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### QUICK!

Advent is short and will pass quickly. That is why a Christian is like a quick strider. He knows how to use his time well, advancing along.

To waste his time is to do nothing, or worse, to do worthless things. To do worthless things is to accord too much importance to little trifles, and to give too little to what has value.

A strider advances along. He also walks with others and is attentive to them. He who is fast and experienced knows how to regulate himself and help the slowest walker. He helps carry his bag, and notices the distress of his neighbor and helps to ease it. He serves without humiliating. He laughs without hurting. He makes others laugh without putting them down. He gives. He wins all. He touches hearts. He has style and is not careless or sloppy. He is clean, clear, as exigent with himself as he is indulgent with others. He travels light and has precision and lightness. One who is weighed down becomes tired and finishes all at once without discernment and with excess.

In this way, Advent is a school of lightness. The more detailed and meticulous the preparation is the more beautiful the surprise will be.

Our walk toward Christmas now has begun as we wait for God, a fresh and lively walk towards Christ from here below and toward the Christ encountered in all eternity. He will come.

We remain therefore in a state of vigil, in the company of Our Lady, the Immaculate one; she who gives us our golden rule in life: "do what Jesus tells you to do".

Canon Antoine Boucheron

**Sunday, December 3, 2017 - First Sunday of Advent**

# THE LITURGICAL & SPIRITUAL SEASON OF ADVENT

*The active participation in the most Holy Mysteries and in the public and solemn prayer of the Church is the primary and indispensable source of the true Christian spirit.*

-- Pope St. Pius X

Advent, meaning literally a "coming," is a preparation for the coming of the Savior, a period of personal purification and penance. It is the start of a new liturgical season, the New Year of Holy Mother Church. It's a new opportunity to intensify and enliven the process of our sanctification by immersing ourselves in the spirit and liturgy of the season. The spiritual life begins with the purgative way and Advent being the first liturgical season is the time to start rooting out vices, learning to control our appetites and begin to seriously practice virtue.

St. Gregory of Tours wrote that St. Perpetuus who held the see around 480, decreed a fast three times a week from the fest of St. Martin on November 11 until Christmas. The Council of Tours in 567 required monks to fast from the beginning of December until Christmas and the penance was extended to the laity and pushed back to St. Martin's Day. For us, Advent begins on the Sunday nearest St. Andrew's Day, November 30. Although no formal fasting is required under pain of sin, the Church does promote the spirit of penance. In the liturgy, the *Gloria* is not said in ferial Masses, purple is the color for vestments to symbolize penitence, the organ is not played except on Gaudete Sunday, and the nuptial blessing is not given at marriages until Christmastide.

To help us "make straight the paths of the Lord," we should remember that Christ comes to us in three different ways. St. Bernard says "He comes in the flesh and in weakness; He comes in spirit and power; and He comes in glory and in majesty." That is, His first coming on earth was through the Incarnation, His second when He enters our souls through sanctifying grace, and His third will be at our particular judgment and the general judgment at the end of the world.

It is easy to see why the Church discourages the inappropriate and early feasting and celebrating that is so inherent in a pagan, materialistic and instant gratification world. Physical preparations must be made in advance of Christmas, but are of little importance. Cleaning, decorating, and clothing our souls is of primary importance. We should clean up our soul through the Sacrament of Penance, scrubbing it bright with self-imposed, rough-edged mortifications. And we should decorate and clothe our souls with sanctifying grace through the reception of the Holy Eucharist. Children as well, can be taught quite early on to offer up their little sacrifices for the coming of the Christ Child, and their daily treats, candy, and parties postponed until Christmas actually arrives.

## Novena to the Immaculate Conception

November 29 - December 7

O most holy Virgin who wast pleasing to God and didst become His Mother. Immaculate in your body, in your soul, in your faith and in your love, we beseech thee to look graciously upon the wretched who implore thy powerful protection. The wicked serpent, against whom the primal curse was hurled, continues none the less to wage war and to lay snares for the unhappy children of Eve. Ah, do thou, our blessed Mother, our Queen and Advocate, who from the first instant of thy conception didst crush the head of our enemy, receive the prayers that we unite single-heartedly to thine and conjure thee to offer at the throne of God, that we may never fall into the snares that are laid for us, in such wise that we may all come to the haven of salvation; and in the midst of so many dangers may holy Church and the fellowship of Christians everywhere sing once more the hymn of deliverance, victory and peace. Amen.

Thou art all fair, O Mary. And the original stain is not in thee. Thou art the glory of Jerusalem. Thou art the joy of Israel. Thou art the honour of our people. Thou art the advocate of sinners. O Mary, virgin most prudent, mother most tender, pray for us. Intercede for us with Jesus Christ Our Lord.

V. In thy conception, O Virgin, thou wast immaculate.  
R. Pray for us to the Father, Whose Son thou didst bring forth.

Let us pray.

O God who, by the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin, didst make her a worthy habitation for Thy Son, and didst, by His foreseen death, preserve her from all stain of sin; grant we beseech Thee, that through her intercession we may be cleansed from sin and come with pure hearts to Thee. Through the same Christ Our Lord. (*Amen.*)



## Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, December 8

Mass 8:00am/ Adoration 8:45am - 11:00am



## Company of the Immaculate St. Michael's Patrol Children's Collection TODAY

This Advent, both the girls' and boys' group of St. Patrick's Oratory are going to have their first ever "Children's Collection" for the children in the Institute's African apostolate. Canon Fragelli's parish, the Mission of Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, is in the process of building a Catholic school for 500 children. While they have started construction earlier this year, they are unable to continue building due to a lack of funding. This is where our children can help.

We are asking for "child size" donations to help Canon Fragelli build the school for their children, naming it "St. Francis de Sales School". With our help we can assist them in completing this worthwhile project.

This collection is primarily for all the children of our parish; however, adults are also welcome to donate to this cause as well. It is not the amount that we collect that is important, but rather to teach our children compassion towards our fellow brothers and sisters who are less fortunate in other parts of the world. As Saint Teresa of Calcutta said, "If we worry too much about ourselves, we won't have time for others."

**This collection will begin TODAY at both masses and will continue periodically throughout the coming year. We hope to provide updates on the school's progress.**

*Please help us "Live the truth in charity."*

**Thank you for your support and generosity!**

## Calendar of Upcoming Events

**TODAY-December 3 - Children's Collection**

Taken up at both Masses

**TODAY-December 3 - St. Nicholas Party**

Following the 10:00am Mass in O'Brien Hall

**Monday, December 4 - St. Jerome Book Club - Rectory 6:00pm**

**Friday, December 8 - Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)**

8:00am Mass followed by Adoration 8:45-11:00am / 6:00pm Mass

**December 16 & 17- Christmas Cookie Walk & Craft Sale**

Saturday: 10:00am - 4:00pm O'Brien Hall

Sunday: Following the 8:00am & 10:00am Masses O'Brien Hall

# LITURGICAL CALENDAR: DECEMBER 3 - DECEMBER 10, 2017

<p><b>Sun., Dec. 3</b> 8:00 a.m. Low Mass/organ</p>	<h2 style="margin: 0;">FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT</h2> <p style="margin: 10px 0;">(1st Cl., V) Commemoration for the Pope</p>	<p>For an end to abortion <i>by Bill &amp; Sue Vanevenhoven</i></p>	<p>Julius Fonferek OPEN</p>
<p>10:00 a.m. High Mass <u>Chorale</u></p>		<p>Intentions of Monsignor the Prior General of the Institute of Christ the King</p>	<p>Sacristan: Tyler Reif MC: Jacob Mihalski Thurifer: Nathan Reif Acolytes: Andreas Kempen &amp; John Kanzenbach Candle: Michael Barrington, Thomas Simia, Augustine &amp; Jean-Marie Helfenberger Crucifer: Andreas Kempen</p>
<p><b>Mon., Dec. 4</b> 8:00 a.m.</p>	<p><b>St. Peter Chrysologus</b>, Bishop, Confessor &amp; Doctor of the Church (3rd Cl., W) Commemoration for the Pope &amp; Feria of Advent</p>	<p>Carol Ariens <i>by Anonymous</i></p>	<p>Nathan Reif Tyler Reif</p>
<p><b>Tues., Dec. 5</b> 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Feria of Advent</b> (3rd Cl., V) Commemoration for the Pope &amp; St. Sabbas, Abbot</p>	<p>†Thelma Lee <i>by John &amp; Thelma White</i></p>	<p>John Kanzenbach James Kanzenbach</p>
<p><b>HOLY HOUR OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - following Holy Mass</b></p>			
<p><b>Wed., Dec. 6</b> 8:00 a.m.</p>	<p><b>St. Nicholas</b>, Bishop &amp; Confessor (3rd Cl., W) Commemoration for the Pope &amp; Feria of Advent</p>	<p>†Bryan &amp; Todd Bloodorn <i>by Bill &amp; Bridgett Milhalski</i></p>	<p>Bart Stillwell OPEN</p>
<p><b>Thurs., Dec. 7</b> 8:00 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Votive Mass of Jesus Christ Eternal High Priest</b> (3rd Cl., W) Commemoration for the Pope &amp; St. Ambrose, Bishop, Confessor &amp; Doctor of the Church</p>	<p>Kathy Kane <i>by Anonymous</i></p>	<p>Julius Fonferek OPEN</p>
<p><b>Fri., Dec. 8</b> 8:00 a.m.  6:00 p.m. <u>Chorale</u></p>	<h2 style="margin: 0;">IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE MOST BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</h2> <p style="margin: 10px 0;">(1st Cl., W) Commemoration for the Pope <b><u>Holy Day of Obligation</u></b></p> <p style="margin: 5px 0; font-size: small;">A Plenary Indulgence may be gained under the usual conditions <b><i>Eucharistic Adoration 8:45 - 11:00 am</i></b></p>	<p>†Fr, Francis Geynet <i>by Scott LaLonde</i></p> <p>Special intention <i>by Del &amp; Lee Mayer</i></p>	<p>Michael Simia Aaron Rasmussen</p> <p>Sacristan: Kaleb Kerscher MC: Nathan Reif Thurifer: Francis Neumann Acolytes: Nicholas Reif &amp; Tyler Reif Candle: John Neumann, John &amp; James Kanzenbach, Adam Mihalski Crucifer: Vic Neumann</p>
<p><b>Sat., Dec. 9</b> 9:00 a.m.</p>	<p><b>Feria of Advent</b> (3rd Cl., V) Commemoration for the Pope</p>	<p>For vocations to the Priesthood <i>by Mr. &amp; Mrs. Ellis</i></p>	<p>Paul Jessel Jerry Jessel</p>
<p><b>Sun., Dec. 10</b> 8:00 a.m. Low Mass/organ</p>	<h2 style="margin: 0;">SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT</h2> <p style="margin: 10px 0;">(1st Cl., V) Commemoration for the Pope</p>	<p>Jay &amp; Lori Fameree <i>by Anonymous</i></p>	<p>Michael Simia Aaron Rasmussen</p>
<p>10:00 a.m. High Mass <u>Youth Choir</u></p>		<p>Jean Accoceberry <i>by Mr. &amp; Mrs Savoie</i></p>	<p>Sacristan &amp; MC: Peter Kanzenbach Thurifer: Jerry Jessel Acolytes: Francis Neumann &amp; Vic Neumann Candle: Jean-Marie Helfenberger, Tyler &amp; Nathan Reif, Julius Fonferek Crucifer: Augustine Helfenberger</p>

**CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

Sunday.....7:15 - 7:45 a.m. & 9:15 - 9:45 a.m.  
Daily..... 30 minutes before every Holy Mass  
Upon appointment..... Call the rectory

**DEVOTION SCHEDULE**

Tuesday..... Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration  
Wednesday..... St. Joseph Novena after Holy Mass  
Friday..... Sorrowful Mother Novena after Holy Mass  
Monthly..... Infant Jesus Novena (17th to 25th)

**CATECHISM CLASSES** are held on Tuesdays from 5:00-5:50 p.m. in O'Brien Hall.  
Please meet at 4:55 p.m. in the Church for prayers. To sign up please contact Canon Boucheron.

# Sunday, December 3, 2017 - First Sunday of Advent

## Saint Nicholas' Day Celebration

**TODAY - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3**

**O'Brien Hall immediately following the 10:00am Mass**

*Please join us as we celebrate the feast of Saint Nicholas with a Taco Bar Potluck.*

Stop by to visit, mingle and get to know your fellow Oratory members and visitors.

*Saint Nicholas will be visiting as well with treats for the children.*



### MEMBERS OF ST. PATRICK'S ORATORY

Please let me know if you have moved in the last two years. Our secretary needs your new mailing address to update our database. Thank you for your understanding.

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*If you are not yet a Member...*

**Please Register as a Member of  
ST. PATRICK'S ORATORY**

Contact Canon Boucheron for a "Membership Form."

*St. Patrick's Oratory is an apostolate of the Institute of Christ the King  
Canon Boucheron*

### Youth Choir Appreciation Breakfast!

All members of the Youth Choir and their families are cordially invited to a breakfast on **Saturday, December 9**, following the morning Mass. Please join Canon Boucheron for this fun event.



### PRO-LIFE WISCONSIN

#### MARCH FOR LIFE 2018 - CHICAGO -

Join the Bus from Green Bay to the annual "March for Life" in Chicago on Sunday, Jan. 14.

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN-SIGN UP TODAY!**

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For questions contact Bill and Sue Vanevenhoven at (920) 532-5550 or email [vanevenhovens@sbcglobal.net](mailto:vanevenhovens@sbcglobal.net) Hope to see you there!

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### CHRISTMAS DECORATING

Soon we will need help decorating our church for the feast of Christmas. This year we will be decorating exclusively on Saturday, December 23 from 10am-2pm. We need at least 14-16 volunteers, so please consider taking the time to help make the House of the Lord beautiful for the coming of our Savior. Please contact Lori Fameree at 715-927-1963 if you are able to help. Thank you!

### ST. JEROME BOOK CLUB

Continues **Monday, December 4**, 6pm at the Rectory  
Improving your knowledge of the faith through spiritual reading and thoughtful discussion is important, please join us!

### Collections

**Weekly Collection - Sunday, November 26th - \$3,151.20**

**Monthly Total for November: \$16,283.58**

**Monthly Collection Goal for November: \$14,300.00**

**Quarterly Collection Goal for Oct/Nov/Dec: \$43,000.00**

**Total Quarterly Collection Oct/Nov/Dec: \$31,014.27**



Weekly bulletins are also available online @ [www.institute-christ-king.org/greenbay/greenbay-bulletins/](http://www.institute-christ-king.org/greenbay/greenbay-bulletins/)  
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Please visit the bulletin board at either entrance to read the inspirational story of the mothers of Lu, Italy and pick up a prayer card. Also, consider offering up a Holy hour and/or Holy Mass for the intention of vocations in our parish.



### Christmas Cookie Walk & Craft Sale

**Saturday, December 16 & Sunday December 17**

**If you can bake Cookies or make Crafts We Need You!**

*- Stop By the Scrip Table Today for Details -*

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