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First Sunday
of Advent
December 2, 2018

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*To learn anew the Gospel:
The Good News that God loves us—Then to live it and share it.*

From the Deacon's Bench



Brothers and Sisters,

Happy New Year! No, I'm not rushing us through the holidays by wishing you a Happy New Year a month early. I'm anticipating the coming Holy Days. Today is the First Sunday of Advent and the start of a new Church or liturgical year. Society tells us we are entering the Christmas season, but as Christian Catholics we are waiting for the Christmas Season to begin on December 25th.

Now, that said, Advent is a time of joyous preparation and anticipation. So, yes, we deck the halls and make our plans with family and friends, but let's be certain to prepare ourselves too. Advent is a time for prayer and reflection. Our Advent wreath in the sanctuary has the words: Wait, Watch, Listen, Pray. These must be a part of our preparation. We have included a simple family Advent calendar in this bulletin. This will hopefully be helpful as we make a little extra time for prayer.

Next Sunday (12-09) at 2:00 pm and on Monday (12-10) and Tuesday (12-11) at 7:00 pm the North Deanery will offer the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Luke Parish. In the hymn *People Look East* we sing, "Make your house fair as you are able. Trim the hearth and set the table." As we prepare to welcome Jesus into our hearts as He comes as an infant, we might take advantage of this opportunity to make our inner "house fair as we are able".

Together we wait, watch, listen, and pray...
Peace,
Dcn. Kerry



- Lynn Allen (Vivian Allen's daughter)
- Martha Anderson
- Mary Armstrong
- Fred Arnold
- Thea Barrett
- Ester Bryant (Jerria Jones' sister)
- Wynona Chatmon
- Eric Cuellar (Rick & Terri's son)
- Carol Davis
- Bill Fabianic
- Mildred Fleming (Vivian Allen's sister)
- Sister Francesca, OSF
- Mynelle Gardner
- Morris Gardner
- Carla Gerton
- Catherine Hall (Gloria Ellis' mother)
- Ben Hendricks (Jill Hendricks' father)
- Flossie Hill
- Betty Jones
- Beverley Jones
- Thomas Lewis
- Mary Martin (Myrle Dulaney & Myrna Martin sister)
- Martha Mayes (Thelma Mayes' mother)
- Brendan Moran
- Patricia Moran
- Fr. William Munshower
- James Patton (Karen Martin's father)
- Adolph Peterson (Evelyn Peterson's husband)
- Rita Prince (Lorenza Prince's sister)
- Laura Scisney
- Addison T. Simpson (Nellie Simpson's husband)
- Dorothy Pipes' son)
- Molly Spaeth (Mary Barr's niece)
- John Stuckey (Mary Barr's nephew)
- Father Kenneth Taylor
- Shamar White (Francine Weems' grandson)
- De'Borah Wright
- Stanley Young (Wanda Barrett's brother)



*Rest in Peace
Blanche Stewart
(Darlene Barnett's mother in law)*





**Advent Evening
of Reflection**

You are invited to an Advent Evening of Reflection on Sunday, Dec. 2, from 6 to 7 p.m. at St. Matthew Church, 4100 E. 56th St. The event will feature music, prayer, readings, and reflections. Refreshments will be served afterward.

African Mass at St. Rita

Please come and experience a vibrant African Mass on Sunday, December 2nd @ 3pm at St. Rita Parish. Engage in the rhythms and languages from a variety of African countries through scripture, music, and dance. Fr. John Kamwendo the principal celebrant. A reception follows immediately after Mass with food from the African and African American tradition. St. Rita is located at 1733 Dr. Andrew J. Brown Ave. For more information, please contact Pearlette Springer at [317-236-1474/pspringer@archindy.org](mailto:pspringer@archindy.org).

