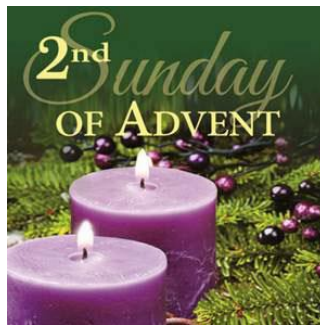




5 and 6 December 2020
Second Sunday of Advent



“Live Worship Times” 7 Days a Week www.facebook.com/saintbenedicts/

Saturday and Sundays: In person, Facebook Live in your cars, and ONLINE

Please remain in your cars at all times...

Those who remain in their cars will receive Holy Communion at the end of each service.

Drive to the “Communion Lane” on the East Side Church Entrance.

**SUNDAYS: 8:00, 10:00 and 11:30 AM HOLY EUCHARIST (In Church Service,
Drive-In Church and Online)**

MONDAY: MORNING PRAYER 8:30 AM

TUESDAY: MORNING PRAYER 8:30 AM

WEDNESDAY: HEALING PRAYERS 7:00 PM

THURSDAY: MORNING PRAYER 8:30 AM

FRIDAY: MIDDAY PRAYER 12 NOON

**SATURDAY: 6:00 PM HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
(In Church Service, Drive-In Church, and Online)**

*The Reverend Father Albert Cutié, Rector The Reverend
Debra McLaughlin, Deacon*

The Lessons Appointed for use on

Second Sunday of Advent

Year B
RCL

The Collect

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Old Testament

Isaiah 40:1-11

Comfort, O comfort my people,
says your God.
Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her
that she has served her term,
that her penalty is paid,
that she has received from the Lord's hand
double for all her sins.

A voice cries out:

“In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.

Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together,
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.”

A voice says, "Cry out!"
And I said, "What shall I cry?"
All people are grass,
their constancy is like the flower of the field.
The grass withers, the flower fades,
when the breath of the Lord blows upon it;
surely the people are grass.
The grass withers, the flower fades;
but the word of our God will stand for ever.
Get you up to a high mountain,
O Zion, herald of good tidings;
lift up your voice with strength,
O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings,
lift it up, do not fear;
say to the cities of Judah,
"Here is your God!"
See, the Lord God comes with might,
and his arm rules for him;
his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.
He will feed his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms,
and carry them in his bosom,
and gently lead the mother sheep.

Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13

Benedixisti, Domine

- 1 You have been gracious to your land, O Lord, *
you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.
- 2 You have forgiven the iniquity of your people *
and blotted out all their sins.
- 8 I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, *
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.
- 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- 11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- 12 The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.
- 13 Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

The Epistle

2 Peter 3:8-15a

Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed.

Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home.

Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation.

The Gospel

Mark 1:1-8

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

As it is written in the prophet Isaiah,

“See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way;
the voice of one crying out in the wilderness:
‘Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight,’”

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, “The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

Homily/Sermon

Father Albert

The Nicene Creed

The Prayers of the People

Form I

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "**Lord, have mercy.**"

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For our Bishop, the Diocese of Southeast Florida, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For our President and President-Elect, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, for the victims of COVID-19, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

In the communion of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Benedict, and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.
To thee, O Lord our God.

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Priest:

Almighty God have mercy on you, +forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you. **People: And also with you.**

Special Announcements from the Rector

*Please be generous! Feel free to make a secure donation ONLINE www.saintbenedicts.org and go to "Online giving". Pledge envelopes and special donations can also be placed in the Collection Plates in the back of the church or mailed to the parish office:
7801 NW 5th Street Plantation, FL 33324*

The Holy Communion

Offertory Hymn

The Doxology

Old Hundredth

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia**

The Fraction Anthem

Agnus Dei – Lamb of God

Priest: The Gifts of God for the People of God!

In these times of COVID19, the above rubric applies to all who desire to receive the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist, but desire it... Let us pray together!

Prayer During Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving as I proclaim your resurrection. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually

into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. Amen.

– From Washington National Cathedral; material adapted from Prayer of St. Alphonsus de Liguori (1696-1787) and A Prayer Book for the Armed Services

Prayer after Holy Communion

Let us pray.

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

The Dismissal

Distribution of Holy Communion and departure:

- Please approach the altar by observing the posted distancing circles on the floor.***
- Stand at your designated Communion station left or right and remain standing.***
- Place your mask under your chin when you are standing in front of minister.***
- Please extend your hands – left above right – and consume the host before you begin walking again.***
- As you return downside aisles, please proceed to your automobiles.***
- When it is safe to socialize and mingle outside of the church, we will advise the congregation. At this time, we ask that you wave and greet each other from a distance of 6 feet or more to stay safe.***

The Sacramental Candle is given to the Greater Glory of God and in loving memory of

Owen Lewis, husband of Blossie Lewis, who died on November 24, 2011.

Please feel free to contact us with your comments and suggestions:

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Father Albert