

#### PARISH INFORMATION



#### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturdays: Msgr. Ryan Hall - 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Also by appointment.

#### SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

The Church provides certain times and preparation for weddings. Please contact the Rectory at least six months in advance to begin the process.

#### REGISTRATION

Every family and person within the parish is encouraged to register with the Parish.

#### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at 2:00 p.m. A required Baptism preparation meeting for parents meets on the first Monday of the month at 8:00 p.m. Godparents are welcome. Please register in advance for the class and Baptism. Godparent Pre-Requisites: Godparents must be practicing Catholics in good standing, 16 years of age or older, Baptized and Confirmed Catholic.

#### ON BECOMING A CATHOLIC

Those seeking information about the Catholic Faith are invited to contact Fr. Valentine at the Rectory at (516) 621-2222.

#### CARE OF THE SICK

Please notify the Rectory and Human Concerns Ministries if there is anyone seriously ill so that we can provide spiritual care.



#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Kathleen Capuano Mary Ann Cifarelli Rebekah Cole Kevin Cronin Paul Cronin Joseph V. Danbusky John Damiano Jessica Dawson Linda De Stio John Paul DiNonno James Dougherty Eric DuBois Members of Ferreira **Family** Noel Glen Ilse Govoni Stephen Grabher Roberta Greco Christine Kenney

Anne Krukowski Frank Krukowski Richard Malon Marilyn Manning Stuey Manzione John McCormack Justin Paradine Diana Pearce Karen Petrik Marion Prendergast Gregory Racaniello Jaxon Rivera Roy Rodrigues Angelo Santora Charles Strecker Clotida Vecchione Ronald Webb Anne Wright Mary Wybaillie

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#### ...AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Gabriele Tiberia and A. Robert Lynch



#### THE MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### Sunday, December 11: 3rd Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. Ivan Supe

by Markovina Family

9:00 a.m. Patricia A. & Kenneth J. Daley

by Your Loving Family

11:00 a.m. Robert Bielemeier

by Michael & Janis Caola

Michael McNulty

by Jeanne & Scott Lewis

Helen & James O'Hara by Richard O'Hara

Thomas Tucholski - 20th Anniversary

by His Family

Peter Vanatta

by Elsie Calderone

People of the Parish 12:30 p.m.

Monday, December 12: Our Lady of Guadalupe

9:00 a.m. Robert French

by GWL Faculty and Staff

**Tuesday, December 13:** St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

9:00 a.m. Daniel James Thalmann

> by Rachael, Matthew, and Faith Wedlock

Wednesday, December 14: St. John of the Cross, Priest &

Doctor of the Church

9:00 a.m. Dolores O'Hara

by Richard O'Hara

Thursday, December 15: Advent Weekday

9:00 a.m. Severino Ang

by Benedicta Ang

Friday, December 16: Advent Weekday

9:00 a.m. Bill Capobianco

by John & Catherine Lau

Saturday, December 17: Late Advent Weekday

Nicholas John Gregory 5:00 p.m.

by The Schneider Family

John Juliski

by The Family

#### Sunday, December 18: 4th Sunday of Advent

7:30 a.m. Laura Nicholas

by Ann & John Nicholas

9:00 a.m. Mary & Carmin Dellavecchia

by Charles & Linda Dellavecchia

11:00 a.m. Francesco & Giuseppina Aversa

by The Family

Dr. Rodolfo Magpantay - 2nd Anniversary

by Dr. Esmeralda Magpantay

Tom McCormack

by The Lynn Family

Carol & Salvatore Sica

by The Scuderi Family

Peter Vanatta

by Larry & Lorraine Porto

12:30 p.m. People of the Parish

#### READINGS FOR SUNDAY DECEMBER 11, 2002 3rd Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 35: 1-6a, 10 Second Reading: James 5:7-10 Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

**FOCUS:** Make your hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand.

On Gaudete Sunday we rejoice with all the earth in anticipation and preparation for Jesus' birth and the coming of his kingdom. We, like John the Baptist, are blessed and included in the kingdom of heaven, not because of what we do but what Jesus does for us.

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, Isaiah describes how the earth will rejoice when the Lord comes to save his people. In the second reading, James encourages patient hearts, for the return of the Lord is at hand. In the Gospel, Jesus praises John the Baptist as God's messenger and assures John's disciples that he is the one John has been seeking.

