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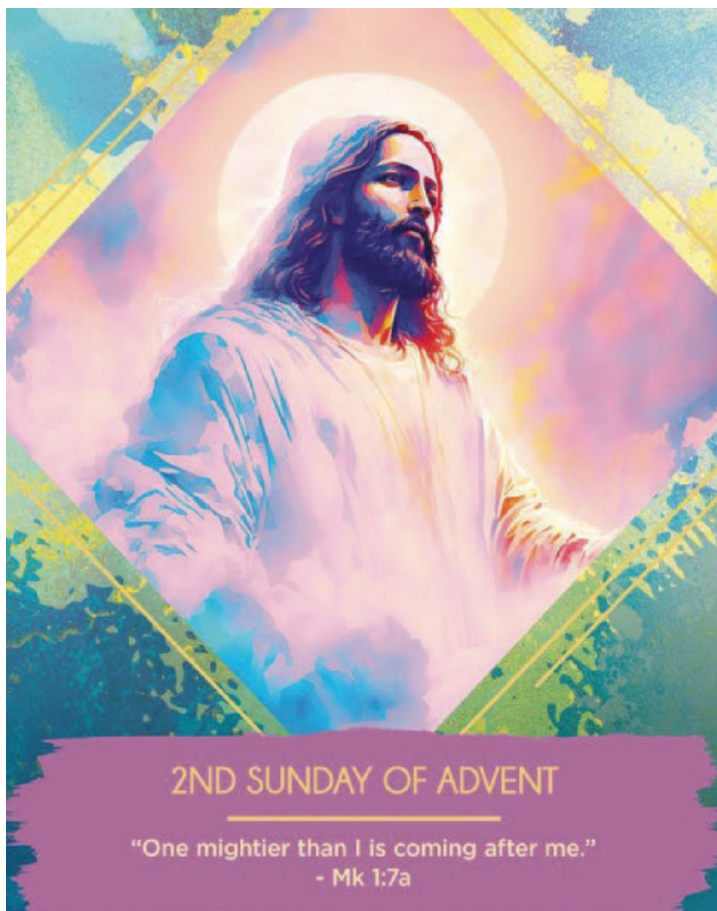
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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, Wednesday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.
 Tuesday: No Mass
 1st Friday Devotion: 9 a.m.

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday: 4 p.m.
 Sunday: 8 & 10 a.m.

PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Baby "Philip" Kuruvilla, Pastor
 Deacon Gary Lapeyrouse
 Tracie Defelice, Bookkeeper
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Human Worth

A story of a bear who was chasing a man, and a monkey happened to get the man to the top of a tree. The bear told the monkey that it is my food you need to give me this man. But the monkey did not. The bear refused to move out. He stood there until he would get the man. Sitting for a long time the monkey fell asleep and not the man. The man suddenly had an idea, why not push this monkey down and I could escape. So, he pushed. The monkey fell before the bear. And the bear told the monkey, "You see you tried to save him and see what he did. You better go and push him down." So the monkey went up and the man got scared...But the monkey said, although you did that terrible thing to me, I am not going to push you down. This monkey had that humanness better than the human being. Today's world, what evil plots go by every day to trap others, to cheat others....

How does a human become a human? Today the human being is not a human for the very fact that one becomes human by one's goodness of the heart. When humans loose this goodness he is not anymore a human. There is no humanness in a human person. He is what he is not supposed to be. Goodness can be only in humans as they are created for. Do animals, birds have goodness? When a dog bites, does it come and say sorry I bit you. No, they do not have that potentiality and nature, for they are created to be so much. But humans are. But do they bring out their humanness or goodness in their lives. It comes in the form of kindness. Today there is no oxygen in the Air...It is polluted by humans' interventions. Is water-water? No, we must purify...All kinds of duplication for man's greed. Human is not human of his body, or what he possesses...but only through his goodness. No intelligence or cleverness can make him human, but what attracts him to sacrifice things for others. A person with goodness does not look for their benefit...but purely goodness to others. As they possess that goodness. Today many do not really possess that goodness...

CHRISTMAS CAROLING

St. Joseph Parish will go Christmas Caroling to our homebound parishioners on Sunday, December 17th. Carolers should meet at the church office at 1 p.m.

CHRISTMAS PLAY & CHOIR

The Christmas Play & Choir will be held on Saturday, Dec. 16th, after the 4 p.m. Youth Formation Mass. Cookies and hot chocolate will be served in the back of church after the play.

YOUTH FORMATION

Class will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 19th at 6:15 p.m.

SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection for the weekend of December 16 & 17 is for the Christmas Altar.



*Thanksgiving
Mass*



In Our Parish This Week

Monday, December 11th:

- * 8:30 a.m. Mass
- * Cleaning Angels—Sheila's Group @ 9 a.m.
- * RCIA—6:30 p.m./Cafeteria

Tuesday, December 12th:

- * No Mass
- * Christmas Play Practice—6-7:30 p.m./Church

Wednesday, December 13th:

- * Mass—8:30 a.m.
- * LAS Christmas Party—6:30 p.m./Cafeteria
- * Night of Renewal—6:45 p.m./OLOPS Chapel

Thursday, December 14th:

- * Mass—8:30 a.m.
- * Grief Sharing Leader Meeting—12:30 p.m./Cafeteria
- * Grief Support Meeting—2 p.m./Cafeteria
- * Dress Rehearsal—6-7:30 p.m.
- * Baptism Seminar—6:30 p.m./Church Office

Friday, December 15th:

- * Mass—8:30 a.m.

