# 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF DVENT



#### December 03, 2017 First Sunday of Advent

#### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

Located in the heart of the City of Lansing, the Church of the Resurrection exists to help everyone in our parish family live in the light and hope of the Resurrection. Encouraged by our experience of God's love, we help others come to know and love Jesus in a personal way. Guided by God's truth, we offer answers to life's real challenges. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, we help each other become mature disciples of Christ who will utilize our gifts to spread the Good News of Jesus in word and deed. сниясн 1505 E. Michigan Avenue Lansing, MI 48912 OFFICE

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Be Watchful! Be Alert! You do not know when the time will come. Mark 13:33

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### **RESURRECTION DAILY LITURGIES**

Saturday December 2, 2017 8:15am Robert Lorenz—Jim Wedding: Michael Giles & Mary Schaefer 5:00pm Bridget Reynolds—Kitching Family

#### Sunday December 3, 2017 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:00am For the Parish 11:00am Tony Paparelli—Family 5:30pm Chuck Rockette—Knights of Columbus #3334 7:00pm Vespers 8:00pm Compline, with Advent Music Prelude

Monday December 4, 2017 8:15am Sara Regal—Family

**Tuesday December 5, 2017 6:15pm** Perpetual Help Devotion **6:30pm** Bobby Telfer—Family **7-8:00pm** Confession/Holy Hour

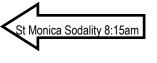
Wednesday December 6, 2017 6:30am Rosary-Devotion to St Joseph 7:00am Margie Schuchts—Parish 8:15am Barbara Hengesbach—Janet Hengesbach Bawol

Thursday December 7, 2017 8:15am Geraldine Haller—Jim Hecksel

Friday December 8, 2017 Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:15am Rita Baldino—Paula Panetta Adoration Noon Tanya Danby—Chuck & Roberta Lott Adoration 6:30pm Lucia Spagnuolo—Family 7-8:00pm Confession (No Holy Hour)

#### Saturday December 9, 2017

8:15am Robert Lorenz—Jim 5:00pm Int Frank Courter-Chuck & Roberta Lott



#### Sunday December 10, 2017 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday

9:00am Ryan Garrison—Grandpa
11:00am For the Parish
5:30pm Tomic Milko, Tomic Vere, Jankovic Zrinka, Tomic Zeljka—Tomic Zoran Family
7:00pm Vespers

> **Readings for the Week of December 3, 2017** First Sunday of Advent Is 63:16b-17, 19b, 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

Monday	Saint John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church
	ls 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday	ls 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday	Saint Nicholas, Bishop Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mt
	15:29-37
Thursday	Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
	Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
	Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98: 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Saturday	Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin Is 30:19-21, 23-26;
	Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sunday	Second Sunday of Advent Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85: 9-10,
-	11-12, 13-14;2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

#### Our deceased: BJ Kalahiki & Patricia Norman

**Our sick:** Tom Lenhardt, Roseanne Gross, Judith Xanders, Dan & Vickie Olivett, Elia Paget, Charles Wiegand, Mari Beth Quinn, Damien DeWitt, Geraldine Radke, John Buchel, Andrea Payne, Linda Grisson, Dave Metzger, Brenda Wohlscheid, Trinidad Regal, Joel Rivera, Antoinette Redmond, Verina Wilhelm, Olga Creaser, Michael Walker, Gary Gurski, James Vincent, Gabriel Radke, our parish family including our homebound and those in nursing homes.

#### Our military personnel:

Chris Riley, Parris Island, S.C., Marines Kaleilani Kalahiki, Medical, Army Capt. Connor Caples, MD Travis AFB, CA Lt. Chris White, Washington, D.C. Erick Martinez, Afghanistan Anthony Sevenski, Navy David Hanosh Suarez, Marines

#### **ROSARIES PRAYED FOR PEACE:**

49,385 Total number Rosaries prayed. Tally sheets are available at the East Entrances of Church

#### LIVING ROSARY INTENTION FOR DECEMBER

May hearts prepare room for the Coming of the Lord. Please join this devotion to Our Blessed Mother, call Diane Woods: 482.0447

#### PARISH INTENTION FOR DECEMBER:

For the return of non practicing Catholics; that all obstacles that prevent those who have left the faith be removed.

