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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11 A CHRISTMAS WISH LIST

Young children sit on Santa's lap to answer the question that consumes them these days: What do you want for Christmas?

The child in each of us still wants stuff like toys and new clothes. But deep inside us we have more basic needs. We need security, fairness, and love. We want something huge for Christmas. We want peace on earth and justice for the oppressed. We want poverty eliminated and wars ceased.

Isaiah promises we will not be disappointed. He promises that God will do such wondrous things that justice and praise will spring up in every nation. When God is the joy of our soul, Isaiah says, a robe of salvation clothes us and a mantle of justice enfolds us. When God is our joy, we feel as rich as royalty, no matter how poor our state.

What does the earth want for Christmas? It wants good news for the poor, healing for the brokenhearted, liberty for captives, and release for prisoners. The earth wants what God alone can provide.

What do you want for Christmas? Is it something for you or something for the earth? Will it hinder or help the earth get what it needs?

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<u>Hearts to Hands</u> As Christmas approaches, please remember our northside neighbors who are in need. Gifts of food, soup, toilet paper, soap, dish soap, shampoo, toothpaste and money to support the Table of the Good Shepherd Food Pantry and the 12 Points Brown Bag Project are greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your generosity.



The Archdiocese of Indianapolis is conducting an archdiocesan-wide research initiative to help shape our communications strategies. Hirons, an Indianapolis-based communications firm, will be reaching out to parishioners in the coming weeks. For questions or participation information, please contact research@archindy.org.

Looking Ahead to Christmas... Be Aware!

This year, Christmas Eve falls on the 4th Sunday of Advent. We will be doing most of the decorating for Christmas on Sunday, Dec. 17 after mass. Final touches will be done after Mass on the 23rd. Your help is appreciated.

The only Mass being offered for the 4th Sunday of Advent here at Sacred Heart will be the Saturday 4:30 Mass.

THERE WILL BE NO MORNING MASS ON SUNDAY DECEMBER 24!

If you wish to go fulfill your 4th Sunday of Advent obligation on Sunday, check the times at other parishes.

The Christmas Eve Mass will take place at 6pm. There will be music before the mass.

THERE WILL BE NO MASS AT SACRED HEART ON CHRISTMAS DAY.



Carmine D'Angelo Jay Etling Tuesday, December 19 Jay Brown Terrell Butler Friday, December 22 Louise Grindle Jeanne LaVanne

<u>CHRISTMAS EVE</u> <u>Sunday, December 24, 6pm Mass</u> <u>Will Be Celebrated For</u> <u>COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS</u>

The 6pm Mass on Christmas Eve Sunday December 24 will be celebrated for "Collective Mass Intentions." For each intention requested, the normal Mass stipend of \$10 will be collected. Specific intentions will be listed in the bulletin prior to the Mass being celebrated but announced at Mass as "Collective Mass Intentions" only.

To have your Mass intention included for Christmas Eve Sunday December 24, please put your written down intention along with the \$10 stipend in a plain envelope marked <u>ATTN:</u> <u>COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS CHRISTMAS EVE SUNDAY DECEMBER 24</u> and drop it in the collection basket at the weekend Mass that you attend (please include your name and contact phone number).

COLLECTIVE MASS INTENTIONS SCHEDULED FOR CHRISTMAS EVE, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 6PM MASS

The Living & Deceased Members of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, especially Jim Burns (deceased); Julie L. Eslick (deceased) & Jill E. Felling (deceased); Judith Lemmons (living); Max & Lorraine Lesko (deceased); Rita Pound (deceased).

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THE LORD, YOUR GOD, IS IN YOUR MIDST, A MIGHTY SAVIOR; HE WILL REJOICE OVER YOU WITH GLADNESS AND RENEW YOU IN HIS LOVE.

