

Celebrating at St. Anthony & St. Joseph Churches

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**MASS SCHEDULES**

**Weekend Masses**

**Saturday - Saint Joseph Church Campus**

4:00 pm Mass

**Reconciliation:** 3:30 pm

**Sunday - Saint Anthony Church Campus**

10:30 am Mass

5:00 pm Praise Mass

**Reconciliation:** 10:00 am

**Weekday Masses**

**Saint Anthony Church Campus**

**Tuesday and Thursday**

7:00 am

SA—Hearing assistance is available.  
Ask any member of the Parish Team.



Learning about the Day of the Dead, All Saints Day & All Souls Day

**OFFICE INFORMATION**

**All Saints Parish Office Hours**

**Monday - Thursday**

**8:00 am - 4:30 pm**

**Friday**

**9:00 am - 1:30 pm**

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All Saints Website

[www.allsaintsevansville.org](http://www.allsaintsevansville.org)

All Saints Facebook

[www.facebook.com/saintanthonyevansville/](https://www.facebook.com/saintanthonyevansville/)

**PARISH COUNCIL**

**Officers**

Gina Tucker...Chairperson  
Fred Mulfinger...Vice-Chairperson  
Kelly Snyder...Secretary  
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Justin Collins, Melissa Engler,  
José Ramirez, Kathy Reitz,  
Jim Schulz, Landon Wagner

**Commissioners**

Fred Mulfinger / Building & Finance  
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Bartell Berg / Faith Formation  
Laura Ackerman / Liturgy  
Wilma Spaulding / Justice & Charity  
Gina Tucker / Youth

**EVENTS THIS WEEK**

**Saturday, November 13**

SJ 3:30 pm Confessions  
SJ 4:00 pm Mass

**Sunday, November 14**

**33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

SA 9-10 am Light Breakfast  
SA 9:00 am Children's Choir Practice  
SA 10:00 am Confessions  
SA 10:30 am Mass/Children's Liturgy  
SA 3:30 pm Praise Music Practice  
SA 5:00 pm Praise Mass

**Monday, November 15**

SA 6:30 pm Women's Group  
**CAJE Community Problems Assembly**  
**Holy Redeemer Church 6-8:15 pm**

**Tuesday, November 16**

SA 7:00 am Mass  
SA 6:00 pm A-Men's Group

**Wednesday, November 17**

SA 8:00 am Bible Study  
SA 10:30 am Community Meal  
SA 10:30 am Clothes Closet  
SA 6:30 pm Choir Practice

**Thursday, November 18**

SA 7:00 am Mass

**Saturday November 20**

SJ 3:30 pm Confessions  
SJ 4:00 pm Mass

**Sunday, November 21**

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King Universe**

SA 9-10 am Light Breakfast  
SA 9:00 am Family Faith  
SA 10:00 am Confessions  
SA 10:30 am Mass/Children's Liturgy  
SA 3:30 pm Praise Music Practice  
SA 5:00 pm Praise Mass

**Pastoral Staff**

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Darlene Steffe.....Wedding Coordinator

## Special Points of Interest

**Baptism of children** should be arranged in advance by contacting Fr. Davidson at the Parish Office.

### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

**(RCIA):** Those wishing to become Catholic or learn more about the Catholic faith may call the Parish Office.

**Marriage:** Couples planning to be married should contact Fr. Davidson at least six months before the wedding date. This ensures time for adequate preparation.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Please call the Parish Office. It is best to arrange the anointing while the person who is ill can participate.

**Catholic Schools:** Grades K-12, open to children of our parishioners. Contact Sharon Vogler at the Parish Office to ask about our policy of sponsoring students in Catholic Schools.

**Family Faith Formation:** Religious Education for families and children is available. Please call Sharon Vogler at the Parish Office.

**Prayer Chain:** Contact Judy Wittgen at our Parish Office if you would like to join the phone or email prayer chain.

**Homebound, Nursing Home or Hospital Visitation:** Call the Parish Office.

**New Parishioners:** Call Tom Bogenschutz at the Parish Office to receive our Welcome Packet and Parish Directory.

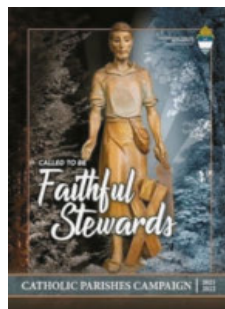


The Automated External Defibrillators are located in the back of St. Anthony Church near the restroom and the front west wall in St. Joseph Church.



