

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DECEMBER 20, 2020

2 SM 7:1-5, 8B-12, 14A, 16

When King David was settled in his palace,
and the LORD had given him rest from his enemies on every side,
he said to Nathan the prophet,
“Here I am living in a house of cedar,
while the ark of God dwells in a tent!”

Nathan answered the king,
“Go, do whatever you have in mind,
for the LORD is with you.”

But that night the LORD spoke to Nathan and said:
“Go, tell my servant David, ‘Thus says the LORD:
Should you build me a house to dwell in?’”

“It was I who took you from the pasture
and from the care of the flock
to be commander of my people Israel.
I have been with you wherever you went,
and I have destroyed all your enemies before you.
And I will make you famous like the great ones of the earth.
I will fix a place for my people Israel;
I will plant them so that they may dwell in their place
without further disturbance.
Neither shall the wicked continue to afflict them as they did of old,
since the time I first appointed judges over my people Israel.
I will give you rest from all your enemies.
The LORD also reveals to you
that he will establish a house for you.
And when your time comes and you rest with your ancestors,
I will raise up your heir after you, sprung from your loins,
and I will make his kingdom firm.
I will be a father to him,
and he shall be a son to me.
Your house and your kingdom shall endure forever before me;
your throne shall stand firm forever.”

PS 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29

R. (2a) For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

The promises of the LORD I will sing forever;
through all generations my mouth shall proclaim your faithfulness.
For you have said, “My kindness is established forever”;
in heaven you have confirmed your faithfulness.

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

“I have made a covenant with my chosen one,

I have sworn to David my servant:
Forever will I confirm your posterity
and establish your throne for all generations.”

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

“He shall say of me, ‘You are my father,
my God, the Rock, my savior.’

Forever I will maintain my kindness toward him,
and my covenant with him stands firm.”

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

ROM 16:25-27

Brothers and sisters:

To him who can strengthen you,
according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ,
according to the revelation of the mystery kept secret for long ages
but now manifested through the prophetic writings and,
according to the command of the eternal God,
made known to all nations to bring about the obedience of faith,
to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ
be glory forever and ever.

Amen.

Alleluia

LK 1:38

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.

May it be done to me according to your word.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

LK 1:26-38

The angel Gabriel was sent from God
to a town of Galilee called Nazareth,
to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph,
of the house of David,
and the virgin’s name was Mary.

And coming to her, he said,

“Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you.”

But she was greatly troubled at what was said
and pondered what sort of greeting this might be.

Then the angel said to her,

“Do not be afraid, Mary,

for you have found favor with God.

“Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son,

and you shall name him Jesus.
He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High,
and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father,
and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever,
and of his kingdom there will be no end.”
But Mary said to the angel,
“How can this be,
since I have no relations with a man?”
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.
And behold, Elizabeth, your relative,
has also conceived a son in her old age,
and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren;
for nothing will be impossible for God.”
Mary said, “Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.
May it be done to me according to your word.”
Then the angel departed from her.

Profession of Faith

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,
(At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow.)
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.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 20, 2020

Sunday, December 20, 2020

8:30am @ St. Theresa: ✚Phyllis McCormick by Kim Slifka
9am: Parishioners of St. Anthony, St. Theresa & Our Lady of the Valley
10:30am: ✚Donald Swanton by The Dudrick Family
11am @ Our Lady of the Valley: Intention of Celebrant

Monday, December 21, 2020

8:30am: ✚Phyllis McCormick by Kim Slifka

Tuesday, December 22, 2020

8:30am: ✚Bernie Majusiak by John Majusiak
12:15pm: ✚Unborn Baby Reed by Family

Wednesday, December 23, 2020

8:30am: ✚George Ribble by Stefanie Bell
12:15pm: ✚Era Gomez de Gonzalez by St. Anthony

Thursday, December 24, 2020

3pm: **NATIVITY OF THE LORD (Live stream)**
5pm: Idelfonso Hernandez y Maria de Lourdes by Family (**Live stream**)
5pm @ Our Lady of the Valley: ✚Phyllis McCormick by Andrew & Mavis Slifka
10pm: **NATIVITY OF THE LORD**

Friday, December 25, 2020

8:30am @ St. Theresa: **NATIVITY OF THE LORD**
9am: **NATIVITY OF THE LORD**
11am: ✚Phyllis McCormick by Phyllis Claudson

Saturday, December 26, 2020

8:30am: ✚Joseph Hajba by Jeanette Hajba
5pm: ✚Pearl Dabich by Steve & Lynda Hartwig
5pm @ Our Lady of the Valley: Intention of Celebrant

At this time, the 3pm Children's Mass is just about filled up through our reservation system. Those without reservations will be able to attend the Mass downstairs in Brady Hall-where it will be streamed, depending on space available. **Since the ushers will be checking reservations for some of the Christmas Masses, please plan to come early to avoid congestion at the front door. IF YOU ARE ILL, PLEASE STAY HOME.** The 3pm Children's Mass and the 5pm Christmas Eve Mass will be live-streamed.

