

# OUR LADY OF HOPE

## *Catholic Mission*

9711 WEST DEVON AVENUE • ROSEMONT, IL 60018

FIRST & SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT ~ NOVEMBER 28 & DECEMBER 5, 2021

### Celebrating our Faith

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturdays 4:00-4:45 pm or by appointment.

**Sacrament of Baptism:** First & Third Sundays after 10:30 Mass

**Sacrament of Marriage:** Parties who are interested, please call the office for details.

**Children's Sacramental Programs & Religious Education Classes**  
Contact Shirley Widner at 847-825-4673 ext. 12.

#### **R.C.I.A.**

Interested in becoming Catholic? Contact the parish office about the R.C.I.A. Program.

### Liturgy Schedule

#### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday 5:00 pm;  
Reconciliation 4:00-4:45 pm  
Sunday 8:30 am & 10:30 am

#### **Weekday Masses**

Monday & Wednesday at 8:30 am  
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday at 12:10 pm

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Friday 11:00 am—12:00 pm

#### **Our Lady of Perpetual Help**

**Novena** Wednesday following the 8:30 a.m. Mass

There will be signs in the sun,  
the moon, and the stars.

When these signs  
begin to happen,  
stand erect and  
raise your heads  
because your  
redemption is at hand.

Luke 21:25, 28

#### **FIRST**

Sunday  
OF  
*Advent*



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John went  
throughout the whole  
region of the Jordan,  
proclaiming a baptism  
of repentance for the  
forgiveness of sins.

Luke 3:3

#### **SECOND**

Sunday  
OF  
*Advent*



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## From our Mission Director

The liturgical year has made another full round and here we are again with the beginning of Advent Season. It is a time to once again cry out with all the Christians of the world: "Maranatha! "Come, Lord Jesus!" It is a time of preparation for Christmas Solemnities during which we remember the earthly coming of the Messiah as a man born of the Virgin Mary. It is also a time when we look forward to His Second Coming at the end of time. That's why Advent is a period of devoted awaiting and exuberant joy.

During this time of awaiting on December 8, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we celebrate her, who was born without sin in order to be a vessel worthy of the Lord. We ourselves may not be without sin, but like Mary we are called to be vessels and to let Christ grow within us by preparing a worthy place for him in our hearts through sacramental confession and by works of mercy towards our brothers and sisters. Just a reminder that it is a holy day of obligation so all the faithful are expected to participate in the Mass on that day unless excused for a serious reason. The Immaculate Conception is the patroness of the United States of America.

With truly great joy, I would like to announce that we have hired a new music coordinator for Our Lady of Hope Catholic Mission. Connor Ford will begin his music ministry with us next weekend Dec.4/5. Thank you to the members of our hiring committee and to those who supported them through their prayers in this important task. We welcome Connor with great joy and we wish him God's blessings as he begins his new journey with us. Make sure to welcome Connor warmly in our community.

Our Lady of Hope, pray for us!

*Fr. Wojciech Oleksy*

Mission Director

### We welcome Connor to Our Lady of Hope!



My name is Connor Ford, and I am excited to begin my new role as Music Coordinator at Our Lady of Hope. In addition to my role here, I am a Workday Financials Consultant at Collaborative Solutions. Liturgical music has always been one of my favorite

pastimes, and I cannot wait to share that love with this community.

Over the last two years I have served as the music coordinator at Saint Mary of the Lake in Buena Park. This past spring, I graduated from Loyola University Chicago where I studied accounting, pipe organ, and liturgy. In addition to playing music, my favorite hobbies include, traveling to visit my family in Montana, Irish dancing, and attending live theatre in downtown Chicago.

Over the coming weeks, please feel free to introduce yourself, share your favorite hymns, and raise your voice in song!

*Connor Ford*

## Immaculate Conception Masses

(Holy Day of Obligation)

Wednesday, December 8, 2021

8:00 AM ~ 12:10 PM ~ 5:30 PM







## First Sunday of Advent At Home

### Monday, November 29 The Advent Wreath

Set up an Advent wreath if you have not already. You will need four candles, three violet and one rose, and a base to hold them. Advent wreaths often incorporate evergreens. Decide when you will light the candles each day. At this time, the family might read the day's Gospel. Singing even the same simple song every day can create a lovely rhythm for the season. Many resources with daily Advent prayers for adults and children are available in print and online. A piece of purple fabric to place the wreath on will add to the environment. Nearby, consider placing a small statue or picture of Mary, on whom we meditate frequently during the season of Advent. *Today's readings: Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Matthew 8:5-11.*

### Tuesday, November 30 St. Andrew

St. Andrew, one of Jesus' first disciples, was called while fishing in the Sea of Galilee. In today's Gospel, we hear that he and his brother, St. Peter, "immediately" left their old lives behind to follow Jesus, who called them to be "fishers of men." The Feast of St. Andrew is traditionally the first day of a beautiful devotion, the Christmas novena, a short prayer that is said fifteen times each day from this day until Christmas. *Today's readings: Romans 10:9-18; Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Matthew 4:18-22.*

### Wednesday, December 1 Miracles

Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee when he went up on the mountain and healed many, many people from the crowds who came to him. There, he also feeds thousands of people, multiplying the loaves and the fish. Isaiah foretold that the Lord "will wipe away the tears from all faces" on the mountain, a vision of the messianic kingdom. Jesus reveals that vision when he heals bodies and then offers a feast, an

abundant celebration made from humble things. When might we experience that kind of healing and celebration? *Today's readings: Isaiah 25:6-10a; Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Matthew 15:29-37.*

### Thursday, December 2 A Solid Foundation

What does it mean to have a solid foundation? Imagine a beautiful sandcastle on the beach, and next to it a humble stack of rocks with a wide base. If a large wave comes unexpectedly, the sandcastle is gone. A few of the rocks might be washed into the water, but much of that structure will still stand. In our lives, the waves will come. Each one of us will face difficulties, big and small. But the more we center our lives on love of God and neighbor, the better we will withstand the currents. *Today's readings: Isaiah 26:1-6; Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Matthew 7:21, 24-27.*

### Friday, December 3 St. Francis Xavier

St. Francis Xavier, the first Jesuit missionary, traveled extensively in Asia, devoting most of his life and mission to spreading the Gospel. His practice of engaging with the culture and language of the people whom he served was later developed into what we call inculturation of the faith. Honor St. Francis Xavier today by supporting the Church's mission work around the world. *Today's readings: Isaiah 29:17-24; Psalm 27:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Matthew 9:27-31.*

### Saturday, December 4 Advent Music

Make a playlist of music that is focused on preparation with Advent songs found online. Consider more meditative instrumental music for the playlist as well. Listening to this music in the car or while making dinner can balance the excitement and bustle of December. As much joy as we have for the coming of Christ, we still wait in hope for something more, and music can help us be present to that reality. *Today's readings: Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26; Psalm 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8.*



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ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS 2021-2022





### Second Sunday of Advent At Home

#### Monday, December 6

##### St. Nicholas

St. Nicholas was a bishop in the fourth century who was known for his generosity, one sign of which was leaving coins in the shoes of people who left them out for him. He is also said to have secretly given money to a family to provide funds so the daughters could marry. Nicholas suffered under persecution and defended the Church teaching about the Trinity at a time when it was disputed. St. Nicholas is the patron saint of children. To honor him today, you might choose to do an act of kindness secretly, just as he did. *Today's readings: Isaiah 35:1-10; Psalm 85:9ab, 10, 11-12, 13-14; Luke 5:17-26.*

#### Tuesday, December 7

##### St. Ambrose

St. Ambrose was the bishop of Milan in the fourth century and a doctor of the Church. He wrote music that is used in the Liturgy of the Hours during Advent even today. Regarding care for the poor, St. Ambrose said it was not charity but a debt to those who were in need. Celebrate St. Ambrose's feast day by contributing to an agency that serves the poor in your community. *Today's readings: Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalm 96:1-2, 3, 10ac, 11-12, 13; Matthew 18:12-14.*