## Christmas Craft Sale

The Women's Group will have available for purchase Christmas wreaths, centerpieces, and ornaments on Saturday, December 4 before and after the 4 pm Mass at St. Joseph Church and Sunday, December 5 before and after the 10:30 am Mass at St. Anthony Church. These were items that were created by Don Settle and John Gerard. Proceeds go to support continued projects by the Women's Group and All Saints Parish.



## Thank You for Being So Kind & Generous

As of November 1 you have pledged \$73,595.00 (49%) of our CPC goal. \$47,710.00 (32%) has been paid towards our goal. Our goal is \$151,346.00. All Saints Parish is committed to helping our community thrive, we are hopeful to have 100% participation with this year's Catholic Parishes Campaign. Thank you for your help!

### NOVEMBER MASS INTENTIONS For All Saints Parish

Saturday	13	Recorded	Theresa Freudenberg
	13	4:00 pm	Teresa Nelson
Sunday	14	10:30 am	Kenneth Robert Schuta
	14	5:00 pm	Parishioners
Tuesday	16	7:00 am	Lyndal & Barbara Parsons
Thursday	18	7:00 am	Robert Koch
Saturday	20	Recorded	Parishioners
	20	4:00 pm	Mary & Melvin Schapker
Sunday	21	10:30 am	Cathy Schuta Holmes
	21	5:00 pm	Maurice O'Connor

## All Saints Parish Financial Report 7/1/2021 thru 10/31/2021

Total Income	\$241,828
Total Expenses	\$254,545
Net Income (Expense)	(\$12,717)

To view a more detailed Financial Report, visit our website at [allsaintsevansville.org](http://allsaintsevansville.org). From the Home Page, click on the All Saints Parish tab; then choose "YTD Financial Report".







## Hearts & Hands in Ministry

### Carol Wagner and Sweepstakes helpers

Last Sunday, we held another successful All Saints Sweepstakes.

All the tickets were sold and our virtual drawing went smoothly.

We need to thank Carol Wagner and all her helpers who year after year faithfully put together this raffle.

Thank you Carol for all you do.



### Book of Remembrance

During November, we are called in a special way to remember those who have gone to their eternal rest. The names of those who have passed away this past year will be displayed in our Book of Remembrance that will travel between St. Anthony and St. Joseph Churches. Please remember these brothers and sisters in Christ and their family members especially during the month of November.

### Lector Schedule

November 14	10:30 am	Larry Adams
	5:00 pm	Gina Tucker
November 21	10:30 am	Nick Seib
	5:00 pm	Susan Volz



### 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Daniel 12:1-3 pg. 822  
Hebrews 10:11-14, 18 pg. 1365  
Mark 13:24-32 pg. 1195

### Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Daniel 7:13-14 pg. 816  
Revelation 1:5-8 pg. 1388  
John 18:33-37 pg. 1257

## Check out our Ministries in Action!

**A-Men's Club:** 6:00 pm, 3rd Tuesday each month, SA

**All Saints Women's Group:** 6:30 pm, 3rd Monday each month, SA

**Children's Choir:** Practice every other Sunday at 9:00 am, SA

**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** Sundays, 10:30 am, SA

**Covenant Choir:** Practice every Wednesday at 6:30 pm, SA

**Family Faith:** Every other Sunday, 9:00 am, SA

**Praise Mass Groups:** Practice every Sunday at 3:30 pm, SA

**RCIA Inquiry:** Call the Parish Office (812) 423-5209, SA

**Wednesday Morning Bible Study:** Wednesdays, 8:00 am, SA



## Questions of the Week

### First Reading:

The prophet Daniel foresees a time of "unsurpassed distress" where all receive divine judgement of either everlasting life or everlasting disgrace. Do thoughts of the end times bring you comfort or concern?

