

HOLY ANGELS CHURCH



TOGETHER IN PRAYER AND WORSHIP



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** Sunday:

9:30 a.m. Italian 11:30 a.m. English Weekday Masses:

8:00 a.m. **English** (Mon/Wed/Thurs/Fri) NO Mass on Tuesdays

CONFESSIONS/ CONFESSIONI:

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

OFFICE HOURS/ ORARIO DI UFFICIO:

Monday Tuesday Wednesday to Friday Saturday/Sunday By Appointment Only 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Closed Closed

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December 1, 2024 First Sunday of Advent Jer 33:14-16 | 1 Thes 3:12-4:2 | Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Are you one of those people who flips to the end of the book to find out what happens or maybe you roam the internet for spoilers of your favorite show? We have all been tempted to know what is going to happen before whatever it is unfolds, especially in tension-filled situations. Knowing the ending changes the way we experience the angst of the present moment, especially if it's a great ending! Like today: even as we anticipate and know the comfort and joy of the Advent season, we certainly do not begin there with our Gospel reading from Luke. In it, Jesus describes the coming of the Son of Man: this time will include moments of dismay, tribulation, assault, fright, and death. Contemplating this time of justice can be fearsome, but it is also a source of joy, because Christ is coming! We know that through Christ we have been redeemed - and that, if we remain faithful to him, we have the hope of eternal life. As Luke tells us, we can stand with our heads held high because redemption is at hand. Our Advent does not start with comfort and joy, but it sure ends there. Knowing this ending helps us have confidence and hope in God.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

We are encouraged and challenged by the Word and our Advent traditions this first week to remember how it ends! In our first reading, the prophet Jeremiah relays consolation to the nation in crisis when God tells them the days are coming when the Lord will "fulfill the promise." This will bring them much-hoped-for safety and security. In Luke's Gospel, Christ's coming will be with "power and great glory" and although it sounds somewhat frightening, it will usher in redemption. Those are some spoilers providing great confidence and hope. In addition to our readings, the lighting of our first candle this Advent season is a visual reminder of the culmination of our salvation story! The Light who has come into the world has and will dispel the darkness. We can stand erect and raise our heads together to glimpse this light of Advent and fill our hearts again with hope that God surely is the one who keeps his promises. That is the best spoiler of all.

SING

O come, divine Messiah! The world in silence waits the day When hope shall sing its triumph And sadness flee away

I Domenica di Avvento



Il Signore viene nella sua gloria in mezzo agli sconvolgimenti delle potenze dei cieli e del mondo. Molti saranno presi dal terrore per ciò che dovrà accadere, mentre i credenti veglieranno

pregando per poter sfuggire a tutto questo e presentarsi fiduciosi davanti al Figlio dell'uomo.



Sanctuary Lamp Prayer for the week of December 1st is offered in memory of Rosa & Antonio La Penna requested by their children and families.

La lampada del SS. Sacramento della settimana di 1° dicembre è stata offerta i in memoria di Rosa ed Antonio La Penna richiesta dai suoi figli e famiglie.



Thank you for supporting your church. Collection for November 24th was \$2,947.30.

Grazie della generosità per la vostra Chiesa. L'offertorio

della domenica 24 novembre era \$2,947.30.



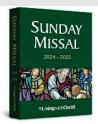
Holy Angels Building Repairs Fund: Second collection for November 24th was \$877.00.

La Seconda Raccolta per la Chiesa: Seconda raccolta della settimana 24 novembre era \$877.00.



Season of Advent: Advent has a twofold nature: It prepares us for Christmas, when we recall Christ's first coming among us, and it is also a time when we look forward to his second coming at the end of the ages. Advent is a season of joyful expectation. During Advent, each

Sunday's Gospel reading has specific focus. The Old Testament readings, especially those taken from Isaiah, are prophecies about the Messiah and messianic times. The selections from the writings of the Apostles present exhortations and instructions on different themes of this season.



<u>Living with Christ Sunday Missal</u> <u>2024- 2025:</u> Sunday Missals will no longer be kept in the pews. They will be available for sale at \$7 each. They will be sold in the foyer of the church every weekend after the Masses.



Christmas Bazaar: On Saturday, December 7th, we will have our annual Christmas Bazaar and Spaghetti Dinner in our parish hall from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. We are in need of the following **gently used** items: dishes, china, toys, crystal, new clothing, jewelry, knitted items,

small appliances, decorative items. We will not accept furniture, Christmas Trees or TVs. Baked goods will also be appreciated. The hall will be 10:00 am to 3:00 pm on Friday, December 6th for drop-off. *Please do not leave items in the foyer of the Church*. We are also looking for vendors! If you are interested to sell at our Bazaar, please call the office for more details on how to rent a table.

Christmas Tree Toy Drive at Holy Angels 2024: We will be collecting brand new toys for the less fortunate children once again this Advent Season. We are asking for donations of unwrapped toys appropriate for children ages 1-12. We will be accepting donations until December 22nd.

<u>Advent Sale</u>: There will be articles for sale each weekend in Advent after each Mass. Please take a look and support your church!

<u>St. Anthony Committee</u>: We invite all parishioners for coffee, panettone and Christmas cheer on December 15th following the 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Masses. Santa Claus will also be visiting!

<u>Liturgical Publications</u>: will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in January 2025. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service.

Mass Intentions December 2nd to December 8th

Monday, December 2nd

8:00 am

† Vincenzo & Maria Di Iorio by Grandchildren

Tuesday, December 3rd

St. Francis Xavier

8:00 am

No Mass

Wednesday, December 4th

St. John Damascene

8:00 am - Living Only Mass Intentions

For All our Parishioners

Thursday, December 5th

Advent Weekday

8:00 am

† Andrea Iannone by Lucia Iannone & family

Friday, December 6th

St. Nicholas

8:00 am

† Mario, Querino & Alberto Polidori by Brother Pasquale and family

Saturday, December 7th

St. Ambrose

5:00 pm

† Maria Giovanna Falcone by Maria Falcone

Sunday, December 8th

2nd Sunday of Advent

9:30 am

† Leonardo Falcone (17 years of passing) by Moglie Elodia and famiglia

11:30 am

† Frank Szura by Wife Mary



Memorial Christmas Tree: Once again, this year, we will have a special Christmas Tree to remember our loved ones who have passed. If you would like to participate, you can purchase an angel ornament for \$25. The ornament will be personalized with your loved one's name and will be included in the Mass intention on December 24th at the

5:00 p.m. Mass. You can call the office to order one or we will be taking orders after each Mass.



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