



**Scripture Readings for Today**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Jeremiah 33:14-16

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** 1 Thess. 3:12 — 4:2

**Gospel:** Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

**Scripture Readings for December 6<sup>th</sup>**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Baruch 5:1-9

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

**Gospel:** Luke 3:1-6



The end times. Disturbances in nature threaten all people on earth. The Gospel warns that these events will evoke universal dismay and an inability to read the signs of the times. No matter how often we hear and pray over

the scriptures telling of the end times, we shall be caught unawares—as indeed we often are throughout our lives. Rarely are we truly aware of how fragile are these gifts—life, health, wealth, friends, family. So it makes sense to suppose that we shall be caught unawares by what Luke’s Gospel passage describes. What we should not be is unprepared. As St. Paul writes, we know the instructions given us by the Lord Jesus. We have been given commandments that can and should govern our behavior, no matter what. Upon the commandments, a good life can be built. Upon them, it must be. How ought I to live today, to be ready for what God will send me tomorrow?

**MASS COUNT FOR NOVEMBER 21-22<sup>ND</sup>**

5 PM – 235    7:30 AM – 161    9 AM – 354  
 10:30 AM – 271    12 PM – 235    Total – 1256

**COLLECTION FOR NOVEMBER 21-22<sup>ND</sup>**

Envelopes .....\$13,223.34  
 Loose .....\$1,366.46  
 Poor Boxes .....\$360.61  
 Children’s .....\$45.70



“Be on guard,” Jesus warns in today’s Gospel, “lest your spirits become bloated with indulgence.” Let us heed His warning and follow the advice of St. Paul, conducting ourselves in a way pleasing to God, overflowing with love for one another.

*Give of your time, talent and treasure until you feel good about your gift, and your heart knows that you have done something for God.*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS** of our deceased parishioners.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS**, especially those in hospitals: Cecilia French, and Robert Scheile.

**PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED** for all those recovering from surgeries and illness and for: Mary Strunck, Patrick Daschbach, Catherine Applegarth, Joan Armstrong, Francis Vizzini, Milton & Timothy Getka, Beth Szczybor, Therese Lipscombe, Quinn Degenhard, May Herzing, Brother James Kelly, Bernard Maddox, Edward Flannagan, Kyla Zeilinger, Jo Keyes, Teddy Skinner, Bill Herman, James DeMatteo, Margaret Peter, Mary Barber, Florence Fink, Lillian Goldwine, Lorraine Keough, Kathleen Ricker, Helen Bopp, Frances Amann, Genevieve Randle, Evana Feeney, Heather LaMartina, Ann Fimmel, Dottie Lappe, Concetta Fowler, Sandy Miller, Margaret Blinke, Mr. & Mrs. William Lang.

**PRAYERS FOR OUR SERVICE PEOPLE:** We ask you to remember the parishioners, family & friends serving in the military: **USMC** – Cpl. Joseph Bytella, LCpl. Sean Fitzpatrick, LCpl Alex Webb, LCpl. John J. Cohee, Jr., Sgt. David Burton; **NAT’L GUARD** – Pfc. Ryan Kamauff, David Parker; **NAVY** – Harrison Seward, David Roussey, Daniel Gately; **ARMY** – SSG Patrick Flanagan, Sgt. Alex Kuziel, James Lowe, Andy Giotis, Andy Deponai, Timothy Muhl, Sgt. Joshua Callow, Specialist Stephen Grenfell, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Stephen Winter, Capt. Sheldon Broedel.

*Mass Intentions***MASSES FOR NOVEMBER 30 – DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>**

MONDAY 11/30	6:30 a.m. – Souls in Purgatory 8:00 a.m. – Annie Tanyag
TUESDAY 12/1	6:30 a.m. – Lucy Ann Garvey 8:00 a.m. – Amy Adams
WED. 12/2	6:30 a.m. – Mildred Quinn 8:00 a.m. – Melvin Trentler
THURS. 12/3	6:30 a.m. – Frances Pruski 8:00 a.m. – Charlie Payne
FRIDAY 12/4	6:30 a.m. – Lee Hollenshade 8:00 a.m. – Bob Wissmann
SAT. 12/5	8:00 a.m. – Charles Harris 5:00 p.m. – Rosemary Kelly
SUNDAY 12/6	7:30 a.m. – Harold Lacey 9:00 a.m. – Ron Melvin 10:30 a.m. – Mary Ann Buckley 12:00 p.m. – For the Parishioners

**DAILY READINGS**

<b>Monday</b> 11/30	<b>St. Andrew, Apostle</b> <b>Reading:</b> Romans 10:9-18 <b>Gospel:</b> Matthew 4:18-22
<b>Tuesday</b> 12/1	<b>Advent Weekday</b> <b>Reading:</b> Isaiah 11:1-10 <b>Gospel:</b> Luke 10:21-24
<b>Wed.</b> 12/2	<b>Advent Weekday</b> <b>Reading:</b> Isaiah 25:6-10a <b>Gospel:</b> Matthew 15: 29-37
<b>Thursday</b> 12/3	<b>St. Francis Xavier, Priest</b> <b>Reading:</b> Isaiah 26:1-6 <b>Gospel:</b> Matthew 7:21, 24-27
<b>Friday</b> 12/4	<b>St. John of Damascus, Priest &amp; Doctor</b> <b>Reading:</b> Isaiah 29:17-24 <b>Gospel:</b> Matthew 9:27-31
<b>Saturday</b> 12/5	<b>Advent Weekday</b> <b>Reading:</b> Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26 <b>Gospel:</b> Matthew 9:35 -10:1, 5a, 6-8



**ADVENT CANDLES:** are available for purchase in the parish office for \$3 / set. M-F 8:30 am – 7 pm. Sat. – closed; Sunday 8:30 am – 1:30 pm.

