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December
17,
2017

Third Sunday of Advent



“The one who is coming after me, whose sandal straps I am not worthy to untie”

MASS SCHEDULES

Sunday Mass in English

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM & 12:15 PM

Daily Mass

7 & 8:30 AM (Saturday 8:30 AM)

Reconciliation

Saturday 3-4:00 PM

Misas Dominicales en Español

Sábado 6 PM, Domingo 2 & 6 PM

Misas en Español

Miércoles 7 PM

Reconciliación

Miércoles 6-7 PM, Sábado 3-4:00 PM

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From the Pastor's Desk:

The third

Sunday of Advent is called "Gaudete Sunday" because the Mass for today (in its original Latin text), begins with the opening antiphon: "Gaudete in Domino semper" - "Rejoice in the Lord always."

To remind ourselves that we are preparing for the very joyful occasion of the birth of Jesus, we light the rose candle, and the priest may wear rose vestments. The common theme of the day's Scripture readings is one of joy and encouragement. Holy Scripture reminds us that the coming of Jesus, past, present and future, is the reason for our rejoicing.

John the Baptist was easily the most famous preacher of his generation. The historian Josephus once wrote that in his estimation, this man John was a vastly more important and impressive figure than his cousin known as Jesus. Even years after Jesus' death and Resurrection, when the apostles visited the city of Ephesus to proclaim the Gospel, they ran across a large building that called itself "The First Church of John the Baptizer." The members of this congregation had all been baptized into the name of John. When the apostles inquired if they had been baptized into also the name of Jesus, the people replied, "Who's that? Never heard of him." Years earlier it was John, not Jesus, who got King Herod's attention. So he arrested and eventually executed John. And once Jesus began to make a bit of a stir himself, Herod's first reaction was to say, "That must be John again! He's back from the dead!" Most scholars believe that the Gospel of John, as written by John the Apostle, places Jesus in the correct perspective assigning to John the Baptist the role of a witness and forerunner.

There is a story told about a man from Louisville, Kentucky, who had to travel to St. Louis on business. This was years ago when Christians kept Sunday as a very special day. For this man, "keeping the Sabbath," also meant not riding the trains on Sunday. Thus, after he finished up his business late Saturday night, he had to stay over in St. Louis until the following Monday morning. On Sunday morning, he left the hotel looking for a place to worship. The streets were quite deserted, but finally he saw a policeman and asked him for directions to the nearest church. The stranger thanked the policeman for the information and was about to walk off when he turned and asked the policeman: "Why have you recommended that particular church? It looks like a Catholic church. There must be several churches nearby that you could have recommended." The policeman smiled and replied: "I'm not a church man myself, but the people who come out of that church are the happiest looking church-people in St. Louis and they claim that they have received Jesus and they are happily taking him to their homes. I thought that would be the kind of church you would like to attend." The Scripture for today reminds us that every Sunday in every Christian church must be a *Gaudete Sunday* or "Rejoice Sunday."

Nota de nuestro pastor:

El tercer Domingo de Adviento se llama

"Domingo de Gaudete" porque la Misa de hoy (en su texto original en Latín), comienza con la antífona de apertura: "Gaudete in Domino semper"--"Regocijaos en el Señor siempre". Para recordarnos que nos estamos preparando para la ocasión muy alegre del nacimiento de Jesús, encendemos la vela rosa, y el Sacerdote puede llevar vestimentas de color rosa. El tema común en las lecturas de las Escrituras del día es uno de alegría y ánimo. La Sagrada Escritura nos recuerda que la venida de Jesús, pasado, presente y futura, es la razón de nuestra alegría.

Juan el Bautista fue el predicador más famoso de su generación. El historiador Josefo escribió que en su opinión, este hombre Juan, fue una figura mucho más importante e impresionante que su primo conocido como Jesús. Incluso años después de la muerte y resurrección de Jesús, cuando los apóstoles visitaron la ciudad de Éfeso, para proclamar el Evangelio, se encontraron con un gran edificio que se llamaba "La Primera Iglesia de Juan el Bautista." Los miembros de esta congregación habían sido bautizados en el nombre de Juan. ¿Cuándo los apóstoles preguntaron si ellos se habían bautizado también en el nombre de Jesús, la gente respondió, "quien es él? Nunca hemos oído hablar de él." Años antes fue Juan, no Jesús, quien atrajo la atención de Herodes. Así que lo detuvo y eventualmente lo ejecutó. Y una vez que Jesús comenzó a hacer un poco de revuelo a sí mismo, la primera reacción de Herodes fue decir, "debe ser Juan otra vez! Él regresó de entre los muertos!" La mayoría de los eruditos creen que el Evangelio de Juan, fue escrito por Juan el Apóstol, coloca a Jesús en la perspectiva correcta asignando a Juan el Bautista en el papel de testigo y precursor.

