

# First Sunday of Advent December 2, 2012

## TODAY (Violet)

Jer 33:14-16  
1Thes 3:12—4:2  
Lk 21:25-28, 34-36  
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## NEXT WEEK (Violet)

Bar 5:1-9  
Phil 1:4-6, 8-11  
Lk 3:1-6

Signs of the end of the world are not disastrous cosmic events which we anticipate with dread, but the fullness of our own Gospel living. The signs we ordinarily think will accompany the end of the world—cosmos in disarray and nations in dismay—are really signs of how far we still have to go to implant Gospel values in our lives and world. Our care and love for others, our fruitful response to the challenge of Gospel living, are definitive signs of Christ's presence among us. These are the signs of God's kingdom coming to completion.

*Living liturgy*

## MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

**December 1, Saturday**  
6:00 p.m. St Ann Parish Family

**December 2, Sunday**  
7:00 a.m. B'day Alicia Francis  
9:30 a.m. +Marie Derima rb Theme Derima

**December 4, Tuesday**  
12:15p.m.+Clementina Thomas rb Theodosia Christopher

**December 5, Wednesday**  
6:30 a.m. +B'day Frank George rb Cecil & Eunice George

**December 6, Thursday**  
12:15 p.m. B'day Myrle Dulaney rb Mary Martin

**December 7, First Friday**  
6:30 a.m. B'day Msgr. Michael Kosak rb Lucy  
5:30 p.m. People of the Parish

**December 8, Saturday**  
8:30 a.m. Our Lady Pro Life

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon.	Is 2:1-5	Mt 8:5-11
Tues.	Is 11:1-10	Lk 10:21-24
Wed.	Is 25:6-10a	Mt 15:29-37
Thurs.	Is 26:1-6	Mt 7:21, 24-27
Fri.	Is:29:17-24	Mt 9:27-31
Sat.	Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12	Lk 1:26-28

## WEEK IN PREVIEW

**Mon.** OFFICE CLOSED

**Tues.** 7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting

**Wed. & Fri.** 8:30–11:00 a.m. Deacon Hyacinthe available for Prayer and Counseling

**Wed.** 10:30 a.m. Service at Grigg Home for Aged

## First Friday Mass 6:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

Day of Adoration beginning with Holy Mass at 6:30 a.m., and ending with Holy Mass at 5:30 p.m.  
(The afternoon Mass will celebrate the Vigil of the Immaculate Conception.)

Fr. Simon will be available for CONFESSION between 4:30-5:30 p.m. in Sts. Joachim and Ann Church

## Holy Day

**Sat. 8:30 a.m. Mass of the Immaculate Conception**

## Religious Education Classes

**Sat.** 8:30 -10:45 a.m. Levels 7, 8, & 9 Confirmation  
11:00 a.m. -12:30 p.m. First Communion and Levels 3, 4, 5, & 6  
12:30 – 1:00 p.m. Children's Choir Practice  
(PLEASE PICK THE STUDENTS IMMEDIATELY AFTER CLASS)

## Bookstore

Advent begins December 2nd. The bookstore has Advent Wreaths and Advent Candle Sets. Also on display are individual Christmas cards or boxed Christmas cards. Come see, Come browse!

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

## CHRISTMAS IS COMING

Although the economy is sluggish, your generosity continues to support your church and other charitable agencies. Please put St. Ann's on top of your Christmas list, especially now, when we are beginning to "feel the pinch." God is Love!

## PLAN AHEAD FOR CHRISTMAS:

Frozen Foods will be collected next month (December) for Catholic Charities and The Soup Kitchen.

