

# THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

December 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat	12/10	Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Sun	12/11	Joe Sr. & Elsie Drexler (RIP) Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Mon.	12/12	No Mass	
Tues	12/13	Von & Melvin Moody (RIP) Requested by Theresa Drexler Moody	Fr. Oscar
Wed	12/14	Richard & Anna Kozlowski (RIP) Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Thurs	12/15	11 am – For Our Parishioners	Fr. Oscar
Fri	12/16	Joe Sr. & Elsie Drexler (RIP) Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	Fr. Oscar
Sat	12/17	David "Charlie" Sturtz (RIP) Requested by Jeanie Sturtz	Fr. Oscar
Sun	12/18	Joe Sr. & Elsie Drexler (RIP) Requested by Linda & Joe Drexler	Fr. Oscar

## Collections for December 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Parish Operations (Personnel, Utilities, Office, Postage, Repair & Maintenance, etc.)	
Offertory (including Spanish Mass)	\$3,276.00
Debt Supplement	20.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,296.00</b>
Amount needed weekly for Parish Operations is \$3,880	
Restricted, Special Use or Sent out of Parish	
Votive Stand \$27.45/Poor Box \$5.00	\$ 32.45
Capital Campaign	792.00
Haitian Ministry	160.00
Christmas Flowers	235.00
Religious Education	25.00

Thank you for your support of your Parish!

### Church Attendance

Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> – 88

Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup> - 135

Spanish Mass – 46

### OLBS Church Cleaning Schedule

12/4 thru 12/10 – Mark/Carolyn Drexler/David Seckora

12/11 thru 12/17 – Araceli Roblero (Leader)  
Rosy Gonzalez

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – SUNDAY, DECEMBER  
18<sup>TH</sup> – 10:30 AM

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AND POT-LUCK is scheduled  
for Sunday, December 11 at 5:30 pm.

## Calendar for Week of December 12th

Monday – 12/12 – No Mass

Tuesday – 12/13 – Mass 8:30 am

Finance Meeting 6:30 pm (Rescheduled)

Wednesday – 12/14 – Mass 8:30 am

Preschool Christmas Program 9:30 am

PENANCE SERVICE 7 PM

Thursday – 12/15 – Mass 11 am – Followed by Senior  
Luncheon at Nick's Spaghetti House

Friday – 12/16 – Mass 8:30 am

Saturday – 12/17 – Rosary 5:00 pm – Mass 5:30 pm -

Sunday – 12/18 – Mass 9:00 am

Parish Council Meeting 10:30 am

Spanish Mass – 11:30 am

Christmas Caroling – Meet at VDB Hall 6 pm

## PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND GOOD HEALTH

Carolyn Alford	Bonnie Kopacki
Elizabeth Alley	Joseph Kovac
Wilhelmina Brieffies	Gordon Langston
Candace Barefoot	Patricia Lanuza
Virginia Becker	Theresa Drexler Moody
Paulette Berberich	Clara Morrow
Ron Blevins	Randy Morrow
Robin Bristow	Specialist Mullins
Joan Buehler	Larry Newtzie
Linda Burch	M.C. 'Sam' O'Connor
Kyle Burch	Christopher Parrish
	Joyce Richardson
Meredith Crowe	Pam Rigsby
Vincent D'Elia	Emma Robertson
Denise DePompeo	
Donna Donahue	Harriet Ropelewski
Jackie Drayer	Virginia Ryczak
Savio Duong	Jim Tokarz
Sandy Britton Evans	Barbara Schafer
Brenda Frederick	Glenn Sears
Helen Fudala	Allen Smith
Kay Getman	Levi Sturtz
Jim Gregory	Mae Touray
Pat Hinkle	Dorothy Ware
Kelly Hipple	
Mary Ann Hooper	Lois Wilson
Helen Kaczmariski	Robert 'Bobby' Wilson
Victor Kaczmariski	Jody Zogran
John Kellam	Joe Picone
Andrew Konz	

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOME

Annette Tonon Bona Irene Kruger

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Major Jonathan Culberson (Afghanistan)  
Private Logan W. Gay  
Sergeant Nathan Gurganus

Private First Class Austin T. Sturtz (Ft. Lewis, Washington)

## ALTAR SERVERS

December 10 – Duyen Phan, Daniel Duke

December 11 – Misael Hernandez, Madelyn Kruger, Dawson Haviland

December 17 – Peter Nguyen, Daniel Gibbs Jr.

