



**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Saturday, December 14**

3:30 - 4:00 PM – Confession

4:30 PM – Leo & Jane Gebhart

**Sunday, December 15**

8:00 AM –Francis Chrimer

10:30 AM – People of the Parish

**Monday – December 16**

NO MASS

**Tuesday – December 17**

8:00 AM – Raymond Storm

**Wednesday, December 18**

7:00 PM – Jack Busbey

**Thursday, December 19**

8:00 AM – Int. of Fr. Leonard Wetterich OFM

7:00 PM – Parish Penance Service

**Friday, December 20**

8:00 AM – Int. of Michelle Esworthy & Wyatt

**Saturday, December 21**

8:00 AM – Jose T K

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Saturday, December 21**

3:30 - 4:00 PM – Confession

4:30 PM – Carroll & Agnes Storm

**Sunday, December 22**

8:00 AM –Dorothy Sanders

10:30 AM – People of the Parish



**Members Wanted**

**The Choir** is looking for more voices. Practice for Christmas Midnight Mass will be on Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7PM. Come and raise your voice to the

Lord.

**ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER CHURCH  
MISSION STATEMENT**

We, the members of this Christian Catholic Community of St. Joseph the Worker Church in Bonneauville, Pennsylvania, endeavor to live the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ and practice the teachings of that same Gospel in our worship, our beliefs, what we learn, and the way in which we serve others.

As a Catholic Community of Faith, Hope, & Love, we invite others to join us in our goal of renewal, and welcome them into our gospel fellowship.

**IS ANYONE SICK AMONG YOU?**

Please notify **Fr. Benny 717-334-2510** or **Deacon Weaver 717-353-0277** of any parishioner admitted to the hospital. If confined at home and desiring to receive Communion, contact Bob Funari at **717-334-5737** or call the Parish Office **717-334-2510**. Call the Office to arrange for the Anointing of the Sick **717- 2510**.



**WE REMEMBER  
IN OUR HEARTS  
AND IN OUR PRAYERS**

Barbara Dinges, Brooke McMaster, Nancy Defeo, Maureen Johnson, Elizabeth Fetter, Lorena Lamb, Tim Clabaugh, Emily Elizabeth Schmidt, Clara M. Redding, Barbara Heromin, Robert Strasbaugh, Jayden Ford, Kathi Barefoot, Rosalie Schenker, Rick Phillips, Joan Ford, Danielle Gallina, Michael Clabaugh, Andrew Kendris, Rose Weaver, Stacy Welty, Kerry Chrimer, Barb Orndorff, Becky Garder, Greta Foster, Cresson Lambert, Audrey Clabaugh, Mary Zimmerman, Larry Legore, John Hawbaker, Pete Smith, Merle Hankey Jr., Brian Weaver, Ebin Anthony, Kim, Ann, Jane Benner, Nancy Myers, Bernard Sneeringer, Virginia Schriver, Pam & Brian Arentz, Patrick McMaster, Natalie McMaster, Nancy Lambert, Joseph Bushey, Bill Orndorff, Sheri Lauer, Pam Lambert, Michaela Esworthy & baby Wyatt, Lisa Barefoot Waggoner and all the rest of our brothers and sisters in need of healing of mind, body and spirit. Please call the parish office to add a name to our prayer list. Help us to keep our list current by letting us know when we may remove a name. **Prayer Line call Anna Sneeringer @717-624-8244.**

**FINAL DRAWING 400 CLUB**

**Final Drawing for the 400 club will be held Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> from 12 – 3 pm in the Parish Center. A hot meal will be served from 12 – 2 pm. Ticket sellers can pick up there new tickets at the drawing. Desserts are welcomed!**

**EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS -**

**LECTORS**

**ALTAR SERVERS**

12/21– 4:30 pm – Michael Keller, John Defeo, Steve Arthur

– Nora Keller

– Dylan Lawrence

12/22 – 8:00 am – Bob Clabaugh, Scott Staub, Roger Williams

– Roger Weaver

– Kellee Staub, Sarah Keller

12/22– 10:30 am – Regina Gebhart, Robert Funari, Crystal Noel

– Carlen Staub

– Colby Noel, Tara Noel

## FINANCIAL REPORTS

For the weekend of December 7/8, 2019

Adults	\$2,272.00
Children	7.00
Loose	109.25
On-Line Giving	1,062.00
Total	3,450.25
Budgeted - \$4,160.00 less	709.75
Matthew 25	20.00
Retirement Fund	1,233.00
Christmas flowers	278.00
Immaculate Conception	611.00

91 of 298 Adults used envelopes

2 Children's envelopes used

25 Online Giving

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENT

### PCCW



Our annual **Christmas Dinner** will be held in the Parish Center on Thursday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:00 pm with a covered dish social. The PCCW will provide the meat and drinks. If you would like to join us RSVP parish office 717-334-2510 or Marcia Mojica 717-253-8378 by December 28<sup>th</sup> so we know how many to prepare for.