#### Wednesday, December 8

##### Immaculate Conception

God prepared Mary for her unique role in salvation history from the moment she was conceived. The special grace she received even before she was born helped give her the courage to say, "May it be done to me according to your word." Mary's yes changed the world. Each one of us has the opportunity to participate in what God is doing in the world every single day. How can you respond with the same wholehearted yes as the Mother of God? *Today's readings: Genesis 3:9-15, 20; Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12; Luke 1:26-38.*

#### Thursday, December 9

##### St. Juan Diego

Today the Church celebrates St. Juan Diego, the patron saint of indigenous peoples. The Virgin Mary appeared to Juan Diego near Mexico City in the sixteenth century, a time when people of his culture were treated as less than those who had come from Europe. Mary's apparition and its miraculous image on Juan Diego's tilma embodied many elements of indigenous culture. This event was the beginning of something new for the peoples of the Americas. God is imaged in all people and all cultures. By listening to the stories of people who are different from us, we can participate in what God is doing in the world. *Today's readings: Isaiah 41:13-20; Psalm 145:1, 9, 10-11, 12-13ab; Matthew 11:11-15.*

#### Friday, December 10

##### Peace

In Isaiah we hear about the possibility of peace flowing like a river. Life is full of conflict and misunderstanding. Relationships that seemed unbreakable can be torn apart by simple difficulties. When we consider the kingdom of God, of participating in God's peace forever, it fills us with hope. While at Mass, focus on what it must mean for Christ's peace to be with you. *Today's readings: Isaiah 48:17-19; Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; Matthew 11:16-19.*

#### Saturday, December 11

##### Our Only Hope

In today's Gospel passage, Jesus predicts his passion. It is an interesting thing to consider the cross during the season of Advent, when we await the Lord's coming. Yet the shadow of the cross is always present in the life of Jesus. In this season of hope, we look at the cross, our only hope, and see in it the resurrection and the possibility it contains: God filling the earth as water covers the sea. *Today's readings: Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11; Psalm 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Matthew 17:9a, 10-13.*



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## Little Blue Books for Advent Reflection are Available in the Narthex

As a daily meditation, we offer to our parishioners the “Little Blue Book”, published by the Diocese of Saginaw, MI. This book has daily meditations to keep us focused on the pillars of the Advent Season. We offer one per household as a way to keep prayer alive in your hearts each day. By using this book, you can help find your own path to the newborn Christ child, who is life to us all. We ask a suggested donation of \$1.00. There is a basket near the books.

## Advent Wreath History

The Advent wreath probably has its origins in the customs of pre-Christian Germanic people, who used wreaths with lit candles during December in anticipation of the light of the coming spring. Eastern European Christians kept the tradition alive, and, by the 16th century, Advent wreaths were used to prepare for the coming of Jesus, the light of the world.



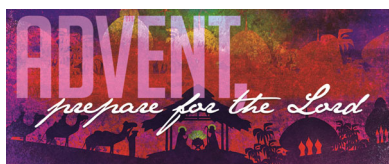
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## ADVENT/Prepare for the Lord

The word *Advent* comes from the Latin *adventus*, which means a coming, approach, or arrival. In the Church, it refers to the period encompassing the four Sundays prior to Christmas. It is a time of penance, of turning away from sin and hopeful, joyous preparation for the coming of the Savior.

This is what makes Advent special for Christians: the recognition that Christmas is not just “the birthday of Jesus,” but a celebration of his coming into our world *today*, here and now. How does he come into the world today? Jesus is “born”—becomes physically tangible—through the celebration of the sacraments. It is by eating the Eucharist, washing in the waters of Baptism, being anointed with the oil of Confirmation and so on, that Jesus’ friends become part of the living Body of Christ (the Church) in the world today. For Catholics, then, every celebration of the Eucharist and the other sacraments is like a little Christmas.

During Advent, Christians prepare for this here-and-now coming of Christ by remembering the long years during which Israel waited for the coming of the Messiah, and by looking forward to the final coming of Christ at the end of time. You will hear both themes reflected in the Church’s readings during Advent.



