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Sacraments/Services

Reconciliation ~ 15 Minutes Before Masses

Baptism ~ Parent instruction required (Recommended before birth)

Marriage ~ Contact us at least 6 months, prior to the date.

Religious Ed Classes ~ Sept. - May on Sunday at 9:00 AM

Ministry of Care ~ Bring communion, visit homes, hospitals, or nursing facilities.

PLEASE inform the office if your personal data changes
(Address, phone, status, etc.)

To register at Christ the King church,
please fill out the blue or yellow registration sheet found in the Narthex.

Office hours: Tuesday 8-4 and Wednesday 8-4

Bulletin deadline: Wednesday at noon Food Pantry hours-Mondays from 11-2

The safety of our children is the responsibility of every Christian. Anyone aware of the abuse of a person under the age of eighteen is required by law to report this to the proper state authorities: local law enforcement Sheriff: (270) 237-3210 or the Kentucky Child Abuse Hotline (toll-free: 1-877- KYSAFE1; 1-877-597-2331). To report abuse to the diocese, current or past, by anyone acting in the name of the Church, call Scott Ingram, Pastoral Assistance Coordinator (English) at 270-852-8380 or Miguel Quintanilla, Pastoral Assistance Coordinators (Spanish) at 270-880-8360. You may also visit the Office of Safe Environment (owensborodiocese.org/safe) for more information. To make a report of sexual abuse of a minor and related misconduct by bishops, go to ReportBishopAbuse.org or call 1-800-276-1562

Christ the King Catholic Church

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Our Parish
COMMUNITY

December 10, 2023

Second Sunday of Advent (B)

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 / 2 Peter 3:8-14 / Mark 1:1-8



When Will We Be Satisfied?

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

In 1992, *Forbes* magazine published an issue titled "Why Do We Feel So Bad When We Have It So Good?" It featured articles by such luminaries as newsman Dan Rather, President George H. W. Bush, and author John Updike. Many of the writers reflected upon our passion for more and our hunger to live in affluence and how that fails to satisfy. In so many ways, we as a nation find ourselves seeking distractions from living with ourselves lest we be confronted by our ultimate loneliness. As a nation we are addicted to entertainment and smartphones, to drugs and pornography, to finding something new. We are confronted by rising suicide rates and a pervasive, deep-seated anger. Why are we not satisfied?

John the Baptist called the people of his day to repent, which is another way of asking them—and us—to look at life differently. Advent is really about getting in touch with our deep longing for more, a part of our human condition that ultimately is only satisfied by God. We have been created to long for more, a longing that feels like loneliness, a longing that seeks to be satisfied. In the end, we can only find a sense of peace in the midst of such longing by accepting that it can never be fully satisfied in this life. Like the spirituality of Alcoholics Anonymous, accepting rather than fleeing from our human reality becomes a path to new life. ●

Reflect

How do you deal with loneliness and a longing for more out of life?

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

MARK 1:4



Lector
Dec. 17th- Troy A.
Dec. 24th- Vera Gothard
Dec. 31st- Dave Gripp

Attendance
Dec. 4th
75

Time	Mass Intentions
Sunday 12/10 11:00 AM	People of the Parish
Tuesday 12/12 No evening Mass	
Wednesday 12/13 8:00 AM	Peace on Earth

July 2023- June 2024	Collection Last Week	Total Amount Collected to Last Sunday	Budget Needed to 11/08//2023
Regular Collection (including on-line)	800.00	30,406.25	27,209.12
Donations/Gifts	141.00	4,244.01	1,947.58
Building Fund (Including on-line)		6,725.00	7,141.13
Miscellaneous	336.00	2,980.19	3,245.97
Total Income Collected	1,277.00	44,355.45	39,543.80
Diocesan Collection	0	215.00	0

Save the date!
12-10 Advent Christmas concert with John Angotti and Lorraine Hess: 7PM at Holy Spirit, Bowling Green. All are welcome.
12-13 Planning committee meeting 9:30 AM
12-13 King's Angels meet at Red Lobster 11AM
12-17 Anointing of the Sick during Mass.
12-17 Ushers will have training after Mass.
12-17 Knights meeting after Mass.

