

Third Sunday of Advent
12-13 December 2015

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Sacraments and Sponsor Letters: Requires registration. Fr. Fred has pastoral jurisdiction only for active duty military and their family members
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Clergy Notes

Holy Year of Mercy: This past Tuesday, on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, the Holy Door of Saint Peter's Basilica was opened. Also opened that day was the Holy Door at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., by Donald Cardinal Wuerl, Archbishop of Washington. Pope Francis stated in his letter *Misericordiae Vultus* that once opened the Holy Door becomes a DOOR OF MERCY through which anyone who enters will experience the love of God who consoles, pardons and instills hope.

This Sunday, the Third Sunday of Advent, the Holy Door of the Basilica of St. John Lateran in Rome will be opened. In the following weeks, the Holy Doors of the other Papal Basilicas will be opened. Pope Francis will announce that in every local church, at the cathedral of special significance, a Door of Mercy will be opened for the duration of the Holy Year which lasts until November 20, 2016. At the discretion of the local bishop, a similar door may be opened at any shrine frequented by large groups of pilgrims.

In this Jubilee Year, let us allow God to surprise us. He never tires of casting open the doors of his heart.

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER--for Vocations to the Priesthood and the Military Chaplaincy; for our deployed troops and their families; for our parishioners who are ill; and for our deceased:

Deployed: FC2 Joseph Reed, USN; Ginny Ortiz, Peace Corps, AEAN AJ Ortiz, USN

Deceased: Jim Campbell; Rafael Sandiego, Jr.

Healing: Buddy Craven, Joseph Toth, Jeanmarie Jonston, Alfred Prados, Jim Egan, Len Trahan, Bob Bowen, Kevin Tighe, Bob Schaaf, Alexis Coffey, Frank Bernardo, Nimpa Bautista, Bonnie Benne, Richard Wicks, Richard Brysacz (father of Margaret Asten), Morris McGregor, John Bikus, Suzie Kumashiro, Hamlin Ortiz (father of Ham Ortiz), Randy Krug, Justin Cimino, Jack Doyle, Virginia Hoh, Jeff Lepak, Al and Marilyn Hanson, Russell Plaisance, Warren Krug, Gigi Goode, Betsy Plowman, Warren Efting, Barbara Nastro, Joe Franklin

~ Please contact Pam to remove names from Deployed and Healing lists ~



Introduction to Today's Readings

First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18 The days of the prophet Zephaniah were bad times for Israel because of their idolatry and unfaithfulness to the law. Zephaniah preached impending judgement, a day of doom. But in the end, he tells them of a day when they will sing for joy, and the Lord will sing joyfully over them.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:4-7 Of all the communities founded by Paul, the one at Philippi was his favorite. Toward the end of his letter to them, he advises them how to live as they await Christ's return in glory.

Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel. Isaiah 12

December 12, 2015 through January 1, 2016

SAT & SUN		MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
12 <i>Healing of the Sick Sat & Sun</i> 	13 <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i> 0810 ALP 0900 Christmas Pageant & Youth Mass NO CRE classes 1030 EPIC	14 1800 RCIA 1900 Ft Belvoir's Penance Service	15 NO Bible Study	16	17 1100 Daily Mass 1130 Advent Recital Series: Ted Gustin & Rebecca Littig	18
19 	20 <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i> No Religious Education	21 NO RCIA	22 NO Bible Study	23	24 <i>Christmas Eve</i> NO Daily Mass 1630 Choral Prelude 1700 Vigil Mass	25 <i>Merry Christmas!</i> 0900 Mass
26	27 <i>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</i> NO Religious Education 1030 Finance Committee meeting	28 NO RCIA	29 NO Bible Study	30	31 <i>New Year's Eve</i> NO Daily Mass 1700 Vigil Mass	1 <i>Happy New Year!</i> <i>The Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> 0900 Mass

Offertory for 5-6 December 2015

1700 Vigil Mass: 136 \$1,696.11
0900 Mass: 262 \$3,412.00

Weekend Total: 398 \$5,108.11

Please make checks payable to C.T.O.F.

Scheduled Designated Offerings

9-10 January Wounded Warriors Lourdes Pilgrimage
23-24 January Luke's Wings
13-14 February Oblates of St. Francis deSales
19-20 March Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA

Announcements

Pope Francis' Official Prayer for the Holy Year of Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ,
you taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father,
and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.

Show us your face and we will be saved.

Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money;
the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things;
made Peter weep after his betrayal;
and assured Paradise to the repentant thief.

Let us hear, as if address to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman:
"If you knew the gift of God!"

You are the visible face of the invisible Father,
of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy:
let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified.

You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness
in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error:
let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God.

Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing,
so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord,
and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor,
proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed,
and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy,
you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.

AMEN

This Sunday at the 0900 Mass is the annual **Children's Christmas Pageant**. Many thanks to Julie Otto, 2nd Grade Catechist, Ivan Pierce, CRE Director, and their wonderful team of parents and volunteers who made this enjoyable event possible.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins on **8 January 2016** and will continue throughout the year on each first Friday of the month. Please check the bulletin and website calendars for updates as the schedule may change due to holidays.

Flower Dedication: A flower chart has recently been posted on the wall in Betsy Hendrix's office. You can request to have the flowers on a particular Sunday dedicated in honor of a loved one. There is no charge for the flower dedication. If you wish, you may add a bit to your regular donation.