### Second Reading:

The author of Hebrews continues to emphasize Jesus' death as the definitive and final sacrificial offering for sins. Why do you think this is a central theme in the Letter to the Hebrews?

### Gospel:

Jesus speaks of his Second Coming at the end of time and warns his disciples: "Be watchful! Be alert!" How are you preparing for judgment day?



### A Celebration of Life

We invite you to view our Celebration of Life video virtually during the month of November on our website's

homepage, Facebook page, YouTube channel and App. Please take some time during the month to pray for each of these individuals we remember and their families. All saints, pray for us.

### Thank You from Bob & Carol Wagner

Thank you to everyone who purchased a 2021 Sweepstakes ticket! Sincere appreciation to Amy Eger, Machalle Walker, Peggy Epley, Tom Bogenschutz, and Fr. Jay who helped with this raffle. Thank you for your support!



### Prayer Requests

Text **Prayer** to our App phone number **1.812.575.4044** and it will send you a link to submit a prayer request. You can also submit a prayer request through our website or through our parish app under Parish Family. We will add your prayer requests to our prayer chain.

### SCRIP Gift Card Sales at Mass

All Saints will again offer SCRIP gift card sales at both Churches on the following dates:

November 20 & 21  
December 4 & 5  
December 18 & 19



Thank you for supporting our Parish through your SCRIP purchases!

## Family Faith Formation

"Say the Word and My Soul Shall be Healed."

People reaching for God and God reaching for people.  
We can't get there on our own.

It is November...

for us it begins with All Saints Day and All Souls Day.  
We celebrate Thanksgiving.

It is the last month of the Church year, as Advent begins on Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup>.

November always puts me in the space of remembering...

Remembering friends and family who have died...

Remembering friends and family who are still part of my life...

Remembering those gifts God has given me that I am grateful for...

Remembering that God promises as I remember one ending...life is cyclical...there is a new beginning.

So...during this November, fall season....

What am I grateful for?

What do I hope for?

What am I willing to change, start anew?

Happy November!

33<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



You can still join us for Family Faith Formation...  
contact Sharon at the Parish Office...

or you can find the registration and waiver forms  
online at our parish website...

Go to <https://allsaintsevansville.org/> and click on  
forms at the bottom of the page... or go directly to  
[https://allsaintsevansville.org/wp-content  
uploads/2021/07/2021-2022-Family-Faith-Formation-  
Registration-Form.pdf](https://allsaintsevansville.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/2021-2022-Family-Faith-Formation-Registration-Form.pdf)

## Justice Challenge

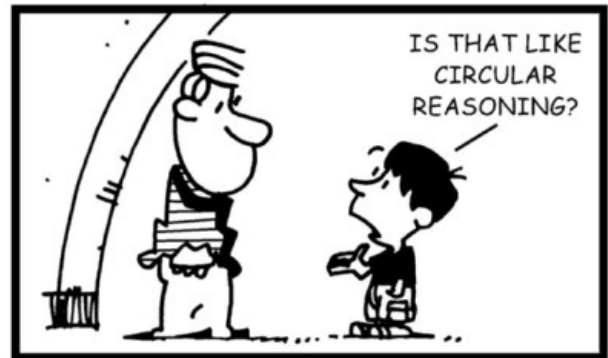
### 33rd Week in Ordinary Time

This week is International Bible Week. Scripture is filled with so much wisdom and guidance on how God desires justice for the world and wants all of us to live justly. **Your challenge this week** is to open the Word, and find a passage on justice which speaks to you.

(You can do this by paging through a particular book—like Isaiah or the Gospel of Luke—or by going to [www.usccb.org/bible](http://www.usccb.org/bible) and doing a word search on a key aspect of justice you want to read.) Once you choose your passage, spend some time reading the text, meditating on what God is asking you to do, praying for the strength to do it, and then... just doing it!

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33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### It is Ordinary Time in our Church Seasons

Check out the new resources we will be putting  
on our GIFT webpage



<http://allsaintsevansville.org/growing/>  
click on "Seasonal Resources" then click on  
Ordinary Time.  
Enjoy!



