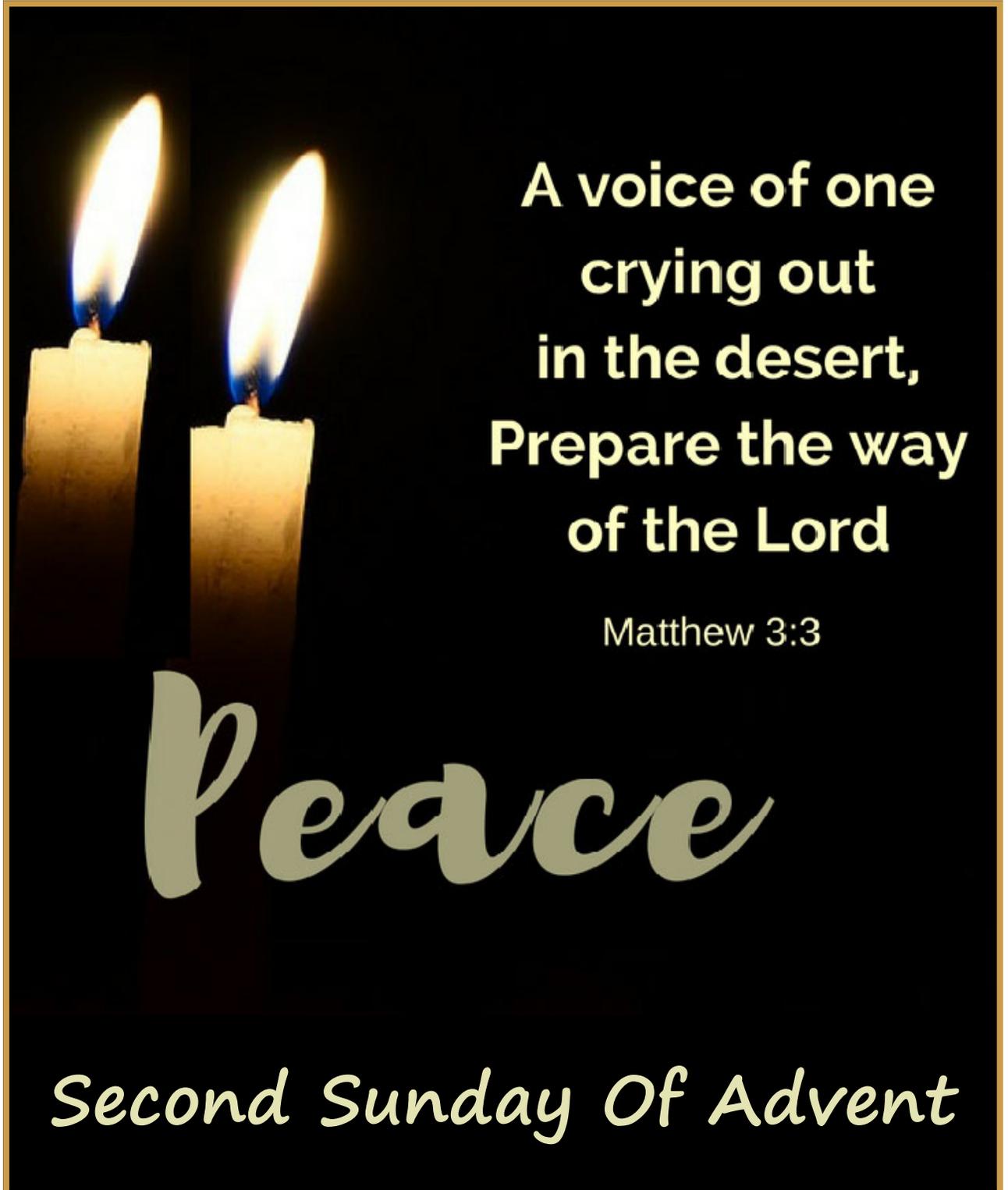




Our Lady Queen of the Apostles

Strengthened by FAITH & Living in HOPE & Serving with LOVE



A voice of one
crying out
in the desert,
Prepare the way
of the Lord

Matthew 3:3

Peace

Second 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

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Permanent Deacons

Deacon Rodney Brimlow

Deacon Stephen Hayes

Deacon Bob Laquerre

Parish Staff

Business Manager/ Stewardship	James Duemig
Director of Religious Ed.	Laura Schroeder
Director of Music	Mauricio Leguizamon
Bookkeeper	Chris Winters
Administrative Assistant	Sharyn Garcia
Receptionist/Office Assistant	Arline Laquerre
Facilities Manager	
Parish Maintenance	Tom Schmidt Ryan Winters Nick DeLapi
Youth Music Director	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

7:30 PM

FRIDAY

8:00 AM

Noon

SATURDAY

8:00 AM

4:30 PM

6:00PM

SUNDAY

8:00 AM

9:45 AM

11:30 AM

6:00 PM

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

DECEMBER 11

+ Joann Persad

by Neville Persad

DECEMBER 12

+ Catherine Davis

by Tom & Pat Lazarus

DECEMBER 13

+ Vince Hinde

by Phyllis & Michael Chanin

DECEMBER 14

Intentions of Fr. Andy

by Nick & Mary Alessandria

Mass of Anointing

DECEMBER 15

+ Robert Knapp

by his daughters

Multiple Intentions

DECEMBER 16

+ Monica Pratt

by Gayle Paul

Intentions of Hugh & Louise Connolly/

Connolly & O'Neill Families

by their children

+ Tomas de Jesus y Primitiva de Jesus

Familia Sobrino de Jesus

DECEMBER 17

+ Ophelia Esperon Lopez

by Kathy Martin

+ For Our Parishioners

+ Lucilo Gonzalez

by the family

Intentions of the Dellatto Family

by AnnaRose Wampner and Santo

Readings for the Week

December 11: Is. 35:1-10; Lk. 5:17-26

December 12: Zec. 2:14-17; Lk. 1:26-38

December 13: Is. 40:25-31; Mt. 11:28-30

December 14: Is. 41:13-20; Mt. 11:11-15

December 15: Is. 48:17-19; Mt. 11:16-19

December 16: Sir. 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt. 17:9a, 10-13

December 17: Is. 61:1-2a, 10-11;

1 Thes. 5:16-24; Jn. 1: 6-8, 19-28

Parish Events Calendar

December 9

St. Vincent de Paul Angel Tree Gift Return on Pavilion
Spanish Advent Retreat 8AM in Luke Classroom
Columbiettes in Festival Hall at 9:30AM

December 10

St. Vincent de Paul Angel Tree Gift Return on Pavilion
Youth Group 7PM in Celebration Hall

December 11

PREP
Confirmation Class 7PM in Celebration Hall
Advent Penance Service 4-5PM and 7-8PM

December 12

PREP
Bereavement Group 6:30PM in the Library
Spanish Community Prayer Vigil 7:30PM in Matthew Classroom
Spanish Choir Practice 7:30PM in Cry Room
11:30 Choir Practice 7:30PM in Choir Loft
RCIA 7:30PM in Luke/John Classroom

December 13

PREP
9:45 Choir Practice 7PM in the Church
DCA 7:15PM in Mark Classroom

December 14

PREP
Spanish Prayer Grp 7PM in Matthew Classroom
Anointing Mass 7:30PM in the Church

December 15

Children's Choir Practice 5:30PM in the Church

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

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 2

Advent Prayer for Peace

Dear Jesus, you entered our world on Christmas as the Prince of Peace. This Advent, as we strive to become the best-version-of-ourselves, fill us with a deep and abiding peace. Help us share that peace with everyone we encounter, especially those who need it most. Amen.

Gift Shop



Don't wait until the last minute to get that special gift for the young ones in your family.

Deacon's Corner

Are we preparing the way of the Lord?

