

All Saints Roman Catholic Church

DECEMBER 21, 2025

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Mass Times:
Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM
Sunday at 9:00 AM
Holy Days at (8:00 AM and/or
7:00 PM - see schedule)

Confessions:
Saturday 3:30—4:00 PM

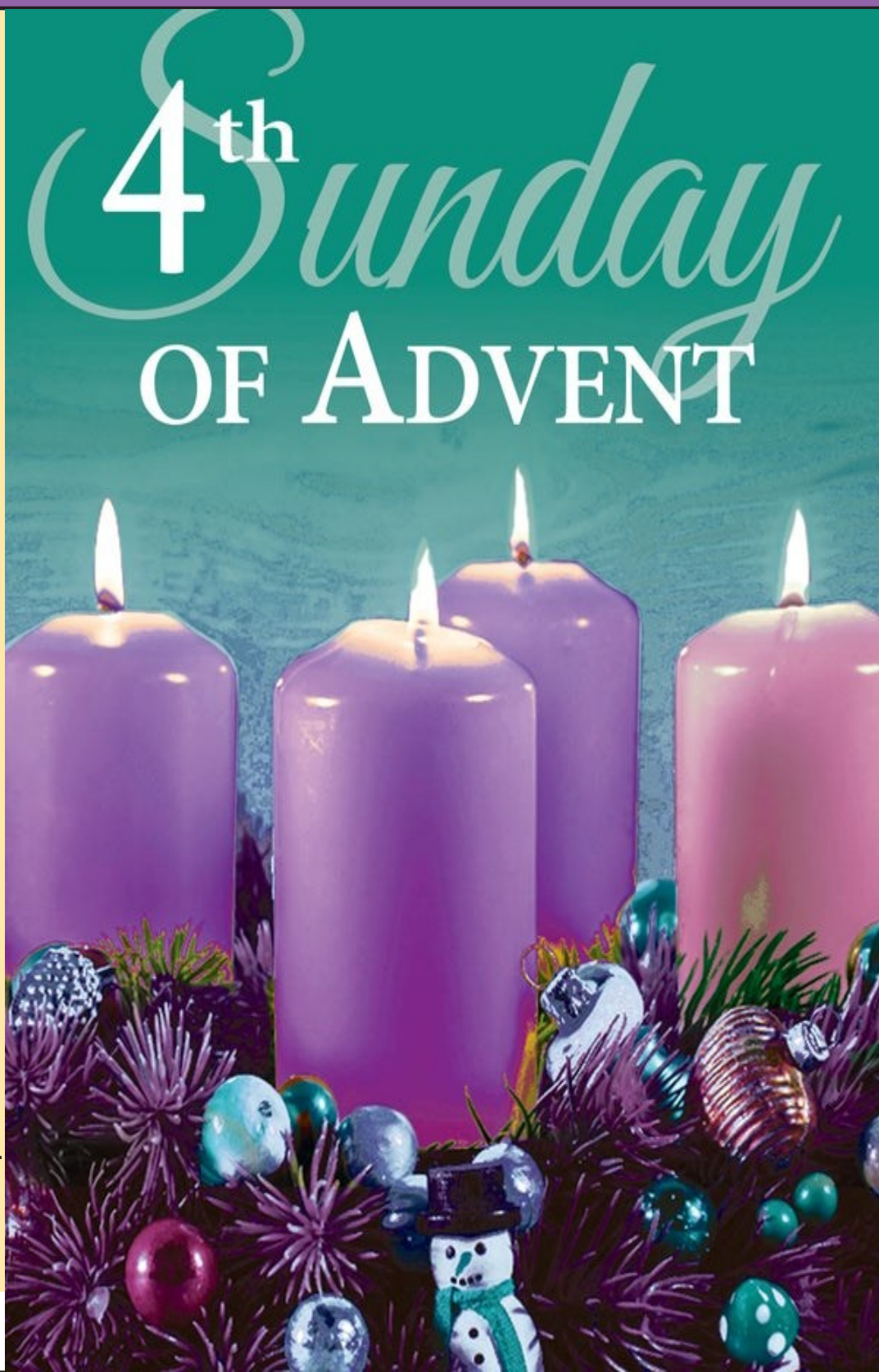
Office Hours:
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri.

Parish Registration Forms are
available on the bulletin board in the
gathering space or on the website.

Bulletin deadline:
10:00 AM Mondays, in writing, please.



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MASS INTENTIONS

December 20, 2025 – December 28, 2025

Sat.	12/20	4:30 PM	Ken Worley (Connie and Jim Day)
Sun.	12/21	9:00 AM	Howard Johnson (Dean and Nancy Haupt)
Wed.	12/24	Christmas Eve 7:00 PM	George Heugel (Family)
Thur.	12/25	Christmas Day 9:00 AM	For the People Of All Saints Parish
Sat.	12/27	4:30 PM	Chuck Reinsel (Vince Vargo)
Sun.	12/28	9:00 AM	Marty Kerr (Susan Grumblatt Family)



The Sanctuary Candle burns this week
In Loving Memory of
Deacon Bill Spinks



We pray for: Jenefer Cornwell, Tom. S., Carol, Ben, D. Murphy, Robert Pastine, Christine, Ron, Nancy and Dean Haupt, Jennifer Balko, Jan D., Andrea Mientkiewicz, Pat Jaworski, Paula, Barbara L., Diane P., Marilyn, Marie P., Brigitte E., Richard Kress Sr., Dan Scott, Penny D., Don Potthoff, V.J., Paul, Lori Myers, Erin Peters, Betty J., Sandy, Mary L., Patty Stebick, Janet M., Dave P., Betty Jones, Sue B., Sandy Williams, Margaret, Barb Englert, Rita Bidwell (To add or remove from the list call the parish office)