## All Saints 2021 Bruté Society Recipients



Congratulations to Mike & Gloria Niehaus  
and Bonnie Wink, All Saints 2021  
Bruté Society Recipients

## Decorating our Day of the Dead Cookies

Thanks to Wilma Spaulding and Joyce Tolen for  
providing the skull cookies!



## Family Faith Formation



Masks for Día de los Muertos

In our Family Faith Formation session last Sunday  
we learned about the celebration of the Day of the  
Dead and more about All Saints & All Souls Day.  
To see more photos of Family Faith visit  
[allsaintsevansville.org](http://allsaintsevansville.org), click on the "Youth" tab  
then choose Family Faith Formation 2021-2022.





### All Saints Women's Group

Our mission is to encourage and unite the women of All Saints Parish to join in prayer, service, and fellowship to build a closer relationship with Christ. We meet in the St. Anthony Cafeteria each month on the third Monday at 6:30 pm. Our next meeting will be on **Monday, November 15th at 6:30 pm**. New members are always welcome!

### A-Men's Club of All Saints Parish

**Monthly meeting Tuesday, November 16**

**Come and join us at 6:00 pm !**

**St. Anthony Campus**

**Questions?**

**Contact Roger Rogge 812-430-4550**

### Thanksgiving Day Mass

Please join us on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, **November 25 for 9:00 am Mass at St. Joseph Church**. Please note—There will be no 7:00 am Mass at St. Anthony on Thursday, November 25th. The Parish Office will be closed for the Thanksgiving Day Holiday on Thursday, November 25 and Friday, November 26.



### Sunday Morning Breakfast

Remember, we will be serving a light breakfast every Sunday morning before Mass at St. Anthony from 9-10 am. We will have games and activities for the kids and a chance for us all to catch up. We hope to see you there!



### Want to become a Catholic?

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please talk to a member of the staff or call the parish office, (812) 423-5209.

For more information on our Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), visit [allsaintsevansville.org](http://allsaintsevansville.org) click on the "Faith Opportunities" tab then scroll down to RCIA Process and RCIA Q&A.

### Membership Update

#### Ministry Guidebook & Directory

**Does our Parish database have YOUR family membership correct?** Have you **CHANGED** your phone number? Have you moved? Are all of your children still at home? Here is your chance to update your information for our annual Ministry Guidebook & Directory. Please call the Parish Office with changes to your family information.

Do you **WANT** your information **PUBLISHED**? Please inform the office if you do not want your information published. Guidebooks are mailed to each household free of charge. *Thank you!*

**Please add this number to  
your contact list: 812-575-4044**

This is the phone number for the All Saints Parish App. Please add this number to your contact list in your cell phone that way when we send you a text you will see that it is news from All Saints Parish.



### Christmas Flower Memorials

Remember a loved one this Christmas with a Christmas Flower Memorial. Envelopes are included with your December packet. You may also place a Memorial through our Parish App and website. From the App find the Christmas button, select Christmas Flower Memorials and follow the prompts. From our website ([allsaintsevansville.org](http://allsaintsevansville.org)) choose the "Online Giving" tab then select the Christmas Flower Memorial link. Please submit your Christmas Flower Memorial by **Monday, December 13**.

### Remember a loved one at Mass

Please call the Parish Office at (812) 423-5209 or email [jwittgen@evdio.org](mailto:jwittgen@evdio.org)

You may also place a Mass Intention on our Parish App under the "Give" button and on our website, Online Giving tab at the top of the homepage.

### Thank You to Our Advertisers

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**Pierre Funeral Home & Crematory**  
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## Justice...Our Mission

Welcome to...Justice....Our Mission

All Saints Parish Vision Statement: We are called to be a faith filled family, who acts justly, loves tenderly, forgives freely and walks humbly with our God.

As we know living the Gospel teaches us the need for Charity but also the importance of working for Justice. We will be offering resources to help us grow in our understanding of Justice and opportunities to work for Justice.

### Welcome to the Catholic Mobilizing Network

<https://catholicismobilizing.org/>

Explore the website....

Death Penalty

...Catholic Social Teaching

...The Church Speaks

Restorative Justice

...Catholic Social Teaching

...The Church Speaks

See what else the website has in the way of news, resources, opportunities to take action and more...