We invite parishioners to fast on Tuesdays for this intention, consider joining us for Mass that evening at 6:30pm, when we will include the particular intention in the prayers of the faithful.



**Sat, Dec 2:** Brian Milam, Doris Bell, James Venema, Jeanette Barron, Sebastian Hoffman

Sun, Dec 3: Rabbie Dibeaud, Ryan Whiting

Mon, Dec 4: Patrick Richardson,

**Tues, Dec 5:** Alfredo Regal (99), Jonathan Szostak, Mara Tomic -Bobas, Santiago Hennig

Wed, Dec 6: Bill Savage

**Thurs, Dec 7:** Joy Yarrington, Madeline Veneklase, Melanie Ford, Mendel Olivar, Sean O'Neill

**Fri, Dec 8:** Benedict Janke, Derrick Guty, Mike Ball, Ron Holcombe

Sat, Dec 9: Aaron Wissner, Barbara Dunneback

Sun, Dec 10: Bernadette Mattson, Dan Dowsett, Jon Paget

#### SACRAMENTAL LIFE & WORKS OF MERCY

**Marriage Prep:** Arrangements must be made at least 9 months in advance; please call the parish office.

Infant Baptism: Call the parish office to pre-register.

**Confession**: Mon & Wed—Sat 7:45am; Tues & Fri 7:00pm and Saturday-9:00-10:00am **Daily Rosary:** Mon & Wed— Fri 7:45am

Perpetual Help Devotion: Tuesdays 6:15pm St Joseph Devotion: 1st Wednesdays 6:30am Rosary;

7:00am Mass **St. Monica Sodality**: 2nd Saturdays 7:45am Rosary, 8:15am Mass, Divine Mercy Chaplet following **Divine Mercy Chaplet:** Mon— Fri 3:00pm, Holy Family Chapel, 1601 E Grand River Ave.

**St Vincent dePaul Society:** 1601 E. Grand River; 517-371-4380. Mon & Fri 10-11am and Wed 1-3pm **St Vincent dePaul Parish Food Collection:** 

Toilet paper, toothpaste, bar soap, laundry soap and dish soap.

**St Joseph the Worker Guild:** An opportunity for men and women to voluntarily offer their skills and talents to doing a variety of small jobs around the parish. <u>Meets Tuesdays</u> <u>9:00am in the Parish Hall Conference Room.</u> Come once or come often. Contact: Cindi 485-5886; curriecindi@aol.com

**Project Rachel Helpline:** There is help after an abortion. If you or someone you know is hurting from an abortion, call the Project Rachel Helpline 517-993-0291. All calls are confidential.

**Unplanned pregnancy:** Contact Pregnancy Services of Greater Lansing 332-0633 or Shared Pregnancy 484-0365

**Drug or Alcohol Problems:** www.dioceseoflansing.org/ content/bishops-council-alcohol-and-other-drugs. Information is provided on all types of substance abuse with websites. There is also a list of all parish reps and phone numbers. For help or referrals call 517-342-2471.

**Visitation of the Sick:** If you know someone who is ill at home or in a nursing home and would like to receive communion please contact the parish office.

**Low Gluten Hosts-**Please let the priest or sacristan know prior to Mass if you require a low gluten host. During Mass you will need to come to the priest in the center aisle.

**REGISTRATION:** If you are visiting, we are so glad you are here. We invite you to become a member of our parish. If you are new to the area and would like to register please stop at the parish office: 1514 E. Michigan Ave, or visit our website www.corlansing.org. If you are currently a registered member and would like to update your information, please contact the office 517-482-4749.

