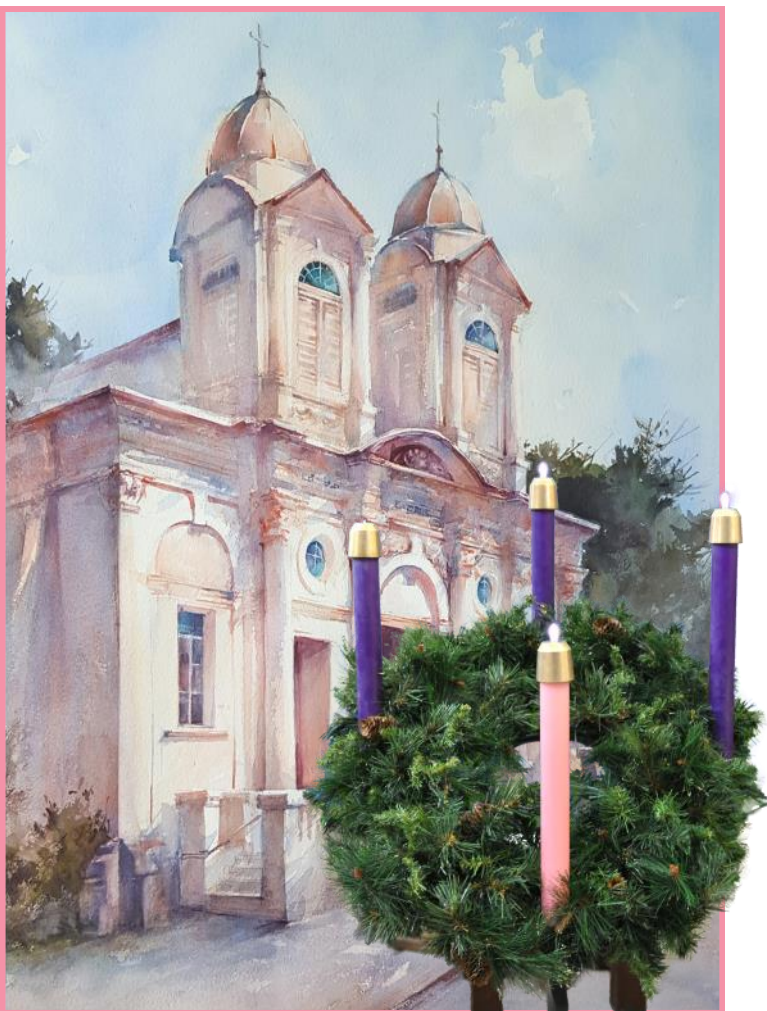


Third Sunday of Advent December 11, 2022

Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10
Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10.
James 5:7-10
Matthew 11:2-11

"Lord, come and save us."



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**Altar Flowers for the Birthday
of Lootsee Lustan**

Mass Intentions

Sun	12/11	7:30 a.m.	(T) Westbrook Family
		9:00 a.m.	(R) Josefina Buzeta
		11:00 a.m.	(T) People of the Parish
		1:00 p.m.	(R) Esperanza Arroyo
Mon	12/12	6:45 a.m.	(B) Ardath Kroner
		8:15 a.m.	(T) Reyes Family
Tues	12/13	6:45 a.m.	(R) John Henry Hay
		8:15 a.m.	(T) Fr. Kamil Derylo, OP
Wed	12/14	6:45 a.m.	(R) Misako Myashiro
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Hildegard Melander
Thurs	12/15	6:45 a.m.	(R) Gracelee Chatman
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Michele Melander
Fri	12/16	6:45 a.m.	(T) Peter & Kristiana Lee
		8:15 a.m.	(H) Esguerra Family
Sat	12/17	8:15 a.m.	(R) Carmen & Juan Espinosa
		5:00 p.m.	(R) Maria de Lourdes Cardoso
Sun	12/18	7:30 a.m.	(T) People of the Parish
		9:00 a.m.	(R) Florencio Abude, Sr.
		11:00 a.m.	(A) Tim & Puring Rubio
		1:00 p.m.	(A) Antonio & Antonia Gomez

Legend: (R) Repose of the Soul (H) Health
(A) Anniversary (B) Birthday (T) Thanksgiving

**Mass & Flower Intentions
January 2023 is now open!**

**Please pray for the recovery of the sick
listed in our Book of Intentions
and the following:**



Jerry Schilz, Arthur Cardoso, Pauline Soop,
Alma Johnson, Lee Schaffner, Joe "Lefty" Kroner,
Barbara Flores, Angela Taylor, Rob Lustan, Nita Calvo,
Diane Dawes, Mel Gaoaen, Sean Daly, Jackie Ho,
Robert Krupp, Laura Carnes Dietrich, Lisa Santini,
Liz Thurin, Rosie & Don Klatt, Don Sterkel, Aurora Basilio,
Lionel Cruel, Mark Nees, Lilian Fajardo, Margaret Lobo,
Gregory Quillin, Albert Tan Co, Russell Ho, Ron Pearman,
Patricia Weber, Bernice Cure, Margaret Haddad,
Donna W., Gladys Haddad, Julia Haddad,
Pete & Dorothy Szabo

**Please remember the following recently deceased
(and their families) in your prayers:**

Gracelee Chatman, Tom Gavin, Rosita Cruz,
Maurice Edward Huguet, Jr., Kathleen D. Snider,
Al Talamantes, Lorraine Brigham, Marie Rachal,
Daniel Foley, Gerry Cillo, Fr. Thomas "Tommy" James
Hayes, O.P., James Garrett, Lubomir Panov,
Galina Panova, Roberto Diaz, Arleen McDaniel,
Bill McGuckin, Dorothy Patchell, Fr. Denis Reilly, O.P.