December 18 – Tazewell Rae, Colleen Rae, Jovany Velazquez

## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

December 10 – Lorraine Ryalls, David Seckora, Tom Fauber

December 11 – Jim Pyne, Cheryl Servonsky, Kathy Wills, Kay Shaw, Wini Barron

December 17 – Cathy Fudella, Gary Silvia, Jackie Silvia

December 18 – Sarah Rae, Scott Rae, Eric Ellingson, Bill Madigan, Edwina Madigan

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

It would have appeared to Jesus that John began to doubt. Perhaps it was the confinement of prison that let his mind question what he once so clearly understood. But even so, Jesus affirmed John in this scripture as the greatest of all prophets. From this experience, it is reassuring to know that even when we doubt, either ourselves or God, we are still great in God's eyes. Our strength is in knowing God is with us as a loving parent.

Adults: What would Jesus see to praise about you right now?

Children: What good thing have you done so far during Advent to be like Jesus?

## DO YOU KNOW?

There's a popular idea that the Feast of the Immaculate Conception refers to Jesus' conception by the Virgin Mary. It doesn't. Instead, it refers to the special way in which the Virgin Mary herself was conceived. This conception was not virginal, that is, she had a human father as well as a human mother. Mary created "full of grace" through God, and was redeemed from the moment of her conception. That is what the dogma of the Immaculate Conception confesses, as Pope Pius IX proclaimed in 1854. Adam and Eve were both created immaculate – without original sin or its stain. They fell from grace, and through them mankind was bound to sin. Christ and Mary were also conceived immaculate. They remained faithful, and through them mankind was redeemed from sin. Christ is thus the New Adam, and Mary the New Eve.

**THANK YOU** – On behalf of the Webster family, I thank all the members of our church for your prayers, words of encouragement and support on the death of my wife Kathy. She was a beautiful lady and the greatest wife and mother a family could ask for. Very caring and giving. She was always thinking of others before herself. She leaves a void that will never be filled. Bill Webster.

## ELEMENTARY & MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUPS

There will be no elementary or middle/high school youth meetings in December. The children are invited to join us for parish caroling event on the 18<sup>th</sup>.

## PARISH CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Is scheduled for Sunday, December 18. We will meet at the Boogaard Center at 6 p.m. Please bring an appetizer to share and after a time of fellowship we will leave for caroling about 6:45 p.m.

**KEEPING CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS** – The Knights of Columbus are offering Christmas cards for sale at the back of the Church, including other language cards.

**THE DEADLINE FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS** is Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. The usual donation is \$10.00 per name.

The Knights of Columbus are inviting the adult members of our parish to come to a **CHRISTMAS PARTY** on December 10 in the Church Hall after Mass. The Knights will be providing appetizers and you will bring your own beverages. Karaoke will be provided by Big Earl. Come on out for a night of fellowship! Contact Eric Ellingson

([ericellingson@verizon.net](mailto:ericellingson@verizon.net)) or Dan Gibbs

([gibbs2@gmail.com](mailto:gibbs2@gmail.com)) after Mass if you have any questions.

We hope to see you there!

**ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE** is scheduled for Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. Father Oscar will be joined by Father Julz and Father Brownell in hearing confessions.

**CHRISTMAS CARD ADDRESSES:** If you wish to send a card to Fr. Edgar Cleofe, address it to Diocese of Sorsogon, Magsaysay Street, Sorsogon City 4700, Philippines. Fr. Julz Buena's address is c/o St. Pius X Parish, 7800 Halprin Drive, Norfolk, VA 23518-4408.

**SENIOR LUNCHEON** will be held Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup> immediately following the 11 am Mass at Nick's Spaghetti House. If you plan to attend, call the office to be included on the sign-up sheet. Join us for good food and fellowship, and the annual Christmas décor at Nick's.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES SEEKING VOLUNTEERS TO HELP SENIORS!** Catholic Charities of Eastern Virginia is looking for dedicated volunteers to serve in its CARES Program. Volunteers are matched with seniors who live independently but need extra help with transportation to doctor's appointments, grocery stores and on errands. Volunteers choose the appointments they wish to provide a ride for, according to their own needs and schedule. If you are interested in helping, call Vanessa Dunlap 757-875-0060. Thank You for giving of your time!