### Creation Care News

Many species rely on fallen leaves for cover and to insulate them from the

elements. Depending on the species, butterflies and moths spend the winter as eggs, caterpillars, pupae, or adults. Great spangled fritillary and woolly bear caterpillars tuck themselves into a pile of leaves for protection from cold weather and predators. Red-banded hairstreaks lay their eggs on fallen oak leaves, which become the first food of the caterpillars when they emerge. Luna moths and swallowtail butterflies disguise their cocoons and chrysalises as dried leaves, blending in with the "real" leaves. Beyond butterflies, bumble bees also rely on leaf litter for protection. At the end of summer, mated queen bumble bees burrow only an inch or two into the earth to hibernate for winter. An extra thick layer of leaves is welcome protection from the elements. There are so many animals that live in leaves: spiders, snails, worms, beetles, millipedes, mites, and more—that support the chipmunks, turtles, birds, and amphibians that rely on these insects for food.



## Congregations Acting for Justice & Empowerment (CAJE)

### 2021 CAJE Investment Drive

Last year All Saints Parish raised \$19,020.

Thank you to everyone!

Our All Saints Parish goal this year is **\$20,000**.

We have donated \$16,645 (83%) toward this goal!

2021 has been a difficult year.

Let us continue to work together to reach our goal!

Please prayerfully consider investing in the CAJE organization for 2021. Much of our funding pays CAJE staff and allows for our leaders to attend workshops and conferences for all our processes at **little or no cost!**

There are two ways to invest.

1. Mail your check or money order to:

CAJE

P. O. Box 18172

Evansville, IN 47719

2. Via PayPal on CAJE's website:

<https://www.greaterevansvillecaje.org/donation>

## Our work for justice in our community continues...

### CAJE Calendar

- ❖ Monday, November 15, 2021  
Community Problems Assembly  
Holy Redeemer Church, 6:00—8:15 pm
- ❖ Monday, April 4, 2022 – Rally
- ❖ Monday, May 9, 2022 – Nehemiah Action
- ❖ Monday, June 13, 2022 – Celebration

**JOIN us for JUSTICE**



Visit **All Saints Facebook Page** for daily news. Make sure you like and follow our page to get all the latest updates. Make sure you use the dropdown menu next to "like" and "follow" and choose "see first." This way, you'll get our notices at the top of your news feed.

## Christmas Angel Giving Tree



For our Angel Giving Tree, we are asking you to simply donate gift cards from our SCRIP program or you can put a monetary donation in an envelope marked Angel Tree and we can get the gift card for you. If you would like to give gift cards we especially appreciate those for gas or food. We have on hand Circle K, IGA, Marathon, Target and Walmart.

This allows our All Saints Parish families to get essentials and some special Christmas gifts for their family.

PLEASE DO NOT WRAP GIFT CARDS, place in envelope and indicate merchant and the dollar amount for each card on the front of the envelope.

Please turn in all Angel Giving Tree donations to the parish office by **Thursday, December 9th**.

Thank you for your continued support!

Monetary donation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

SCRIP Card	Amount	Qty	Total
Circle K	\$25.		
IGA	\$25.		
Marathon	\$25. \$100.		
Target	\$10. \$25. \$100.		
Walmart	\$10. \$25. \$100.		



SCRIP is perfect for all of your Christmas shopping and holiday needs. Anything from dinners to parties, stocking stuffers to teacher gifts. Also, you can check out our Special Order Form on the App and website.

Please list below any additional SCRIP cards you need.

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## All Saints Parish SCRIP

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Order Date:

