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Second Sunday of Advent *December 8, 2024*

We gladly welcome visitors and newcomers.

At the same time, we respectfully remind you that to receive Our Lord in Holy Communion, one must be:

A baptized Catholic free from any mortal sin committed since one's last Confession.

Fasting for three hours from any food and/or alcoholic beverage.

One hour from any other beverage except water.

Praying in
Silence

Kindly maintain prayerful silence both before and after all Masses.

Please respect the needs of fellow parishioners to spend time quietly in the church in uninterrupted prayer. Everyone is asked to take all conversations outside the building or into the church hall where conversations are welcome.

Mass Intentions will be posted in the bulletin once daily Mass resumes.

All Mass Intentions that are put in the designated container at the back of the church will be collected by the priests and said at their daily Masses.

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays: 4:00 PM

Weekdays: TBA

Holy Days of Obligation: TBA

CONFESSIONS - Before Each Mass

ROSARY - Before Each Mass

BLESSING OF RELIGIOUS ARTICLES

at the communion rail after Mass

NOVENAS

Miraculous Medal - TBA

Sacred Heart - TBA

COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Sundays after Mass

CHOIR PRACTICE - Sundays before the Mass

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CONSULTATIONS AND SICK CALLS

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Second Sunday of Advent

GOSPEL Matt. 11:2-10 At that time, when John had heard in prison the works of Christ: sending two of his disciples he said to Him: "Art thou He that art to come, or look we for another?" And Jesus making answer said to them: "Go and relate to John what you have heard and seen. The blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead rise again, the poor have the gospel preached to them. And blessed is he that shall not be scandalized in Me."

And when they went their way, Jesus began to say to the multitudes concerning John: "What went you out into the desert to see? a reed shaken with the wind? But what went you out to see? a man clothed in soft garments? Behold they that are clothed in soft garments, are in the houses of kings. But what went you out to see? A prophet? Yea I tell you, and more than a prophet. For this is He of whom it is written: 'Behold I send My angel before My face, who shall prepare thy way before thee.' "



Recently I read something I had written about Advent in an essay rather a while ago, and in it I pointed out that this holy season every year is a healthy kind of crisis. The Chinese character for "crisis" consists of two strokes: one stands for "danger" and the other "opportunity." Advent is an opportunity to think deeply about Death, Judgment, Heaven and Hell. If The Four Last Things are dangerous subjects, they also are an opportunity to be rescued from living life superficially. The tradition of discussing these mysteries is especially important when foolish worldliness distorts the globe. Without Advent, the only thing to do is to "rush" Christmas, with celebrations without much purpose. That turns Christmas inside out and can even make it depressing. Superficial Christmas is "joy without a cause" as G.K. Chesterton said in his epic poem, *The Ballad of the White Horse*. He also said a couple of years earlier: "There is no more dangerous or disgusting habit than that of celebrating Christmas before it comes."

Our Lord spoke of people who "loved the dark rather than the light" (John 3:19), and we see that today in those who would ban any mention of Christmas. The tendency to set up Christmas decorations before Christmas is at least a clumsy way of expressing a desire for light rather than dark, but it is futile without a moral awareness of what light and dark are.

Advent is awkward because its mysteries are not the sort of things entertainers dressed as elves sing about. While the Church calls attention to reality, avuncular clergymen often succumb to fantasy themselves, with Christmas parties in Advent and wreaths without reason. Of course, this is illogical; because it contradicts the way the Logos arranged the world. The Logos, or the Word, is Jesus Himself, who uttered all things into being by saying, "Fiat" — "Let there be." And the first thing He let there be, was light: "Light from Light" as the Creed chants it. But the only way to recognize the illogic of Christmas without Advent is to "walk as children of light" (Ephesians 5:8).