And for those serving our country: Nathan Krumpke, Army; Jacob Heck, Army; Sean DeMauri, Army; Cadet Alexis Johnson, Army; Cpl Matthew R. Johnson, USMC; Garrett Dahn, Navy; Paul Scott, Army; Rebeckah DelSignore, Airforce; Anthony DelSignore; AT1(EXW/AW) Quentin Maynard; AECS (AW) Lonnie Maynard; Cortlen Surrena, Army; Commander Michael T. McArar; Violet Brashier, Coast Guard; Ben Krumpke, Air Force; Sam Riley, Army; Keith Riley, Army; Autumn and Jason Ayers; Sarah Manross; Lucas Loggins, Army; Zane Loggins, Army; SGT Luke Davis, Army National Guard (Call Pam McArar, 814-397-1490 to add)

The All Saints Ladies Society invites all parishioners to submit the names of people in need of prayer. The names are then listed in this bulletin for prayers from the entire parish. Please get permission to post the names. If you submit a name, please let us know when to remove a name from the list.

Sandra DelPorto continues to lead the email prayer chain at sandra@delporto.net. Also, Pam McArar is collecting names of service men and women of the parish or their relatives as we will keep them in our prayers.

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

A priest friend recently told me a remarkable story. One of his cousins reported having a vivid dream in which an angel told him the family needed to exhume their grandmother's body from a cemetery in New York and return it to her birthplace in Romania. She had been dead nearly ten years. As you might expect, the family thought it was, well, crazy. But astonishingly they exhumed her body. It was incorrupt, showing no signs of decomposition. That experience sparked healing, faith, and reconciliation throughout the family.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Joseph also receives a dream. He's confused, afraid. But in the quiet of sleep, God speaks: "Do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home" (Matthew 1:20). When he wakes, Joseph acts. He doesn't overanalyze or dismiss the message. He trusts, and acts.

God still speaks — not necessarily through literal dreams but through those deeper intuitions of the heart. St. Ignatius of Loyola taught that God's voice draws us into peace, courage, and love. But we have to listen to it. Advent is a time for stillness. As we prepare for Christ's coming, we're invited to enter that quiet space where God's voice can be heard.

When and how do you become most receptive to God? Is it in silence? In prayer? In nature? At Mass? This week, go there. Be still. Listen. And like Joseph, have the courage to act on what God shows you.
— Father John Muir ©LPI



QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

FIRST READING Isaiah 7:10-14

Seven hundred years before the birth of Jesus, Isaiah prophesies to King Ahaz that a virgin would bear a son and name him, Emmanuel ("God is with us"). When have you felt close to God this Advent season?

SECOND READING Romans 1:1-7

Paul instructs the Roman Christians that they are "called to be holy." What do you see as some of the steps toward growing in holiness?

GOSPEL READING Matthew 1:18-24

We hear how Joseph struggled initially with the news of Mary's pregnancy. How do you discern making difficult decisions? ©LPI





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FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE

Will resume in January 2026



We pray that your Christmas is bright with children's laughter and the peace of Christ. May the story of Jesus' birth bring your family hope and joy, and may God watch over you with his love and protection.

~ Many blessings from your All Saints Faith Formation Team!

NEED A LAST MINUTE GIFT?

Check out our supply of gift cards at the Raiseright SCRIP table in the gathering space! Remember, your purchase of gift cards earns funds for our parish. Thank you!

YOUNG ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY (CHILDCARE PROVIDED!)

On Monday, Dec. 22, Saint George Parish, 5145 Peach St., Erie, is hosting a Young Adult Christmas Party. The event is open to those who are 21-40 and will be held in the Saint George School gym from 6:30-8:30 p.m. There will be a hot chocolate bar, games, cookies and fellowship. Bring your best Christmas cookies to share. Please bring your kids! Childcare and activities will be provided by the confirmation students.



"Trying to stay warm,
 it's cold outside!"
 says our visitor on a snowy
 day in December!

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH:

Sunday 12/21 9:00 AM Mass
 Christmas Masses—see below
 Saturday 12/28 4:30 PM Mass



Christmas Eve—Wednesday, December 24, 7:00 PM

Christmas Day—Thursday, December 25, 9:00 AM

Prayer for Christmas

Dear Lord, You came to us in humility and silence, setting aside your majesty so that we might approach with wonder. Allow us to grow ever closer to you this Christmas, and always.

Amen. ©LPI

2026 Catholic Calendars with All Saints Parish information are available in the gathering space. Thank you to the VanMatre Family Funeral Homes for sponsoring this calendar each year.

As Bishop Persico celebrates his 75th birthday, he has shared a Prayer for a New Bishop. Let us continue our prayer until a new bishop is appointed. We invite you to pray with us for the one whom the Holy Father will send to shepherd our Diocese of Erie. A prayer card is available in the gathering space for you to take with you and pray!

As the end of 2025 approaches, a reminder that all donations that you would like on your end of the year giving statement must be received before the end of the year. From the Diocese of Erie "Donations received after 12/31 must appear on the 2026 statement even if the parishioner "meant to donate it in the previous year". At All Saints it would be helpful to have all donations by Sunday, December 28th. Thank you for supporting our parish all throughout the year.

The All Saints Maintenance Coordinator now has an email address that can be used to let Don know of any maintenance issues you encounter in or around the parish building that need to be addressed:
maintenancecoordinator@allsaintsrcc.org