#### UPCOMING SCRIP SALES: Thurs Dec 14, Sun Dec 3 & 17 All sales in Mercy Hall

Thursday 3:00-5:30pm; Sunday after 9 & 11am Masses

#### Please arrive 20 minutes before Mass and sign in

#### Friday, December 8: Immaculate Conception

	Extraordinary Minister	Reader	Altar Server
Friday, 8:15 AM	School Staff	School Staff	School Students
Friday, 12:00 PM	R. Pate M. Pate D. Repichowski NOT FILLED (3)	NOT FILLED (2)	NOT FILLED (5)
Friday, 6:30 PM	H. Earley M. Harcus D. Webb <b>NOT FILLED</b> (3)	B. Richardson NOT FILLED	M. Abbott Q. Abbott C. Abbott B. Abbott

December 9 - 10: Second Sunday of Advent				
	Extraordinary Minister	Reader	Altar Server	
Saturday, 5:00 PM	D. Golzynski J. Wohlscheid	M. Golzynski A. Tingay	A. Mora B Amburn E. Cairns	
Sunday, 9:00 AM	S. DeVries B. Fink	R. Imgrund A. Leal	T. Rivet T. Crowley M. Galer X. Kwasnik	
Sunday, 11:00 AM	J. Flores M. Harcus R. Pate	J. Day G. VanNocker	D. Bloomfield J. Lavagnino I. Thompson C. VanNocker	
Sunday, 5:30 PM	M. Pate M. Walsh	C. Spalding T. Spalding	S. Kelley I. Romero <b>NOT FILLED</b> (2)	

**Each month the parish designates** an Organization of the Month to donate 7% of our Sunday and Holy Day tithing. If you would like to donate directly to this charity, make your checks out in their name and we will forward to them.

> December 2017 donation will be split between: Shared Pregnancy, Pregnancy Services & Hannah's House

Send Bulletin submissions to: **bulletin@corlansing.org** by Monday 3pm prior to publication.

# PLEASE NOTE HOLIDAY DEADLINES ~NO EXCEPTIONS~

Dec 11 deadline for Dec 17 & 24 Dec 18 deadline for Dec 31 Jan 1 deadline for Jan 7

#### A MESSAGE FROM FR. STEVE

#### Happy New Year!

As we celebrate the new (liturgical) year and begin our Advent journey, I hope and pray that all of our hearts will be filled with joyful anticipation of Christ's three-fold coming: 1) His coming as a baby, the "Newborn King"; 2) His coming again in Glory; and 3) His coming into our hearts. Each day of Advent, let us prepare for His coming by inviting Him into our hearts, so that our hearts might be filled with love, joy, and peace.

#### No Announcements!

As I mentioned last week, neither I nor anyone else will give announcements at weekend Masses. Often these announcements are redundant to many fliers and the bulletin. What this means is that I won't be announcing fundraisers, Scrip Sales, Coffee & Donuts, Café, activities of various groups, etc. I will, as need arises, let you know about spiritual opportunities, especially about Holy Days of Obligation and opportunities to grow in the faith, but that will not be before Mass. I hope and pray that this will allow all of us to focus on the Lord and our relationship with Him more fully before, during, and after Mass. NB: If you desire to get a weekly email of updates about events, please visit our website (corlansing.org) and sign-up for our e-newsletter. We are also working on getting a format for showing announcements on the monitors between the Masses and on weekdays. Thanks for understanding.

#### **Clarification About Ministers**

Last week, someone who often serves as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC) approached me to talk about how sad she was at my announcement that we would only be distributing the Body of Christ at communion, except on Feast Days and Solemnities. She told me she had talked with two other people who also expressed their own sadness about this change. I thanked her for talking with me. It was my sense that there were at least two reasons for her/their sadness. The first was that those who serve enjoy the privilege of serving as EMHCs. However, I suspect that a bigger reason for their sadness might have been the way I phrased things.

#### Two weeks ago, I wrote the following:

All too often, faithful Catholics have come to believe that they are "utilizing their gifts" when they assist at Mass, as, say, EMHCs, Lectors, Servers, Greeters, or Ushers. Of course, we need such help at Mass, but for most of us, these are <u>not</u> the primary ways we are called to utilize our gifts. (The exceptions to this general rule are EMHCs who take communion to the sick and thereby exercise the charism of <u>mercy</u> or <u>helps</u>, greeters who exercise their charism of <u>mospitality</u>, and musicians who exercise their charism of <u>worship</u>.) My point in this reflection is to highlight the point that lay-men and -women are primarily called to serve <u>outside of</u>—not <u>at</u>—Mass. In other words, your ministry will be primarily carried out in your home, workplace, school, or community.

