



Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 22, 2024

AUDACITY

There is a spirit of audacity in our readings today. During a time of injustice and threat of invasion, the prophet Micah boldly announces that the God of insignificant Israel will raise up a leader from backwater Bethlehem, and this leader will bring justice and peace to the whole world. In the Gospel, Elizabeth and Mary, marginalized women, brazenly celebrate that their sons will be world-changing instruments of God. We further learn that this audacity is rooted in trust in God. The author of Hebrews describes the faithful obedience of Jesus. Mary is shown as the exemplar of faithful trust in God. This is the way God often seems to work, in the ordinary and marginalized in our world. Those who seem weak have learned to trust in God's strength. These have the audacity to become instruments of God's peace and justice.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

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Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord,
your grace into our hearts,
that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son
was made known by the message of an Angel,
may by his Passion and Cross
be brought to the glory of his Resurrection.
Who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

The Office will be closed December 23rd
through January 3rd, for the Christmas Holiday.

There is a change to the calendar
January 1st Mass will be St. Andrew at 9:00
am and St. Regina at 11:00am It is a holy of
obligation

No Wednesday mass during January Father will
be on vacation .

ST REGINA CHRISTMAS
MASS WILL BE AT 11:00
AM ON WEDNESDAY

AND 9:00 AM AT
ST. ANDREW IN
LEXINGTON

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — From Bethlehem-Ephrathah shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel (Micah 5:1-4a).

Psalm — Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved (Psalm 80).

Second Reading — We have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Christ once for all (Hebrews 10:5-10).

Gospel — Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken by the Lord would be fulfilled (Luke 1:39-45).

Readings for the week

Monday: Mal 3:1-4,23-24; Ps 25; G Luke 1:57-66

Tuesday: 2 Sam 7:1-5,8-12,14a,16; Ps 89; G Luke 1:67-79

Wednesday: Isaiah 52:7-10; Ps 98:1,2-3,3-4,5-6;
G John 1:1-18

Thursday: Acts 6:8-10,7:54-59; Ps 31; G Matt 10:17-22

Friday: 1 John 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2,5-6,11-12; G Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Saturday: 1 John 1:5-2:2; Ps 124; G Matt 2:13-18

Sunday: 1 Sam 1:20-22,24-28; Ps 84:2-3,5-6,9-10;
G Luke 2:41-52

No PRE class from December 23rd
until January 8th

SUNDAY COLLECTION

12-15--00

\$1315.00

Immaculate Conception

\$42.00

Flowers

\$42.00

National Collection

Villa Vianney-Retired Priest
Home

Jan 1st

Lector Cheri

Server Carlos

Eucharistic M Jim ,Beverly

Jan 5th

Lector Mary

Server Max

Eucharistic M Ann C, Anita, Jim M

Counter Mary & Ann

Jan 12th

Lector Mark

Server Carlos

Eucharistic M Peggy, Tom, Beverly

Counter Tom & Beverly

Jan 19th

LECTOR Beverly

Server Max

Eucharistic M Peggy, Jim, Ann F.

Counter Mary & Ann

Jan 26th

Lector Peggy

Server Carlos

Eucharistic M Beverly, Janet , Florencia

Counter Tom & Beverly

Feb 2nd

Lector Beverly

Server Max

Eucharistic M Jim, Peggy, Anita

Counter Mary & Ann