In today's Gospel, we hear these words: "Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way. A voice of one crying out in the desert: 'Prepare the way of the Lord; make straight his paths.'" These words of John the Baptist are a quote from the Prophet Isaiah, who was speaking about the one who would announce the coming of the Messiah. These words are meant for us as well. We are also called to proclaim the coming of our Messiah, our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ. And during this Holy Season of Advent, we announce to the world that we are Christians in a particular way, as we look forward to the celebration of Christmas. We are called to be Heralds of Good News. Just like John the Baptist, we are to shout from the hilltops, "Prepare the way of the Lord; make straight his paths." But what does it mean to make straight the path of the Lord? John tells us: **Repentance and Forgiveness.** This time of Advent is the perfect opportunity to renew our relationship with God and each other. We make straight the paths in our lives by examining our lives, and weeding out everything that holds us back from God's love. Sin darkens our soul and keeps us from living a life of true holiness. Our happiness and joy lies only in union with God, but we cannot experience that unity when we are separated by sin. Repentance is found in being truly sorry for our sins, confessing them, and living in the grace of God, as we try to avoid sin in our lives. With our repentance, we accept the forgiveness of God – this is the TRUE GIFT offered to us throughout this holy season. This gift of forgiveness is not meant only for us, however, but we are to give that gift to others. We are to "share" God's forgiveness of us with others, by forgiving them and offering a renewal of our relationships with them. The well of forgiveness from God never dries up, and his love for us can never be exhausted. We have the urgent opportunity to bring the real Good News of Jesus Christ and his love to our world by receiving *and giving* his most precious gift of forgiveness. So let us really prepare for the coming of the baby Jesus at Christmas by preparing for the coming of Jesus in our lives. Let us make straight the paths of the Lord, the paths in our lives, and renew our relationship with the Lord through repentance and reconciliation. Let us seek, receive, and welcome the forgiveness offered to us, and then let us share that forgiveness, mercy, and love with others in our lives. May God bless you during this Advent Season of expectation, anticipation, and forgiveness.

Deacon Rodney



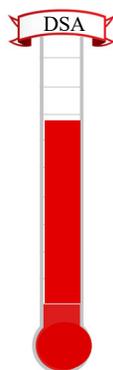
Have you considered giving appreciated stock as your year end gift to the church?

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

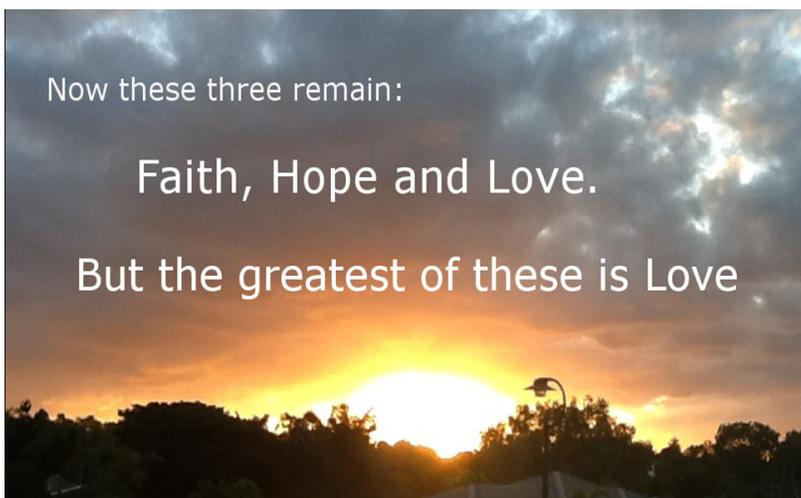
December 3	Offertory	On-Line	Total
	\$15,705	\$3,714	\$19,419
			\$3,762
			\$2,160
Attendance	2,024		

Diocesan Services Appeal



2017 DSA Commitment	\$200,000
Pledges and Gifts:	\$150,079
Amount Needed:	\$49,921
Donors:	364

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 11th-14th.

Attention Confirmation Students:

Sponsor forms are due Monday, December 11th!!

Attendance is required at the 6pm Mass Sunday, December 17th.

All students are to wear their retreat shirt.

First Communion Parents:

Please contact Miss Laura if you *did not* receive the letter regarding important upcoming dates.