RECONCILIATION

***Penance Service for Advent.*** *Advent is the Church's season of waiting. A time of waiting, a time to think of what has been and what will be. The Sacrament of Reconciliation gives a chance to take time out to think and to experience Christ's presence in this sacrament. Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM, St Joseph the Worker Parish will have our Penance Service. There will be priests from around the Deanery to hear your confession.*



### **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**

**THANK YOU** to all who made the Christmas Bazaar a success. To Susan Funari and the parish council who ran the raffles for all her time contacting the vendors, the Knights of Columbus and PCCW for preparing the food. Lists of winners of the raffle are in the bulletin this week.



## Faith Formation News!

12-15-19

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of ADVENT -

This third week of Advent, let us remember that the

good news of Jesus' birth has the power to bring us great joy this Christmas season. Our joy isn't dependent on what is going on in our life, in our world, or the people that we are with. It doesn't depend on the gifts we give or the gifts we find under the tree. No earthly thing can ever give us complete joy. Our joy comes from Jesus. That joy that flooded the hearts of the shepherds, the angels, the wise men, the hosts of heaven, and Mary and Joseph is the joy that still has the power to overwhelm our hearts with rejoicing.

- ❖ **Sunday, Dec 15 - CCD Class**
- ❖ **Sunday, Dec 22 - BIRTHDAY PARTY for JESUS! EVERYONE welcome!** Details in the Bulletin.
- ❖ **No CCD - Sunday, Dec. 29**
- ❖ **CCD Resumes - Sunday, January 5 @ 9:10 AM**
- ❖ **RITE of CHOICE - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade confirmation class, Sunday, Jan. 5 @ 10:30 AM Mass**
- ❖ **Confirmation Parent/SPONSOR Mtg - Sunday, January 19, 9:10 AM at the DRWPC.**
- ❖ **Contact: Clare Crone, CCD Coordinator, [ccronecrestjoe@gmail.com](mailto:ccronecrestjoe@gmail.com)**

### **REJOICE! Advent BIBLE STUDY - WEEK 3 (Dec 9) Journey**

**PLANS**-Mary likely had *Plans* about what her life and marriage would look like, but all that changed.

Adapting well, Mary teaches us how to give room to God for what He wants to unfold. Often we try to be in control and have our own expectations.

**ORDINARY** - Most of our life is *Ordinary* and many of us struggle to find God with us in the ordinary.

The Truth is that God is with you - 24/7/365.

Despite her discomfort, Mary's journey was anything but easy; however, she knew God is in the ordinary.

**EVERYTHING** - The news of the census sent shock waves throughout ALL of Galilee. Mary and Joseph were filled with many penetrating questions demanding further trust and absolute dependency.

The journey demanded *Everything*. God wants everything. He requires everything. The stretching we feel "in the everything" is so that we are more able to receive everything He wants to give us.

**NOTHING** - As each day fades from one into the next, Mary and Joseph feel they have *Nothing* left to give. Many of us at this time of the year may feel as if we have nothing left to give. The question is: What do we do when we have nothing left to give? Our only response is to surrender. When we have given everything, we are more disposed to receive everything from Him.

**POVERTY** - Mary and Joseph had not prepared for any of the demands that the census caused. They were utterly dependent of God in their *Poverty*. God is not afraid of our poverty. Perhaps we feel vulnerable, a loss of security, we have nothing to offer, or we are alone. God loves the poor. Why? "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 5:3)

**DEPENDENT** - As Mary neared delivery, she was completely dependent upon Joseph as he led her and they were both utterly dependent on God as he had no idea of what they would do when they arrived. Where are you most dependent on God? What circumstances in your life are out of your control?

**SIMPLICITY** - Mary and Joseph were led to the poorest of places - a manger - just bare *Simplicity* among the animals. Our life can seem awfully busy. The faster our frenzied life becomes, the more complicated it feels. The Simplicity of God's design grows crowded. With simplicity we have nothing - we are completely receptive to the glory of God, deep union, and our soul's deepest desire.

**Go to Mary for her to show you how to spend this ADVENT!**

Contact Clare Crone [ccronecrestjoe@gmail.com](mailto:ccronecrestjoe@gmail.com)

**DO YOU SUPPORT OUR GROCERY CARD PROGRAM?** Grocery gift cards for Giant, Weis, and Walmart are available on weekends after the Masses and Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm at the rectory office. **Grocery gift card sales for the week of December 8<sup>th</sup> of \$870 .00 made a profit of \$36.64.**

**CLUB  
WEEK 14**

#	Winner	Seller
7	Fr. Benny	Jeff Small
93	PCCW	Jeff Small
113	Mary Flook	Jeff Small
132	Margie Gallina	Mary Keller
169	Sam Keller	Sandy Keller



**ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE AT THE DEANERY PARISHES**

- St. Vincent DePaul, Hanover: Dec. 15, 2 PM
- Immaculate Heart of Mary, Abbottstown: Dec. 17, 7 PM
- St. Joseph, Hanover: Dec. 18, 7 PM
- St. Joseph the Worker, Bonneauville, Dec. 19, 7 PM
- St. Aloysius, Littlestown: Dec 21, 10 AM



Do you like to sing! Well, Christmas will be here soon and it is time to start practicing for our Christmas Pageant and Children's Choir for the Children's Christmas Eve Mass.

