

St. Gregory the Great Roman Catholic Church

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JOY

December 11, 2022

3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT - 2022

Sat. Dec. 10	<i>Memory of</i>	5:00pm	Dorothy King
Sun. Dec. 11		10:00am	Missa Pro Popula
Mon. Dec. 12		NO MASS	
Tues. Dec. 13	<i>Memory of</i>	12:30pm	Bill Cook <i>requested by the Cook Estate</i>
Wed. Dec. 14	<i>Memory of</i>	12:30pm	Joan Cook <i>requested by the Cook Estate</i>
Thur. Dec. 15	<i>Memory of</i>	12:30pm	Ruth Cook <i>requested by the Cook Estate</i>
Fri. Dec. 16	<i>Memory of</i>	8:30am	Leo Cook <i>requested by the Cook Estate</i>
		<i>9am – 9:15 am</i>	Exposition & Adoration
Sat. Dec. 17	<i>Memory of</i>	5:00pm	Lily Papiz <i>requested by Beatrice Papiz</i>
Sun. Dec. 18		10:00am	Missa Pro Popula



Pray for the sick & home-bound of our parish especially for:

Richard Mc Connell
Mary Lambert



Pray for the repose of the Souls of those who have lost

Orland Kruger



Sanctuary Lamp is lit In memory of

John Wynen

Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule

<i>Nativity of the Lord</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>December 24</i>	<i>5pm & 8pm</i>
<i>Nativity of the Lord</i>	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>December 25</i>	<i>10am</i>
<i>Holy Family</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>December 30</i>	<i>5pm</i>
<i>Solemnity of Mary</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	<i>December 31</i>	<i>5pm</i>
<i>Solemnity of Mary</i>	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>January 1</i>	<i>10am</i>

PARISH CONFESSIONS

*Our parish confessions will be
December 11 @ 4pm, in the church.*



If you are not comfortable to come for confession in the church, and would like Fr. George to hear your confession, please call the parish office; 613-476-6276, for an appointment.

ADVENT SHARING – Hat, Mitt, Scarf & Socks Drive

In this Season of Advent, a time of prayerful preparation for the light that Christ brings as Christmas approaches and emboldens us to bear witness to that light in the world, we have the opportunity to show God's love in giving to others who are in need.

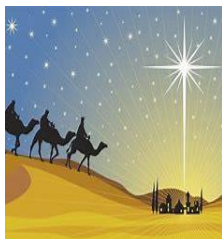
Parishioners are invited to share in this festive season by donating new hats, mitts and gloves, scarves and socks. The donations will be hung on the Tree of Sharing set up in the side entrance of our church or placed in hampers beside the Tree. We will be accepting donations from December 3 - 18. Let's fill the tree and the hampers!

Members of our Pastoral Care and Outreach Ministry will sort and deliver the donations to charities the week before Christmas so that local community food bank clients will receive these gifts of warmth and love.

Thank you for your generosity in helping kids, teens and adults to have a blessed Christmas and keeping them warm this winter.



CHRISTMAS MASS CARDS



*We have Christmas Cards you can purchase (\$20) to have a Mass offered over the Christmas period for a friend, relative or in memory of a loved one. Record the name of the person for whom the Mass is offered, **please indicate if it is for an intention of or in memory of a loved one.***

Just place the envelope in the collection basket.



Daily Reflections for Advent 2022
Sunday December 11 – Third Sunday of Advent

***See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way before you. (Matthew 11.10)***

Like John the Baptist, we are called to prepare the way of the Lord. That is not easy to do, since many of us are growing weak in hand and feeble of knee. Many of us struggle to see and hear and have become forgetful. Yet, the coming of the Light of the world promises to strengthen weak hands and firm up feeble knees.

When we remember the brightness of Christ’s love, we are freed from feebleness and fear. We are strengthened and released from all that bind us. Our hearts blossom like spring flowers. Our joy overflows like a stream. In our souls we are children of light. We show all who see us the path to rising above sufferings and limitations and give glory to our God. We clear the way for Christ, and dance toward is salvation. We will be restored in Christ. That is God’s promise.

Monday: *God of life, shine in us and through us so that we, like Mary, can magnify the Lord with our yes to you, our God.*

Tuesday: *O God, our rock and refuge, show us the righteous path to humble service. May all who are downtrodden be lifted into the glory of your love and protection.*

Wednesday: *O God, of light and justice, teach me your ways of justice in my daily life. Help me to be a light to others, as I follow the light of Christ.*

Thursday: *God of all compassion, be with me during the darkest times of my life. May I be for others a messenger of your light and love.*

Friday: *Jesus, Lord of light, bring live to our embers of faith so that we may be a burning, shining lamp for all whom we encounter in our daily lives.*

Saturday: *God of steadfast love, you have guided our ancestors through many trials and tribulations. Bless our children, Bless our families, home and communities.*

Celebrate Christmas Programme on 99.3 County FM

Listen to Christmas Carols and Scripture readings presented in collaboration with communities of faith in the County. Our St. Gregory Catholic School Choir and Sunday Choir will each be participating! The 1-hour radio programme will be broadcast on Christmas Eve at 8:00 PM, and again on Christmas Day at Noon.

