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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil

7:00 p.m. Spanish (piano & cantor)

Sunday

8:00 a.m. English (organ & cantor)

9:30 a.m. Spanish (piano & choir/cantor)

11:30 a.m. English (organ & choir/cantor)

1:30 p.m. Vietnamese (keyboard & choir)

Weekdays	8:30 a.m. Spanish (Mon-Fri.)	12:10 p.m. English (Mon-Fri)
	7:45 a.m. Vietnamese (Thu & Sat)	

CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION

All those who are called to follow Jesus in the Catholic faith along with Catholics already baptized (adults, youth & children) who desire to celebrate the sacraments of First Confession, First Communion and Confirmation can make contact with the coordinator of this area for information about the various programs available. Registration for these programs are announced in the bulletin during various times of the year. Also appointments can be made in the parish office at anytime.

Parents wishing to baptize their children (ages 1-5) are invited to make an appointment in the parish office to speak with a staff member in order to make arrangements for participating in the Baptismal Program.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS)

Saturday 4:00-5:00 p.m. and at the parish office by appointment.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married should call for an appointment six months in advance of the wedding.

VISITS TO THE SICK

In emergency, call the parish office at any hour. Please inform the office of sick or homebound who desire the sacraments.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to all parishioners.

We encourage all parishioners to register at our parish office. We invite new parishioners to make an appointment to meet a member of the parish staff.

ST. NICHOLAS OF TOLENTNE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Grades Kindergarten - 8. For registration information call the school office at (718) 364-5110.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00 a.m. - 12 Noon open (12 pm - 1 pm closed)

1:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. open (5 p.m. - 6 p.m. closed) 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. open

SATURDAY 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

SUNDAY 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THE PROMISE OF JUSTICE

We are in fairly good company when we ask God for justice. Often enough we hear and agree with the lament of the people of Israel asking God why the wicked prosper. However, when we call out for justice, we usually want someone to get his or her comeuppance. God's justice is something other than this, of course. God's justice comprises a wonderful rightness between God and human-kind.

Today, Jeremiah looks ahead to a time when a just one will sprout from the shorn-off stump of Jesse of the house and family of David. Life was not fair in Jeremiah's time. Israel's kings held the promise of God's fidelity, but it was difficult to see how God's promise could be realized through them.

Nevertheless, Jeremiah lifts his voice and announces that the Promised One will come. Luke's Gospel echoes that announcement, and Paul is filled with sturdy encouragement. And so Advent begins with a promise.



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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The days are coming when the LORD will fulfill the promise made to Israel and Judah (Jeremiah 33:14-16).

Psalm — To you, O Lord, I lift my soul (Psalm 25).

Second Reading — Abound in love for one another and for all (1 Thessalonians 3:12 — 4:2).

Gospel — Stand erect and raise your heads; your redemption is at hand (Luke 21:25-28, 34-36).

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Occasionally, someone raises a surprised complaint that while Christmas arrives on Santa's sleigh at the Macy's parade on Thanksgiving Day, the Church doesn't catch on too fast. They may even say that Advent is a new-fangled idea. Not so. To trace its beginnings, we have to go back to the fourth or fifth century in France (then Gaul), when Epiphany was the favored day, next to Easter, for baptism. The old pagan structures of Rome were collapsing then, and many people sought to be baptized. Since adults always prepared for baptism by fasting, folks counted back a few weeks for a kind of retreat. Before too long, bishops were advising everyone to attend church frequently beginning on December 17. Soon, artists were imagining ways of expressing the Advent mystery, and in Italy this gave rise to beautiful mosaics of empty thrones awaiting the arrival of the Lord of all creation.

Advent as we know it develops on two separate tracks: the first having to do with our spiritual preparation for celebrating the Christmas feast, and the second having to do with the way this is organized and expressed in the liturgical readings and prayers every day of the season.

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday

First Sunday of Advent; Hanukkah begins

Monday

St. Francis Xavier

Tuesday

St. John Damascene

Thursday

St. Nicholas

Friday

St. Ambrose; First Friday

Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

Saturday

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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FIRST FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2018
9:15AM - 8:00PM

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LECTORS SCHEDULE

DATE	8:00 AM	11:30 AM
Dec 2	Marilyn Torain Genevive Persaud	Edras de Jesus Eugene Mananga
Dec 9	David Le Marilyn Torain	Camille Luke Melissa Rivera-Jovel
Dec 16	Genevive Persaud David Le	Charles Dzubinski Andre Johnson

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

DATE	8:00 AM	11:30 AM
Dec 2	Rosa Susana Bethzabe Vera	Marilyn Martin Dhariana De La Cruz
Dec 9	Yvonne Ebea Rosa Susana	Fitzroy Williams Camille Luke
Dec 16	Bethzabe Vera Yvonne Ebea	Marilyn Martin Ed Nolan

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK
DECEMBER 3, 2018

Monday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11
 Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
 Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37
 Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
 Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
 Saturday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
 Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
DECEMBER 3, 2018

Monday
8:30am Andres Manuel Castillo Castillo (D)
 Gioan Kim (D)
12:10pm
Tuesday
8:30am
12:10pm Daminh Phu (D)
Wednesday
8:30am
12:10pm Joseph Magavero (D)
Thursday
7:45am LH Maria The (D)
8:30am Teofilo Gonzalez Sosa y Todas las Almas Benditas
 Gioanbaotixita & Ana (D)
12:10pm
Friday
8:30am Gina Vil (L); Divino Niño Jesus y Jesus de la Misericordia
 Marilyn Ortega (D)
12:10pm
7:00pm
Saturday
7:45am LH Maria Nhuan (D)
7:00pm Fausto Guillermo Cornielle Cabral (D); Papo Garcia (D); Jose Garcia, Rafael Flores, Anita Rodriguez, Padre Antonio Aldama, Ernestina Lucero (D)
Sunday
8:00am People of SNT
9:30am Valentin Morel & Gilberto Romero (D); Anderlis DeJesus Martinez (D)
11:30am Margaret Connolly, John & Eileen Larranaga, Susan Pelini (D)
1:30pm Phero Quy (D)

We pray for the People of St. Nicholas of Tolentine.

We pray for the sick:

We pray for the dead: Felicia Francis Rasaki

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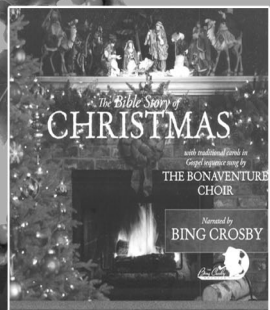
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