## Oplatki (Christmas wafers)

During the Christmas season Our Lady of Hope will share an Eastern European Christmas custom with our parishioners. Each Oplatki envelope has an explanation of the tradition of Oplatki. The suggested offering is \$2. Please share in the tradition.



The Oplatki wafers will be available in the narthex and also at the parish office. Thank you!



## Advent/Christmas ~ December 2021

**Friday, December 3, 2021 – 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. (Adoration)**

**12:10 p.m.— 1:00 p.m. (Mass)**

Eucharist Adoration followed by  
Benediction and Mass

**Saturday/Sunday, December 4-5, 2021**

Warm items Collection

**Wednesday, December 8, 2021— 8:00 a.m.**

**12:10 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.**

Solemnity of Immaculate Conception Masses  
(A Holy Day of Obligation)

**Wednesday, December 22, 2021— 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Advent Individual Reconciliation Service

**Friday, December 24, 2021**

**4:00 p.m.** Christmas Eve Liturgy

**10:00 p.m.** Middle-of-the-Night Liturgy

**Saturday, December 25, 2021**

**8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.**

Christmas Masses

**Wednesday, January 1, 2022— 9:00 a.m.**

**Mass for New Year's Day**

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God





## Look ahead to the feasts and celebrations of Advent

There are quite a few important (and fun) feasts and celebrations during the Advent season. Look ahead to see what's coming up so you can plan small celebrations throughout the season. Here's what's coming up:

### December 3 | Feast of St. Francis Xavier

Francis Xavier was one of the founding members of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits), and led an extensive mission to proclaim Christianity throughout Asia.

### December 6 | Feast of St. Nicholas

Saint Nicholas, a bishop who lived during the third century, is the original "Santa Claus." On the feast of St. Nicholas, children leave their shoes by the door for St. Nicholas to fill with candy (often foil-wrapped chocolate coins). This tradition recalls the story of how St. Nicholas secretly provided the dowry for young maidens so they could get married.

This feast day is also a good opportunity to tell kids the true story of "Santa Claus." Then head over to the Saint Nicholas Center, which has every imaginable resource on the original St. Nicholas.

### December 8 | Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, a holy day of obligation in the United States, commemorates the immaculate ("stainless") conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is not about Mary's conception of Jesus.

### December 9 | Feast of St. Juan Diego

St. Juan Diego is the peasant to whom the Virgin Mary appeared as Our Lady of Guadalupe.

### December 12 | Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

On the morning of December 9, 1531, the Virgin Mary appeared to a Mexican peasant named Juan Diego at a place called the Hill of Tepeyac (now part of Mexico City). Speaking to him in his native Nahuatl language, Mary identified herself as the "mother of the very true deity" and asked for a church to be built at that site in her honor. Juan Diego finally convinced skeptical Church authorities of the truth of the message by producing an armful of out-of-season roses from the folds of his tilma (a simple outer garment); an image of the Virgin Mary as a young, pregnant native woman miraculously appeared on the tilma as well. The image has been preserved to this day, and draws millions of pilgrims every year.

### December 13 | Feast of St. Lucy

Lucia of Syracuse (283–304) was a young Christian martyr. Later accounts of her martyrdom included a story about her eyes getting gouged out; that, along with the date of her feast, led to the celebration of her feast as a festival of light, especially in Scandinavian cultures. There, a young girl dressed in a white dress and a red sash (as the symbol of martyrdom) carries palms and wears a crown or wreath of candles on her head. It is said that to vividly celebrate St. Lucy's Day will help you survive the long, dark winter days.

### December 14 | Feast of St. John of the Cross

John of the Cross, together with St. Teresa of Avila, reformed the Carmelite order in the sixteenth century. He is also well-known for his spiritual writings, which had an enormous impact on the development of the Catholic contemplative tradition.

