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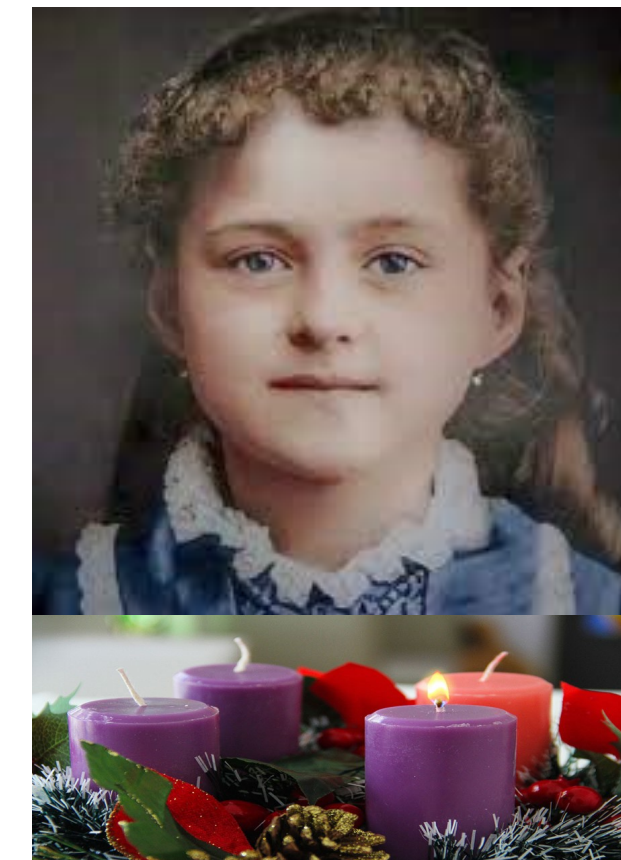
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December 1: First Sunday of Advent



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Office Hours: Wednesday 8:30AM—4:30PM

Holy Mass Schedule:
The Day of the Lord begins Saturday: Vigil 4:00PM
Sunday: 9:00AM
Weekdays: 8:00AM or as announced

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)
Tuesday—Saturday: 7:00 AM –7:45 AM
Saturday: 3:00-3:45PM
Sunday: 8:00-8:45AM

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:
Please contact the parish priest during serious illness or be-
fore surgery.

Sacrament of Baptism: By appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage:
Please contact the parish priest as soon as possible. Pre-
marriage classes are mandatory.

Eucharistic Adoration:
First Friday of the Month: 8:30—9:30
First Saturday of the Month: 8:30—9:30

Catholic Women's League:
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CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

December 1st, 2024—Year C



Sat. November	30: Vigil Of First Sunday Of Advent	4:00PM +Esther Mary McWatters by Tedesco family
Sun. December	1: First Sunday of Advent	9:00AM All Parishioners
Tue. December	3: ST Francis Xavier	8:00AM +Mary Simmonds by Shawn Simmonds
Wed. December	4: Ferial	8:00AM +Maria & Oliviero Piovesan by Wilma Piovesan
Thu. December	5: Ferial	8:00AM +Suzanne Lavoie by Mary Nan
Fri. December	6: Ferial	8:00AM +Eileen Nan by Mary Nan
Sat. December	7: Saint Ambrose	8:00AM +Giuseppe, Anna & Francesco Bonomi by Aldo Bonomi
	Vigil Of the 2nd Sunday Of Advent	4:00PM All Parishioners
Sun. December	8: Second Sunday Of Advent	9:00AM +Fr. Bruno Bonomi by Aldo Bonomi



Advent and Christmas Season
The theology of Advent revolves around two main perspectives.

On one hand, the term *adventus* (coming, arrival) refers to the commemoration of the first coming of the Lord; on the other, it emphasizes the second coming, which will take place at the end of time. This period that we are about to experience is, therefore, a time of preparation for the solemnity of Christmas, during which we remember the first coming of the Son of God. At the same time, it is a period when the spirit is guided in anticipation of the second coming of Christ at the end of time.

During Advent, we celebrate the ever-ongoing mystery of Jesus' coming—a coming that spans the entire personal journey of individuals and the whole of human history. The anticipation we celebrate is unique, with its moments interconnected: the advent of Christ in the flesh is directed toward His daily advent within the Church and humanity, which, in turn, is oriented toward the ultimate advent.

DECEMBER 9TH: SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



Every year, during the Advent season, we are called upon to commemorate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Saint Paul serves as a reminder that each of us has been selected to strive for holiness and purity. Mother Mary was holy and immaculate from the moment of her conception, making herself a symbol of our ultimate goal in heaven. The Immaculate Conception is also the patron saint of the Sons of the Immaculate Conception, the religious congregation to which Father Daniele has belonged since 1973.

There will be a special mass on December 9th at 8:00 am

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS



Special Christmas flower envelopes are now accessible in your weekly offering boxes. If you wish to make a donation in memory of someone, kindly write their name on the back of these envelopes. For those who don't have envelopes, please reach out to Carol at the office or speak to Father Daniele after the masses. We deeply appreciate your generous contributions. Thank you for your kindness and support.

Gift Boxes for families in need

Last year, working with St. Therese school, we delivered 15 gift boxes to families in need before Christmas. These gift boxes contained **socks, mitts, hats, scarves, some toys, none perishable food items and a gift card** for groceries. During the month of November we will be collecting those listed items. Baskets will be at the entrance of the church for your donations. Gift cards please see Mary Nan or Mary Van Ruyven. With your help we hope to fulfill our goal of filling 16 gift boxes

There are **Pro-Life Christmas** cards for sale at the Religious items counter. 10 cards for \$11.00.



From Tuesday December 17th to December 24th, we will be celebrating the Christmas Novena. The celebration will take place following the daily masses, specifically after the 8:00 am mass on weekdays and after the 9:00 am mass on Sundays. It will provide a meaningful way for us to prepare for the celebration of the Incarnation of the Son of God. The theme for the novena will be "**He Dwelt Among Us.**"

SUNDAY OFFERING

Sunday November 24:

Offerings:	\$1,753.00
Deo Gratias :	30.00
Repairs:	10.00



Come enjoy coffee, sweet treats, and chats with us **on December 1st after the 9:00 AM Mass.** Hosted by the Saint Therese

Parish CWL Council. Everyone's invited!

Pope's Intention for the Month of December:



For pilgrims of hope

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into

pilgrims of Christian hope.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The Offertory envelopes for 2025 will be available for pickup at the front door of the Church starting from December 1st. They have been sorted alphabetically for your convenience. If you are a parishioner without envelopes and would like to receive them or need to update your information, please contact the office. Please refrain from using the envelopes until January 1st, 2025, as some numbers have changed. Remember to clearly print your name and address on the 2025 envelopes when using them.



COATS FOR KIDS

The Knights of Columbus is once again collecting new and gently used winter coats for needy children and adolescents in our community. If you wish to donate, please place your coat(s) in the box at the rear of the church during the month of November. Monetary donations are also welcome. Please make cheques payable to the Knights of Columbus. For more info or monetary donations please contact: Josef VanRuyven - 289 969 9369