Name:		Order Taken By:		Cash
Phone:	Mass Time:			Check #
Product	%	Qty.	Amt.	Total
Amazon.com	2%		\$10/\$25/100	
AMC Theatres	8%		\$25.00	
Arby's	8%		\$10.00	
Azzip Pizza	10%		\$10.00	
Barnes & Noble	8%		\$25.00	
Bath & Body Works	12%		\$10.00	
Bed, Bath & Beyond, Macy's, Sephora	8%		\$25.00	
Burger King	4%		\$10.00	
Camilla's Closet	10%		\$10.00	
Circle K	1.5%		\$25.00	
Cracker Barrel, Buffalo Wild Wings, Red Lobster	8%		\$25.00	
CVS/pharmacy	6%		\$25/\$100	
Dairy Queen	3%		\$10.00	
Donut Bank	10%		\$5.00	
Dunkin' Donuts	3%		\$10.00	
El Charro	20%		\$20.00	
El Patron	20%		\$20.00	
Fazoli's	9%		\$25.00	
G.D. Ritzy's	15%		\$10.00	
Hacienda	10%		\$25.00	
Home Depot	4%		\$25/\$100	
IGA-Buehlers	5%		\$25.00	
iTunes®	5%		\$15.00	
JoAnn	6%		\$25.00	
Kohl's	4%		\$25/\$100	
Lic's	20%		\$2.00	
Lowe's	4%		\$25/\$100	
Marathon	3%		\$25/\$100	
McAllister's Deli	6%		\$25.00	
Meijer	3%		\$25/\$50	
Menards	3%		\$25.00	
Michaels	4%		\$25.00	
O'Charley's	13%		\$25.00	
Outback, Bonefish Grill	8%		\$25.00	
Olive Garden, Cheddar's, Longhorn	8%		\$10/\$25	
Panera Bread	8%		\$10.00	
Papa Johns Pizza	9%		\$10.00	
Showplace-North	10%		\$5.00	
Starbucks	4.5%		\$5/\$10/\$25	
Sonic	8%		\$10.00	
Subway	4.5%		\$10.00	
Target	2.5%		\$10/\$25/\$100	
TJ Maxx,Marshalls, Home Goods	7%		\$25.00	
Turoni's	10%		\$25.00	
Visa	1.25%		\$50/\$100	
Walgreen's	5%		\$25.00	
Walmart (Sam's Club)	2.5%		\$10/\$25/\$100	
Order Total				



# Partners in FAITH™



Helping our children grow in their Catholic faith.

November 2021

All Saints Parish



## Thoughtful Moments

### Good questions

Before you ask your child a question, think about why you are asking. Are you looking for information or does a statement work better? "Why don't you ever remember to feed the dog?" serves no constructive purpose. Instead, think about saying, "You haven't fed the dog and he looks pretty hungry." A statement of the problem gives your child the chance to come up with his own solution.



### Judge not

Help children to remember that criticizing others is a serious business. *"Stop judging and you will not be judged. Stop condemning and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven"* (Luke 6:37). Better to worry about our own behavior and let others do the same.

### Happy New Year!

The first Sunday of Advent (November 28) is also the first day of our new liturgical year. We begin Sunday Cycle C this year. Advent is the first season of the Church year.



## Cultivate thankful hearts

A recent study found that gratitude is connected to happiness in children as young as five years old. Thanksgiving provides an opportunity to nurture gratitude and create awareness of the source of our blessings. *"Give thanks to the Lord, who is good, whose love endures forever"* (1 Chronicles 16:34).

**Show children your thankful heart.** Be a role model of gratitude by thanking God for His blessings. Enumerate your favorite gifts out loud, and encourage children to count their own: God's love, your family, your parish, your health.

**Serve the poor.** When children are given the opportunity to help others, they become aware of the abundance

in their own lives. During Advent, collect gently used toys and clothing and donate to children in need. Let them choose canned goods at the grocery store that you can donate to a homeless shelter or food bank. Put money in the poor box at church on Sunday.

**Schedule a "go without" day.** Pick an item to eliminate for a day – screens, sweets, soft drinks, bread – to increase awareness

and appreciation when it is reintroduced. Remind youngsters that many around the world go without each day.

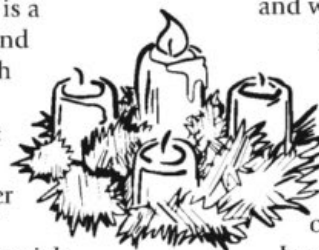
**Make it a habit.** At dinnertime or bedtime, take turns sharing one reason each of you felt gratitude that day. Be sure to thank God after every one.



