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DECEMBER
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2020

4TH SUNDAY
OF ADVENT

FOREVER
I WILL SING YOUR
goodness.
PSALM 89



4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT

And the angel said to her in reply, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you,
and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the
child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God." - Lk 1:35

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OUR PARISH

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday

8 am - 1 pm & 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

HEARING IMPAIRED UNITS

Available at both churches in the sacristies. Please ask an usher or priest.

WELCOME!

We extend a warm welcome to all who are visiting or are here for the first time. Make our church a home away from your home. If you attend Our Lady of the Cape Parish regularly and consider this your parish, please take time to register at the Parish Office.

ABOUT US

Our Lady of the Cape Parish is a welcoming Catholic community served by the Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette. Through our worship and ministries we invite, evangelize and serve all people, making Christ known by sharing His reconciling love.

MASS SCHEDULE

Our Lady of the Cape

Monday – Friday

8:00am

Saturday

4:00pm

Sunday

8:30am & 10am

Immaculate Conception Chapel

Sunday 9:30am

Face masks are required to attend Mass,
as well as maintaining social distance guidelines.

Parishioners must wear masks when entering & exiting the Church & Chapel while attending Mass & use hand sanitizer located in the entrances. Collections will be taken by the ushers using long handled baskets.

Every Sunday from 1:30-2:00pm Holy Communion will be distributed in the main entrance of the church.

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:15 - 3:45 pm or by appointment.

Baptisms

Registration and preparation session required. Call the parish office 3 months prior to baptism (child need not be born).

Weddings

By appointment. Call 6 months in advance.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Please notify the Parish Office immediately if any one in the family is seriously ill.

Communion for Homebound

Please keep us informed of our sick and others who may be incapacitated so that we might minister to those in need, at home, in the hospital or a nursing home.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Fridays

Noon – 7:00 p.m.

Adoration is cancelled until further notice.

PRAYER & WORSHIP

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 21

8:00 am Dr. Robert Dolan

Tuesday, December 22

8:00 am Bob Laliberte (4th Anniversary)

Wednesday, December 23

8:00 am Alexis Malone

Thursday, December 24

2:00 pm William Armstrong

4:00 pm Carol Keough

5:00 pm (IC) Deborah Foley

6:00 pm Walter & Dorothy Martin;
Lucille & Chester Owocki

Friday, December 25

8:30 am Francis "Frank" Savage

9:30 am (IC) John Luther

10:00 am Francesco & Teresa Iadarola

Saturday, December 26

4:00 pm Mary Jane Fragano;
The Deceased Members
of the Quitadamo Family
& the Dirksmeier Family

Sunday, December 27

8:30 am Deceased Members of
Boucher & Caforio
Families

10:00 am Nicholas Imondi;
Patrice Faulhefer (2nd
Anniversary);
Mary Cullen

Readings of the Week ©LPI

Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [2a]/Rom 16:25-27/
Lk 1:26-38

Monday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk 1:46-56

Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [cf. Lk 21:28]/Lk 1:57-66

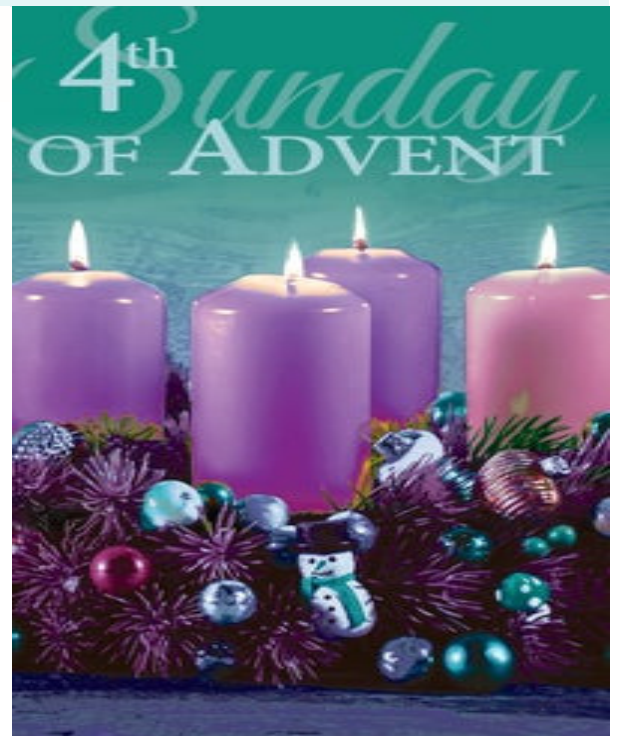
Thursday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 [2]/
Lk 1:67-79

Friday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25. Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 [Lk 2:11]/Ti 2:11-14/
Lk 2:1-14. Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20. Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14

Saturday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17 [6]/Mt 10:17-22



"Make known to all nations to bring about the obedience of faith." Is Christ calling you to let Him manifest His love in you as a priest or consecrated religious?"



OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF

DECEMBER 20, 2020

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent

Monday: St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Wednesday: St. John of Kanty, Priest

Thursday: Christmas Eve

Friday: The Nativity of the Lord (holy day of obligation)

Saturday: St. Stephen, the First Martyr

OUR LADY OF THE CAPE THRIFT SHOP

The Thrift Shop is open. Hours are Monday 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Tuesday & Thursday 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. & Saturday 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The Thrift Shop will be closed on December 24th, 25th & 26th.

WEEKLY SALE - All Christmas items 50% off. Non-Christmas art work & non-Christmas books 50% off.

- All customers must wear a cloth or surgical mask while waiting in line before entering the shop and while in the shop. Masks WILL NOT be provided so please bring your own.
- No children will be allowed into the Thrift Shop due to social distancing.
- The Thrift Shop will be closed when schools are closed due to inclement weather.

DONATIONS – Donations are no longer being accepted at this time. We will resume accepting donations in 2021. Please do not leave donations outside the building front or back.

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING

NEXT WEEKEND, DECEMBER 26– DECEMBER 27

There will be no second collection.

THIS WEEK AROUND THE PARISH

**ALL PARISH ACTIVITIES AND MINISTRY
MEETINGS HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE!
STAY SAFE AND STAY HEALTHY!**



WEEKLY SANCTUARY LAMP

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Ways you can virtually celebrate Mass with us:

Our Lady of the Cape
CATHOLIC CHURCH



Livestreams of the Saturday 4:00pm Mass, Sunday 8:30am and 10:00am Masses and 8:00am weekday Masses can be viewed on our website www.ourladyofthecape.org and are archived shortly thereafter to watch anytime.



Mass on Local TV

In order to reach out to those in the nursing homes and home-bound parishioners who might be without internet connection, we are able to air Mass from Our Lady of the Cape on **LCTV Channel 99 on Thursdays at 11am and Sundays at 9:30am**. It will be a Mass celebrated from the previous weekend. Please share this good news! Thanks to our parishioner Lisa Goodrich.



IT'S EASY!

To sign up for Online Giving:

1. Go to our parish website: ourladyofthecape.org, and scroll down until you see the Online giving logo.
2. Click on Online Giving logo then look for the Online Giving logo toward the bottom right side of the page, (green box that says, create new account) click on that green box.
3. Follow the 5 easy steps to sign up! Thank You!

PARISH SUPPORT

We pray for a spirit of generosity in the hearts of us who have more than we need. Thank you.

Offertory	\$7,436.00
Christmas Flowers.....	\$1,431.00
Immaculate Conception.....	\$956.00
Online Giving (12/7/20—12/13/20).....	\$6,990.00

Comparison From Last Year:

Offertory (12/21/19 —12/22/19).....	\$6,907.00
Online Giving (12/9/19—12/15/19).....	\$2,300.00





HELP WANTED!

Ushers Needed! Can we count on you to be an usher at Christmas Masses? With the pandemic limiting seating due to social distancing, we are in need of ushers to seat parishioners and visitors as they arrive to celebrate Christmas Masses at OLC. To sign-up, visit this link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050c4baeaa28a3fc1-christmas> or contact Renee at 508-385-2115 or ourladycape@comcast.net.

GOV. VETOES NEARLY ALL OF EXPANDED ABORTION RULES

We've been informed by Mass. Citizens for Life that Gov. Baker has indeed line-vetoed nearly all of section 40 of the state budget bill which would have widely expanded abortion rules in Massachusetts on a par with those of New York. The provisions would have approved late-term abortions up to birth, allowed doctors to kill/allow a baby born alive during an abortion to die, and would have removed all current legal penalties for violations of the law in regard to abortion---meaning abortionists could not be prosecuted for harming women.

The governor did retain a section of the law permitting abortions at or after 24 weeks in cases of so-called "fatal fetal abnormalities," even though that term is ambiguous and not defined in the bill and could lead to tragic, fatal errors.

However, Mass. Citizens for Life has thanked Gov. Baker for his near-complete veto as well as his commonsense recommendation to raise the age of consent to abortion to 18 years of age.

Many thanks to those of you who phoned the governor's office to express your opposition to the heinous provisions of Section 40. Your voices, and prayers, were heard!!

