December 7, 2020

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Second Sunday of Advent

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Office Hours: Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
In-person Weekend Masses: Saturday, 4:00 PM & Sunday, 11:00 AM In-person Daily Mass: M - T - W - F, 9:00 AM

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PARISH NEWS

The chapel will now be open for prayer anytime during normal office hours. Enter through the parish office door and sign in at the desk in the parish office before entering the chapel. Please maintain social distancing and wear a mask at all times when in the building.

If you do not attend in-person liturgy, and wish to receive the Eucharist you will have the opportunity at the following times: **Saturday**: 5:00 PM (Inside bell tower entrance) 5:15 PM (If you wish to remain in your car in reserved parking spaces) **Sunday:** 10:30 AM (Inside bell tower entrance) 10:50 AM (If you wish to remain in your car in reserved parking spaces)

Please register for our weekend Masses by going to our website at https://www.stedwardsny.org/ or by calling the parish office.

MASS TIMES:
M-T-W-F: 9:00 AM
Saturday: 4:00 PM **(Also Live-streamed)**
Sunday: 11:00 AM

Miraculous Medal Novena: Mondays, After Morning Mass
Holy Hour: Tuesdays, after Morning Mass.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3:00 PM in Parlor

HOLY DAY: Tuesday, December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass is 9:00 AM in the church. Mass will be live streamed.

Several pairs of prescription glasses have been found. Please call the parish office 518-371-7372 ext. 221 and we will get them back to you.

ST. EDWARD'S PRAYER CHAIN: For immediate requests for Prayer call Dee at 518-371-7956, Pat at 518-877-7259 or Elaine at 518-371-9606 to begin the Prayer Chain.

FAITH DIRECT: If you would like to contribute your offering electronically, please log on to **www.faithdirect.net.** Our church id# is ny113.

SNOWBIRDS/CHURCH ENVELOPES If you were temporarily away (or moved) your church envelopes may have been returned here. Please call the church office 518-371-7372 ext. 221 if you are looking for your envelopes.

IF YOU ARE HOMEBOUND or going into the hospital please let us know. Please call 371-7372 ext. 224. Be sure to leave your or your caretaker's contact number.

SANCTUARY LIGHTS
The **CHURCH SANCTUARY LIGHT** for the month of December burns in memory of **Mary Curabasz** at the request of **Janice Jaskolka Golden.** The **CHAPEL SANCTUARY LIGHT** for the month of December burns in memory of **Mary Noel Reardon** at the request of **Her Family.**

PARISH NEWS

All weekday Mass intentions will be said both on the weekday and on Saturday. If you would like a Mass Intention, please call the Parish Office (518-371-7372 ext. 221) and leave a message.

MONDAY, 12/7
9:00 AM Louise Lombardo – Carolyn & Vincent Alescio
9:00 AM Joe Dolan- His Wife, Peg
9:00 AM Martin Leonard Jr.- B. Conway
9:00 AM David Mark Speanburg- His Family
TUESDAY, 12/8
9:00 AM Mary Chrabasz- Jancie Jaskolka Golden
9:00 AM Colleen Keegan – Sally Martineau
9:00 AM Beatrice Miller- B. Conway
9:00 AM Richard Hockford – LE Hockford
WEDNESDAY, 12/9
9:00 AM John Koubek- Nancy & Bill Connor
9:00 AM Ronnie Bak- The Gavas
***FRIDAY*, 12/11**
9:00 AM John Koubek – Rose Masterson
9:00 AM Jim Austin Dr.& Mrs. Robert Sowalsky
SATURDAY, 12/12
4:00 PM Anna & Louis Coulombe- Doug Coulombe
4:00 PM Bill Glasheen- Irene & Denny Glasheen
4:00 PM Rose Purcell- Doug Coulombe
4:00 PM Bill Van Alstine- Irene & Denny Glasheen
4:00 PM John & Amelia Rainone- Ken & Joan Norwood
4:00 PM Joan Day Spateholts- Fred, Joanne & Krista De Novio
4:00 PM Ann Petroski – The McKenna Family
4:00 PM James Willette- From His Family
4:00 PM Michael Westphal – From His Family
4:00 PM Joanne Tsai–Tu, Hofffman, Zhu, Chen, & Tsai Families
SUNDAY, 12/13
11:00 AM Nancy Walko- Philip, Mary Janice Walko
11:00 AM Patrick Longo- The Mac Donald Family
11:00 AM John Koubek- Jack & Kathy Murphy
11:00 AM Theresa & Nicholas Natarelli – Their Church
11:00 AM Colleen Keegan – Tina Maceli
11:00 AM Joan Day Spateholts.- Suzy Tyrer