The choice of darkness rather than light is a preference for the Prince of Darkness rather than Christ the Light. The best way to walk in the Light is to get rid of the darkness in the soul, and so Advent is a prime time for confessing sins in the Sacrament of Penance. Then the penitent is re-united with the Light of the World. Christ sheds light on Death, Judgment, Heaven and Hell, giving moral cogency to the mystery of life itself. "He is before all things, and by Him all things are held together" (Colossians 1:17). As the highest truths are very simple, the simplest logic is this: Without the Christ of Christmas, all things fall apart. Father Rutler



The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception celebrates the solemn celebration of the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary. It is universally celebrated on December 8th, nine months before the feast of the Nativity of Mary, celebrated on September 8th. The Immaculate Conception is one of the most important Marian feasts in the liturgical calendar of the Roman Catholic Church and is celebrated worldwide.

A feast called the Conception of Mary arose in the Eastern Church in the seventh century. It came to the West in the eighth century. In the eleventh century it received its present name, the Immaculate Conception. In the eighteenth century it became a feast of the universal Church. It is now recognized as a solemnity.

In 1854, Pius IX solemnly proclaimed: "The most Blessed Virgin Mary, in the first instant of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege granted by Almighty God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the savior of the human race, was preserved free from all stain of original sin."

Mary's predestination to this singular grace—consistent with the suspension of the universal decree by which every man, from the moment of his conception is contaminated with original sin—leads us to ponder in the deepest depths the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity's salvific plan.

God, One and Triune, had foreseen from the very beginning the future incarnation of the Word culminating in the redemption of human nature that had fallen into sin. He therefore predestined pure Mary, so that He could draw from her uncontaminated humanity, which the Son could adopt in order to re-establish in Himself the original purity of creation and re-orientate it to eternal glory.

She is a perfect image of the Church in heaven, the new triumphant Jerusalem, that won't have any marks nor will there be pain and death. She is and will always be the Mother of God, the Mother of the Church, the Queen of the Angels and Saints.

Immaculate Mary is full of grace. She is not only Christ's disciple, who with the help of grace has overcome the chains of sin, but she is totius Trinitatis nobile triclinium, the noble resting place of the Holy Trinity. (St Thomas Aquinas, *Exposito Salutationis Angelicae*, I).

DRESS POLICY ~ If this is the first time you have attended the Traditional Latin Mass you may have noticed that our parishioners do not dress casually in the church. Since the changes of Vatican II in the Church, few parishes have had any kind of dress code: we still believe that modesty and appropriate attire are necessary, especially in Church out of respect for the True Presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, and for the edification of our neighbor, we kindly request that all who come to our parish observe the basic traditional Catholic standards of dress for church attendance and **to receive communion at the communion rail:**

Women and girls must cover their heads. (Chapel veils or mantillas are available for loan or purchase in the vestibule.)

Women and girls must wear dresses or skirts that cover the knee completely when standing or sitting. Slacks, jeans, shorts, sleeveless, tight or low-cut clothing, and dresses or skirts with long slits above the knees are not permitted.

It is recommended for men and boys to wear suit coats and ties for Sunday Mass.

Jeans and other casual attire are inappropriate for attendance at church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Today is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception: As December 8th is a Sunday of Advent, the feast has been transferred to Monday, December 9th.** The transferred feast is not a Holy Day of Obligation, and the faithful are only required to attend Mass on Sunday, December 8th.
- **2025 Religious Calendars** will be distributed as a Christmas Gift on Sunday, December 15th after Mass.
- **Volunteers needed to decorate the Church on Saturday, December 21st at 10 AM.** Please make a serious effort to help enhance the beauty of the Church for these special holidays.
- **The Altar & Rosary Society will hold their annual Christmas Bake Sale on December 22nd after Mass.**
- **Christmas Day Mass - Wednesday, December 25th, there will be one Mass on Christmas Day at 1:30 PM.**
- **Celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. Join in a POTLUCK dinner on Sunday, January 12th** following the 4PM Mass. See the back page of the bulletin for additional details.
- **Parishioners, friends and visitors are welcome to refreshments** in the church hall following the 4:00 PM Mass.
- **Join fellow parishioners every Tuesday at 3 PM** in the church to recite fifteen decades of the rosary. Our intentions are to ask God and his Blessed Mother for their protection of our country and our church against the force which is trying to destroy us.
- **In your kindness, please remember to pray for those listed on the Memorial Page,** and all deceased members of the chapel.
- **Visit our websites.** Both the church and school web addresses can be found in the bulletin.

