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# prepare the way...



**ADVENT** 

# 06 - 3

# **December 18**

| FINANCE UPDATE                             |                    |                                 |  |
|--|--------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Last Sunday's Collection:                  |                    | Compared to:                    |  |
| From envelopes:<br>From non-<br>envelopes: | 6,050.25<br>683.20 | Same Sunday last year: 7,573.42 |  |
| From P.A.G.:                               | 2,736.65           | From P.A.G 2,521.00             |  |
|  | 9,470.10           | 10,094.42                       |  |



Monday, December 19 8:30 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, December 20

12:00 noon + Gregorio Abogado req. Austriaco

**Family** 

Wednesday, December 21 7:00 p.m. Mass

Thursday, December 22

8:30 a.m. + Alberico Palumbo req. Luisa Direzze

and Family

Friday, December 23

7:00 p.m + Jose Ferreira req. Eusebia Ferreira

Saturday, December 24 5:00 p.m. Mass

12:00 a.m. Midnight Mass

Sunday, December 25 9:00 a.m Mass

10:45 a.m. Mass For All Parishioners

12:30 p. Mass

# **EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP**

Exercise class only from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. until Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>. No line dance/zumba. We will resume Jan 5, 2017 with exercise class only from 7 to 8:00 p.m.

# CONFESSIONS IN PREPARATION FOR CHRISTMAS

After each daily Mass, from Monday December 19<sup>th</sup> until Friday December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016.

No confessions on Saturday, December 24th, 2016.



CAMPAIGN GOAL: \$1,500,000 AMOUNT RAISED: \$974,917

Thank you for your support of our *Many Gifts...One Journey* Capital Campaign. Your pledge will help make many needed improvements to our Parish Home. There is always time to make a donation. Simply complete a pledge card and place it in the collection plate or bring it to the Parish Office. For more information, read the brochure posted at www.olqw.com

### WE PRAY FOR THE SICK IN OUR PARISH ESPECIALLY:

Jack Pessotto, Marcus Gibbons, Deacon Malcolm and Fran Peake

#### WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Helen Hammerbeck, Karolina Sikora and Helen Zeltins

# MASS SCHEDULE ~ CHRISTMAS SEASON

CHRISTMAS EVE: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>

5:00 PM Mass with Christmas Pageant 12:00 AM Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>

9:00 AM, 10:45 AM and 12:30 PM

 $\frac{\textbf{FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY: DECEMBER 26}^{\text{TH}}}{9:30 \text{ AM Mass}}$ 

#### **NEW YEAR'S**

THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD

Saturday, December 31<sup>st</sup> 5:00 PM Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup> 9:00 AM, 10:45 AM, 12:30 PM

# FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY: JANUARY 7<sup>th</sup> & 8th

5:00 PM (Saturday, January 7th)

9:00 AM, 10:45 AM and 12:30 PM (Sunday, January 8th)

#### **BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER GROUP**

Our Bible Study and Prayer Ministry has taken a break for the Advent and Christmas seasons. Our current study "The Lamb's Supper" resumes Jan. 10th, 2017 at 7:15 p.m. in the parish hall. We wish everyone a Blessed Advent and Christmas. May our hearts and homes be filled with the Hope, Peace, Joy and Love of the Christ Child this Christmas.

### **YOUNG at HEART ~ Fitness Wednesdays**

Seniors are invited every **Wednesday at 11 am** for fitness exercises led by a professional, certified by the VON.

# REFRESH YOUR APP TO SEE THE NEW ADVENT BUTTON!



Simply tap the 3 horizontal bars on the top left corner of the home screen. Then tap on "Change Parish." Find our parish and tap on it. This will refresh your app with the new Advent Screen and the icon

with daily reflections. Mass readings in the **READINGS** button are a great way to prepare our lives during this Advent Season.

#### YEAR 2017 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Please pick-up your 2017 envelopes in the church hall. Kindly write your name, address and telephone number on the first envelope. If there are any errors please contact the office at (905) 884-7006. **DO NOT USE BEFORE 2017.** 

# Welcome to all new Parishioners of Our Lady Queen of the World

Please pick up a box of envelopes and fill out a registration form which can be found in the Parish Hall.

Please put your name and phone number on the envelopes for the first couple of times that you use them.

Thank you.

### **PANETTONE**

The Knights of Columbus will continue to sell pannetone after all masses.

# PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORIES ARE HERE!



If you and/or your family participated in the Parish Photo Directory and had your photos taken, you are entitled to a FREE PHOTO DIRECTORY. Please see a volunteer at the back of the church to pick up your free copy. Thank you for your participation!



Thank you to the many volunteers who keep this ministry so fruitful! Over the past 7 months, you have completed 105 mats and 124 pillows!

Everyone is welcome on these Saturdays, from 10 am to 4 pm in the Parish Hall.

# MILKBAG MINISTRY ~ 2017 DATES

| <b>2017 DATES</b> |           |  |
|-------------------|-----------|--|
| January           | June 24   |  |
| 28                |           |  |
|                   |           |  |
| February          | Summer    |  |
| 18                | Break     |  |
|                   | July and  |  |
|                   | August    |  |
| March             | September |  |
| 11                | 30        |  |
|                   |           |  |
| April             | October   |  |
| 29                | 28        |  |
|                   |           |  |
| May 13            | November  |  |
|                   | 25        |  |
|                   |           |  |

### **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

We are so close to Christmas now that we, like the little children among us, can barely contain our excitement.

Yet, before his marriage, poor Joseph could not have been very excited to hear that Mary was with child. Sure, most fathers, when they learn their wife is expecting, can get a little bewildered, too. But Joseph felt that this was not the expected way to bring children into the world, and so he planned to dismiss Mary quietly from his life.

And then, the unexpected happened to this bewildered man who was just looking to do the right thing. Divine intervention arrived in the form of a dream – complete with talking angels. This convinced Joseph that his plans had to change. Will the unexpected presence of God awaken us this Advent, and really change our lives as a result?

Advent is all about deeply living this exciting time of expectation, a precious time to prepare to change ourselves, our homes, and our hearts for sharing. We have to remember that it was the Divine who initiated this sharing in that first Feast of the Incarnation, sending his Son to be the Saviour that our lives yearn for most. Emmanuel – "God with us!" Can we open our hearts to see the signs that God is with us today?

Amidst all the final shopping, baking, and meal preparations, let us take a few moments to ponder the meaning of the angel's words for us. They are words that invite us to receive the gift of God's love in Christ and to give it back to all those that we encounter in our lives. Blessings and peace in Christ,

Fr. Michel, Fr. Gig, Deacon Malcolm, Cathie, Angela, Donata, and Angela.

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