Hay una historia sobre un hombre de Louisville, Kentucky, que tuvo que viajar a San Louis por asuntos de negocio. Esto fue hace años, cuando los cristianos guardaban el Domingo como un día muy especial. Para este hombre, también "guardar el Sábado," significaba no montar los trenes el Domingo. Así, tras finalizar su negocio tarde la noche del Sábado, tuvo que pasar en San Louis hasta la mañana del Lunes siguiente. El Domingo por la mañana, él salió del hotel en busca de un lugar para adorar. Las calles estaban bastante desiertas, pero finalmente vio a un policía y le pidió direcciones a la Iglesia más cercana. El forastero le agradeció al policía por obtener la información y estaba a punto de irse cuando se volvió y le preguntó al policía: "¿por qué recomiendas esa Iglesia en particular? Parece una Iglesia Católica. Deben haber varias Iglesias cercanas que podrías haber recomendado." El policía sonrió y respondió: "yo no soy un hombre de Iglesia, pero las personas que salen de esa Iglesia son la gente más feliz de las Iglesias de San Louis y dicen que ellos han recibido a Jesús y le llevan felizmente a sus hogares. Pensé que sería la clase de Iglesia a la que te gustaría asistir". Las Escrituras de hoy nos recuerdan que cada Domingo en cada Iglesia cristiana debe ser un Domingo de Gaudete o " Domingo de Regocijo."

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week
of December 17, 2017

Sun/Dom:

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54
[Is 61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Mon/Lunes:

Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7]/
Mt 1:18-25

Tues/Martes:

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab,
16-17 [cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-25

Wed/Mier:

Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and
10b]/Lk 1:26-38

Thurs/Juev:

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12,
20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45

Fri/Vier:

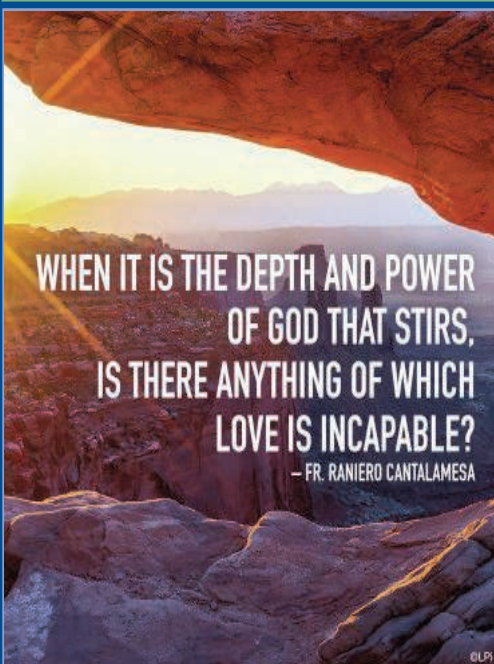
1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7,
8abcd [cf. 1a]/Lk 1:46-56

Sat/Sab:

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and
14 [cf. Lk 21:28]/Lk 1:57-66

Next Sun/Dom:

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5,
27, 29 [2a]/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38



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Saturday 10 AM-4 PM

Bilingual available 10 AM-4 PM

Sunday 10 AM-4 PM

Bilingual available 12 PM-4 PM

Rev. Joseph Antony Sebastian, SVD

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Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday

10 AM to 12 PM

5 PM to 8 PM (with appointment)

lunes, martes, miércoles, y Viernes

10 AM a 12 PM

5 PM a 8 PM (con cita)

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COLLECTION FOR WEEK

December 10th

The Plate Collection

\$

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On Line Giving

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TOTAL for the WEEK

The Collection amount was not available at press time - will be reported next week

VATICAN CORNER

In another round of sick propaganda, Islamic State terrorist have threatened the Vatican and Pope Francis in a poster that was placed on social media showing a masked man in a rear view mirror looking through a car windshield at the Vatican. He has multiple guns, a backpack, and the poster reads “Christmas blood”. Similarly, young Prince George of England and the 2018 soccer World Cup in Russia have been threatened. Other ISIS terrorist videos have stated “You will pay very expensive price for your war on Islam” and “We will take revenge for the blood of Muslims on your land.” An intelligence Group monitoring ISIS activity online says that ISIS has begun making high-profile threats in order to distract from their recent military defeats in Syria and Iraq.



