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Mass Intentions

Dec 19th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

Dec 25th: Children and Grandchildren of the Fiechtl, Hartman and Olewnik Families

Dec 26th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

Liturgical Ministers

Dec: 26th

Lector: Lois Freeland

Gifts:

Server: Cristian Tobar

Sacristans—Carmen McDaniel Altar Linens — Eleanor Michic,

Khuyen Segerson

Ushers—Men of the Parish

Fourth Sunday of Advent December 19, 2021

O Lord of hosts, look down from heaven and see; take care of this vine, and protect what our right hand has planted. — Psalm 80:15-16

AUDACITY

There is a spirit of audacity in our readings today. During a time of injustice and threat of invasion, the prophet Micah boldly announces that the God of insignificant Israel will raise up a leader from backwater Bethlehem, and this leader will bring justice and peace to the whole world. In the Gospel, Elizabeth and Mary, marginalized women, brazenly celebrate that their sons will be world-changing instruments of God. We further learn that this audacity is rooted in trust in God. The author of Hebrews describes the faithful obedience of Jesus. Mary is shown as the exemplar of faithful trust in God. This is the way God often seems to work, in the ordinary and marginalized in our world. Those who seem weak have learned to trust in God's strength. These have the audacity to become instruments of God's peace and justice. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK Fourth Sunday of Advent

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your was made known by the message of an Angel. may by his Passion and Cross

be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Special Collection

Villa Vianney December 25th

WEEKLY OFFERING

Dec	cember 12th
Budget	\$1750
Actual	\$499
Bldg.	\$200
Short	\$1051

TODAY'S READINGS FOR YEAR C

First Reading — From Bethlehem-Ephrathah shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel (Micah 5:1-4a).

Psalm — Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved (Psalm 80).

Second Reading — We have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Christ once for all (Hebrews 10:5-10).

Gospel — Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken by the Lord would be fulfilled (Luke

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER **Parishioners**

Lucien Cravens, MaryAnn Maness, James Trim, Joey Wall

Relatives

Kelli Blankenship, Thomas Blankenship, Austin Ernst, Emily Ernst, Jackie Donnett, Andrew Grower, Christine Hart and the twin boys Benjamin and Theodore, Nicholas Kirkpatrick, Jenny Moore, Andrew Morlan, Yu Youn Suk

Friends

Emma Cupples, Sunny Maness, Bobbie Keeton, Fr Robert Ponticello, Park Mi Kung, Na Song Ae For all who have Covid 19



The Brian Muetze Family has donated *Life* is Messy by Matthew Kelly and the Kirkpatrick Family has donated The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen for each family in our parish. Please be sure to pick up your copies.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Advent St. Peter Canisius; Winter begins Tuesday:

Thursday: St. John of Kanty The Vigil of Christmas Friday:

The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) Saturday:

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 1:26-38 Monday:

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, Tuesday:

20-21; Lk 1:39-45

Wednesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56 Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Thursday:

Lk 1:57-66

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Friday:

Lk 1:67-79 Saturday:

Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25] Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14;

Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7;

Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6;

Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14] Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Sunday:

Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24;

Lk 2:41-52

Mass Schedule

Monday: 11:30 am Wednesday: 11:30 am Thursday: 9:00 am

Friday Christmas Vigil: 6:00 pm Christmas Dav: 9:00 am Vigil on Saturday for Sunday: No Mass

Sunday: 9:00 am

Coming Events

The office will be closed December 20th through December 31st.

Deacon Moss will not have class on Tuesday, December 21st or the 28th. Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 2nd at 1:00 pm, with a Communion Service at 12:30 pm.

There will be no PRE classes on the following Sundays, December 19th, 26th and January 2nd.

Reflection question:

How can I make known to others the Incarnation of Christ?

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