

# Welcome to SS Peter & Paul Catholic Church Oak Hill, West Virginia



Nov. 28 & 29, 2020

First Sunday  
of Advent



## Weekend Mass Readings

First Reading - Isaiah 63: 16b - 17, 19b; 64: 2 - 7

Responsorial—Psalm 80: 2 - 3, 15 - 16, 18 - 19

Second Reading— 1 Corinthians 1: 3 - 9

Gospel Reading—Mark 13: 33 - 37

## Liturgical Schedules for Upcoming Week:

### Tuesdays - Fridays:

Confession - 4:30pm to 5:15pm  
Mass - 5:30pm

### Saturdays:

Confession - 4:15 to 5:00pm  
Vigil Mass - 5:30pm

### Sundays:

Masses - 8:00am & 10:30am  
1st Fridays 4:15 - 5:15pm Holy Hour  
(Mass follows @530pm)

### **PASTORAL STAFF:**

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## Week of Mass Readings—Cycle B November 30—December 6, 2020

**Nov. 30 Monday – St. Andrew, 1st Apostle of Jesus Christ**  
Rm. 10: 9 – 18; Ps. 19: 8 – 11; Mt. 4: 18 – 22

**Dec. 1 Tuesday – Advent Weekday**  
Is. 11: 1 – 10; Ps. 72: 7 – 8, 12 – 13, 17; Lk. 10: 21 – 24

**Dec. 2 Wednesday – Advent Weekday**  
Is. 25: 6 – 10a; Ps. 23: 1 – 3a, 3b – 6; Mt. 15: 29 – 37

**Dec. 3 Thursday – St. Francis Xavier, Priest, Jesuit**  
Is. 26: 1 – 6; Ps. 118: 1, 8 – 9, 19 – 21, 25 – 27a; Mt. 7: 21, 24 – 27

**Dec. 4 Friday – St. John Damascene, Priest & Doctor of the Church**  
**FIRST FRIDAY (last 1st Friday of 2020)**  
Is. 29: 17 – 24; Ps. 27: 1, 4, 13 – 14; Mt. 9: 27 – 31

**Dec. 5 Saturday**  
Vigil Mass of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

**Dec. 6 Sunday – Second Sunday of Advent**  
Is. 40:1 – 5, 9 – 11; Ps. 85: 9 – 14; 2 Pt. 3:8 – 14; Mk. 1: 1 – 8

## Reflection—Season of Advent

**Advent:** A Season of HOPE

(I) Advent is an attitude of anticipation. The entire season prepares us to allow Christ into our hearts, sometimes in ways far different from other times when we celebrate the excitement of Christmas. Many of us want everything about this season to stay the same year after year: the familiar carols, the same schedule for giving gifts, even the same food. Yes, consistency does give consolation to the heart.

BUT, this year is different. We are not the same any more. We are faced with different responsibilities, different safety and sanitary protocols—changed by circumstances we never expected to happen—; challenged by different but fresh opportunities.

Christ, however, is also preparing to come to us this time in a way that will give us comfort and will sustain us in our lives. Thus, the season of hope! This year, Advent refocuses us and reminds us that Christ has changed the world—but He is the LIGHT and He will guide us through the darkness—into a newness of life and love.

(II) Symbol of the Advent Wreath:

- (a) the Wreath itself, circular in form, , signifies the eternity of God—no beginning, no end—; it also symbolizes the immortality of the Soul and the everlasting life we find in Christ.
- (b) Evergreens: signifies victory over persecution and suffering; it signifies strength - life - resurrection - that life should always be ever green!
- (c) Candles: 4 candles - represents the four generations of waiting for the arrival/birth of the Messiah:
  - (i) 1st candle (purple) - HOPE - foretelling the birth of Christ.
  - (ii) 2nd candle (purple) - FAITH - representing Mary and Joseph’s journey to Bethlehem.
  - (iii) 3rd candle (pink/rose) -JOY - that the world experienced at the birth of Christ.
  - (iv) 4th candle (purple) - PEACE - Message of the Angels - Peace on earth , good will to all!

PS.—A white candle can be placed in the middle and lit on Christmas Eve - called the Christ Candle - it is white because Christ is our sinless, pure Savior.

### This Week’s Mass Intentions

<b>Sat. Nov. 28</b> 5:30p.m.	<b>Vigil</b> †Charles & Tracy Lay by, Manuel & Toni Lopez
<b>Sun. Nov. 29</b> 8:00a.m. 10:30a.m.	<b>1st Sunday of Advent</b> For All Parishioners †William “Bill” Dixon by, his Family
<b>Tue. Dec. 1</b> 5:30p.m.	†John Droppelman by, Art & Mary Gonzales
<b>Wed. Dec. 2</b> 5:30p.m.	†Mary & Fred Kennedy by, Scott & Brenda Vargo
<b>Thu. Dec. 3</b> 5:30p.m.	†Henry Higginbottom by, Dorothy Higginbottom
<b>Fri. Dec. 4</b> 5:30p.m.	†Mildred & Charles Rosenecker by, Mary Rosenecker
<b>Sat. Dec. 5</b> 5:30p.m.	<b>Vigil</b> †Phyllis Lilly by, O’Neal Family
<b>Sun. Dec. 6</b> 8:30a.m. 10:30a.m.	<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b> For All Parishioners †Ernest Treadway by, the Simms Family