The Respect Life Ministry



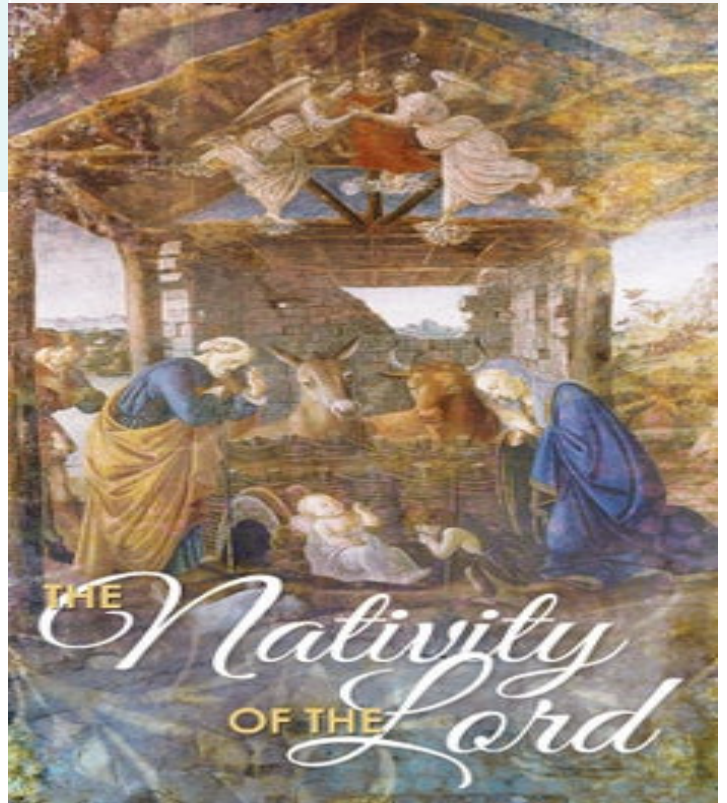
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER

The annual Christmas sit-down dinner at Our Lady of the Cape will be replaced this year by meal delivery service only on Christmas Day, December 25th due to the Covid-19 pandemic. If you would like to reserve a meal delivery

please contact David Danish by email ddanish@comcast.net or call 508-367-2986. Thank you!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

As we all prepare for Jesus' birth, our in-person classes have been busy creating personal size Advent Wreaths and graham cracker managers. Both accompanied corresponding stories of the season. All of our religious education students were treated to a special Christmas story time with Fr John, as we all await the Christ child. From all of us in the Religious Education Program at Our Lady of the Cape, have a happy and healthy Christmas season.



THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Our hearts are aglow with the joy of Christmas! Our senses are alive with the season, from the rich smells of evergreen and gingerbread to the feel of crisp air on our skin and the warmth of a loved one's embrace. At some point in the holiday hustle and bustle, take a few moments of quiet. In the silence, reflect on the other senses of the season. Imagine the cool damp of an animal stable, the earthy smell of hay and feed, and the crisp night air blowing in softly. Imagine kneeling beside an exhausted, joyful mother and a relieved, protective father. Imagine an infant wrapped in cloth scraps held out to your open arms. Imagine holding the infant Jesus. As his eyes meet yours, welcome into your heart the greatest gift of Christmas.

MEMORIAL GIFT FOR THE FUTURE



Your generosity during your lifetime has enabled Our Lady of the Cape parish to serve the people of God in this community. Continue to be a part of the strength of this community by considering to make a bequest in your Will to Our Lady of the Cape. You need not redo your entire Will to make a provision for a charitable bequest. Pass on your wonderful Catholic heritage!

PRAYER & WORSHIP

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

December 20, 2020

4th Sunday of Advent

In Blaise Pascal's work, *Pensees*, he says: "What else does this craving, and this helplessness, proclaim but that there was once in man a true happiness, of which all that now remains is the empty print and trace? This he tries in vain to fill with everything around him, seeking in things that are not there the help he cannot find in those that are, though none can help, since this infinite abyss can be filled only with an infinite and immutable object; in other words by God himself."

We have a difficult time accepting that fulfillment and happiness are not achieved by our own merits but through a relationship with God. We are hardwired for this relationship and it is in our DNA. The simple fact is that we come from God and are designed to return to God. If our beginning and our end define who we are, why would we not want to seek the One who can truly satisfy? The world does not realize that it is waiting. It is waiting for the birth of God in time, within one's soul and in eternity. We get so confused by seeking other momentary satisfactions that we misinterpret the hunger within. We crave God.

The union of God and humanity, revealed in Jesus Christ, is precisely what sets us on a straight path, orders our relationships, establishes proper focus and goals and tells us whose kingdom we really are meant to serve. We are so lost. God is with us. The prophet Nathan told this to King David, the angel said this to Mary and the birth of Christ brings this Good News to us. We do not need to be busily looking for more things but must learn to find contentment and blessing in the One Presence. This is the beautiful simple message of Advent!

If you are feeling unsettled, anxious, angry, disgruntled, disconnected, unhappy, worried, fearful, off center, becoming overly self-indulgent, unable to spend time alone and without distraction, then there's a good chance you are lost. Now is the time to allow God to find you! Ponder the holy simplicity of Mary's call to be the Mother of God. "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." When we are helpless and at home with our emptiness, God will fill us. Our Savior has come.

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Our Lady of the Cape CATHOLIC CHURCH

Christmas Mass Schedule

Registration and Mask Required to Attend All Masses

Our Lady of the Cape Church

Christmas Eve
2pm, 4pm, 6pm

Christmas Day
8:30am and 10am

Immaculate Conception Chapel

Christmas Eve
5pm

Christmas Day
9:30am

Holy Communion will be distributed at the vestibule of Our Lady of the Cape church on Christmas Day at 11:30am-12pm and 1:30-2pm for those who have watched the livestream Mass from home. Mask is required to enter the church.

Solemnity of Mary / New Year

Our Lady of the Cape Church
December 31 4pm
January 1 8am and 11am


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