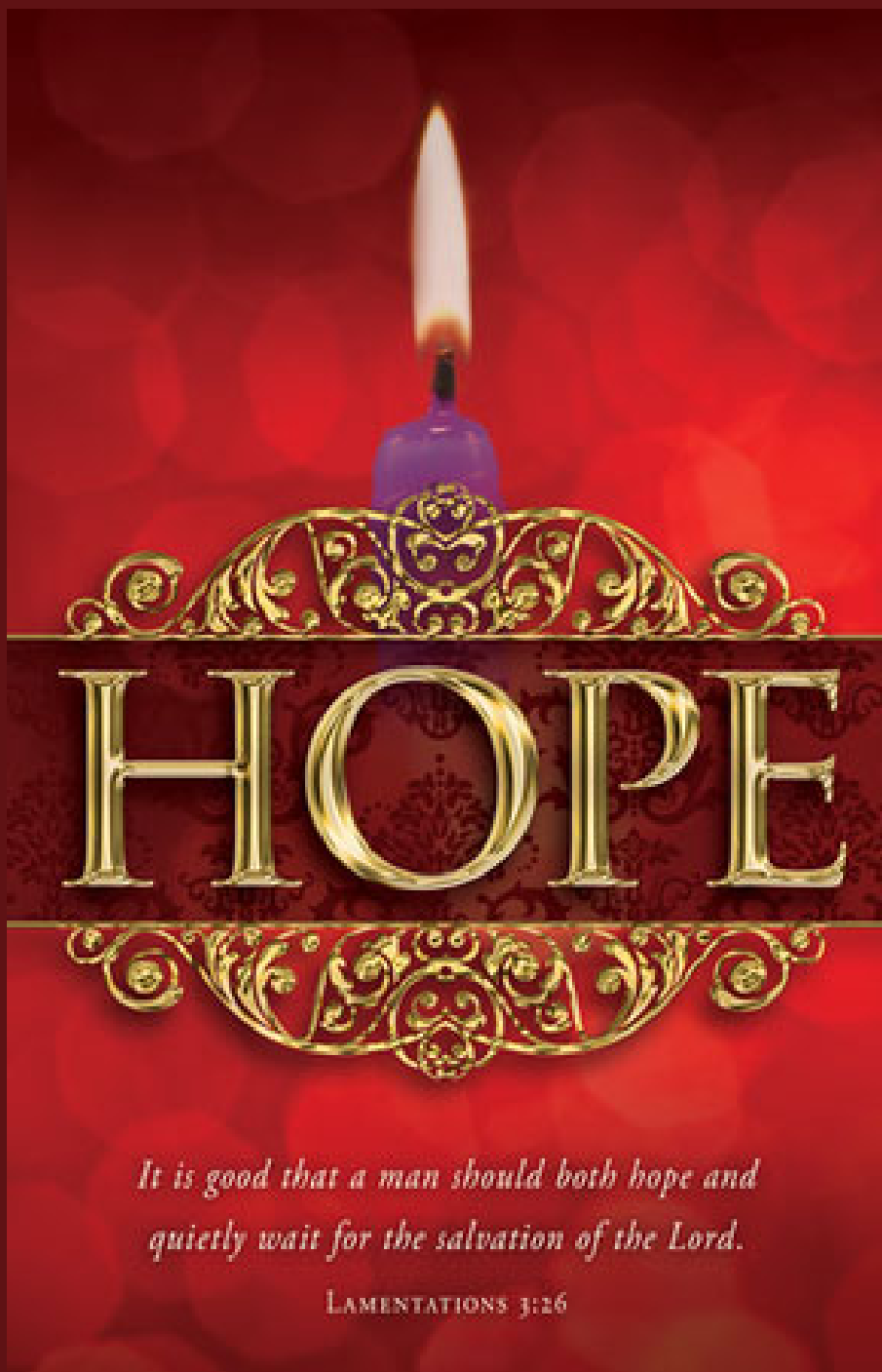




Our Lady Queen of the Apostles

Strengthened by FAITH & Living in HOPE & Serving with LOVE



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Rev. Z. Andy Rudnicki, Pastor
Rev. Laurent Assenga, ALCP, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Brian Campbell, Parochial Vicar

