

St. Mark's Catholic Church

Rev. Msgr. Sean P. Flynn, Pastor Fr. Carlos Castílla, Parochial Vicar Deacon Michael Keary



Second Sunday of Advent

Lectionary: 4 Reading 1

Is 11:1-10

On that day, a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom. The spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him: a spirit of wisdom and of understanding, a spirit of counsel and of strength, a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the LORD, and his delight shall be the fear of the LORD. Not by appearance shall he judge, nor by hearsay shall he decide, but he shall judge the poor with justice, and decide aright for the land's afflicted. He shall strike the ruthless with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall slay the wicked. Justice shall be the band around his waist, and faithfulness a belt upon his hips. Then the wolf shall be a guest of the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; the calf and the young lion shall browse together, with a little child to guide them. The cow and the bear shall be neighbors, together their young shall rest; the lion shall eat hay like the ox. The baby shall play by the cobra's den, and the child lay his hand on the adder's lair. There shall be no harm or ruin on all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be filled with knowledge of the LORD, as water covers the sea. On that day, the root of Jesse, set up as a signal for the nations, the Gentiles shall seek out, for his dwelling shall be glorious.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

 $R.\ (cf.\ 7)\$ Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

O God, with your judgment endow the king, and with your justice, the king's son; he shall govern your people with justice and your afflicted ones with judgment.

R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

Justice shall flower in his days, and profound peace, till the moon be no more. May he rule from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out, and the afflicted when he has no one to help him. He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor; the lives of the poor he shall save.

R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

May his name be blessed forever; as long as the sun his name shall remain. In him shall all the tribes of the earth be blessed; all the nations shall proclaim his happiness.

R. Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

Reading 2

Rom 15:4-9

Brothers and sisters:

Whatever was written previously was written for our instruction, that by endurance and by the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to think in harmony with one another, in keeping with Christ Jesus, that with one accord you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I say that Christ became a minister of the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, to confirm the promises to the patriarchs, but so that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy.

As it is written:

Therefore, I will praise you among the Gentiles and sing praises to your name.

Alleluia

Lk 3:4, 6

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Mt 3:1-12

John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" It was of him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said: *A voice of one crying out in the desert,*

Prepare the way of the Lord,

make straight his paths.

John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. At that time Jerusalem, all Judea, and the whole region around the Jordan were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins.

When he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance. And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you, God can raise up children to Abraham from these stones. Even now the ax lies at the root of the trees. Therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire. I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand. He will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."



Rectory Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 PM Sunday 8 AM, 10 AM, and 12 Noon 5PM in Spanish

Daily Masses

Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet after Daily Masses

Monday-Friday at 7:30 AM and 11 AM Saturday 7:30 AM Only (No 11 AM Mass on Saturdays)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:30 PM to 4:15 PM and Thursdays after the 7:30 AM and 11 AM Masses

Devotions and Novenas

Miraculous Medal Novena after daily Masses on Wednesdays
Eucharistic Adoration on Fridays after 11 AM Mass.
Benediction at 1:45 PM
1st Fridays Spanish Adoration beginning at 7 PM.

Rectory Office 732-449-6364			
Bulletin	Ext. 114		
Pastoral Council	Ext. 116		
Religious Education	Ext. 105		
Social Concerns	Ext. 108		
Spanish Ministry	Ext. 105		
Weddings	Ext. 100		

Ministries

Altar Rosary Society 732-282-1244
Bereavement Ministry 718-637-1162
CYO 732-685-6011
Music Ministry 908-415-0212
Rosary Makers 732-245-8405

Thank You! We are so grateful to all those who financially sacrifice each week to support our parish and it's ministries!



We would especially like to thank all of those who faithfully

use their weekly parish contribution envelopes and those who give online through the Parish Giving Program.

November 27, 2022 Sunday Collection Total \$10,991.

Pray FOR THE SICK

Please Note: Names will remain on the sick list read at mass for 4 weeks and then removed unless the requester calls to remain on the list for another 4 weeks. To ensure the consent of the person whose name appears here, the pastor's policy requires that only they or a family member may request a name be added to this list. Names will remain in the bulletin until the person or family request it be removed.

