

Date	Holy Mass Intentions	Readings
Saturday December 2 <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	4:00 p.m. † Douglas Keith MacVicar 6:00 p.m. † Emilia Montoya † Narcés Vallejo	Isaiah 63: 16b-17, 19b; 64:2b-7 Psalm 80: 2-3, 15-16, 18-19 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9 Mark 13: 33-37
Sunday December 3 <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	8:00 a.m. † Steve Bek 10:30 a.m. Parishioners (Living & Deceased) 4:00 p.m. Luz Maria Oda	Isaiah 63: 16b-17, 19b; 64:2b-7 Psalm 80: 2-3, 15-16, 18-19 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9 Mark 13: 33-37
Monday December 4 <i>Saint John Damascene, Priest,            Doctor of the Church</i>	12:00 noon † Brandon Lacki	Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 122: 1-9 Matthew 8: 5-11
Tuesday December 5		Isaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72: 1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Luke 10: 21-24
Wednesday December 6 <i>Saint Nicholas, Bishop</i>	12:00 noon † Margaret McCann	Isaiah 25:6-10a Psalm 23: 1-6 Matthew 15: 29-37
Thursday December 7 <i>Saint Ambrose, Bishop,            Doctor of the Church</i>	12:00 noon † Roberto Bazzani, Sr. 6:30 p.m. Parishioners (Living & Deceased)	Isaiah 26:1-6 Psalm 118: 1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a Matthew 7: 21, 24-27
Friday December 8 <i>Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of            the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>		Genesis 3:9-15, 20 Psalm 98: 1-4 Ephesians 1: 3-6, 11-12 Luke 1: 26-38
Saturday December 9 <i>Saint Juan Diego, Cuauhtlatoatzin</i>		Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26 Psalm 147: 1-6 Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

**Sunday, December 10, 2017**  
*Second Sunday of Advent*

Isaiah 40: 1-5, 9-11  
 Psalm 85: 9-14  
 2 Peter 3: 8-14  
 Mark 1: 1-8

**The Fatima Prayer**

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, and lead all souls to heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy. Amen.



**Memorare**

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thine intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.





### For all our Dearly Beloved Departed



The names of those who have recently passed from this life to the next will remain on the bulletin necrology for nine weeks. They will then be transferred to the permanent parish necrology, also known as the Book of the Dead. Mass Intentions for loved ones after this time will be printed the week that the Holy Mass is scheduled.

*Lord Jesus, remember especially in loving mercy:*

Darlene Zech, David Rockefeller, Victims of the violence in Las Vegas, John Jessup, Victims of the California wildfires, Victims of the violence in Texas, Ruth Bishop McCarthy, Kim Wallace, Douglas Keith MacVicar, Emilia Montoya, Narcés Vallejo, Steve Bek, Brandon Lacki, Margaret McCann, Roberto Bazzani, Sr., Sara McDaniel, and all those who have gone before us.



### Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Novena



The Novena will be prayed in the Church at the following times:

- December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 p.m.
- December 4<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m.
- December 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m.
- December 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m.
- December 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m.
- December 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m.
- December 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m.
- December 10<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.
- December 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m.



### Come Renew Your Consecration



December 7th is the vigil of The Feast of the Immaculate Conception and Holy Mass will be celebrated at 6:30 p.m. Anyone interested in renewing their individual consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary is welcome to come to Mass early. Parishioners will recite a consecration prayer in the church at 6:00 p.m. Copies of the prayer will be provided. What a wonderful way to honor Our Lady on her feast day!

### Bereavement Support Group

Have you lost a loved one and are looking for a support group? Our parish now offers a Bereavement Support Ministry which meets the second Sunday of each month at 2:30 p.m. Please contact Fr. Adrian for additional information.



### Pope Francis' December Prayer Intention



*The Elderly* - That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.



### IN YOUR PRAYERS



To request prayers for yourself, or for loved ones who are sick, or who have special intentions, please list their name in the Book of Petitions located on the table across from Fr. Adrian's office. Prayer intentions will be listed in the bulletin for one week and will remain in the Book of Petitions for a period of six months. Names listed by Monday will be printed in the bulletin the following weekend.

*Please pray for:*

Fr. Omar Loggiodice, Rita Bek, Joseph Hein, Katherine Pirnik, Geri Roberts, Rob McDaniel, Fred Speeney, Nancy McDermott, Olga S. Torres, Nancy Calta, Fr. Michael S. Sherliza, Roesch family, Bill Gilbert, Marylou Bishop, Jeanne Pucci, Patton Family, Claude Hamilton, Paul Amodio Jr., Rhonda Gabel, Carmen Amodio, Rick Brunner, Victims of recent storms, Victims of recent violence, Lucy Nicholson, Fr. Ed Flanagan, Mathew Dorrian, Denise Tassani, Joan and Joe Nappi, Jeanmarie Dorrian, MacLean family, Nancy McDermott, Eveline Eppers, Pat and Jack Sosbee, Tamara, Tatiana, Germana, and Luis Alfonso Nunez, Julia Nunez and family, Ruth Ann, Harry and Doug Phillips, Jacob, Mike Jr., David, David Najib, John, Kathy, Eileen, and Joseph Chahrouri, Josey and Jeremy Wheeler, Enrique Ortigas, Kathy Dillon, Valerie Jones, Zandrel Wright, Devin Harris,

*and all of our family and friends who are ill but not listed. We ask the Lord to grant them comfort and healing.*



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### Congratulations to the following members:

*Family of the Month for October:*

**Richard and Eveline Eppers family**

*Knight of the Month for October:*

**Jonathan Gonzalez**

### 2017 Christmas Holy Mass Schedule

#### The Nativity of the Lord



*December 24, 2017 Vigil Holy Masses:*

- 4:00 p.m.
- 6:30 p.m.
- 9:00 p.m.

*December 25, 2017 Christmas Day:*

10:30 a.m.

#### The Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God

*January 1, 2018:*

12:00 noon



### Journey to Bethlehem 2017



Please invite your family and friends, and join us for our third annual *Journey to Bethlehem* live Nativity and Christmas Market next week, December 8 and 9, from 5:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

**Information the public should know about Planned Parenthood**

Planned Parenthood 2015 annual report shows increases in abortion numbers and taxpayer funding in 2015, alongside decreases in contraception, breast exams and overall patient numbers.

Planned Parenthood continued to maintain its status as the largest abortion provider in the United States (and again, increased its market share of that industry).

The abortion group performed 328,348 abortions on unborn babies, 4,349 more than the previous year, according to the report.

At the same time, it saw 2.4 million patients, about 100,000 fewer than the previous year and about 500,000 fewer than five years ago. Contraception services, which the abortion chain touts as its primary service, also dropped from 2.94 million to 2.8 million during the past two years.

Meanwhile, the abortion chain received more taxpayer funding. The report shows Planned Parenthood receiving \$554.6 million, up from \$553.7 million the previous year.

This pattern is consistent with its annual reports from the past several years. Abortions and taxpayer funding keep going up, while patient numbers and other services go down.

Recent polls also indicate Americans support the defunding efforts. New polling found 56 percent of Americans in battleground states want Planned Parenthood defunded.

*(From LifeSite News)*



Sunday December 3

**Gospel Reading**

Mark 13: 33-37



**Jesus warns his disciples to be watchful so that they will be ready when the Son of Man comes.**

Today we begin the season of Advent, which marks the start of a new liturgical year for the Church. The readings for Sunday Mass are arranged on a three-year cycle. Each year features a different Gospel, Matthew, Mark, or Luke. Readings from the Gospel of John are interspersed throughout all three years. With this year's first Sunday of Advent, we begin Cycle B of the Lectionary, which focuses our attention on the Gospel of Mark. This week and next week, our readings from Mark's Gospel present two important Advent themes: the Lord's return at the end of time and John the Baptist's preparation for Jesus.

Today's Gospel is taken from the end of Mark's Gospel, the chapter that immediately precedes Mark's account of Jesus' Passion. Having been questioned repeatedly by the scribes and the Pharisees, Jesus is now questioned by his disciples, Peter, James, John, and Andrew, who want details about his prediction of the destruction of the Temple. Jesus answers with many warnings about the difficulties that the disciples will face.

Today's passage comes at the conclusion of Jesus' warnings to his disciples. Jesus emphasizes the need for watchfulness. The Son of Man will come without warning; only the Father knows the exact hour. The disciples must not be caught unprepared when this time comes.

Scholars believe that Mark's Gospel was written around the time of the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in A.D. 70. Mark's audience consisted of Christians who were living in difficult social and political times, times of conflict. They were likely beginning to face persecution as followers of Jesus. In this difficult time, it helped to recall that Jesus had foretold of such difficulties. Early Christian communities took courage from Jesus' warning to remain alert and watchful, and they found in his words a way to persevere through suffering.

