

## **December 6, 2020 Second Sunday of Advent**

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Message regarding Advent celebrations at IHM: <https://ihmparish.net/s/Advent-2020-Celebrations-at-IHM.pdf>

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5:00 pm Charles Takacs+ By Barbara Apgar

Sunday, December 6, 2020

8:00 am For the People of IHM Parish

10:00 am Claire Rita Lewis+ By the Lewis Family

12:00 pm Dominic Guarna+ By Antoinette Guarna

### **Mass Livestream Prompts:**

#### **Mass Intentions**

Claire Rita Lewis+ By the Lewis Family

#### *Other Intentions for the weekend:*

Charles Takacs+ By Barbara Apgar

For the People of IHM Parish

Dominic Guarna+ By Antoinette Guarna

Welcome to our Livestream of the Sunday Mass - **please feel free to share this with your friends on Facebook and invite people to attend the online Mass.**

Today is **December 6, 2020 Second Sunday of Advent**

Good Morning

**Announcement:**

The Church has reopened and daily mass has resumed with 7 am and 8:30 am - appropriate social distancing must be followed and masks must be worn at all times - no exceptions. 8.30 am mass will continue to be livestreamed.

Weekend masses are open as well but require advance signup – please see website for details. 10 am Sunday mass will also continue to be livestreamed.

The Church is open for private prayer from 6.45 am to noon on weekdays. Please follow social distancing protocols. Masks must be worn at all times.

Also, please note that you will need to reserve in advance for attending weekend masses and Mass during Christmas time - details for sign-up posted on the website

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Thank you for your participation in the Christmas mass survey

For those of us who continue to celebrate Mass in our homes virtually it is good to remember that Jesus is truly present whenever 2 or 3 are gathered in his name, even if at a distance. There is also the idea of the “Domestic Church”, an understanding that is born of baptism that the family is the first and perhaps most encountered way of living out our lives of faith. Both of these ideas have taken on greater prominence these last few months.

Let us now take a moment to greet each other online.

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Amen

Lord have mercy;

Christ have mercy;

Lord have mercy;

**Glory to God in the Highest**

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,

we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

Amen

Reading 1

**IS 40:1-5, 9-11**

Comfort, give comfort to my people,  
says your God.  
Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her  
that her service is at an end,  
her guilt is expiated;  
indeed, she has received from the hand of the LORD  
double for all her sins.

A voice cries out:  
In the desert prepare the way of the LORD!  
Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God!  
Every valley shall be filled in,  
every mountain and hill shall be made low;  
the rugged land shall be made a plain,  
the rough country, a broad valley.  
Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,  
and all people shall see it together;  
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Go up on to a high mountain,  
Zion, herald of glad tidings;  
cry out at the top of your voice,  
Jerusalem, herald of good news!  
Fear not to cry out  
and say to the cities of Judah:  
Here is your God!

Here comes with power  
the Lord GOD,  
who rules by his strong arm;  
here is his reward with him,  
his recompense before him.  
Like a shepherd he feeds his flock;  
in his arms he gathers the lambs,  
carrying them in his bosom,  
and leading the ewes with care.

### **Thanks be to God**

**Response: Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.**  
Responsorial Psalm

#### **PS 85:9-10-11-12, 13-14**

**R. (8) Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.**

I will hear what God proclaims;  
the LORD—for he proclaims peace to his people.  
Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him,  
glory dwelling in our land.

**R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.**

Kindness and truth shall meet;  
justice and peace shall kiss.  
Truth shall spring out of the earth,  
and justice shall look down from heaven.

**R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.**

The LORD himself will give his benefits;  
our land shall yield its increase.  
Justice shall walk before him,  
and prepare the way of his steps.

**R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.**

#### Reading 2

##### **2 PT 3:8-14**

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved,  
that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years  
and a thousand years like one day.  
The Lord does not delay his promise, as some regard “delay,”  
but he is patient with you,  
not wishing that any should perish  
but that all should come to repentance.  
But the day of the Lord will come like a thief,  
and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar  
and the elements will be dissolved by fire,  
and the earth and everything done on it will be found out.