Ken Farrell, Richard Russo, Danny Suskenich, Brian Nall, Marilyn Woerner, Bob Patrignelli, Nick Costantini, Caroline Viggiano, Teresa Corcoran, Kaitlin Wason, Baby Mac Simonson, John Cinciarelli, Michael Sheridan, Erik Rofi, Jim & Andrea Trischitta, Mary Jane Lorenzo, Erin Rubas, Dr. William Burns, Robert Czech, Janet Thomas, Edward Morea, Rosalie Renda, Alice Healy, Benjamin Ohlweiler, Christine Frauenheim, Robert MacPherson, Jake Gilbert, Bill Lesniak, Jim Bogan, Bruce Bogan, Sr., Jimmy Azzollini, Ken Hauck.

Eternal Rest grant onto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Please remember in your prayers those of our diocese, parish, friends, and family members who have recently died.

May the angels lead you into paradise.



December 4, 2022

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 5:17-26

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: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3bc-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11 -12; Lk 1:26-38

Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; Mt 11:16-19 **Saturday**: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11.

† This Week's Mass Intentions

Monday, December 5

7:30 AM

† Deceased Members St. Mark's Holy Name

11:00 AM

† Living & Deceased Members of St. Mark's Altar Rosary

Tuesday, December 6

7:30 AM

† Julia Buonocore by Family

11:00 AM

† Arthur Ferrante by Saint Mark's Parish Counters

† Daniel Hennessy by Mary Hennessy

† Erin Sergio by Paulette McCormack

Wednesday, December 7

7:30 AM

Special Intention by Family

11:00 AM

† Suzanne Smith by Betsy Smith

† Norah Elizabeth Bruther by Mom & Dad

† William Brown by The Brown Family

Thursday, December 8

7:30 AM

† Buonocore and Hoblitzell Families by Family

† Dorothy Wright by Family

11:00 AM

† Mary Bohacik by Family

† Ruth E. Burke by Noel M. Gaeta

† Emory C. & Elizabeth A. Smith by Betsy Smith

Friday, December 9

7:30 AM

† David Bello by Dan and Rose Crimmins

† Virginia Meehan by Family

11:00 AM

† George Ed. Meehan, Jr. by Betsy Smith

† Dan Buckley by Peggy Buckley

† Michael Gabler by Kevin Ludwig

Saturday, December 10

7:30 AM

Msgr. William Carton by St. Mark's Parish Family

4:30 PM

† Norah Bruther by Maryann Keller & Family

† Maureen Leonhardt by Marion Reilly

Special Intention by Saint Mark's Parish Family

Sunday, December 11 8:00 AM

† Nancy Schade by Tom and Roberta Uber

† Emil Salvador Falla by Joanne & Sean Hickey

† John Roberts by The Tages Family 10:00 AM

† Norman Baldwin by Gina Giordano

† Timothy Ragan by Kathy, Kelly and Erin Gresh

† Deborah Piskadlo by Janet & Bob Cosulich

12 Noon

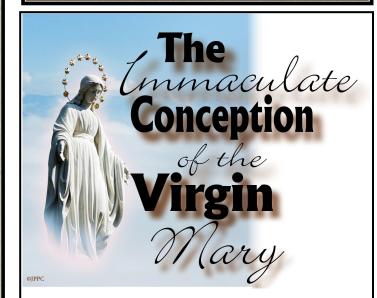
† People of the Parish

5:00 PM

† Isidro Perez by Family

† Dagoberto Perez by Family

Lorenza Rito by Juana Zaragoza



Thursday, December 8, 2022 A Holy Day of Obligation

Masses are at 7:30 AM and 11:00 AM.

Watch the Livestream Vigil Mass at www.stmarkseagirt.com.



Christmas Flower Memorial envelopes are now available at church entrances. Flower envelopes can be put in the collection basket, the box on the side altar or rectory mail slot.

It's a beautiful way to celebrate the birth of our Savior and to remember a loved one on Christmas!