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**Advent Penance Services**



**The Advent Penance Service at SVdP Catholic Church will take place on Thursday, December 14, at 7:00 p.m.**

**For those unable to attend on this date, remaining Penance Services for other churches in the area are listed below:**

<i>December 4</i>	<i>St. Theresa</i>	<i>Douglasville</i>
<i>December 5</i>	<i>St. Mary Magdalene</i>	<i>Newnan</i>
<i>December 13</i>	<i>St. George</i>	<i>Newnan</i>
<i>December 18</i>	<i>St. Bernadette</i>	<i>Cedartown</i>
<i>December 19</i>	<i>St. Peter</i>	<i>LaGrange</i>
<i>December 20</i>	<i>OLPH</i>	<i>Carrollton</i>

**All Penance Services are scheduled to start at 7:00 p.m.**



**2018 Missals and Calendars**

New Sunday Missals are available on the information table outside the receptionist's office. The cost is \$3.00 each. Please add the donation to your offertory gift.



Parish calendars for 2018 are available in the narthex. Clark Funeral Home sponsored a portion of the calendars again this year, however, to offset the remainder of the expense we are asking for a \$2.00 donation per calendar. Please add the donation to your offertory gift.

**Knights of Columbus Retreat**

The men of the parish are invited to attend a half-day retreat sponsored by the parish and the Knights of Columbus. The retreat will be held Saturday, December 16th, in St. Gerard Hall, and will be led by author Christopher Carter.

To register please contact Deputy Grand Knight William Cohen at (678) 372-3383, or via email at [billjr1947@comcast.net](mailto:billjr1947@comcast.net). Please register no later than Sunday, December 10th. There will be a fee of \$10, payable at the event.



## Ministry Schedule



### Saturday, December 9 - 4 p.m. Holy Mass

**Deacon:** Deacon Jim McDermott  
**Lectors:** Nancy Chisholm Nancy Chisholm  
**E.M.O.H.C.:**  
**Eucharistic Guardians:** Marylou Bishop Paul Amodio  
**Servers:**  
**Ushers:** Dave Gover Bill Gilbert Ken Bishop  
**Greeter:** Regina Harding  
**Set Up:** Regina Harding

### Saturday, December 9 – 6 p.m. Holy Mass

**Deacon:** Deacon Jose Perez  
**Lectors:** Maira Rodriguez Cerela Vera  
**E.M.O.H.C.:**  
**Eucharistic Guardians:** Hilda Fuentes Eliezer Morales  
**Servers:** Jhovanex, Jhonas and Jhohansel Rodriguez  
**Ushers:** Eliezer Morales Henii Gonzalez  
**Greeter:** Amalia Pineda  
**Set Up:** Carmen Perez

### Sunday, December 10 - 8:00 a.m. Holy Mass

**Deacon:**  
**Lectors:** Joe Adams Denise Fournier  
**E.M.O.H.C.:** Fran Cohen  
**Eucharistic Guardians:** Yanira Koch Enio Fraga  
**Servers:** Kevin Hew Emmanuel Alerte  
**Ushers:** Tony Pucci Bob Strauss Brent Buechler  
**Greeter:** *Need a volunteer*  
**Set Up:** Marsha Hanks

### Sunday, December 10 – 10:30 a.m. Holy Mass

**Deacon:**  
**Lectors:** Paul Ware Randy Brown  
**E.M.O.H.C.** Michael Lyon Michael Evangelista  
**Eucharistic Guardians:** Mary Berg Florence Coons John Ngeh  
**Servers:** Eric Lyon Andrew Gerner  
**Ushers:** Judy and Randy Brown Klara Jones Mary Stumm  
**Greeter:** *Need a volunteer*  
**Set Up:** Mary Berg

### Sunday, December 10 - 4:00 p.m. Holy Mass

**Deacon:** Deacon Jose Perez  
**Lectors:** *To Be Determined*  
**E.M.O.H.C.**  
**Eucharistic Guardians:** Martha and Manny Vahanian  
**Servers:** Andrew, Peter and Sam Vahanian  
**Ushers:** Fred Lojo Ethan Valbuena  
**Greeter:** *Need a volunteer*  
**Set Up:** Dianne Karamelas

The ministry schedule is also available on-line at

[www.saintvincentdepaulchurch.org](http://www.saintvincentdepaulchurch.org).

**Ministry Volunteers: If you are unable to serve as scheduled, please find a replacement and note the change on the**

### A Reminder During Advent:

Wednesday Holy Masses during Advent are celebrated at noon, due to Penance Services held during the evening and requiring Fr. Adrian's presence. Confessions are heard following Holy Mass. Adoration will take place for an hour after Holy Mass, during confession time.



