

St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church

November 29, 2015 First Sunday of Advent



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Parish Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9am-12pm

Closed Wednesday

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Bulletin submission deadline Monday 2 weeks prior to publication date

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm

Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am

All Sundays from Christmas to Easter 12:00pm

Baptism Mass First Sunday of Month 12:00pm

Family Mass - Cabrini Center

Second Sunday during School Year 10:30am

Devotions

Monday 9:00am—10am Holy Hour beginning 9/14

Tuesday 9:00am— Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday 9:00am — St. Frances Cabrini Novena

Friday 9:00am—9:00pm - Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament in Chapel of Adoration

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday Tuesday Thursday Friday 8:30am

Wednesday 7:00pm

Sacraments

Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:00 pm

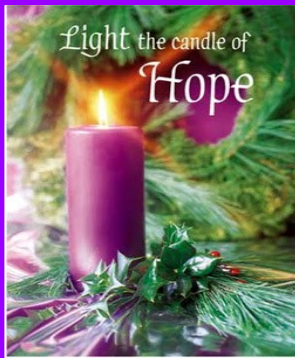
Marriage

Please contact the office at least 6 Months prior
to wedding date.

Baptism

Please contact Church office;
Parent baptism instruction is required

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The word **Advent** is from the Latin *adventus* for "coming" and is associated with the four weeks of preparation for Christmas. **Advent** always contains four Sundays, beginning on the Sunday nearest the feast of St. Andrew the Apostle, (November 30) and continuing until December 24. It blends together a penitential spirit, very similar to Lent, a liturgical theme of preparation for the Second and Final Coming of the Lord, called the *Parousia*, and a joyful theme of getting ready for the Bethlehem event.

Since the 900s **Advent** has been considered the beginning of the Church year. This does not mean that **Advent** is the most important time of the year. Easter has always had this honor.

The traditional color of **Advent** is purple or violet which symbolizes the penitential spirit. Religious traditions associated with **Advent** express all these themes.

SCRIP CARDS

Ready or not, the holidays are quickly approaching. But, rest assured, there is no need to panic about the hustle and bustle that lies ahead in the weeks to come. That's because Scrip is perfect for all your Christmas shopping and holiday needs.

Anything you need in the weeks to come—from dinners to parties; from big gifts to stocking stuffers—shopping with Scrip AND giving Scrip, really does make for the most wonderful time of the year.

Publix, Walmart and Winn Dixie will help you create a scrumptious holiday dinner. As gifts: teenagers certainly appreciate iTunes and gas cards; the handyman can't get enough Lowe's or Home Depot cars and what woman wouldn't want a card from Macy's, Kohls' or Amazon? For the people who seem to have everything; cards for Chili's, Bonefish and Outback are always an option.

We have these scrip cards and so many more. Come and see if we can help ease your shopping dilemma while benefiting our parish at the same time. Cards are available after each weekend Mass and at the church office during office hours.

If you have recently lost a ring in the Church, please call the Church Office. 941-776-9097



Attention all Cursillistas and FRIENDS

The December Christmas Ultreya will take place at **the Mother Cabrini Center on December 1, 2015, at 7:15 PM.**

This Ultreya is a social event, which will begin with a Christmas prayer service.

Please bring your favorite dish to share with the rest of the group.

Every Christmas we donate gift cards to help a family in need. If you can, please bring a gift card from Walmart, Publix, Target, etc. to give to a deserving family. These stores are more accessible for shopping.

Christmas is a special time for us all, so come to share our anticipation for the Christ Child.

See you on Tuesday, December 1!

If there are any questions, please contact Carol Valvo at 941-776-8447 or e-mail her at call11@tampabay.rr.com.

Children's Christmas Party

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting their annual Children's Christmas Party on

**December 12th 10:00 A.M. Till 2:00 pm
in the Cabrini Center.**



Children 4 to 12 are invited to join the fun.. Games, Crafts, Food, Celebrate Jesus' Birthday and a visit from Santa Claus Registration forms are located in the Narthex and at the church office. this form is required to participate and must be returned by Dec.6th.

