

First Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2011

TODAY (Violet)

Is 63:16b-17, 19b:64:2-7
1 Cor 1:3-9
Mk 13:33-37

NEXT WEEK (Violet)

Is 40:1-5, 9-11
2 Pt 3:8-14
Mk 1:1-8

Jesus' admonition "Be watchful! Be alert!" was spoken to hearers holding heightened expectation that the Messiah was about to come to restore Israel to its former power, wealth and glory. This limited expectation prevented them from recognizing Jesus as the Messiah already among them. In our Advent watchfulness, for what are we looking, whom do we expect? To answer these questions in all their implied fullness, we must broaden our limited expectations not only about Advent, but even about God's presence to us in our daily living.

Living Liturgy

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

November 26, Saturday

6:00 p.m. St. Ann Parish Family

November 27, Sunday

7:00 a.m. Thanksgiving rb Allyne George
9:30 a.m. +Philomena Alias rb Judith Nelson

November 29, Tuesday

12:15 p.m. +Juliana Mills rb Clara Xavier

November 30, Wednesday

6:30 a.m. B'day Melanie Lockhart

December 1, Thursday

12:15 p.m. B'day Davidson Monelle rb Theresa Larichere

December 2, Friday

6:30 a.m. B'day Frank George rb Cecil & Eunice George
5:30 p.m. Our Lady Pro Life

December 3, Saturday

8:30 a.m. Special Intention rb Msgr. Michael Kosak

BOOKSTORE NEW ARRIVALS

Praying with Scripture During Advent, Family Prayers for Advent and Christmas, & Christmas Novena Prayer Books.

Individual Christmas Cards for family members, Priest, Deacons, Religious and members serving in the Military are now available, along with boxed cards. Penny Catechism now in stock.

Barrenspot Home Owners Association will meet on Saturday, December 3, 2011, 3:00 p.m. in the Marian Hall.

Liturgy Schedules for the month of December are available in the in the Sacristy. All those involved in the Liturgy are asked to pick up their schedules after Mass. Thank you!

WEEK IN PREVIEW

Mon. OFFICE CLOSED
Tues. 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting
Wed 8:30-11:00 a.m. Deacon Hyacinthe available for Prayer and Counseling
10:30 a.m. Service at Grigg Home for Aged
Thurs. Deacon Candidates Formation
Fri. 8:30 -11:00 a.m. Deacon Hyacinthe available for Prayer and Counseling

First Friday Masses

6:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Sat. 8:30 a.m. — 10 10:45 a.m. Levels 7, 8 & 9
11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m. First Communion and Levels 3, 4, .5, & 6

(Please be on time to pick up the students immediately after classes)

PEW CARDS

Please do not remove the Pew Cards from the Church.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. Is 2:1-5 Mt 8:5-11
Tues. Is 11:1-10 Lk 10:21-24
Wed. Rom 10:9-18 Mt 4:18-22
Thu. Is 26:1-6 Mt 7:21, 24-27
Fri. Is 29:17-24 Mt 9:27-31
Sat. Is 30:19-21, 23-26 Mt 9:35- 10:1, 5a, 6-8

CANONICAL VISITATION

December 3-4

The Bishop will greet the CCD students on Saturday morning. He will have lunch with the parish deacons at 12 Noon, and meet with the Pastoral/Financial Council from 2:00–3:00 p.m. Bishop Bevard will be available for confession at 5:00 p.m., and celebrate the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

On Sunday, Bishop Bevard will celebrate the 7:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Masses. During the 9:30 a.m. Mass, he will confer the ministry of acolyte on the deacon candidates.

A reception, sponsored by the Mother's Club will follow in the Marian Hall. **Everyone is invited!**

**HIS EXCELLENCY
BISHOP HERBERT BEVARD**

On the occasion of his canonical visitation to St. Ann's invites all parishioners to an Appreciation Reception on Sunday, December 4th after the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

(There will also be an installation to the ministry of Acolyte for our seven candidates preparing for the Permanent Diaconate)

Your donation of foods and drinks would be appreciated If you are not able to prepare a dish, monetary donation would be appreciated. Please give **your donations** or any dish you intend to contribute to **any member of the Mothers' Club after Sunday Mass.**

Final date for submitting donations is Sunday, Nov. 27, 2011

(All checks should be made payable to St. Ann Church)

KEYS AND SWORD AWARD BENEFIT

Ss Peter and Paul Cathedral Restoration

Sunday February 11, 2012

Bishop's Reception 6:00 p.m. (Champagne & Hors D' Oeuvres)

Grand Harbour Ballroom at the Frenchman's Reef Hotel

Tickets are available, priced at \$150.00 per person of which \$90.00 is tax deductible. Ad packages are available upon request. For Marriott Frenchman's Reef Hotel reservations, contact Charlotte Banks at **774-3166 Ext. 213** to secure pricing of \$165.00 per room, not per person (price is all inclusive in taxes and gratuities). Special entertainment, door prizes, 40/60 raffle, grand prize drawing with music by Milo's King Band.

