

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pray for our sick and shut in: Joseph Clark (healing), John Kinley, Betty, Bevonnia (recent surgery/recovery), Madeline Johnson (healing), Willie Jean Barnes (recovery) and all others present and not present today. Please call/text Charo at 6013258853 with list of sick members by Thursday Weekly 6013258853.

Laila, one of our new Holy Rosary members, wants to help gather 10 Christmas baskets to help families feast this year. She is asking for members to bring can goods and /or nonperishable foods to go into the baskets. She is asking for 10 people to donate a ham or turnkey to this cause. Please contact Violet at 601.658.2734.

Christmas 2019: 3rd Sunday Snack and go. Desserts, drinks, fruit to go! Please call Charo at 601.325.8853 for options to bring. See Arthur about decorating the Christmas Tree.

During the season of Advent, beginning next weekend November 30/December 1, we will be extending the hours of confessions at Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

They are as follows:

Saturdays 3:00—3:45 p.m.

Sundays 12:30—1:15 p.m. (en Español)

Sundays 3:00—3:45 p.m.



**Rev. Ken Ramon-Landry, Pastor
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Deacon Warren Goff (RCIA):
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Deacon Randy Dukes**

HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

December 8, 2019

2nd
SUNDAY OF ADVENT

John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. - Mt 3:4

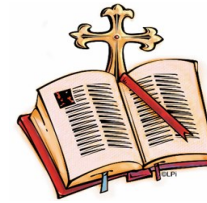
Juan usaba una túnica de pelo de camello, ceñida con un cinturón de cuero, y se alimentaba de saltamontes y de miel silvestre. - Mt 3, 4

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December 8, 2019
Second Sunday of Advent

What does it mean to be worthy? There are a few different ways to approach this question. Today's Gospel highlights two: the way of the Pharisees and the way of John the Baptist. Our faith values good works and discipleship. Perhaps, then, we "earn" our worth by adhering to the right doctrines and following the right pious practice. The Pharisees thought they were worthy. Due to their religious pedigree and proper procedures, they were self-satisfied. John the Baptist's words to them are strong. "Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.'" Of course, Jesus (and John) don't omit the responsibility for moral behavior. John gives the Pharisees quite a strong warning in that regard. "Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance ... every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." It's a question of attitude. Of disposition. It's a matter of the heart. If anyone would be worthy in this scenario, it's John the Baptist. Jesus himself will name him the greatest of prophets and a great man. John, however, recognizes his own lowly place in the grand scheme of things. "The one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals." The Pharisees take pride in being "better" than others. John embraces humility in Christ being "better" than him. We don't self-generate our own worthiness. We receive it as a gift from God. In a few short weeks, we'll celebrate the birth of Christ. Bishop Ven. Fulton Sheen wrote about the Nativity in his "Life of Christ": "Because [Jesus] was born in a cave, all who wish to see Him must stoop. To stoop is the mark of humility. The proud refuse to stoop and, therefore, they miss divinity." God invites us to prepare our hearts this Advent. When you consider your own life, where are you looking for your worth? This Christmas, are you prepared to stoop?



Readings for the week of December 8, 2019

Sunday: Is 11:1-10/ Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 19 [cf. 7]/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12
Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30
Thursday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 [cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-25
Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Next Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/ Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 [Is 35:4]/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11



December 8, 2019
Holy Rosary Parishioners
December 10, 2019
Bert Spangler

Date	Commentator	Lector	Eucharistic Minister
December 08	Child-TBA	Child-TBA	Nikki, Shirley
December 15	Charo	Shriley	Arthur, Nikki
Alter Servers			
December 08	Aj, Ameze		
December 15	Adam, Raider		

