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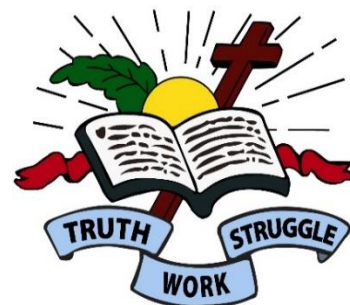
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First Sunday of Advent – Cycle C

A Sabbath Thought

There *is* something to wait for. The shoot *will* blossom, the promise *will* materialize, the Lord *will* come again. What we *expect* should color our lives. *Who* we wait for should warm our hearts.

About Today's Bible Readings

JEREMIAH 33:14-16

This Advent season is rooted in the ancient promise outlined here: A bare shoot will blossom into salvation, safety and security for all God's people.

Responsorial Psalm: 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14

R. To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

1 THESSALONIANS 3:12-4:2

We make our own this prayer of Paul's for the Thessalonians: "May God strengthen our hearts, making them holy and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

LUKE 21:25-28, 34-36

The thought of the end may be scary, but its meaning is clear: With Christ's coming, our redemption will be complete. Therefore, we can hold our heads high.

ENTRANCE RITE – Psalm 92:2-3

V. It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praise to Your name, Most High,

R. To proclaim Your love in the morning, Your faithfulness in the night.

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 – Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Jesus said to his disciples: "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on earth nations will be in dismay, perplexed by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will die of fright in anticipation of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.

"Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise like a trap. For that day will assault everyone who lives on the face of the earth. Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man."

This is the Gospel of the Lord!

Worship Services

TODAY – Dec. 2nd
First Sunday of Advent

9:00 AM – HOLY MASS
Blessing of the Advent Wreath!
Adoration of the Most Blessed
Sacrament following Mass.

SUNDAY – Dec. 9th
Second Sunday of Advent

9:00 AM – HOLY MASS

CRAFT FAIR!

Thanks and congratulations to everyone who worked so hard to make our first Craft Fair a success! Especially, but in no way limited to, Michele and Katina Ewaskiewicz.

Parrish Committee Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Parrish Committee will be held after the 9:00 AM Mass today. I hope that all committee members will be able to attend.

ANS CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

The ladies of the ANS would like to invite all of the women of the parish **and their friends** to join them at their annual Christmas Luncheon get together on December 8th at Noon. Details are on the table in the Narthex or please see Loretta Mikovsky if you are interested in attending.

Christmas Wafers – Oplatki

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

Christmas Flowers

Envelopes for donations for flowers to adorn the Christmas altars are on the table in the Narthex. This is a beautiful way show your love in honor of family, friends or loved ones.

Christian Generosity

And let's not forget about those individuals in our community who are less blessed than ourselves. If you are able to donate non-perishable food, clothing, money or other items to help them as the holiday season begins, please do so. Donations may be left in the Narthex or given to Peggy Kowalik. God Bless you all.

THANK YOU!

A most grateful **thank you** to Jim Armstrong for donating his time, expertise and materials to repair the leak in the rectory heating system. Thanks to Chris Ewaskiewicz as well for his efforts concerning the repair. This has saved the parish a considerable amount of money and we truly appreciate all these individuals have done.

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, Michael and Bernice Muha, Stanley Sostak, Janet Caruso, Michael and Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank and Shellie Fisher, Anthony Tonzini, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Duane Schulte, Ruth Pivovarnick, Bill and Bernice Biroscak, Stefan Revesz, Stephanie Besterci, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Joan Piechota, John Smith, Ernie Hoffman, John and Jane Aldershoff, Garrett Aldershoff, Father Senior Gregory Mludzik, Peggy Harris, Ina Reese, Bob Stutz, Father Senior Ed Ratajack, Tom Goff, Anni Greif, Jamie Watson and Nancy Eaton. For the repose of the soul of Ashton Farley, Sr. **Our Father...**

ADVENT!

As we begin our Advent journey, I urge you to spend a few minutes each day in prayer and reflection. Try to imagine and appreciate the incredible gift that God is about to give mankind, His only begotten Son, freely given in expiation for our sins.

Today's Hymns

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

Processional 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

Communion Hymn

#26 – Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Recessional Hymn

#30 – Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus