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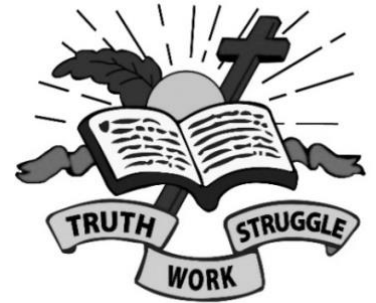
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December 20, 2020

4th Sunday of Advent

FAITH SHARING

Today's readings focus on the circumstances leading up to the first coming of Jesus, the event which sets the pattern for his coming to us now and at the end of time.

2 SM 7:1-5, 8B-12, 14A, 16

The first reading surprises us by telling of God's promise to David that he would have a long line of royal descendants culminating in a final King, Jesus Christ.

Responsorial Psalm

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

ROM 16:25-27

The second reading surprises us with Paul's explanation of the unveiling of God's plan for human salvation through Jesus.

LK 1:26-38

In today's Gospel, the Angel Gabriel surprises Mary with seven announcements. 1) Even as a virgin betrothed to Joseph, she will become a mother. 2) She will become a mother through "the Holy Spirit [Who] will come upon you, and the Power of the Most High will overshadow you." 3) The angel continues, "Therefore, the Child to be born will be called Holy, the Son of God." 4) She is to "name the child Jesus," which means Savior. 5) God will make Him a King and, as a descendant in the line of David, 6) "He will rule over the House of Jacob forever, and of His Kingdom there will be no end." 7) As a Divine sign, Elizabeth, Mary's aged barren cousin is six months pregnant, "for," says Gabriel, "nothing shall be impossible with God!"

ENTRANCE HYMN (Luke 1:28,42; Judith 15:9b)

V. Hail favored one! The Lord is with you. Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!

R. You are the glory of Jerusalem, the surpassing joy of Israel! You are the splendid boast of our people.

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.

Gospel

LK 1:26-38

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke.

The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you." But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.

"Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

But Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?" And the angel said to her in reply, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore, the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God."

Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

The Gospel of the Lord.

OPLATKI - CHRISTMAS WAFERS

Christmas wafers are in sale now at Our Saviours. \$2.00 a pack. Ask Peggy for details.



ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. In flame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior.

Today's Hymns

Processional Hymn

#1 Hymn of Faith

Hymn to the Holy Spirit

#144 Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn

O Come, Divine Messiah

Communion Hymn

#21 On Jordan's Bank

Recessional Hymn

#26 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday, December 20

4 Sunday of Advent

12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

Thursday, December 24

Vigil of the Nativity

12:00 Midnight – Holy Mass

Friday, December 25

Solemnity – Nativity of the Lord

12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

Sunday, December 27

Solemnity – Humble Shepherds

12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

Friday, January 1

Solemnity – Circumcision of the Lord

12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

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BULLETIN INFORMATION

If you have any information which supposed to be in our parish bulletin, please call or email Fr. Mariusz. Due date for each bulletin is always Friday, 4:00 p.m.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Let us pray for all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish, especially: Howard Friedman, Bernice Muha, Janet Caruso, Michael and Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank and Shellie Fisher, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Duane Schulte, Bill and Bernice Biroscak, Stephanie Besterce, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Joan Piechota, John Smith, Ernie Hoffman, John and Jane Aldershoff, Peggy Harris, Ina Reese, Bob Stutz, Tom Goff, David Gavenda, Michelle Freer, Kay Stampone, Dorothy Nabinger, John Russell, Ronald Brower, Jan Cherneski, Sally Bisch, Stan Sub, Ruth Mechowski, Ewelina Mendelewski-Filyushchenko, Richard Golazewski, Joseph Seliga, Fr. Donald Wunderlich, Walter Papp.

DECORATING CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS

Ladies plan to decorate our church for Christmas on Sunday, December 20, 2020 after Mass. Please stay with us to help a little.

CHURCHES EXCLUDED FROM THE LIMITS IN PUBLIC GATHERINGS

All public gatherings in the State of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware are limited to 10 persons inside and 50 outside.

Churches, synagogues, mosques, temples and other houses of worship were excluded from the indoor gathering limits, but state officials "strongly encouraged" them to avoid congregating inside. Faith leaders should "carefully weigh the health risks to their congregants given the immense amount of community spread of COVID-19," the state's statement said.

2020 CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE AT ST. VALENTINE'S AND OUR SAVIOUR'S

Thursday, December 24, 2020

- St. Valentine's 9:00 PM
- Our Saviour's 12:00 Midnight

Friday, December 25, 2020

- St. Valentine's 9:30 AM
- Our Saviour's 12:00 Noon

Saturday, December 26, 2020

- St. Valentine's 11:00 AM
- St. Valentine's 9:30 AM

Sunday, December 27, 2020

- St. Valentine's 9:30 AM
- Our Saviour's 12:00 Noon

Monday, December 28, 2020

- St. Valentine's 7:00 PM
- St. Valentine's 4:00 PM

Thursday, December 31, 2020

- St. Valentine's 9:30 AM
- Our Saviour's 12:00 Noon

Friday, January 1, 2021

- St. Valentine's 9:30 AM
- Our Saviour's 12:00 Noon

Saturday, January 2, 2021

- St. Valentine's 5:00 PM
- St. Valentine's 9:30 AM

Sunday, January 3, 2021

- St. Valentine's 9:30 AM
- Our Saviour's 12:00 Noon

Wednesday, January 6, 2021

- Our Saviour's 12:00 Noon
- St. Valentine's 7:00 PM

Sunday, January 10, 2021

- St. Valentine's 9:30 AM
- Our Saviour's 12:00 Noon

* Christmas Eve

Shepherds' Mass – *Pasterka* (available on YouTube and Facebook)

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* Christmas Day – Nativity of the Lord

Christmas Mass (available on YouTube and Facebook)

Christmas Mass

Feast – St. Stephen

Holy Mass (available on YouTube and Facebook)

* Solemnity – Humble Shepherds

Holy Mass (available on YouTube and Facebook)

Holy Mass

Feast – Holy Innocents

Holy Mass (available on YouTube and Facebook)

New Year's Eve

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction (available on YouTube and Facebook)

* Solemnity – Circumcision of our Lord

Holy Mass (available on YouTube and Facebook)

Holy Mass

Solemnity – Holy Name of Jesus

Holy Mass (available on YouTube and Facebook)

* Solemnity – Holy Family

Holy Mass with the blessing of families (available on YouTube and Facebook)

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* Solemnity – Epiphany of the Lord

Holy Mass with the blessing of incense, charcoal & chalk (available on YouTube and Facebook)

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* Solemnity – Baptism of the Lord

Holy Mass with the Renewal of the Baptismal Promises (available on YouTube and Facebook)

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* – holy day of obligation