For tickets contact Maria Jones at **778-0484**

ADVENT RETREAT

Fr. Stanislaus Birungi will be conducting an Advent Retreat at Holy Cross Catholic Church, December 12-14, 2011.

December 12, 6:30 p.m. Retreat begins

Dec. 13, 6:30 p.m. Confessions until 8:00 p.m.

Dec. 14, 6:30 p.m. Retreat with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

VIRTUS TRAINING

There will be a Virtus training Session on Saturday, December 3, 2011 at the McAlpin Hall, Holy Cross Church, from 9:00 a.m. to 12 Noon. All Diocesan having contact with children (whether clergy, laity, employees, volunteers or otherwise) must attend the training session and submit their background checks and fingerprints. This include volunteers who teach and substitute for Religious Education Classes, chaperones and coaches, in schools, those who coordinate social activities where children are present, persons who teach Altar Servers and all who otherwise give their time and energy to the church in programs that involve children. Other interested adults (such as parents) are welcome as well. Please sign up in the Sacristy.

Funeral of Marius F. Felix will be held on Tuesday, November 29, 2011. Viewing at 9:30 a.m., and Funeral Mass at 10:30 a.m.

May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

STEWARDSHIP

The end of the year is fast approaching. Now is the time to pray and to meditate about how you can become better stewards. Everything we have comes as a gift from God. To show our faith and thanksgiving we can return a part of God's gift to help the church carry out its works.

To verify our records, please put your names on your Offertory Envelopes during the next few weeks.

The Franciscans will meet on Sunday, November 27, 2011, 3:00 p.m. at the Franciscan's House.

The St. Lucian Choir will meet on Sunday, 5:00 p.m. in the Marian Hall.

OUR SICK. Please keep in the charity of your prayers the sick amongst us. Alberta Hendrickson, Agneta C. Petersen, Magdalene James, Lucinda Pemberton, Mary Denis, Catherine Decembre, Leona Javoit, Emile Durant, Yolanda Hector, Pricilla Brown, Doreen Pemberton, Zephine Thomas, Muriel Campbell, Elden Serrant, Steve Beharry, Olive Alexander, E. Joseph Jones, Margaret Carter, Abel Javois, Catherine Panchoo, Stanislaus Prescott, Marv E. Jon, Frances Allen, Julie Dizon, Irene Prevot, Josephine Prescott, Hyacinthe Bright, Steve Keith, Doreen Henry, Anthony Smith, Catherine Samuel, Larry Cook, Marie Gilbert, Fenton Pierre, Omar Dubois, Frank Albany, Mary Martin, Mary Bishop, Bernadette Koupie, Keith Scantlebury, entelia Matthews, Claude Steele, Olive Le Cointe, Maria Hall, Weena Mc Farlane, Stephanie Jordan, Mary Herele, Derick James, Walter E. Durant Sr., Clementina Tuit, Mary-Jane Gaston, Joseph Mathurine, Kay Colon. **Please call the Office to add or remove names from this list.**

MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES

God of all goodness, look with love on those who wait for the safe return of their loved ones who serve in the armed forces of their country. In faith and hope we turn to you for comfort. Grant that we may trust in your mercy and send an angel to sustain us as we await their safe return. We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Fr. Simon Obeng, Fr. Alejandro Sanchez, Fr. Jose Herrera, Fr. Eric Hoag, Fr. Cecil Corneille, Sanil-Dale Tison, Darryl D'Souza, Brian Krauser, Gemma Emmanuel, Levi Denios, Natasha & Ivone Alcala, Linus Felix, Camillus Thomas, Erica A. Toussaint, Nareka Selkriege, Agnes Lindsay, Patrick Rivers, Denecia Weekes, Marcus Maximin, Miguel Navarro, Jr., Mariel Chinouyaz, Audin Benjamin, Jane William, Verin Nesbitt Wescott, Michael Moorehead, Brian Holloway, Istomin & Ismael Lampe, John Noel, Pablo Montanez, Jr., Dwayne Thomas, Xandrio Tank Yuk, Robinson Ferdinand, Kimberly John-Baptiste, Kimberly Ferdinand, Mario Mason, Jr., Aaron Thomas, Valence Modeste Kelly, Iulani Greenidge, Anissa Eversley, David Best, Wayne J. Baker, Kareem James, Reginald Antoine, Marvin Delsol, Ismenio Lampe, Brian Peterson, Elsworth Stevenson, Patricia Charles, Terrance Ritter, Lawrence Ritter, Tasha Warner, Shana Antoine, James Frymyre, Kevin Purcell, Emmanuel Maldonado, Denis Duparl, Louis Encarnacion, Pedro Reyes, Patrick Vernon, James Gaston, Fabian Claxton, Collin Joseph, John A. Francis, Jon Megahy, Nyasia Reed, Jason Jaggernauth, Martin Alexis, Joel Gilbert, James Bressendroff, Darnell Noel, Jeffrey Centeno, Anthony Camacho, Aubrey Camaho, Austin Carino, Kernatha Auguste, Masline Noel, Darwin Richards, Jeremiah L. Charler, Akeem Greenidge, Ganisia Lashan,

Alex Hector, Leslie Pemberton Please call the office to add or remove names to this list.

PARISH UP-DATE: Thank you to all our parishioners who are responding to our request to update our records. We would appreciate that each family filling out the registration forms found at the entrances of St. Joachim & Ann Church., and St. Ann Chapel. Upon completion, please drop the form in the Collection Basket, or in the Office.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Are you a registered parishioner? We are often asked to provide affidavits for baptismal and confirmation sponsors. We can only do this if a person is registered, active and contributing member in our parish.

Are you a registered parishioner? If not, please register. Registration forms are available at the church doors and in the Marian Hall. Please complete one and put it in the collection baskets or bring it to the office. We thank you.

RCIA

A special course of instructions will soon begin for the following people:

- 1) Those who have never been baptized, and would like to become a member of the Roman Catholic Church.
- 2) Those who have been baptized in other churches, and would like to know more about the Catholic faith.
- 3) Those who are baptized Catholics, but never received the Sacrament of First Communion and/or Confirmation.

Please call Fr. Simon Peter at 778-0484 for an Appointment

Store up for yourselves treasures in Heaven...for where your treasure is; there your heart will be also. Mt 6:20-21

WEEK IN PREVIEW

Mon.

OFFICE CLOSED

Tue. 9:30 a.m.
7:00 p.m.

Catholic School Thanksgiving Mass
Prayer Meeting

Wed 8:30-11:00 a.m. Deacon Hyacinthe available for
Prayer and Counseling
10:30 a.m. Service at Grigg Home for Aged

Thu. 10:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Day Mass with Offertory
Procession of Non-Perishable Food Items to be
given to Bethlehem House Soup Kitchens & My Brothers
Table. Please be generous.

Fri. 8:30 -11:00 a.m. Deacon Hyacinthe available for
Prayer and Counseling
5:30 p.m. Holy Hour with Evening Prayer

**NO RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES NEXT WEEKEND DUE
TO THANKSGIVING... CLASSES RESUME
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3..**

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

November 2010—November 2011

Denise Marie Derima, Joseph Laurencin, Rose Griffith, Ena A. Brumant-Beaupierre, Haden Sherwood, Thomas Pamphile, Michael A. Petersen, Donald L. Robles Jr., John Ferdinand, Cyril Violenus, Roslind E. Millard, Geraldine Nicholas, Jeanne Joseph, Josaphat Randolph, Paul Durand, Ainsley Le Blanc, Gwynneth Genevieve Nurse, Rasenjoni W. Williams, Amaria R. Williams, Jude B. Letang, Leon K. Alfred, Venice E. Cummings, Mary Clarke, Henderick Pascal, Normaralis Ascencio, Fumita Ralley, Roselyn Gabriel, Henry C.M. Cuthbert, Herman Britton, David Petersen, Celestine Joseph, Marius F. Felix, Zuzette Silva.

THE BOOK OF LIFE containing the names of all the deceased family and friends is now available in the church. Please free to add names to this book. Only enter the names **ONCE** as the pages are kept permanently. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.