#### Sorry!

Though I remain convinced of the claims I made in that article, I regret that my phrasing could easily have been interpreted as an implicit criticism of those who serve in these ways. I intended nothing of the sort. The fact is that those who serve as EMHCs and Lectors at our parish and at many other parishes are often those who are often most involved in other ministries at the parish. Nevertheless, because so many are involved at Mass, there can be (especially among those who are not already serving in various ways) a false belief that serving the Lord means serving on Sundays. The point I tried to make, and want to underscore is the following: your ministry will be primarily carried out in your home, workplace, school, and/or community. If you are already serving in various ways, let me say once again, "Thank you!" If you are not yet serving, please look forward to opportunities to discern, develop, and find ways to utilize those gifts joyfully in the future.

#### **Music During Advent**

The Church invites all parishes to be more subdued/solemn in the celebration of Mass during the Season of Advent (less so than Lent, but it is also a penitential season). This more subdued celebration will contrast well with the joyous celebration of Feast Days during Advent (as well as *Gaudete Sunday*) and most especially when we get to the celebration of the Christmas Vigil and the glorious Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ. We will use this opportunity to sing the proper opening Antiphon each Sunday, as we did during Lent. These Antiphons can be found on the lavender sheet of paper in the pews. The format for the opening Antiphon will be for the cantor to sing it through the first time, then for us to repeat it together. After that, the cantor will sing the verse followed by the "Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy . . . " after which we will all repeat the Antiphon together.

#### Are You Ready? He's Coming!

The Lord is someday (perhaps soon) coming again. Indeed, *Advent* means "coming." Today, Jesus warns us to "Be watchful! Be alert!" as we anticipate His return. He invites us to travel this journey with joy. May you and your family know the love, joy, and peace of the Lord this Advent.

Eagerly waiting and watching with you,

Father Steve



Stay for a few minutes or for a couple hours. God knows what you need and wants you to receive more of His love.

Bring your votive candles for Adoration. Our evening will conclude with Benediction

#### CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE- As we pre-

pare for the birth of Christ during this Advent season, let us remember those less fortunate. The Altar Society and Knights of Columbus, in conjunction with the St. Vincent De Paul Society, are sponsoring a Christmas Giving Tree located in the vestibule.



Envelopes are available on the tree to be

used for gift cards for area teens whose families are in need. Place a gift card(s) (fast food places or stores for teens) in one of the envelopes and put it in the collection basket, or drop it off at the office. The St. Vincent DePaul Society will include these contributions with the Christmas gift baskets they assemble.

# The deadline to donate the gift cards is Monday, December 11.

This does not replace the toy collection that the St. Vincent De Paul Society sponsors every year, but rather supplements it so that those 13 - 17 years of age may also experience your loving generosity.



# YOUTH NEWS

# **RESURRECTION** Our monthly **Youth Connect Group** continues this <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>December</u>

<u>6 from 6:30-8:30 at the LeTarte's house (1316 Basswood Circle, East Lansing). Dinner and snacks are provided.</u>

An early reminder that a limited number of <u>Steuben-</u> <u>ville</u> spots are also available for Jun 29-Jul 1, 2018. Please contact Jay Jong at jjong@corlansing.org to reserve your spot or for more information.

## For more information on area Youth Group events join:

http://www.facebook.com/groups/catholicyouthlansing



# **NEWS FROM THE KNIGHTS**

#### **DECEMBER ACTIVITIES:**

Council	Meeting
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Officers Meeting

Knights Night

December 11 Mercy Hall beginning at 7:30 pm Rosary in the Church beginning at 7:00 pm

December 27 Mercy Hall beginning at 7:00 pm

December 28 Mercy Hall from 6:00 pm- 8:30 pm

Keep Christ in Christmas cards will be available for purchase in Mercy Hall after the 9 am and 11 am masses through December 17.

Please check out the council website: www.kofc11099.org



### THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

will be collecting wrapped toys for their Christmas baskets on the <u>Second Sunday of</u> <u>Advent (Dec 9 & 10)</u>. Please bring your wrapped gift, marked with age and for boy or girl, to Mass.

Please note that these are for children, if you'd like to donate for a 13-17 year old, you are encouraged to take an envelope from the Angel Tree.

Thank you for your continued support!

