## First Sunday of Advent **December 1, 2019**



"You . . . must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."— Matthew 24:44

### TODAY'S READINGS:

First Reading – Isaiah 2:1-5

Psalm - Psalm 122

Second Reading – Romans 13:11-14

Gospel – Matthew 24:37-44



Linda Nettles, Gabriel Rigby, Gwen Roberson, Terrance Ruhland, Barbe Trudeau 12/1; Tommy/Traci Avalon, Tom/Angela/Seth Brittain, Theresa Cannon, Frank/Linda Develle, Daniel Dillon, James Doddridge, Mike/Cathy/Jared/Michael Eaves, Janis Hamblin, Steve Musil, Ursin Oubre Jr, Jon/Christin Quinn Family, Rita Reed,

Kenny Skellie 11/24; Betsy Carraway, Eva Jean Davis, Eugene Humphery, James Lee, Jr., Charity Long, Glynn Long, Sister Maria Eugenia Moreno, MGSpS, Joseph Perlick, Irene Rangel, Bill Rush, Lillian Stachura, Epigmenia Tartinez, Stephen/Crystal Warren and Family, Vince/Sissy/Codi Warren, Wendy Williams 11/17; John/Teresa/Mark Bradshaw, James/Marva Brown, Gary Cieply, Glenn/Geraldine Gary, Lucrecia Gibson, Janie Keary, John Laughlin, Harry/Betty Lougue, Helen Machost,, Cody Proviance, Swyze Rigby, Doug Simmons, Pam Smith, Brenda Williams, 11/10; Homebound/Nursing Homes: Adelaida Dethloff, Sandra Elliott, Abron Haymond, Peggy Huffman, Kate Rutherford, Anna Starr, Tom/Brenda Steen, Sue Trebotich; Priests/Religious: Brian Carroll, Joe Dyer, Dan Gallagher, Sam Messina, Lenin Vargas, Retired Bishop Joseph Latino. Persons wanting to be added to the Prayer List need to contact the parish office - Names will appear for one month.

Prayers for Safety for all service men and women at home

THOSE IN THE and abroad, who give of their lives daily in order that we may enjoy our freedom: Preston Blocker, David Brooks, William Aaron

Burks, Michael P. Collins, Nathan Darnell, Ty Develle, Lee Greco, Erling Gresham, Tanner Hutchins, Steven J. Jackson, Michael Jessie, Kimberly Johnson, Derek Lieding, Anna/Malcolm Lowe, Michael Machost Jr., Steven P. Meadows, Blake Nations, Nick Pendleton, Brooks Stevens, and Nathan Waltman, Austin White. You may place a picture of the individual on our military bulletin board located in the parish hall.

Sacrificial Giving this past week:	
Budget Needed Weekly	\$6,000.00
Regular Tithe	\$4,602.57
"New Life" Capital Campaign	\$643.00
Coffee and doughnuts(need \$25)	\$20.00
Food Pantry (Eagle Scout Project)	\$60.00
Youth	\$31.31
Church Lighting	\$1,100.00
Sacramental	\$40.00
Books	\$170.00
iGiveCatholic (Advance giving)	\$187.00
Thank you for your	generosity!

## **December Month of:** The Divine Infancy



#### WEEKLY SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS:

\*\*\* Changes or Additions

STT - St. Therese

CTK - Christ the King

OLOG - Our Lady of Guadalupe

SVDP - St. Vincent de Paul

MFCC - Christian Catholic Family Movement MSJLOG - MARIAN SERVANTS® of Jesus, the Lamb of God

CWA Christmas Sale after All Masses

**Proceeds Supporting New Life Campaign Classroom** Furnishings and CWA Women's Retreat

Saturday, Nov. 30 -Vigil of First Sunday of Advent

1:00pm Wedding - church

2-5:00pm Guitar Lessons - New Life Classroom

3:00pm Confession

4:00pm Mass - Richard Novak; People of the Parish

Sunday, Dec. 1 - First Sunday of Advent; World AIDS Day

8:45am RCIA - Parish Hall

9:30am Mass - Mary and Stanley Shavel: People of the Parish

\*\*\*NO PSR

12:30pm Spanish Mass

#### 7:30am Mass Monday – Friday at the Carmelite Monastery Monday, Dec. 2 -

6:00pm Madonna Circle Pot-luck – parish hall

6:30pm-8:30pm OLOG Dancers - New Life Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, Dec. 3 - St. Francis Xavier

