



Church of the Good Shepherd

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December 1, 2024—First Sunday of Advent

PARISH INFORMATION

Mass Schedule:

Good Shepherd, Kent:

Saturday Vigil: 6:00 PM

Sunday: 11:00 AM

Weekdays: 6:00 PM Monday

8:30 AM Tuesday/Thursday

(unless otherwise noted)

Ss. Simon & Jude, Blairsville:

Saturday: 4 PM; Sunday: 9 AM

Weekdays: 8 AM Mon/Wed/Fri

Office Hours:

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 8 AM—2 PM

Wednesdays: Closed

Reconciliation:

Monday 5—6 PM during

Holy Hour, and by appointment.

To schedule Baptisms or
Weddings, please contact
the Parish Office.

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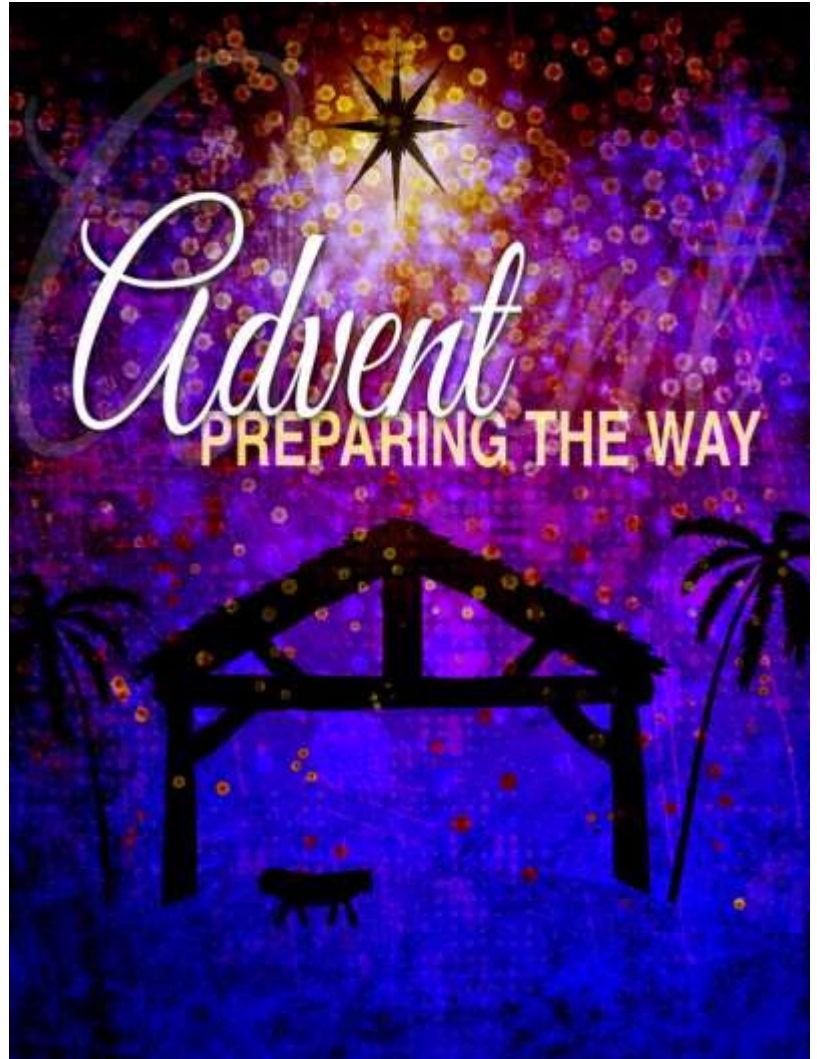
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Donations Needed for Live Nativity

We are accepting donations for the Live Nativity on December 13th and 14th. We could use cookies (bought or homemade), candy, hot cocoa mix, coffee, Christmas plates/napkins, small/large marshmallows, etc. Please place donations in the Server Sacristy. Monetary donations can be dropped off in the office.

Volunteers are also needed. Please contact the office with any questions.

