. Since some donations were received after we delivered the food, we decided to roll this over into a Christmas Food Drive. So if you have any donations of non-perishable food items that you might care to donate to help make Christmas a little brighter for someone in need, please leave them in the narthex and we will see to it that they are given to those most needful in this season of hope and joy.

#### Christmas Wafers – Oplatki

The Oplatki have arrived! If you are interested in obtaining them for your Christmas Dinner celebration, please see Peggy Kowalik. They are \$2.00 apiece. This is a beautiful tradition to maintain at your Christmas table.

## **INTENTIONS:**

My Brothers and Sisters: Our prayers are needed: For the increase in men called to the priesthood and diaconate of the Polish National Catholic Church; For the health and growth of our Parish; For all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish; For the health and wellbeing of Howard Friedman, Tim Dulin, Jules Nagy, Raymond Priester, Bob Rush, Bernice Muha, Stella Surma, Stanley Sostak, Rose Kubik, Janet Caruso, Victor McAlanis, Marie and Nunzie Sospetti, Robert Paterson, David Wunderlich, Michael Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank Fisher, Anthony Tonzini, Erica Franta, Anne Rossetti, Carol Parker, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Marty Ruane, Sally Urban, Duane Schulte, Michael Pivovarnick, Tim Fischer, Dennis Fagan, Bernice Biroscak, Kathy Glaus, Walter Schilling and Douglas Lipton. For the repose of the soul of Mark Mechowski. Our Father...

Today's Hymns

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Please, join with the choir to make a beautiful noise unto the Lord!

The Hymns listed below can be found in the Blue Hymnal Books in the pews.

### **Opening Hymn**

#32 – O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (Verses 1 & 2)

*Hymn to the Holy Spirit* #144 – Come, Thou Creator

*Offertory Hymn* #16 – Send Forth, O Heavens

**Post Communion Hymn** #26 – Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent

### **Recessional Hymn**

#30 - Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus