

I will raise up for David a just shoot; he shall do what is right and just in the land. — *Jeremiah 33:15*

Readings

First Reading — The days are coming when the LORD will fulfill the promise made to Israel and Judah (Jeremiah 33:14-16).

Psalm — To you, O Lord, I lift my soul (Psalm 25).

Second Reading — May the Lord make you increase and abound in love that you may be blameless in holiness (1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2).

Gospel — There will be signs and you will see the Son of Man coming with power and great glory. Be vigilant (Luke 21:25-28, 34-36).

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 27 Children's Mass

5:00 PM (P) Shirley Smith's Family

Sunday, November 28

8:00 AM (J) Wayne Klein

11:00 AM (C) S. Catherine Wellinghoff Family (B-Day 11/26)

Monday, November 29

8:30 AM (C) ASC Community

Tuesday, November 30

8:30AM (J) For those who donate to the parish partnership

Wednesday, December 1

9:00AM (C) ASC Community

10:00 AM (P) Claude Simpson Family

Thursday, December 2

8:00 AM (J) Cancer patients

9:00AM (C) Floyd "Flip" Toenjes Family

Friday, December 3

No Mass

Saturday, December 4

5:00 PM (J) Carol DuFrenne

1st Reconciliation Alexandra Mollet

Sunday, December 5

8:00AM (P) Billie & Tony Eichenseer Family

11:00 AM (C) S. Leona Luechtefeld (B-Day 12/3)

CONVENT MASSES ARE NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

PRAYER REQUEST

All homebound, nursing home residences, cancer patients, COVID-19 patients, Pam Ozier, Regina, Ruth Henry, Roger & Carol Hess, Doris Wilson, Wanda Honer, Ray Hess, Steve Wallach, Ruby Dickinson, Joan Schaefer, Neil Mudd, Michael Brand, Armin & Lola Depper, Steve Deterding, Karen Whelan, Brenda Hamilton, Samuel Despain, Kathy Ghahkenshah, Eileen Heinen, Jeanelle Dinan, Melvin & Verona Schwartz, Diane Corzine, Fred Deterding, Kenny & Wanda Conners, Laura, Benjamin & Miles Marler, Betty Deterding, Gerry Melliere, Arnold Mudd, Dave Cotton, Our military & their families, Ed DuFrenne Ken Williams, Thomas, Nicole, Jacob, Katie Schoenberger, Keith Whelan,

CHURCH SUPPORT-November 20 & 21

St. Patrick's: Envelopes \$730 Loose \$20 All Saints \$10 CCHD \$10 COVID \$300 Total COVID \$13,950

St. Joseph's: Envelopes \$1,147 Loose: \$230,

Weekly goal: \$1,700.



FR. SEBASTIAN'S WEEKEND REFLECTIONS

The first reading (Jeremiah 33:14-16) is a prophetic cry that God will raise a shoot from the stock of David and then Judah and Jerusalem will be secure. It will be a time of remembrance and renewal for all those who await the birth of the messiah.

In the second reading (1Thessalonians 3:12-4:2) Saint Paul prays that there should be love for one another and for everyone. This love should define our existence and prep our hearts for the coming of the new Dawn of our Savior's coming.

In the Gospel (Luke 21:25-28, 34-36) Jesus talks about a new change that will shake up the old order and prepare our minds and heart for what is to come. He asks us to be vigilant, prayerful and focused so that we are fully prepared for this season of grace.

Have a blessed Advent season. Fr Sebastian Ukoh CM

MAKE THE MOST OF ADVENT

The season of Advent is designed to help us prepare to celebrate Jesus' birth at Christmas. Think of it: God became man, died for our sins, rose from the dead, and now reigns as King of all creation. Every Christmas is a chance to welcome Jesus as an honored guest into our hearts. Think of all the planning, cooking, and cleaning needed to have a guest over. In Advent we prepare our hearts to welcome the Savior. A rich Advent makes a joyous Christmas. Use the four weeks before Christmas to prepare for Christ's coming.



THE ADVENT WREATH

Since circles have no beginning and no end, the circular shape of the Advent Wreath symbolizes eternal life in Christ. The wreath holds four or five candles. Each candle represents an aspect of the spiritual preparation for the coming of the Lord. Generally, three are violet which symbolize penance, sacrifice and prayer and are lit during the first, second and fourth weeks. The one rose-colored, is called Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday and is lit on the third week of Advent. On this day we celebrate that our wait is almost over. The color represents joy. The four candles each represent 1,000 years. Added together, the four candles symbolize the 4,000 years that humanity waited for the Savior. The fifth candle (white) reminds us that Jesus is the spotless Lamb of God sent to wash away our sins. His birth was for his death. His death was for our birth.

MASS SCHEDULE

Mass schedules for December are 5pm Saturday at St. Joseph and 8am Sunday morning at St. Patrick's. Mask will be required when inside. Now is the time to come back to the Lord will all our hearts!



St. Joseph's Youth group will be going to For King & Country on Dec. 16th.

There will be a Luke 18 retreat for 7&8th graders January 14-16 2022, at Gibault. This would count as a worship project!

First Reconciliation for Alexandra Mollet will be December 4th at 4:30pm please pray for her as she studies about forgiveness of her sins.

Jesse tree presentation by PSR students @ Dec. 11th Mass



ST. PATRICK'S COVID IMPACT/PLEDGE DRIVE

If you have not returned your pledge drive letter, please do so. We are asking for your help. No amount is too large or too small. If everyone gives something, the load will be easier for all. Please be as generous as you can. Donations can be put in the collection basket or sent to the parish office. Donations received \$13,650. Parish goal \$20,000

ST. JOSEPH SUBSIDIES FUND

If you noticed in the foyer of church is a goal thermometer that shows what our goals are for paying off this year's subsidies. So for we have collected over 12,000 but we still have a way to go. Any extra help would be appreciated, no matter the size. Drop it in the mail or collection basket, make sure it says subsidies on the envelope. We are playing catch up from 2020.



PARTNERSHIP ADVENT DAY OF PRAYER

Thursday, December 9th from 7-8pm at St. Patrick's Parish Hall. We will start the evening with the Rosary, followed by Adoration, a 15-20 minute conversation on Advent, concluding with a Blessing. Refreshments will be served. MAKE THIS AN ADVENT TO REMEMBER.



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

St. Patrick's: Monday, November 29th at 7pm in the Red Brick School.

ST. JOSEPH 300TH MEMORABILIA

Ornaments and Candles are here and will be available during office hours. Mon, Tues. Thurs. & Friday and after Mass. There will be a table at Le Fete De Noel as well.

ST. JOSEPH PAMPER CHEF QUARTER AUCTION

Sunday January 30th 1-4pm Lunch stand opens at 11am American Legion. All are welcome.

St. Patrick's Parish monthly takes a set amount (\$100) from the collection and donates it to a needy charity/family, locally or globally. December's collection will go to the Human service center in Red Bud. If you would like to make an additional donation, please mark it and place it in the collection basket.

KUDOS

- To our parish councils.
- To those that helped fill our Thanksgiving baskets.
- To Pechacek Funeral Homes, our bulletin advertiser of the week.

BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

Kenny Pelate 11/27, Peyton Chandler 11/27, Kim Mudd 11/28, Katie Hall 11/28, Ella Umbdenstock 11/28, Debbie Ellner 11/28, Sandy Liefer 11/29, Mike Schaefer 11/29, Adam Walker 11/30, S. Leona Luechtefeld 12/3, Lilian Drury 12/4

Chad & Kim Deterding 12/1

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

Sun: December 12th – 2:30 p.m. at Mary Help of Christians, Chester for the parishes of Chester, Evansville, Ellis Grove. **Mon.: December 13th** – 7 p.m. at St. John the Baptist, Red Bud for the parishes of Red Bud, Ruma, Prairie du Rocher **Tues.: December 14th** – 7 p.m. Our Lady of Lourdes, Sparta for the parishes of Sparta, Walsh, Willisville.

PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU CAN ATTEND ANY OF THE PENANCE SERVICES LISTED ABOVE THAT FITS IN YOUR SCHEDULE. WE WANTED TO MAKE IT AS CONVENIENT AS POSSIBLE FOR EVERYONE! THANK YOU!

Katina LeForge will be singing Dec. 3rd 7pm at 1st Baptist Church in Prairie du Rocher. Come here her Christmas concert.

KC OF EVANSVILLE

Keep Christ in Christmas coloring and art contest. Open to grades K-8. Deadline to turn in coloring or art work at either church is Nov. 29th. Pick up entries at both St. Patrick's (bulletin table) and St. Joseph or at St. Joe's Tuesday Morning PSR.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

First Sunday of Advent

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at his coming, so that, gathered at his right hand, they may be worthy to possess the heavenly Kingdom. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.