Masses and Candles — Week of 12/1/24

First Sunday in Advent

Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25; 1 Thes 3:12—4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Saturday, November 30

6:00 PM | Mary Ann Somonick by Brother John

Sunday, December 1

11:00 AM | All the People of Good Shepherd Parish

Monday, December 2, Advent Weekday

Is 2:1-5; Ps 122; Mt 8:5-11

5:00 PM | Holy Hour (Adoration); Confessions

6:00 PM | Ronald Toldi by James & Denise Pencola

Tuesday, December 3, Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

Is 11:1-10; Ps 72; Lk 10:21-24

8:30 AM | Lillian Somonick by Son John

Wednesday, December 4, Advent Weekday

Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23; Mt 15:29-37

NO MASS

Thursday, December 5, Advent Weekday

Is 26:1-6; Ps 118; Mt 7:21, 24-27

8:30 AM | Paul Rogel by Ruth & Family

Friday, December 6, Advent Weekday

Is 29:17-24; Ps 27; Mt 9:27-31

NO MASS

Saturday, December 7, Saint Ambrose, Bishop

Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Second Sunday of Advent

Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

6:00 PM | Steve Mlinarich by Aidan Mlinarich

Sunday, December 8

11:00 AM | All the People of Good Shepherd Parish



Sanctuary Candle is lit in memory of **Maria Mara** by Janet Toldi

Good Shepherd Candle is lit in memory of **Brother Tom Cavalier** by Don & Kathy Cavalier

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From Fr. Dino's Desk

First Sunday of Advent Reflection

December 1. Texts: Jeremiah 33:14-16, Psalm: 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14, 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2, Luke 21:25-28, 34-36.

Living Advent: Vigilance in Love and Holiness.

Given our present experience of wars, poverty, natural disasters, some people conclude that the end of the world is at hand and are fearful. Rather than inviting fear of an imminent end, these same things call us to become more vigilant about the way we live and witness to the Gospel.

The second reading spells out quite clearly what our daily vigilance looks like. We are to abound in love, be blameless in holiness, conduct ourselves to be pleasing to God, receive instructions given “through the Lord Jesus.”

This Gospel is not really about the end of the world; it is about the completion of the Kingdom. The Second Coming is not a deadline; it is an invitation and incentive to live in a certain way in the present time. The Gospel calls us to be vigilant not about a future event but about a present way of living shaped by the Jesus before whom we stand. Our destiny is to share in the Son of Man's “great glory.”

This Week at Church of the Good Shepherd

Monday

6:45 PM Bible Study in Parish Hall

Sign-Up for Online Giving

If you have not tried online giving yet, scan the QR code or on one of our new Pew cards, and click Create a New account to get started.



Around the Diocese

Live Nativity Dec. 13-14 at Church of the Good Shepherd, Kent

We will hold a live Nativity Friday, December 13th, from 6-8 p.m. and Saturday, December 14th, from 7-9 p.m. Guests can drive or walk through. Caroling, a bonfire and refreshments are planned. A free-will offering will be collected for Catholic Charities' Children/Family Services Fund. See you there!!

INDIANA COUNTY YOUNG ADULT Trivia Night
with Br. Stephen Cantwell, OFM Cap.

THE EVENING WILL ALSO INCLUDE:
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Weekly:	\$ 1,458.00
Monthly	\$ 370.00
Loose:	\$ 25.00
Children:	\$ 11.00
Catholic Accent	\$ 127.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 49.00
For Improvements to Parish:	\$ 245.00
End of Year Giving:	\$ 920.00
All Saints:	\$ 5.00
All Souls:	\$ 10.00
Thanksgiving:	\$ 10.00
Online Giving:	196.00
Total Income:	\$ 3,426.00
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget:	\$ 4,242.83
Variance Over or (Under):	(\$ 816.83)
Fiscal Year-to-Date:	
Collected:	\$ 58,310.60
Needed to Meet Budget:	\$ 84,856.61
Variance Over or (Under):	(\$ 26,546.01)
Diocesan/Other Collections:	
Appeal for Retired Religious/Priests	\$ 25.00
Poverty Relief Fund:	\$10.00

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store, 4th St., Indiana

TOYS – Yes, the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store has toys for sale. The sale this week is BOGO on ladies' tops (excluding white tags) so you can get a few things for yourself too. Located in the BiLo Plaza on N. 4th Street in Indiana, store hours are Monday thru Saturday from 10am to 2pm with donations accepted at the back door from 10am to 1pm (as space permits).

Please continue to watch for further information in the bulletin and on Facebook (@SVDPIndianaPa).

To request assistance from SVdP, please call the SVdP hotline at 724-471-2210

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