The Office will be closed Dec. 24-Dec. 27. The Blessed Sacrament will NOT be exposed on Dec. 24th, Dec. 25th, Dec. 31st or Jan. 1st.

The Christmas Mass schedule is as follows:

December 24, 3pm Children's Mass in St. Anthonys Church

December 24, 3pm streamed in Brady Hall

December 24, 5pm in St. Anthonys Church

December 24, 5pm streamed in Brady Hall

December 24, 10pm in St. Anthonys Church

December 25, 9am in St. Anthonys Church

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please look at the schedule for available Holy Hours. Ideally, each hour should have at least 2 Adorers. Prayerfully consider spending one Hour in the presence of our Lord.

Open Holy Hours are: Monday: 11am, 2pm & 6pm; Tuesday: 11am & 6pm; Wednesday: 9am, 10am & 2pm.

"In a world where there is so much noise, so much bewilderment, there is a need for silent adoration of Jesus concealed in the Host. Be assiduous in the prayer of adoration and teach it to the faithful. It is a source of comfort and light, particularly to those who are suffering." Pope Emeritus Benedict

Call the Office if you'd like to accept Jesus' invitation to spend time in His presence, 587-3388.

PLEASE remember to pray for our church family members that are living in the Long Term Care Center and Brookdale: Mary Ann Metzger, Sylvia Gates, Marilyn Meyer, Alice Fales, Jeanne Pomajzl, Stacy Jourdan, Donna Brown, Nellie Grosz and John Case. "Honor your father and your mother, that you may have a long life in the land the Lord your God is giving you." Exodus 20:12

Let's also keep their families who miss them ever so much in our prayers as well. Let us pray for all those that are ill or suffering in any way. Please, let's also pray for all those that are in the Diaconate program especially St. Anthony's Tom Caudle, that the Lord continues to be with them and keeps them safe & well.

WEEKLY OFFERING TO OUR LORD, DECEMBER 13, 2020

Cody	\$3,948.78	Online	\$551.80
O.L.V.	\$ 349.36	St. Theresa	\$ 50.00
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THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE GENEROUSLY DONATED. For those interested in anything, please consider requesting envelopes, using the mail, dropping off at church or online giving. You may contribute to the following online funds: Weekly Offertory, Family Fund, Thanksgiving, Building-Boiler, Christmas, Immaculate Conception Christmas Flower Fund & Solemnity of Mary.



Or is it?????? **Father Rick Malloy**, what was originally supposed to be 2 months of assisting our parish stretched out into 6 months! We are so grateful for your presence in our faith community and are sad to see you go! We pray that your travel is safe and you remain healthy until we see you again! **THANK YOU!!!**

Whitney Maslak is offering special live concerts on Facebook for Advent and Christmas. She is inviting you to join her to celebrate this holy time with the very best sacred music of the season. The concerts will be on Dec. 12, 16, 19 and 23 all at 8pm. You do not need to have a Facebook account to watch. Simply go to <http://www.facebook.com/whitneymaslak> or search for Whitney Maslak Music on Facebook.

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St. Anthony's Religious Education Tidings

May the Eternal Peace of Christ be with you and your family
this Christmas Season &
Have a Wonderful New Year!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

We will continue Religious Education Classes after the Christmas Holidays:

Kindergarten through 5th Grade will meet on, Wednesday, January 6th. Class time is 4:00pm to 5:15pm.
Middle School and High School Classes will also meet on Wednesday, January 6th - from 6:30 until 8:00 pm. Grades 6th through 12th will meet in Brady Hall. We will be watching the "Search" Series.

ALL STUDENTS & TEACHERS **must wear masks** at all times unless, and until, given permission to remove them by the Teachers - once safe-distancing is achieved. Some classes, depending on the number of students and the room size, will have to keep the masks in place.
IF YOU DO NOT want to wear a mask, please, do not attend.

Remember, if you are not feeling well or if you have, or "may have," been exposed to someone who has the virus, please do not attend class. Thank you!

FORMED.ORG - We, as a parish, have subscribed to **FORMED.ORG. The Catholic Faith on Demand**. You should see a full-paged instruction sheet on the Parish Website: stanthonycody.org)

Please, follow the instructions and sign in. The Parish has already paid for this wonderful resource. Your religious education teachers will use this program and send you links for movies, etc. to watch. This resource is for all parishioners.

"BEING CATHOLIC" Class & Discussion

Join us for a Lively Class and Discussion of the Catholic Faith. We will discuss how life, history, religion and God are all interconnected. Our discussions will cover what we believe, what we think and what we do. All your questions will also be answered. You will be given many handouts as well.

Our next class will be on Thursday, January 7th, from 6:30pm until 8:00pm in the Joan of Arc Room in the Parish Center. Classes will be led by Deacon Rick Moser. Please Join us, No Strings Attached!





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