## Why Do Catholics Do That ?

## Why do Catholics celebrate Advent?

The season of Advent is a time of joyful waiting and preparation for the birth of Christ. We are encouraged to meditate on Mary's humble and trustful "Yes" to God, her joy at the fulfillment of God's promise of the Messiah,



and what must have been a joyful-but-busy time preparing for the birth of Jesus. As we spiritually accompany Mary in preparing for the Christ Child, we can prepare our own hearts and homes for Jesus' coming at Christmas.

## Minimize holiday stress

As we emerge from the pandemic, we may feel pressure to return to "normal" during the holidays. Yet, taking on too much can lead to stress and burnout. Try these strategies to savor joyful family moments.

**Avoid multi-tasking.** A busy pace during Advent will keep us from enjoying precious moments with our children. When involved in a family activity – baking cookies, stringing popcorn, wrapping gifts, singing carols – turn off phones and screens, and focus on the moment.

**Make a family holiday calendar.** Make or buy



a wall calendar dating from Thanksgiving through the first week of the New Year. Hang it in a high traffic area. List all invitations, announcements, and other events you will attend as a family. Watch for and eliminate overscheduling.

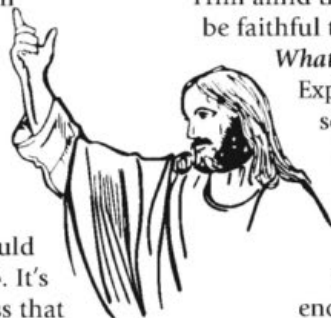
**Steal away.** Take a few moments to visit with Jesus during the season. Attend extra Masses, steal away to pray before Him in the Blessed Sacrament in church. The peace you receive from being in the Real Presence will keep you going through a busy time.

### Scripture LESSON

#### Luke 21:25-28, 34-36, Do not fear, but prepare!

In this Scripture passage, Jesus tells His listeners that His return at the end of time will be accompanied by catastrophic events. If we are faithful to Him, we have nothing to fear. Still, we should be prepared.

First, when the signs happen, Jesus said we should stand straight and look up. It's when things seem hopeless that God, the source of hope, draws closest to us. We will be strengthened by hope, because "salvation is at hand" (21:28). Second, He tells us to be alert for His coming. Lastly, Jesus tells us to



pray for the grace to be faithful to Him amid the tribulations – to be faithful to Him to the end.

#### What can a parent do?

Explain to children that sometimes life can be hard and bring challenges. This is when we can lean on God for strength, hope, and encouragement.

Encourage them to ask God for help with whatever is on their mind, even if it's little. God truly does know what is best for us and will always take care of us.

### Feasts & Celebrations

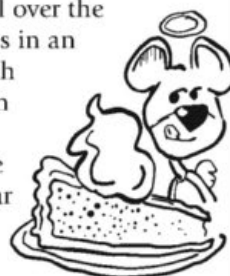
**November 14 – St. Lawrence O'Toole (1180).** As archbishop of Dublin, he was known for his role as a mediator and peacekeeper in English-Irish relations and for his charity to the poor.

**November 15 - St. Albert the Great (1280).** Born in Germany, St. Albert joined the Dominican Order against the wishes of his family. He is called the Father of Natural Sciences and mentored St. Thomas Aquinas.

**November 17 – St. Elizabeth of Hungary (1231).** The daughter of the

King of Hungary, she was only married for just six years. She joined the Secular Franciscan Order after her beloved husband's death and spent the last years of her life caring for the poor. She is the patron of Catholic charities.

**November 28 - First Sunday of Advent.** During this four-week season, we anticipate the Messiah's birth. Catholics all over the world light candles in an Advent wreath each night of the season to signal the coming of the true light of Christ. Year C begins.



### Parent TALK

Mom was tight with money when I was young. When I asked for the latest toys or cool clothes, she usually said, "We don't have money for that." I

knew we weren't poor; I figured she just didn't want to spend money on me.

Instead, I have showered my children with gifts – they get things before they know they want them. A few years ago, we were packing for a move and I saw boxes of unopened games and clothing with price tags still on them in Kara's closet. She said, "Mom, I don't want to hurt your feelings but I don't need all this stuff." So rather than move it, we gave it away.

Now I buy three gifts that the kids really want for Christmas and birthdays, and only what they need in between. They value what I give, and I realize my mother really did know best.

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