Mass Stipends for Tues. 5:00 pm and Wed. 8:00 am can be given for the living and deceased (especially for the deceased on or near the anniversary of their death). Masses of Thanksgiving are also important. Masses offered for the intention of another person (for their health, their birthday and more is also important). The present Mass stipend is \$5.00. Contact the office if you would like to schedule a Mass intention. NOTE: Sunday 11 am Mass must always be for the "People of the Parish."

Remember
-K of C will have a food drive during Advent.

Prayer List

Mary Lou Kiene	Betsy Cramer
Robert Manning	Lacey Poppy
Dolores Eder	Sandy Keen
Dave & Beth Gripp	Peggy Hildabrandt
Leroy Jansen	Bill Gripp
Helen & Jerry	Doris Harrison
Jackie Pauli	Tom & Nancy S.
Bill Harrison	Shelby McFalls
Joe Witt	Johnny & Emily
Bill Grapes	Reda Bolin
Doc Hall	Steve Herman
Cameron Johns	Brian Jansen
Helen & Jerry Deal	Tim Hildabrandt
Keith Evans	Law enforcement
The Manning family	A special grandson & granddaughters
Son Mark	Granddaughter Reese

The Meaning of the Four Candles During Advent:

- The first candle (purple) represents hope. We place our hope in God.
- The second candle (purple) represents peace. We pray and work for peace with Jesus the Prince of Peace.
- The third candle (pink) represents joy. We are joyful because the Lord is almost here.
- The fourth candle (purple) represents love. The Lord is almost here, the love of God takes on flesh and dwells among us.

A REMINDER: that to fulfill your Sunday obligation for the 4th Sunday of Advent on Dec. 24 you must attend the Sunday 11 am Mass. Attending one Mass on Christmas Eve at 7:00pm DOES NOT fulfill both obligations.

Advent Communal Penance Services:

Sacred Heart Dec. 14, 6 PM
Holy Spirit Dec. 17, 5 PM
St. Mary Dec. 18, 6:00 PM
Christ the King Dec. 19, 5:30 PM

Dear Padre,

Do Catholics have to marry in the Church? If a couple decides to marry outside of the Church, are they still allowed to receive Communion and other sacraments?

Catholics are obligated to follow the laws of the Church, including those laws regarding marriage. If a Catholic marries outside the Church, meaning that they did not follow Church law, then they may not receive the other sacraments until their marriage has been witnessed by the Church.

A wedding is a sacred ceremony for the couple, but it is also a ceremony for the Church. The Christian community is called upon to witness the ceremony, with the bishop, priest, or deacon called upon to bless the union in the name of the Church. The Church can dispense from the form, that is, the place of the wedding, for good cause, and does so when necessary. When a dispensation from the law is granted, then the person has followed the marriage laws of the Church and is free to receive the sacraments.

A wedding is a sacred ceremony in which a sacrament is conferred. While the park may be pretty or the church down the street may be bigger, neither is a sufficient reason to ignore marriage law and marry outside the Church. ●

The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org

Know Someone Overly Anxious About Sin?

Since 1964, the Redemptorists' *Scrupulous Anonymous* free monthly newsletter has ministered compassionately to those struggling with scrupulosity. To subscribe, visit ScrupulousAnonymous.org.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
December 11 <i>Advent Weekday</i> Is 35:1-10 Lk 5:17-26	December 12 <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i> Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47	December 13 <i>St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr</i> Is 40:25-31 Mt 11:28-30	December 14 <i>St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church</i> Is 41:13-20 Mt 11:11-15	December 15 <i>Advent Weekday</i> Is 48:17-19 Mt 11:16-19	December 16 <i>Advent Weekday</i> Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 Mt 17:9a, 10-13	December 17 <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i> Is 61:1-2a, 10-11 1 Thes 5:16-24 Jn 1:6-8, 19-28



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

In the Bible [conversion] means, first and foremost, to change direction and orientation; and thus also to change one's way of thinking. In the moral and spiritual life, to convert means to turn oneself from evil to good, from sin to love of God. And this is what the Baptist was teaching.

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