## First Fruits of Our Labor



### Offerings for November 18-19, 2017

#### 1st Collection

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	\$ 902.67
Saturday	6:00 p.m.	\$ 186.00
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	\$ 879.00
Sunday	10:30 a.m.	\$ 2,818.12
Sunday	4:00 p.m.	\$ 950.82
Box/Mail		\$ 1,422.31
Online		\$ 641.00
<b>Total 1st Collection</b>		<b>\$ 8,189.92</b>
<b>Total 2nd Collection</b>		<b>\$ 3,810.00</b>

*Growing in Grace*

**Thank you for your donations!**

*The second collection next week is for the Retirement Fund for the Religious.*

### Rite for the Beginning of Advent at Home

Traditionally, an Advent wreath is made of 4 candles in a circle of evergreens with 3 violet candles and 1 rose candle. Each day at home, the candles are lit - one candle the first week and then another each succeeding week until December 25th. A short prayer may accompany each lighting. The rose candle is usually lit on the 3rd Sunday of Advent. This long-standing tradition is a way to share our faith in our homes and not lose sight of the true meaning of Christmas.

The first day the wreath is in the home the leader may say:  
*As our nights grow longer and our days grow short, we look upon these earthly signs - light and green branches - and remember God's promise to our world: Christ, our Light and our Hope, will come. Listen to the words of Isaiah the prophet: "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light; on those who lived in a land as dark as death a light has dawned. You have increased their joy and given them gladness. They rejoice in your presence as those who rejoice at harvest, as warriors exult when dividing spoil. (Is. 9: 1-2)*

Then all pray:

O God, Rejoicing, We remember the promise of your Son. As the light from this candle, may the blessings of Christ come upon us, brightening our way and guiding us by his truth. May Christ our Savior bring life into the darkness of our world, and to us, as we wait for his coming. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

### The first candle is lit and all pray:

*O Emmanuel, Jesus Christ,  
Desire of every nation,  
Savior of all peoples,  
Come and dwell among us.*







### The Sacrament of Baptism



To schedule a Baptism, parents and godparents are first required to attend a Baptism Preparation class. To register for a class, please call the church office or register in person at the church. Baptisms will not be scheduled until parents and godparents have attended the class and all paperwork has been turned in. The paperwork includes a St. Vincent de Paul Parish registration packet (if the family is not already registered), the Baptism registration form and sponsor certificates for the godmother and godfather.

**Upcoming Baptism Classes will be held on**  
**December 10 - 9:15 a.m.**  
**January 21 - 9:15 a.m.**  
**February 11 - 9:15 a.m.**

*(Classes are held in English unless otherwise indicated.)*

**Note: Baptisms are not scheduled during Advent or Lent.**



**“You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” - Leviticus 19:18**

St. Vincent de Paul's 2017 Parish Goal:	\$ 38,000.00
Pledged and Unpledged Donations:	\$ 61,440.71
Amount Received:	\$ 43,877.21

Current Number of Donors for 2017: 259  
 Number of Donors in 2016: 321



### Bulletin Announcements!



We welcome your announcements! Please send all Bulletin announcements to Nancy Chisholm at [bulletineditor@svdpatl.com](mailto:bulletineditor@svdpatl.com). All Bulletin announcements and any pre-approved flyers for publication on the SVdP web page should be e-mailed, in publication - ready format, no later than 9:00 a.m. on Monday mornings, for publication the following weekend. Bulletin announcement deadlines for holidays are earlier.

#### 2017 Holiday Schedule for the SVdP Bulletin:

**December 10 Bulletin deadline - 9:00 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 4**  
**December 17 Bulletin deadline - 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 7**  
**December 24 Bulletin deadline - 9:00 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 11**  
**December 31 Bulletin deadline - 9:00 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 18**  
**January 7, 2018 Bulletin deadline - 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 21**

### The St. Vincent de Paul Society

**During the month of October the Dallas SVdP Society provided:**

- \$ 4,764.93 in utility payments
- Food, clothing and other goods for 93 people
- Utility payments for 19 families
- \$ 3,414.25 in food for 72 people
- 292 volunteer hours in service

**to those in need within Paulding County and the surrounding area**

**Thank you for your donations!**

#### Thrift Store Hours:

Monday - Friday	10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

#### We Need Volunteers:

- *Would you like to work with those in need in our community as a caseworker? This is an excellent way to perform corporal acts of mercy, and we will provide training to those who volunteer. Please call Carmen at 770-443-1533 and leave a message if you are interested.*
- *We are in need of volunteer workers at the Thrift Store, which is **now under new management**. Just an hour or two each week would be most helpful. We will provide training to those who volunteer. Make new friends and perform a work of mercy. Just come by anytime during our hours of operation and we will get you started.*
- *Are you aware of any job openings? The SVdP Society provides a listing of current employment opportunities for clients, or anyone else in need of a job in our community. If you know of any jobs available nearby, please notify us:*

call Carmen and leave a message at (770) 443-1533  
 e-mail Carmen at [carmenamodio0316@gmail.com](mailto:carmenamodio0316@gmail.com)

**Pantry Needs**—We are currently in need of canned fruit, boxed or bagged pasta and spaghetti, mashed potato flakes, carrots, peanut butter and jelly.

