

## Altar Society Notes November 29, 2015

May you all have a Happy Thanksgiving as you remember all you have to be thankful for. Don't forget that this time of year the food bank can always use extra food for those who are not as blest as others.

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday the General Altar Society Meeting will be postponed until December 5.

Duties change Tuesday December 1: Circle 7: Funeral Dinners; Circle 10: Albs and Altar Linens Circle 6: Coffee Hour; Circle 12: Fonts Circle 9: no duty

## Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus meet on the third Thursday of the month. All men of the parish are invited to join us. We have a brief meeting, followed by a hand or two of Texas Hold'em! Our next meeting will be on December 17, 2015. Mark your calendar and come check us out!

## Bingo

Join us for Bingo in the parish hall this afternoon from 2:00PM to 4:00PM. The pot is over \$300.00 and you can't win if you don't come. Hope to see you there.

## A prayer for the First Sunday of Advent

Come, long-expected Jesus. Excite in me a wonder at the wisdom and power of Your Father and ours. Receive my prayer as part of my service to the Lord who enlists me in God's own work for justice.

Come, long-expected Jesus. Excite in me a hunger for peace: peace in the world, peace in my home, peace in myself.

Come, long-expected Jesus. Excite in me a joy responsive to the Father's joy. I seek His will so I can serve with gladness, singing and love.

Come, long-expected Jesus. Excite in me the joy and love and peace it is right to bring to the manger of my Lord. Raise in me, too, sober reverence for the God who acted there, hearty gratitude for the life begun there, and spirited resolution to serve the Father and Son.

I pray in the name of Jesus Christ, whose advent I hail.  
Amen.

## Religious Education

Today we begin a new season of the Liturgical year, the Season of Advent. The word Advent means "arrival", "beginning" or "coming".

Today is the New Years Day of the Church. Advent is a time when we wait and prepare for Jesus to come again in glory.

God the Father and his Son, Jesus are both good promise—makers and good promise—keepers. After Adam and Eve sinned, God promised he would send a Savior. God kept his promise and sent his Son, Jesus.

Congratulations! You are being **TRUSTWORTHY** when you . . .

- \* Think before you promise something to be sure you can do it.
- \* Remember what you promise others.
- \* Do things you promise to do.
- \* Keep doing what you promised even when you feel like doing something else.
- \* Let nothing stop you from doing what you said you would do.
- \* Finish doing what you promised to do.

## AFFIRMATION

*I am trustworthy. I keep my promises. I keep my word. I am worthy of the trust others place in me.*

RE Class: December 2, 2015 from 7:00PM to 8:00PM

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