Ministry Schedule				
December 10/11, 2022				
	Saturday	Sunday	Sunday	Sunday
	4:30 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	12 Noon
Celebrant	Fr. Carlos	Msgr. Flynn	Fr. Carlos	Msgr. Flynn
Reader	Sue Hannon	Robert Cavazini	Peggy Hardiman	Colleen Rivera
Eucharistic	Lynn Jelliff	Pat Cademartori	Jay Lorenzo	Marge Loenser
Ministers	Joan Wypler	Gary Cademartori	Richard Norris	Helen Hopkins
Ushers	Joe Walsh,	Bob O'Neill, Leo Hurley,	Rich Siderko	Howard Flood
	Walter Henry,	Pat Ahern,Glenn Skola	Jim Sheridan	Richard DeGroote
	Anthony Granato			



St. Mark's Bereavement Ministry: Our Bereavement Ministry helps those who are grieving the loss of a loved one during their most difficult times. They meet on

Wednesdays at 11 AM at St. Mark's.

Please call Sue Nolan at 718-637-1162 for more information. All are welcome!

St. Mark's Altar Rosary Society will meet on **Monday, December 5th at the 11 AM Mass.** Recitation of the Rosary will follow. Luncheon afterwards, and entertainment will be provided at the piano by Charlie Warwick.



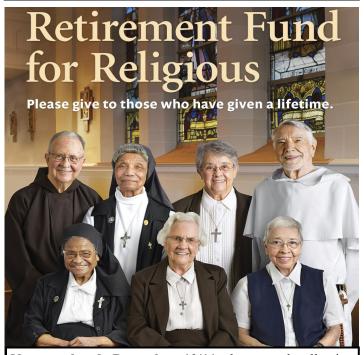
Eucharistic Devotion



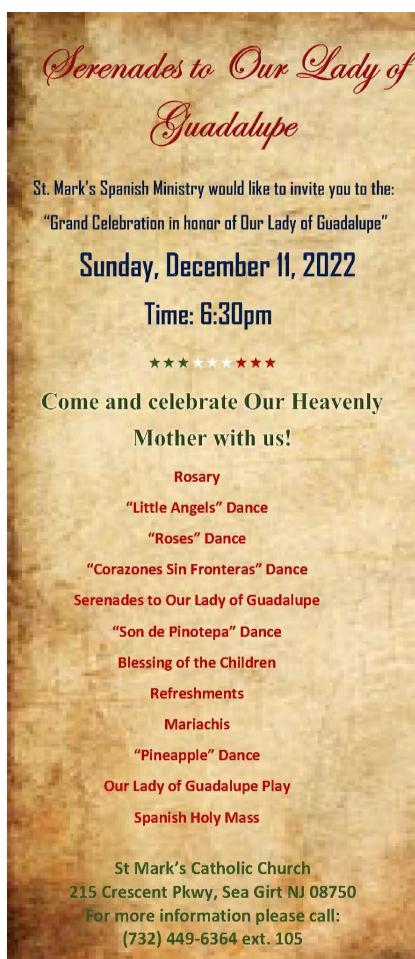
The importance of Eucharistic Adoration is shown in the fact that the Church has a ritual that regulates it: the Rite of Eucharistic Exposition and Benediction. This is an extension of the adoration of the Blessed Sacrament which occurs in every Mass:

"Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb." Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament flows from the sacrifice of the Mass and serves to deepen our hunger for Communion with Christ and the rest of the Church. The Rite concludes with the ordained minister blessing the faithful with the Blessed Sacrament.

Please join us on Friday's immediately after the 11 AM Mass for Adoration. Benediction begins at 1:45 PM. It will also be broadcast on livestream @ stmarkseagirt.com. Come spend some quiet time with the Lord.



Next weekend, December 10/11, the second collection contributes to the Retirement Fund for Religious. Thank you for helping those who contributed to our community in so may ways. Please visit retiredreligeous.org for more information.





Advent Retreat Day

All are welcome to our Medjugorje Advent retreat day, **Wednesday December 7**th 9-11am in the upper Kolbe Hall, St. Peter's Church, Point Pleasant. Light refreshments,

and a great spiritual time to be had by all. For further information please contact dawnrusinko@yahoo.com.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE!

Dec. 4: Christmas Giving Tree gifts are due. Thank you!

Dec. 4: Family Advent Gathering and Breakfast at 10AM.

Dec. 5: St. Mark's Altar Rosary Society will meet at the 11:00 AM Mass. Luncheon and entertainment will follow after Mass and the recitation of the Rosary.

Dec. 8: Holy Day of Obligation. Masses for the Immaculate Conception are at 7:30 AM and 11:00 AM. Mass in Spanish at 6PM.

Dec. 11: Our Lady of Guadalupe celebration begins at 6:30 PM. See page 6.

Dec. 10/11: The 2nd Collection is for Retirement Fund for Religious. Thank you.

Dec. 13: Social Concerns Christmas Luncheon.



Christmas Eve Masses

7:30 AM

1:00 PM Spanish

4:00 PM

6:30 PM

Christmas Day Masses

8:00 AM

10:00 AM

12 Noon

2:00 PM Spanish



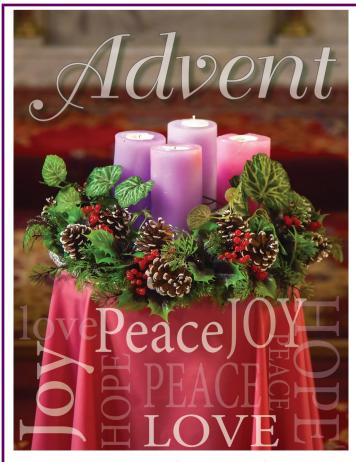
CYO News!

Sister Franslily of the Missionaries of Charity was absolutely thrilled to receive the beautiful baby sleepers and youth pajamas donated by the CYO and the generous parishioners of St. Mark's! Mary's Child Pro-Life Ministry also made a \$500 donation so that the Sisters could purchase whatever else they need

for the children. Our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who contributed! These beautiful gifts will be presented to needy children in the Asbury Park area in plenty of time for Christmas!







Advent is the anticipation of the coming of the Lord--the Christ, the King! Rejoice, Rejoice, again I say rejoice (Philippians 4:4). He is coming - coming as an innocent baby. A poor baby born in a cave and lying in a manger. Oh Holy Night! The angels rejoiced and told the shepherds to come to Bethlehem and behold a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes, laid in a manger. "Glory to God in the highest and on earth, peace to men of good will". (Luke 2:14) The night sky was filled with glory!

December of course is most notable for the birth of our Lord, but we celebrate many saints this month. For instance on the 6th, St. Nicholas (the original "Santa"). He was born to wealthy parents, but lost them at a young age. His parents had raised him to be a devout Christian, so after their death, he sold what he had and gave it to the poor. He was well known for his works of charity and was called Nicholas the Wonderworker!

On the twelfth we celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe. In 1531 Our Lady appeared to Juan Diego three times and requested he tell the Bishop to build a church there on Tepeyac hill. To finally convince the bishop, our Lady had Juan gather roses in his cloak, or tilma, and when the roses tumbled out of the tilma, a beautiful picture of our Lady, dressed as a young native appeared, etched on the tilma. The picture remains on display in Mexico City to this day.

On the 26th we celebrate St. Stephen, our very first Christian martyr. He was a deacon of the early church and angered members of various synagogues by his teachings. He was stoned to death. St. Stephen please pray for us--pray we have the courage to stand up for Christian values.

On the 27th we celebrate St. John, beloved apostle and evangelist. He wrote the fourth gospel and the Book of Revelation. He was the young apostle who rested his head on Christ's breast during the last supper. St. John, whose gospel was all about love, please pray for us.

The Feast of the Holy Innocents falls on the 28th. They were the babies ordered to be killed by Herod in Bethlehem in an attempt to kill baby Jesus, who was taken away in time by St. Joseph and Our Blessed Mother to seek safety in Egypt. Holy Innocents please pray for the end of abortions.

I leave you with this simple Christmas poem.

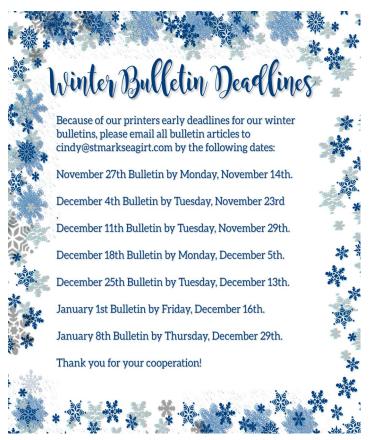
Love and Merry Christmas,

Marge Loenser



'Twas the evening of Christmas and all through the night Dwelt this sweet gentle silence and the brightness of light!

Shepherds were startled by angels on high, And were told of a Babe born in Bethlehem nigh. Hosanna! Come see the Messiah promised from old, All wrapped up in cloth to keep out the cold. See Mary and Joseph who dwelt at His side, While shepherds looked on with their eyes opened wide! We adore You, we adore You, sweet Baby King, For to our hearts peace and salvation You Bring!



While everyone is not yet able to participate in person at Masses, you can watch them online by visiting our parish website: Saint Mark's Catholic Church – 215 Crescent Pkwy, Sea Girt, New Jersey 08750 (stmarkseagirt.com) and click on the Livestream logo or highlight the link below then right click and click open Hyperlink St. Mark Church Streaming Player | Powered by StreamSpot.



Parish Mission Statement

We, the Parish Family of St. Mark's in our quest to follow the Gospel of Jesus Christ, are building a faith-based community that assists all people in life's journey to be open to God's love and to share His joy. We are further committed to address the spiritual, physical, emotional and social needs of all people through service to individuals, families, parish and the greater community. As responsible stewards using our individual gifts, we promise to celebrate, renew and strengthen our faith, and to live our lives as a reflection of Christ's love for others. St. Mark's is designated as a Center for Hispanic Ministry in the Diocese of Trenton.



Homebound seniors can remain comfortably at home with the dignity of independence and the wheels security of having someone visit once a day with a nutritious meal. Also, the warm smile of one of our

wonderful volunteers or caring meals-on-wheels drivers is important to them and often serves as a wellness check.

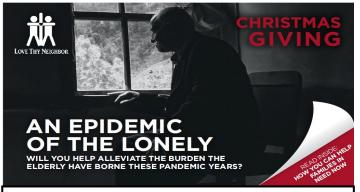
If you would like more information, please call Meals on Wheels 732-502-3277 or Barbara Anderson 848-444 -3123.



UPDATE!

Juices • Diapers and Wipes • Coffee and Tea Reusable Bags • Toiletries (The Dollar Tree is a great source for these).

Thank you for your continued generosity.



CONNECT WITH A FAMILY OR SENIOR IN NEED

Love Thy Neighbor Christmas "Connect" program is underway with local needy families and seniors. You can buy a gift card to be sent or gifts to be delivered. If interested call Robin at 732-542-7012 ext. 105 and get the information needed and give the gift of joy to those in need.



YOU ARE INVITED TO WALK WITH MARY ON HER WAY TO BETHLEHEM. From her "Yes" in response to God's messenger in Nazareth,

to her visit with her cousin Elizabeth in Jerusalem, to those days journeying to Bethlehem before giving birth to her baby boy, Mary's story is one of faith, of love, and of hope. All are welcome to join her on her journey. Come...Walk and pray with Mary as she waits in expectation, knowing her world and our world would never be the same. Monday, December 5th, 11am & 7m in St. Denis Church.

Feeding the Hungry



Frozen Meals Program Resumes!

Are you looking for an easy way to help those in need? Here's one way you can make a difference. St. Mark's Social Concerns Ministry is resuming the Frozen Meals Program for the Center in Asbury Park which was discontinued due to the Covid pandemic. The Center in Asbury Park, Inc., is a volunteer-based New Jersey not-for-profit service organization, providing support services for people living with HIV/AIDS and their caregivers since 1992.

The process is simple! Here's what to do:

- Pick up food trays and lids next to the kitchen refrigerator in Fr. Child's Hall (St. Mark's Church basement)
- Fill the trays with generous portions of food
- Label the tray lids with the contents and date of preparation
- Return the meals to the freezer compartment of the refrigerator in Fr. Child's Hall.

Please use only the trays provided.

St Mark's volunteers will deliver the meals to The Center for distribution to their clients.

Please contact Marybeth or Joe Walsh at 732 449-5656 with any questions. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

Collecting Travel Size Toiletries

St. Mark's Social Concerns Committee is collecting travel size toiletry items (soap, shampoos, toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs etc.) for delivery



by volunteers to those in need in the Asbury Park area. Containers are located at Church entrances. **Thank you!**

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton and Recycle-America have joined forces to provide a new service. Now, someone will come to your door to collect your clothing and shoes. All items will be donated to those in need in our local community. Pickups in Monmouth County are made on Wednesdays. To schedule a pickup, please call 609-906-0004 or email racworld2015@gmail.com. Please call or email three days prior to pick up day. Thank you.

Catholic Charities provides assistance with food, housing, drug addiction, domestic violence, and immigration services. If you know a parishioner needing help, please contact us at www.catholiccharitiestrenton.org or call 800-360-7711.

Offerings at Francis House of Prayer

Spiritual direction, a one-on-one conversation with a spiritual director about God in your life, is always available. We offer the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius on a monthly and weekly basis, many opportunities to learn and practice



contemplative prayer, reading programs on St. John of the Cross and other Carmelite Saints, and contemporary writers such as James Martin, Thomas Keating, Richard Rohr, Thomas Merton and special one-time programs.

Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House 609-877-0509 or FHOP@verizon.net.

Please check or click on **www.FHOP.org** for programs and registration.



The Upper Room is a spiritual and educational center rooted in a contemplative and holistic approach that supports and

nourishes the spiritual growth of laity, religious, and clergy. Sponsored by the Diocese of Trenton, the Upper Room serves women and men within and outside the diocese through on-site and outreach programs. The For information on programs, please visit www.theupper-room.org or e-mail: office@theupper-room.org.

Our programs are offered to enrich, renew and deepen one's interior communication with the Lord in an atmosphere of prayer, quiet and solitude. The scenic environment of the Atlantic Ocean and Barnegat Bay provides additional contemplative

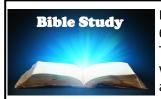


opportunity. Current brochure can be found on our website - www.sjbsea.org.

Northern New Jersey Alcoholics Anonymous provides information on AA as a resource for anyone who thinks they may have drinking problem, as well as to answer any questions that professionals or community members may have about Alcoholics Anonymous. Please visit www.nnjaa.org for more information.

NOTICE

Please excuse our appearance as we make ongoing repairs to the church.



Last class is Tuesday, December 6th from 9:30AM-10:45AM. This is not a lecture class. We will share our ideas, opinions, and questions. This informal gathering will teach us to better

appreciate some of the great teachings in the Bible. All are welcome!

Please call 848-241-3531 for more information.

Iglesia de "San Marcos" Apostolado Hispano Misa Dominical: Domingo 5:00 p.m.

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4 de diciembre de 2022 Segundo Domingo de Adviento

Primera lectura: Is 11, 1-10.

En aquel día, brotará un renuevo del tronco de Jesé, un vástago florecerá de su raíz. Sobre él se posará el espíritu del Señor, espíritu de sabiduría e inteligencia, espíritu de consejo y fortaleza, espíritu de piedad y temor de Dios. No juzgará por apariencias, ni sentenciará de oídas; defenderá con justicia al desamparado y con equidad dará sentencia al pobre; herirá al violento con el látigo de su boca, con el soplo de sus labios matará al impío. Será la justicia su ceñidor, la fidelidad apretará su cintura. Habitará el lobo con el cordero, la pantera se echará con el cabrito, el novillo y el león pacerán juntos y un muchachito los apacentará. La vaca pastará con la osa y sus crías vivirán juntas. El león comerá paja con el buey. El niño jugará sobre el agujero de la víbora; la creatura meterá la mano en el escondrijo de la serpiente. No harán daño ni estrago por todo mi monte santo, porque así como las aguas colman el mar, así está lleno el país de la ciencia del Señor. Aquel día la raíz de Jesé se alzará como bandera de los pueblos, la buscarán todas las naciones y será gloriosa su morada.

