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Daily Mass Intentions for the Month of

December 2019

DATE	BY	FOR
Dec. 3, 4, 5 & 6	Edith Jones	Deceased relatives/ Friends
Dec. 10, 11, 12 & 13	Maria Switzer	Deceased Sister
Dec. 17	Wilfiedo Real Pagan	Wilfiedo Real
Dec. 18	Mary Kirchoff	Ken and Susan Kirchoff
Dec. 19 & 20	Deacon and Linda Graham	Jack Forbes
Dec. 26 & 27	Edith Jones	Deceased relatives/ Friends
Dec. 3	Martha Delmas	Anna Webber

Reflection on Isaiah 11:1-10

Isaiah's vision of a world transformed "on that day: was written when the kingly descendants of David were weak, unjust, and lacking in knowledge. The eight-century BC Davidic kings were a mere "stump" of the tree that grew from the root of Jesse, the father of King David. Today's reading opens and closes with a promise that new life will arise from that stump, blossoming anew from the roots and will be a signal for the nations.

Isaiah begins his description of the future Davidic descendant by announcing that the spirit of the Lord will rest upon him; he emphasizes the spirit-bestowed gifts by repeating the word spirit three more times. The spirit is God's own life-giving breath that will be the source of wisdom, understanding, counsel, strength, knowledge, and fear of the Lord. These gifts are essential for the King to rule wisely, as did his ancestor David.

Filled with the spirit at the core of his being, the King will not only imitate David, but he will also act as the Lord does in governing the earth. Unlike earthly Kings, who are concerned with appearances and make decisions based on hearsay, the spirit-filled King will make judgments based on justice right relationships in every dimension. The King will rule like the Lord God of Israel, who showed justice particularly to the poor and afflicted. Justice will be so important that the King will be clothed in it. With a band of justice around his waist.



St. John the Baptist Parish

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December 8, 2019: 2nd Sunday of Advent

REVEREND SHERWIN MONTERON

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Parish Council

Bill Schaffer Jason Poiroux

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Carol Voss

MASSES

Weekdays: Tuesday 5:30 P.M.

Wednesday 7:30 A.M.

Thursday 7:45 A.M.

Friday 7:45 A.M.

Vigil Mass Saturday 5:00 P.M.

SUNDAY MASS 10:00 A.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Weekdays by Appointment

Saturday 4:30 P.M.

Sunday 9:30 A.M.

BAPTISM: By Appointment

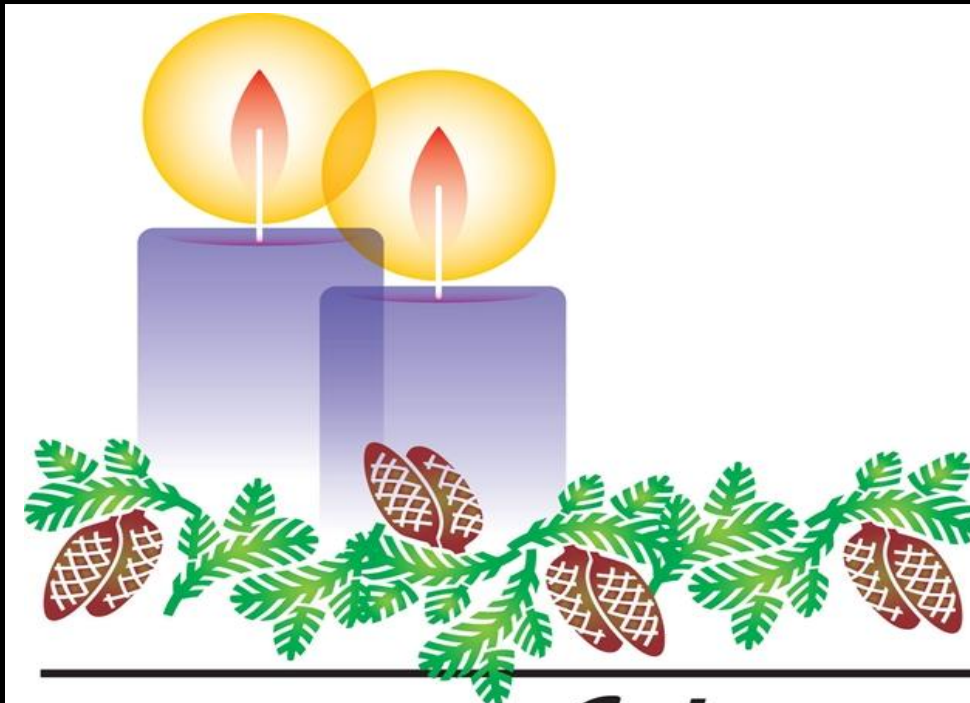
MATRIMONY: Contact the Office 6 months before the celebration

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK: Anytime: Please call the Office

ROSARY & ADORATION: Every Wednesday at 7:30 am before Mass and every 1st Wednesday at 5:30 pm

Funerals

Call the office before making plans with the funeral director.