Experts think it is unlikely that ISIS forces could enter Rome or the Vatican, but its propaganda machine continues to run, and the group has increasingly turned to lone-wolf supporters to take up their violent cause around the world. So the experts say it is important to take the threats seriously. The Islamic State sees the Vatican as a symbol of the ‘Crusader’ West and any attack made against it would be widely accepted by all of its followers. Italy and the Vatican have so far not been the victims of terrorist attacks like those that have hit other European cities. This may be in part because although Italy has been a gateway for immigrants into Europe, it does not have a large number of second and third generation immigrants who are susceptible to ISIS recruiters. Another factor is the Italian police with their hardened no nonsense approach developed handling the political terrorism in the 1970s and through years of experience with mafia investigations. Phone tapping regulation is very lax, allowing extremists to be identified quickly and easily. According to the Italian Interior Minister, 70 suspected terrorists have been deported in 2017 so far. Last year four men were arrested in connection with an alleged plot against the Vatican. Commander Christoph Graf of the Swiss Guard said it may be only a matter of time before an attack takes place in Rome, “But we are prepared for it.” He said the Swiss Guard is not just a tourist attraction but a modernized troop capable of facing a terrorist attack if and when necessary. Since the attacks in Barcelona in August where a terrorist’s truck killed 13 and injuring 80, security has been tightened with more snipers and armed policemen on the main artery to St. Peter’s square. Also many roads have been closed to traffic and a ban on trucks entering the city centers has been in effect since the Berlin Christmas market attack in December, 2016 when a terrorist’s truck killed 12 and injured 56. Another recent fear is a drone attack. Counter-terror police found foreigners had bought toy aircrafts in June and asked how they could modify them. Security software in drones prevent them from flying into no-fly zones, however instructions available online make it easy to override that software. The fear is that ISIS could use drones in Europe to replicate attacks they have already carried out in Syria and Iraq. Let us pray for the safety of Pope Francis and all the faithful who may cross paths with the savage men working for ISIS. Sources: cruxnow.com, newsweek.com, thesun.co.uk, catholic.org, express.co.uk

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Navidad en un hogar de ancianos Ilumina residentes de un hogar de ancianos esta Navidad, dándoles un regalo nuevo de Navidad. Por favor, envuelve el regalo y etiquétalo si es para hombre o mujer e incluye tamaño si es necesario.

Tráelos a la iglesia antes del 22 de diciembre Si quieres dar algo pero no sabes qué regalar, pasa a recoger una lista de sugerencias en la oficina de la iglesia.

MASS INTENTIONS

December 16-23, 2017

Saturday 4:30 PM

Jessa Marie Reyes (21st birthday)
Geremie Quianzon Family (thanksgiving)
Ruth Suratós (healing & birthday)
Fructuosa Fe Divinagracia †

Saturday 6:00 PM

Abelardo & Maria Viveros
(28th aniversario de boda)
Ramon & Maria Elena Gutierrez
(24th aniversario de boda)
Encarnacion Pantoja (cumpleanos)
Mauricio Martinez † (9 meses aniversario)

Sunday 7:30 AM

The Community of St. Joachim

Sunday 9:00 AM

Karen Ota (1st birthday)
Jamyla Cadilla (thanksgiving)
Eliseo Camacho †
Ligoria Fernandez †

Sunday 10:30 AM

Bernie & Lolit Villaviencencia
(50th wedding anniversary)
Jocelyn A. Alcantara †
Melinda Colburn † (1st anniversary)
Francisco & Mercedes Yanga †
Pedro & Emerenciana Yanga †
Remedios Yap Doria †

Sunday 12:15 PM

Glory Belle Apar (49th birthday)

Sunday 2:00 PM

Angelina Hernandez † (1st aniversario)
Carmen Gutierrez †
Ramon & Consuelo Villanueva †
Catarino Hurtado †

Sunday 6:00 PM

Raul Angeles (salud)
Mariano Galvez † (aniversario)
Jose Luis Galvez † (aniversario)
Jose Fabian Gutierrez † (aniversario)

Monday 8:30 AM

The Community of St. Joachim

Tuesday 8:30 AM

Dave & Gary Botelho †
Randy Dela Torre † (17th anniversary)



Wednesday 8 :30 AM

Elijah James Orlina (birthday)

Wednesday 7:00 PM

David Gutierrez (17th cumpleaños)
Leticia Gonzalez (special intention)

Thursday 8:30 AM

David & Marie Teles †
Mercedes Yanga † (anniversary)

Friday 8:30 AM

Nguyet Family Ancestors †

Saturday 8:30 AM

Maria Nguyet †

THE WEEK AHEAD

Saturday December 16th

7:00 PM Las Posadas - in the hall

Sunday December 17th

5:30 AM Simbang Gabi Novena Mass

7:00 PM Las Posadas - in the hall

Monday December 18th

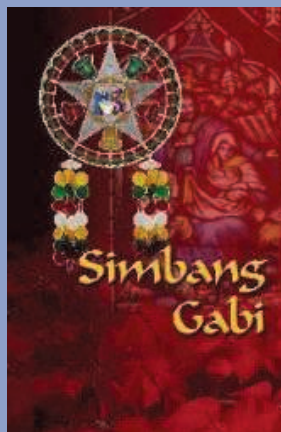
5:30 AM Simbang Gabi Novena Mass

7:00 PM Las Posadas - in the hall

Tuesday December 19th

5:30 AM Simbang Gabi Novena Mass

7:00 PM Las Posadas - in the hall



Wednesday December 20th

5:30 AM Simbang Gabi Novena Mass

7:00 PM Las Posadas - in the hall

Thursday December 21st

5:30 AM Simbang Gabi Novena Mass

7:00 PM Las Posadas - in the hall

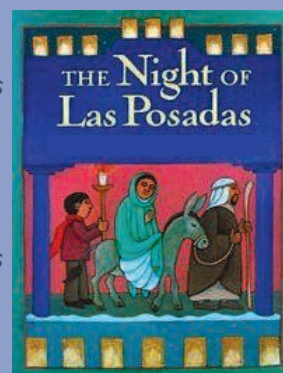
Friday December 22nd

5:30 AM Simbang Gabi Novena Mass

7:00 PM Las Posadas - in the hall

Saturday December 23rd

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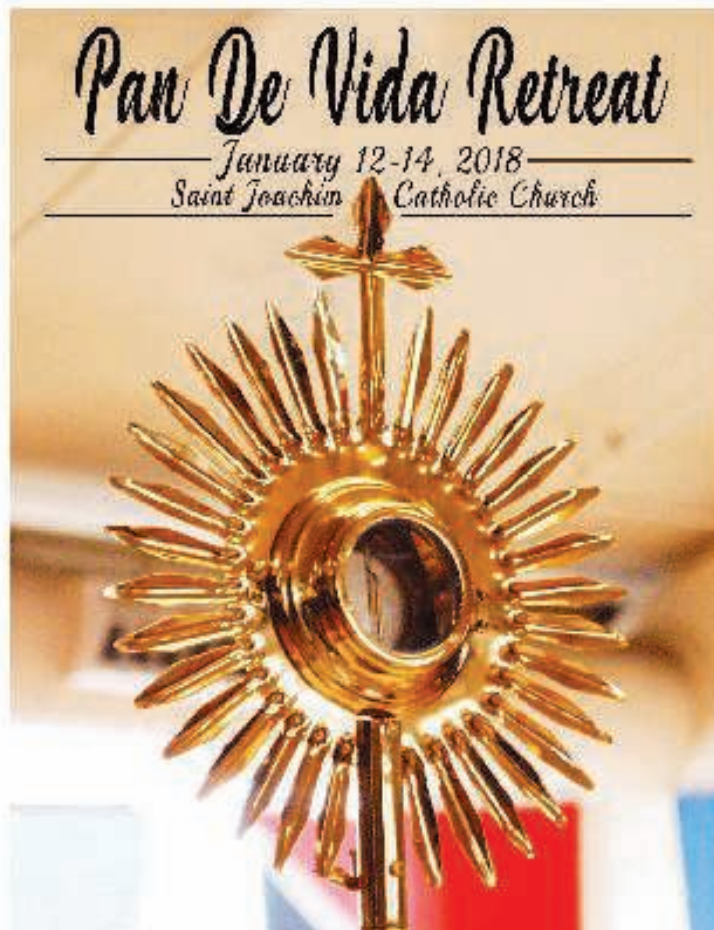
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