

THIS WEEK AT ST. VINCENT

Sunday, November 27, 2016

First Sunday of Advent

FR. DICK'S BIRTHDAY is Dec. 3, next Saturday. We would love him to receive as many cards and visitors on that day. His address is Future Care, 2700 N. Charles St., Baltimore, MD 21218.

THE RESOURCE EXCHANGE, our ministry that helps furnish the homes of people who were once homeless, could really use **full-size comforters**. Right now we are trying to furnish more than our usual two homes per week to ensure more people can sleep in a bed this Christmas. Please bring your gift to Mass and give to Pat Frascati or Mary Laukaitis or a staff member.

THE THEATRE GROUP THE OVEN which rehearses in our undercroft, wants to thank the parish with free ticket to *Commodities* at the Theatre Project. The play addresses sex trafficking, exploring this "disturbing issue through choral speech, movement and storytelling... both sensitive and theatrically arresting." (WYPR) Tickets available for **Dec. 9, 8 PM** and **Dec. 18, 2 PM**. **RSVP by Dec. 1** to St. V at 410-962-5078.

COMING UP AT ST. V

Sunday, Dec. 4 – Honey & Nicaraguan Crafts Sale –

Bring some extra cash next weekend so that you can buy some honey from our parishioner-beekeeper Steve McDaniel and/or some handmade Nicaraguan items. Honey sales benefits Sts. James & John School and crafts are for our sister parish San Juan de Limay Sale is in the undercroft between Masses.

Sunday, Dec. 11 - Lessons & Carols + Holiday Concert

St. V will combine Lessons & Carols with a free concert from the Baltimore Men's Chorus. On Dec. 11, at 5 PM, the concert begins, and at 6:15 St. V's choir conducts Lessons & Carols. Refreshments served in the Gathering Space between events.

Wednesday, Dec. 14 - Reconciliation Service – At 7:30 PM, St. Vincent will host a service with priests from St. Ignatius who will hear confessions following the communal service.

Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve – Masses will be at 5:15 PM, 8:30 Mass and midnight Mass.

Dec. 25 - Christmas Day - Mass is at noon.

ADVENT BEGINS TODAY

Daily Reflection Booklet

Once again our creative parishioners have contributed reflections based on the daily readings for each day in Advent. Pick up a copy TODAY.



Make Your Own Advent Wreath

TODAY after 9:30 Mass in the undercroft.

Parish Advent Reading & Discussions

Mary, A Mother Waiting: Raising the Messiah is on sale after Mass. Discussions, during the weeks of Dec. 4 and 11, meet at St. V on Sundays and on two other evenings; at a location to the west of the city and at one to the north. Sign-up sheets are in the back of church. For more info: Rita McMullin, grammymcmullin@gmail.com.

Announcements in Advent & Christmas

In order to preserve that sacred space we try to create at the end of Mass, one person will make announcements. If you have a parish-centered announcement, email it by Wednesday at 10 PM to bulletin@stvchurch.org and request it be announced too.

MITTEN TREE FOR STS. JAMES AND JOHN

Did you see the mitten tree in the Gathering Space? Remember the cold, little hands at St. James and John School and take a paper mitten off the tree and bring back the item requested., e.g. warm mittens for a second grader. Place it in the bag by the choir or give it to Peggy Meyer. No need to wrap it!

PAX CHRISTI VESPERS service is 5 PM tonight with speaker, Mary Slicher, Executive Director ProjectPLASE, an organization that provides transitional housing. Location is Mission Helpers at 1001 W. Joppa Rd 21204

SOUTH AFRICA HIGHER EDUCATION FUND

(SAHEF) supports tuition and living costs for students from the village where parishioner Sylvia Eastman volunteered in 2006. See flyers in Gathering Space for more info. Write checks to St. Vincent de Paul Church and give to Sylvia. Call Sylvia (410-323-2258) with questions.

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX PROGRAM by the Apostleship of the Sea collects needed items for seafarers. Donors fill a shoebox with items, wrap it and bring it to St. V by **Dec. 11**. See flyers in the Gathering Space or our website for what to include in the box.

MUSIC FOR 9:30 AND 11:45 MASS

Opening: O Antiphons	
Wreath Song: Maranath! Come, Lord Jesus	
Psalm: Psalm: Psalm 122: Let Us Go Rejoicing	Gather #107
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia	Mass of Wisdom
Preparation: City of God	Gather #485
Acclamations: Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true; with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.	Mass of Wisdom
Communion: The Hand of the Lord Feeds Us	Handout
Post-Communion:	
Recessional: Soon and Very Soon	Gather #555
Gather - Blue Worship - Red	

SCRIPTURE READINGS: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Today: Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44 (1)
Next Sunday: Isaiah 11:1-10; Romans 15:4-9; Matthew 3:1-12

MASS MINISTRIES

7:15 Lectors: Eve Prietz	12/3: Peggy Shouse
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Lectors: Kathy Betta, Janice Bonner	12/4: Cathy Bunting, Jay Brown
Liturgy Planner: Valerie Rolandelli	12/4: Codie Perry
Eucharistic Ministers: Kevin D., Diaedre, Rita, Denny, Val, Paul, Tom, Andrea, Charles	12/4: Jules, Ned, Andrea, Charles, Geri, Liz, Tom, Barb
Altar Dressers: Joan Fulton, Kathy Betta	12/4: Mary Jane Daley, Jerry Pech
Liturgy of the Word: B. Gregg, J. Saccenti,	12/4: J. Brown, M. Narvaez, No Middle
Cup Washers: Helen	12/4: Teresa
Set-up/Clean-up: B. & P. Ball/F. Jorgensen, M.K. Fries	12/4: Audrey and John Rogers
Food: Ball	12/4: Bonner, McMullin, Laukaitis

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Day	Date	Time	Event	Location
Sunday	Nov 27	11 AM 11 AM 4 PM	Faith Fun Fellowship Advent Wreath Making AA Meeting	Various Undercroft Undercroft
Monday	Nov 28	12:30 PM	Food Bags Given	Breezeway
Tuesday	Nov. 29			
Wednesday	Nov. 30			
Thursday	Dec 1			
Friday	Dec 2	5 – 6:30 PM	Breaking Bread With the Hungry	Undercroft
Saturday	Dec 3	7 PM	AA Meeting	Undercroft
Sunday	Dec 4	11 AM 4 PM	Honey & Crafts Sale AA Meeting	Undercroft Undercroft

Stewardship Last Week: Attendance: 209; Offertory: \$4,709.25; Second Collection: \$371.20

Second Collection This Week: Seminarians Next week's second collection is for the retired religious.

NEED MORE INFO? Call the parish office at **410-962-5078**, or go to our website at **stvchurch.org**. See our monthly bulletin for staff and committee contacts. Find us on Facebook at **facebook.com/stvchurch** and Twitter **@stvchurchbalt**. To submit to the weekly bulletin, send it to **bulletin@stvchurch.org** by Wednesday at 10 PM.