Parish Directory

100 Crestwood Blvd. S., Royal Palm Beach, FL 33411

Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Closed daily from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM for lunch

Parish Office: (561) 798-5661

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Permanent Deacons

Deacon Rodney Brimlow

Deacon Stephen Hayes

Deacon Bob Laquerre

Parish Staff

Business Manager/
Stewardship

Director of Religious Ed.

Director of Music

Bookkeeper

Administrative Assistant

Receptionist/Office Assistant

Parish Maintenance

Youth Music Director

James Duemig

Laura Schroeder

Mauricio Leguizamon

Chris Winters

Sharyn Garcia

Arline Laquerre

Tom Schmidt

Ryan Winters

Nick DeLapi

Mindy Simpson

Mass, Confession and Adoration Schedule

Saturday Vigil	4:30 PM
	6:00 PM (Spanish)
Sunday	8:00 AM, 9:45 AM, 11:30 AM
	6:00 PM
Weekday Masses	8:00 AM (Monday-Saturday)
Friday	12 Noon (September-May)
Holy Days	8:00 AM, 12 Noon, 7:30 PM
Saturday Confession	2:30 - 3:30 PM
Adoration	Monday through Friday
	7 AM - 7 PM and
	Saturday 7 AM - 4 PM

NOTE: Adoration is closed when the office is closed.

Masses Intentions

SATURDAY

8:00 AM

4:30 PM

6:00PM

SUNDAY

8:00 AM

9:45 AM

11:30 AM

6:00 PM

MONDAY

8:00 AM

TUESDAY

8:00 AM

WEDNESDAY

8:00 AM

THURSDAY

8:00 AM

FRIDAY

8:00 AM

Noon

7:30 PM

SATURDAY

8:00 AM

4:30 PM

6:00PM

SUNDAY

8:00 AM

9:45 AM

11:30 AM

6:00 PM

DECEMBER 2

+ Kellie Pecar Heil
by Jim & Carol Pecar

+ Joan Russo
by Robert Russo

+ For Our Parishioners

DECEMBER 3

+ Kha Van Pham & Trung Dzuog Luong
by Tan Hoai Luong

+ Maria Pinto

by her children

+ Mary Betty Russell

by her loving family

+ Patrick Lambert

by his wife and children

DECEMBER 4

+ Osmundo Juan Casas

by his family

DECEMBER 5

+ Monica Pratt

by her dear friend, Helen

DECEMBER 6

+ Robert Large

by Monique and Michele Large

DECEMBER 7

+ Carl and Mary Griffin

by Bob and Diane Widdick

DECEMBER 8 Immaculate Conception

+ Ana Luisa Torres

by Migdalia Perez

+ Christopher Cojocar

by Bert and Diane

Arline Salois on her 91st birthday

by her loving daughter, Arline

DECEMBER 9

+ Alex Yanes

by Danielle and Donald Brooks

+ Angela Dattero

by her daughter and son-in-law

+ Jaime Calderon

by Carmen Calderon

DECEMBER 10

+ Douglas Stevens, Jr.

by Judith

+ Nicola D'Onofrio

by Silvana and Aldo Sacco

+ Stephanie Leger

by Mom and Dad

+ Our Parishioners

Readings for the Week

December 4:	Is. 2: 1-5; Mt. 8: 5-11
December 5:	Is. 11: 1-10; Lk. 10: 21-24
December 6:	Is. 25: 6-10a; Mt. 15: 29-37
December 7:	Is. 26: 1-6; Mt. 7: 21, 24-27
December 8:	Gn. 3: 9-15, 20; Ep. 1: 3-6, 11-12; Lk. 1: 26-38
December 9:	Is. 30: 19-21, 23-26; Mt. 9: 35-10:1, 5e, 6-8
December 10:	Is. 40: 1-5, 9-11; 2Pt. 3: 8-14; Mt. 1: 1-8