Saturday, December 16th:

- * Youth Formation Mass—4 p.m.
- * Christmas Altar Collection
- * Play Preparations—10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- * Christmas Play—5 p.m.

Sunday, December 17th: (3rd Sunday of Advent)

- * Mass—8 & 10 a.m.
- * Christmas Altar Collection
- * Christmas Caroling—1 p.m.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 9th, Advent Weekday, (St. Juan Diego), (Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8);
Sunday Vigil - Second Sunday of Advent (Is 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8) 4 p.m. Danny Lirette, Jr.; Jonathon Theriot; Noel Curby Foret Jr; Fr. Gus & Josette Lapeyrouse & fly; Noble & Tod Thibodeaux; Rodney & Cecile Ledet; Patricia Ann Trahan & fly; Marie Eschete; Eugene "Skip" Pellegrin; Grace Chauvin; Earl Pellegrin, Jr. & Sr. & family; Gurvis "Go" Blanchard; Lawrence, Hilda & Lawrence, Sr. Foret; Irene Martin; Julius "NuNu" Robichaux; Timmy Authement, Sr.; Ural Neal; Mr. & Mrs. Ephie Landry; Frank Folsie; Ora, Nolan & Darryl Portier; Leo & Joyce Martinez; Allen & Winnie "Mae Mae" LeBlanc; Alex & Lydia Punch; Edward & Edna Fanguy

Sunday, December 10th, Second Sunday of Advent (Is 40:1-5, 9-11; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8) 8 a.m. Jonathon Theriot; George Sevin; Linda C, Ira & Ouida Pete; Houston "Sou" & Helen Lirette & fly; Mary Beth D Price; Melvin "Micky" Duplantis, Sr; Chester, Thelma, Ricky, Laverne & Jessica Rousse & the Rousse fly; Philip Chauvin, Sr. & family; Bryan LeBoeuf; Merlin & Larry White, Jr.; **10 a.m.** St Joseph Parish Family; Jonathon Theriot; Glynn Hebert; Deanna Knight Dufrene; Una Arcement; Druis, Ismay & Lisa Lirette; Felton Boudreaux; Lillian Lapeyrouse; Clyde & Dorothy Domangue and Liz & Randy; Philip Duplantis & family; Brent Sevin and Becky & family; Ruth C. Authement; Donald John Tivet, Jr. & family; Gregory Lopez; Hyman & Annabelle Henry; Merrill & Olin Soudelier Sr; Nathan Guilfou

Monday, December 11th, Advent Weekday, (St. Damasus, D), (Is 35:1-10; Lk 5:17-26) 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, December 12th, Our Lady of Guadalupe, (Zec 2:14-17; Lk 1:26-38) No Mass

Wednesday, December 13th, St. Lucy, (Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30) All Souls List 8:30 a.m. Allen LeBlanc & family; Evinse, Sr., Leona & Evinse, Jr. Martin

Thursday, December 14th, St. John of the Cross, (Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15) 8:30 a.m.; Janet Pellegrin (anniv.)

Friday, December 15th, Advent Weekday, (Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19) 8:30 a.m. Fr. Ty; Keith E. Peters

Saturday, December 16th, Advent Weekday, (Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13); Sunday Vigil - Third Sunday of Advent (Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28) 4 p.m. Danny Lirette, Jr.; Jonathon Theriot; Noel Curby Foret Jr; Fr. Gus & Josette Lapeyrouse & fly; Noble & Tod Thibodeaux; Rodney & Cecile Ledet; Patricia Ann Trahan & fly; Marie Eschete; Eugene "Skip" Pellegrin; Grace Chauvin; Earl Pellegrin, Jr. & Sr. & family; Gurvis "Go" Blanchard; Lawrence & Hilda Foret; Irene Martin; Julius "NuNu" Robichaux; Timmy Authement, Sr.; Ural Neal; Lauren, Mildred & Newell Dumond; Henry Davis; Errol Picou

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DIED IN CHRIST

Dear God, we lift up,

Murphy Dupre, Jr.; Nathan Guilfou; **Keith Peters** in prayer, as we remember his life and the impact he had on those around him. Please bring comfort and peace to those who mourn his loss, and may they find hope in your loving presence and the promise of eternal life. Amen.

"Blessed are they that mourn; for they shall be comforted: Matthew 5:4



**A Queen
who continues
to serve**

December 12th




December 2 & 3, 2023

1st:
Envelopes: \$2,821.00
Loose: 751.00
Online: 170.00
Total \$4,029.00




2nd:
Envelopes: \$ 867.00
Loose: 166.00
Total: \$1,033.00





Collection Counters
Dec. 4th: Mary Ann Griffin
Dec. 11th: Paige McGeHee
Dec. 18th: Evelyn Pellegrin
Wed., Dec. 27th: Sheila Pitre

Mass Attendance
4 p.m.: 97
8 a.m.: 46
10 a.m.: 95

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