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Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 22, 2024

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A Just Harvest serves a hot lunch every day. FHC donates the meal served on the SECOND THURSDAY of each month. Please scan the QR Code to sign up for FOOD DONATIONS.

NON-PERISHABLES may be dropped in the AJH bin in the Bell Tower (open M-F, 7a-3p) any time BEFORE the WEDNESDAY preceding the SECOND THURSDAY of the month.

PERISHABLES MUST BE LEFT in the bin ON THAT WEDNESDAY BY 7:30am to ensure they're usable when delivered that morning to the AJH kitchen.

VOLUNTEERS are also needed to SERVE the FHC lunch on that SECOND THURSDAY of each month. Volunteers are asked to be at AJH from 11:15 to 2:30 to help with set-up, lunch, and clean-up. Lunch is served 12-2. Each server is asked to bring 2-3 gallons of whole or 2% milk. Please use the SignUp below to volunteer.

The next donation date is WEDNESDAY, January 8, for the lunch that will be served on THURSDAY, January 9.

AJH also runs a pantry, providing food to roughly 175 households every week. Donations of NON-PERISHABLES are always welcome and may be put in the Bell Tower bin. Suggested: canned chicken, tuna, fruit and vegetables; cereal, rice, pasta.

Please contact Pam (pmpilgrim@comcast.net) or John (jmcenroe561@comcast.net) McEnroe with questions.

Sign up by scanning the QR code or by going to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0D49AAAE2EA75-ajustharvest#/>



SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Parishioners: Conor Carroll, Kevin Kenny, Max Bennett Fifer, Mary Ferguson, Tina Johnston, Matthew Morgan, Michele Bialobok, Bill McClintic, Patsy Callahan, Catherine Phelps, Andy Hick, Mary Fran Burke, Charie MacDonald, Tamara Tangney, Nancy Semerdjian, Cecilia Milotti, Gracie Iberle, Cullen Wishnow, Kayde Roberson, Dr. Peter Roberson, Bob Seebeck, Debbie Buck, Mary Mints.

Relatives & Friends: Miriam Kowalewski, Bruno Babiniec, Bernadette Turegano, Elizabeth Grace Molenda, Diane Meinke, Paul Glasser, Rick O'Donnell, John Minielly, Greg Edwards, Elizabeth Timm Preston, Braden Mattei, John Pratt, Jean Kalish, David Pemberton, Virginia Butler, Shayla Senesak, Don Kohlfeld, Thomas Chandle, Carole Herson, Christopher Johnston, Philip Hall, Brian McCann, Anne Marie Adreani, Rowan Collier, Lyn Law, James Anderson, Patricia Nickol, Sue-Gray Goller, George Pokhriyal, Viktoria Lozynska, Kaylee Southern, Jean Wilson, Barbara Byrne, Carolyn Riley, Madeline Chiodo, Sharon Saltz, Rosie Dee, Sarah Patzer, Ron Mace, Jimmy Harrigan, Tina Johnston, Jeanie Egmon, Stephanie DeBuoy, Fred Sontheimer, John McGuinness, Carmine Rende, Heather Tangney, Jo Ann Tousignant, Joseph Felicelli, Bennett Hatfield, Loyola Draine, Kathleen Leppert, Carrol Buccilla, Dorothy Alexander, Patrick Stanton, Daniel Stanton, Dan Douglas, Lisa Bruno.

REST IN PEACE

Virginia Braasch, *mother of Dan & Matt Braasch*

Nancy Thomas

May the faithful departed rest in peace.

BAPTISMS

Quinton James, *son of Jeffery & Deborah Saad*

Readings for the week of December 22, 2024

Sunday:	Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/ Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45
Monday:	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Lk 1:57-66
Tuesday:	Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/ Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Lk 1:67-79
Wednesday:	Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18 -25 Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 (Lk 2:11)/ Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15 -20 Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 (3c)/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
Thursday:	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22
Friday:	1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97: 1-2, 5-6, 11-12/ Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Saturday:	1 Jn 1:5-2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/ Mt 2:13-18
Next Sunday:	1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 (see 5a)/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

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Christmas & New Year Masses

RECONCILIATION

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CHRISTMAS EVE TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24:

3PM*, 5PM, 6:30PM & 10PM

CHRISTMAS DAY WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25:

7:30AM, 9AM & 10:30AM

**The 3pm Mass will be livestreamed*

NEW YEAR'S EVE TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31:

7:30AM AND 5:00PM

NEW YEAR'S DAY WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1:

7:30AM AND 9AM

Looking for a few helpers or families to help with our monthly Sunday Socials. These coffee and donut gatherings are scheduled on the Sundays of the Children's Mass Liturgy. Coffee and donuts are provided. Our schedule for this year is:



Feb. 9, March 9, April 6 and May 18.

If you would like to help us with one or two of these dates or would like more info, please contact Susan Marren (847) 651-6331, Colette Wetzel (847)987-5719 or Sarah Ryan (847)446-7646.



Usher volunteers needed, especially at the 7:30am Mass. If you'd like to help, please contact the parish office.



A reminder as we approach the end of the year!