**We thank you for any assistance you can provide to help meet these needs.**

**Note! New Thrift Store Phone # (678) 388-0855**



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The Knights of Columbus are now collecting old and used strands of Christmas tree lights for recycling. The lights may be placed in the aluminum can bins next to the church dumpster.

### Catechism Corner - from the Catechism of St. Pius X

#### The Eighth Article of the Creed



- Q.** What are we taught in the Eighth Article: I believe in the Holy Ghost?
  - The Eighth Article of the Creed teaches us that there is a Holy Ghost, the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity; and that, like the Father and the Son, He is God eternal, infinite, omnipotent, Creator and Lord of all things.
- Q.** From whom does the Holy Ghost proceed?
  - The Holy Ghost proceeds from the Father and the Son, as from one Principle, by way of will and love.
- Q.** If the Son proceeds from the Father, and the Holy Ghost proceeds from the Father and the Son, it would seem as if the Father and the Son are prior to the Holy Ghost; how then can it be said that all the Three Persons are eternal?
  - It is said that all the Three Persons are eternal, because the Father has begotten the Son from all eternity, and the Holy Ghost proceeds from the Father and from the Son from all eternity.

# December 2017

*(Revised)*

*The following schedule is in effect unless otherwise noted:*

Weekend Holy Masses: Saturday Vigil 4 p.m. & Santa Misa en Español at 6 p.m.  
 Sundays 8 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 4 p.m.  
 Daily Holy Mass: Monday 12 Noon; Wednesday 6:30 p.m.; Thursday 12 Noon  
 Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will precede the Wednesday Holy Mass at 6:30 p.m., starting at 5:00 p.m. and concluding at 6:15 p.m.  
 Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession/Penance): Wednesday 5:00 - 6:15 p.m.; Saturday 2:00-3:00 p.m.  
 The Charismatic Prayer Group meets on Fridays at 7:30 p.m.  
 Adult Choir practice - Wednesday 7:30 p.m.  
 Parish Office Hours - Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
						1 Youth Group Retreat	2 Youth Group Retreat 12:30 p.m. - Lector Training	
3 RE No 2nd Collection Rite of Welcome during 10:30 Holy Mass 33 Days to Morning Glory 5:30 - 7:15 p.m. - St. Gerard Hall	4 5	6 12 noon Holy Mass Adoration and Confession will follow Holy Mass RCIA - 6:30 p.m.	7 6:30 p.m. Vigil Holy Mass for the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (a holy day of obligation)	8 5:30 p.m.-9 p.m. Journey to Bethlehem	9 5:30 p.m.-9 p.m. Journey to Bethlehem			
10 RE 2nd Collection - Retirement Fund for the Religious Baptism Class - 9:15 a.m. Bereavement Ministry - 2:30 p.m.	11 Knights of Columbus (SGH) 6:30 p.m.- Rosary 7:00 p.m.- Dinner 7:30 p.m.- Business Meeting	12 13 12 noon Holy Mass Adoration and Confession will follow Holy Mass RCIA - 6:30 p.m.	14 15 Penance Service - 7:00 p.m.	16 Men's Retreat				
17 RE 2nd Collection - Growing in Grace	18 Women's Altar Rosary Guild 6:30 p.m. - Dessert & Coffee 7:00 p.m. - Rosary 7:30 p.m. - Meeting	19 20 12 noon Healing Holy Mass Adoration and Confession will follow Holy Mass No RCIA	21	22	23			
24 Fourth Sunday of Advent Holy Masses - 8 and 10:30 a.m. No RE & No 2nd Collection Christmas Vigil Holy Masses 4, 6:30 and 9 p.m. 2nd Collection - Catholic Charities	25 10:30 Holy Mass - Christmas (a holy day of obligation) 2nd Collection - Catholic Charities	26 27 No RCIA	28	29	30			
31 No RE 2nd Collection - Capital Improvements	January 1, 2018 12 noon Holy Mass for Mary the Mother of God	<b>Office Closed. No Holy Mass.</b>						