# 15 December 2019 III Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)

Sunday Mass: Anticipated Sat. 4PM/Sun. 8 AM Ancient Rite Latin Mass

Sunday 9:30 AM & 11 AM

Confessions: See schedule on the opposite page

THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Tue. 17 Dec. St. Lazarus, whom Our Lord raised from the dead

8 AM For: Cary Michael Dunne+ (Birthday)

Req: His Family

Holy Rosary for the Unborn & Newborn

Wed. 18 Dec. The Expectation of the Bl. Virgin Mary

7 PM For: Donald McClellan+

Req: Dawn McClellan

Thu. 19 Dec. Bl. Urban V

8 AM For: Rocco Fatica (L.)

Req: Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Covino

Fri. 20 Dec. Sts. Abraham, Isaac & Jacob, Old Testament Patriarchs

8 AM For: Everett Vanderhoof+ (Birthday)

Req: Mr. & Mrs. John Vanderhoof

Sat. 21 Dec. ST. PETER CANISIUS, Priest, Doctor

8 AM For: Special Intention

4 PM For: Parishioners of OLGCC

Sun. 22 Dec. IV Sunday of Advent

8 AM For: Thomas & Bonnie Masset (L.)

Req: Allan Van Auken

9:30 AM For: Michael Armitage+

Req: Anne Johnson

11 AM For: Molly Breckenridge

Req: Our Lady's Sodality & Moderators

Servers for the weekend of 21-22 December:

Sat. 4 PM Ronald and Raymond Richmond

Sun. 8 AM: Trey and Joseph Murnane Sun. 9:30 AM: B. Johnson, R. Anderson Sun. 11 AM: N. Blehar, C. Anderson

#### CHRISTMAS CONCERT BY OUR CHOIR: THIS SUNDAY AT 4 PM

Come and be with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament and let the Choir fill your heart and soul with prayerful, uplifting and beautiful music to contemplate the Nativity.

#### CONFESSIONS BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Please, every parishioner, open your heart to the graces the Christ Child wishes to give you with a sincere Confession before Christmas

Mon. 16 Dec. 4-7 PM (The Light is On for You)

Wed. 18 Dec. 6:30-6:55 PM Thu. 19 Dec. 11-12Noon Fri. 20 Dec. 3-4 PM

Sat. 21 Dec. 7:30-7:55 AM: 2:30-3:30PM; 6:30-7:30PM

Tue. 24 Dec. 12Noon-1 PM

## MASSES FOR CHRISTMAS

Tue. 24 Dec. 4 PM Mass of the Vigil of Christmas

Tue. 24 Dec. 12 M Mass in the Night (Latin High Mass)

Wed. 25 Dec. 9:30 AM Mass at Dawn Wed. 25 Dec. 11 AM Mass in the Day

# THE VERONA AREA FOOD PANTRY

Packed boxes for 61 needy families in our area this past week. The boxes contained a full meal, breakfast items and other "goodies", including bags with candy, which our parish supplies, and Brenda Bender graciously makes. (One family has 15 children and another has 11). God bless all those who donated food, money, or time to make these Christmas boxes possible. The boxes were picked up on this Saturday by the families. Mozelle Vito calls them to remind them to pick up their box.

# **ALTAR SERVERS**

Please take a cassock and surplice home this week to be washed and pressed for Christmas. Bring them back for next weekend, please.

## **LECTORS**

If you are attending the 9:30 AM or 11 AM Mass on Christmas Day, please volunteer to read at that Mass.

# HOW TO MAKE A GOOD CONFESSION St. Francis de Sales

Go with confidence in the spirit of humility to make your confession. But I urge you, do not be troubled by any sort of anxiety. The scorpion that stings is venomous, but from its substance is extracted a remedy for the scorpion's bite. In the same way, sin is shameful when we commit it, but when reduced to repentance and confession, it becomes healthy and honorable. Contrition and confession are in themselves so lovely and sweet-savored that they wipe out the stain and disperse the stench of sin.

If we are truly humbly, we will grieve bitterly over our sins because they offend God. But we will find a welcome sweetness in accusing ourselves, because in doing so, we honor Him. And we'll find relief in revealing to the physician all the details of our condition.

When you come to your spiritual father, the Confessor, imagine yourself to be on Mount Calvary, at the feet of the crucified Savior, Whose precious blood is dropping freely to cleanse you from all your sin. Though His actual blood is no longer running down the Cross, yet the virtue of that outpoured blood is sprinkled over His penitents as they kneel in Confession. Be sure then, that you open your heart fully and put away your sins by confessing them. For to the degree that your sins are laid out, so will the precious merits of the Passion of Christ come in and fill you with blessings.

Tell your Confessor everything simply and straightforwardly, so you can thoroughly relieve your conscience. Then listen to the warnings and counsels of God's minister, saying in your heart, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'

(From Introduction to the Devout Life I, 19).