Answering the Objections to the Sedevacantist Position – Part III Compiled by Bishop Mark A. Pivarunas, CMRI

Objection III: If all the Vatican II popes were invalid, then there would be no cardinals to elect a future pope. Thus the Papacy would come to an end which is impossible.

Answer: During the Western Schism, three men claimed to be pope (the true pope in Rome, one in Avignon, one in Pisa) In order to heal the nearly forty-year schism, the Council of Constance determined that with all the cardinals, delegates from each country would participate in the papal election (Pope Martin V was elected). Theologians teach that in doubt of or in absence of cardinals, the Church has the right to choose its Head.

Proof:

A. De Potestate Ecclesiae, Vitoria

— “Even if St. Peter would have not determined anything, once he was dead, the Church had the power to substitute him and appoint a successor to him ... If by any calamity, war or plague, all Cardinals would be lacking, we cannot doubt that the Church could provide for herself a Holy Father.

— “Hence such an election should be carried out by all the Church and not by any particular Church. And this is because that power is common and it concerns the whole Church. So it must be the duty of the whole Church.”

B. De Comparatione Auctoritatis Papae et Concilii, Cajetan, OP

— “... by exception and by supplementary manner this power (that of electing a pope), corresponds to the Church and to the Council, either by the absence of Cardinal Electors, or because they are doubtful, or the election itself is uncertain, as it happened at the time of the schism.”

C. De Ecclesia Christi, Billot

— “When it would be necessary to proceed with the election, if it is impossible to follow the regulations of papal law, as was the case during the Great Western Schism, one can accept, without difficulty, that the power of election could be transferred to a General Council.”

— “Because natural law prescribes that, in such cases, the power of a superior is passed to the immediate inferior because this is absolutely necessary for the survival of the society and to avoid the tribulations of extreme need.”

D. The Church of the Incarnate Word [1954], Msgr. Charles Journet

The Church During a Vacancy of the Holy See

— “We must not think of the Church, when the Pope is dead, as possessing the papal power in act, in a state of diffusion, so that she herself can delegate it to the next Pope in whom it will be re-condensed and made definite. When the Pope dies the Church is widowed, and, in respect of the visible universal jurisdiction, she is truly acephalous. But she is not acephalous as are the schismatic churches, nor like a body on the way to decomposition. Christ directs her from heaven ... But, though slowed down, the pulse of life has not left the Church; she possesses the power of the Papacy in potency, in the sense that Christ, who has willed her always to depend on a visible pastor, has given her power to designate the man to whom He will Himself commit the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven, as once He committed them to Peter.

— “During a vacancy of the Apostolic See, neither the Church nor the Council can contravene the provisions already laid down to determine the valid mode of election (Cardinal Cajetan, O.P., in *De Comparata*, cap.xiii, no. 202). However, in case of permission (for example if the Pope has provided nothing against it), or in case of ambiguity (for example, if it is unknown who the true Cardinals are or who the true Pope is, as was the case at the time of the Great Schism), the power ‘of applying the Papacy to such and such a person’ devolves on the universal Church, the Church of God.”



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.

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**Celebrate the
 Feast of the Holy Family**

**Join in a POTLUCK dinner on
 Sunday, January 12th following
 the 4PM Mass.**

The church is providing baked ziti, meatballs, garlic knots and drinks. Please bring a dish or dessert to share. Sign up in the church hall or on the form on bookshelf at the back of the church.



The Altar & Rosary Society will hold their annual

**CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE
 December 22nd**

after Mass in the room at the back of the church and in the church hall.



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Visit our website at www.holyfamilytcc.org. The tab "NOTEWORTHY NEWS" is updated regularly. Current Article ~ **Italian priest excommunicated, another laicized for declaring Francis isn't pope.**

PARISH HALL RENTAL

Less than 50 Members of the Chapel - \$100
 Less than 50 Non-members - \$150
 Greater than 50 Members of the Chapel - \$200
 Greater than 50 Non-members - \$300

SUGGESTED DONATIONS

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