Readings for next week, Sunday December 18, 2022 Isaiah 7:10-14 Romans 1:1-7 Matthew 1:18-24

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#### **♦** Celebrants for the Weekend of **♦** December 17 & 18, 2022

	Celebrants*	Lector
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Fr. Valentine	P. Kalenka - L
Sunday 7:30 a.m.	Fr. Valentine	V. Eyerman - L
9:00 a.m.	Fr. Lauder	P. Kirk - L
11:00 a.m.	Fr. Valentine	J. Finnegan - L
12:30 p.m.	Fr. Valentine	Volunteers Needed

#### Subject to last minute changes.

#### FOSTERING STEWARDSHIP AS A WAY OF LIFE

#### PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

When you read and hear of Jesus' works, have courage to turn to Him in prayer and ask Him to help you with what you are struggling with.

#### **Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary**

Sunday Offering December 3/4 \$7,320.00\* Same Week Last Year \$7,104.00\*

Mass Attendance for December 3/4 531 Same Week Last Year 495

\*Does not include Faith Direct

#### **Faith Direct Sacrificial Giving Summary**

Faith Direct ~ November, 2022 \$13,170.19 (4 Sundays at \$3,292.55 per week)

Faith Direct - same month last year \$9,978.75 (4 Sundays at \$2,494.68 per week)



## **Congratulations**

to the following winners selected for the month of November.

> 1st place \$250.00 # 23 Maryanne Connolly 2nd place \$100.00 # 224 Lynn Reilly

3rd place \$50.00 # 13 Phyllis Concillo



You lune Just a reminder all St. Mary's LIVESTREAM Masses are on Youtube link https://tinyurl.com/St-Marys-Roslyn



# The Pastor's Page

#### Dear Friends:

One of my first communion calls ever was a 96-year-old lady who kept her own house until she was 94. The only reason she came to live with her daughter was that she was losing her eyesight, which terrified her; it was her only connection with the outside world. "I should think there is a patron saint for the blind, but who is it?" The answer is simple: St. Lucy.

Given the fact that St. Lucy lived at the turn of the 4th century in the final years before Christianity was decriminalized, the details of her life are largely a matter of conjecture. From what we can gather, she was born to an aristocratic family and lived with her widowed mother, Eutychia, who suffered ill health and wanted to see her daughter marry before her own death. According to the Catholic Encyclopedia, however, Lucy was inspired during this age of martyrdom by St. Agatha to offer her life in service to God and the poor. (She was known to wear candles fixed on her head in order to have two free hands to carry food to Christians hiding in the catacombs.) Eutychia relented in her opposition to Lucy's plan after a pilgrimage to the tomb of St. Agatha, whereupon she experienced a miraculous cure. Lucy's suitor, who lost a future wife and, worse, her dowry, became furious, and dragged her into court before the governor of Sicily, who condemned her. By God's help, she successfully resisted attempts to break her spirit. When forced to enter a brothel, she remained literally immovable; when set among burning logs, she stayed untouched. Lucy even suffered the appalling torment of having her eyes gouged out; finally she succumbed to the sword, only after receiving last rites. The deaths of the martyrs, particularly during the first centuries of Christianity, are so revolting that one would hardly be blamed for refusing at all to listen to the specifics, much less draw consolation from them. Yet Lucy was herself seized by the heroic martyrdom St. Agatha underwent 50 years previously. As you can tell by the painting of Francesco del Cossa (1472), St. Lucy is depicted as quite beautiful. The artist idealizes, not the brutality she went through, but rather her love for Christ—and his for her—that enabled her to give the ultimate witness. As the preface of martyrs tells us, God's grace shines through (her) weakness, "and in (her) suffering, the victory is Yours."

Here we behold the connection between aesthetic beauty and moral goodness. Both are eminently desirable. One appeals to the senses, the second, to the will: both, to the intellect. The artist reveals to us the very soul of Lucy, whose name means "light." In her red dress, carrying the palm branch, we admire the signs of her martyrdom, to say nothing of the twin "petals" of the flower she holds: her eyes. The gold rays emanating from her halo are a symbol of the surpassing grace available to all God's children. The only question is whether we decide to reflect it to others.

I used to teach with a professor who is of Swedish descent, and in her country, St. Lucy is a figure of great devotion. At the beginning of winter, the light of the sun is at its lowest point, but it keeps growing, in nature and in our hearts. In a ritual much like our own "Lessons and Carols" (this afternoon!), people gather in Church to hear the Word of God and sing Advent hymns to mark the Light of Christ. The ceremony involves a young girl wearing a crown of glowing candles. The people pray: "O God, we humbly ask You, through the intercession of Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr, to give perfect vision to our eyes, that they may serve for Your greater honor and glory." In addition to the blind, Lucy is also the patron saint of ophthalmologists. Let us, in turn, pray for the "vision" with which to see Christ in our neighbor, and accept the suffering that comes to us as the price of Christian love.

