

A Place to Share God's Word, Faith, Family Life & Fellowship
St. Peter Claver St. Pius V Catholic Church – “One in the Spirit”



Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2022

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:30 a.m.

DAILY MASSES

Mondays 8:00 a.m.
Tuesdays 8:00 a.m.
Thursdays 8:00 a.m.
Fridays 8:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

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Religious Education

Elementary & First Communion
Sundays: Immediately following Mass

High School & Confirmation
2nd, 4th, & 5th Sundays – 11:00 a.m.

Baptism & Marriage Preparation

By Appointment

Mass Intention

12/8 – Marie Scriber, Anniversary of death; Requested by Michael Scriber

12/10 - Healing Mercies for Alanna Nolan; Requested by Pat Nolan

Thank You

We're glad you joined us today! It is our sincere hope that the fellowship and love you experience today will continue to be a part of your lives over the days and years to come.

"Like good stewards of the varied graces of God, use whatever gift each one of you has received to serve one another."

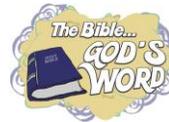
1 Peter 4:10

PASTOR'S CORNER

“As I grow older and wiser, and discover my shortcomings and those of others around me, I’ve come to the conclusion that we are imperfect human beings, living in an imperfect world!! I now know for a fact that intention is different from execution!! Often times we have the best of intentions and set up to go the north, but the breeze of imperfection pushes us to the south!! The consolation, though, is that even when our imperfection prevents us from arriving at the ideal, we can at least arrive at the second best, while we look forward to having the ideal!! We can’t allow the best to be the enemy of the good!! God bless those trying to make the world a better place!!”

Upcoming Events / Meetings

- December 11** – Holiday Happenings
- December 14** – Lifebridge Mobile Unit
- December 17** – Pastoral Council Meeting
- December 18** - PREP - Elementary
- December 22** – Health & Wellness Exercise/Line Dancing
- December 24** – Christmas Eve
- December 25** – Christmas Day



Weekly Readings

- Sunday:** Isaiah 11:1-10/ Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/ Romans 15:4-9/ Matthew 3:1-12
- Monday:** Isaiah 35:1-10/ Psalm 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/ Luke 5:17-26
- Tuesday:** Isaiah 40:1-11/ Psalm 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/ Matthew 18:12-14
- Wednesday:** Isaiah 40:25-31/ Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/ Matthew 11:28-30
- Thursday:** Genesis 3:9-15, 20/ Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12/Luke 1:26-38
- Friday:** Isaiah 48:17-19/ Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/ Matthew 11:16-19
- Saturday:** Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11/Psalm 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/ Matthew 17:9a, 10-13



In today’s Gospel, John the Baptist urges us to “Prepare the way of the Lord.” This is what Advent is all about, for we are called to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts, in our family and to reach out to those in need. *Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call The St. Vincent de Paul Ministry so that together we can help the suffering and poor to celebrate Christmas. Don’t forget to come to Holiday Happenings.*

Second Sunday of Advent. . . .



The second candle to be lit is also a purple candle and represents peace and preparation. We get a chance to commemorate Jesus' birth, prepare for his second coming, and prepare our hearts in faithful waiting on the second Sunday of Advent. It's a lovely opportunity to consider the various ways in which prophecy has been realized and to consider what the future (as promised to us via prophecy) will hold.

We take some time this week to consider who God is and what He has done for us. When our lives are hectic, we only have time to focus on our to-do lists. When we carve out time in our schedules for prayer and meditation, we are better equipped to see God's hand at work in our lives and in the world.

As we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus as a gift to all of humanity, let's develop a sense of anticipation in our homes and hearts. May God's spirit make the days leading up to Christmas a season of holy anticipation as we anxiously await the chance to commemorate the birth of our King.

It's happening next week, December 11 - "One in The Spirit" Christmas Village. Join us in our warm cozy hall immediately after Mass for so much fun. A new unwrapped toy is your donation for Christmas Baskets. And yes, if we're still celebrating at 1:00, The Ravens at Steelers Game will be on TV. Thanks on behalf of SIPs.

November 26 & 27

Total Attendance – 120

Total Collections - \$3,134

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OUTREACH & EVANGELIZATION

Join St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church (101 Church Lane, Pikesville) for its Advent Parish Mission: Be Renewed in the Lord, on December 4, 5, and 6 from 6:00 p.m. -8:00 p.m. The guest speaker and presenter is Fr. Emmanuel Acquaye OFM Conv. Finding time before Christmas to pause and ponder is an annual challenge – and yet, that’s exactly the Church’s goal during Advent. Give yourself the gift of time, personal reflection, and a Spirit of community. Though Christ has already come into the world, the Church invites us to renew our desire for the Lord more deeply into our lives. You will also have the opportunity to go to confession.

Knott Scholarships are four-year, full tuition for Catholic Students to attend Catholic schools in certain areas of the Archdiocese of Baltimore at either the elementary or secondary level. Applications are accepted from students in the 4th and 8th grades. If you have a high-achieving student, check out knottscholar.org for more information and to see if they qualify to apply. Knott Scholarships, for full and partial tuition, are also available at Loyola University Maryland, Mount St. Mary’s University, and Notre Dame Maryland University.

OFFICE OF BLACK CATHOLIC MINISTRY ADVISORY BOARD - The Office of Black Catholic Ministry is forming a volunteer advisory board to serve a vital role in guiding the Office in the development of evangelization and outreach to the Black Community in the Archdiocese of Baltimore. The Board will play an advisory role and will be actively involved in the development of projects and will advocate for the pastoral and spiritual needs and civil rights of the community. For more information contact Adrienne Curry, Director of the Office of Black Catholics at adrienne.curry@archbalt.org or call 410-625-8471.

Maryland Attorney General Brian E. Frosh filed a motion Nov. 17 to allow release of the office’s report of its investigation of child sexual abuse in the Archdiocese of Baltimore. The archdiocese’s published list now includes 152 names, including many priests from other dioceses or religious orders and 17 religious brothers who served in or had a connection to the archdiocese. The list was last updated in June 2022. To see the list, visit - <https://bit.ly/3U4rgMF>

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