I wish everyone a blessed week!



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

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





Your New Year's Event

To WELCOME 2018!!
Let's get together and celebrate BIG!

There will be live entertainment, a cocoa bar, cookie station, craft station, talent show, and then the dance floor will be open.

Please join us for an amazing night!
Help with desserts would be very appreciated.

Saturday, January 13th
6 p.m.
Celebration Hall
- OLQA -

RSVP by
January 5, PLEASE



O.L.Q.A.
Family Life Ministry



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.

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 9-10

December 16-17

We have Spanish cards and other ethnic groups.



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!

An Invitation from the Diocese: Be a "Christmas Angel" on Television



Bishop Barbarito invites you to the taping of the
Diocese of Palm Beach's televised Christmas Mass on

Monday, December 18 at 5:30 p.m.
at the
Cathedral of St. Ignatius in Palm Beach Gardens



Bishop Barbarito will be the celebrant of this Mass that will air on Christmas Day morning on local television for the benefit of the sick, homebound and many others in our community so they can celebrate this Holy Mass. There will be great music performed by the choir.

Please consider being a "Christmas Angel" and attending this Mass. It means *so much* to our viewers to see a large faith family of individuals and families sitting together in the Church pews.

Please come dressed in your holiday finest attire and join us for this special celebration!

Light holiday refreshments will be served afterward.
We hope you will join us.



For more information, contact the diocesan Office of Communications at 561-775-9529.

ACTIVIDADES DE LA COMUNIDAD HISPANA

La Triple Finalidad del Adviento:



Recordar el pasado Celebrar y contemplar el nacimiento de Jesús en Belén. El Señor ya vino y nació en Belén. Esta fue su venida en la carne, lleno de humildad y pobreza. Vino como uno de nosotros,

hombre entre los hombres. Esta fue su primera venida. **Vivir el presente:** Se trata de vivir en el presente de nuestra vida diaria la "presencia de Jesucristo" en nosotros y, por nosotros, en el mundo. Vivir siempre vigilantes, caminando por los caminos del Señor, en la justicia y en el amor.

Preparar el futuro: Se trata de prepararnos para la Parusía o segunda venida de Jesucristo en la "majestad de su gloria". Entonces vendrá como Señor y como Juez de todas las naciones, y premiará con el Cielo a los que han creído en Él; vivido como hijos fieles del Padre y hermanos buenos de los demás. Esperamos su venida gloriosa que nos traerá la salvación y la vida eterna sin sufrimientos.

Para ti hermano:

Ministerio quiere decir servicio. Así como Cristo no vino a ser servido sino a **Servir** Mt 20,28. Los ministerios existen para el bien y el servicio a la comunidad, por voluntad de Cristo. Si escuchas el llamado a servir, comunícate. Alsacia 792-7476

Primer Domingo de Adviento (9 de diciembre)

La venida del Señor ocupa el centro de las lecturas de hoy. Isaías lo expresa como anhelo de un pueblo que se reconoce lejos de Dios, y que clama, como leemos en el salmo, para ser restaurado por su poder. En la segunda lectura y el evangelio, la perspectiva cambia: los cristianos ya han reconocido la venida de Dios en Jesús de Nazaret. Por eso la recomendación es esperar vigilantes y comprometidos en la construcción del Reino

Lecturas próxima semana

Tercer Domingo de Adviento (16 de diciembre)

Primera lectura: Isaías 61:1-2a, 10-11

Segunda lectura: 1 Tesalonicenses 5:16-24

Evangelio: Juan 1:6-8,19-28

María dijo entonces: "Proclama mi alma la grandeza del Señor, y mi espíritu se alegra en Dios mi Salvador". Lucas 1,46-47
La Virgen Peregrina te invita a participar de un Rosario comunitario el 12 de diciembre, salón Mathew, a las 7 pm. Al término habrá un refrigerio y se le cantarán las mañanitas. Te Esperamos



"En Nombre del Cielo os pido Posada"

Del 16 al 24 de diciembre. Ven y participa

Informes
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