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Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Tuesday: 9:30 - 10:00 am (Visiting Priests)
Saturday: 11:00am - 1:00pm (Visiting Priests)
Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 pm (Parish Priests)
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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Office is Closed on: Saturday, Sundays and Legal Holidays. Outside of normal hours, if there is an emergency, please call, 914-834-5458.



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DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal Novena: Mondays after 9:00 am Mass.

Most Holy Rosary: Wednesday after the 9:00 am Mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Please visit the Sacred Heart Adoration Chapel.

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SOCIETIES & ORGANIZATIONS

Coordinator of Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Deacon Jack Shea

Adult Choir: 11:00 am Mass Sunday; practice Wednesday's 7:30 - 9:00 pm in the Church. Contact Mr. Joseph Vanderpool for more information: musicdirector@sjpparish.org

Children's Choir: Practice every Thursday during the school year from 3:15- 4:00 pm in the Rectory Meeting Room. Contact Mr. Joseph Vanderpool for more information: musicdirector@sjpparish.org

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Solemnity of Christ the King

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 21st

Presentation of the Virgin Mary

9:00am DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE

MARA FAMILY(M) Req. by Maura Concannon

Tuesday, November 22nd

Saint Cecilia

9:00am FRANCO FERRISI (M)

Req. by The Ferrisi Family

Wednesday, November 23rd

Saint Clement I, Pope and Martyr

9:00am MILDRED TRAUB (M)

Req. by Claudia D'Adamio

Thursday, November 24th

Saint Andrew Dung-Lac

9:00am ROCKY SARLO(M)

Reg. by The Evangelista Family

Friday, November 25h

Saint Catherine of Alexandria

9:00am JAMES A. MOORE (M)

Reg. by MaryLu Murray and Family

Saturday, November 26th

9:00 am MARY BONNER (M)

Req. by Ginny Quinn

5:00pm ELAINE GABEL (M)

Req. by The Dunn and Burke Families

Sunday, November 27th

Fist Sunday of Advent

7:30am PEOPLE OF THE PARISH (M)

9:00am KARIM MARSIEH (M)

Req. by The Rabadi Family

11:00am THE LIVING AND DECEASED

MEMBERS OF THE FLYNN AND

GILLESPIE FAMILIES Req. by Maureen Bollinger

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From the Desk of Fr. Gerard F. Rafferty, S.S.L.

The Prophets of Advent

Next Sunday we will enter into the season of Advent. Before we get into the hustle and bustle of the secular celebrations of Christmas it is important for us to take some time to recognize the truly wonderful nature of this season for the Church and for us.

The Liturgical Year reflects on the life of Jesus and his work of salvation for us all. By following the "story line" of his life, we are also led to enter into the very mystery of God's saving work and so to incorporate that saving mystery into our own lives.

There are two major foci of this great life story. The first is the story of salvation revealed in the events of the great sacrifice of the cross, death and resurrection of Jesus and its time of preparation called Lent. But, from an early period in Church history, the birth of the Messiah was also held to be of importance. And as with Easter, the Church perceived the need for a time of preparation for this feast. Unlike Lent which was seen as a time for reflection on our need for repentance and conversion Advent had a different tone of expectation and waiting.

Waiting for the Lord is a major theme in the Old Testament. Israel recognized that they needed God to be their guide and leader. And they came to know that God acts as He wills. And so, they needed to wait for the Lord to act. The early Christians waited for Jesus' imminent return in power after the experience of his death and resurrection. However, as time went on, the Church had to come to grips with an extended period of waiting - for the Lord would come to perfect his saving work in us in God's own good time! This is the theme of the Feast of Christ the King, which focuses on that unique day when the Lord will return in all power and majesty to judge the good and the bad. Advent is touched by this anticipation. And as much as looking forward to the birth event of Christmas, the season eagerly awaits that final coming too.