Faithfully, Fr. Valentine

#### **Adult Education**

## St. Matthew's Gospel/Intro to Liturgy

Please join Fr. Valentine and Fr. John Mendonca for evenings of adult education on

#### Wednesday's from 7pm - 8pm in the church at 110 Bryant Avenue

You are welcome to attend as many sessions as you like. The atmosphere is informal and the only material you need is a Bible (we use the New American Bible, Catholic Bible Publishers, 1970). For those who can not attend in person live-streaming is available. Visit St. Mary's Church website for links to live-streaming and class Power Point presentations at <a href="http://www.stmarysroslyn.com">http://www.stmarysroslyn.com</a>

#### **Month Date Description**

**Prepare** (Link can be found St. Marys Church website)

December 14 11: The Resurrection of Jesus

Mt 28:1-20: Power Point 11

# St Mary's Christmas Mass Schedule

Saturday, December 24th Christmas Eve

4:00 pm (Choir) - Msgr. Ryan Hall 6:00 pm - Church 10:00 pm - Church Sunday, December 25th Christmas Day

7:30 am - 9:00 am - Church 11:00 am (Choir) - Church 12:30 pm - Msgr. Ryan Hall

# Lessons and Carols

Lessons and Carols is a service that was first drawn up by Archbishop Benson when he was Bishop of Truro for use in the Cathedral and was later simplified for use in King's College Cambridge in 1918.

It is a wonderful way to prepare for Mid-Advent and Christmas, with reading from Scripture and music of the Season.

If you can take time out from your busy schedules on this third Sunday of Advent, Gaudate Sunday, which means

## Rejoice!

Hospitality will follow in the lower church.



# Religious Education at St Mary's - 12/11/2022

# Sharing the Mass 🕆

Thank you to all of the families who attended our special grade level masses these past 2 weeks! It's been so lovely seeing you in the pews and we hope you continue to be with us!

¡Gracias a todas las familias que asistieron a nuestras misas de grado especial en las últimas 2 semanas! ¡Ha sido tan encantador verte en los bancos y esperamos que sigas estando con nosotros!

# KIDS CORNER

#### What Happens When Jesus Comes?

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells the disciples to tell John the Baptist what He does. What happens to whom? Match up the people with what happens to them.

the blind .

are raised up

and the lame .

have good news preached to them

lepers •

hear

the deaf .

are cleansed

the dead .

· receive their sight

and the poor .

walk



# Reunión con las familias

6<sup>th</sup> Grade/para el 6º grado → Dec 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm

1<sup>st</sup> Grade/para el 1º grado → Jan 3<sup>st</sup> at 7pm

We're hosting a Holiday food drive. Students are encouraged to bring in non-perishable food items over the next few weeks. The class that brings in the most will win a prize! Good Luck!





Organizaremos una colección de comida

navideña! Se anima a los estudiantes a traer
alimentos no perecederos durante las próximas
semanas. ¡La clase que traiga más, ganará un premio!
¡Buena suerte!

# Advent is Half Over!

Today is the third Sunday of Advent. That means that half the wait is over! If you have an advent wreath, this is the week to light the pink candle. Pink is a symbol the joy we have because we're halfway to Christmas.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells the people that John the Baptist was a prophet and messenger. A prophet is someone who tells the truth. In the Old Testament the prophets told God's people the truth about God. Saint John was a prophet because he told the people that the Messiah, or saviour, was coming soon, and that they needed to repent of their sins.

Saint John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus by calling people to repentance. You can help prepare for

Christmas by thinking and talking about how Jesus came to earth on the first Christmas. Can you tell somebody the story of the first Christmas today?

## The Crèche is Up!

Ten Knights of Columbus on Friday December 2nd took advantage of the mild weather to put up the parish crèche.

The work crew included (pictured L to R)
Rob Timmerman, John Little,
Carl Ring, Matt Doherty,
Bill Watt, Angelo Grande,
Bill Danielson, Phil Kirk,
Ed Escoffier and GK Sean Quinn.

Thank You for Your Service



#### Christmas Flowers and Greens

St. Mary's has the custom of a Flower Fund to provide flowers for the altar and sanctuary in the church and Msgr. Ryan Hall at Christmas. If you wish to make a donation to our Christmas Flowers and Greens in memory of a loved one, please return your envelope that you will receive in the mail to the Rectory or place it in the collection basket. There are extra envelopes at the doors of the Church and Hall.





# Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.