### December 16 | Las Posadas

Las Posadas is a nine-day celebration that had its origins in Spain, but is now widely practiced in Latin America. *Posadas* means "lodging"; the celebration is chiefly a re-enactment of Mary and Joseph's search for lodging in Bethlehem, and underlines the Christian importance of offering hospitality. You can find out more about Las Posadas at Wikipedia.

### December 16 | Christmas Novena

Pray a special Christmas Novena beginning nine days before Christmas.

### December 17 | O Antiphons

The O Antiphons are sung or recited during the last seven days of Advent (from December 17 through December 23) as part of the Liturgy of Hours. Each hymn begins with the interjection "O" followed by a title for Christ, e.g., O Wisdom, O Lord, O Root of Jesse, O Key of David, O Dayspring, O King of Nations, O God-with-Us. You can find the O Antiphons online.

For more information, please visit [TeachingCatholicKids.com](http://TeachingCatholicKids.com).

Our Sunday Visitor

## Mission Outreach

Our Christmas Hats, Gloves, Scarves,  
Mittens, and Sock Drive  
December 4/5, 2021

### Share the warmth!

Bring your donation to the altar .

Once again, we will be collecting new hats, gloves, scarves, mittens, and socks for those in need. Adult, white crew or tube socks and all types of children's socks are especially needed this year. Items will go to the Des Plaines Self Help Closet, Food Pantry, the Salvation Army Homeless Outreach, and Breakfast for Babies. The Des Plaines Self Help Closet assists families in need with food & clothing. Warm winter gear is always needed and is gone by mid-January. The Salvation Army Homeless Outreach sends ministers directly into the forest preserves and other areas where the homeless try to live. Breakfast for Babies assists struggling families with small children. The warm goods are given directly to those in need. This year the need is even greater than ever. Your donations are a blessing to these people in this Christmas Season. Collection Baskets will be in the Narthex. Please Help! Please Donate.



OUR LADY OF HOPE  
CATHOLIC MISSION

## Hopeful 300 DRAWING


**\$300 Drawing**  
**Sunday, November 28**  
**After 10:30am Mass**

All weekly and monthly winners  
will be eligible for the Grand Prize Drawing.

Chips can be purchased  
on the website at [www.ourladyofhopechurch.org](http://www.ourladyofhopechurch.org),  
after 5pm Saturday and 10:30am Sunday Masses,  
or call the office at (847) 825-4673.

# #GI<sup>♥</sup>INGTUESDAY

As we give thanks  
this Thanksgiving




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There are many ways you can Give Back! Be Catholic and  
Give to your Parish on Giving Tuesday,  
November 30, 2021

St. Vincent DePaul  
Outreach Ministry is  
dedicated to helping our  
less fortunate brothers and  
sisters. Our goal is to reach  
out to those in need  
wherever we see the  
opportunity, in our local  
community, in the greater  
Chicagoland area or  
beyond. Donate to this  
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Community

For the future  
of Our Lady  
of Hope  
Church

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If interested, or  
have any  
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Archdiocese's  
Planned Giving  
Office at  
312.534.5404 or  
Gerriann Gentile at  
the Parish office  
847-847-825-4673  
ext. 21.

## Mass Intentions

Sat. 11/27	5:00 pm	† Daniel Charles Murray (1st Anniv.) † Theresa Connolly-Mildenberger, †Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet, † Eddie Avorque, †For the living & deceased of the Malek Family For all members of Our Lady of Hope Mission
Sun. 11/28	8:30 am	† Albert Provide
	10:30 am	Spec. Int. Vera Stromberg
Mon. 11/29	8:30 am	† Wladyslaw (Wally) Wojcik
Tue. 11/30	12:10 pm	† John Centella
Wed. 12/01	8:30 am	† Jim Gentile, Sr.
Thu. 12/02	12:10 pm	† Domenica Leone
Fri. 12/03	12:10 pm	† Frank Zuccherio
Sat. 12/04	5:00 pm	† Josephine Fiorante Cirrincione
Sun. 12/05	8:30 am	For all members of Our Lady of Hope Mission
	10:30 am	† Shirley Huening
Mon. 12/06	8:30 am	† Frank & Bertha Liszka
Tue. 12/07	12:10 pm	† John Bosco D'Amico (1st Anniv.)
Wed. 12/08	8:00 am	For all members of Our Lady of Hope Mission
	12:10 pm	
	5:30 pm	Special Intention
Thu. 12/09	12:10 pm	
Fri. 12/10	12:10 pm	† Irene Bush
Sat. 12/11	5:00 pm	† Lucille Schroeder
Sun. 12/12	8:30 am	For all members of Our Lady of Hope Mission
	10:30 am	† For all the members in the Book of Life † Mike Kane † Robert C. Malek (4th Anniv.) † Ann Danato † In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Guadalupe