**OPERATION CRÈCHE KRINGLE:** If you have not placed your gift under the Jesse Tree yet, remember that all gifts must be in by the end of the 12:00 Mass on Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>. Only take your selection from the manger. Hang the little manger on the tree and take the Santa with the information home. After you wrap your gift, tape only the Santa to your gift and place it under the Jesse Tree. If you have any questions please call Richard or Cookie Hauf at 410.747.0398.



**EVENING PRAYER WITH JESUS:** Please join us to pray the Liturgy of the Hours before the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday evenings during Advent (12/1, 12/8, 12/15, and 12/22) at 6:30 p.m. 'O Come let us Adore Him.'

**FAMILY ROSARY** - Please join us for family Rosary, Wednesday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Church. We will be praying the Joyful Mysteries.

**CONFESSIONS** will be held this Thursday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 4:30 p.m. in preparation for First Friday.

**FIRST FRIDAY MASSES** will be held this Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 & 8:00 AM.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** on First Friday will begin at **9:00 PM**, due to our Eighth Grade Confirmation. There will not be a Holy Hour this month. Adoration will be held through the night until 8:00 a.m. Saturday morning. Sign-up sheet for Adoration can be found in the front of Church. Come and rest with Jesus and allow His *real* presence to speak to your heart.



**SHOPPING SPREE RAFFLE** – Members of the Men's Club will be selling chances after the Masses next weekend. For \$1 per chance, \$5 for 6 chances or \$10 for 15 chances - you can win a \$350.00 shopping spree at ONE of the following: Shoppers, Giant, Safeway, Mars or Super Fresh. The drawing will be held on Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. Please help support our parish youth athletic programs.

**DEACON JACK'S CHRISTMAS TURKEYS:** Donations are being accepted to purchase Christmas turkeys for the parishioners of the Transfiguration Parish. Please put donations in a marked envelope in the collection basket or send to the parish office. Thank you for your generosity.

**ST. AGNES SCHOOL NEWS!**

2010 – 2011 Changes

Nursery will now offer 3 options: T/TH AM class  
 3 years old by Sept. 1, 2010 M-F AM  
 Class with after-care M-F AM

We want to continue to offer our traditional Nursery and Pre-K classes, but also want to give options to our working parents.

Pre-Kindergarten: M/W/F AM  
 M-F AM  
 4 years old by Sept. 1, 2010 M-F

Kindergarten: M-F AM  
 5 years old by Sept. 1, 2010 M-F

**Grandparents Day:**

Thank you to all of our wonderful grandparents who visited on your special day! It was a joy to have you join us in prayer and class activities.

**Confirmation: Friday, December 4 at 7:00PM**

Please join us in praying for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmandi as they make their final preparation to receive this beautiful Sacrament.

**Dates to Remember:**

- 11/30 Confirmation Practice w/ sponsors 7:00 p.m.  
Professional Day/ SCHOOL CLOSED
- 12/4 Santa's Workshop 8:30-2:30  
First Friday Mass 9 a.m.  
Confirmation / 7:00 p.m.
- 12/5 Breakfast with Santa / 8:30-10:00 a.m.  
and 10:30-12:00 p.m.  
High School Placement Test: 8:30 a.m.  
Testing fee is \$30 cash.

**CARDINAL GIBBONS SCHOOL** will hold an evening open house on Tuesday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> from 6:30PM until 8PM. All prospective high school boys and their families are invited to attend.

**MOUNT DE SALES ACADEMY'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR AND SPAGHETTI DINNER** will be held on Sunday, Dec. 6, from noon to 6 p.m. Shop for handmade crafts, and enjoy an authentic spaghetti dinner. Tickets for dinner are \$9 for adults, \$7 for senior citizens and \$5 for children, ages 6-12. Children under the age of 5 are free. Family tickets are \$35 (immediate family only). Carry out dinners are available.

**OUR DAILY BREAD ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY**

for men will be held on Saturday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> in the ODB Employment Center dining room from 3-5 p.m. Donations of the following "unwrapped" items are being sought: gloves, wool hats, scarves, socks, flannel shirts (sizes M, L, XL, and 2XL), and bags of toiletry articles (soap, shaving cream, razors, combs, deodorants). Boxes for collecting donated items will be in Church Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>. Please call Doris Franz-Poling at 443-986-9031 for more information. Thank you for your continued generous support of ODB!

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

**Sunday, November 29– No Classes**

Please remember we will have no class on November 29 because of the Thanksgiving holiday.

**Monday, November 30 – Confirmation Practice**

All Confirmandi and their sponsors should meet in the Church from 7-9 pm.

**ST. AGNES YOUTH MINISTRY**

**Sunday, November 29 – No Youth Night**

**Sunday, December 6 – Movie Outing**

Please call or email Amanda for more information on our trip to see "A Christmas Carol." All participants must bring signed permission forms with them. Forms are available at [www.StAgnesCatholicChurch.org](http://www.StAgnesCatholicChurch.org).

**Sunday, December 13 – Advent Prayer Service and Open Gym Night**

Please meet in the church tonight. We will head over to the gym after our prayer service.

**Thursday, December 17 –Caroling at Village Oak**

Join us as we sing Christmas Carols to residents at Village Oak Retirement Apartments from 6-7pm. All participants must bring signed permission forms with them. Forms are available at [www.StAgnesCatholicChurch.org](http://www.StAgnesCatholicChurch.org).

**MEMORY VERSE**

**REVELATION 1:5**

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth.