



***BLESSED ARE
YOU
WHO
BELIEVE!***

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

St. Antoninus Church

December 19, 2021

Sunday Mass: 8am in Rectory; 10 am in Church

(Sunday Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions 9-10AM)

Confession Available: Sundays 9-9:45AM (in church) Fri. & Sat. 11-11:50AM (Rectory Chapel)

1st Fri. 9-10PM (Rectory Chapel) 1st Sat. 2-3PM (lower church)

Daily Mass & Benediction: Tues. thru Sat. noon (rectory Chapel) & (you tube)

Religious Education: On-line Sunday 8:15-9:15 AM (Zoom)

RCIA: Thurs. 7:15PM (Google Meet) & in person

Bible Study: Tuesdays 8PM. (Zoom & limited in-person)

Real Love Ministries Prayer Group: Last Saturday of month, 5-7 PM (Zoom)

First Friday Devotions: Sacred Heart Mass Noon, Alliance for 2 Hearts 2-5PM Rectory Chapel

First Saturday: 2PM Adoration & Immaculate Heart Devotions, (lower Church & Zoom)

3PM Chaplet & Healing Mass (lower church & you tube)

Divine Adoration Prayer Group: Saturdays at 3-6PM in person & live streamed.

Daily Rosary: 7PM (Zoom)

Young Adults: 2nd Thurs. 8PM. (Zoom)

Prayer Meeting: Wednesdays 7:45PM Rectory Chapel (Zoom & in person)

Adoration: Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel Tues. through Sat. 9AM-8PM. Email office to get code

Men's Prayer Vigil: (pending) 3rd Friday, 7-9PM (lower church)

Healing Ministry: 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month after Mass.

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Mass Intentions & Readings

Note: Mass Stipends are \$10



Sunday: 12/19/2021 Parishioners Friends of St. A's

Monday 12/20/2021

Tuesday: 12/21/2021 St. Peter Canisius

Wednesday 12/22/2021

Thursday 12/23/2021 St. John of Kanty Satwanoo Somai

Friday 12/24/2021 **CHRISTMAS EVE**

Saturday: 12/25/2021 **CHRISTMAS DAY**

Mi 5:1-4, Heb 10:5-10, Lk 1:39-45

Is 7:10-14, Lk 1:36-48

Sg 2:8-14, Lk 1:39-45

1Sm 1:24-28, Lk 1:46-56

Mal 3:1-24, Lk 1:57-66

2 Sm 7:1-16, Lk 1:67-79 **Mass at 8PM**

Is 52:7-10, Heb. 1:1-6, Jn 1:1-18 **Mass 10AM**

Repose of the souls of: Benedict Okafor

Pray for healing for: Alice Murray, Fr. Joseph, Eric Augustus, Femi Kuye, Ebelechukwu & Kamidchukwu Emenike, Carol Zmuda, Tess Reyes, Cynthia Singh, Torchia Family, Georgina Aminzia, Botolere Vertil, Patrick Ikeme, Tina Edelman, Horace Victor, Fr. Louis, Denise Gross, Marco Pineda, Ronnie Wood, Teresa Disla, Lyndon Foreshaw, Telesha Paillere, Michael McSpedon, Laureen Esekenegebe,

HE CAME FOR THE SALVATION OF SOULS. He came to rescue souls from the enemy territory we live in, satan's domain. That was His mission & ours that He bequeathed to us giving us the graces & gifts to reach other souls. Let us be more concerned with these gifts than the ones under a tree. Let us focus on the Great Gift on the Tree that opened the way to Paradise that He wants all of us to enter. Let us focus on using those gifts given to us at Confirmation to go OUT & rescue souls. We have been pew warmers too long in our churches. The ones needing what we have to offer are OUTSIDE shivering in a world of terror & tyranny. Let us go OUT & comfort them & show them the way....home. This is a good day to start as we carol our way through the neighborhood.

Dec. 12, 2021: \$2227.00 Building Fund: \$1478.00 Harvest: \$3580.00

THE CARRIBEAN COMMUNITY is sponsoring Christmas flowers this year. Please see Diane Pascall if you would like to donate to defray the cost of the ordered fresh flowers.

DEC. 21: Friars Food Distribution here at St. A's. 10AM with service & prayers.

NEW SCHEDULE (On-line links are available on website)

SUNDAY: Mass at 8AM in rectory. 9AM Adoration & Mass: 10AM in church. For live stream go to <https://www.youtube.com/> Enter Saint Antoninus on search.

DAILY MASS & BENEDICTION : Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri. Sat.: Noon. In person.

SCRIPTURE STUDY : Tuesday 8PM. In person & Zoom. In rectory.

ROSARY: Daily 7PM Zoom

PRAYER MEETING 7:45PM in person in Rectory & Zoom

DIVINE ADORATION MEETING: Tues. 6:30-8PM. On Line Prayer & Bible Study, Thursday: Healing Prayer 7-30PM, Sat. 3-6PM in person & live streamed. Go to <https://join.freeconferencecall.com/divineadoration> to download the app. ID: divineadoration. Or dial in at 978-990-5403 Access code: 169025#

REAL LOVE MINISTRIES : Last Saturday 5-7PM, meets in different venues & ZOOM <https://zoom.us/j/2919282319> Meeting ID: 291 928 2319 One tap mobile: +16468769923,,2919282319# To download flier for month's speaker, go to <https://realloveministries.org/>

YOUNG ADULTS: 2nd Thurs. 8PM in person & Zoom

CAROLING & GIFT GIVING TODAY: So stick around as we carol our way over to the Friary inviting the neighbors to join us for the live Christmas Presentation, some hot cocoa & the distribution of the gifts from our giving tree.

MUST VIEWING FOR ALL OF US: Go to “Holy Spirit’s Presence Within Christians with Randy Clark.” You can access it on you tube. What we need to do to bring His Church back to life. A Must Watch! Then let’s

DO WE BELIEVE.....

...that what He said will be fulfilled?
We read the beautiful dramas of the Christmas narrative & are touched & charmed by the simplicity, hidden glory, & the delightful fruits of the faith we find described therein; the miracle of John’s birth to one who thought herself beyond child bearing, the tough yet tender treatment of Zechariah, the head of the household & a priest to boot by the angel who admonished his doubt with muteness to set the scene for the miracle of restoration when the King of Kings & Lord of Lords appears on the scene & is taken to the Temple on the 8th day, to the house of His Father where Zechariah served as priest who now has a testimony of the miraculous to manifest to his fellow priests.

And then comes Mary bearing the news that Israel has been waiting for for centuries. She comes humbly, probably riding on a donkey & only 3 humble people are aware of Who is entering the world at this point. And Elizabeth goes beyond her own joy at Who is present in the womb of Mary & blesses her for believing that what was spoken to her would be fulfilled.

In our time, do we believe that what the Lord has told us will be fulfilled? That He will come again in glory to judge this world, that He has prepared a place for us in His Kingdom if we but believe & follow Him, that He has given us the grace to do even greater miracles than He did, that He has forgiven us our sins if we but repent? Do we believe??? And are we acting on it? Are we going OUT & doing what He told us to do?

ARE WE ACTIVELY BELIEVING?

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it!

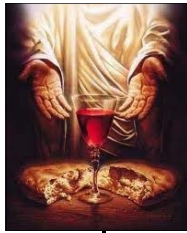
AS WE CELEBRATE HIS FIRST COMING...

...are we looking ahead to His second? Are we running to meet Him? Or are we desperately clinging to this passing world we know? Are we trying to salve the fear we live in with a pretense of somehow recreating what we thought was normalcy? There is no normalcy...there is revolution going on as He said there would be & we need to be sure Whose side we are on. We are living in torment & turmoil & encroaching tyranny. What are we to do?