## Ministers of the Liturgy

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**Saturday, November 27 at 5:00 pm**

Priest Fr. W. Oleksy  
Lector K. Carey  
Host D. Helma  
Cantor D. McHugh

**Sunday, November 28 at 8:30 am**

Priest Fr. J. Joslyn  
Lector P. Brzezinski  
Host L. DeMondo  
Cantor C. Skiba

**Sunday, November 28 at 10:30 am**

Priest Fr. W. Oleksy  
Lector N. Sweeney  
Host M. Cygnar  
Cantor C. Morrison

**Saturday, December 4 at 5:00 pm**

Priest Fr. W. Oleksy  
Lector D. Miller  
Host J. Pconka  
Cantor D. Larson

**Sunday, December 5 at 8:30 am**

Priest Fr. J. Joslyn  
Lector C. Bowman  
Host J. Dzik  
Cantor A. McGowan

**Sunday, December 5 at 10:30 am**

Priest Fr. W. Oleksy  
Lector E. Carlson  
Host J. Balaskovits  
Cantor D. McHugh  
Server P. Rodriguez, G. Yungaicela

**Saturday, December 11 at 5:00 pm**

Priest Fr. W. Oleksy  
Lector M. Underwood  
Host T. Wetzel  
Cantor A. Dean

**Sunday, December 12 at 8:30 am**

Priest Fr. W. Oleksy  
Lector K. Clemmensen  
Host P. Brzezinski  
Cantor C. Skiba

**Sunday, December 12 at 10:30 am**

Priest Fr. W. Oleksy  
Lector K. Nannini  
Host E. Knauss  
Cantor A. McGowan

### Reflection question:

What earthly undertakings do I need to set aside so that I can set out to meet God's Son?

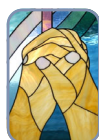
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### Congratulations

to Mr. & Mrs. James Hernandez,  
who were married on November 26, 2021  
Please keep them in your prayers.

May the Lord watch over you and strengthen  
you as you recover from illness



For those ill:

Wayne Brose      Ralph Carlson  
Kathy Jennings      Eleanora Wojcik

### Rest In Peace

Pray For:

Rev. John (Jack) W. Dewes



### Readings for the Week (Nov.29-Dec 5, 2021)

Monday:	Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday:	Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22
Wednesday:	Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37
Thursday:	Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday:	Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
Saturday:	Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 — 10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sunday:	Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

### Readings for the Week (Dec. 6-12, 2021)

Monday:	Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday:	Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22
Wednesday:	Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37
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## Mary, Seat of Wisdom Upcoming Events



**BROTHERS,  
BEER AND  
BEARS**

MSW MEN'S EVENT  
for 21+

*December 12*  
**7 PM**

 MSW Brian Barry Gym  
RSVP at [mswparish.org](https://mswparish.org)



### *Dinner For Two*

For our "younger" married couples in their 20s-40s

Register at [mswparish.org](https://mswparish.org)



Guest Speaker:  
Fr. Tim Monahan



January 28th, 2022



7:00 PM



Park Ridge Country Club\*  
636 N. Prospect, Park Ridge



## Mary, Seat of Wisdom Mass Schedule

### WEEKENDS

- Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM
- Sunday: 8:00 AM | 9:30 AM | 11:00 AM | 7:00 PM

### WEEKDAYS

- Monday-Wednesday: 7:00AM | 8:40 AM
- Thursday-Friday: 8:40AM
- Saturday: 9:00 AM

### BLESSED ART WILL BE VISITING OUR LADY OF HOPE DECEMBER 11/12

Blest Art will be visiting your parish on behalf of the Christian families in Bethlehem, Palestine. Our mission is to support those families in the Holy Land.