This idea of waiting is linked to the virtue of Hope, that willingness to trust in God that he would fulfill all of his promises and that the wonder of his salvation would be revealed in all of its power. Waiting became a sign of hoping for forgiveness; a time of re-experiencing conversion and a longing for life with God more than life here in this world. The focus on the celebration of the birth of the child Jesus tapped into this experience. **So, Advent is the time of Hopeful Waiting and Eager Anticipation.**

The first readings of the season of Advent are taken from a variety of books within the PROPHETIC corpus of the Old Testament. Prophets were part of Israel's life from the very beginning. And Israel came to recognize that their God at times would communicate with them using his chosen instruments. And the God who spoke was the One they knew as the One who had created the world, who had chosen and saved this people and who had joined with this people in an exclusive relationship called the covenant.

This is the God whose name Israel knew and whom Israel could call upon. And this is the God who always acted to save his people, who is holy, and whose every action is moral, just, righteous and saving.

The prophets spoke to Israel what God wanted to say. They spoke to Israel a word which was pertinent to them in their life situation. But the word they spoke, though it was shaped by the prophets in their own language and in the imagery of their day, was also an eternal word because it was a word of God. This year all of our Sunday Advent readings come from the words and texts of **Isaiah the Prophet**.

Advent is created by the Church as a time of reflection on the coming of God and our need to be watchful, eager, repentant, and always hoping. And it is the prophetic voices of Israel which speak this message most clearly.

ATTENTION LECTORS

Lectors are asked to pick up the new Lector Workbook for 2023 in the sacristy. Please sign your name when you have taken one of the books. The books begin with the new Church year on the 1st Sunday of Advent.

THANK YOU KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND YOUTH GROUP

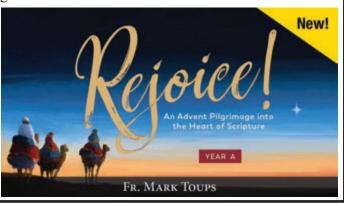
On Sunday, November 13 after the 9am Mass, the Knights of Columbus and the Youth Group hosted a parish pancake breakfast. Many attended and enjoyed the company of fellow parishioners. It was also an opportunity to raise funds for the charitable works of the Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal. Thank you for your generosity.

FULLER CENTER WALK

Thank you to all those who supported our parish Youth Group as they walked for homes with the Fuller Center for Housing in Larchmont on Sunday, November 6. The money raised from the walk goes directly to those ongoing re-building projects that began after the major floods in Mamaroneck.

ADVENT MEDIATATION BOOKS AVAILABLE NOW!

Rejoice! An Advent Pilgrimage into the Heart of Scripture. The meditations in this book guide you through the readings of the 4 Sundays of Advent and are a wonderful way to spend a few minutes each day preparing for the coming of the Lord at Christmas. Advent meditation books and journals are available for purchase in the rectory and in the church. Suggested donation is \$5.



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Heal your servants, O Lord, who are sick, and who put their trust in you. Send them help, O Lord, and comfort them from your holy place. O almighty and everlasting God, hear us on behalf of your servants who are sick in body or in mind, for whom we humbly beg the help of your mercy, that, their health being restored to them, they may render thanks to you. Amen.,

Pray for all the sick, especially: Angela Carr, Bernice Spina, Theresa Hunter, Marylu Murray, and Susan Evangelista.

Kidney Donor Needed: A member of our community is in need of a kidney transplant. Susan Evangelista is in end stage renal failure and has been on peritoneal dialysis for over a year. If you are anyone you know is willing and able to consider donating a kidney, please contact Milinda Mejorado, the kidney transplant coordinator at Westchester Medical Center at 914-449-

PRAY FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Pray for all the faithful departed, especially those who recently passed away.

Lord, console the hearts of those who mourn the passing of their loved ones. May they be filled with the hope of the Resurrection.



The Rectory Offices will be closed on **Thursday**, **November 24th and Friday November 25th** in

observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

We wish you all a safe and blessed Thanksgiving!