Please bring a non perishable food item to donate to Stillhouse Point of Prayer

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Sunday November 29

No Faith Formation this Sunday

3:00 pm Christmas Choral Concert presented by
Voices in the Wilderness

Monday November 30

**Bulletin Holiday submission Deadline for December 13
AND December 20**

Tuesday December 1

7:15pm Ultreya
6:30 pm Bible Study

Wednesday December 2

6:30-8:30pm Youth Group

Thursday December 3

6:30pm Baptism Class
7:00PM Consecration to Blessed Virgin Mary
7:00pm K of C Business Meeting

Friday December 4

9:00am-9:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
in Chapel of Adoration in Chapel of Adoration
10:00am Bible Study

Saturday December 5

9:00-3:00 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
In Chapel of Adoration Saturday's during Advent
2:00pm Consecration to Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday December 6

8:30- 12:30 Blood Drive
9:10-10:10 Faith Formation
9:00am-12:00pm Squires Coffee and Donuts
10:15am Little Lambs

Monday December 7

6:30pm CCW Board Meeting
**Bulletin Holiday Submission Deadline for December 27
AND January 3 Bulletins**

Tuesday December 8

Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Office Closed

Wednesday December 9

6:30-8:30pm Youth Group

Thursday December 10

7:00pm Consecration to Blessed Virgin Mary
7:00pm K of C Business Meeting

Friday December 11

9:00am-9:00pm Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament in Chapel of Adoration
10:00am Bible Study

Saturday December 12

9:00-3:00 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
10:00-2:00pm Children's Christmas Party
2:00pm Consecration to Blessed Virgin Mary

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after Masses

If you miss us
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Maryann Allen
729-2364

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845-4748

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REFLECTIONS FOR ADVENT ADORATION CHRIST'S INVITATION TO A TRUE CHRISTMAS: PEACE

"Write, speak of My mercy. Tell souls where they are to look for solace; that is, in the Tribunal of Mercy (the Sacrament of Reconciliation). There the greatest miracles take place (and) are incessantly repeated. To avail oneself of this miracle, it is not necessary to go on a great pilgrimage or to carry out some external ceremony; it suffices to come with faith to the feet of My representative and to reveal to him one's misery, and the miracle of Divine Mercy will be fully demonstrated. Were a soul like a decaying corpse so that from a human standpoint there would be no (hope of) restoration and everything would be lost, it is not so with God. The miracle of Divine Mercy restores that soul in full. Oh how miserable are those who do not take advantage of the miracle of God's mercy! You will call out in vain, but it will be too late."

14418; Diary of St. Faustina.

These are Christ's words to St. Faustina.

Christ, the Prince of Peace, longs to share His peace with you. Think about this as you prepare for the celebration of Christmas- His birth.



PRACTICE:

- ◇ Read Christ's words several times.
- ◇ Reflect on His amazing invitation to a miracle in your life.
- ◇ Pray that you can see the beauty of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- ◇ Pray that you can let go of your misery and take advantage of the miracle of God's mercy this Christmas and always.
- ◇ Pray that you see this as His personal invitation to you for a lifetime, not just a season, of peace. The peace that reconciliation with God can bring. The peace that Christ came to bring.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Friday 9:00am to 9:00pm in the Chapel of Adoration and Saturdays during Advent from 9:00am to 3:00pm. Sign up sheets will be in the Narthex.

Readings for the Week of November 29, 2015

Sunday

Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14/1 Thes 3:12--4:2

Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Monday

Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8-11/Mt 4:18-22

Tuesday

Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-6/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday

Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27/
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday

Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday

Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-6/Mt 9:35--10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday

Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-6/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6

Observances for the Week of November 29, 2015

Sunday: 1st Sunday of Advent

Monday: Andrew, Apostle:

Thursday: Francis Xavier, Priest

Friday: John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Advent

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Two Fun Events Make For A Great Day at Saint Joseph Church!