For centuries, the Christians in and around Bethlehem have earned a living by carving religious olive wood art to sell to visiting pilgrims. Fewer pilgrims are journeying to the Holy Land today, making it difficult for those Christians to support their families. As a result, there has been a dramatic rise in Christian emigration from the Holy Land. Now, less than 1% of the population in the Holy Land is Christians.

Blest Art Inc helps the struggling Christian families of Bethlehem by marketing their artwork in the United States. Due to this work many Christian families maintain their livelihood and their ancestral homes in the land of our Lord.

When Blest Art visits your parish, we will have hand-carved nativity sets, statues, crosses, rosaries, and many other pieces of beautiful olive wood art. We kindly invite you to visit our display and to consider purchasing a piece of art from the Holy Land. In doing so, you will help support the many families who depend on this form of art for their living. Your purchase will make a difference in the lives of many Christian families.

**We gladly accept cash, checks, and all major credit cards.** Please note that we do not ask for, nor do we accept, any donations.

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### MAKE ADVENT MORE MEANINGFUL

Are you looking for something to bring a bit more meaning to your Advent experience this year?

Over the last year, parishioners from Our Lady of Hope Mission, along with members of other area parishes, have been meeting to reflect together on the Sunday Mass readings and to create a community centered in Scripture, liturgy, and personal prayer. The group is led by Tom Wetzel, assistant professor of Old Testament/Hebrew Bible in the Theology Department at Loyola University Chicago. Tom has taught for various programs around the archdiocese over the last several years, including the Summer Scripture Institute at Mundelein Seminary.

The members of the group invite you to join us as we gather to be shaped by our Advent anticipation and Christmas celebration.

Here is a sample of what previous prayer group participants have experienced:

- “I truly enjoyed participating in the Lenten Prayer Group. With the leadership of Tom Wetzel and his academic background in Hebrew Scriptures, it was enlightening to study the Old Testament readings for the week and then at Mass to put them together with the readings from the New Testament.”
- “So grateful for the prayer group: both the participants and the facilitator, Tom. I appreciated the Spirit-filled time spent together. Looking more closely at the word of God through Tom’s reflections and our shared conversations, I came away more in awe of God’s incredible love for us.”
- “I found it a powerful experience due to the carefully and prayerfully compiled readings, prayers and reflections. Each session was so full of the Holy Spirit.”

The group will meet via Zoom on Thursday evenings from 7:00–8:00 pm, starting December 2nd and running through December 30th. All necessary materials for the meetings are provided via email, and no previous experience with either Bible study or prayer groups is necessary. All are welcome!

To sign up for the group or to learn more about it, please email Tom at [twetzel@luc.edu](mailto:twetzel@luc.edu).

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Parish Website: [www.ourladyofhopechurch.org](http://www.ourladyofhopechurch.org)

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**We appreciate your continued generosity at Our Lady of Hope.**

### A reflection for the First Sunday of Advent...

First Sunday of Advent Weekend of November 27/28, 2021 On this first Sunday of Advent, the Gospel reading depicts Jesus warning his followers about the end-time. He urges them to pray, be vigilant, spiritually awake, avoid self indulgence, spiritual malaise, and a preoccupation with anxiety. Jesus advises against a lifestyle of earthly pleasures and worry. These will not matter when the Lord asks for an account of our stewardship. Stewards realize their lives are not just about the here and now. They know themselves to be reflections of God's active presence in the world and witnesses of the Lord's promises. As we begin this season of hope, let us reflect on the practical effect of having every waking moment in our lives dedicated to the Lord.

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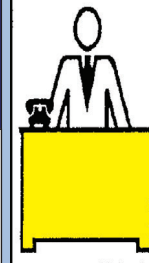
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