### Food Pantry Report

#### Dec. 2020

Items Needed:

- Jelly (squeeze bottle),
- Spaghetti Sauce,
- Shelf Milk, Tuna,
- Vienna Sausages, Dry Cereal

Knights of Columbus

Magnets for Sale— 2 for \$5.00

Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic

Magnets for Sale— \$2.00 each

#### This Month’s Special Collections - December 12/13, 2020

I good times and bad, senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests have served our Church and world. Today, they pray for a world that is hurting. Yet hundreds of religious communities do not have enough retirement savings and struggle to provide for aging members. Your gift to the

**Retirement Fund for Religious** collection on December 12/13 will help provide medications, nursing care and more. Please be generous.



### Last Weeks Attendance and Giving (Nov. 21/22 , 2020)

	Attendance	Regular Collection	Combined Masses
5:30 pm	21	<b>Wkly Offering</b>	<b>\$2,343</b>
8:00 am	29	<b>Parish Maint.</b>	<b>\$55.00</b>
10:30 am	40	<b>Food Pantry</b>	<b>\$120.00</b>
		<b>School</b>	<b>\$29.00</b>
		<b>Online</b>	<b>\$510.00</b>
	<b>2nd Collection</b>	<b>Human Devel.</b>	<b>\$195.00</b>

Interested in RCIA: classes will be starting soon.

If interested, please call Diane Murphy at 304-395-3351 or contact the church office.

First Communion classes started in **November 4** at 4:30pm. If interested, please contact Laura Kilianny @ 304—575-2172. (Check with Laura for update RE: Covid Fayette County standing)

## Our Catholic Faith: *The Christmas Mystery*

### Jesus was born in

The coming of God's Son to earth is an event of such immensity that God willed to prepare it over centuries. He makes everything converged in Christ. He announces Him through the months of prophets. John the Baptist is the Lord's immediate precursor or forerunner, sent to prepare His Way. He inaugurate the Gospel for Christ. When the Church celebrate the Season of Advent, She make present this ancient expectancy of the Messiah - ; for by sharing in the long preparation for the Savior's first coming, the faithful renew their ardent desire for His Second Coming! (Catechism 522-524)

### Announcements

- A) Christmas donation envelopes are now placed in the vestibule. Please help in beautifying our sanctuary to honor the birth!
- B) Advent Coinbanks - for your spare change are also available in the vestibule. Proceeds helps the Food Bank of the Parish.
- C) Advent Devotional Books are available to assist us in preparing for the birth of our Lord - a big spiritual preparation help.
  
- D) December 4 (Friday) - 1st Friday of December and the last 1st Friday of 2020  
4:15—5:15pm HOLY HOUR; 5:30pm Mass

### Sacraments:

Anointing of Sick/Last Rites & visiting of the sick/homebound - please notify Fr. Tony at (707-812-0084).  
Baptism: After proper Instructions - contact Fr. Tony to make arrangements.  
Marriage: After proper instructions, Pre-Cana seminars, contact Fr. Tony  
**6 months in advance** before date of marriage.

## DECEMBER MASS SCHEDULE 2020

### Important Days/Holy Days

#### Part I

- 1) **December 4, 2020—First Friday of December 2020**
  - The last first Friday of 2020
  - Holy Hour 4:15 to 5:15 pm; Mass 5:30pm
- 2) **December 8, 2020—Tuesday The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
(Patronal Feast of the United States of America)  
4:15—5:15 pm Confessions; Mass 5:30 pm
- 3) **December 11, 2020—Friday Vigil for Our Lady of Guadalupe**  
4:15—5:15 pm Confessions; Mass 5:30 pm

#### Part II

#### Christmas/New Year

- 1) **December 24, 2020 Thursday - Christmas Eve**
  - 4:15—5:15pm Confessions
  - 5:30pm First Mass
  - 9:00pm 2nd Mass (Vigil)
- 2) **December 25, 2020 Friday - Christmas Day**  
9:00am Mass (only mass that day)
- 3) **December 26, 2020 Saturday - Vigil for Holy Family**
  - 4:15—5:15pm Confessions
  - 5:30pm Mass
- 4) **December 27, 2020 Sunday - Holy Family Sunday**  
8:00 and 10:30am Mass

#### Part III

- 1) **December 31, 2020 Thursday - New Years Eve**
  - 4:15—5:15pm Confessions
  - 5:30pm Mass
- 2) **January 1, 2021 Friday - New Year's Day**
  - 9:00am Mass
  - 5:00 - 6:00pm HOLY HOUR for the New Year and the 1st Friday of 2021(with Rosary)