ZEPHANIAH 3:17



December 16-17, 2023 Third Sunday of Advent

Daily Readings

<u>Monday, Dec. 18, 2023</u> <u>*Late Advent Weekday* Jeremiah 23:5-8 Psalm 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 Matthew 1:18-25</u>

<u>Tuesday, Dec. 19, 2023</u> <u>Late Advent Weekday</u> Judges 13:2-7, 24-25 Psalm 71:3-6, 16-17 Luke 1:5-25

Wednesday, Dec. 20, 2023 Late Advent Weekday Isaiah 7:10-14 Psalm 24:1-6 Luke 1:26-38

<u>Thursday, Dec. 21, 2023</u> St. Peter Canisius Song of Songs 2:8-14 or Zephaniah 3:14-18 Psalm 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 Luke 1:39-45 Friday, Dec. 22, 2023 Late Advent Weekday 1 Samuel 1:24-28 1 Samuel 2:1, 48 Luke 1:46-56

<u>Saturday, Dec. 23, 2023</u> <u>St. John of Kanty</u> Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24 Psalm 25:4-5, 8-10, 14 Luke 1:57-66

<u>Sunday, Dec. 24, 2023</u> <u>Fourth Sunday of Advent</u> 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16 Psalm 89:2-5, 27, 29 Romans 16:25-27 Luke 1:26-38



Ny soul rejoices in my *Cod*.

LUKE

STEWARDSHIP

Giving back to God what He has so generously given to us!

Thanks to Our:	Saturday 12-23-2023 Mass @ 4:30pm Fourth Sunday of Advent	<u>Sunday</u> 12-24-2023 Mass @ 6pm Christmas Eve
Lectors	Tom Aquino	Doug Elia
Eucharistic Ministers	Kathy Bannon TBD	TBD TBD
Gift Bearers	Rick Voll Family	TBD

*** PLEASE NOTE *** To add (or remove) a person from the following prayer list, please call

the Parish Office at 812-466-1231. Sick and Recovering names will be left on for a period of <u>4 WEEKS</u>. If a longer period of time is needed, please call the Parish Office.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

<u>The Sick and Recovering:</u>

Brenda Scott; S. J. Robinson; Mike McKee; Margaret "Sis" Fuson; Kathy Aquino; Ray Veit; Troy Kelsheimer; Everett Mattox; JoAnne Fiscus; Judy Winniski; Meda Sullivan; Greg Wall; Gary Brett; Martha Taylor; Pat Wassill; Jordan Bryant; Linda Schrettenbrunner; Larry & Shirley Kunes; Betsy Kunes; Keely Jetson; Norma Vaughn; Mike Doumas; Sheila Barnhart; Robin Church; Kevin Gurchiek;

Charles Tartaglia; Ron Vaughn; Kathleen Barnhart; John Dreher; David Marter; Judy Lemmons; Theresa Reeves;

Theresa Brooks; Cecelia House; Joan Boehmer; Maria Church; Ruth Scank; Sharon Blackburn; Alice Rhodenbaugh;

and, all those who have asked for prayers whose names are not listed here.

<u>Serving in the Armed Forces:</u>

Captain David Hook (Japan); Olivia Carroll (Washington, DC); Caleb Drake (FL); Christine Drake (FL); 1st Class William Elmore (CA); Derek Hakman (AK).

Our Sponsor of the Week is:
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ROCK OF AGES

December 16-17, 2023 Third Sunday of Advent

Parish Liturgies

Saturday, December 23, Fourth Sunday of Advent 4 · 4:20pm Reconciliation 4:30pm Mass for Brad Rusin, Alexis Rusin & Jennifer Rusin Cole Sunday, December 24, Christmas Eve 6pm Mass for the Living & Deceased Members of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish Especially All Collective Mass Intentions

PLEASE NOTE:

WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT MASS INTENTIONS TO BE SAID AT SACRED HEART AT THIS TIME. IF YOU WANT A MASS SAID LOCALLY, TRY ST. JOSEPH; OR, WE CAN TAKE REQUESTS TO BE SENT TO THE MISSIONS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING!!!

NOTES FROM BARB

- * We will be doing the major part of decorating for Christmas after mass on Sunday. All help is appreciated!
- † We still need memories and Acts of Kindness!
- Don't wait! Be sure to get your SCRIP gift cards for your holiday shopping and gift giving. Any SCRIP we have in stock will be available on Dec. 23, then we will be on break until 2024. Thanks to all who take advantage of this program to help our parish!



Weekly Income Is <u>OVER</u>......<u>\$5,070.00</u>

Thank you for your support!!!