#### FRUIT SALE ORDER DELIVERY

The fruit will be available for pick up **December 9th** following the 5pm Mass and Sunday **Dec 10th** following the 9am & 11am Masses. Weekday pick up is available **Dec 11-14**, 3pm-5pm. All orders need to be picked up at the Loading Dock of Mercy Hall Parking Lot (behind elementary school).

The Resurrection Adult choir will be joining the Compline Schola, **December 3rd at 8pm**, for an evening of advent music as a prelude to the Extraordinary Form Compline.

Church of the Resurrection will have it's annual **St. Nicholas Bake sale** fundraiser on *Saturday, December 9th from 9am to 7pm and Sunday, December 10th from 10am to 2pm in Mercy Hall!* 

A large assortment of cookies, cakes, candies, and other goodies will be on sale. All homemade!

We hope to see you there! Proceeds from the St. Nicholas Bake Sale will be divided between our Church and School.



# Explore your gifts this Advent!

We are going to be running an 'Advent Taster' of different ways to serve in the Parish. Sign up for Advent only and then decide if you want to continue on after that.

#### Welcome Ministry during Advent

Feel you have a gift of hospitality? We are looking to expand our welcome teams and train some new people in the art of making new people feel at home. If you are interested and willing to come to mass a little earlier, or stay a little longer taking people to coffee and doughnuts or café, during Advent, then contact Liz O'Neill (loneill@corlansing.org) Put 'Advent Welcome Ministry' in the subject line of your email.

#### Advent Intercessory Prayer

Thanks to Judy Edwards and several other wonderful parishioners who regularly pray for our intentions, we have seen God answer many prayers. But we would like to have more people be part of this. Are you willing to come to a holy hour on Friday mornings after morning mass for the duration of Advent? Let Liz know if you plan to be there by contacting her at loneil@cordansing org Put 'Advent Intercessor' in the

loneill@corlansing.org Put 'Advent Intercessor' in the subject line of the email.

#### Home Visiting Ministry

Have you spent time visiting someone who was ill or homebound and been encouraged when they enjoyed your visit? We are looking for people to assist us in setting up a Home Visitor Program. If you are interested in exploring this during Advent, and would be willing to visit a homebound parishioner with a special Advent basket – then let us know. Email Liz at loneill@corlansing.org and put 'Home Visitors' into the subject line of the email.

If you know of someone who might welcome a visit over Advent – email or call the Parish Office with your tip!

LANSING CATHOLIC SINGLES invite all single men and women (mid 30s & up) to a Christmas party on **Dec. 8** at 7 pm with dinner at 7:30 pm. Ring in the holiday season at the Village Green Apt. Clubhouse, behind Lansing Mall. Please bring a dish to pass and your own beverage. We'll also be having a white elephant gift exchange so please bring a \$6-\$8 gift appropriate for a man or woman if you'd like to take part in the exchange. **Please RSVP by Dec. 6**. For more information and to RSVP phone (517)321-7886 or email lansingcatholicsingles@live.com.

Special Needs Mass and Christmas Party, St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt, Sunday, December 10th Mass at 2:00 p.m. with luncheon immediately following. There will be a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus! Please RSVP no later than December 4th to Margaret Grima at 517-342-2555 or Cathy Blatnik at 517-381-1410, and let them know how many will be attending from your family.

# A Kind Note From a Grateful Recipient

"Dear Congregants-

I wanted to thank you for the turkey and makings you provided to me for the Thanksgiving holiday your thoughtfulness, kindness are much appreciated. Although I had to work the holiday, as I am an inhome caregiver, I will share the bounty with my clients.

I truly felt blessed by your kindness. May God bless all of you as he has blessed me.

Thanks to each and every one of you. I wish each and every one of you a blessed holiday season. May the Lord bless you as he has me.

God Bless, Doreen



# Be An Angel This Christmas

The STVCC annual "Be An Angel" Holiday Giving campaign is in full swing. Stop by the Lansing Mall, Meridian Mall or participating stores at the Eastwood Towne Center to pickup an angel tag that contains information on a specific item to be purchased and donated for a child or family served by STVCC.

Provide local families with joy this Christmas.

For more information on this program or others, please visit **<u>stvcc.org/Holiday-Giving</u>** or call Rhonda Abood at (517) 323-4734 ext. 1205.