For those over the age of 70½, you have a unique opportunity to make a significant impact while also benefiting from potential tax advantages through a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). A QCD allows individuals age 70½ or older to authorize their IRA administrator to make a direct transfer of funds from their IRA to qualified charities, **such as our parish, tax-free.** Here are some key benefits of a donation of this type from your IRA:

1. Reduce your taxable income: The amount transferred directly to charity does not generate taxable income, which may reduce your annual income level. This may help lower your Medicare premiums and decrease the amount of Social Security subject to tax.

2. Fulfill your Required Minimum Distribution: If you are 73 years old or older, your QCD can satisfy all or part of your *required minimum distribution.*

Simplicity: The process is straightforward—just instruct your IRA custodian to make the gift directly to Faith Hope. If you would like to ensure your contribution is received in the current tax year, it is best to initiate your Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) in early December!



FHC WOMEN'S GUILD

Soup for Homeless

WEDNESDAY 9:00-10:00AM

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THURSDAY 7:30-9:00AM

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Dates 2025
Jan. 8 & 9
Feb. 12 & 13
Mar. 12 & 13
April 9 & 10

Parish Center Kitchen - Sign Up Genius for Registration



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Retreat Leader: Fr. Michael Graham, SJ

Former Xavier University President (2001-2021); collaborator in the area of Jesuit Mission and Identity; ordained in 1988; entered the Jesuits in 1978.



**For more information,
contact:**

**John Iberle
708-525-2460**

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BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

Merry Christmas from Heaven By John Mooney

I still hear the songs, I still see the lights
I still feel your love on cold wintery nights.

I still share your hopes and all of your cares
I'll even remind you to please say your prayers.

I just want to tell you that you still make me proud
You stand head and shoulders above all the crowd.

Keep trying each moment to stay in His grace
I came here before you to help set your place.

You don't have to be perfect all of the time
He forgives you the slip if you continue to climb.

To my family and friends please be thankful today
I'm still close beside you in a new special way.

I love you all dearly now don't shed a tear
'Cause I'm spending my Christmas with Jesus this year.

First Friday Club of Chicago

Register Early for January 10, 2025

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Lester Munson

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First Friday Club of Chicago's Mission



Provide a forum for men and women to make connections between work, faith, values and issues that affect their daily lives.

Questions? Contact Judy Murphy @ 224-392-936 / firstfridayclubchicago.org



CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR ADULTS

In the Name of Jesus

Advent Program Starting December 3rd!



“What else have I in heaven but you? Apart from you I want nothing on earth. My body and my heart faint for joy; God is my possession for ever... To be near God is my happiness.”
- Psalm 73:25-28

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Welcome to

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*We are enriched by the growing diversity of our parish family.
Please call the Parish Office for registration information.*

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 21

8:00 Michael Bloomfield
5:00 Quinn & Snowy Stepan / Ann Gerlach Martin / Patrick McTigue

Sunday, December 22

7:30 Hannah Douaire McNulty, Anniv. / Tom Reger, Anniv.
9:00 Deborah McGrath
10:30 Larry & Barbara Dell
5:00 Aileen Miller / Rosa Casas

Monday, December 23

7:00 James Vaughan / Fran O'Donovan

Tuesday, December 24

7:00 Patrick McTigue
3:00 Fran O'Donovan / Celia Kanzer / Tomi Tangney
5:00 Dr. Malachi Flanagan, Peter Flanagan, Mel Flanagan / Jim White
6:30 Lester & Leona Meur
10:00 Muffy McDonnell Haley & Sean Haley

Wednesday, December 25

7:30 Bruce McKeever / Hartwig Family
9:00 John Pope / Possner / Spaulding & Hillsing Families
10:30 Sharon O'Sullivan

Thursday, December 26

7:00 Thomas & Marilyn Mints / Suzanne FitzSimons Reynolds

Friday, December 27

7:00 Walter & Selina McGuire / Richard Wright

Saturday, December 28

8:00 Len & Nan Kendall
5:00 Deceased Members of the Crane Family / Jim O'Sullivan

Sunday, December 29

7:30 Michael Patrick Sweeney, Anniv.
9:00 Inez & George Beucher
10:30 Florine Mendoza / Ron Frost
5:00 Kel & Terry Brennan

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- To contact the parish office by email, please email parishoffice@faithhope.org.
- To contact a staff member by email, use the initial of their first name, their full last name followed by @faithhope.org.
- All announcements for the weekend Masses must be submitted by 3 pm the Thursday prior to the weekend.

Schedule of Weekly Masses

Saturday: 5:00 pm (*Vigil Mass*)
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am & 5:00 pm
Monday - Friday (except Wednesdays): 7:00 am
Saturday: 8:00am

Holy Day Mass Schedule

Please consult the website or contact the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 8:30 am - 9:00 am in Church

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:45 am - 4:30 pm

Rosary

6:30 am and After the 7am Mass. All are welcome!

Adoration

Fridays until 9:30am

First Friday of the Month Adoration

Begins after the 7am Mass.

Next Weekend's Schedule - December 28 & 29, 2024 (*)Preaching

Liturgy	Sat - 5pm	Sun - 7:30am	Sun - 9:00am	Sun - 10:30am	5:00pm
Celebrant	Fr. O'Donovan	Fr. Stefanowski	Fr. Stefanowski	Fr. Neitzke	Fr. O'Donovan



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