

The Chimes

The weekly bulletin of
HOLY CHILD JESUS PARISH
AT ST. MARGARET MARY

2324 W. Chase Ave. • Chicago, IL 60645



December 6, 2020

Second Sunday of Advent



2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“Prepare the way of the Lord.” - Mk 1:3

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Steve Burke & Howard Schneider

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

4:00 pm (English)

6:00 pm (Vietnamese)

Sunday

10:00 am (English)

12 noon (English & Vietnamese)

Weekdays

Monday-Saturday 8:00 am (English)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday from 3:00-3:30 pm

1st & 3rd in English

2nd & 4th in English & Vietnamese

RECTORY OFFICE

(773) 764-0615

2324 W. Chase

Hours: Monday-Thursday

9:00 am-12:00 pm & 1:00-5:00 pm

Parish Website:

www.smmchicago.org/parish

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(773) 764-0615

Second Sunday of Advent – Year B

Studying the four Gospels, we notice that St. Mark was the only Evangelist who began his writing with these words “*The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God.*” (Mk 1:1) He then introduced to his readers John the Baptist who was sent to prepare the people of his day for Jesus’ public ministry. The message from John is also needed for each of us as we are going into the Second Week of the Advent Season.

“John the Baptist appeared in the desert proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.” (Mk 1:4)

He knew that before the hearts of his listeners would be ready to receive the Good News of their salvation, they needed to humbly repent of sins, and get rid of pride.

John’s message was received by the people.

People of the whole Judean countryside and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. (Mark 1:5)

Truly, all generations need to heed the message from John, especially us who are living in this challenging world. We have been deceived by the promise that this earthly life can offer us everything.

The reality is that this world cannot give us anything. Things that the world can give us are chaos, suffering, or hatred. Indeed, only in and with Jesus we can have everything. We know that our Lord always keeps His promises. The promises of peace, love, salvation and eternal life first preached by Jesus to the people of the Judean countryside and the inhabitants of Jerusalem have remained for all generations of Christ’s followers.

If only then with open-heart and open-mind we heed the call of John the Baptist to repent, to come out of our darkness and walk into God’s Light, and to live fully His teachings in word and action, we are giving ourselves as well as God a chance to bring God’s promises to fulfillment. May the message of this second Sunday of Advent - *Repent* in order to receive forgiveness - stir us up and lead us into repentance.

Fr. Phi Nguyen

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation, will be celebrated at Holy Child Jesus Parish on Tuesday, December 8. Masses at St. Margaret Mary will be at 8:00a.m. and 7:00p.m. Both Masses will be in English.

Masses at St. Henry will be at 8:00a.m. (bilingual) and at 7:00p.m. (Vietnamese).

Mass at St. Timothy will be at 8:00a.m.

PLEASE HELP WITH MASS RESERVATIONS

We have recently seen a decline in the number of reservations, especially for the Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass. Although Mass attendance remains high and we welcome everyone’s presence, we strongly rely on our reservation system to help us plan our seating which still remains limited.

We ask that everyone makes a reservation for every Mass that you plan to attend. If you attend every week, please make a reservation for every week. Please do not rely on the list that we keep for walk-ins.

If you have access to the Internet, please go to our website at <https://smmchicago.org/parish/> or and follow the prompts for signing up for Mass.

If you do not have access to the Internet, please make a phone reservation by calling the parish office at (773) 764-0615. Please note that the deadline for phoning in your reservation for weekend Masses is Thursday at 4:30 p.m. We are unable to honor any requests made after the deadline.

Thank you for your cooperation.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

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COLLECTION REPORT

November 22, 2020

Sunday Envelope Budget	\$8,942.00
Sunday Envelope Actual	\$1,883.00
Loose Money	\$1,337.75
Total Collection	\$3,220.75
Variance	(\$5,721.25)
Weekly Budget Amount	
Envelopes Used	52

COLLECTION REPORT

November 29, 2020

Sunday Envelope Budget	\$8,942.00
Sunday Envelope Actual	\$4,245.00
Loose Money	\$ 901.85
Total Collection	\$5,146.85
Variance	(\$3,795.15)
Weekly Budget Amount	
Envelopes Used	61

Liturgical Calendar of December, 2020

Dec 8 – The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- @ Henry: 8:00 AM Bilingual and 7:00 PM: Vietnamese.
- @ SMM: 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM: English
- @ Timothy: 8:00 AM English

Simbang Gabi:

- @ Timothy: December 16 @ 7:00 PM
- @ Henry: December 18 @ 7:00 PM
- @ SMM: December 19 @ 4:00 PM

Reconciliation:

- @ SMM: Dec 12: 2:00 PM – 3:45 PM
- @ Henry: Dec 13: 9:00 AM – 12:00 noon
- @ Timothy: Dec 19: 2:00 PM – 3:45 PM.

