



First Sunday of Advent November 29, 2020

Be watchful! Be alert!

You do not know when the time will come.

— *Mark 13:33*

FOOD BANK COLLECTION WILL BE COLLECTED this coming weekend, December 5 and 6. Please leave your donations in Madonna Room.

SECOND COLLECTION Our second collection this coming weekend December 5 and 6 will be for the Christmas Flowers.

LECTOR BOOKS You can find your lector books over in the church. Please pick them up at your earliest convenience.

ADVENT BOOKS the little blue prayer books are back. Please feel free to take one and use it through out this advent season. Also You can find these books in the back of Marian Hall or at either entrance of the Church.

2021 CALENDAR You can pick up your 2021 calendars in the church or in Marian Hall.

OUR PENANCE SERVICE Due to Covid-19. St. Bartholomew will not be having their advent penance service this year. Instead they will have a “Week of Grace.” This will give everyone an opportunity to go to confession before Christmas. Father Justin will be in the Church to hear confessions on Wednesday, December 16 from 5:00 PM –7:00 PM, Thursday, December 17 from 5:00 PM –7:00 PM, and on Friday, December 18 from 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS Please take the time to pick up your new schedule for the months of December and January. They can be found over in the church.

ST RITA PARISH ANNOUNCES ANNUAL CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE St. Rita Parish Christian Mothers will hold their annual Christmas Cookie Sale at 9:00 AM on December 5 beginning in Bucci Hall on First Street, Connellsville. Italian favorites will include knots, pizzelles and biscotti. Face masks will be required, and social distancing guidelines will be in effect.

OUR LADY, QUEEN OF PEACE TO HOLD RUMMAGE SALE A rummage sale will be held in the basement of Our Lady, Queen of Peace Parish, 420 McKinley Ave. East Vandergrift from 9:00 AM. to 1:00 PM on December 5 from Noon to 1:00 PM, on December 6. Mask wearing and social distancing practices will be observed.

If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions about security at St. Barts we'd love to hear from you. Email the security team at StBartSecurity@dioceseofgreensburg.org.

See something, say something!

THE 2ND ANNUAL UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATER 5K RUN & 2 MILE WALK will be held Saturday, December 12, 2020. Registration is open and parishioners can use coupon code “stbarts2020” for \$5 off registration on runsignup.com. Registration forms can also be found at the back of the Marian Hall or St. Bartholomew Church. We are also looking for sponsors for this year’s race. Contact Julie at julesann97@gmail.com for more information and any questions. We look forward to seeing you all there!

PRE-ORDER SLOVAK FOOD SALE AT ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST St John the Evangelist Parish Fundraising Committee, Connellsville, will have a pre-order Slovak food sale on December 5. Items available for order will be cabbage rolls (\$3.50 each) and frozen pierogies (\$10 a dozen), which will be available for pick up from 9-11 a.m. at St. John the Evangelist Morovak (Social) Hall. Orders must be placed by Nov. 23 by calling Liz at 724-628-7259.

THE GIVING TREE For Christmas, the parish will once again sponsor gifts for the HEAD START children in the area. There is a Christmas Tree in Marian Hall with children’s tags on the tree that has the child’s first name and suggestions of what they would like. Please bring the gifts (wrapped with the tag attached to the outside of each package) **to Marian Hall by Sunday, December 13th**. If you have more than one package, please make sure the name and number are on all the packages in case they get separated. If you have any question, call Philomena at the parish office, at 724-834-0709. **Suggestion:** You might want to make a copy of your tag in case you lose it, you will still have a copy of the information you need! We do not have a list of the tags here at the church office.



DIocese PLANS TELEVISED CHRISTMAS MASSES With concerns over a resurgence in coronavirus cases, particularly in the four counties of the Diocese of Greensburg, diocesan leaders have decided to televise Christmas Masses to engage the faithful at home. A Christmas Vigil Mass from Blessed Sacrament Cathedral in Greensburg celebrated by the Cathedral Rector, Monsignor Raymond E. Riffle, will be broadcast at 2:00 PM on Christmas Eve. Diocesan Administrator, Monsignor Larry J. Kulick, will celebrate a Mass from Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, which will be broadcast at 10:00 AM on Christmas Day. Both Masses will air on PCNC, the Pittsburgh Cable News Channel.

