

**December 9, 2018** 

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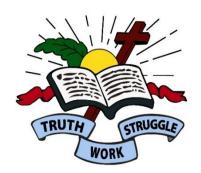
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# Second Sunday of Advent – Cycle C

### A Sabbath Thought

Only the sinful need a Saviour. Therefore, if we would truly enter into the spirit of Advent expectation, we must acknowledge that we cannot get along without God.

# About Today's Bible Readings

#### **BARUCH 5:1-9**

The Lord comes to restore his people. Therefore, the mourning time is at an end. Now dawn the days of joy.

Responsorial Psalm: 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

### **PHILIPPIANS 1:4-6, 8-11**

The words of Paul's prayer for the Philippians becomes an excellent prayer for ourselves.

#### **LUKE 3:1-6**

The time had come, and John the Baptist appeared to announce the imminence of salvation.

#### **ENTRANCE RITE - Malachi 3:1-2a**

- V. Lo, I am sending My messenger to prepare the way before Me; And suddenly there will come to the temple the Lord Whom you seek,
- R. And the messenger of the covenant Whom you desire, yes, He is coming, says the Lord of hosts.
- 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 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the desert. John went throughout the whole region of the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah: A voice of one crying out in the desert: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. Every valley shall be filled and every mountain and hill shall be made low. The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

This is the Gospel of the Lord!

# Worship Services TODAY – Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>

Second Sunday of Advent

9:00 AM - HOLY MASS

SUNDAY – Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>

Third Sunday of Advent
Gaudete Sunday

9:00 AM - HOLY MASS

#### **ADVENT**

One week down, three to go. As we continue 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.

### Christmas Worship

There are sheets on the table in the Narthex with the schedule for worship dates and times for the Christmas Holidays. Please note that the Shepherd's Mass or "Pasterka" will be at midnight again this year with the choir entertaining us before Mass beginning at 11:30 PM. Please invite your family, friends and neighbors to join with us as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

#### Christmas Wafers

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.

# Holiday 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. We have received a special request for winter coats, from infant to adult sizes. They do not need to be new, just clean and in good condition. Donations may be left in the Narthex or given to Peggy Kowalik. May God bless you all.

#### **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, Nancy Eaton and Fred Rast. Our Father...

# Today's Hymns

# 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.

Silence is much worse than singing off key!

## **Processional Hymn**

#32 - O Come, O Come, Emmanuel (Verses 1 & 4)

# **Hymn to the Holy Spirit**

#144 - Come, Thou Creator

# **Offertory Hymn**

#21 - On Jordan's Bank

## **Communion Hymn**

#18 - Advent Longing

# **Recessional Hymn**

#27 - Comfort, Comfort Ye My People