

Calendar

Monday

November 28
Advent Weekday
Is 4:2–6
Mt 8:5–11

Tuesday

November 29
Advent Weekday
Is 11:1–10
Lk 10:21–24

Wednesday

November 30
St. Andrew,
Apostle
Rom 10:9–18
Mt 4:18–22

Thursday

December 1
Advent Weekday
Is 26:1–6
Mt 7:21, 24–27

Friday

December 2
Advent Weekday
Is 29:17–24
Mt 9:27–31

Saturday

December 3
St. Francis Xavier,
Priest
Is 30:19–21, 23–26
Mt 9:35–10:1, 5a, 6–8

Sunday

December 4
Second Sunday
of Advent
Is 11:1–10
Rom 15:4–9
Mt 3:1–12

Dear Padre,

I want my son to be confirmed this year, but he won't go to confirmation classes or select a sponsor. What should I do?

When your son was baptized, you promised to raise him in the faith. Going to Mass and making faith part of your home life has been part of his upbringing, but forcing him to be confirmed can result in resentment and drive him further from you and his Catholic faith. Try these three things:

First, have a heartfelt and personal discussion (or several) with him, sharing what your Catholic faith means to you.

Second, speak with the confirmation teacher or DRE. He or she has dealt with this before and can work with you both to understand his refusal.

Third, engage him in discovering God at work in his life through the people

and movements he's attracted to. Young people are often idealistic and can become disenchanted with the Church and other authority figures. The sooner they know you're willing to let them examine and understand what being Catholic means, the less inclined they will be to reject the Church.

What he needs is the steady, meaningful message that he is loved and important to you, God,

and the Church. Trust that God's will comes to fruition. Confirmation should occur when a person manifests a true desire and has undergone necessary preparation. These suggestions aren't easy but reflect the faith you want to pass on.

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A Word From Pope Francis

"We always need to begin again, to get up again, to rediscover the meaning of the goal of our lives."

—Angelus, December 1, 2013



**1st Sunday
Of Advent**
November 27, 2016



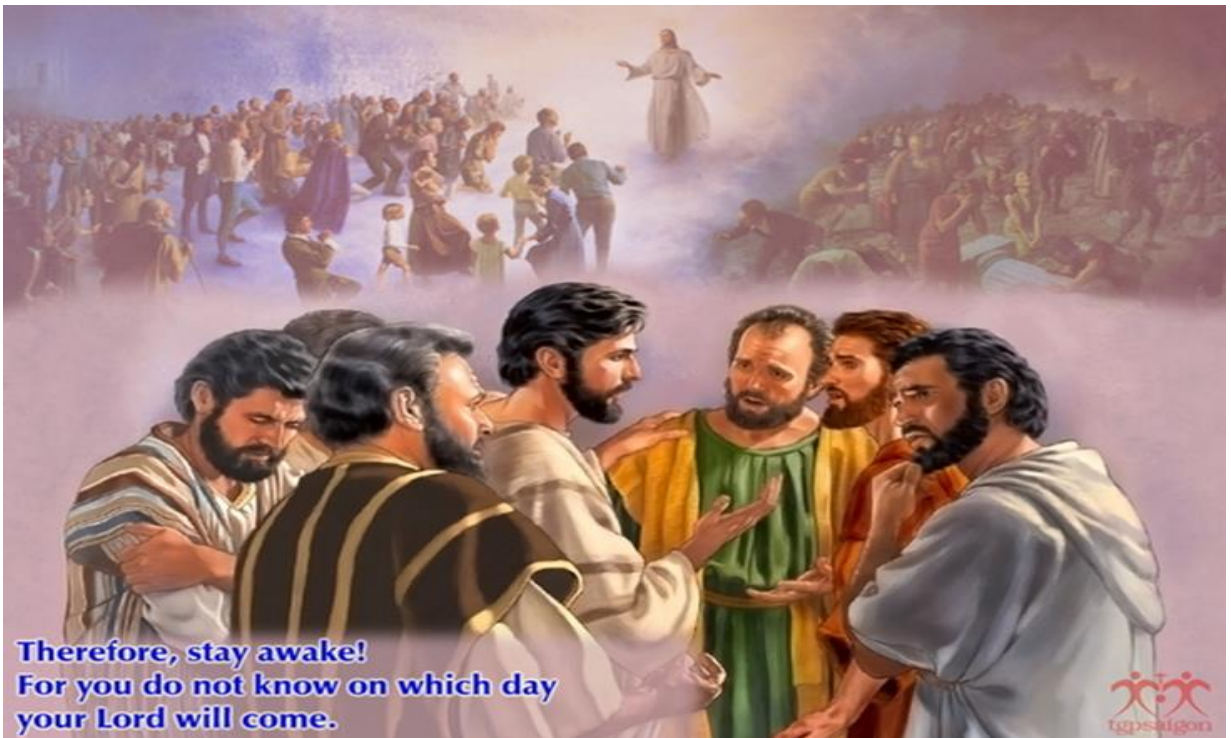
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For you do not know on which day
your Lord will come.**



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m.
to 9:30 a.m
**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION**
Both Before Mass and by Appointment.

