

The 3rd Sunday of Advent – December 14, 2008

THE READINGS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21ST THE 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT ARE:

2 Sm. 7: 1-5
Rom. 16: 25-27
Lk 1: 26-38

Please Pray for

Sunday, December 14, 2008

8:00 Angela Maffeo
10:00 John Callahan &
Betty Callahan
Noon Mary & Richard Howe
5:30 Arthur J. O'Connor &
Thomas F. Wallwork

Monday, December 15, 2008

12:15 Thomas & Mary Naymie
& Family
5:30 Laura Froelich

Tuesday, December 16, 2008

12:15 Vittoria Bari
5:30 Gerard Stanton

Wednesday, December 17, 2008

12:15 Walter Hanley
5:30 Dare Tiye

Thursday, December 18, 2008

12:15 Adele Bari
5:30 Mary Dafarra

Friday, December 19, 2008

12:15 Martin Walsh
5:30 Francis Farrell

Saturday, December 20, 2008

9:00 Eleanor & John Gallagher
4:00 Primo Lorenzoni

ADVENT TAIZE PRAYER

Invest Some Time in Your Prayer Life! –Join us for of Advent Taize Prayer on this Monday night and Monday, December 22nd at 7:15 pm in the Upper Church.

What is Taize Prayer? Taize Prayer is a quiet, simple way of prayer designed for people of all Christian traditions. These meditative candle lit services include simple chants sung repeatedly, rich silence and prayers of praise and intercession.



Fr. Bob has decided to bring the curtain down on this beloved Christmas tradition that celebrates the true meaning of Christmas through the ages. We want to honor the years of joy and laughter *A Dancer's Christmas* has brought to so many – and – we want to honor and thank Fr. Bob for expressing his creative spirit and faith through dance.

Hold December 20th, 7:30 PM! Everyone is invited to *attend St. Ignatius Night at A Dancer's Christmas* and enjoy our annual reception après show at 130 Beacon Street. ***Order tickets now through the Robsham Theater Arts Center at Boston College - 617 – 552 – 4002. Be sure to tell the Box Office you are part of the St. Ignatius Night Party.***

PERFORMANCES

December 13th -14th and 20th -21st

Saturday, December 13th and 20th at 3:00 pm and 7:30 pm

Sunday, December 14th and 21st at 3:00 pm

\$30 Adults – \$20 Seniors/Students - \$15 Children

\$75 Family Special (2 adults, 2 children) - Group rates available.



BECOME AN ELF FOR CHRISTMAS!

Come help decorate the church for Christmas on Wednesday, December 24th starting at 9:00 a.m. Come for a little time or come for the whole time: All ages and experiences are welcome to come!

For more information, contact Catherine Downing at 617-782-5812.

COME AWAY FOR THE WEEKEND

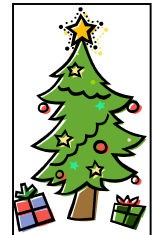
This coming winter, St. Ignatius will be offering a women's retreat at the Sacred Hearts Retreat Center in Wareham. Women of all ages are invited to a weekend away from 3pm on Friday, February 20 through lunch on Sunday, February 22, 2009. Unlike the parish retreats, this retreat will not be silent, and will

feature opportunities to relax, rest, pray, and talk with other women about life's experiences. The cost of the weekend is \$145 per participant and includes lodging and all meals. To register for this retreat, please email Amy Chapman at chapmaab@bc.edu or call 617.552.6103. A deposit of \$50 is required.

MINISTERIO PARA LA COMUNIDAD LATINA EN SAN IGNACIO DE LOYOLA
MINISTRY FOR THE LATINO COMMUNITY AT ST. IGNATIUS: La Misa en Espanol: Cada Domingo en la Capilla Lannon a las 12:00. Estamos invitando a los miembros de la comunidad Latina a organizar grupos de oración, grupos de compartimientos de la Fe y estudios biblicos inmediatamente despues de la Fé y liturgia.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES

CHRISTMAS GIFT DRIVE This is the weekend! If you forgot to return your gift(s), please drop it/them off at the Rectory by 7PM Monday night, December 15th. Thank you so much for participating in the Gift Drive!