Parish Events Calendar

November 25

St. Vincent de Paul Angel Tree Set Up on Pavilion

November 26 Feast of Christ the King

St. Vincent de Paul Angel Tree Set Up on Pavilion

Spiritual Concert 7:15PM in Church

Youth Group 7PM

November 27

PREP

Confirmation Class 7PM in Hall

6PM Band Practice 7PM in Church

K of C General Meeting 7:30PM Festival Hall

November 28

PREP

Queens of Talent 1PM in Festival Hall

Bereavement Group 6:30PM in the Library

Spanish Choir Practice 7:30PM in Cry Room

RCIA 7:30PM in Luke/John Classroom

November 29

PREP

9:45 Choir Practice 7PM in the Church

November 30 Feast of St. Andrew the Apostle

PREP

Rosary Makers 1PM in Luke/John Class

Bible Study 7PM in the Hall

Spanish Prayer Group 7PM in Matthew Class

6PM Band Practice 7PM in the Church

December 1

Children's Choir 5:30PM in the Church

December 2

St. Vincent de Paul Angel Tree on Pavilion

K of C Black Tie Christmas Party 6PM in Hall

Bethlehem Group on Pavilion after Masses

Knights of Columbus

Blood Drive

This Sunday

8:50 AM - 12:50 PM

All donors will receive a FREE fleece blanket and a wellness checkup including blood pressure, temperature, iron count, pulse and cholesterol screening!



Sacramental Information

Baptisms: Congratulations on the decision to baptize your child in the Catholic Faith! We are here to help you with the process. Please call or stop by the parish office and we will be happy to get you started. Travel plans for out of town guests should not be made until a date for the baptism is confirmed by the parish staff. A meeting with a priest *may* be required. We look forward to hearing from you.

Marriages: Please come by the parish office to start your marriage paperwork. Please allow six months to complete the paperwork. A wedding date cannot be set until a priest has been consulted.

Sick and Homebound: We are blessed to have a group of volunteers in our parish who are happy to bring Holy Communion to the sick, the hospitalized and the homebound. Please call the parish office to make arrangements. If you or your loved one would like for a priest to visit with the Sacrament of Anointing, please do not hesitate to call us.

Week 1

Advent Prayer for Hope

Dear Jesus, you are the hope in our messy world. This Advent, help us slow down, listen to your voice, and focus on what's really important. We place our hope in you as we prepare our hearts to celebrate your birth on Christmas. Amen.

Gift Shop



Advent is here
Don't forget your candles!

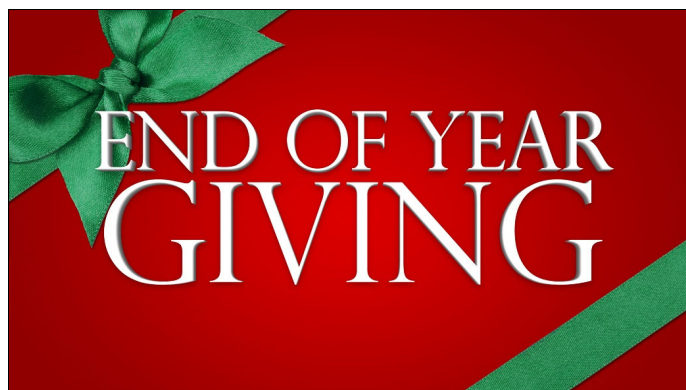
Deacon's Corner

In this Sunday's Gospel, Mark (MK 13:33-37) strongly cautions us to be watchful and alert for the glorious return of Jesus Christ. He urges us to be steadfast gatekeepers, always alert and never sleeping during our watch. Although it may appear to be a simple task, a gatekeeper is challenged with the duty of peering out into the distant horizon to recognize the master well in advance of his arrival. To properly do this, it is necessary that the gatekeeper "know" his master. That is, the gatekeeper needs to spend time in the presence of the master to attain a working, personal, and intimate knowledge of him. Not fully "knowing" the master, puts the gatekeeper at risk of opening the gate to welcome someone other than the true master of the house.

