

# Dear Padre,

**My husband of fifty years has no medical issues with his hearing, but he still doesn't listen to me in conversation. How can I feel heard?**

**I** humbly suggest that your husband read this edition of "Dear Padre." You might leave this bulletin someplace where he will see it.

"Give every man thine ear, but few thy voice," wrote Shakespeare in *Hamlet*. Likewise, the Bible reads, "Everyone should be quick to hear, slow to speak" (James 1:19).

Good listening skills require effort and discipline. Researchers say that only about 10 percent of us listen effectively. Generally, people hear only a fraction of what someone says. Moreover, during an emotional conflict, we tend to hear even less of what another is saying. Nevertheless, Pope Francis said, "We are called to meet others and listen to their life, their cry for help." He called listening "an act of love!" In other words, being available to listen to someone in need is an expression of charity, and being present to others—a spouse, a friend, the bereaved, for example—may actually speak louder than words.

In conversations, people feel heard when their feelings are validated and restated by the listener. But often the listener finds it easier to give advice, fix the problem, or win an argument, than to actively hear what the speaker is trying to communicate. It's advisable to eliminate distractions when someone wants to engage in an important conversation. People don't feel heard when a listener's short attention span wants to resume watching television. Nor do they feel respected during a serious phone conversation while the click of a computer mouse or yawning is overheard!

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR  
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## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*Take time, quality time. This means being ready to listen patiently and attentively to everything the other person wants to say....Often the other spouse does not need a solution to his or her problems, but simply to be heard, to feel that someone has acknowledged their pain, their disappointment, their fear, their anger.*

—AMORIS LAETITIA, MARCH 19, 2016

## Calendar

### Monday

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

### Tuesday

DECEMBER 1  
Advent Weekday  
Is 11:1–10  
Lk 10:21–24

### Wednesday

DECEMBER 2  
Advent Weekday  
Is 25:6–10a  
Mt 15:29–37

### Thursday

DECEMBER 3  
St. Francis Xavier,  
Priest  
Is 26:1–6  
Mt 7:21, 24–27

### Friday

DECEMBER 4  
Advent Weekday  
Is 29:17–24  
Mt 9:27–31

### Saturday

DECEMBER 5  
Advent Weekday  
Is 30:19–21, 23–26  
Mt 9:35–10:1, 5a, 6–8

### Sunday

DECEMBER 6  
Second Sunday  
of Advent  
Is 40:1–5, 9–11  
2 Pt 3:8–14  
Mk 1:1–8



**1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF  
ADVENT  
NOVEMBER 29, 2020**



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**St. Ann Mass Schedule &**

**Intentions**

Nov 28<sup>th</sup> 4pm Paul Irby

Nov 29<sup>th</sup> 9am. Parish

Nov 29<sup>th</sup> 6pm Parish

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Both before Mass and by Appointment.

Mon 8am Ex S

Wed 6pm. Ex S

Thu 8am Ex S

Fri 8am Ex S

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Friday Adoration from 8:30 am to 9:30 am

Dec 5<sup>th</sup> Sat 4 pm Ex S

Dec 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday 9 am Parish

Dec 6<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm Paul Irby

**Our Lady of Chartres Mass**

**Schedule.**

Sun 7:30 am Parish family

From Father David's Desk...

*Dear Parishioners and Friends,*

## HURRY UP AND WAIT!

We've all had this experience. We rush to get ready...and then we wait: at the doctor's office, for a train, at a restaurant. For what do we hurry up and wait this Sunday? Some might say we are waiting for the birth of Jesus. But today's readings don't say this. The first reading describes people waiting for relief from the guilt of their sinfulness. Paul talks about waiting for "the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ" at the end time (1 Corinthians 1:7). The people in the Gospel are waiting for the return of the householder to settle accounts. There's no waiting for Christmas—yet. For what should we wait if not Christmas? Isaiah tells us to hurry up and change our lives of pettiness, selfishness, and arrogance, and then to wait for the graciousness of God to "rend the heavens and come down" (Isaiah 63:19). Paul tells us to hurry up and embrace "the grace of God bestowed on [us] in Christ Jesus" (1 Corinthians 1:4), and then to wait for the final revelation of his glory. The Gospel tells us to hurry up, be alert and ready for Christ's return, and then to wait for it to happen. If we don't prepare ourselves for the coming of God in the reality of our own lives, we might not recognize this salvation when it comes. We're not waiting for an event that happened in the past; we are waiting for the grace of God that is calling us into the future. So, hurry up and wait!