From the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church

Each week we will publish one paragraph from the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

11. What is Apostolic tradition? (CCC 75-79, 83, 96, 98) Apostolic Tradition is the transmission of the message of Christ, brought about from the very beginnings of Christianity by means of preaching, bearing witness, institutions, worship, and inspired writings. The apostles transmitted all they received from Christ and learned from the Holy Spirit to their successors, the bishops, and through them to all generations until the end of the world.

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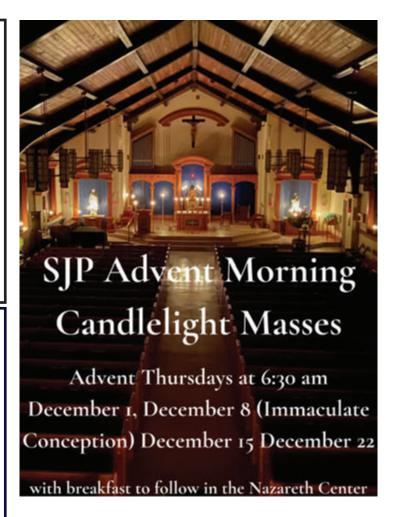
Soirée d'Adoration: "Venez goûter comme le Seigneur est bon!" En la fête de l'Immaculée Conception, le jeudi 8 décembre au SJP à partir de 20h. Nous prierons ce soir surtout pour la France et pour la paix dans le monde. Vous pouvez déposer toutes vos intentions aux pieds de Marie.

Masses de Rorate: Les jeudis de l'Avent matin au SJP : 1 er, 8, 15 et 22 décembre à 6h30. A la lueur des bougies et du soleil levant! Suivi du traditionnel café/chocolat/croissants au Nazareth Center

Fêtons Noël ensemble! Veillée et Messe (St Augustin), samedi 10 décembre à partir de 16h, Auditorium FASNY à Larchmont. Goûter, crèche vivante, chants de Noël. Un temps pour se réjouir et célébrer ensemble l'Enfant Dieu!

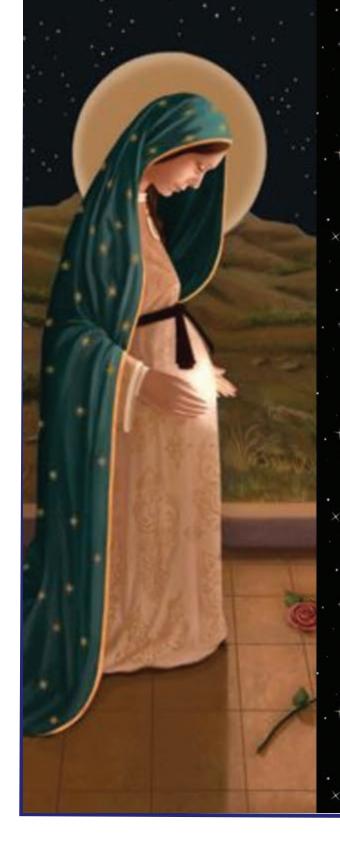
THE FRANCISCAN FRIARS CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

The Franciscan Friars of the Renewal will be collecting gifts in Larchmont for underprivileged children from the South Bronx and Newark through December 14th. Preferably gifts (for children up to 14) should be wrapped and labeled with appropriate age and gender and dropped at the address below between December 5 and 14, but gifts may also be ordered online and sent directly "C/O The Friars" to Mary Gail Barry at 6 Douglas Lane, Larchmont NY 10538. The Toy Box in Mamaroneck will give a 15% discount for gifts for the drive. Please call Cannon Campbell (914 924 1155) or Mary Gail (914 715 5835) with any questions.





Advent Meditations on Jesus, the Redeemer in the Womb



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From Nazareth to Bethlehem
with Fr. Louis P. Masi
Mon., Dec. 5, 2022 at 5:00 pm
at St. Augustine Church
(18 Cherry Avenue)

The Blessed Virgin Mary:

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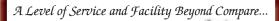
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