The Advent season is a perfect time to examine our personal relationship with Jesus. Like the good gatekeeper, we need to first have a personal relationship with Christ so that we can come to know who He is and worthily perform the task of managing the night watch. Today's first reading from the prophet Isaiah, however, reminds us that this is no easy job. Our sinful nature distorts our perception of who Jesus really is because we are unclean people, like polluted rags and withered leaves (IS 64:5). We often see goodness in things that are not and flee from the authentic goodness of Jesus in our lives.

Considering Mark's Gospel message, the question then becomes, "Do we know Jesus well enough to open our gates and allow Him to enter into our hearts or is our relationship with Him so faint, that we have permitted a thief to enter and take illegitimate rule of our houses?" During this first week of Advent, let us spend time in prayer to thoughtfully reflect on who Jesus Christ truly is to us. We can grow in our closeness to Him by visiting the adoration chapel to spend time in contemplative prayer, through reading the Gospels, or petitioning the Blessed Mother to help us meet Jesus, not only in the Eucharist, but also "in the brothers and sisters suffering from hunger, illness, oppression, and injustice" (Pope Francis - Nov 26, 2017). Let us all strive to attain a closer and more intimate relationship with the Master of the House, Jesus Christ. Only then, can we worthily perform in our duty and charge as gatekeepers.

Deacon Bob



Have you considered giving appreciated stock as your year end gift to the church?

Each year many parishioners make their year end tax deductible gifts to our parish. Have you considered this and if so, have you considered the major advantages to giving appreciated stock? By giving a gift of appreciated securities, you can avoid paying capital gains on the stock or security, receive a charitable gift deduction on your tax return and Our Lady receives the full value of your security. (Please consult you Financial Advisor or Tax Consultant) For more information visit the Diocese page at www.diocesepb.org/other-ways-to-give

Weekly Treasure

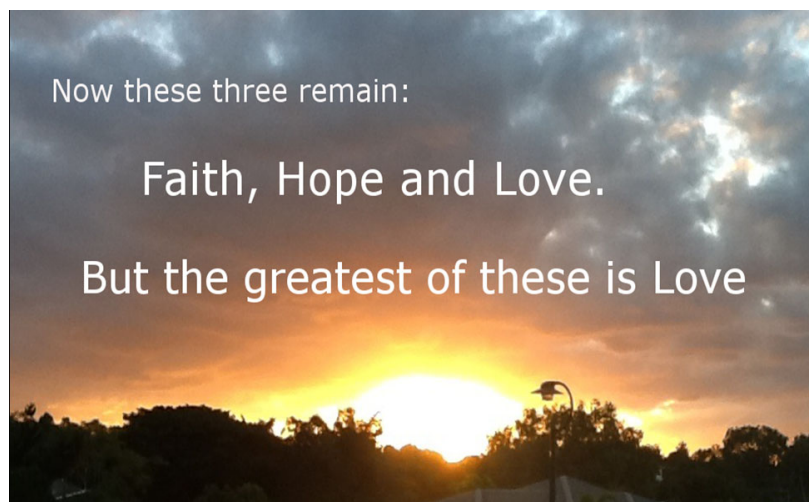
	Offertory	On-Line	Total
Offertory November 19	\$15,838	\$4,494	\$20,332
Offertory November 26	\$14,050	\$3,152	\$17,202
DSA Debt			\$1,576
SVDP — 11/19			\$1,410
SVDP — 11/26			\$131
Attendance	November 19 - 1,889		November 26 -2,187

Diocesan Services Appeal



2017 DSA Commitment	\$200,000
Pledges and Gifts:	\$148,649
Amount Needed:	\$51,351
Donors:	358

2017 Diocesan Services Appeal



Now these three remain:

Faith, Hope and Love.

