

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT NOVEMBER 27, 2005

The Readings for the Second Sunday of Advent are:

Is. 40: 1-5

2Pt. 3: 8-14

Mt. 1: 1-8



Please Pray for



Sunday, November 27, 2005

8:00 Ellen G. Hanley
10:00 Edward Power
Noon Mass for the People
5:30 James Brady

Monday, November 28, 2005

12:15 Manuel Real
5:30 Nora G. Ronan

Tuesday, November 29, 2005

12:15 Ellen G. Hanley
5:30 George F. Amrhein (Living)

Wednesday, November 30, 2005

12:15 Daniel G. Sullivan
5:30 John E. Carbone (Living)

Thursday, December 1, 2005

12:15 Vittoria Bari
5:30 Linda Bossio

Friday, December 2, 2005

12:15 Mary McGreenery
5:30 Daniel Sullivan

Saturday, December 3, 2005

9:00 Toby O'Mahony
4:00 Leo and Grace Supple



YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND "ST. IGNATIUS NIGHT AT A DANCER'S CHRISTMAS" Friday evening, December 9 at 7:00 P.M.

Attend this opening night performance and enjoy a very special dessert reception following the show hosted by our Pastor, Fr. Bob, at the Jesuit residence - 130 Beacon St. (across the street from the B.C. football stadium). "A Dancer's Christmas" is performed at the Robsham Theater Arts Center on the campus of Boston College. To purchase your tickets, please contact the Robsham Theater Box Office at 617 - 552 - 4002. If you plan to attend the dessert reception, please tell the Box Office you are purchasing tickets for the "St. Ignatius Night" party, so we know how many will be attending the reception.

If you cannot attend St. Ignatius Night, please do not miss this wonderful production. See the wall posters and postcards at the entrances of the church for the complete performance schedule of "A Dancer's Christmas."



TAIZE PRAYER IN ADVENT – Again, we will gather to pray together on Monday Evenings at 7:15 pm in the Upper Church, beginning November 28th. All are welcome to these candlelit evenings of sung prayer and quiet meditation. Help is needed to set up and clean up after Taize Prayer. Call Mary Santapaula at the rectory if you are able to help, 617-552-6102 or email msantapaula@rcn.com.

COPING WITH LOSS DURING THE HOLIDAYS The loss of a loved one is difficult any time of the year, but the holidays can be especially challenging for those struggling with the loss of someone beloved. If grief has changed your experience and expectations of the holidays, if the peace and joy of the season seem far removed, you are not alone. Please join us for prayer and companionship in the Lannon Chapel on **Sunday, December 4th from 6:30 to 8:30 pm**. Those who attended this program last year are warmly welcome, as are friends and family members of St. Ignatius parishioners, as well as members of other worshiping communities. A light meal will be served. You are invited to bring a photo or memento of the one you have lost. For more information, please call the parish office at 617-552-6102.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, Nov. 27 th	Contemporary Music Ensemble – Upper Church	4:30 pm
Monday, “ 28 th	Taize Prayer – Upper Church	7:15 pm
“ “ “	RCIA – Friary Room	7:00 pm
Tuesday, “ 29 th	Parish Life Commission – Rectory	7:15 pm
Wed. “ 30 th	Children’s Carol Choir – Choir Room	4:30 pm
“ “ “	Parish Choir Rehearsal – Friary Room	7:15 pm
“ “ “	Young Adult Discussion Group – Rectory	7:30 pm
Friday, December 2 nd	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – Lannon Chapel	12:45 pm

General Reminders

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Have you signed up to participate in the annual parish support program yet? If not, please stop by the table at the entrance of the church and pick up a brochure and sign-up form for the “Pledge for the Greater Glory” program. This is the method that St. Ignatius Parish uses to collect your regular contributions in support of the parish. You can contribute by credit card, automatic bank transfers, or other means that you choose. Many parishioners are now making their contributions by credit cards and bank transfers, which is particularly helpful to the parish on those weekends when stormy weather or vacation schedules prevent people from attending Mass and putting cash in the basket. Please do your part to support this wonderful parish.

