



BLESSING PRAYER FOR THE ADVENT WREATH

Creator of Life, Source of all Energy and Light,
the ancients saw the sun
as a great fire wheel rolling across the sky.
May our Advent wreath, this small wheel of green,
be for us a symbol of the sun
and of the Son of God.

May its ever-greenness
be a sign of life and of light
in the midst of the darkness of approaching winter.
May the candles that burn brightly upon it
remind us of Your Son, Jesus,
who is the light of the world.

Grant, Loving God, that this our Advent wreath
may be for us and for all who visit our church
a sign of faith in a world grown cold with disbelief,
a symbol of hope in a time of gloom and despair
and a flaming image of love
in times of mistrust.

May all who look upon this symbol of Advent
be encouraged to prepare their hearts
for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
May this green wreath with its bright candles
help us to prepare for the real Christmas
which happens within our hearts.

May, then, Your blessing – Creator of Life,
Son of Glory and Spirit of Love –
be upon this Advent wreath and upon our homes. Amen.

Ed. Hays, Prayers for the Domestic Church

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Provided by OLPH Food Pantry/St. Vincent de Paul. | Serves residents of zip 63107, 63115 and 63147.
OPEN: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday from 9am-noon, located on 4335 Warne Ave. 314.535.9794.

Note: phone answered only during operating hours. For information on donating or volunteering, please go to www.helpstlouis.org.

Most Holy Trinity Parish

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*The days are coming, says our God,
when I will fulfill the promise I made...
...Judah shall be safe and Jerusalem shall dwell secure...*

Be attentive at all times

*Thessalonians 3:12-13
Luke 21:34-36*



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MISSION: We are a people graced by God, who come together as a community of faith, supporting each other as we live and celebrate the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Parish Mass Schedule: 9:30 AM Sunday

The days are coming, says our God, when I will fulfill the promise I made. – Thessalonians 3:12

Advent offers expectant delight. We feel the excitement of the coming days.

During Advent we treat ourself and our community by taking an Advent breather. We fill our spirit with Advent joy, love, hope, and peace. We rediscover God in our midst. God is here to gift us with strength and courage to persevere in our journey of faith. We rejoice!

– S. Janice



PLEASE PRAY FOR: Ed Deason, Tom George, Mary Lee Howard, Ethel Long, Joetta Lukowski, Mary Meyer, Amanda Suchara, John Towles, Mary Whitehead, and the Tracy and Usanga families.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 9:30 AM:

Presider: Father Dan Kern

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 9:30 AM:

Presider: Father Gerry Kleba

Lectors: Mattie & Kenneth Patterson

Eucharistic Ministers: Donna Lindsay & Brenda Tillman

STEWARDSHIP 11/21/2021: \$0.00

DECEMBER 5: ANOINTING OF THE SICK

God offers this sacrament which often quiets anxiety and dissipates fear. It bestows peace and confidence in God.

The essence of the sacrament is the anointing of the forehead and hands as the following prayer is prayed: "Through this holy anointing may our loving God, who frees you, save you and raise you up." We respond, "Amen." Together celebrate the sign of God's great merciful and healing love.

AWESOME ADVENT ACTIVITY: Today after mass we gather creating a craft, enjoying carols and refreshments and celebrating Advent, season of joy.

MASS INTENTION

Sunday, November 28, 9:30 am:

Rich Bialczak Family & Joanne George

MONDAY, DECEMBER 6 - ST. NICHOLAS:

The patron saint of generosity invites evergreen extravagance in loving and in giving the gifts that God has generously given.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7: PEARL HARBOR

REMEMBRANCE DAY: Today, survivors, veterans and visitors from all over the world, come together to honor and remember those who perished in the attack at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii in 1941. On this day we pray for peace in every country.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8: FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY, PATRONESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

Mass at 12:10 in church; Presider: Father Dan Kern. This feast celebrates the great joy of God's gift to humanity in Mary. We recognize that all are created by God and each person has a particular mission.

Every person is called to respond to God in their own vocation. May Mary's "Let it be done to me according to Your Word," response to the Angel Gabriel's greeting be the response of all Christians.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, December 12

Parish Council Meeting in the Rectory after Mass.
2nd Sunday of Advent & Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Sunday, December 19

3rd Sunday of Advent
Mass for Richard Eichenberger on the first anniversary of his death.
Decorating of the Church for Christmas

Friday, December 24

Midnight Mass; Carols begin at 11:30 pm.

Saturday, December 25

Christmas Mass, 9:30 am

Sunday, December 26

Mass, 9:30 am Feast of the Holy Family.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY and God's Blessings

DECEMBER

- 8 Patty Whaley
- 11 John Kelly
- 15 Thomas Young
- 21 Daecia Lindsay
- 22 Tim Ohmeyer
- 24 Carol Nowak
- 28 Rosalind Robinson



NATIONAL BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH—SISTER ANTONA EBO

In 1965, **Sister Antona Ebo**, nurse and director of medical records at St. Mary's Infirmiry in St. Louis, traveled with an ecumenical delegation from St. Louis to Selma, Alabama to demonstrate support of black voting rights. As the only black nun in the interracial group and the first of two black sisters who marched in Selma, Sister Ebo's presence drew attention.

Surrounded by a group of black ministers, who had singled her out from the St. Louis delegation, Sister Ebo declared to reporters: "I am here because I am a Negro, a nun, a catholic, and because I want to bear witness. I'm here today because yesterday, in St. Louis, I voted."



FLOWER MEMORIALS

Honor a loved one with beautiful poinsettias that will adorn our church for the Christmas season. Complete the slip below, put in a plain envelope with your donation, and place it in the collection basket. Your donation helps defray the cost of flowers.

YOUR NAME

NAME OF PERSON HONORED