# COMING UP... MARK YOUR CALENDERS...

- Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary -Holy Day of Obligation | December 8<sup>th</sup>, Confessions: 11:00AM. Mass: 12:00PM, Solemn Vespers at 5:30pm followed by Mass at 6:00pm
- The Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ | December 24<sup>th</sup>, Confessions: 11:00AM, Mass: 4:00PM & 6:00PM(Spanish)
   December 25, Lessons and Carols Service followed by Midnight Mass: 11:30PM, Mass: 10:00AM
- Spiritual Conference: "Fulfilling the Promises of Confirmation" with Dr. Jeff Anderson, February 4-5, 2022
- Saturday, January 1, 2022, The Solemnity of The Mother of God-Holy Day of Obligation | Confessions: 11:00AM and Mass: 12:00PM

# DEAD THEOLOGIAN'S SOCIETY SCHEDULE

Held in the Parish Life Center from 6pm-8pm every other Sunday. These meeting are for the high schoolers of the Parish. This will include a social gathering, a Saint focus, and opportunities for Adoration, prayer and confession.

- Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup> | The Mighty Scapular with Sister Rita Marie, SSEW
- Sunday, December 19th | TBD



Get updates on whats happening in the parish via text & email. Use the following link to sign up on Flocknote:

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#### ST. THERESA OF THE CHILD JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH SERVANTS

Rev. Fr. Gray Bean, PhD | Pastor

Rev. Silverio Rubio Roman | Hispanic Ministry

Miss Gabriella Paffumi | Parish Secretary

Mrs. Julia Rubio | Children/Youth Faith Formation and Evangelization

Mr. John Martignoni | Adult Faith Formation and Evangelization

Mr. Fredrick Pollman, Mrs. Deborah Garcia, Mrs. June Clark &

Mr. Derek Kluz | Liturgical Music

Mr. Colin Fach | Coordinator of Youth DTS

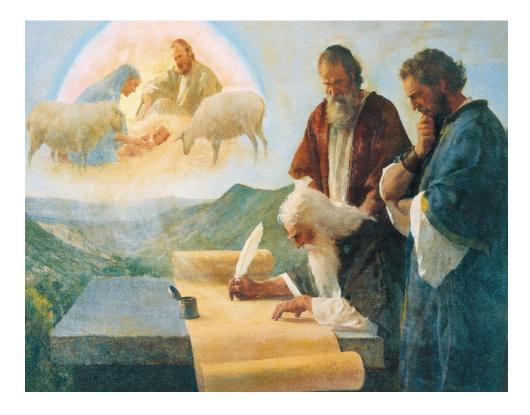
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Janitorial Services | Mrs. Minerva Bueno

Finance Council | Mr. Donny Grundhoefer, Mr. Mark Musgrove & Mr. Ernie Paffumi

NOVEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup> 2021 | 1<sup>ST</sup> WEEK OF ADVENT

# St. Theresa Of the Child Jesus Roman Catholic Church



"For this reason, the Lord himself will grant to you a sign. Behold, a virgin will conceive, and she will give birth to a son, and his name will be called Immanuel."

-ISAIAH 7:14

# **WEEKLY EVENTS**

#### **SUNDAY**

Faith Formation for Children and Adults 9:00am in PLC

#### Dead Theologian's Society |

Every other Sunday in PLC. See bulletin or website for current schedule.

#### **TUESDAY**

**Legion of Mary** | 10:00am in PLC Library

#### **WEDNESDAY**

Mid-Week Vespers | 5:30pm in the Church

#### **THURSDAY**

Fr. Bean's Book Club | 10:00am in Martin Hall

**Alzheimer's Support Group** | every 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday at 6:30pm in Martin Hall

# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE UPCOMING WEEK

November 30<sup>th</sup> (12:00pm) Arleen Wong (RIP)

December 1st (12:00pm) Debbie Supernaugh

December 2<sup>nd</sup> (12:00pm) Erin Reardon

December 3<sup>rd</sup> (12:00pm) Jim Link (RIP)

December 4<sup>th</sup> (12:00pm) Ruby & Doc Jakopich (RIP) | (4:00pm) Tom Shipman (RIP)

December 5<sup>th</sup> (8:00am) Arleen Wong (RIP) | (10:30am) Natalie Julian & Kim Parker Hagan

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# MASS AND SACRAMENT SCHEDULE

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass | Sunday: 8am, 10:30am, 2:00pm (Spanish)
Tuesday-Friday 12:00pm | Saturday: 12:00pm, 4:00pm

Reconciliation Schedule | Tuesday-Saturday 11:15am | Sunday: 9:00am

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: Tues-Friday following Mass

Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary: 30 minutes prior to every Mass 20 Decade Rosary every Wednesday at 10:30am

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Tuesday-Friday: 9am-5pm (Closed from 12:00pm-1:30pm for Mass)

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the church will have to start being locked at night and when not in use. A keypad is going to be installed in the side door, sometime at the beginning of December. If you would like the code, or have any questions you may call the church office.

Advent derives from the Latin *adventus* meaning 'arrival' or 'approach'. For thousands of years the world waited for the coming of the Messiah to redeem and to save the human race, restoring mankind's relationship to God.

We, too, experience this same longing for the coming of Christ. Spiritually, we long for the coming of Christ into our hearts as the Holy Spirit draws us into ever deepening relationship with Him; we also long for Christ in his Second Coming, when He will return physically to earth—as He promised—to restore all things to Himself.

Therefore, the Advent season has these characteristics: 1) Hopeful longing, 2) Joyful expectation, 3) Prayerful penance, and 4) Spiritual preparation. It looks to: 1) Salvation history of the past, 2) Our present redemption being accomplished, and 3) the future coming of Christ.

Advent connects us spiritually with God's <u>whole plan</u> of redemption through Jesus Christ.

#### DECEMBER 1ST 2021 | DOBBS V JACKSON SUPREME COURT CASE

- On January 22, 1973: abortion was made legal in the United States by the Supreme Court's decision on the Roe v Wade case.
- In 2018: Mississippi passed a law protecting unborn children after 15 weeks of gestation, when the baby has a heartbeat, eyes that open, ears that hear, and can move and kick.
- The law was challenged and the case, known as <u>Dobbs v Jackson</u>, is being heard by the Supreme Court.
  - Dobbs v Jackson is a landmark case that could potentially overturn the decision of Roe v Wade.
- On December 1, 2021 oral arguments for the case will be heard. A
  decision is expected in June 2022.

#### PRAYER FOR THE SUPREME COURT AND PROTECTION OF THE UNBORN

Holy Trinity, Source of Life and Truth, we entrust our nation to You. We ask for mercy for the decades of legalized abortion that has been permitted in our land and for healing for all those who have been wounded by it. We ask that the sacredness of every human life would be protected and upheld both in law and in culture. In a special way we commend to you the Justices of the Supreme Court. Please grant them clarity, wisdom, and courage to judge according to truth and right reason. Overthrow, at last, by Your power, the scourge of abortion in our land and usher in a new era of protection for the unborn. By the power of Christ's Passion, Death, and Resurrection, may Your justice be established on earth. Amen.