









HOLY TRINITY CCE

Newsletter

DECEMBER 2023

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Adoration
3 1st Week of Advent Christmas Parade <i>O Come Emmanuel</i> 	4	5	6 CCE	7 CCE	8 Holy Day of Obligation Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary Mass 6pm	9 Mass 5pm
10 2nd Week of Advent <i>Prepare the way for the Lord</i> 	11	12 Our Lady of Guadalupe Rosary 9am Mass 6pm	13 CCE <i>Gift Exchange Parties @ CCE \$10 limit</i>	14 CCE	15 CHRISTMAS CHOIR REHEARSAL 6:15PM Family Game Night 7:30pm 	16 Mass 5pm
17 GAUDETE SUNDAY 3rd Week of Advent <i>Rejoice for The Lord is near!</i> 	18	19	20	21 CHRISTMAS CHOIR REHEARSAL 6:15PM	22  PAGEANT REHEARSAL 6:30PM	23 Mass 5pm
24 4th Week of Advent  Christmas Childrens Pageant 4:30pm Christmas Eve  Mass 5pm Christmas Carols 11:30pm followed by Midnight Mass	25 Christmas Day Mass 9am	26	27	28	29	30 Mass 5pm
31 The Holy Family Mass 8:30 & 10:30am	1 Jan. 2024 Mary Mother of God 9am & 6pm	<p><i>The 4th week of Advent falls on December 24th. We attend 4th Sunday of Advent Mass & a Christmas Vigil and/or a Christmas Day Mass. Children's Christmas Pageant 4:30pm 12/24</i></p> <p>4th Sunday of Advent Mass Times: Sat 12/23 5pm or 12/24 Sun. 8:30 & 10:30am</p> <p>12/24 Christmas Vigil Mass Sunday 5pm Christmas Carols 11:30pm Midnight Mass 12am 12/25 Christmas Day Mass 9am</p>				
<p>Join us <i>Game Night</i>  With Hoang! Family fun! Pizza & Games! Fri., Dec 15th 7:30pm</p>		CATECHIST DAY OUT: Rescheduled to February				

Prepare for the transformation of The Mass

The Implanted Word James 1:21 By Bishop R. Barron

The **Word of God** is a law, **a way of ordering one's life**. Its purpose is to protect the great good of moral excellence, so as to **make life more joyful and perfect**. If you told a child to go out on the golf course and just swing the club any way he saw fit, he'd have no respect for the game, and he would never move into the beauty of it. In a very similar way, **the moral life, if left unstructured and unformed, would be trivialized**. This is evident in much of contemporary culture.

But take it a step further: in *the really good baseball player, the laws of baseball do not remain external to him*, but **rather are inserted into his very being, becoming second nature to him**.

So James tell us that the **Word of God must be implanted in us. God's law is meant to become second nature to us—bone of our bone and flesh of our flesh**.

ADVENT 2023

The First Week of Advent: Dec 3rd *light the 1st purple candle

Scripture Reflection: "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined."

Isaiah 9:2 *pause for reflection

Advent Wreath Prayer: Dear Jesus, you are the hope in our messy world. This Advent, help us slow down, listen to your voice, and focus on what's really important. We place our hope in you as we prepare our hearts to celebrate your birth on Christmas. Amen.

The Second Week of Advent: Dec 10th *light the 1st & 2nd candles

Scripture Reflection: "And Joseph also went up from Galilee, from the city of Nazareth, to Judea, to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and lineage of David, to be enrolled with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. And while they were there, the time came for her to be delivered. And she gave birth to her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn." Luke 2:4-7 *pause for reflection

Advent Wreath Prayer: Dear Jesus, you entered our world on Christmas as the Prince of Peace. This Advent, as we strive to become the-best-version-of-ourselves, fill us with a deep and abiding peace. Help us share that peace with everyone we encounter, especially those who need it most. Amen.

The Third Week of Advent: Dec 17th *light the 1st & 2nd candles & pink candle

Scripture Reflection: "And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them." Luke 2:20

*pause for reflection

Advent Wreath Prayer: Dear Jesus, help us focus on you during this busy season. May we stay aware of the joy you bring into our lives. We want to find you in the everyday moments and come with hearts of gratitude to your manger on Christmas. Amen.

The Fourth Week of Advent: Dec 24th *light all four candles

Scripture Reflection: "And the angel said to them, 'Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.'" Luke 2:10-11 *pause for reflection

Advent Wreath Prayer: Dear Jesus, may the light of your love always shine in our hearts. As Christmas draws closer, we marvel at your great love for us. Let your love transform every aspect of our lives and touch everyone we encounter. Our hearts are open to you, Jesus. Amen.

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