MIDNIGHT MASS CHOIR

If there are any experienced singers who would like to participate in our Midnight Mass Choir, please contact Michael Burgo at 617-552-6108 or burgo@bc.edu. Rehearsals are December 17th at 8:15 pm December 18th at 7:00 pm, and December 22nd at 7:15 pm.

REMINDER: We strongly urge our parishioners and visitors not to leave their belongings in the pew when they leave to receive Communion. Please take them with you.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, Dec. 14 th	Contemporary Music Ensemble – Upper Church	4:30 pm
Monday, Dec. 15 th	Advent Taize Prayer – Upper Church	7:15 pm
Wed., Dec. 17 th	Children's Carol Choir – Choir Room	4:30 pm
	Parish Choir Rehearsal – Friary Room	7:15 pm
	Young Adult Discussion Group – Rectory 2 nd fl.	7:30 pm
Thursday, Dec. 18 th	Christmas Choir – Friary Room	7:00 pm
Friday, Dec. 19 th	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – Lannon Chapel	12:45 pm

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

December

- 14 Classes (K-5, 9-10)
Giving Tree Returns, 11am
- 21 Classes (K-5, 9-10)
Middle School Meets
ABP meets
Preschool Meets
Family Mass
Pageant Rehearsal for people with key roles, Upper Church
- 23 Pageant Dress Rehearsal, 3 – 4:30 pm
- 24 Christmas Eve – Pageant Mass – Vigil, 6pm



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Rehearsal schedule is as follows:

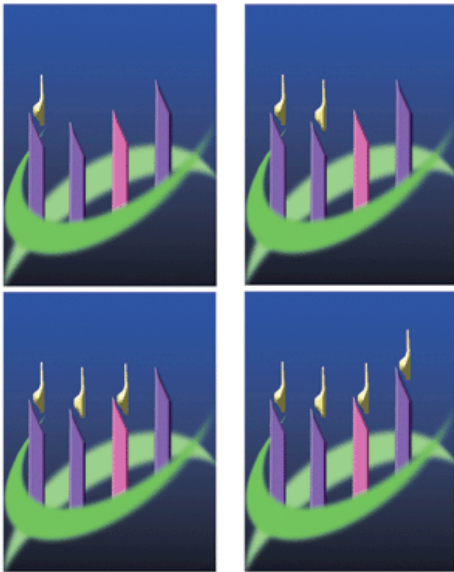
- December 21 1:30 – 2:30 Full rehearsal (no costumes)
Upper Church
- December 23 3-4:30pm Full dress rehearsal Upper Church

Children participating in the pageant should be in the Lannon Chapel on Christmas Eve no later than 5:30pm.

HELP FOR HAITI

Middle School students - Save the Date for a party, the proceeds of which will go towards providing water purificators for Haiti. Purchase an entrance button for \$10 after the 10am liturgies on December 14 and December 21.

When: January 10, 2009 Time: 7:00-9:00pm
Where: The Hyde Centre, Lincoln Street, Newton Highlands



Signs and Symbols of the Season

Our Advent journey is also reflected in the colors that we use during this season, as seen in the fabrics, ribbons, banners and candles used in the church during this time.

The primary color of Advent is violet, not the deep penitential purple of Lent, but the softer, blue tinted purple of the winter twilight. It is the color that expresses our waiting for the one true light who will come out of the darkness, for the coming of our Messiah, the Christ. It is the color of royalty, as we wait for the birth of the King of life.

For one day, Gaudete Sunday, the color changes. The priest wears different vestments and the candle that is lit on this week is not violet, but rose, the color of the winter dawn. Gaudete, a Latin term, can be broadly translated as "rejoice", and we are invited to celebrate in word and song the fact that that we have reached the half-way point of our Advent journey. The violet has blended with the white of Christmas to become rose, to remind us that the joy of Christmas draws near. We invite you to share that joy with one another!

From the Art & Environment Committee

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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.
12:00 MISA EN ESPANOL EN LA CAPILLA LANNON

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 - FRIDAY, 12:45 – 5:00 PM

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 9th grade. Students are confirmed in the Spring of the 10th 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

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