A day of reflection @ SMM: December 9, 2020 at 7:00 pm

Christmas

December 24

- @ SMM: 4:00 PM and 10:00 PM: English
- @ Henry: 4:00 PM: English and 6:00 PM: Vietnamese
- @ Timothy: 8:00 PM: English

December 25

- @ SMM: 10:00 AM: English and 12:00 noon: Bilingual
- @ Henry: 8:00 AM: Vietnamese and 10:00 AM: English
- @ Timothy: 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM: English

HOLY CHILD JESUS PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

We support our faith through our prayers, our works and our contributions to Holy Child Jesus Parish. Our contributions support our growing ministries.

If you currently make your contributions to Holy Child Jesus at St. Timothy, St. Henry or St. Margaret Mary, please continue to do so and make your contributions payable to whichever church you are currently contributing to.

Parishioners may also contribute through GiveCentral by going to www.hcjp.org, or www.sainthenrychicago.org or www.smmchicago.org and following the Donate prompts.

Thank you for your prayers and generosity for Holy Child Jesus.



The Christmas Giving Tree is up at Holy Child Jesus Parish at St. Margaret Mary Church. Please consider taking a tag and returning a wrapped gift to the rectory or the church by Sunday, December 14. You will be sharing the gift of giving and the gift of hope. All gifts will be going to families in our neighborhood.



Holy Child Jesus Parish



Advent Reflection

The Holy Family: A Joyful Gift to the Christian Family

Wednesday, December 9, 2020 @ 7:00 PM



at St. Margaret Mary Church

<https://youtu.be/x9IBvw-Oyec>

Zoom

Topic: Holy Child Jesus Parish - Advent Reflection

Time: Dec 9, 2020 07:00 PM

Meeting ID: 957 0724 4122

Passcode: 041923

Zoom Meeting Link

<https://zoom.us/j/95707244122?pwd=M2NFQ3lzNERjbhEwRS93N0ZvYmVZQT09>



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Advent Reflection

Wednesday, December 9, 2020, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM


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Join via **Zoom**

Meeting Id: 957 0724 4122 Passcode: 041923
Click here to join [Zoom Meeting Link](#)

Join via **YouTube Live**

YouTube link: <https://youtu.be/x9IBvw-Oyec>
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CYCLES OF FAITH 2nd Sunday of Advent

People knew over a year in advance that the Pope was coming for a visit to America and the preparations began. Security, space limitations and requirements, protocols, crowd management, itineraries, invitations, regulations, and so much more was necessary to pull this event off effectively. It's not every day that we get a visit from such a prominent dignitary. Thought, effort, meticulous attention to detail and vision all are necessary to make this thing work. After all, he can't just show up in the ordinary and normal daily routines of life and catch people unprepared! Tickets have to be purchased, buses rented, hotel rooms reserved, and travel arrangements made early because it will be impossible to see him if we wait too long!

We do this kind of preparing not only for prominent religious figures but for political dignitaries, notable sports figures, people of fame, and even actors. If an individual intrigues us, we are going to want to do all we have to do to get a "good seat" in the house. Does Jesus Christ captivate this much of our attention? We are asked to prepare the way of the Lord and to do so not with frantic frenzy but patient enthusiasm. We do not have to stand on a street corner making profound announcements about God's coming or become overly zealous in our embrace of the Good News. Our task is quieter, more interior, captivating, and consuming. We are asked to change. We have to conduct our lives with holy devotion.

Is the cost of that ticket too much for you? Don't you want the "best seat" in the house? You don't want to miss Our Lord's arrival when he comes, do you? After all, if he comes while you are going about your daily routines without you even knowing, he may catch you off guard. Or, he may come in disguise looking like a beggar, a prisoner, migrant, refugee, or someone who is lost. Would you be ready to recognize him then? Preparing for the coming of Christ requires a change of mind, heart, and behavior. It is not adequate to simply do the things we always do. We want our lives to speak of the exciting news of Christ's coming and the joy that the Gospel brings. It has to do with our demeanor, values, priorities, choices, and how we structure daily routines. Of course, it involves sacrifice. All anticipations do! Are you excited, captivated, enthusiastic, and sitting on the edge of your seat eager to celebrate his coming among us at Christmas, and waiting for him to come again? If not, why not? of Advent



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Receive FREE food for you and your loved ones!