**FOURTH ANNUAL KEYS AND SWORD  
AWARD BENEFIT, JANUARY 26, 2013**

His Excellency, Bishop Herbert Bevard will present the  
2013 Keys and Sword award to  
HIS EMINENCE, SEAN CARDINAL O'MALLEY, O.F.M. CAP  
THE ARCHBISHOP OF BOSTON  
Bishop's Reception 6:00 p.m. at The Grand Ball Room  
Marriott Frenchman's Reef Hotel  
7:15 p.m. Dinner, Dancing, Awards, Raffles, Door prizes  
Tickets are available from each Parish office.  
Proceeds support the Sts. Peter & Paul Cathedral  
Restoration Project  
For more information, please call  
**Charlotte Banks or Lillia King at 774-3166 ext. 213.**

**Retirement Fund for Religious**

Support elderly religious. A Parishioner writes, "As a Catholic School student from grades K-12, I was formed to be the person I am by many religious brothers and sisters, and I am forever grateful." Show your thanks for the senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests who made a positive difference in so many lives. Please give generously to next week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious

**Year of Faith  
(Every Friday—Day of Intercessory Prayer)  
[6:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.]**

**Please be faithful to your Holy Hour pledge each Friday. Everyone is invited to make a visit before the Blessed Sacrament even for a few minutes each Friday. The power of prayer has no boundaries.**

**St. Joseph's Church, Mt. Pleasant, has a Day of Adoration every Tuesday beginning with Mass at 6:30a.m., and concluding with Benediction at 6:00 pm.**

**Funeral of Americo Martinez** will be on Tuesday, December 4, 2012. Viewing at 9:00 a.m. and Funeral Service at 10:00 a.m. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

**CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP:**

God's chosen people were taught in what spirit they were to make offerings:

*"In generous spirit pay homage to the Lord, be not sparing of freewill gifts. With each contribution show a cheerful countenance, and pay your tithes in a spirit of joy. Give to the Most High as he has given to you, generously, according to your means. For the Lord is one who always repays, and he will give back to you sevenfold" (Sir 35:7-10).*

**OUR SICK: Please keep in the charity of your prayers the sick amongst us.** Doris Encarnacion, Alberta Hendrickson, Agneta C. Petersen, Magdalene James, Lucinda Pemberton, Mary Denis, Catherine Decembre, Leona Javoit, Pricilla Brown, Doreen Pemberton, Zephrine Thomas, Muriel Campbell, Elden Serrant, Steve Beharry, Olive Alexander, Joseph Jones, Abel Javois, 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, Fenton Pierre, Omar Dubois, Mary Bishop, Bernadette Koupie, Keith Scantlebury, Centelia Matthews, Claude Steele, Olive Le Cointe, Maria Hall, Stephanie Jordan, Derick James, Walter E. Durant Sr., Clementina Tuitt, Mary-Jane Gaston, Joseph Mathurine, Kay Colon, Bernadette Megahy, Celestine Clovis, Troy Jones, Ann Marie Marius, Maurille Philemon, Steve Gardiner, Varonica Fleming, Stephen Williams, Monika Schoenbohm, Yvonne Monroe, Martha Campbell, Anna Lindo, Desmond Etienne, Joseph Plant, Charles Gilbert 111, Mervyn Tyrell, Linda White, Kianna Ireland, Francis Davinci, Peter Joseph John, Theresa Larichere, Junie Matthews, Louis Lawrencin, Grace Xavier, Melissa Brooks, Wilberto Bennet, Claudelle Mathurin., Norbert Auguste, Michelin James, Enis Hilaire, Magdalene Greene. Norman Francis, Adeline Le Cointe, Linda White, Reuben Henry, Phillip Joseph. Brenda Plaskett, Jennifer Degazo, Marie Christopher. **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. Cecil Corneille, Sanil-Dale Tison, Darryl D'Souza, Brian Krauser, Gemma Emmanuel, Levi Denios, Natasha & Ivone Alcalá, 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 Halloway, 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 Jaggernaut, Martin Alexis, Joel Gilbert, James Bressendroff, Darnell Noel, Jeffry Centeno, Anthony Camacho, Aubrey Camaho, Austin Carino, Kernatha Auguste, Masline Noel, Darwin Richards, Jeremiah L. Charler, Akeem Greenidge, Ganisia Lashan, Alex Hector, John & Felicity Matinez-Gines, Henisha Williams, Nkosi Dennie, Jeremy Morgan, Sasha Chastanet, Eduardo A. Molina, Comeron Childres, Jainea Louis, Tyquavias & Jemel Dawson. **Please call the office to add or remove names to this list.**