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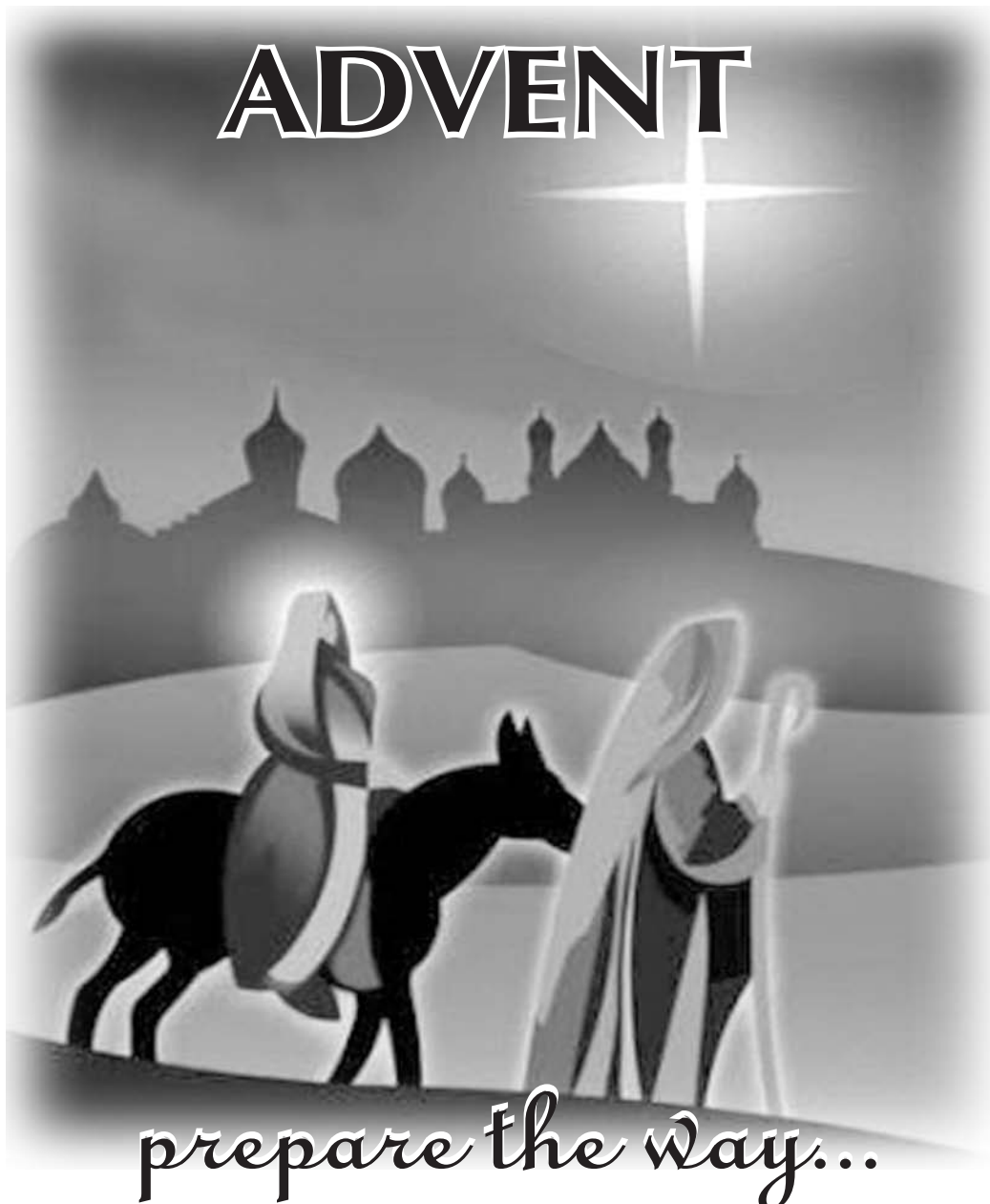
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*prepare the way...*