Mary Sack, mother of Sharon (Jim) Waldbillig died November 13, 2020.

Patrick Longo, husband of Claudia Longo, father of Kelly (Anthony) Defaciani, grandfather of Emily (Michael Allen, Jake and Joseph Defeciani, died November 16, 2020

Leanna Costabile, mother of Dione Woods and grandmother of Samantha and Brianna Woods, died November 18, 2020.

Erna Wiltsey died 11/19/20 sister of Kathy Masucci

William "Bill" Jubic, bother of Theresa Jubic-Straub. died November 19, 2020

Gil Roy, died November 21, 2020.

Patricia "Patty" Clinton, wife of Bill Clinton, mother of Bill and Lindsey Clinton and sister in law of Mary Ann Sekellick died November 23, 2020.

PARISH NEWS

Christmas Eve:
2:00, 4:15, & 6:30 PM
Christmas Day:
10:00 AM

Please go to our website for updated information about our Christmas liturgies.
PLEASE NOTE: DUE TO OUR LIMITED CAPACITY, YOU MUST REGISTER TO COME TO MASS ON EITHER CHRISTMAS EVE OR CHRISTMAS DAY. REGISTRATION ENDS DECEMBER 6TH.

ADVENT EVENING PRAYER: Evening Prayer during Advent will be held each Tuesday throughout Advent beginning this Tuesday, December 1st at 7:00PM in the Church. It will also be live streamed. Evening Prayer provides us time to contemplate, in prayer and in song, the many blessings that God has bestowed upon us. Please join us on Tuesday evening at 7:00PM as we celebrate the light of Christ in our lives. ALL ARE WELCOME!

CALLING ALL YOUNG ARTISTS: We would like to invite our young parishioners to share their Christmas spirit by drawing or coloring a Christmas picture to share with our community. Pictures will be used to decorate the large glass windows in the back of the atrium. There will be designated drop off boxes in the atrium (during Mass times) and the faith formation vestibule. Pictures can also be dropped off at the parish office Monday - Thursday from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM. We ask that you bring the pictures in by Sunday, December 13th. We can't wait to see all of the Christmas spirit!

We are in need of volunteers to help as ushers, greeters, and cleaners for weekend Masses. If this is something you would be interested in, please reach out to Joe Spreitzer at 518-371-7372 x230 for more information. Thank you!

Advent is here approaching and many parishioners are, and will continue to offer their own reflections on our website throughout the season. If you are interested in contributing to this year's reflections please contact Andrew Sutton at andrew.sutton@stedwardsny.org

Christmas Memorial Flowers: The deadline for the Christmas Memorial Flowers intentions is **Sunday, December 20th.** We will publish the intentions received on our website and have copies available in the parish office the week after Christmas.

PARISH NEWS

There Will Be No Advent Penance Service This Year.

Fr. Pat and Fr. Lesser will each offer the following times for reconciliation:

At St. Edward's:

Monday, December 7	10:00 AM - 7:30 PM
Friday, December 11	10:00 AM - 7:30 PM
Saturday, December 12	9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

At Corpus Christi:

Tuesday, December 8	10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Thursday, December 10	10:00 AM - 7:30 PM
Saturday, December 19	9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS!!!!

