

*Saint Paul & Saint Patrick Catholic Parishes*  
*Mass Intentions, Prayer Opportunities & Stewardship*

**St. Paul**

**1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Saturday & Sunday - NOVEMBER 28 & 29**

4:30 pm—Dr. Gary Collins  
by Barbara & Bernie Collins

8:00 am—Tiffany Bishop  
by Ros Hardgrove

5:00 pm—Spanish Mass

**Monday - November 30 -**

8:30 am - Rita Stratton  
by K. of C. #1818

**Tuesday - December 1 –**

No Mass

**Wednesday - December 2 –**

8:30 am - Dan Saling  
by Larry & Peg Evans

**Thursday - December 3-**

6:30 pm - Donna Forney by OB Friends

**Friday: December 4-**

8:30 am - Agnes Tullis  
by Beverly J. Schrieber

**2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Saturday & Sunday - December 5 & 6**

4:30 pm—Anthony DiMuzio  
by Wife, Lucille

8:00 am—Mass for Parishioners

5:00 pm—Spanish Mass

*The Sanctuary Candle  
Burns This Week  
For Louis Mattevi  
By The Mattevi Trust*



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**St. Patrick**

**1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Sunday - November 29**

11:00 am—Danielle Crawford Walters  
by John & Janet Kulifay

**Tuesday—December 1**

6:30 pm—Beverly Billet  
by The Woods Family

**2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Sunday - December 6**

11:00 am—Roy Driscoll Jr.  
The Grier Family

**St. Patrick Lectors**

**Tues. & Sun. December 1 & 6**

6:30 pm Volunteer  
11:00 am Danny Fire

**ST. PAUL CHURCH MINISTRIES:**

**Sat. & Sun. December 5 & 6**

*Lectors: Ministers of Holy Communion:*

4:30 pm John Staudt Fred Wolken  
8:00 am Rose Bedell Fritz Schlueter

*Ushers:*

4:30 pm T. Briceland, E. Tkatch, T. Englert  
J. Staudt  
8:00 am B. Blubaugh, M. Belaney, B. Cody,  
J. Briceland

*The Sanctuary Candle at St. Patrick  
Burns This Week  
For Jerry Hanna Jr.*

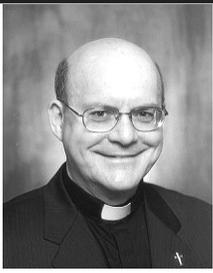


**ROSARY**

The Knights of Columbus will lead the rosary the first Saturday of each month at 9:00 am. Everyone is welcome.



## Salem & Leetonia, OH – November 29, 2020



Dear Friends,

### *Advent Blessings to All!*

Our Advent waiting for Christmas now will have a sense of security since we know that Father David Bonnar of Pittsburgh is our Bishop Elect. There is a similar sense of security in knowing that our Savior has come and that we are the recipients of the great love of God and a new covenant in Jesus Christ. Let us wait for him with his second coming with eager expectation.

This First Sunday of Advent is the beginning of our new liturgical year. Throughout the year our Sunday Gospel readings will be from the gospel according to Mark most of the time. John's gospel will help fill out the year.

I hope your Thanksgiving celebration was pleasant for you and your family. I pray you adjusted well to Thanksgiving during the pandemic.

I'm writing to you one week before Thanksgiving because of our bulletin deadlines, so since I don't know what else to say at the moment, enjoy the statement of our bishops from their meeting the week before Thanksgiving. Let us pray for each other, for the Church, and for our nation.

With love, prayers, and gratitude,  
Father Bob Edwards

WASHINGTON – Archbishop José H. Gomez of Los Angeles and president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has issued the following statement on the 2020 presidential election:

*We thank God for the blessings of liberty. The American people have spoken in this election. Now is the time for our leaders to come together in a spirit of national unity and to commit themselves to dialogue and compromise for the common good.*

*As Catholics and Americans, our priorities and mission are clear. We are here to follow Jesus Christ, to bear witness to His love in our lives, and to build His Kingdom on earth. I believe that at this moment in American history, Catholics have a special duty to be peacemakers, to promote fraternity and mutual trust, and to pray for a renewed spirit of true patriotism in our country.*

*Democracy requires that all of us conduct ourselves as people of virtue and self-discipline. It requires that we respect the free expression of opinions and that we treat one another with charity and civility, even as we might disagree deeply in our debates on matters of law and public policy.*

*As we do this, we recognize that Joseph R. Biden, Jr., has received enough votes to be elected the 46<sup>th</sup> President of the United States. We congratulate Mr. Biden and acknowledge that he joins the late President John F. Kennedy as the second United States president to profess the Catholic faith. We also congratulate Sen. Kamala D. Harris of California, who becomes the first woman ever elected as vice president.*

*We ask the Blessed Virgin Mary, patroness of this great nation, to intercede for us. May she help us to work together to fulfill the beautiful vision of America's missionaries and founders — one nation under God, where the sanctity of every human life is defended and freedom of conscience and religion are guaranteed.*

<https://www.usccb.org/news/2020/president-us-bishops-conference-issues-statement-2020-presidential-election>

#### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT FOR THE 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Like the man traveling abroad in today's Gospel passage, Jesus left the earth with the promise of returning one day. If Jesus is the man traveling, we are all the servants he put in charge while he is gone. Like the servants, we are charged with carrying out our own work. The aspect of stewardship we can easily forget is how we spend our time. Are we productive, as the servants were expected to be? Or do we leave work for others to complete while we waste our time? Good stewards know how to spend their time wisely.

Our parish has participated with parishes throughout the Diocese of Youngstown in making commitment to the **2020 Annual Bishop's Appeal**. Our parish goal is 100% participation. The Appeal is the primary funding source for Catholic Charities in our six-county diocese and helps to support various Church ministries. This year has been full of difficulties and challenges. Thank you to those members of our parish who have already responded. If you have not yet responded, please take some time to review the in-pew envelope or response card and prayerfully consider how you can participate: **PRAY, DONATE, VOLUNTEER**. During this season of Thanksgiving, we need your prayerful reflection and generous response.