



Third Sunday of Advent

December 14, 2025

THE ONE FOR WHOM OUR HEARTS LONG

Put yourself in the scene of today’s Gospel passage. John the Baptist is in prison. He has heard stories of what Jesus is doing, and wants reassurance that Jesus is the long-awaited Messiah. John’s disciples and those who surrounded Jesus were faithful Jews who would have known Isaiah’s prophecies by heart. God would send One who would bring sight to the blind, healing to those who were ill, salvation to all who longed to know God’s mercy and peace. Jesus’ response to the disciples’ question rings as powerfully in our ears today as it surely did for the people who were with him that day. His actions are precisely those that the people had been told to expect. Jesus is the One for whom the people have been patiently yet anxiously waiting, like the farmer who waits for the fruits of his labor. Jesus is the One for whom our hearts long.

CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

Saint Teresa’s Bookmark

Let nothing disturb you,

Let nothing frighten you,

All things are passing;

God only is changeless.

Patience gains all things.

Who has God wants nothing.

God alone suffices.

If you want to
donate flowers for
Christmas in a loved
one’s memory please
have them here by
Dec 21st

Knights of Columbus
meeting, Wednesday,
December 17, dinner at 6:00
followed by rosary at 6:45
and meeting at 7:00 pm.

St Andrew Knights of Columbus

Membership Drive Announcement

The St Andrew Knights of Columbus invite all men of the parish to learn more about becoming a Knight and serving our parish and community.

For more information, please visit us after the 9:00 AM Mas on December 21st. Questions? Contact Brian Muetze at 815-508-6059.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — The barren deserts will rejoice and flower. Tired bodies will receive strength. Aching hearts will be made glad (Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10).

Psalm — The Lord saves us when he comes (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — Be patient, for the coming of the Lord is as sure as the rain (James 5:7-10).

Gospel — Tell of what you hear and see: The blind regain their vision, the crippled their movement, the deaf their hearing (Matthew 11:2-11).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Numbers 24:2-7,15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6&7bc,8-9;
G Matthew 21:23-27
Tuesday: Zec 3:1-2,9-13; Ps 34:2-3,6-7 17-18,19 &23;
G Matthew 21:28-32
Wednesday: Genesis 49:2,8-10; Ps 72:1-2,3-4ab,7-8,17;
G Matthew 1:1-17
Thursday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2,12-13, 18-19; G Matthew 1:18-25
Friday: Judges 13:2-7,24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a; G Luke 1:5-25
Saturday: Isaiah 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-2,3-4ab; G Luke 1:26-38
Sunday: Isaiah 7:10-14(10A); Ps 24:1-2,3-4,5-6; Romans 1:1-7; G Matthew 1:18-24

JUSTICE AND OBEDIENCE

Justice is the insurance we have on our lives, and obedience is the premium we pay for it.

THE LOOK OF LOVE

What does love look like?

It has feet to go to the poor and needy.

It has eyes to see misery and want.

It has ears to hear

the sighs and sorrows of others.

The angel tree is ready to choose a gift ornament Gifts should be returned unwrapped, with angel tag attached .Casa will pick up the gifts on Wednesday Dec17th

DECEMBER 7TH-----

LECTOR Mark

SERVER Carlos

EUCCHARISTIC Jim, Beverly, Ann F

COUNTER

DECEMBER 8TH -----

LECTOR BEVERLY

SERVER MAX

ECHARISTIC JIM

DECEMBER 14TH -----

LECTOR Beverly

SERVER Max

EUCCHARISTIC. Ann C, Florencia, Jim

COUNTER

DECEMBER 21ST -----

LECTOR Mary

SERVER Max

EUCCHARISTIC Beverly, Ann C. Jim

COUNTER

DECEMBER 25TH -----

LECTOR Mark

SERVER Carlos

EUCCHARISTIC Ann F, Jim ,Florencia

DECEMBER 28 TH -----

LECTOR Beverly

SERVER Max

EUCCHARISTIC Jim, Ann C.

WEDNESDAY LECTOR

DEC 3RD Christina

DEC 10TH Cheri

DEC 17TH Beverly

SUNDAY COLLECTION

12/7/2025

\$655

B&M

\$95.00

The office will be closed December 19th through January 5th, for the holidays.

Christmas Vigil

December 24 6:00 pm St Andrew
Christmas day Mass

December 25 9:00 am St Andrew

December 25 11:00 am St. Regina

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Remember In Prayer

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