SECOND SUNDAY OF Advent

Readings: Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Romans 15:4-0; Matthew 3:1-12

The first two chapters of the Gospel according to Matthew tell of the announcement of Jesus' birth, the birth itself, and events surrounding it. After these two chapters, Matthew jumps forward to the adult Jesus, his ministry, passion, death, and Resurrection.

Before saying anything about the adult Jesus, though, Matthew gives an account of John the Baptist, the precursor who prepared "the way of the Lord." John appears as a prophet in the Jewish tradition, like Elijah and Isaiah, calling the people to repentance. His strange clothing, desert diet, and demanding message, rather than keeping the city inhabitants away, attract them in large numbers. Crowds from Jerusalem, including Pharisees and Sadducees, come to him for baptism. His words to them are sharp and severe: "You brood of vipers!" Having Abraham for their father, the root of their tradition, is not enough. An ax lies at the very root, ready to cut down the tree if it does not bear good fruit. John's preaching is a forceful call to repentance (metanoia) that entails changes of thinking, attitudes, behavior, and relationships.



Becky Latner, Laurie Rel, Leigh Taylor, Andrea Graham, Robert Dixon, Amy Lacy, Ava Smith, Chip Conklin, Ida Clark, Isabel Rel, Clayton Williams, Becky Thompson, Pat Potter, Marie Murray, Toby Robison, Linda Graham, Larry Robertson, Martha Davis, Ed Thornton, Margaret Hampton, Frank Pigorsch, Stephanie Ray, Jerry Wigfield, Msg. Warren Wall, Houston Gunn, Tom Thornton, Mike Knowles, Steve Sevier, Penny Dupont, Sara Thornton, Sister Luella Dominic Petry O. P., Sister Stephanie Sema-SSMI, Doug Jones, Joe Gable, Ann Gable, Lenny Motykiewicz, Ali Stringfellow Ray, Lisa Kloecheener, Valeria Wallace, Donnie Wilson, Bobby McManus, Joe Watts, Sean Guillotte, Michelle Cook, Reggie Stewart, Nonie Reed, Betty Gunter, Tiffany Fontenot, Jimmy Marchand, Joe Ecker, Glenn Boney, Ann Vick, Wayne Seymour, Frances Walley, H. Sanders,, Patricia Davis, Maurine Habley, Ray Thornton, Joe Whitson, Cory Moncrief, Carolyn Collier, Vicenta Obsenares, Edgar Gunter, Victoria Porter, Jonathan Cruz, Gennie Garret, Bob Echement, Lilly Breaux, James Wink, Mike Wilson, Roger Young, Leyah White.

Known Birthdays for December

11/30: Glenda Poiroux	12/14: Dana Baker
12/01: Eugene Poiroux	12/15: Rachel Poiroux
12/04: Carol Spencer	12/16: Carol Voss
12/06 Rita Sullivan	12/17: Lynda Jones
12/07: Christy Brown	12/19: Pat Fisher
12/11: Amber Odom	12/21: Sylvia Gray
12/11: Judy Poiroux	12/25: James Long
12/11: Michelle Cook	12/28: LaShea Payne
12/11: Karen Diamond	12/28: Mary Jackson
12/11: Joseph Gable	12/29: Ingrid Glennon
12;13: Jimmy Holland	12/31: Louis Jones

Known Anniversaries for December

10th: Carol and Johnnie Tate
 13th: Michelle and Michael Cook
 15th: Becky and Patrick Murray
 21st: Carol and Terry Roberts
 24th: Gennie and Avis Garrett
 29th: Betty Jane and Chuck Pierce

Upcoming Parish Events

December 14th: Christmas Dinner for the parish after the 5:00 pm. Mass.

December 24th & 25th: Mass for Christmas Eve will be at 6:00 pm. and Mass for Christmas day will be at 10:00 am.

December 31st and January 1st: Mass for New Year's Eve, Dec. 31st, will be at 6:00 pm and Mass for New Years' Day, Jan. 1st, will be at 10:00 am.

Generations of Faith Campaign Prayer

O Loving and Gracious God, by our holy baptism, faith is Your precious gift to us. For this gift to thrive, faith must be lived and shared with each generation. Through our support of this campaign, we will say "thank you" to our beloved retired priests who, over the years, have drawn us closer to You; we will help our seminarians as they prepare to be our future priests; We will support our young people as they discover the beauty of the Catholic faith; and we will strengthen our parishes as beacons of mercy and love. In this way, we will indeed endow our future with hope. We ask our Lady's intercession for a successful campaign to the honor and glory of you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Capital Campaign Update

Campaign Goal is **\$195,000.00**
 Pledged to date **\$449,900.00**
 Because of your support we are at **2%** of our campaign goal.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

Chair: Fr. Sherwin Monteron
 Co-Chair: Autumn Bowden

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Ruth Pigorsch	Ann Jackson
Colleen Gray	John McBride
Judy Poiroux	Elsa McBride
Lynda Jones	Mark Voss
Jim Jackson	Carol Voss
	Rita Sullivan

Pray for the special intentions of those serving in the

Armed Forces: Brent Smith, Travis Wilson, SPC Jackson Triston, Jr., Captain Will Hurd, Bryant Bailey & Zachery Bailey.