Parish Financial results for July – October , 2005

Operating income:	\$295,683
Operating expenses:	<u>\$317,591</u>
Operating surplus/(deficit):	(\$21,908)

OLIVE WOOD CRAFTS FROM BETHLEHEM

This weekend **November 26/27th**, representatives of the **Christian Families of Bethlehem** will be selling Crucifixes, Religious Art work, Rosaries – all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the Holy Land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. Sale of these goods will help them and give you the opportunity to have something authentic from the Holy Land. The money generated will help to buy food and other necessities for those needy families.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING will be held on **Sunday, December 4th** after 11:00 am and before the Noon Mass in the Upper Church

and on **Wednesday, December 7th** at 7:30 pm in the Lower Church. Contact Mary Elizabeth Hooker at mary_hooker@uml.edu.

“LIVING WITH CHRIST” – Anyone interested in obtaining the Sunday and Daily readings may wish to subscribe to “Living With Christ”. An error was made in last week’s bulletin. A subscription is \$16.95 for the 5”x4” size and \$21.95 for the easier-to-read 5”x7” size. A check may be sent to Living With Christ, P.O. Box 6001, Mystic, CT., 06355-6001 – Tel. 1-800-321-0411 – E-mail: LWC@bayard-inc.com If this is not financially feasible for anyone, please let us know at the rectory and we will be glad to help.

ADVENT "GUIDED" CENTERING PRAYER

You are invited to attend a new centering prayer experience offered the **four Sundays of Advent from 4:30 – 5:30 pm in the Lannon Chapel. (11-27, 12-4, 12-11, 12-18).** Dana Moore will offer us this prayer experience based on the guidelines of Fr. Basil Pennington. It begins by preparing our body and mind for prayer through simple yoga breathing exercises (**done while seated in chairs**). This will be followed by guided meditation, chanting and meditative walking (in the Lower Church) similar to the experience of walking a labyrinth. No registration is required. Please join us for this centering prayer experience.



PATHWAYS TO PRAYER – While our parish offers many opportunities for praying in groups, in this introductory workshop, we will explore some ways of enriching our personal prayer life, of deepening our understanding of “what is prayer?” **Come join us on Monday December 5th from 8:00 – 9:00 pm** in the Lannon Chapel as we reflect on what happens (or doesn’t happen!) when we pray, and as we explore ways of weaving different forms of prayer into the texture of our daily lives.

WISH YOU KNEW MORE ABOUT THE CHURCH? NO TIME TO TAKE COURSES? Maybe some of the events at BC’s “Church in the 21st Century” are for you. Events in December include online courses, lectures, workshops and seminars, most of them free of charge. See <http://www.bc.edu/church21/> for details. To see a past Church 21 program you have missed, try their archive of online webcasts <http://www.bc.edu:8080/church21/resources/webcast>



MULTIMEDIA PRESENTATION MISSION TO MANAGUA – Sunday, December 11th 1:00 – 3:00 pm

Steve Sheehan participated in an immersion trip to Managua, Nicaragua with a group from the Healing Alliance, a support agency for survivors of clergy abuse. Steve will present photographs, slides and a DVD showing the activities and projects of this team, and their interaction with both their in-country partners and, especially, with the children who were served by this mission. Wine and refreshments will be served and the presentation will take place in the rectory. For more information, please call Steve Sheehan at 617-783-6336 or email: sheehan1777@aol.com



CHRISTIAN YOGA, a way of wholeness and spiritual integration, will be offered by Dana Moore on Thursday evenings from 5:30 – 6:30 pm in the Friary Room. There will be a \$5.00 donation per class. Please call the office for more information. Dana will also be teaching a Christian Yoga class on Monday mornings from 7:30 – 8:30 am at the Brookline Academy of Dance. Contact Jamie Huggins at 617-552-6130 for more information.

