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Fourth Sunday of Advent December 18, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

INTENTION

Sunday, December 18, 9:00 AM: Overcoming Satanism in America 11:30 AM: Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: Friday: Saturday: Sunday, December 25, Midnight: Missa Pro Populo 10:00 AM:

The Poor Souls in Purgatory For Friends & Family In Honor of Jesus' Agony on Mt. of Olives Joan Tom Shepard's Return to Catholic Faith Edward Mikalus Ida+ & Francis+ Croucher, Sr.+ Gerald Kelderhouse+ Mr.+ & Mrs.+ F.W. Noel

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NOVENAS

Miraculous Medal - Saturdays after Mass Sacred Heart - Fridays after Mass COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES Sundays after 9AM Mass **BLESSING OF RELIGIOUS ARTICLES** At the communion rail after Mass **CHOIR PRACTICE - Sundays after 9AM Mass**

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

GOSPEL Luke 3:1-6 Now in the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and Philip his brother tetrarch of Iturea and the country of Trachonitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilina: Under the high priests Anna and Caiphas: the word of the Lord was made unto John, the son of Zachary, in the desert. And he came into all the country about the Jordan, preaching the baptism of penance for the remission of sins. As it was written in the book of the sayings of Isaias the prophet: "A voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight His paths. Every valley shall be filled and every mountain and hill shall be brought low: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways plain. And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.



The last Sunday of our preparation for Christmas, the anniversary of Christ's birth. We can all feel unworthy of the honor of welcoming Him into our hearts and our homes. We are indeed unworthy, not because we have little of this world's goods, but because we have so little humility, so little charity, so little faith and trust in God's goodness. Let us try to imitate Joseph and Mary, the humblest of the humble, the kindest of the kindly, and the greatest-ever believers in God's goodness and mercy. We can never hope to equal them, but we can follow them humbly, from afar.

The feast of Christmas should draw the hearts of every child of God towards the divine love. In the

manger, the infinite love of God for us miserable sinners is dramatically and forcefully portrayed before our eyes. In that helpless Baby we know that the person, and the power, of the omnipotent Creator and sustainer of the universe lie hidden. "He emptied himself, taking the form of a slave" for us. He became a creature, like ourselves so that He would make us sharers in His divine nature. He came on earth to bring us to heaven. He hid His divine nature so that He could cover us with it.

"Unsearchable indeed are the judgements of God, and inscrutable His ways." And though we are unworthy of His infinite love, let us emulate The Holy Family and accept the honor which God is giving us, as we trust that He will continue to make us daily less unworthy.





The Nativity of Our Lord "I am the light of the world…" While people can shed the light of goodness and truth in the world, Christ is the source of that light. "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows Me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life" (John 8:12). He also says, "You are the light of the world" (Matthew 5:14). This means more than catching a spark of Christ the Light: it means to have Christ's Light in the soul, enlightening the intellect and strengthening the will. This is the "state of grace" which describes any one of us who has worthily received a sacrament.

There is a Latin expression, "cupio dissolvi," which means that I wish to dissolve, or be annihilated, expressing what St. Paul meant when he wrote: "It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me" (Gal. 2:20). Paradoxically, it is by this self-annihilation, that the personality becomes more vivid. This is the opposite of the "self-affirmation" conceit of our narcissistic culture, and it helps explain why the "Greatest Generation" has been followed by the "Smallest Generation."

Isaiah says that when you help the hungry, homeless and naked, "your light shall break forth like the dawn" (Isaiah 15:8). Without these "corporal works of mercy," all spiritual aspirations are escapist sentimentality. But for the Light of Christ to shine fully, the corporal works of mercy work in tandem with the "spiritual works of mercy, which help the ignorant, doubtful and sinful while bearing wrongs patiently, forgiving offences willingly, comforting the afflicted, and praying for the living and the dead."

When the Light of Christ is hidden, life and death alike become puzzles. Our morally darkened age thinks it has autonomy over life, and at the same time it fears death. It is appallingly logical that a culture, which destroys innocent life, should avoid funerals, not even knowing how properly to bury the dead.

St. Bonaventure says: "Christ is the lamp that illuminates the whole of Scripture: He is its gateway and its foundation. For this faith is behind all the supernatural enlightenments that we receive while we are still separated from the Lord and on our pilgrimage. It makes our foundation firm, it directs the light of the lamp, it leads us in through the gateway."

St. Paul communicated the Light of Christ in this way: "I did not come with sublimity of words or of wisdom. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified" (1 Cor. 2:1-2).

ROSARY ROSTER

9:00 AM:12/18 - Mary Crain12/25 - Ken Peldunas1/1 - Tony Verzi1/8 - Pat Lankenau1/15 - Pam Lemcke1/22 - Sam Liburdi1/29 - Martin Crain11:30 AM:Volunteers Needed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Christmas Day Masses Saturday, December 24th The choir will commence singing at 11:30pm, followed by Christmas Midnight Mass. There will be one Mass on Christmas Day at 10:00 AM.
- The Altar & Rosary Society's annual CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE is TODAY, after both Masses in the room at the back of the church.
- In your kindness, please remember to pray for those listed on the Memorial Page, and all deceased members of the chapel.
- If you are new to the Tridentine Mass, you may find the grey or green paperback missals, found in the pews, helpful in following the liturgy.
- **Pray the Rosary for Peace.** Join fellow parishioners every Tuesday at 3:00 PM in the church to recite fifteen decades of the rosary.
- Parishioners, friends and visitors are welcome to refreshments in the church hall following the 9:00 AM Mass.