But the greatest of these is Love

As we approach the end of the year, especially at a time when we give thanks, it's hard not to think about the blessings we have been given by our Lord. It's a time of reflection of "what we have done, and what we have failed to do". In last week's Gospel we heard our Lord talk about feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, caring for the sick, clothing the naked, and visiting the imprisoned. This is what the DSA is all about. It's about helping the most needy in our Diocese. We are considerably short on our commitment to the Diocese in our DSA and if you haven't offered your gift, we ask that you prayerfully reflect on your gift and consider all those who are in need...the brothers and sisters that Jesus spoke about in the Gospel last week. He said, "whatever you do to the least of your brothers, you do to me"!

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. 1 Peter 4:10

PREP News

There **WILL BE** PREP this week, December 4th-7th.

Confirmation Students:

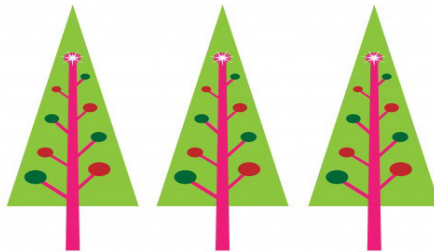
December 11th: ALL sponsor forms are due

December 17th: Confirmation class attends 6pm Mass

January 8th: Confirmation Saint essays are due

First Communion Families:

Please contact Miss Laura if you did not receive the letter with all the important upcoming dates.



Christmas Schedule 2017

Advent Penance Service

Monday, December 11th — 4:00 - 5:00 PM and 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Anointing Mass

Tuesday, December 14th — 7:30 PM

Confessions

Saturday, December 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd — 2:30 - 3:30 PM

Christmas Vigil Masses

Sunday December 24th — 4:00 PM and 6:00 PM (English)

Christmas Day Masses

Monday, December 25th — Midnight, 8:00, 9:45, 11:30 AM, Spanish Mass - 1:00 PM

New Year's Day Mass - Solemnity of Mary (not a Holy Day of Obligation)

Monday, January 1st — 8:00 AM



St. Vincent de Paul Angel Tree

Each Christmas St. Vincent de Paul sponsors an "Angel Tree" where each Angel is a real child who we have helped during the year and whose family is still in need.

Please stop by after Mass to get your "Angel", as well as instructions on how to make this a bright Christmas for them. Thank you and God bless you!



Journey with Fr. Brian Campbell



Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

October 16-26, 2018



**Brochures available in
the Parish Office**



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Save the Date! ***Annual Anniversary Masses***

Bishop Gerald Barbarito will celebrate the Annual Anniversary Masses for Married Couples who will be celebrating 25, 40, 50 or more years of marriage during the year 2018.

Saturday, February 10, 2018 at 10:30 AM ~ OR ~ Saturday, February 17, 2018 at 10:30 AM

St. Lucie Catholic Church
280 S.W. Prima Vista Blvd.
Port St. Lucie, FL 34983



St. Paul of The Cross
10970 Jack Nicklaus Dr.
North Palm Beach, FL 33408

Cake, Coffee and Punch reception following Mass

Watch your Bulletin for details on how to register with your parish for one of these special celebrations.



The Advent Wreath

1st CANDLE – (purple) **THE PROPHECY CANDLE or CANDLE OF HOPE** – We can have hope because God is faithful and will keep the promises made to us. Our hope comes from God. (Romans 15:12-13)

2nd CANDLE – (purple) **THE BETHLEHEM CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF PREPARATION** – God kept his promise of a Savior who would be born in Bethlehem. Preparation means to “get ready”. Help us to be ready to welcome YOU, O GOD! (Luke 3:4-6)

3rd CANDLE – (pink) **THE SHEPHERD CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF JOY** – The angels sang a message of JOY! (Luke 2:7-15)

4th CANDLE – (purple) **THE ANGEL CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF LOVE** – The angels announced the good news of a Savior. God sent his only Son to earth to save us, because he loves us! (John 3:16-17)

5th CANDLE – (white) **“CHRIST CANDLE”** – The white candle reminds us that Jesus is the spotless lamb of God, sent to wash away our sins! His birth was for his death, his death was for our birth! (John 1:29)

Bereavement Group

Have you recently lost a loved one? Please join us for an evening of understanding.

