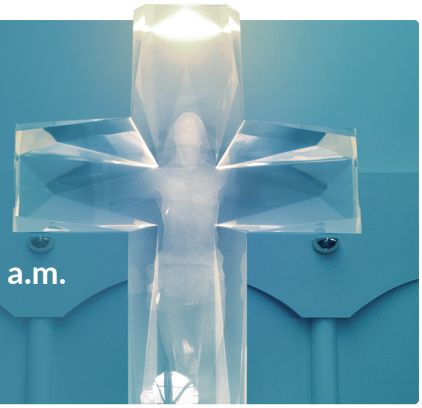
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WEEKEND MASS TIMES
Saturday 5 p.m. • Sunday 9 & 11 a.m.



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November 29, 2026

Dear Parishioners,

We now begin our four weeks of Advent followed by two weeks of the Christmas season.

There are many themes, but the overall theme is to be watchful and make a spiritual preparation for the coming of Jesus. Saint Bernard spoke of the three comings of Christ: the first coming, the historical and visible. The middle coming, which is now, present and hidden. The third coming, which is the final coming, in the future.

We are preparing for Christmas Day, but more importantly, we are preparing for seeing Jesus face-to-face at the end of our earthly pilgrimage. This is why we use our Advent season as both a time of joy and a time of penance.

Just as our earthly journey is filled with both joys and sorrows, so should our Advent journey be filled with times of joy and happiness, as well as times of fasting and restraint. Boy, that's hard to do, isn't it! But what a great metaphor for our earthly pilgrimage.

I hope you will participate in the many activities the parish offers for spiritual enrichment. As always, my prayers are with you, and I will especially be bringing your petitions before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Blessings,

Father Ken VanHaverbeke



Mass Intentions

Monday - - November 30
Romans 10:9-18 / Matthew 4:18-22

Tuesday - - 8:10 a.m. December 1
Isaiah 11:1-10 / Luke 10:21-24
†Frank Wegerer by Kay Wegerer

Wednesday Mass of Healing - - 5:30 p.m. December 2
Isaiah 25:6-10a / Matthew 15:29-37
†Virginia Wurzer by Lisa Jones

Thursday - - 12:00 p.m. December 3
Isaiah 26:1-6 / Matthew 7:21, 24-27
†Leroy Kraft by Kent & Jeanine Noah

Friday - - 8:10 a.m. December 4
Isaiah 29:17-24 / Matthew 9:27-31
†Susan Grelinger by Cathy Ashley

Saturday - - December 5
Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26 / Matthew 9:35–10:1, 5a, 6-8
9 a.m. †Greg Lohkamp by Roberta Cox

See Sunday Readings
5:00 p.m. *SI* James & Joseph Steigerwald by Dan Steigerwald

Sunday - - December 6/2nd Sunday of Advent
Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 / 2 Peter 3:8-14 / Mark 1:1-8
9 a.m People of the Parish
11 a.m. †Frank & †Margaret Baicl by Bill Bauck











The Holy Father has entrusted the following intention for November

For the proper use of wealth

Let us pray for the proper use of wealth,
that not succumbing
to the temptation of selfishness,
it may always be put
at the service the common good and
solidarity of those who have less.

Weekly collection period ending 11/23/26

Regular Tithe	$20,897.25
Annual Fund Drive	$920.00
St. Augustine Indian Mission	$1,389.00
SVDP Society	$745.00
Online/Electronic Giving	$9,077.00
Children's Collection	$77.75

From Father Ken

Advent Eucharistic Adoration Opportunities.
It is my goal this liturgical year to focus on the Eucharistic Lord and to bring Him into our lives, the church sanctuary, and parish life...mine included! I have made it a priority for myself too!
Here are some opportunities to spend time with the Blessed Sacrament:

-Every Tuesday from 9 am-9 pm

-Tuesday evening, December 1st, Adoration in the evening, with the Choir leading us in worship and meditation. Come for some, or all. 7-8:30 pm

-Saturday evenings in Advent: from 6:30 pm-7:30 pm. Eucharistic Adoration followed by benediction.

