



3rd Sunday OF ADVENT



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Bulletin announcements are due to the Parish Office on Wednesday one week prior to the weekend of publication.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Mass of Anticipation Saturday, 5:30pm
Sunday Mass Sunday, 8:00am and 11:00am
Monday and Wednesday 12:00pm
Tuesday and Thursday 9:00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Monday and Wednesday, 11:30am and Saturday, 5:00pm

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptism preparation is by appointment. Please call the Parish Center for more information.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Please call Parish Center at least ten months before the wedding date to begin preparation.

Sacrament of the Sick: Please call the Parish Center.

Sacramental Emergencies: 330-817-3635
Urgent need for the Anointing of the Sick



Scripture Readings FOR TODAY

First Reading: The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior. (Zep 3:17a)

Psalms: Cry out with joy and gladness, for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel. (Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6)

Second Reading: Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. (Phil 4:6)

Gospel: John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." (Lk 3:16)

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18

Monday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:1-17

Tuesday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:18-25

Wednesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 [cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-25

Thursday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/Lk 1:26-38

Friday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45

Saturday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1a]/Lk 1:46-56

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent

Friday: St. Peter Canisius, Priest & Doctor of the Church

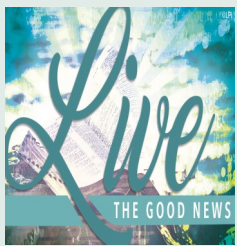
Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent

THE WEEK AHEAD**Mass Intentions:**

Sunday, December 16 -
Parishioners

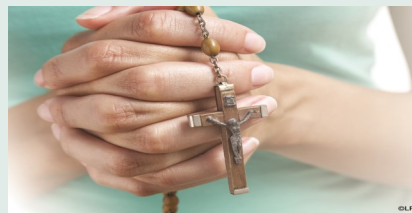
Monday, December 17 -
Theresa Marie Burns

This Gaudete Sunday calls us to rejoice because the Lord is near. Does your heart rejoice and sing, or are the pressures and burdens of life weighing you down? We can easily become over-



whelmed. The weaknesses and sins of life, indeed our own weakness and sin, eat away at the joy and hope God wants us to know. Those who are grounded in their faith and possess deep spiritual lives know that

God is near. Realizing this puts life into perspective. We really want to be free from our burdens but do not always know how to achieve this. We keep stumbling and falling. Advent is a time when we can learn to "do life differently," just like John the Baptist instructed the crowds. Joy and hope are the gifts God offers, not anxiety and despair.

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYER****Please Pray for Our Members, Relatives, & Friends**

Ramona Allen, Betty Ashford and Donald Pendleton, Annie Berry, Hasan Bennett, Denise Chinn, Minnie Cassell, Barbara Christian, Alice Crayton, Lavon Curry, Ben Duran, Tep Falcon, Leon Gibson, Mary Ignatin, Nell Jones, Dr. Kim Langley-Brown, Dorothy Livingston, Raven McElroy, Derek Mosley, Lawrence Pierre, Felix Powell, Mary Praylo, Maria Singleton, Miles Tatum, Earlie Taylor, Joan Thomas, Jim Tyson, Desaree Venema, Robert Vigil, and Ginnie Ward's family.

Please Pray for Our Homebound

Easter Butler, Lola Clemons, Janette Frye, Mary Gambrell, Gerard Haas, Mary Haas, Toledo Mays, Lisa McGee, Shaneil Moore, and Dorothy Urban

For homebound needs, please contact Deacon Clarence at x304

Please Pray for All Caregivers

Lord Jesus, we ask you to bring your healing touch to those we know to be sick, afraid, or worried. Amen.

The children in our religious education program continue to collect new children's gloves, mittens, scarves and caps that will be placed on the Giving Tree in the church vestibule. Items received after December 15 during the final week-ends before Christmas will be used in other ways. Thank you for your generosity.



The **Urban Peak Teen Shelter Coat Drive** for Christmas: The Cure d'Ars Youth Ministry are looking for new and gently used coats for the homeless teens whom the Shelter houses. Coats of all sizes (more adult size) are welcome. Collection boxes are in the Charlie Bright Center. Monetary donations will be used to purchase coats for the Teens. Address checks to the Parish with 'Youth Ministry Coat Drive' on the memo line. **Please join the Youth in adding a little "warmth" to this Christmas season for those in need.**

Young Adult New Year's Eucharistic Procession Join Fr. Nick Larkin, Fr. Sam Morehead, Fr. Mason Fraley, Denver Pro-Life Future, and young adults for a Eucharistic Procession at Planned Parenthood on New Year's Day, January 1. The procession will be around Planned Parenthood (7155 E. 38th Avenue, Denver) seven times, beginning at 11:00 am, followed by a Rally at the State Capitol at 1p.m.



The **Global Outreach Ministry** invites you to a sit-down meal following the 11:00 am Mass on January 6, 2019, at the Parish Center. Prepare yourself for some down-home cooking, great conversation and a chance to reconnect. The NFL wild-card game will be available as well. Purchase your tickets at the back of the Church after each Mass. A **DOOR PRIZE** of an original framed painting (valued at \$400) by Haitian Artist Xavier Rody will be given away to a lucky person. Proceeds will help defray the cost of the Global Outreach Febr. Haiti mission trip.



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Humanitarian Awards Concert: Tuesday, January 15, Boettcher Concert Hall, 1000 – 14th Street, Denver – Free Community-Tribute Concert Doors open at 6:00 p.m. with a very light supper, followed by the Colorado Symphony Denver Concert and Awards at 7:30 pm.



COME JOIN OUR **BIBLE** Study The next Bible Study will be December 16 at 9:30 am (between the 8:00 and 11:00 Masses). The Reading: Luke 3:10-18.

The annual **Celebrate Life March**, Saturday, January 12th in downtown Denver. It will begin at the State Capitol following the Rally beginning at 1:00 pm. Masses beforehand will be celebrated at Holy Ghost Church at 11:00 am and at the Cathedral Basilica at 11:30 am.



New Year's Family Retreat
This Retreat is being sponsored by the Community of the Beatitudes, and will be held from Sunday, December 30, thru Tuesday, January 1, at Annu-
ciation Heights. The Guest Speaker is Father Jacques Philippe. Registration is \$165/Adult and \$88/Child and covers food and lodging. The Retreat will include rosaries, Mass, sledding, walks, games, and fellowship. Register: <https://goo.gl/forms/OxsJYTmpswjomahZ2> or email: RachelElleyKnight@gmail.com.



Please remember to support the **Greater Park Hill Food Pantry** by donating non-perishable food and personal items. If you would like to receive assistance from the Pantry, it is open Monday and Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at 2823 Fairfax Street. Thank you for contributing to the basket in our church vestibule.



Martin Luther King Day **Rodeo** will be Monday, January 21, at 6:00 pm at the National Western Stock Show, Denver Coliseum, 4600 Humboldt Street, Denver. Special Ticket Price of \$15.00. Call Judy in Group Sales at 303-295-3959 and mention Cure d'Ars Church Gardeners. All day access to the grounds & exhibits. Free parking



Beacon of Hope Gala will take place on Saturday, January 26. See <https://ccdenver.org/beacon/> for more information and to purchase tickets.

Catholic Charities of Denver needs more **Ambassadors** to serve as our representatives in parishes throughout the Archdiocese. If you could serve as an Ambassador, contact Brett Manero at 720-799-9266, Ext. 1186 or e-mail him at bmanero@ccdenver.org.