The bereavement group meets twice a month on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM. Our next meeting is:

December 12

Bethlehem Catholic Missions

The group from Bethlehem Catholic Missions from the Holy Land is visiting our parish on December 2nd and 3rd. They have some beautiful olivewood carvings which are all handmade by the Christian people there. This is a Church mission to maintain the existence of the Catholic people in the Holy Land. The proceeds from the sale will be used to buy food and other necessities for those needy families.



Knights of Columbus #12376

Annual



And TOY DRIVE

We will be in the Pavilion accepting unwrapped toy donations (up to the value of \$10) after all Masses for the Breakfast with Santa event being held on December 16, 2017 @ 9:00 am. **Cost: \$ 4:00 per child, includes a toy specially delivered by Santa from the North Pole and pictures of the event and \$2:00 per adult.** If desired, you have the option to make a monetary donation instead.

Let's bring a smile on a child's face this Holiday Season!

Angel Beds

**Do you have carpentry experience?
*WE NEED YOU!***

Please volunteer your time and talent to help make our Angel Beds.

If you are interested, please contact
Angie Di Leonardo at
561-791-2914.

Confessions

Effective Monday, December 4th,
Fr. Landauer confessions will now be on
Mondays instead of Wednesdays.
The time will remain the same,
3 pm to 5 pm.

Bible Study

Please note, the next bible study
will be on:

December 21st at 7:00PM

We hope to see you there...

...and remember, feel free to bring
a treat!



The Knights of Columbus Christmas Cards

Available for sale after all Masses

**December 2-3
December 9-10
December 16-17**

We have Spanish cards and other
ethnic groups.



Be a Shining Christmas Star On Television

Bishop Barbarito invites you to the taping of the
Diocese of Palm Beach's televised Christmas
Mass on Monday, December 18th at 5:30 PM
(Cathedral of St. Ignatius Loyola).

This Mass will be shown on TV on
Christmas Day!

**Save the Date!
Mark your calendars to join us!**

For more information:
www.diocesepb.org/events or
contact the Office of
Communications at
561-775-9529 or
dlaubert@diocesepb.org



ACTIVIDADES DE LA COMUNIDAD HISPANA



¿Qué causa tanta alegría? La Inmaculada Concepción de María

Es el dogma de fe que declara que por una gracia especial de Dios, ella fue preservada de todo pecado desde su concepción. El dogma fue proclamado por el Papa Pío IX, el 8 de diciembre de 1854, en la Bula Ineffabilis Deus. "Sólo María, entre las personas está llena de gracia de Dios desde el principio de su existencia en el seno de su madre, Santa Ana".

Primer Domingo de Adviento (2 de diciembre)

Hoy nos toca celebrar dos eventos importantes: el inicio del nuevo año litúrgico y el comienzo de la preparación para la llegada del Señor.

Como cristianos, tenemos la oportunidad de fijarnos unos objetivos encaminados a la conversión y la salvación, utilizando la fe, el amor y la oración, para ganar la vida eterna. Por otro lado en el adviento nos preparamos para el encuentro con nuestro Señor en actitud vigilante y reconociendo las faltas que nos separan de la gracia de Dios.

Lecturas próxima semana

Segundo Domingo de Adviento (9 de diciembre)

Primera lectura: Isaías 40:1-5, 9-11

Segunda lectura: 2 Pedro 3:8-14

Evangelio: Marcos 1:1-8

Retiro de Adviento

Dirigido por el
Díacono Jaime Zapata
Sábado 9 de diciembre
Hora: 8:30 am– 12 m
Salón Lucas y John
319-5585 / 329-3390