Thank you for your continued support of our local food pantries. We are especially in need of **Stuffing mix, Instant Potatoes, Canned Yams or Sweet Potatoes, Jar or Canned Turkey Gravy, Cranberry Sauce, Canned Vegetables, Cake Mix & Prepared Frosting, Pie Fillings, Canned Pumpkin and Dinner Rolls. Laundry detergent, cleaning products, coffee, Garbage Bags (kitchen size and trash bags) jelly, shampoo & conditioner, spaghetti sauce, kid snacks, tuna fish, soup, dish soap,** hand soap, cereal, oatmeal, kid snacks, mac n cheese, canned veggies, soup, canned beans, tissue, toilet paper**,** boxed rice, baked beans, deodorant, pasta, canned fruit, snack bars or granola bars, brownie or Jiffy mix, and kid toiletries.

If you would like to purchase gift cards to the local markets, we will gladly accept them and shop for the needed items. Questions? Contact Mary Ann at **maryann.sekellick@stedwardsny.org** or 518-371-7372 ext. 224. You can drop off items in the **Faith Formation Lobby vestibule** at any time **or in the atrium as you arrive for daily or weekend Masses.** Thank you for your generosity!

BIRTHRIGHT (White Bassinet in the Gathering Area): Is in need diaper rash cream, size 4 & 5 diapers, and size 3t, 4t, & 5t pullups.

PARISH NEWS

Readings for the week of December 6, 2020

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8
Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10 [1]/Mt 11:28-30
Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/Mt 11:11-15
Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/Mt 11:16-19
Saturday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19 [15:9d]/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
Next Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 51-54 [Is 61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

EXPECTANCY

It may not be on Christmas Eve
When silver bells are ringing,
There may not be a starry sky
With hosts of angels singing.

It may be very dark the night
When she and God together,
Come seek out my human heart
To shield them from the weather.

His Mother may not be in blue –
I may not even know them –
Perhaps I'd best give all the world
The courtesy I'd show them.

And lest they take me by surprise.
I think it ample reason
To leave my heart's expectant door
Flung wide in every season.

-Eileen Lomasney, CSJ

REFLECTION

December 6, 2020
2nd Sunday of Advent

People knew over a year in advance that the Pope was coming for a visit to America and the preparations began. Security, space limitations and requirements, protocols, crowd management, itineraries, invitations, regulations, and so much more was necessary to pull this event off effectively. It's not every day that we get a visit from such a prominent dignitary. Thought, effort, meticulous attention to detail and vision all are necessary to make this thing work. After all, he can't just show up in the ordinary and normal daily routines of life and catch people unprepared! Tickets have to be purchased, buses rented, hotel rooms reserved, and travel arrangements made early because it will be impossible to see him if we wait too long!

We do this kind of preparing not only for prominent religious figures but for political dignitaries, notable sports figures, people of fame, and even actors. If an individual intrigues us, we are going to want to do all we have to do to get a "good seat" in the house. Does Jesus Christ captivate this much of our attention? We are asked to prepare the way of the Lord and to do so not with frantic frenzy but patient enthusiasm. We do not have to stand on a street corner making profound announcements about God's coming or become overly zealous in our embrace of the Good News. Our task is quieter, more interior, captivating, and consuming. We are asked to change. We have to conduct our lives with holy devotion.

Is the cost of that ticket too much for you? Don't you want the "best seat" in the house? You don't want to miss Our Lord's arrival when he comes, do you? After all, if he comes while you are going about your daily routines without you even knowing, he may catch you off guard. Or, he may come in disguise looking like a beggar, a prisoner, migrant, refugee, or someone who is lost. Would you be ready to recognize him then? Preparing for the coming of Christ requires a change of mind, heart, and behavior. It is not adequate to simply do the things we always do. We want our lives to speak of the exciting news of Christ's coming and the joy that the Gospel brings. It has to do with our demeanor, values, priorities, choices, and how we structure daily routines. Of course, it involves sacrifice. All anticipations do! Are you excited, captivated, enthusiastic, and sitting on the edge of your seat eager to celebrate his coming among us at Christmas, and waiting for him to come again? If not, why not?

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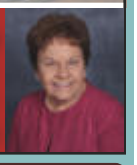

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