~names will be listed approximately 3 months as space allows



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Brother's Corner

Have you ever thought that holiness (sanctification, being holy, or however you want to say it) sounds really lame? If you have not, then perhaps I may take your place; I have. Particularly when I was a boy, but this even lasted into, at the very least, the beginning of adulthood. After all, being holy involves some combination of sitting quietly in Church, being nice to people instead of making incredibly witty jokes at their expense, and, most importantly, never having fun. Further, here we are in Advent, preparing for the birth of Jesus at Christmas, who is, apparently, here to make us holy and take away our fun.

Jn. 14:16: "Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'" And what is involved in going to the Father, or, more simply, what does the Father want? 1 Peter sums it up nicely: "[A]s he who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct; for it is written, 'You shall be holy, for I am holy.'" (1:15-16, referencing passages in Leviticus)

And what, exactly, does holiness entail? St. Paul gives us one example and a general precept: "For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from fornication; that each one of you know how to control your own body in holiness and honor[.]" (1 Thess 4:3-4) From these passages, we can glean two things: first, that sanctification (holiness) means some kind of change taking place in the interior of the person. "Be holy, as I am holy." Second, there is such a thing as holiness in conduct, or actions; fornication, and not controlling your body in general, seems to be something that does not go with this state-of-being that God apparently wants of us.

What, then, is this state-of-being? We are generally familiar with the 10 Commandments, the virtues, and perhaps even the Beatitudes; but these are the actions of holiness, they are not holiness itself. What, then, is holiness?

To give some answer to this question, I am offering a three part series of talks in the leadup to Christmas, the 19th, 20th, and 23rd. The 19th will be: *Advent, Christmas, and 'Deification,' or 'Holiness' (or: Becoming God, Without Being A Pantheist)*. The 20th will be: *Advent, Christmas, and Your Call to the Contemplative Heights (Yes, You).* Finally, the 23rd will be: *'Advent, Christmas, and Your Life of Prayer As An Embodied Being United With An Incarnate God.'*

"Holiness" or "Deification" is an absolutely amazing concept often misunderstood (and very much weakened), but it stands at the heart of our Christian life. I hope to cover and clarify what it actually means (talk 1); then to show how this spills forth to every Christian in a rich interior life (talk 2); and, finally, some concretization as to how this might look in each of our lives of prayer (talk 3). Attendance is *not* required at all three; you are welcome at any one or two of the three, but it certainly is encouraged. My intention is that the talks build upon each other. I hope to see you there!

Br. Kevin Peter Cantu, O.P.
Resident Brother - kpcantu@stdombenicia.org

Advent Confession Times

Polish your halo in time for Christmas!

Monday, December 19th (Visiting Priests)
9:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Tuesdays & Thursdays 6:30 p.m.
Wednesdays 9:00 a.m.
Saturdays 3:30 p.m.

Advent Talks with Br. Kevin Peter

9:10 a.m. & 7:10 p.m.
December 19th, 20th, & 23rd

Monday, Dec 19th
Advent, Christmas, and 'Deification,' or
'Holiness' (or: Becoming God, Without Being A
Pantheist).

Tuesday, Dec 20th
Advent, Christmas, and Your Call to the
Contemplative Heights (Yes, You).'

Friday, Dec 23rd
'Advent, Christmas, and Your Life of Prayer As
An Embodied Being United With An
Incarnate God.'

Christmas Eve (Vigil) Masses

Saturday, December 24, 2022

4:00 & 7:00 p.m.

9:00 p.m. Vietnamese Mass

Midnight Mass

12:00 a.m.

Christmas Day Masses

Sunday, December 25, 2022

8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

12:00 p.m. Spanish/English

New Year's Eve (Vigil) Mass

Saturday, December 31, 2022

5:00, 7:00, & 11:00 p.m.

New Year's Day Mass

Sunday, January 1, 2023

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.

& 1:00 p.m. (Spanish/English)



Help St. Vincent de Paul during the Holiday Season!

SVDP's Holiday Giving Tree

This year SVdP will be providing our neighbors with food vouchers instead of Christmas dinner boxes. Since we will not be asking our parishioners to prepare dinner boxes we hope you will consider an additional monetary donation to the SVdP to help with the food vouchers. Thank you for your continued support!

The Giving Tree is up in the church. Please consider taking an ornament and buying the requested gift. Return the ornaments with the wrapped gift to the church before the afternoon, **this Sunday, December 11th**. All parishioners are welcome to help with delivery of gifts and food vouchers from 9:00 a.m.-12 noon on Saturday December 17th in the Parish Hall.



Youth Ministry Events

- December 11th at 2:30 p.m. – Help sort Christmas gifts with St. Vincent de Paul.
- December 14th from 6:30-7:30 p.m. – Teen Rosary Bead Workshop.
- December 17th at 9 a.m. – Help St. Vincent de Paul deliver Food Boxes & Christmas gifts.

Contact Lisa to sign up at Ltoomey@stdombenicia.org or 707.335.4697

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30 a.m. - Livestreamed
9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
1:00 p.m. (Spanish/English)
First Sunday of month Vietnamese Mass – 3:00 p.m.
Daily Mass
Monday – Friday: 6:45 a.m.
Monday – Saturday: 8:15 a.m. - Live-streamed

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If you write checks to St. Dominic's, please make payable to **"St. Dominic's Church"**
Our bank has notified us that they will begin returning checks that are not made out properly.

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