



# HOLY ANGELS CHURCH



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Holy Angels Parish walks with you in your journey of faith. We are a community of believers, coming together to pray and give glory to God through liturgy and sacraments. Our Catholic community welcomes you. We pray that each parishioner will be blessed and strengthened by the power of Jesus Christ our Saviour and live a life of abundance in fellowship, joy and love. May God bless you always!

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5:00 p.m. English

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9:30 a.m. Italian  
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7:00 p.m. English

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8:00 a.m. English  
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4:00 – 4:45 p.m. Saturdays or by appointment

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10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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**"PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD, MAKE STRAIGHT HIS PATHS."**  
(Lk 3:4)

December 5, 2021 | Second Sunday of Advent

Bar 5:1-9 | Phil 1:4-6, 8-11 | Lk 3:1-6

Written by  
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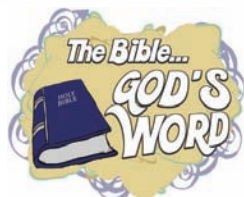
Today we have blogs and life coaches, Facebook groups and self-help books, all of which can help us become better human beings. These resources come to mind as I read St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians – I think St. Paul would be the ultimate life coach! All of his letters to the early Church offer wisdom, encouragement, and instruction, and the words we heard today are particularly significant as we prepare for Jesus' coming this Advent: "the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus." Unlike some of our modern-day resources, Paul's words go beyond simply helpful advice; they are rooted in faith and prayer, and in the truth of the Paschal Mystery. These words assure us that we are not alone on our journey, that what God has promised in the person of his Son will come to fruition: Christ will come again! And so, as John the Baptist did, we who are disciples are meant to witness to his coming, announcing the Good News and preparing for his – second – coming. Repent. Believe. "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." How do we do this? Engage with Scripture – read it and really hear what the Word of God is saying to you. Pray for insight, that the grace of God might transform you to go forth and announce the Gospel.

**ACTIONS** Re-read today's Gospel, and then consider how Saint Paul followed in John the Baptist's footsteps in his Letter to the Philippians. Think of ways you, like John and Paul, can encourage one another, and be a voice crying out in the desert. Participate in the sacrament of reconciliation and pray that God may cleanse your heart to welcome him at Christmas, and when he comes again.

**GO EVANGELIZE**

**PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT**

Even pre-Google, I spent more time than perhaps I should have hunting down the perfect gifts, especially for my young boys. I'd scour the ads, then get up early on Black Friday and hit the stores in search of deals and hard-to-find items. Perhaps that's why these words from St. Paul stopped me in my tracks: "And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, *to discern what is of value* [italics added], so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ." During Advent, these words can both assure and challenge us – to grow in love, knowledge, and a sense of what really matters during our time on earth. For me the challenge will be to spend less time shopping this season and more time focusing on deepening my relationship with God, who is preparing to turn the darkness into light. This doesn't mean we can't take delight in finding that perfect gift; but we ought also to increase our recognition that all gifts come from God, including our ability to have access to and means to purchase material gifts. We can find joy in God's presence (and presents?) among us.



**II Domenica di Avvento**

Giovanni predicava un "battesimo di conversione per il perdono dei peccati". Attendere il ritorno glorioso di Cristo significa credere in lui, fare spazio perché venga ad abitare in noi, lasciare che lui converta la nostra vita e ci faccia conoscere il volto del Padre suo che accoglie e perdona.



Thank you for supporting your church. Collection for November 28<sup>th</sup> was \$3,300.25.

Grazie della generosità per la vostra Chiesa. L'offerta della domenica 28 novembre era \$3,300.25.

**Sanctuary Lamp Prayer** for the week of December 5<sup>th</sup> is offered in memory of Maria requested by her husband Leonardo.



*La lampada del SS. Sacramento della settimana di 5 dicembre è stata offerta in memoria di Maria richiesto da suo marito Leonardo.*

**Holy Angels Building Repairs Fund:** Second collection for November 28<sup>th</sup> was \$301.00.

**La Seconda Raccolta per la Chiesa:** Seconda raccolta della settimana 28 novembre era \$301.00.



**December 17, 2021:** will be our Day of Confessions at Holy Angels Church. We will be hearing confessions from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
**December 8, 2021: Prayer to the Immaculate Conception**

O God, who by the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, did prepare a worthy dwelling place for Your Son, we beseech You that, as by the foreseen death of this, Your Son, You did preserve Her from all stain, so too You would permit us, purified through Her intercession, to come unto You.

Through the same Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God world without end. *Amen*

O Maria concepita senza peccato, prega per noi che ricorriamo a te!



O Dio, che non l'immacolata Concezione della Vergine, hai preparato al tuo Figlio una degna dimora e, in previsione della morte di Lui, l'hai preservata da ogni macchia, concedi anche a noi, per Sua intercessione, di giungere fino a Te, in purezza di spirito. Noi Te lo chiediamo per il Nostro Signore Gesu' Cristo. *Così' sia!*



**Christmas Tree Toy Drive at Holy Angels 2021:** Back by popular demand, this Advent Season, we will be collecting brand new toys for the less fortunate children. We are asking for donations of unwrapped toys appropriate for children ages 1-12.

We will be accepting donations until December 19<sup>th</sup>. All toys will go to Dr. Simone for Canadian Food For Children. *Christmas is about giving; let us give generously so we can truly experience the blessing of Jesus' birth!*



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**Mass Intentions December 6<sup>th</sup> to December 12<sup>th</sup>**

<b>Monday December 6th</b>	
St. Nicholas	
8:00 am	† Rosaria Capobianco by Rosetta & Carmine Finelli
<b>Tuesday December 7th</b>	
St. Ambrose	
8:00 am	No Mass
<b>Wednesday December 8th</b>	
Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
8:00 am	† Andrea Policelli by Leonardo & Domenica DiFranco
	† Leonardo Falcone by Moglie & Famiglia
	† Michael Sharkey by Linda MacRae
	Emma (Healing) by Iervolino Family
7:00 pm	Per tutti i parrocchiani per l'intercessione dell'Immacolata
<b>Thursday December 9th</b>	
St. Juan Diego	
8:00 am	† Giuseppe Sabatino by Maria Farace
7:00 pm	† Maria Colavecchio by Daughter Sandra and Family
<b>Friday December 10th</b>	
8:00 am	† Vincenzo & Giovina Luciani by Daughter Louise
7:00 pm	† Antonietta & Michele Ruggiero by Children and Grandchildren
<b>Saturday December 11th</b>	
St. Damasus I	
5:00 pm	† Antonio & Splendor Micaletti by Anna Ciafaloni
<b>Sunday December 12th</b>	
3rd Sunday of Advent	
9:30 am	† Vincenzo Ciafaloni by Anna Ciafaloni
11:30 am	† Giuseppe A. Sabatino by Moglie Giuseppina & Figli
7:00 pm	For All Our Parishioners

*Please welcome our newest little parishioner...Rae Alexandra Flabbi*



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