

Second Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 40:1-5

2 Peter 3:8-14

December 7, 2008

Mark 1:1-8

Prepare the way for the lord, make his path straight – John the Baptist

John the Baptist was a humble man, who practiced austerity and self denial, he offered his entire life to God's service. He was given the honor of baptizing Jesus, in order for Jesus to sanctify the waters of baptism, to allow you all to be washed of your sins and become part of God's mystical body.

Our Weekly Offering:

*Thank
You*

**Regular
Maintenance**

Stipend

Remember Mass donations are \$10.00 for each Mass said.

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the week:

Saturday	Dec. 6 th	5:00pm	Mass for the Parish Living and Deceased
Sunday	Dec. 7 th	9:30am	Pete Chilimidos +
Monday	Dec. 8 th	8:30am	Dennis McEfee
Tuesday	Dec. 9 th	8:30am	Joseph Osgood +
Wednesday	Dec. 10 th	8:30am	Harvey Chaput
Friday	Dec. 12 th	8:30am	John Michelis +

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Adelle Mini, John Villalovos, Paula Bethard, George Hawkins, Jr. , Anna Mae Giannotti, Alexa Rolin, Robert Slaven, Harvey Chaput, Frances Dennis, Phoebe Deitchler, Mary Gray, Larry Leach, Claudia Marques Pacheco, & Jack Herr.

*(Call 258-22101 to take names off list).
If you would like a visit or anointing
(either at home, hospital or before an
operation) Call father at 256-3344.*

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS & Lector

Saturday	5:00pm	Pat Guibault Mary Hasselwander	Pat Didier
Sunday	9:30am	Linda Porter Dennis Porter Mary Maumoynier	Gerrie Kirouac

Welcome!! Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether longtime residents or newly arrived in the Parish. We thank God for you. If you are not yet registered in the Parish, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the rectory. We have offertory envelopes if wanted. Thank you & God Bless.

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Address-----

City-----Zip-----Phone #-----

Current Mass and Confession Times:
Westwood Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:00pm
Westwood Saturday Confessions 3:30 – 4:30pm
Weekday Mass in Westwood 8:30am
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Fridays. In the Rectory.
Sunday Mass in Chester at 9:30am
Confessions in Chester 1st Sunday of each month after Mass

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**Advent Communal Rite of Reconciliation will be Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup> in Westwood at 2:00pm and in Chester at 4:30pm. Please take this opportunity to receive God's forgiveness.**

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Holy Day of Obligation the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass in Westwood 8:30am and in Chester 5:00pm.

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New Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors list will be made up for January, February & March. If you know of a date you will not be able to serve at Mass please call 258-2101. Thank all of you for your devotion to God and the Mass, you are truly appreciated by the priests and the congregation.

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Retirement fund for the Religious: Were you aware that about 58% of women and men religious are past age 70; 7% past age 90 and more than 4,900 need skilled nursing care? Community living provides some help, but health care and living costs in most religious communities far exceed income, as most elderly religious receive, on an average, a social Security benefit of just \$4,402 per year (average U.S. beneficiary receives \$12,948 annually). Your gift makes a difference! Please give generously to next week's collection. Please make your check out to your parish.

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Christmas Angel Tree - Our Angel tree is up and again we will be asking you to buy a gift for a baby. The gifts will go to MAMA'S Org. for the needy babies. Please bring a gift wrapped and with a tag attached as to what it is. We ask you to be generous for God's little ones. Last date for gifts is Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>. Gifts can be blankets, sleepers, diapers, booties and sweaters, etc.

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We would appreciate your bringing a Poinsettia in memory of a loved one for the altar at Christmas. Please bring the Poinsettia on the 20th to Mass in Westwood and 21st in Chester. We will arrange them around the altar and pray for the memory of your loved ones.

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If you would like to send a card to a soldier serving in the military:  
Holiday Mail for Heroes -- P.O.Box 5456 ---- Capital Heights, MD. 20791-5456  
Or go to [www.redcross.org/holidaymail](http://www.redcross.org/holidaymail). Deadline post marked December 10<sup>th</sup>.