

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:

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December 15, 2024 Third Sunday of Advent Zep 3:14-18a | Phil 4:4-7 | Lk 3:10-18

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

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

"I want to be a sanctuary lamp," Samantha, my childhood friend, once remarked. "To be the little flame that reminds everyone, 'God is here.'" In those short phrases, Samantha summarized not only her personal vocation, but also the all-important mission of St. John the Baptist. Like the candle burning before the tabernacle, St. John was not the long-awaited Messiah; his God-given task was to point others to Jesus. We hear this theme of St. John's message expressed repeatedly in today's readings: "The King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst"; "Great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel!"; "one mightier than I is coming." God himself would soon be among them – indeed, he was already there. Although 2,000 years separate us from St. John the Baptist's ministry, the little flame still burns in the sanctuary to remind us that God has not only come, but he remains in our midst. This is cause for rejoicing: the same Jesus to whom John pointed is present among us in the Blessed Sacrament.

SING

O Christ, whom nations sigh for Whom priest and prophet long foretold Come break the captive fetters Redeem the long-lost fold

III Domenica di Avvento



Non lasciamoci prendere dal pessimismo: non mancano, oggi come in passato, persone desiderose di fare del bene ed essere gradite a Dio. Se anche le potenze nel mondo vogliono gettarci

nell'angoscia noi ci rallegriamo, perché' c'è del buono in questo mondo e, al di là dei nostri limiti e delle nostre stanchezze, sappiamo che Dio, in Cristo Gesù, ci ama di un amore eterno.



Sanctuary Lamp Prayer for the week of December 15th is offered in memory of Franco Colabufalo requested by his family.

La lampada del SS. Sacramento della settimana di 15 dicembre è stata offerta i in memoria di Franco Colabufalo richiesta da sua famiglia.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Becoming more attuned and attentive to Jesus in the Holy
Eucharist - that is, to God in our midst - entails embracing another
part of St. John the Baptist's message. In today's Gospel, St. John
counsels people from all walks of life to prepare for the coming
Messiah by changing their lives. Only by turning away from sin
and committing themselves to God will they be able to recognize
and follow Christ when he comes. If we desire deeper faith in the
Eucharist, our preparation must be similar: we ask God to show
us the dusty corners of our souls which we have concealed from
his merciful love. Then, confident in his willingness to forgive, we
approach him in the sacrament of confession. This is his ardent
desire: that, having come among us, he might forgive and heal us.
Such is the meaning behind the consoling words of the Prophet
Zephaniah in today's first reading: "He will rejoice over you with
gladness, and renew you in his love."



Thank you for supporting your church. Collection for December 8th was \$2,443.00.

Grazie della generosità per la vostra Chiesa. L'offertorio della domenica 8 dicembre era \$2,443.00.



Holy Angels Building Repairs Fund: Second collection for December 8th was \$982.00.

La Seconda Raccolta per la Chiesa: Seconda raccolta della settimana 8 dicembre era \$982.00.



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</u> with Christ Sunday Missal 2024- 2025: 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 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.



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.





Preparing for the Ordinary Jubilee of the Year 2025:

The Holy Father will open the Jubilee Year on December 24, 2024, with the official opening of the Holy Door of Saint Peter's Basilica and continuing until January 6, 2026, the Solemnity of the Epiphany, with the closing of the Holy Door. In the Archdiocese, we will open the Jubilee Year with a Solemn Opening Mass taking place on Sunday, December 29, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. Our Cardinal Frank Leo extends a warm invitation for you to join in this special celebration.

Mass Intentions December 16th to December 22nd

Monday, December 16th

Advent Weekday

8:00 am

† Rev. Edward Swiatek, OMI (20 years of passing) by Alfreda Czarnota

Tuesday, December 17th

Advent Weekday

8:00 am

No Mass

Wednesday, December 18th

Advent Weekday

8:00 am

- † Fiore Sozio by Leonardo and Domenica Di Franco
- † Antonio & Carmela Maffei by Maria Donata Maffei
- † Leonor Pili by Lydia Decena
- † Lourdes Balatbat by Lydia Decena

Thanksgiving to our Good God (Thanksgiving) by Jana Doski

† Frances Moklan Cheng by Bernadette Cheng

7:00 pm - **Memorial Mass**

† Biagio Piscelli by Wife and family

Thursday, December 19th

Advent Weekday

8:00 am

† Teresa Ficca by Michele & Michelina Policelli

Friday, December 20th

Advent Weekday

8:00 am

Gesu' Bambino (Devotion) by Nicolina Marinaccio

7:00 pm - Memorial Mass

† Maria Rosato (one year of passing) by Husband Joe and family

Saturday, December 21st

St. Peter Canisius

5:00 pm

† Giuseppe Sabatino by Maria Farace

Sunday, December 22nd

4th Sunday of Advent

9:30 an

† Michele Pilotti by Clorinda Pilotti

11:30 am

† Lenny Di Filippo by Mom and Dad and family





Holy Angels Church
Day of Confession

Friday, December 20, 2024 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.



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