Dry goods and produce will be distributed every Sunday.



SUNDAYS, 1:00 - 3:00PM

LAKEVIEW PANTRY

3945 N. SHERIDAN RD.



Please remember to wear a mask and follow social distancing guidelines!

Readings for the week of December 6, 2020

Sunday:	Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8
Monday:	Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday:	Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday:	Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10 [1]/Mt 11:28-30
Thursday:	Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/Mt 11:11-15
Friday:	Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/Mt 11:16-19
Saturday:	Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19 [15:9d]/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
Next Sunday:	Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 51-54 [Is 61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

WORSHIP CALENDAR

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 6 Second Sunday of Advent

English

10:00 am Phil Murtaugh
Chris Murtaugh
Intentions of an SMM Donor
Julita Trovela

Monday, December 7 St. Ambrose

8:00 am Mildred Burns

Tuesday, December 8 Immaculate Conception

8:00 am Efen Fajardo
In Thanksgiving: Zaida Corales (living)
7:00 pm Elsie Heyler

Wednesday, December 9 St. Juan Diego

8:00 am Melanio Corales - anniversary

Thursday, December 10

8:00 am Virginia Luciano

Friday, December 11 St. Damascus

7:00 am Deceased members of Holy Child Jesus

Saturday, December 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:00 am Deceased members of Holy Child Jesus
English
4:00 pm Emmanuel Frederique
Chuck Baggary
Ann Donohue

Vietnamese

6:00 pm Deceased members of Holy Child Jesus

Sunday, December 13 Third Sunday of Advent

English

10:00 am Wayne Haukap
Julita Trovela
Mario Vega

Bilingual English & Vietnamese

12:00 pm Deceased members of Holy Child Jesus



SACRAMENTS

Marriage: Arrangements should be made at least three months in advance.

Baptisms: On the 2nd (in English) and 3rd (in Vietnamese) Sundays of the month following the 12 noon Mass.

R.C.I.A

Program/Process for adults interested in the Catholic Faith (Sept.-April). Call the Rectory for information.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome our new parishioners and invite them to register at the rectory.

ADVENT REFLECTION

The Holy Family: A Joyful Gift to the Christian Family

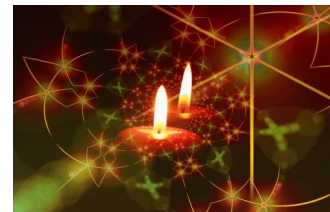
A guided evening reflection of
Holy Child Jesus Parish
Wednesday, December 9, 2020,
from 7 pm - 8:30 pm
At St. Margaret Mary Church

Please make a reservation at SignUp Genius through the St. Margaret Mary website. The meeting will be accessible via Zoom.

Centered and focused on scripture, prayer, music, and discussion, we will explore the various gifts that the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph has to offer to your family. We will deeply reflect that a family is a communion of love filled with a spirit of sacrifice and hope, especially in the times and circumstances in which we find ourselves.

Has your family's perception of God changed? With a focus on the Holy Family, members of the Holy Child Jesus Parish are invited to this virtual gathering to appreciate, receive, and admire the gifts of the Holy Family and to renew the family as an intimate community of life and love in which the birth of the Holy Child Jesus will be peacefully and joyfully celebrated this Christmas.

Moderators: Deacons of
Holy Child Jesus Parish



CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

We have a core group of volunteers at Holy Child Jesus Parish at St. Margaret Mary Church that has done a fantastic job assisting at Mass. We hope to have more of our parishioners so we can expand our group. Volunteering is a way to give back to the parish, to help build our community. You don't have to be here every week—once a month would help us tremendously.

Please call the parish office at (773) 764-0615 or email Art Blumberg at art.blumberg@hcjp.org for more information.

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR RENT: jumbo furnished apt on 2nd fl, 1 blk from church, Frank, 773-743-7030; sm office spaces \$300-\$600/mo, perfect for 1-8 person office, quiet environment, 24 hr access, Neal Gallo, 773-743-6565 or Nealgallogznm@statefarm.com; 3 bdrm, 1500 sq ft, 3rd fl, Peg, 773-274-7534;

FOR SALE: 2003 silver Malibu, 67,112 mi, 773-764-3789.