Pray for the eternal repose of the souls of the most recently deceased members of the parish:

Jack Forbes, Cathy Kirchoff, Frank Church, Anna Weber, Pat Borne

Weekend of Dec. 14 & 15, 2019

MASS MINISTERS:

	5:00 pm Sat.	10:00 am Sun.
EMCH:	Daryl Kirchoff Karen White	Aimee Sprinkle Maria Switzer
Lectors:	Teresa Dorriety Jay Graham	Autumn Bowden Peggy Delmas
Altar Servers:	Wyatt Medders	Volunteers
Ushers:	Steve Cauley Kevin Cauley Chuck Pierce Wayne Jackson	Mike Marchand Mike Courtney Avis Garrett Tom Thornton

Altar Care & Church Cleaning

Altar Care: December 2019
Ruth Pigorsch

Church Cleaning: Dec. 14 & 15, 2019
Doris Sema. Kathie Sema & Cathv Scott

Stewardship For December 1, 2019

Regular: \$ 3.919.00

Dec. 2019 & Jan. & Feb. 2020 CRE Schedule

Sunday, Dec. 8: Class/1st Reconciliation 2nd grade in church.
Sunday, Dec. 15th: Class & Practice for Christmas Mass
Sunday, Dec. 22nd: No Class (Christmas Break)
Sunday, Dec. 24th: Children's Christmas Vigil Mass
Sunday, Dec. 29th: No Class (Christmas/New Year's Break)
Sunday, Jan. 5th: No Class, Christmas Break
Fri. – Sun., Jan 10th – 12th: Youth Search Retreat, Children's Harbor, Lake Martin.
Sunday, Jan. 12: Class
Sunday, Jan. 19th: Class
Sunday, Jan. 26th: Class, Children's Mass 10 am.
Sunday, Feb. 2: Class
Sunday, Feb. 9: Class
Fri. – Sun., Feb 14th – 16th: ACYC 2020
Sunday, Feb. 16: Class, Children's Mass 10:00 am

HOMEBOUND MASS FILMING:

The next Homebound Mass Filming will take place December 3, 2019 and will be filmed at St. Vincent de Paul, Mobile. Mass time will be 10:00 am and Father Vrazel will be the Celebrant.

NURSING HOME OUTREACH:

Every First Friday of the Month there is a Mass celebrated at the Grand Bay Convalescent Home at 10:00 A.M. **Join US!**

HOUSE BLESSINGS

We highly encourage **House Blessings**. Please call Father Sherwin to schedule the blessing of your home.

**Announcements for Week
December 7, 2019**

- 1) Second Collection** this weekend, December 8th, is for "Retired Religious."
- 2) Workbooks** for Lectors and Gospel readers are in the church hall. If you are a lector, please take your copy but on take one per family. Thank you
- 3) Christmas and New Years Mass Schedule.** The Mass schedule for both Christmas and New Year's is the vigil at 6:00 pm and morning Mass at 10:00 am.
- 4) Eucharist Ministers, Lectors, Ushers and Altar Servers** who can serve at Christmas and New Years' please sign up on the sheets in the church hall.
- 5) Liturgy Committee Meeting** will be on Tuesday, 12/10/19, at 6:00 pm in the Church Hall. We will discuss and layout our calendar of events for 2020. This is an important meeting so please plan to attend.
- 6) The New Contribution Envelopes** are in and on the tables in the church hall. If you do not contribute through electronic banking, you will have a box so please pick up your box.
- 7) 2020 Church Calendars** are also in the church hall on a table. Please take one for your family as the calendar indicates church season and Holy Days.
- 8) Wednesday Confirmation Class** will meet this Wednesday at 6:30 pm. in the church hall and the Sunday Confirmation Class will meet next Sunday, December 15th at 11:00 am. in the church hall.
- 9) Altar Server Training** – All youth that have made their 1st Communion and wish to serve God from the altar need to be in the Church on Wednesday, December 11th at 6:00 pm for Altar Training.
- 10) The Parish Christmas Dinner** will be next Saturday, December 14th after the 5:00 pm Mass.
- 11) The Lady's Sodality** will be collecting coats, sweaters, hats, scarves and gloves for the needy. They will also be collecting game cards, balls, batteries, gift cards and etc. for St. Mary's Home. Please get these in as soon as possible. The weekend of December 14 & 15 will be our last weekend to collect. Thank you.
- 12) Our Capital Campaign** this week is at \$449,900.00 which is 231% of our campaign goal. The total number of gifts for the campaign is 50.
- 13) Known Birthdays:** 7th: Christy Brown, 11th: Amber Odom, Judy Poiroux, Michelle Cook, Karen Diamond, Joseph Gable, 13th: Jimmy Holland, **Known Anniversaries this week:** 10th: Carol and Johnnie Tate, 13th: Michelle and Michael Cook