

The Pilgrim

Parish Bulletin of St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Church

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A PARISH-COMMUNITY of PEACE MAKERS

A Fraternal and Hearty Welcome to the New Members of our Parish-Community as well as to all our visiting sisters and brothers. We are Family!

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SHEMA: LISTEN
2nd SUNDAY of ADVENT
8th DECEMBER 2024

READ: First Reading: Baruch 5:1-9

Responsorial Psalm:: What marvels the Lord worked for us!

Indeed we were glad.

 $\textbf{Second Reading:} \ : Philippians \ 1:3-6;8-11$

Gospel Reading Luke 3:1-6

REFLECT: Luke's Gospel is perceived to have three introductions: the formal Prologue (cf. Lk. 1:1-4), the Infancy Narrative (Lk.1:5-2:52) and what some commentators believe to be the original introduction (Lk. 3:1-6). Today's pericope is the third of these introductions. This passage basically follows the Markan material. The Gospel of Mark begins with the preaching of John the Baptist. The Gospel for today also contain the proclamation oof John the Baptist. Luke, however, mentioned Zechariah, John's father (cf. Infancy Narrative). This is preceded by the names of historical figures. Luke seems to situate his version of the Gospel in a historical setting. He accentuates the fact that God, through his Son Jesus Christ, entered history. In this Advent season, we are called to be more aware of God's continuous interventions in history, both communal and personal.

RESPONSE: Be brave enough to be reconciled with a family member, friend, or a neighbor by forgiving past mistakes. Try to spend time to pray that we may become more aware of God's presence in history through our personal life and community relationships.

SCHEDULES

MASSES

SUNDAY

06:00 PM (Saturday)

09:00 AM

10:15 AM

12:00 NN

04:30 PM Ukrainian

MONDAY-FRIDAY

@12:15 PM Novena to St. Anthony After Tuesday's Mass

SATURDAY

09:40 **AM** Morning Prayer

10:00 **AM** Mass

10:30-11:30 **AM**

Holy Hour - Reconciliation

05:00 - 05:45 **PM**

Reconciliation/Confession

PRAYER-MASS INTENTIONS - FROM MONDAY 9th DECEMBER 2024

Prayer is our life and our life finds meaning in praying for each other. St. Francis said, we should turn our life into prayer.

Monday	12:15	-	Mary Kimmins	-	SICK
Tuesday	12:15	-	Pauline E. Smith	-	R.I.P.
Wednesday	12:15	-	The Hunt Family	-	SICK
Thursday	12:15	-	Anne McLaughlin	-	Christmas Blessing
Friday	12:15	-	Mary Cunningham	-	Christmas Blessing
Saturday	10am	-	People of the Parish	-	Intentions
Sunday	9am	-	Rhoda Fernandez	-	
	10:15	-	Angela Geraghty, RIP	-	Remembrance for Xmas
	12 noon	-	Joseph Saliba, RIP	-	Remembrance for Xmas