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# In the Unexpected

"What could happen next?" How many times have you asked yourself that question in the past year? Though we most often use that expression when things don't seem to be going our way, this year it has been an expression of the constant changes to our world which the COVID-19 pandemic has wrought. But we might use the same expression to explain our feelings of being overwhelmed by blessings and good things, when the stars seem to align just right.

No matter what, we can say with certainty that tomorrow will not go exactly as we envisioned. Our lives are influenced by so many factors and the world around us is increasingly complex. Rather than be surprised by the unexpected, maybe we should expect the unexpected.

Living in this manner causes us to cherish more deeply the gifts we have been given. It helps us to live in the present and become mindful of those around us. Our relationships deepen. Our sense of responsibility builds. Our stewardship way of life finds new meaning and purpose.

This Advent will not be the same experience as last Advent. It remains to be seen what the coming days and weeks have in store for each of us. However, no matter what happens, Jesus Christ is there to welcome us to the unexpected. He will celebrate with us in joy and he will even feel our pain. You can count on the unexpected, but you can also count on Him to be there with you. He is now and forever, Emmanuel, "God with us." He is the expected in all things unexpected.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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# GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

November 29, 2020 1st Sunday of Advent

You are at the eye doctor and it's time for the peripheral vision test. You know the one. It's where you put your head up to a contraption and have to click a switch every time you see a squiggly line. If you don't concentrate and maintain optimal focus, you will miss them and skew the outcome of the test. You can easily find yourself with a diagnosis that really isn't accurate! Concentration and focus are key to succeeding with this evaluation. They are also key to developing a healthy, vibrant spiritual life. If we do not bring our full consciousness to the task, concentrate with all our might, be watchful and vigilant, we are not going to see God's loving presence flashing before our eyes!

That's why we need Advent. Let's face it. We can easily get distracted, focus on nonessential and superficial things and lose touch with what really matters. Our attentions wander. We daydream and even become a bit overwhelmed and tired. All of the stresses and demands of life consume us and we find ourselves constantly trying to play catch up rather than relishing the moment of the now. "Now" moments are so fleeting. They flash before us like those squiggly lines on a screen. Present moments go as quickly as they come but it is important to discover them and rest in them as often as we can. Though gone in a flash, these now moments of encounter with God teach powerful lessons and offer a grounding in truth that can be found nowhere else. It's the grace of Advent to become watchful and attentive because we are never sure when God will surprise us.

God loves surprises and love thrives on them! God's now moments of surprises come as tender instants of intimate connection where I find profound peace, experience joy, and rest in love. These are Advent times reflective of the now moments when Christ first was born, when God surprises us during every time we care to watch and when the great surprise of Christ's second coming dawns upon us all. But, to discover the grandeur and experience the awe of these now times, we have to be ready. We have to want to be there. We have to believe. And, we have to have the desire to soak in as much as we can in the time we have before us.

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<u>Christmas Eve</u>4pm 6:30 pm 10 pm

Christmas Day 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

\*This is the schedule as it stands now. Depending on varying circumstances it may change. In all likelihood the Eve schedule will remain as is. We may end up with One Mass on Christmas Day...time, covid, and all other factors will determine this. A finalized schedule will be made available on the 12th of Dec.

Thank you for understanding.



ear Parish Family,

So the season is upon us. The Church, all throughout the world, prepares for the Celebration of the Birthday of Jesus.

We too are making preparations—the outside of the Church is lit up, the Advent Wreath takes a formal place in the sanctuary and Music Ministry is gearing up for a concert. With all of the covid restrictions and guidelines we are working to make certain that everything is 100% for safety. This has been a massive job and has required so many work hours and concerns. I think we are ready to welcome in the holydays with celebration and Christmas Joy!

In the past we have had families light the advent wreath but we will not do this this year as it involves extra movement within the sanctuary. I am sorry about that.

This bulletin will also inform you that we have oplatky—for those who hold to the tradition. Details are in this bulletin. There is no set cost. We ask that you offer a donation to cover the expense (if you are able).

As we have no idea what December weeks will bring nor do we have any inclination of 'who' will be attending Christmas Masses we have included in this bulletin a **tentative** Schedule. With the present limitations imposed by the Governor on gatherings we are paying attention to this *day by day*. This has been difficult for everyone and pray God there is some relief ahead with a vaccine. We have to hold onto hope and keep our faith strong and sturdy in the midst of the challenges. What else is there to hold on to other than faith, trust, hope, and God's good grace!

I hope your Thanksgiving was blessed, peaceful and joyful. We will never forget the holidays of 2020. Thank you all again for your well wishes and your constant prayers for all of the parish. It has been a comfort. Thank you also for your continued concern for the parish and for one another!