Cursillo Group - New Life Conference Room 5:00pm

Mass - Souls in Purgatory 5:30pm

6:00pm Rosary and Prayer Meeting - Chapel

Wednesday, Dec. 4 – St. John Damascene

Mass - People of the Parish 8:30am

9am-5pm Adoration - Chapel

6:30-8:00pm Spanish Choir Practice



Thursday, Dec. 5

5:30pm Mass - Souls in Purgatory

Friday, Dec. 6 - St. Nicholas; First Friday

8:45am Mass - CTK

12noon First Friday Mass - People of the Parish

6:30-8:30pm OLOG Dancers - New Life Building

## Saturday, Dec. 7 - Vigil of Second Sunday of Advent

12-3:00pm Adoration

2-5:00pm Guitar Lessons - New Life Classroom

3:00pm Confession

4:00pm Mass - Paul Gospodarski; People of the Parish

#### Sunday, Dec. 8 - Second Sunday of Advent

8:45am RCIA - Parish Hall

9:30am Mass - Olivia Greco Birthday Intention PSR/Confirmation - New Life Classrooms 10:45

12:30pm Spanish Mass

#### **ADVENT**

Let's approach Christmas with an expectant hush, rather than a last-minute rush.

-Anonymous

#### TIME OF PREPARATION

This life is the time of our preparation for our future state. Our souls will continue forever what we make them in this world.

—John Tillotson, Archbishop of Canterbury

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

**Saturday:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1 **Sunday:** Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Rom 15:4-9;

Mt 3:1-12

#### Question of the Week:

What am I doing that I would not want seen in the light of day, or at the hour I do not expect? What do I need to do to change this?

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#### Needed

A pianist for St. Dominic Hospital Chapel Masses every Saturday at 4:30pm and/or St. Catherine's Village Masses every Sunday at 9:00am. For more information please call 601-750-4885.

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## December Prayer Intentions of Our Holy Father, Pope Francis

Universal: The Future of the Very Young

That every country be determined to take the necessary measures to make the future of the very young, especially those who suffer, a priority.

St. Therese Parishioners Rosary Intention:

Parish Youth, Children, Infants and

Peace in the World!

You are invited to attend An Advent Day of Reflection, St. Mary of the Pines, Chatawa, Saturday, December 7, 2019, 9:30am-3:00pm. Sr. Pat Thomas, OP, will lead us into deeper meanings of welcoming Christ into our lives at Advent and every day. Suggested donation of \$40 includes lunch. Registration: Contact Sr. Sue Von Bank retreatcenter@ssndcp.org or 601-783-0801.



# Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00am - 5:00pm

If you are willing to commit to one hour each week please sign-up in the gathering space, that way we know what hours will be covered.

Thank you!

## PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

The Diocese of Jackson is committed to ensuring that no one being served by the church be (is) at risk of sexual abuse or exploitation by clergy, religious or lay church personnel. The spiritual well-being of all the victims, their families and others in the community is of particular concern to the church. In accordance with our policy, all victims are offered counseling and pastoral care.

Anyone who has been a victim of abuse or exploitation by clergy, religious or lay church personnel and has not yet reported it is encouraged to do so. Our victim assistance coordinator, Valerie McClellan, a licensed social worker, is available to assist in making a report. Please contact her at 601-326-3728.

For more information about diocesan policies and procedures and to learn what the diocese is doing to create a safe environment for everyone, please visit the diocesan website at <a href="www.jacksondiocese.org">www.jacksondiocese.org</a> and click on "Protection of Children".

Bishop Joseph R. Kopacz, D.D., Ph.D. December 2019

## The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, St. Therese Conference (New Phone Number)

If you know of anyone in need of our services, please have them call **601-988-5441**, calls will be accepted from 1:00-3:00pm on Wednesday: Dec. 4 & Dec. 18, 2019.

#### **WORLD MARRIAGE DAY 2020**

The Catholic Diocese of Jackson and the Office of Family Ministry are pleased to announce that World Marriage Day 2020 will be held February 9, 2020 at 3:00 pm at the Cathedral of St. Peter the Apostle in Jackson, Mississippi. There will be a Mass celebrated by Bishop Joseph R. Kopacz, with a reception immediately following. The Mass honors all married couples, but invites those celebrating their 25th, 50th or 60th anniversaries, or any significant anniversary. If you are interested in attending or are celebrating one of the special anniversaries listed, please submit your name, address and wedding date to your parish secretary by December 31, 2019. Invitations will be mailed in mid -January. Any questions, please call Charlene Bearden at the Office of Family Ministry at 601-960-8487 email her charlene.bearden@jacksondiocese.org.

## **LECTORS AND COMMENTATORS:**

▶ The 2020 Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word has been placed in the work sacristy. Donation \$12. If you are a new Lector and do not see your name, contact the parish office for a Workbook.