Mass Schedule for this Week
Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule
Sun 7:30 am Our Parish Family
St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions
Sat 4:00 pm +George Brignac
Sun 9:00am Our Parish Family

Mon 8:00am Benefactors
Tues 8:00 am Spec Int
Wed 6:00 pm Benefactors
Thu 8:00 am +Fr Pete
Fri 8:00 am Spec Int

From Father Khoa's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

"Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come."

Jesus doesn't tell us when he will come again; but he does tell us all we need to know. First, he leaves no doubt in our minds that he will in fact return this isn't a question we have to debate. And secondly, he tells us what we need to do to be ready: stay awake! As long as we don't doze off while we're waiting, everything will be all right.

So our task is a relatively simple one. We are called to be on the lookout. We are supposed to be ready for the Lord when he appears. This is a straightforward instruction to be sure. But it does contain an inherent challenge: it's often much easier to hit the snooze button than to get up. It's our task, however, to make sure we don't give in to the temptation to fall back asleep.

This is what the season of Advent helps us to do. It's like the Church's alarm clock, ringing with persistence in our ears: Wake up! Throw off the covers of apathy and distraction! Jesus is coming! Get up and get your house in order before he arrives!

What exactly this means will be different for all of us--the particular behaviors we need to change, the specific virtues we need to develop all of this is unique to each individual. But our common goal is the same to clean house in our hearts and make ourselves ready to welcome the Lord. Yes, his return at the end of time will be a momentous event, but even if we never experience it during our lifetime, Jesus still wants to come to us here and now, to dwell in our hearts through the presence of his Spirit. This Advent, let's be

ready to welcome the Lord every minute of every day

Have a great week! May God bless all of us!

...Fr. Khoa

First Friday Adoration

Please join us at St Ann this ***Friday, December 2nd*** for ***Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament***. ***Adoration*** will begin after the 8:00am Mass and ends at 9:30am. Please come as "***Jesus longs for your visit***".

The Immaculate Conception Of The Blessed Virgin Mary Wed Dec 7th at 7:00pm and Thurs Dec 8th: ***8:00am and 7:00pm***.

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:**

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Total: **\$2,884.00**; Children: **\$20.06**;

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Identifiable: **\$90.00**; Loose: **\$155.00**; Total: **\$245.00**.

****Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84**.

Thank you for your generosity.

Knights of Columbus: Meet next Sunday. If you have any question, please contact Thomas Moran.

Church Cleaning: David and Joretta cleans up the church on Nov 29 & Dec 3 & 10. Please call Ellen at 341-0279 to sign up.

Christmas Basket: With Christmas quickly approaching, our Parish is anticipating the need for non-perishable items to help make the holidays special for those in need.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sat Nov 26 5pm	Richard Dunlap	Ellen West, Mike West , Doris Snowden	Austin Scarengoas	Ira Necaie August	Jim & Jan Estrada
Nov 27 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Teny Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Nov 27 9am	Kim Wood	Carolyn Brewer, Robin Peterson , Lisa Cuevas	Conner Carson	Will Burke Pat	Pat & Robin Peterson Family
Sat Dec 03 5pm	Lanny Acosta	Rita Acosta , Kay VanPelt, Henrietta Ladner	Austin Scarengoas	Kermit Mike Mays	Patricia Lizana
Dec 04 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Teny Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Dec 04 9am	Kathyn Ladner	Marlow Ladner , Nicki Quintini , Lisa Cuevas	Nick Will	Will Burke Pat	Marie Nance

ST. ANN ACTIVITIES.

CCD: If you have any questions, please contact Robert Lizana the DRE. Thank you.

RCIA: Please contact **Henrietta Ladner**.

Bereavement Committee: Please contact **Sharon Leimer** at 539-9928. Lasagna, green salad, rolls, and deserts will be provided for the funeral reception upon request. Thank you.

Parish Council: meets 3rd Saturdays.

Altar Society: meets 2nd Sundays.

MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS: You can have Masses offered for the deceased as well as for living family and friends. Mass cards and envelopes are available at the office.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE

Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Our advice is to call well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive info: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

VISITATION OF THE SICK: Please keep the parish office informed so we may minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or in a nursing facility. For those wishing to receive the Eucharist contact the parish office, 832-2560.

Lizana Light: For more information, please contact Doris or Diane. Thank you.

Bible Study: We study **Gospel of Luke: the gospel of Mercy.** Please join us. Classes are on **Tues at 9am and Wed at 6:30pm.** For more information, please contact **Ruth and Henrietta.**

The Word Among Us Reflections for Advent is available at the Church entrance.

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, William DeMello, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Victoria Moran, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, John Moran, Jerry Rutland, Regina Franke, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Debbie Bowen, Larry Shruff, Andrew Fillengame, Melissa Peterson, Madison Phelps, Breanna Ladner, Curtis (Cubby) Ladner, Gerald Barrilleaux, Hollis Moran, Robert Taylor, and Albert Necaie, Margaret Northrop.