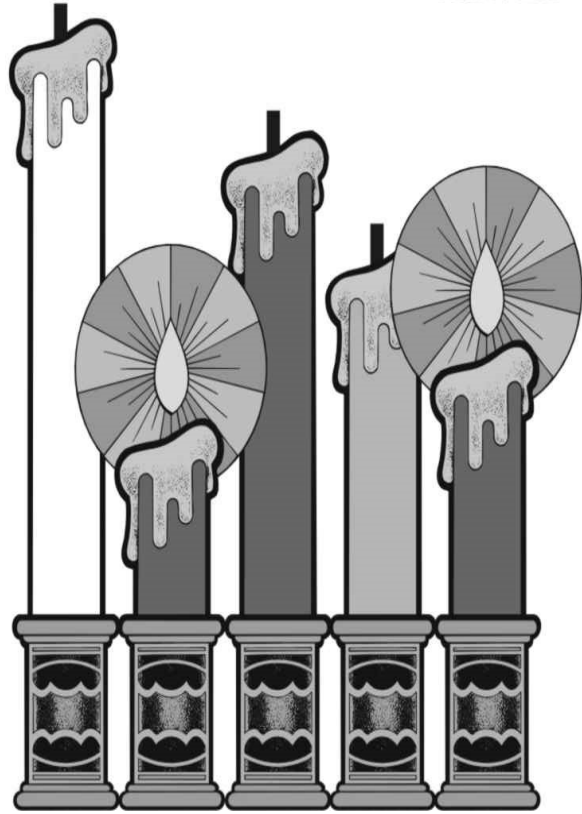


The voice of one crying out in
the wilderness:
"Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight."
Mark 1.3



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Every valley shall be filled in,
every mountain and hill shall be made low.

—Isaiah 40:4

In a certain sense, the Mass is an Advent prayer. At the Last Supper, Jesus did not tell his disciples, “Never forget what I did for you.” Instead, he said, “Do this in remembrance of me.” He calls us to remember by *doing*, to combine memory with action. In the celebration of the Eucharist, remembering and doing become one. Jesus is as present in our midst as he was in that upper room, breaking the bread and sharing the cup; but it is a new kind of presence, seen only with the eyes of faith. In the heavenly liturgy, there will be no need of sacraments, for there, “celebration is wholly communion and feast” (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1136). Here, things are different. We have only glimpses and flashes of the beauty that is yet to be. And yet, in the liturgy, we truly participate in the heavenly liturgy. The Mass is our foretaste of the joys of heaven.

Gospel — I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit (Mark 1:1-8).

Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; Lk 1:46-50, 53-54;

December 8th: Mass at 9:00 am for the Immaculate Conception in Lexington

December 9th: Penance Service St Regina at 6:00 pm

December 12th: Spanish Mass at 6:30 pm for Our Lady of Guadalupe in Lexington

Sunday	Second Sunday of Advent
Monday:	St. Ambrose; Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
Tuesday:	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday:	St. Juan Diego
Thursday:	International Human Rights Day; Hanukkah begins at sunset
Friday:	St. Damasus I
Saturday:	Our Lady of Guadalupe

Necessity is the plea for every infringement on human rights. It is the argument of tyrants.

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