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Father Ramon **The Shepherds walking stick**

PARISH UPDATE 12/11/2022 –

Parents, place your children under the protection of Our Lady's mantle. Bring them to the Children's Rosary every month. This month, it will be on Tuesday, December 13 at 7:00 PM. It's the day after the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe commemorating the Blessed Virgin who said to St. Juan Diego, "Hear me and understand well, my little one, that nothing should frighten or grieve you. Let not your heart be disturbed. Do not fear that sickness, nor any other sickness or anguish. Am I not here, who is your Mother?"..... The Children's Rosary in the parish started on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on the centennial of Our Lady's apparition in Fatima, December 12, 2017 through the instrumentality of Barry & Fabiola Titchkosky. So, this week the group is celebrating its 5th anniversary. Its pioneering members were the children in the Gaviria and Tiukuka families. The parish Children's Rosary is affiliated with the international prayer group movement of the same name. If you go to the website: childrensrosary.org and look at the world map, the location of Morden is lighted in red which means there is a registered group in the area. The light turns to blue every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7 PM indicating that the group is actively at prayer. If you have inquiries about the group or suggestions how your children may be able to participate, do contact the parish office..... It's Gaudete Sunday! It is named so because the first word of the entrance antiphon during the Mass is "Rejoice". The word appears throughout the readings and prayers. We rejoice because Advent is almost over; the Lord is near! Today the rose-colored candle is lit. The priest wears rose-colored vestments as well..... Our rose-colored vestment is donated by our sister parish of St. Patrick in Manitou. They ordered a set for their parish all the way from Poland and included an order for our parish. They have also given us a cope which we can use during solemn Benediction..... I am inspired by the solidarity and sharing between the two pastorates. When St. Patrick had their Advent Retreat last Saturday, 4 of the 31 adolescents in attendance were from St. John.

Prayer Intentions of Pope Francis

Prayer Intention for December, 2022

**For volunteer not-for-profit organizations –
We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations
committed to human development find people
dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly
seek out new paths to international cooperation**

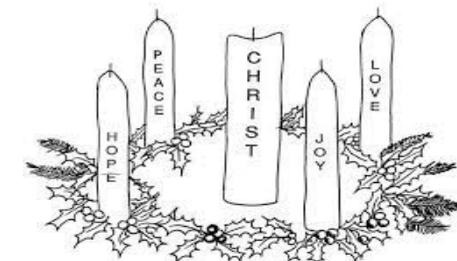
December 11, 2022 - 3rd Sunday of Advent

**"You too must be patient. Make your hearts
firm, because the coming of the Lord is at
hand."**

JAMES 5:8

**Patience is another one of those things
many of us struggle with. We want things to
go according to our plan and our schedule;
we like things to be convenient. Any change
brings anxiety and fear. Through daily
prayer God reveals to us what He wants us
to do with the gifts He has given us. We are
able to better align ourselves with God's will
and His plan, which is far better than
anything we can come up with on our own.**

Arise, all ye nobles and peasants; Mary invites all, rich and poor, just and sinners, to enter the cave of Bethlehem, to adore and to kiss the feet of her new-born Son. Go in, then, all ye devout souls; go and see the Creator of heaven and earth on a little hay, under the form of a little Infant; but so beautiful that he sheds all around rays of light. Now that he is born and is lying on the straw, the cave is no longer horrible, but is become a paradise. Let us enter; let us not be afraid.



The 3rd Sunday of Advent

It is called the "Shepherd's Candle," and is pink because rose is a liturgical color for joy. The third Sunday of Advent is Gaudete Sunday and is meant to remind us of the joy that the world experienced at the birth of Jesus, as well as the joy that the faithful have reached the midpoint of Advent.

Please Pray for the Sick of Our Parish....

(Please call 204-822-5240 if someone should be included or removed. Thanks!)