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St. Joseph, Pray for Us

November 28, 2021

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Bible Verse for November 28: Phil. 4:9

Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Stewardship Reflection:

*"Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."
John 18:36*

We celebrate Advent each year in preparation for the birth of Jesus, His first coming, as we await his second coming. What will you do differently this Advent season to grow in friendship and love with Jesus? How will you inspire others to do the same? Start by sharing your God story with others, especially those closest to you. Invite and accompany them on their faith journey this Advent.
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Mass Intentions:

Monday	Nov. 29	Dorin Hufnagel +	brother of Wendy Neigel-
Tuesday	Nov. 30	Patti-Ann Teindl +	
Wednesday	Dec. 1	Emile & Margaret Pallier +	
Thursday	Dec. 2	Carlos Monroy +	
Friday	Dec. 3	Jim Leask	
Saturday	Dec. 4	Alicia & Johnny Paraiso	healing and restoration to good health

Sunday, December 5, 2021:

Second Sunday of Advent

Saturday	Dec. 4	5pm	Jesus Mendosa +
Sunday	Dec. 5	9am	Stefanek Family +
Sunday	Dec. 5	11am	Victor Gallamos

thanks for becoming a Deacon. Thanks also to your family for letting you do so.

Please Pray for our Parishioners who have Health Challenges: Peggy Baker, Wade Baker, Margaret Boe, Bob Curley, Anne Dranchuk, Kathleen Ethier, Eugene Filiatrault, Paola Giacometti, Jean Hellier, Ken Hodge, Lilia Huff, Bruno Mannella, Lola Mannella, Diana Martin, Henry Merz, Mabsie Merz, Patricia Peters, Anna Peterson (mother of Nadia Dohan), Eugene Power, and Zachary Restiaux.

Accommodation Needed: After leaving her family in the Philippines and being here on her own for several years, Angie, Fr. George's housekeeper, is now looking forward to having her family join her. She is needing to find reasonably priced accommodation for 6. If you can help, please call Angie 604.621.5665.

JOY...Experience the Wonder: Mary's Meals Canada invites you to "JOY...Experience the Wonder." This free, online event features music, songs and stories for the whole family and launches Mary's Meals Canada's BIG FAMILY CHRISTMAS campaign to raise money to provide meals to more than 2 million children in 19 countries each school day. **Thursday, December 2 at 6pm.** Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events

Four & Four in Four: Young Adults Advent Retreat 2021: This flexible online retreat introduces participants to some fundamentals of prayer & spirituality. Over the four week period of Advent, each week includes a 1-hour prayer period (topic assigned) and online meeting with a Spiritual Director at a flexible day/time. **Begins Thursday, December 2 at 7pm.** Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events

Really Good Christians - They Go Easter and Christmas:

Understanding Occasional Religious Practice: Many Canadians are occasionally religious: they attend religious services occasionally rather than routinely and usually do so in connection with specific types of occasions, such as holidays, life transitions, and times of crisis. Sarah Kathleen Johnson explores its implications. Who are occasional practitioners? Why do they attend on these occasions? What can be learned from occasional practitioners about Christian worship. **Friday, December 3 at 7pm.** Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events

Advent 2021 Retreat for Ministry to Divorced & Separated:

Join the Archdiocese of Vancouver's Ministry to Divorced and Separated for their first in-person event, an Advent retreat with Father Mark McGuckin - "Prepare the Way of the Lord." "Advent is a time for arising. It is such a joyous season, such a loving season. Let us enter into its joy." (Servant of God, Catherine de Hueck Doherty). **Saturday, December 11 at 9:30am.** Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events

Christmas Blues - Healthy Relationship Series: Why do some people find the Christmas season difficult in spite of wanting to feel otherwise? Past Christmas experiences, loneliness and recent losses among other things contribute to the "Blues." We will explore some symptoms of this condition and what can be done to manage or even transform them! **Thursday, December 16 at 7pm.** Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events

Christmas Novena of Masses: We thank the Filipino community of St. Joseph's Parish for arranging the return of "Simbang Gabi" the nine-day Novena of Masses. The Masses will be in English. **Wednesday, December 15 to Friday, December 17: 7pm**

Saturday, December 18: 5pm

Sunday, December 19 to Thursday, December 23: 7pm