RECENTLY DECEASED OF OUR PARISH Pasquelina Darold, Victor Foschia, Katherine Ray.

PARISH MISSION ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR ST. BRUNO’S PARISH AVAILABLE ON FACEBOOK “The Triumph: A Parish Mission,” which had been scheduled for November 15-18 at St. Bruno’s Parish, Greensburg, had to be cancelled due to concerns associated with the COVID-19 Pandemic. However, the program that was to be presented by Father David Gunter is available on the Facebook page of Immaculate Conception Church, Lonsdale, MN. Gunter is a member of the Congregation of the Marians for the Immaculate Conception from Stockbridge, MA.

GEIBEL CATHOLIC SEEKS PART-TIME CAFETERIA MONITOR Geibel Catholic has an opening for a part-time cafeteria monitor. The duties include monitoring student behavior during meal service, regulating that students are following proper COVID-19 protocols and ensuring a safe and healthy lunchroom environment. The hours are 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM. daily. The candidate will be required to obtain all necessary clearances. Please contact the school office at 724-628-5600 for more information.

DIocese OF GREENSBURG SCHOOLS SEEK SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS The Catholic schools of the Diocese of Greensburg are currently accepting applications for the position of substitute teacher. Qualified candidates will possess a bachelor’s degree and obtain all necessary clearances. Submit a current resume to the Office of Catholic Schools at CatholicSchools@dioceseofgreensburg.org, phone: 724-552-2594.

‘THE ACCENT ON-AIR’ PRESENTS ‘CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS’ “The Accent On-Air” presents “Christmas Traditions” on WTAE-TV at 11:30 AM on Sunday November 29 and Sunday, December 6 at 11:30 AM, with overnight airings planned for December 5, 12, 19 and 26. Slovak, Italian, German and Filipino Christmas traditions will be featured. This episode includes Msgr. Larry J. Kulick’s message that “Advent is Still Ours,” Msgr. Raymond E. Riffle’s collection of Nativity sets, Father Anthony W. Ditto’s reference guide of the Feast of the Seven Fishes, a Christmas nut roll recipe, along with a modern hack; the story of the Feast of St. Nicholas, a Bountiful Night at Christ Our Shepherd Center, Filipino delicacies and good cheer and various live Nativities and Angel Trees. “The Accent On-Air” is always on at TheAccentOnline.org

The financial information for November 22nd will be in next week’s bulletin due to the holiday and the bulletins companies deadline.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS THOSE ON SAINT BART’S SICK LIST: Dottie Bacher, Mary Beth Cox, Raymond Falbo, Tommy Herman, David Howell, Ann Klimchock, Kathy King, Parker Muto, Chris Nemchik, Ralph Pagano, Ralph Penteck, Harriet Randy, Mary Ann Riebel, Nico Salvio, Casimir Tamoliunas, Autumn Zundel.

ALTERNATIVES.YES SCHEDULES 2021 ESSAY CONTEST Alternatives.Yes is taking submissions for its 2021 pro-life sixth-eighth grade essay contest. The theme is “Life, God’s Most Precious Gift. Submissions must reflect the theme and be typed double-spaced, with name, grade, phone number, address and school name shown on a separate page or on the back of the essay. Essays must be 300-500 words. Prizes are: first place, \$100; second place, \$75; third place, \$50, and honorable mention, \$25. Submissions may be mailed to or dropped off at: Alternatives.Yes, 6 Frank Gallo Lane, Connellsville, Pa. 15425. Email submissions to pregnancysupport@zoominternet.net. They must be postmarked by January 22, 2021.

ARE YOU GETTING MARRIED?! Catholic Engagement encounter is an opportunity for Christian couples to prepare for a lifetime commitment. If you desire a loving, faithful, permanent and life-giving marriage, consider attending a Catholic Engagement Encounter weekend. This marriage preparation program presents a comprehensive, up-close and personal look at marriage. For more information, please call George and or Pat Ziringer at 724-335-4966 or ziringer@comcast.net or www.greensburgengagedencounter.com. The next scheduled weekends will be held in Greensburg on February 12-14 and June 4-6.