Since everything is to be dissolved in this way,  
what sort of persons ought you to be,

conducting yourselves in holiness and devotion,  
waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God,  
because of which the heavens will be dissolved in flames  
and the elements melted by fire.

But according to his promise  
we await new heavens and a new earth  
in which righteousness dwells.  
Therefore, beloved, since you await these things,  
be eager to be found without spot or blemish before him, at peace.

### **Thanks be to God**

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.**

Before Gospel

P: "The Lord be with you." All: "and with your spirit."

P: "A reading from the Gospel according to Mark" All: "Glory to you Lord."

Gospel

### **MK 1:1-8**

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God.

As it is written in Isaiah the prophet:

*Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;  
he will prepare your way.*

*A voice of one crying out in the desert:*

*"Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make straight his paths."*

John the Baptist appeared in the desert  
proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

People of the whole Judean countryside  
and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem

were going out to him

and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River  
as they acknowledged their sins.

John was clothed in camel's hair,  
with a leather belt around his waist.

He fed on locusts and wild honey.

And this is what he proclaimed:

"One mightier than I is coming after me.

I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals.

I have baptized you with water;

he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

After Gospel

P: "The Gospel of the Lord." All: "Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ."

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### **The Nicene Creed**

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come.

**Amen.**

**Prayer of the faithful:**

Response: Lord hear our prayer

Please pray for an end to the current COVID-19 pandemic and all who are impacted by it, especially those who are ill and those who have lost their lives. Please offer a prayer of thanksgiving as well for those who risk their own health to help others.

May the Holy Spirit come upon all and continue to inspire us.

Please pray for peace around the world.

*We also pray for the children of the parish who had their First Communion in September, and for the children received the sacrament of Confirmation in October.*

*We also pray for the students that are home for the Christmas break.*

Back to School Prayer

Dear God, with a new school year upon us, we pray for our students and teachers, that You would ease their anxiety about going back to school amidst the pandemic. We pray for safety for those returning to in-person classes, and for the needed technology, self-discipline, and adult oversight for those learning online. We pray that every child has enough to eat, a supportive network of friends and family, and perseverance to face every challenge with Your strength. *Amen*

Please pray for the safe reopening of the Church.

**Mass Intentions**

George Suminski+ By the Family

*Other Intentions for the weekend:*

Mary & Thomas Browne+ By the Hennessy Family

For the People of IHM Parish

Isabel & Walter Lundgren+ By the Lundgren Family

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Offertory:

At this time we would have our weekly collection. We ask you to prayerfully consider making a donation through our online, text to give or parish envelope options. Thank you for your generosity.

Parish Giving:

<https://www.parishgiving.org/index?e=876D52DCC9C937F21282F9D33E7E517ED8C94E18D7AF78A1>

Go Fund Me:

<https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/immaculate-heart-of-mary-scotch-plains>

Text to Give option by texting a dollar amount to (908) 224-3545

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May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy church.

Amen

And with your spirit ;

We lift them up to the lord ;

It is right and just;

**Holy, Holy, Holy**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

**Eucharistic prayer:**

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,  
FOR THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU

*R: My Lord and my God*

TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,  
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,  
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT,  
WHICH WILL BE Poured OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY  
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.  
DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.

*R: My Lord and my God*

Memorial Acclamations (pick the one that is sung)

*[Priest]*

The mystery of faith.

1. We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.
2. When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,  
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
until you come again.
3. Save us, Savior of the world,  
for by your Cross and Resurrection  
you have set us free.

Amen

**Our Father**

Our Father who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done on earth, as it is



in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass  
against us,  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom the power and the glory are yours now and forever

Amen

Peace be with you all.

### **Lamb of God**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
grant us peace.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof; but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

### **Prayer of Spiritual Communion**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Prayer after Communion:

Amen

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Dismissal

And with your Spirit

Amen

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Have a blessed week!