At the moment when the misfortunes of the world are multiplying & the shaking of the celestial powers announces the terror of the judgment, raise, your heads, that is to say, rejoice in your hearts, indeed, while the world ends, of which you are not friends (are you?), the redemption you desired approaches. To lift one’s head is to raise one’s spirit towards the joys of the heavenly country, because they will soon meet the One they love, passing through what they did not like. May the faithful who desires to see God be careful not to cry over the misfortunes that afflict the world, since he knows that these very misfortunes bring him to an end. As James said: “Whoever wants to be the friend of this century is an enemy of God.” (James 4:4) He who does not rejoice at the approach of the end affirms himself as a friend of this world & is thereby convinced of being an enemy of God. May it not be so with the hearts of the faithful. That it is not so with those who believe by faith in the existence of another life & show by their way of acting that they love this other life. For crying over the destruction of the world is fitting for those who have planted the roots of their hearts in the love of the world, who do not seek the future life & do not even suspect its existence. But, WE, who know the eternal joys of the heavenly homeland, must rush to them in haste. (St. Gregory the Great)

So as we gaze at the Babe in the manger, let us look forward to seeing the King of the Universe....soon.





ST. ANTONINUS CHURCH CALENDAR

DECEMBER, 2021

JESUS IS LORD TO THE GLORY OF GOD THE FATHER

SUNDAY	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 1st Sunday of Advent Mass at 8 AM Adoration 9AM Mass 10AM	29 7PM Rosary	30 Noon Mass 7PM Rosary 8:00PM Scripture Study	1 Noon Mass 7PM Rosary Prayer Meeting 7:45PM	2 Noon Mass 7PM Rosary	3 First Friday Noon Mass Devotion to Sacred Heart after noon Mass 7PM Rosary	4 Noon Mass 2PM Devotion to Our Lady 3PM Healing Mass Rosary 7PM
5 2nd Sunday of Advent Mass 8AM Adoration 9AM Mass 10AM Healing after Mass 7PM Rosary	6 7PM Rosary	7 Noon Mass 7PM Rosary	8 Noon Mass Feast of the Immaculate Conception 7PM Rosary 8PM Mass	9 Noon Mass 7PM Rosary Young Adults 8PM	10 Noon Mass 7PM Rosary	11 Noon Mass Div Adoration 3-6PM 7PM Rosary
12 3rd Sunday of Advent Mass 8AM Adoration 9AM Mass 10AM 7PM Rosary	13 7PM Rosary	14 Noon Mass 7PM Rosary Scripture Study 8:00PM	15 Noon Mass 7PM Rosary Prayer Meeting 7:45PM	16 Noon Mass 7PM Rosary	17 Noon Mass 7PM Rosary	18 Noon Mass Div. Adoration 3-6 PM 7PM Rosary
19 4th Sunday of Advent Mass 8AM Adoration 9AM Mass 10AM Gift Distribution Healing after Mass 7PM Rosary	20 7PM Rosary	21 Noon Mass 7PM Rosary Scripture Study 8:00PM	22 Noon Mass 7PM Rosary Prayer Meeting 7:45 PM	23 Noon Mass 7PM Rosary	24 Christmas Vigil Mass 8PM 7PM Rosary	25 Christmas Day Adoration 9AM Mass 10AM 7PM Rosary
26 Feast of the Holy Family Mass 8AM Adoration 9AM Mass: 10 AM 7PM Rosary	27 7PM Rosary	28 Noon Mass 7PM Rosary Scripture Study 8PM	29 Noon Mass 7PM Rosary Prayer Meeting 7:45 PM	30 Noon Mass 7PM Rosary	31 Noon Mass New Year's Eve 8PM Holy Hour 10PM Mass	1 Mary, Mother of God Adoration 9AM Mass 10AM 7PM Rosary
2 Feast of the Epiphany Mass 8AM Adoration 9AM Mass 10AM Healing after Mass 7PM Rosary	The Archdiocese takes very seriously any & all complaints of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, religious & lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage any one with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform the Archdiocese immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others & provide support to victim of sexual abuse. Although we will report all allegations of abuse immediately to the appropriate County Prosecutor, we encourage anyone with an allegation also to reach out to the Prosecutor. Individuals who report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Victim's Assistance Coordinator of the Archdiocesan Office of Child & Youth Protection at (201) 407-3256. The phone number for the County Prosecutors within the Archdiocese is (973) 753-1121.					