Salmo Responsorial: Salmo 71, 1-2. 7-8. 12-13. 17.

Ven, Señor, rey de justicia y de paz.

Comunica, Señor, al rey tu juicio y tu justicia, al que es hijo de reyes; así tu siervo saldrá en defensa de tus pobres y regirá a tu pueblo justamente.

Ven, Señor, rey de justicia y de paz.

Florecerá en sus días la justicia y reinará la paz, era tras era. De mar a mar se extenderá su reino y de un extremo al otro de la tierra.

Ven, Señor, rey de justicia y de paz.

Al débil librará del poderoso y ayudará al que se encuentra sin amparo; se apiadará del desvalido y pobre y salvará la vida al desdichado.

Ven, Señor, rey de justicia y de paz.

Que bendigan al Señor eternamente y tanto como el sol, viva su nombre. Que sea la bendición del mundo entero y lo aclamen dichoso las naciones.

Ven, Señor, rey de justicia y de paz.

Segunda lectura: Rom 15, 4-9.

Hermanos: Todo lo que en el pasado ha sido escrito en los libros santos, se escribió para instrucción nuestra, a fin de que, por la paciencia y el consuelo que dan las Escrituras, mantengamos la esperanza. Que Dios, fuente de toda paciencia y consuelo, les conceda a ustedes vivir en perfecta armonía unos con otros, conforme al espíritu de Cristo Jesús, para que, con un solo corazón y una sola voz alaben a Dios, Padre de nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Por lo tanto, acójanse los unos a los otros como Cristo los acogió a ustedes, para gloria de Dios. Quiero decir con esto, que Cristo se puso al servicio del pueblo judío, para demostrar la fidelidad de Dios, cumpliendo las promesas hechas a los patriarcas y que por su misericordia los paganos alaban a Dios, según aquello que dice la Escritura: Por eso te alabaré y cantaré himnos a tu nombre.

Aclamación antes del Evangelio: Lc 3, 4. 6.

R. Aleluya, aleluya.

Preparen el camino del Señor, hagan rectos sus senderos, y todos los hombres verán al Salvador. R. Aleluya.

Evangelio: Mt 3, 1-12.

En aquel tiempo, comenzó Juan el Bautista a predicar en el desierto de Judea, diciendo: "Arrepiéntanse, porque ya está cerca el Reino de los cielos". Juan es aquel de quien el profeta Isaías hablaba, cuando dijo: Una voz clama en el desierto: Preparen el camino del Señor, enderecen sus senderos. Juan usaba una túnica de pelo de camello, ceñida con un cinturón de cuero, y se alimentaba de saltamontes y de miel silvestre. Acudían a oírlo los habitantes de Jerusalén, de toda Judea y de toda la región cercana al Jordán; confesaban sus pecados y él los bautizaba en el río. Al ver que muchos fariseos y saduceos iban a que los bautizara, les dijo: "Raza de víboras, ¿quién les ha dicho que podrán escapar al castigo que les aguarda? Hagan ver con obras su conversión y no se hagan ilusiones pensando que tienen por padre a Abraham, porque yo les aseguro que hasta de estas piedras puede Dios sacar hijos de Abraham. Ya el hacha está puesta a la raíz de los árboles, y todo árbol que no dé fruto, será cortado y arrojado al fuego. Yo los bautizo con agua, en señal de que ustedes se han convertido; pero el que viene después de mí, es más fuerte que yo, y yo ni siquiera soy digno de quitarle las sandalias. Él los bautizará en el Espíritu Santo y su fuego. Él tiene el bieldo en su mano para separar el trigo de la paja. Guardará el trigo en su granero y quemará la paja en un fuego que no se extingue".







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