**“Let the Glory of the Lord
Rise Among Us”**



“Let the Glory of the Lord Rise Among Us” is the theme of the first annual Black Catholic Gathering. The Black Catholic Men Gathering will be held on Saturday, January 26th at St. Andrew the Apostle Parish. Fr. Joseph A. Brown, SJ is the keynote speaker and Archbishop Charles C. Thompson will preside over the morning praise and worship. The gathering gathers at 9am and will conclude no later than 3pm. St. Andrew the Apostle Parish is located at 4052 E. 38th Street, Indianapolis, IN. Pre-registration is encouraged. Freewill Offering. Come and Relax in the Glory of God!!! To register, please contact Pearlette Springer @ 317 -236-1474 or pspringer@archindy.org. Online registration can be found on the Black Catholic Ministry of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis Facebook Page.



*November tips and bits
From the
Church Office*

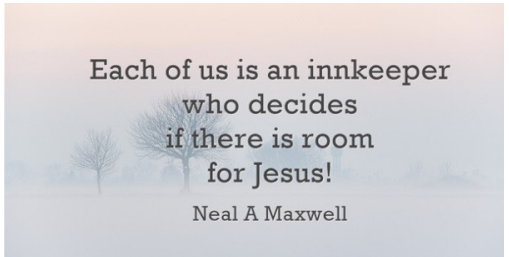
When filling out your weekly envelopes be as complete as possible and legible information used for Statement collection only as good as the information on your envelope.

Andy’s Angels



The “angel tree” in church has gift tags for children in families who need help at Christmastime. Please pick a tag or two and purchase an appropriate clothing or toy gift. Cash donations are also welcome for “angel shopper” to the gaps. Please return the gifts to church or to the office unwrapped but with the gift tag a preferably by December 16 but absolutely later than December 19. Donations of gifts or gift bags would also be appreciated. If you have any questions, ask Joel Schmiegel.

Everyone is invited to a free concert of Christmas music presented by the Indianapolis Matinee Musicale Choral Ensemble on Friday, December 14 at 1:00pm at Fairview Presbyterian Church, 4609 N. Capitol Ave. A reception will follow the concert. Parishioner Joel Schmiegel is a member of the group.



This Week's Schedule of Events

Sunday, December 2
 First Sunday in Advent
 10:30am: Mass
 11:30am: Adoration

Monday, December 3
 Noon: Bible Study

Wednesday, December 5
 8:30am: Communion Service

Thursday, December 6
 7:00pm: IPL Class

Sunday, December 9
 10:30am: Mass
 2nd Coll. Religious Retirement
 10:30am: Adoration
 11:30am: KPC Ladies Court #201

Sunday Collection	11/25
Weekly Collection	3,841
Weekly amount budgeted	3,653
Year-to-date budget	80,366
Year-to-date actual	74,410
Variance	-5,956

Use of your envelopes is appreciated; and if you have envelopes, please call the office. If you have or plan to move, contact the office with your address. Thank you!

Ministers in Service

December 9, 2018

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Gracie Benberry, Murdock, Louis Wright, Don Jones, Pegg O'Connor-Campbell
USHERS: Jack Shields, Capt., Rick Cuellar, Carl Johnson, Martha Arnold
LECTORS: Vivian Allen, Henry Allen, III
SERVERS: Rayne Robinson, Brent Dulane
COUNTING TEAM: D: Mary Thompson, C: Thompson, Henry Allen, III, Linda Allen

Soda Can Recycling

Please place only aluminum drink cans in the recycling area. They will not take food cans. Thank you, Clare for your care for the recycling.

St. Andrew Activity Hall

For rental information, contact Beverley Jones (317)832-253

Parish Center Office

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
 9:00am-4:00pm
 During non office hours, please call 317-546-1571 for possible access

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sunday, December 2
 10:30am: Ellis Murry (d) (brother)
 By Gracie Benberry

Wednesday, December 5
 8:30am: Communion Service

Sunday, December 9
 10:30am: Sebert Kirk
 By Melba Kirk



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 artist
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"Guess how many more eyes it is 'til Christmas?"