NOON - 7:00PM



Classic Car Show



For More Information and Vendor Opportunities
Email vandorhorstjames@yahoo.com

10:00AM - 6:00PM



**Christmas
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Fair**

Women of Saint Joseph



Limited vendor spaces still available. For more information
E-mail event chair Toni at arntone53@hotmail.com

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Mass Intentions Week of November 29, 2015

Saturday November 28

4:00pm † Wade Karr

Req by: Wife, Helen

Sunday November 29

8:00am † Wayne & Doris Krueger

Req by: Tom and Mary Jo Murray

10:30am † Boccia Family

Req. by: Madeline Pantaleo

Monday November 30

8:30am † Wayne and Doris Krueger

Req.by: Tom and Mary Jo Murray

Tuesday December 1

8:30am † Catherine Harrison

Req. by: John and Cathy Winters

Wednesday December 2

7:00pm † Walter Soltys

Req.by: Wife, Eleanor

Thursday December 3

8:30am In Recognition of all Priests

Req. by: Secular Carmalites

Friday December 4

8:30am † Albert Borawski

Req. by: Steve and Fran Kusmus

2nd Intention: El LeBrun

Req .by: Ersula Kovack

Saturday December 5

4:00pm † Josephine Carchiolo

Req .by: Don and Cathy Sweeney

Sunday December 6

8:00am † Lynnda Rossmeisl

Req. by: parents Richard & Joan
Rossmeisl

10:30am † Barbara J. Reed

Req. by: Jack and Barbara Reed

12:00pm † Elizabeth Mical

Req .by: Sandy Russell, Donald Earl and
Families

BIBLE INSIGHTS: PSALM 25

"It lost something in the translation." How often have you heard this comment? Well, in this instance it is certainly true. The important message of the psalmist is lost because of the way it appears in print. In the Hebrew it is written in what is called the **acrostic pattern**, which means that the first word of each successive line begins with a letter of the alphabet, in order to convey the *message of comprehensiveness* about the subject. In other words, it contains everything from "A to Z", as we say in English, that you need to know about the theme of the poem. It has been called a Wisdom Psalm, at the same time, it is a Lament of an individual.

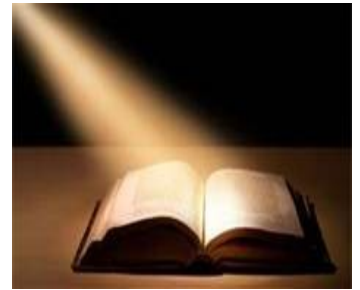
If David is the author, one could easily hear him singing this psalm after his tragic fall from grace. Raised to be a faithful, covenant, just person, he had a very deep trust in the Lord, which called him to a life lived in fidelity to God. The Wisdom Tradition held that a person must choose between two ways of life, the way of wisdom and the way of folly. Imagine his chagrin, when he realized he was tempted through his pride into committing adultery, deception, lying, murder and giving scandal, when this was pointed out by his faithful friend, Nathan.

The words of the psalm are full of trust in the Lord, confidence in God's mercy and forgiveness and compassion. Compassion comes from the Hebrew word for "womb" and designates the love a mother has for her child, here it signifies the intimacy of the covenant bond that unites God and the people. How appropriate it is to read and meditate on this psalm before going to confession. One line reflects the way we feel when we are conscious of committing sin, "have pity on me, for I am alone and afflicted."

Only for us this is a feeling and not fact because God has promised to be with us always. At the beginning of this new Liturgical Year, the first Sunday of Advent, it would be well to do some examination of conscience and receive the grace of the Sacrament of Penance. Read this beautiful psalm in full, you'll be glad you discovered its beauty.

Happy New Year!

Cathy LaDisa



MARRIED COUPLES:

Seen at church - "*Marriages may be made in heaven, but the maintenance needs to be done on earth*".