Practice dates are as follows:

- Tuesday, Dec. 17 from 7:00 - 8:00
- Possible EXTRA practice on **Friday**, Dec. 20 **OR Monday**, Dec. 23. We can discuss a time later.
- Christmas Eve Mass: Pageant starts at 5:30 p.m. and Mass starts at 6:00 p.m, so all will have to arrive Christmas Eve in the rectory by **5:00 p.m.** If you are interested, please contact me at [pmills220@gmail.com](mailto:pmills220@gmail.com) or 717-253-5765.

**Delone Catholic High School New Student Admissions:**

Delone Catholic High School is accepting online admissions applications for the 2020-21 school year. Visit [www.delonecatholic.org](http://www.delonecatholic.org) and click on Admissions to apply. New student applications received by Dec. 31 will save \$25 off the registration fee. Check out the many opportunities available for your student at Delone Catholic. Schedule a shadow day or personal tour to learn more. Contact Mrs. Jennifer Hart at [jhart@delonecatholic.org](mailto:jhart@delonecatholic.org) for more information.

**Delone Catholic High School Placement Testing**

for incoming Freshmen will take place at Delone Catholic HS in the school cafeteria on Saturday, Jan. 11 and Saturday, Feb. 8 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.. To register for the placement test, please visit the school website at [www.delonecatholic.org](http://www.delonecatholic.org) and click on Admissions/Placement Testing. Delone Catholic High School is currently seeking to hire a full-time Math/Science Teacher and a full-time Building Service Worker. Please visit the school website at [www.delonecatholic.org/About/Employment](http://www.delonecatholic.org/About/Employment) for the complete job posting and how to apply.



## Third Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 35:1-6a,10  
Ps 146:6-10 (Is 35:4)  
James 5:7-10  
Matthew 11:2-11

### Monday December 16

Numbers 24:2-7,15-17a  
Ps 25:4-9  
Matthew 21:23-27

### Tuesday December 17

Genesis 49:2,8-10  
Ps 72:1-4ab,7-8,17  
Matthew 1:1-17

### Wednesday December 18

Jeremiah 23:5-8  
Ps 72:1-2,12-13,18-19  
Matthew 1:18-25

### Thursday December 19

Judges 13:2-7,24-25a  
Ps 71:3-6ab,16-17  
Luke 1:5-25

### Friday December 20

Isaiah 7:10-14  
Ps 24:1-6  
Luke 1:26-38

### Saturday December 21

Song of Songs 2:8-14 or  
Zephaniah 3:14-18a  
Ps 33:2-3,11-12,20-21  
Luke 1:39-45

Joy is the theme of the Third Sunday of Advent. As it says in the first reading, "Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication to rescue you!" This is the reason for our joy. We have been ransomed from sin and its destruction. This is why Jesus came to earth to be born as one of us: to rescue us from the horrors of an eternal separation from God and his love.

Compared to eternity, our current problems are little, very little indeed.

Joy comes from realizing that, because of Jesus, no sins against us and no destructive forces can do us permanent harm. In fact, God will make good use of everything for our benefit! He defeats evil by making blessings come from it.

Even the worst of times become huge blessings if we let them unite us to Jesus. With Christ and in imitation of how he suffered for the sake of others, we offer to others what our hardships have taught us, and thus our sufferings become ministries. Our sorrows find valuable meaning, which produces a joy that gets multiplied beyond measure.

In Christ we are crowned with everlasting joy. We feel his joy and gladness because of the good that will come and is already starting. Sorrow and mourning will flee



away as we rise above our pain to rejoice in the goodness of joining in the ministry of Christ. And we are lifted up by a faithful and compassionate God.

As the second reading points out, we must be patient while

we wait for the Lord to convert our trials into triumphs. To maintain an attitude of joy, we must remain firm in our faith, not doubting that the Lord is concerned about us. And we must not complain, because complaints mean that we think we know better than God does about how our problems should be resolved and how long it should take.

Joy comes from rejoicing in the good news that God really does care and is of course working on our behalf to produce many wonderful blessings from our sufferings, just like Jesus says in the Gospel: "Blessed is the one who takes no offense in me."

### Reflect & Discuss:

1. What are you unhappy about?
2. Can you find joy in the trial? – because God will make good come out of the suffering if you want to use it for the benefit of others. Talk to Jesus about that today. What is he telling you? What hug is he giving you?
3. Describe a time when you saw blessings come from your sufferings. If you could do it all over again, with the option of avoiding those particular troubles, would you? Why or why not?