At the beginning of 2021, I will give a detailed rundown on Project Endeavor. It is on covid-hold but just temporarily. Be assured we **are** forging ahead!

May these Advent Days bring peace, comfort and joy! Hold fast to the truth. Jesus Christ is Lord and we are brothers and sisters in faith!

Fr. Krizner, The Lily, Gracie, Cotton and (I think) 15 fish

November 29 2020
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**SUNDAY** 

8:00 AM intentions of Greg Tomaszewski

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11:45 Robert Hobbs



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# WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: When we say the Penitential Act at Mass, why do we strike our chest three times?

### **Answer:**

Our rituals and liturgical celebrations are filled with a variety of symbols, some of which also relate to our gestures and physical postures (e.g. kneeling, sitting, processing, making the Sign of the Cross). The custom of striking our breast three times during the "I Confess" of the Penitential Act of the Mass is one of those gestures that is loaded with symbolism.

The tradition of Christian's striking the breast (above the heart) is rooted in the image of Sacred Scripture, especially texts like Psalm 51 which speak of a "humbled contrite heart" or how God heals broken hearts, binding up our wounds (see Psalm 147:3). Early Christian writers like Saint Augustine of Hippo and Saint Jerome also refer to this custom in their writings.

Ultimately, this practice is an expression of our sorrow for those times when we have been guilty of faults and a sign that we are willing to take responsibility for our sins and failings. That we all perform this gesture together is also an act of solidarity, recognizing that none of us, regardless of where we are on our journey of faith, is without fault and the need for grace and forgiveness.

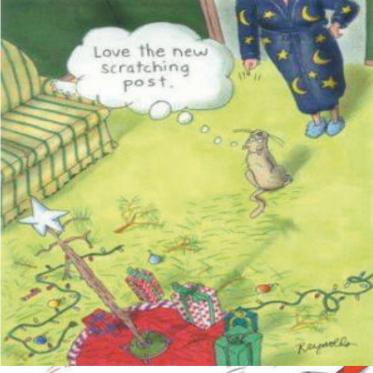
The next Sanctuary Candle will be lit for the intentions of those who have fallen away from their faith in the Lord and the Church.



# Christmas comes but once a year.....

# The holidays are here.

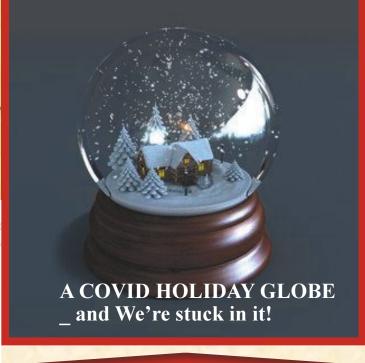




"Maybe Christmas," he thought, "doesn't come from a store. "Maybe Christmas . . . perhaps . . . means a little bit more!"

t's not Santa Claus' fault that people forget the Infant Jesus. Why does the world love Santa? First of all he's a joyous individual. People are attracted to jo9your individuals....Next, Santa is interested in making others happy. He increases the happy moments in the life of everyone he meets, He loves his work; he gets fun out of his job. He is childlike, simple, humble and forgiving. Finally, he is a giver. He is friend to everyone. He smiles. Perhaps you and I could attain greater happiness if we emulated Santa a little more, for his way is the way of the Infant Jesus, also." Msgr. Joseph P. Dooley Martins Creek,

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Andrew Don Bennett

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WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES - EN-GAGE PARISHIONERS IN DAILY MASS AND PRAY-

Readings for the week of November 29, 2020

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-Sunday:

16, 18-19 [4]/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10]/Mt Monday:

4:18-22

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/ Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf.

7]/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt

15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a

[26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-

31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf.

Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14

[8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

Observances for the week of November 29, 2020

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent Sunday: Monday: St. Andrew, Apostle

Tuesday: Wednesday:

Thursday: St. Francis Xavier, Priest

Friday:

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Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm Sunday: 8:00-10:00- and 11:45 Wednesday & Friday: 11:00am Holy Day Vigil: 7:00pm Holy Day: NOON and 7:00pm



#### **SACRAMENTS**

**Baptism** - following 11:45 Mass on the second and fourth Sunday of the month. Arrangements must be made in advance through the Parish Office. Baptism Class required for first child.

**Matrimony** –Congratulations! Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance with the priest.

**Sacrament of the Sick** - contact the Office for home visitations and Eucharist.

Reconciliation - .

**Eucharist Adoration** - twice a month after Tuesday 7:00pm mass

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| Sunday, NOVEMBER 15      | _8,426   |
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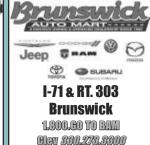




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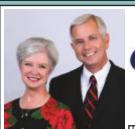


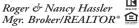
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