**Mass Intentions**



**for the Week**

8:15am	Dec 19	Mon	+Deceased members of the Wong family
8:15am	Dec 20	Tue	+Gerry Piggot
8:15am	Dec 21	Wed	+Michael Fedor
8:15am	Dec 22	Thu	+Eva Ho-Koon
8:15am	Dec 23	Fri	+Maria Soltys
5:00 pm	Dec 24	Sat	Parishioners
7:00 pm	Dec 24	Sat	Parishioners
9:30am	Dec 25	Sun	Parishioners
11:30am	Dec 25	Sun	Parishioners

**CHRISTMAS OFFICE CLOSURE**

Our parish staff work very hard, and they deserve a break to celebrate Christmas with their families and friends. The Parish Office will be closed from **Noon on Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>**, and reopen on **Monday, January 2, 2023**.



**PARISH CHRISTMAS SOCIAL APPRECIATION**

We thank all those who worked so hard to make our Parish Christmas Social a happy event. Special thanks to coordinator **Julie Caravaggio and her team**. And kudos to the Panache Steelband. They lived up to their name and lifted our spirits with their upbeat Christmas music.



**SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION**

For

**In Thanksgiving – D’Mello Family**



**THE “OH” ANTIPHONS –  
TITLES OF THE MESSIAH**  
(Gospel Acclamations at Mass)



- SUNDAY:** O Sacred Lord
- MONDAY:** O Flower of Jesse’s Stem
- TUESDAY:** O Key of David
- WEDNESDAY:** O Radiant Dawn
- THURSDAY:** O King of All the Nations
- FRIDAY:** O Emmanuel

**2023 SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES**



Sunday Offering Envelopes for 2023 are now available for pickup. There are no pre-assigned numbers. **Take any box and fill in the first, gray envelope. That’s your parish registration.**

Begin using these envelopes on **January 1<sup>st</sup>**  
(Throw Your Old Box Away)

## 2022 CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

**Christmas Eve – Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**  
5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.  
(No 8:15 a.m. Mass on Christmas Eve)

**Christmas Day – Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup>**  
9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

## ADVENT CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS

**Thursday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

(No confessions on Christmas Eve)

## 2023 NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

### SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

**New Year's Eve**  
**Saturday, December 31<sup>st</sup> at 4:45 p.m.**

**New Year's Day – Sunday,**  
**January 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.**

### CHRISTMAS MASS READINGS

The Church's official Lectionary offers a wide range of readings for Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. We will simplify things by using the readings designated for the Mass During the Night (Midnight Mass) at all celebrations of the Eucharist on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.



### BLESSING OF A FAMILY NATIVITY SCENE



The family Nativity scene, often set up under the Christmas tree, keeps the focus of the Christmas Season where it belongs ... on the birth of Jesus.

Here's a blessing prayer for family use:

*"Loving Father, bless us as we prepare this crib. Let it be a reminder of the Lord Jesus Christ, born of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the City of David. May we adore him in company with the shepherds, and praise him with the angel choirs. Through Christ our Lord. Amen".*

### CHRISTMAS TREE BLESSING

*"Father, we praise you for the beauty of this tree. May it remind us of your unending love, made visible at the birth of your Son, Jesus Christ. May we always rejoice in the gift of salvation, born among us on that first Christmas day. Through Christ our Lord. Amen".*



### CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR CHAPEL CLOSURES

Please note that the St. Clement Adoration Chapel will close at 4:00 p.m. on December 24<sup>th</sup>, Christmas Eve and remain closed December 25<sup>th</sup>, Christmas Day. The Chapel will also close at 4:00 p.m. on December 31<sup>st</sup>, New Year's Eve, and remain closed on January 1<sup>st</sup>, New Year's Day.

### TIME WITH GOD TAKES A BREAK



Rema Celio and her team of Time with God catechists, are taking a break. There will be no Children's Liturgy on Christmas Day or New Year's Day. We wish them and their families a Happy and Holy Christmas. Religious books are available in the front vestibule to keep little ones occupied and engaged during Mass.

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