Watch Weekend Mass with St. Bartholomew Church!!!

Log into our website at www.stbartholomewcrabtree.org
We miss you all very much and hope you will join us in prayer together!



SANCTUARY CANDLE...burning in memory of Sandra Rosatti by Barb Salsgiver.

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CANDLE ...burning in memory of Luigi and Michelina, DeLuca, and Family by Mary Ann Tompkins.

SACRED HEART CANDLE....burning in memory of Dennis Carr Sr. by Family.

Sunday, November 29– December 5, 2020

Sun.....Mass, 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM, Marian Hall
No CCD. Thanksgiving Break!
Sat.....Mass, 5:00 PM, Marian Hall

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION We ask for your continued support for the upcoming collection which will take place on Saturday/Sunday, December 5 and 6. Bring items to the Madonna Room of Marian Hall. Items that are in need include peanut butter and jelly, canned fruits and vegetables, pasta items, soap products, diapers, cereal, canned soups, stews, tuna, boxed meals and paper products. The food pantry also welcomes monetary donations. If you are going to write a check, please make payable to: “*St. Vincent de Paul*”.

Liturgical Roles

Mass Date & Time	Altar Servers	Ministers of Holy Communion	Lector
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CHECK YOUR SCHEDULES ON ST. BART’S WEBSITE
www.stbartholomewcrabtree.org

12/5/20 5:00 PM	D. Vince J. Vince	A. Falbo	K. Patrick
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12/6/20 8:00 AM	N. Dominick R. Ebersole	G. Uliano	A. Heinnickle
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12/6/20 10:30 AM	G. Salandro-Zilli B. Mayercheck	J. Zeigenfus	M. Sandorf
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12/8/20 8:00 AM	Morning Altar Server	K. Dominick	S. Damico
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12/8/20 12:00 PM	B. Altimore	P. Tenerowicz	K. Govora
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12/8/20 7:00 PM	A/N/N Hardaway J. Sandorf	D. Deaunovich	B. Krajc
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MARK’S JESUS

Mark’s Gospel is the shortest and tersest of all four. The discourses of Jesus tend to be terser as well. Mark’s portrayal of Jesus has none of the poetry of the Sermon on the Mount or the Sermon on the Plain as in Matthew or Luke, nor the extensive, reflective “I Am” discourses as in John. Mark’s Jesus “cuts to the chase,” we would say today. This is reflected quite well in today’s passage.

It is no accident that the dialogue of Jesus at this point in the Gospel according to Mark—the concluding words about the end of the world—immediately before his passion, is riddled with exclamation points and an overall sense of urgency.

We would do well to re-tool our own way of living this Advent, for we live in a world urgently in need of hearing the message of Jesus proclaimed. It’s time for us to “wake up!” and get out into the world to do it.

Mass Intentions

SAT 11/28– Vigil: First Sunday in Advent

5:00 PM + Dominic Sr. and Antoinette Bonanno
(Dom and Dana Bonanno Jr.)

SUN, 11/29 - First Sunday in Advent

8:00 AM + Robert Firment (Dick and Barbara Wissolik)

10:30 AM + Sally Messaros (John and Percy Sachs)

MON 11/30 - St. Andrew

8:00 AM + Tom Smolka (Peggy)

TUE 12/1 - Advent Weekday

8:00 AM + Joseph Trumbetta Jr. (Irene Trumbetta)

WED 12/2 - Advent Weekday

8:00 AM + Dennis Carr (Family)

THUR 12/3 - St. Francis Xavier

8:00 AM + Martha Sarnovsky (Family)

6:00 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

6:50 PM Benediction

7:00 PM + Charles and Catherine (Tom)

FRI 12/4 - First Friday

8:00 AM + Rose Trumbetta (Anita and Pete Tenerowicz)

SAT, 12/5 – First Saturday

8:00 AM + Joe Marnell (Vera Sorice)

Vigil: Second Sunday in Advent

5:00 PM + James and Margaret Holahan
(Children and Grandchildren)

SUN, 12/6 - Second Sunday in Advent

8:00 AM + Leila Zuzik (Jim Zuzik and Girls)

10:30 AM + Patty Smith (Kevin Miscik)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17;
Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a;
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6;
Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14;
Mk 1:1-8