Be our protector against the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray;

And do Thou,

O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen

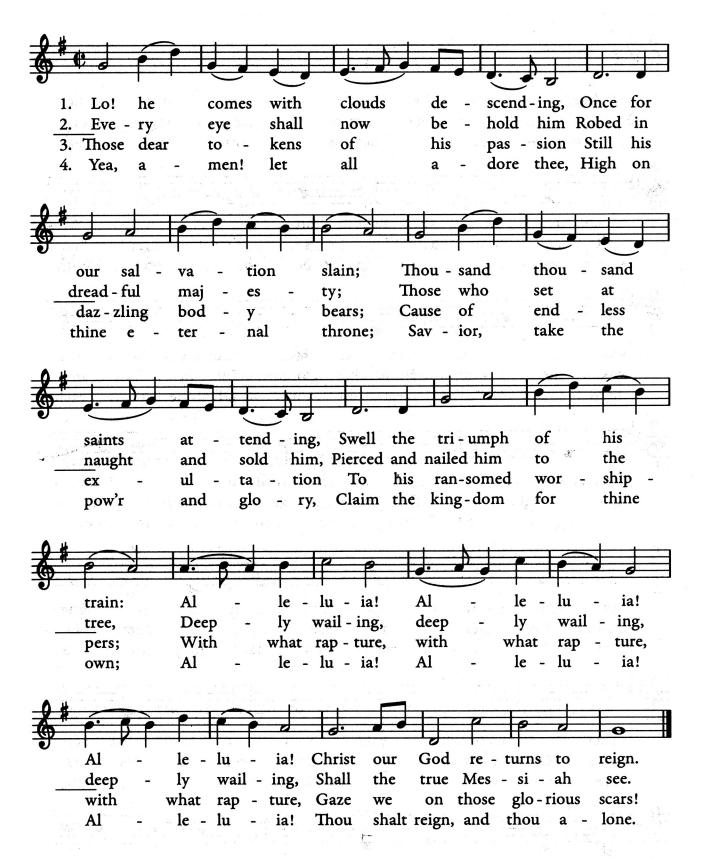
# The Third Sunday of Advent, year A, page 23 in the Missal Processional O Come, Divine Messiah



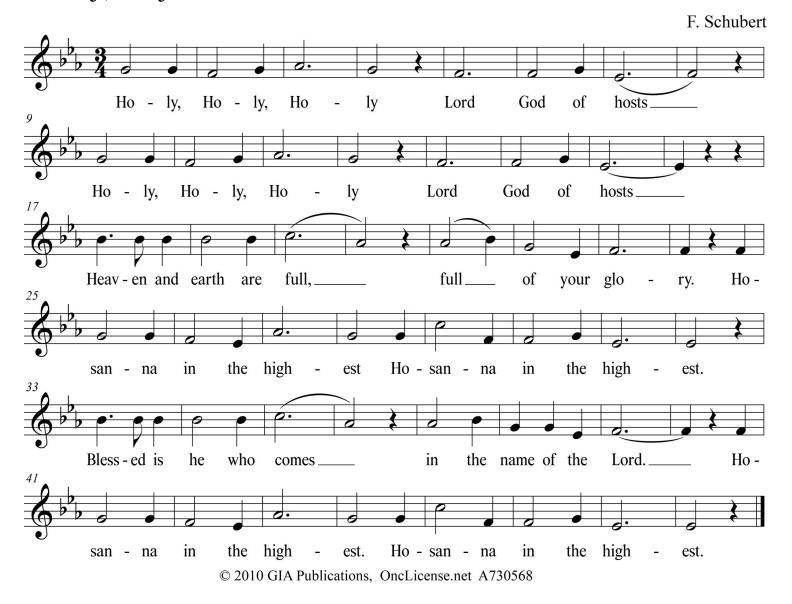
Responsorial Psalm



# Offertory Lo! He Comes With Clouds Descending



# Holy, Holy



# Acclamation Savior Us Savior of the World Great Amen



Music: Deutsche Messe, Franz Schubert, 1797-1828, adapt. by Richard Proulx, © 1985, 1989, GIA Publications, Inc.

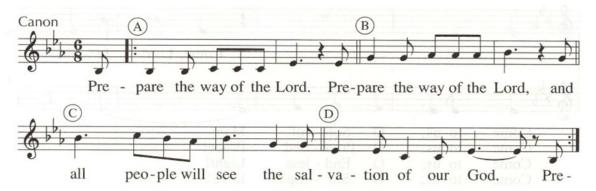
#### Communion

# O Come, O Come Emmanuel

- 1. O come, O come, Emmanuel. And ransom captive Israel. That mourns in lonely exile here, Until the Son of God appear. Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel
- 2. O come, O wisdom from on high, Who order all things mightily; To us the path of knowledge show, And teach us in her ways to go. Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel
- 3. O come, O come great Lord of might, who to your tribes on Sinai'.s height. In ancient times once gave the Law, in cloud and majesty and awe. Rejoice, rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel

# Recessional

# Prepare The Way of the Lord



Text: Luke 3:4, 6; Taizé Community, 1984 Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994 © 1984, Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., agent