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A SEASON OF ACTIVE ANTICIPATION

THE SEASON IS UPON US...

TIME TO GET READY....

WE HAVE TO GET GOING....



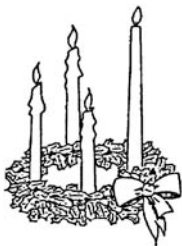
This Advent, we are called out of ourselves, called to take an active role in the birth of our salvation, the birth of Christ. We are no longer passive spectators to this wondrous event. Like John the Baptist, we are to use this time to preach, proclaim and bring about the kingdom of God. But with so much “to do” on our list, how can we “do” this?

Starting with the First Week of Advent and continuing throughout the advent and Christmas season, the Liturgy Commission will provide suggestions for prayerfully and actively preparing for the coming of Christ. Each week throughout this time, there will be prayer cards available on the tables at the entrances of the church containing an image and suggestions for prayerful reflection and action. Using the Ignatian experience of visualized prayer, our community is invited to take a few minutes each day amidst the rush to help prepare a way in our hearts for Christmas.

ATTENTION EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS & LECTORS



Volunteers are needed to serve at Masses for both the Christmas Vigil and on Christmas Day. Beginning this weekend, signup sheets will be posted in the sacristy both upstairs and downstairs. We invite you to indicate your availability on these sheets. Help is especially needed for the 4:00 and 6:00 pm Masses on Christmas Eve! The deadline for signup is December 11th, so please stop by as soon as possible to sign up.



ADVENT WREATH – CIRCLE OF LIFE, CIRCLE OF HOPE, CIRCLE OF LOVE – As you come into the church during the season of

Advent, you will notice a wreath on which four candles have been placed, three violet and one rose. This is the Advent Wreath, which marks, with its powerful light, the time spent waiting for the coming of Christ. The soft violet of the candles reminds us that this is a season of active reflection, time to clear our hearts of all that stands between us and the love of God. The rose candle, lit on the Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) reminds us that this is a joyous season, a time to rejoice in God’s immeasurable love for us. The circle, made up of the evergreen, reminds that God’s love for us is eternal and ever growing.

We invite you to set up your own wreath at home, lighting the candle each night, perhaps before you gather for your meal, sharing prayer and letting the light dispel the darkness.

BLESSING OF THE WREATH – *O God, bless our wreath, be with us as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ. As we light the candle each day, help us to keep our hearts burning with your love. Let your light within us provide illumination for our friends and families, guiding them toward your love. Amen,*

Outreach Ministries

WHAT'S COMING UP??



SHATTUCK SHELTER HOLIDAY MEAL: Sunday, December 4th is the day! Food donation sign-up sheets and reminder cards are in the upper church gathering space until November 27th.

Reminder: Food donations should be brought to the kitchen in the lower church between noon and 2PM on December 4th. Thank you!



Christmas Gift Drive 2005 has begun! Gift ornaments are on the tree in the upper church gathering space.

WORLD AIDS DAY – In prayer for those who live with HIV / AIDS throughout the world and in hope for an end to the suffering of so many, we gather to celebrate Eucharist at 3:00 pm on Thursday, December 1st in the Cyclorama in the South End as part of World AIDS Day. All are welcome!



Music Ministry

COMING IN DECEMBER – Music Selections will be posted on our website for our weekend Liturgies.



ST. IGNATIUS MUSIC MINISTRY NOW ON CD – ONLY 50 COPIES LEFT! Don't

miss your opportunity to buy "Ten Psalms and a Magnificat" which is now available for \$15 in the rectory office during regular business hours. This recording features some of our favorite vocalists and instrumentalists from the parish music ministry. This recording includes ten psalm responses composed by our Music Director, and the Buxtehude Magnificat recorded last December in concert. To hear a preview, go to our webpage:www.bc.edu/bc-org/prs/stign-music-ministry.html.