The Catholic Church is affirming and supporting you in your chosen vocation – Marriage. Take advantage of this great gift to enhance your relationship and enjoy a love-filled, private weekend away together at the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend -- Dec. 4th, 5th and 6th in the Retreat Center in Venice. Contact [\(813\) 270-7832](tel:8132707832) for more information about the weekend or apply on-line at www.wwme.org



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Tree of Life

Hanging on the East wall of the Cabrini Center is our elegant Donor Recognition Tree. We call it the "Tree of Life". It is sponsored by your fellow parishioners and members of Mother Cabrini Knights of Columbus Council # 12155.

The Donor Tree campaign will help fund any expenditure incurred by our church when a catastrophe occurs, such as replacement of the air conditioners, structural emergencies, roof replacement, etc.

Your donation will be placed in a separate and special account which will be overseen by the "Tree of Life Foundation" committee which is made up of concerned parishioners. This account will not be available for any purpose other than a church emergency

You, your family or your business can have your name and/or any special message on a leaf, acorn, or stone by making a gift to our donor tree campaign. Donations can be \$100 for a leaf, \$250 for a small stone or acorn, \$500 for a large stone, all of which are on permanent display at the Cabrini Center. Each donor will be entitled to have their leaf, stone or acorn permanently imprinted and prominently displayed on or at the tree. Your generosity will be available for all to see.

The tree display is a true testament to your participation, support and generosity. Please join us in this important campaign.



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Vazquez; Sgt. Nicholas Weaver

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Let It Go



Spite. Revenge. A Grudge. I'd like to say I have none; but, I would not be speaking the truth. Sometimes I just want to squash that person who is bragging. At times I'd like to see that awful person really get what he deserves. Yes, a Christian, a black belt in karate, a good person who professes to be positive and seeks to be inspirational and motivational for others, thinks all of these horrible thoughts, on occasion.

A faith in God does not erase "human." It does not replace feelings. It cannot control thoughts. It is a good reminder of how to be, but on the worst of days even its influence wanes. The person who brags makes me cringe. The know-it-all drives me nuts. That's a lot of bad thoughts for a subtle, polite, person like me.

Finally, I sat down to think this through. What is it that makes me so upset with the braggart? Is it really what he is saying or doing; or, something about me? Maybe, just maybe, deep inside I'm a little jealous. *"Why don't I know that stuff?"* I wonder. *"Why is he so comfortable with himself that he can just talk off the top of his head? Why can he so easily stand up in front of a group of people and not care one bit what they think?"*

It is my own flaws and insecurities that are revealed through the braggart. I'm not as completely sure of myself as he is. He might be a braggart, but he has no trouble sharing his opinion. If only I could improve in some of those areas.

It's not just the braggart who makes an impact on me. At times I am judgmental of the person to whom I refer as the "awful" person. He committed a crime. He told a lie. He purposely hurt another. I admit it. I want him to pay for his wrong doing, especially since the rest of us work so hard to be good people. One awful person turns everything upside down.

After some thought, I finally realized that God has the upper hand. He has to do the dirty work. He makes the judgment call. He warns us to be more forgiving and understanding. Maybe the person who appears awful is that way for a reason. His family life was sad or unloving. He had no guidance or direction. He was left to fend for himself in a world that is big and consuming. Suddenly "awful" has a new meaning. This person has a lot more to worry about than I do. No one is awful just to be awful. It's a lonely place to be. I may not trust this person, may never embrace him, but I need not be so harsh, perhaps.

What about you? Where do these categories fall in your life? Of all the nagging thoughts in the back of your mind, is it possible that if you reflected on them more or added a spiritual spin that you could finally put some of them to rest? Can you take a few prayerful steps forward, make something right again, and inch your way closer to who God wants you to be? Find a remedy, ask for forgiveness, and make amends; whatever it is that you need to do, now is a very good time.

When you look inside yourself and recognize the flaws on which you need to work, you tend to be less judgmental of others. Character types, such as the braggart and know-it-all, are just reminders that each and every one of us can use some improvement. You are not perfect and you can't expect others to be either.

When the braggart, "awful" person, or know-it-all makes themselves known in your life, push your aggravation aside. Remind yourself that you have a few faults of your own on which to improve. Then, do what you should have done a long, long time ago.

Let it go .

Andrea Harkins