Save the Date!
The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation,
-Monday, December 7, 6 pm;
-Tuesday, December 8, Noon and 6 pm.
Adoration will also be that day!

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

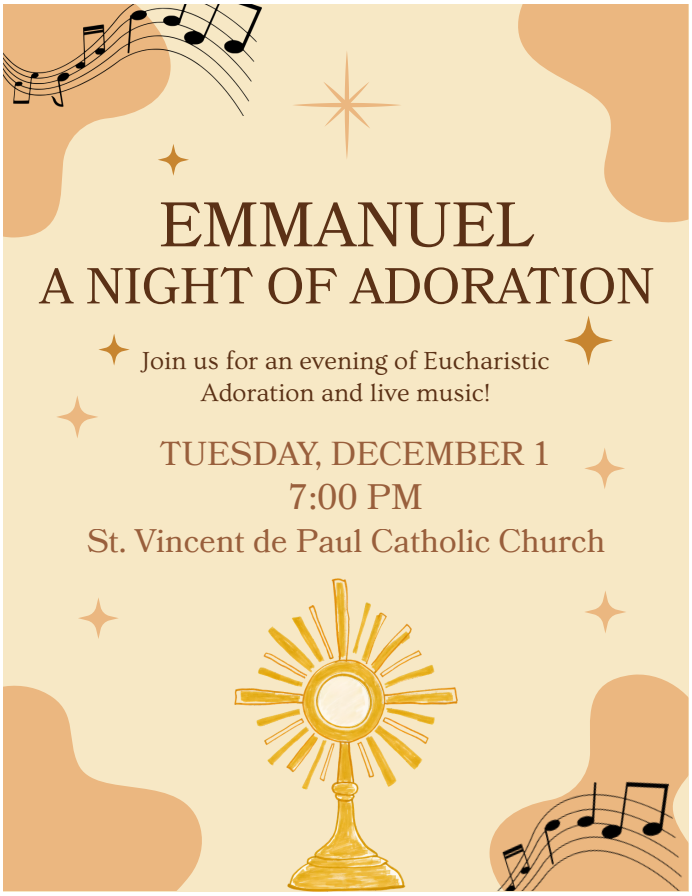
Thank you to the parishioners for their donations of hygiene products, and money for our recent World Day for the poor event.
Through your generosity, we collected 400 pounds of hygiene products and cash totalling $575.

These items were taken to the Andover Food Bank. They were very grateful for your generosity.

Memorial flower donations

Glenda Oates & Family honoring
James Oates, Jr. & Frances V. Southard









Q: I have been asked recently if I am Christian or Catholic? What kind of question is this, and how should I answer it.

You are right to be annoyed and find offense. Catholics are Christian, indeed the original Christians. We have been here all 2000 years, and are the Church founded by Jesus Christ himself. It is sadly true, that there are some who polemically and rhetorically ask, “Are you Catholic or Christian?” as if the two Categories were mutually exclusive. They are not. It would be like asking a certain man, “Are you male or human?” And of course, the answer is both and the question as stated is offensive.

The same answer is true here, that Catholics are also Christians. Unfortunately, not all Christians are Catholic. This is a countersign, because Christ founded one Church, and has one Body, he prayed for unity, not endless divisions. He did not found tens of thousands of different disputing denominations. He established one Church which he founded, and unified around his vicar, Peter and his successors, the popes who are designated to unify and strengthen the others whom the devil would sift (separate) like wheat (Luke 22:31).

The word “Catholic,” while often used as a proper noun, is also an adjective. The word catholic comes from the Greek and means “according to the whole.” And this is understood in at least two ways. First, the Church is Catholic, because we preach the whole counsel of Christ, not just certain favorite passages or popular viewpoints.

We are called to preach the whole Gospel, whether in season are out of season. Secondly, the Church is called catholic, because we are called to a universal outreach to all the nations. We are not just a church of a certain race or nation; we are called to go on to the ends of the earth and make disciples of all nations. The Church has a “catholic,” that is a universal, mission to everyone, thus, the Catholic Church is the Christian Church, and all Christians are called to be Catholic. It is for this unity that we must lovingly strive.