A Prayer for Generosity

*Dear Lord, teach me to be generous,
Teach me to serve you as you deserve,
To give and not to count the cost,
To fight and not to heed the wound,
To toil and not to seek for rest,
To labor and not to seek reward,
Save that of knowing that I do your will.*

St. Ignatius of Loyola

Religious Education News

Religious Education Office -- 617-552-6103 E-mail – chapmaab@bc.edu

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

- K-Grade 5 – 8:45 am – 9:55 am
- Grades 6-11 – 11:15 am – 12:30 pm
- **Please Note – Pre K classes will take place during the 10:00 am Liturgies**



THE GIVING TREE – GRADES 5 AND 6 will be making ornaments for this year's Family Mass Giving Tree. The tree will be up beginning this Sunday, November 20th.



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT – It's getting to be that time again! If your child is interested in participating in this year's pageant, which will take place at the Christmas Eve Vigil Mass, please come to an informational meeting for parents on Wednesday, November 9th at 7:00 pm in the Rectory. The pageant is open to children in grades kindergarten through six. We ask students to remain at home for this meeting.

If your child is interested in participating in this year's Christmas Pageant, which will take place at the Christmas Eve Vigil Mass, we have some important dates for you (please note several changes from the calendar you received at the beginning of the year). The pageant is open to children in grades kindergarten through six.

December 4th, 11:00 AM, Lannon Chapel: Parent Organizational Meeting

December 18th, 11:00 AM, Lannon Chapel: Rehearsal for those with speaking roles

December 22nd, 4:00 – 6:00 PM, Upper Church: Full Dress Rehearsal for all participants

December 24th, Christmas Pageant during Christmas Eve Vigil Mass

A QUIET CORNER FOR FAMILIES – For families with small children who worship in the Upper Church, our "Quiet Corner for Families" is located in the gathering space near the church's main entrance. With a small selection of books and other quiet activities, it offers a place to bring occasionally restless children, while still being present to the liturgy. Families are invited to use this space whenever needed during any of the Masses.

YOUNG NEIGHBORS IN ACTION

Last year 8 students in 10th and 11th grade participated in this week long service – learning experience in Washington D.C. in July. The students worked on service projects and were introduced to Catholic Social Teaching along with 60 other students from around the country. This year we are looking into participating again at a different location, and in order to do so we need to know in advance how

many students are sincerely interested in participating. **There will be an informational meeting for those interested on December 4th at 11am in the Friary Room.** This program is only open to high school students and those seniors who have just graduated from high school and would count as a service project for Confirmation.

THE ART BASED PROGRAM is opening the invitation for all teens to join in the 2 retreats this year. Both retreats will begin at 9 and end at 4.

December 4 - The 12 Days of Christmas, includes 3PM Mass with Fr. Bob

April 2 Easter Retreat, Stations of the Cross
Please notify Portia Durbin:

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if you are not already in the art based program and plan on attending.

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THE CELEBRATION OF EUCHARIST

SUNDAY UPPER CHURCH 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 NOON, 5:30 PM

LOWER CHURCH (Sept.-June) 10:00 AM, Family Liturgy

WEEKDAY LOWER CHURCH 12:15 PM, 5:30 PM

SATURDAY LOWER CHURCH 9:00 AM, UPPER CHURCH 4:00 PM (Vigil)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

LOWER CHURCH FRIDAYS 12:45 - 5:00 p.m.

THE SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Adults are baptized at the Easter Vigil as part of the Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults. Infant and child baptisms are by arrangement.

FIRST EUCHARIST

Preparation occurs in Grade 2 and includes classes, retreat and home instruction.

CONFIRMATION

Our Confirmation program begins in the 10th grade. Students are confirmed in the Spring of the 11th grade. Young adults who have been catechized but are not yet confirmed should contact the rectory for an alternative program.

MATRIMONY

Must be registered as a parishioner six months prior to beginning Marriage arrangements.

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:15 - 3:45 PM Upper Church or by arrangement

Thursdays 11:45 - 12:15 Lower Church (during the Academic year)

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