



**IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**Sunday Bulletin
1st Sunday Advent**

Parish Priest: Father Jeyapaul Packiasamy

cont'd from front...

Though we sit in the darkness, overshadowed by death, we have seen arise the great light of our Lord who has come into our midst (see Matthew 4:16; John 1:9; 8:12). He is the true light, the life of the world. And His light continues to shine in His Church, the new Jerusalem promised by Isaiah in today's First Reading.

In the Church, all nations stream to the God of Jacob, to worship and seek wisdom in the House of David. From the Church goes forth His word of instruction, the light of the Lord—that all might walk in His paths toward that eternal day when night will be no more (see Revelation 22:5). By our Baptism we have been made children of the light and day (see Ephesians 5:8; 1 Thessalonians 5:5–7). It is time we start living like it—throwing off the fruitless works of darkness, the desires of the flesh, and walking by the light of His grace. The hour is late as we begin a new Advent. Let us begin again in this Eucharist. As we sing in today's Psalm, let us go rejoicing to the House of the Lord. Let us give thanks to His name, keeping watch for His coming, knowing that our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.

Yours in Christ,

Scott Hahn, PhD
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Crusade Prayer (21) Thanksgiving to God the Father for the salvation of mankind

We praise you and thank you, O Holy God, the Almighty creator of mankind, for the love and compassion you have for humanity. We thank you for the gift of salvation you bestow on your poor children. We beg you, O Lord, to save those who follow the evil one and that their hearts will be opened to the truth of their eternal life...Amen.



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MASS TIMES

SUNDAY	11:00 am
Rosary	10:30 am
Monday	9:00 am
Tuesday	9:00 am
Wednesday	9:00 am
Thursday	9:00 am
Friday	7:00 pm
Saturday	7:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Friday 7:30 – 8:15 pm
and by appointment

ADORATION

Friday 7:30–8:15 pm

Sunday Mass Readings

1st Reading	Jeremiah 33.14-16
2nd Reading	1 Thessalonians 3.12-4.2
Responsorial	Psalm 25
Gospel	Luke 21.25-28, 34-36

Submissions for the Sunday Bulletin
before 5:00 pm Thurs to
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In a Dark Hour

Jesus exaggerates in today's Gospel when He claims not to know the day or the hour when He will come again. He occasionally makes such overstatements to drive home a point we might otherwise miss (see Matthew 5:34; 23:9; Luke 14:26).

His point here is that the exact "hour" is not important. What is crucial is that we not postpone our repentance, that we be ready for Him—spiritually and morally—when He comes. For He will surely come, He tells us—like a thief in the night, like the flood in the time of Noah. In today's Epistle, Paul too compares the present age to a time of advancing darkness and night....cont'd on reverse.



**1st Sunday Advent
11-28-2021**

*Parish Pastoral Council meets 1st Tuesday after Mass at 7pm; no meeting July or August
Parish Financial Council meets 2nd Tuesday after Mass at 7pm; no meeting July or August
CWL meets 4th Tues after Mass at 7pm; no meeting July or August*

**Sunday Collection 11-21-2021 = \$ 452.00...1,200.00 NEEDED
Collection Count for December 2021 – Ron + Rose Major**

Date	Lector/Reader 1	Lector/Reader 2	Gift Bearer	Cross Bearer	Music	Advent Candle Lighting
11-28-2021	Ron Major	Sharon Lagace	TBA	Ray Wald	Carmen + Mona + Crew	John + Mary Vavrek
12-05-2021	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	Pat Zmean + Chelsea Pal	TBA
12-12-2021	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	Pat Zmean + Chelsea Pal	TBA
12-19-2021	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	Carmen + Mona + Shirley + Crew	TBA
12-24-2021	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	Carmen + Mona + Shirley + Crew	TBA
12-25-2021	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	Mary + Vella + Crew	TBA
12-26-2021	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA

Parish Feast Immaculate Conception Dec 8th

Adoration 1:00 -6:30 pm; Rosary 6:30 pm
and Mass at 7:00pm

Christmas Decoration of Church

Dec 12th after Mass. Kindly lend a hand. Thank you

Advent Penitential Service and Confessions

Dec 17th 7pm – 8pm

Feasts and Saints of the Week

Tuesday Nov 30, 2021 St. Andrew
Friday Dec 3, 2021 St. Francis Xavier

Quote of the Week

“This Christmas when Christ comes will He find a warm heart?
Mark the Season of Advent by loving and serving others with God’s
own love and concern?”...St. Theresa of Calcutta



Christmas Eve Dec.24th Bezanson 5:00 pm
Christmas Eve Dec 24th Sexsmith 8:00 pm
Christmas Day Dec 25th Sexsmith 11:00 am

Mass Intentions for Nov 28 - Dec 1-5, 2021

	Offered By	Offered For
Sun	Ken + Arlene Salacki	Shayla 5 th Anniversary
Mon		
Tue		
Wed		
Thu		
Fri		
Sat		



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Brooklynne Russell and for all the sick and needy
in our community.

Alberta-Mackenzie CWL Advent Retreat (Zoom)

Theme: A Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission
Date: December 13, 2021, 7 – 9 pm
Facilitator: Sandra Prather

Prayer for Blessing of the Advent Candle and Wreath

Lord our God, we praise You for Your Son, Jesus Christ.
He is Emmanuel, the hope of all peoples; He is the wisdom that
teaches and guides us; He is the Saviour of every nation.
O God, let Your blessings come upon our community gathered here
before You. Bless us and our advent candles.
May the light that shines forth from them illumine our way as we
journey towards Christmas.
May the light that shines forth from them illumine our lives as we wait
in hope for the birth of Christ Jesus. We ask this through Christ who is
the Light of the World....Amen

Synod on Synodality 2021-2023...The Synod on Synodality is a 2-year
process that began with a solemn opening in Rome on Oct 9. Every
parish in the world will join this process by conducting “Listening
Gatherings’ In small groups the Catholics around the world will reflect
on this fundamental question: “The church in announcing the Gospel
together journeys together. How is this journeying together happening
today in your particular church? What steps the Holy Spirit invites us to
take in order to grow in our journeying together?” We will in the coming
months share our journey in small groups. This process in parish and
diocesan level will end with Easter 2022

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