## FOR Reflection

- \* If you are waiting for salvation, from what weakness or sin must you be saved?
- \* How are you readying yourself for that salvation to take root in your life?

**With prayers and blessings**  
**Fr. David**

**ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:** \* 45,  
Identifiable: 1,963.00; Loose: \$179.00  
Total: \$2,142 .00; ACH: \$5.00.

**OLC STEWARDSHIP:** Identifiable  
\$50.00 Loose: \$50.00 Total: \$ 100.00

**RCIA:** Thursday at 6pm. Any Question Please contact Sherrie Demello.

**December 8<sup>th</sup>: Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
Vigil Mass: Dec 7: 7p.m., Dec.8: 9a.m.

**Updating Envelops:** I plan to update the weekly envelope numbers. Anyone who wants envelopes for 2021, please meet Fr. David to get them. Thanks.

**The Word Among Us** is available for the month of December at the entrance of the church. Thanks

**Upcoming second collection:**  
Dec 5-6: St. Vincent de Paul pharmacy  
Dec 12-13 retired religious.  
Thanks for your generosity.

<b>MASS</b>	<b>LECTOR</b>	<b>SERVERS</b>	<b>USHERS</b>
Sat Nov 28 <sup>th</sup> 4pm	Lanny Acosta	Austin S.	August S
Sun Nov 29 <sup>th</sup> OLC 7:30am	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchel
Sun Nov 29 <sup>th</sup> 9 am	John Davis	Paige Glodowski, Samantha and Page	Will Burkert
Sun Nov 29 <sup>th</sup> 6pm	Kathleen Cuevas	Blake sand Haise Smith	Richard Dunlap
Sat Dec 05 <sup>th</sup> 4pm	Mike West	Austin S	Shorty S
Sun Dec 06 <sup>th</sup> OLC 7:30 am	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchel
Sun Dec 06 <sup>th</sup> 9 am	Eddie Duran	Kane, Page and Samantha.	Pat Ladner
Sun Dec 06 <sup>th</sup> 6pm	Judith Martinaze	Blake sand Haise Smith	Jodi T

**Confessions in Advent:** Our Advent penance service will on Wednesday, Dec 16<sup>th</sup> after the 6.00pm mass. This is the best way to prepare for the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Pancake and Pajamas:** on Sunday, Dec 13<sup>th</sup>, in St. Ann's Parish Hall. Performances by CCD classes. Performing students will receive a free ticket. \$10.00 each for everyone else. Everyone entering must have a ticket. Special visit from Santa himself. Thanks.

**2021 The Year of the Eucharist and the Parish:** The bishops of the Province of Mobile, together with our Presbyterial Councils, have declared the Church year beginning November 29, 2020, the First Sunday of Advent, and ending November 21, 2021, the Feast of Christ the King, to be the *Year of the Eucharist and the Parish* in all our dioceses.

**Search Retreat:** Dec 5, 2020 at Sacred Heart D'Iberville, Jan 9, 2021, St. Mary Gautier. If anyone would like to go, let me know.

**CCD Class:** Please bring and encourage your children to attend CCD class every Sunday after the 9:00am mass. There will be no CCD classes the Sunday of Thanksgiving weekend, November 29<sup>th</sup>. Thanks.

**PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill**  
 Leslie Cuevas, Lee James, Jerry Malley, Ezekiel Rutherford, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Andrew Fillengame; Breanna Ladner, Andrew, Sharon Somora, Nancy Ladner, Chris (Dube) McGill, Paul Ladner, Dianne Dearman, Marie Cuevas, Sharon Smith, Kathy, Marlene Moran, Teresa McAllister, Kendra Necaise, John &, Susan Parish, Courtney Stewart, Kathy Robison, and, Joseph and Megan Colbi Capuano, Bill & Brenda Peterson, Christine Constantine, Anthony Moran, Jill Ladner, Stephany Bass, and Brandi Moran, Verda Crabtree, Lynn & Linda Bangs, John O'Neal, Terri, Loretta Ladner and Matt Dubission; Addie Threadgill; Cindy Ladner; Amanda Mayberry; Robin Cuevas Emmie Tubbs. and Kathy Squillate Wally Clifford, T.J Moran , Robin Shampo.