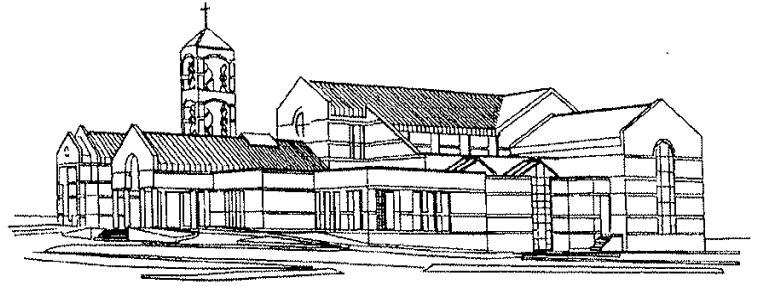


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## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT November 27, 2022



### First Sunday of Advent Reflection

Today we celebrate the first Sunday of Advent. Advent is a four-week liturgical season that the Church offers us to prepare our hearts and minds for the celebration of the birth of Christ the Saviour at Christmas and be ready for his second coming at the end of time. Advent is also a chance to pray and reflect on the gift God has given mankind in the person of his son Jesus, the WORD that became flesh and dwelt among us in the mystery of the incarnation. Happy advent!

#### The Candle of HOPE

Today we light the Candle of HOPE, which gives us the assurance that God will fulfil the promises delivered through the prophets that He would send us the Messiah. Hope doesn't disappoint us (Romans 5:5).

### CWL Bazaar

CWL invites everyone to attend the **Annual Bazaar & Bake Sale on Sunday December 4, 2022 from 8:30am – 2:30pm** in the parish hall featuring many local vendors, wonderful baked good, raffle draws, free coffee and much more...

*Le Donne dell'Azione Cattolica organizzano un Bazaar e vendita di **dolciumi domenica 4 dicembre, 2022 dalle ore 8,30 – 14,30** nella sala parrocchiale.*

### Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Our Parish community will be celebrating its Patronal Feast, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception with a solemn bilingual Mass on **Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 7pm.** Refreshments to follow in the parish hall. The **novena** in preparation for the feast of Immaculate Conception will begin on **Tuesday November 29, 2022 at 7:30pm in English and 8:15pm in Italian.**

*La nostra comunità parrocchiale celebrerà la Festa Patronale, la Solennità dell'Immacolata Concezione **giovedì 8 dicembre, 2022 alle ore 19** con una Messa Solenne bilingue. Segue rinfresco nella sala parrocchiale.*  
*La **novena** di preghiere in preparazione alla Festa dell'Immacolata inizia **martedì 29 novembre, 2022 alle ore 19,30 in inglese e alle ore 20,15 in italiano.***

### 2023 Donation Envelopes

The 2023 donation envelopes are ready for pick up in the parish lobby. Please remember to confirm that they are yours by verifying the number, name and address.

*Le buste per le donazioni del 2023 si possono ritirare nell'atrio della chiesa. Accertatevi che siano proprio le vostre, controllando numero, nome e indirizzo.*

## Upcoming Baptisms

Our parish is delighted to welcome the following children to the Christian community through the Sacrament of Baptism:



*Sofia Maria Carvalho*  
*Sienna Maria Filice*  
*Sophia Francesca De Rosa*  
*Mattia Giuseppe Gemignani*  
*Cayden Kardos Beaudoin*  
*Payton Mario Zambito*

Congratulations to their parents and godparents.

## SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT!

### What Will God Ask?

God won't ask what kind of fancy car you drove.  
 He will ask how many people you took to church who didn't have transportation.  
 God won't ask the square footage of your house.  
 He will ask how many people you helped who didn't have a house.  
 God won't ask how many fancy clothes you had in your closet.  
 He will ask how many of those clothes you gave away to the poor.  
 God won't ask what social class you were in.  
 He will ask what kind of "class" you displayed.  
 God won't ask how many material possessions you had.  
 He will ask whether those material possessions dictated your life.  
 God won't ask you what your highest salary was.  
 He will ask if you trampled over any people to obtain that salary.  
 God won't ask how much overtime you worked.  
 He will ask if you worked overtime for your family.  
 God won't ask how many promotions you received.  
 He will ask what you did to promote others.

### Consider Advertising in our Parish Bulletin!

Contact the parish office for more information.

## Weekly Mass Intentions

### Monday November 28

7pm	Delfa Iannetta
8pm	Michele Lo Russo

### Tuesday November 29

7pm	
7:30pm	Novena – English
8:15pm	Novena – Italiano

### Wednesday November 30

#### *St. Andrew*

7pm	
7:30pm	Novena – English
8:15pm	Novena – Italiano

### Thursday December 1

7pm	
7:30pm	Novena – English
8:15pm	Novena – Italiano

### Friday December 2

7pm	
7:30pm	Novena – English
8:15pm	Novena – Italiano

## Parish Clothing Drive

The Truck of Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be in our Church parking lot **this weekend**. Please donate new and gently used clothes, shoes, linens and small household goods.

*La Società di San Vincenzo de' Paoli sarà presente nel parcheggio della parrocchia **questo fine settimana**. Vi invitiamo a donare indumenti nuovi o usati ma ancora in buono stato, scarpe, biancheria e, articoli casalinghi.*

## Sunday Missals for Sale

2023 Sunday missals are now for sale in the parish office or after Mass at the cost of \$5.