Volunteers needed to decorate the Church after the 9:00am Mass on Tuesday, December 20th.Please make a serious effort to help enhance the beauty of the Church for these special holidays.

FATHER SAFREED'S REFLECTIONS

MODERNITY III

The Kantian Revolution has created gods out of men, as it places the creation of reality in the mind of each individual. This ultimately is the Revolution of Lucifer, who instilled godlike tendencies in humanity ever since he incited Adam and Eve to fall in that infamous garden.

Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat of any tree of the Garden'?" The woman answered the serpent, "Of all the trees in the garden we may eat; but 'Of the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden,' God said, 'you shall not eat, neither shall you touch it, lest you die."

But the serpent said to the women, "No you shall not die; for God knows when you eat of it, your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil...

"Did God say..." here Satan in the guise of a serpent creates doubt in God's word and His reality. He shifts Adam and Eve's gaze and their knowledge away from God's truth to their truth, which is a total fabrication of the Devil. He creates an unreal mental reality that caters to the itching ears and the pride of man.

As stated, before in my Reflections, the basic principle of contradiction is also here violated. God says if you eat, or even touch the forbidden fruit you will die. Satan contradicts this and says no, "you shall not die." Both of these statements cannot be true, So Adam and Eve in the face of the choice they must make, choose the wrong one—they suffer for want of adherence to God's truth, and take up the Devil's—and as a consequence are thrown out of the Garden of Eden.

Thus, the Revolution of the Garden of Eden. Fallen human nature is always inclined to create its own reality in any age, but from the Enlightenment, (1685 -1815) and the Revolution of Kant, this process has accelerated. From St. Paul's 2nd Letter to the Corinthians 11:13-14:

For they are false apostles, deceitful workers, disguising themselves as apostles of Christ. No wonder, for Satan himself disguises himself as an angel of light.

So therefore, the period of time called "The Enlightenment," in which man under the illusion that he has dispelled the superstitious authority of the Church, now takes up the real superstition that he is god and can surmount the true God Himself. From the Prophecy of Isaias 14:12 ff:

How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, who didst rise in the morning? How art thou fallen to the earth, that did wound the nations. And thou hast said in thy heart: I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God... I will be like the Most High. But thou shalt be brought down to Hell, into the depths of the pit.

The Church doesn't oppose modern improvements such as methods of communication, improved health care, or even computers as such. It does, however, stand in opposition both to the Light Bearer, Lucifer and his deceitful and proud minions here on earth, under whatever title.



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If you are new to the chapel, Welcome. New parishioners please consult Father Safreed before the reception of sacraments.



Remember, also, Lord, Your servants and handmaids below who are gone hence before us, marked with the sign of faith, and sleep the sleep of peace. To them, Lord and to all that rest in Christ, grant, we implore You a place of happiness, light and peace through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Deceased Members of the Montgomery, Pond, & Tennyson Families Audrey Alesio and Deceased of the Alesio & Royce Families R.I.P. Deceased Family & Friends of Barbara Dick Deceased Members of the Clark & Ziegler Families Deceased Members of the Liburdi and Fleischer Families Deceased Members of the Toth and Gurbach Families Deceased DeFillips, Dark, Mares, & Langbein Families and Friends Deceased Family & Friends of the Voors & Harber Families Deceased Members of the Blatt-Scherer Family R.I.P. Deceased Members of the Hunter & Watkinson Families Deceased Members of the Meehan and Spelman Families Deceased Family and Friends of David and Christine Mercier Deceased Members of the Rehm and Trager Families Deceased of the Lagemann, Kitchen & Lee Families Deceased Family and Friends of Ray & Michelle DeFillips Deceased of the Cianchetto and Faas Families Deceased Members of the J. H. Crain / F.A. Croucher Families Deceased Members of the Eastwood and Harte Families R.I.P. Deceased Members of the Brown & Mallett Families R.I.P. Deceased Members of the Schumaker & Kosack Families R.I.P. Deceased Members of the Lankenau & Cabble Families R.I.P. Deceased Members of the Kelderhouse Family For the Repose of the Soul of Katherine Basala R.I.P. Repose of the Souls of Gosta and Greta Jonsson R.I.P. Deceased Members of the Shepard, Mazzanti, and Mitchell Families Janelle & Joseph McKinney; Deceased Souls of McKinney & Legge Families

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Music Lessons



by James Rossi, our Mass organist

Lessons available afternoons or evenings. In my home or online.

> Beginners to Intermediate level. Ages 7 and up.

Call 321-505-6725 for more information.

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SUGGESTED DONATIONS

Mass Intentions - \$15 Baptism - \$50 Nuptial Mass - \$150 Organist Donation - \$50 Requiem Mass - \$150 Requiem Mass w/ Graveside Service - \$175 Wedding Service - \$125

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