

### Liturgy Schedule

Saturday 5pm

### Parish Life Director

Sister Amy Westbrook  
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### Sacramental Minister

Fr. Bob Damron

### Cantor

Inga Turner

### Lector

Judy Jett

### Gifts

Sr. Amy

### Eucharistic Minister

Jeremiah Gilbert

## Liturgy Notes

**Breaking Bread:** p.36 Second Sunday of Advent

### Music

Entrance: #41 “On Jordan’s Bank ”

Offertory: #46 “a Voice Cries Out ”

Communion: Instrumental (# 51 “Waiting In Silence ”)

Closing: #56 “Wake, O Wake, and Sleep No Longer ”

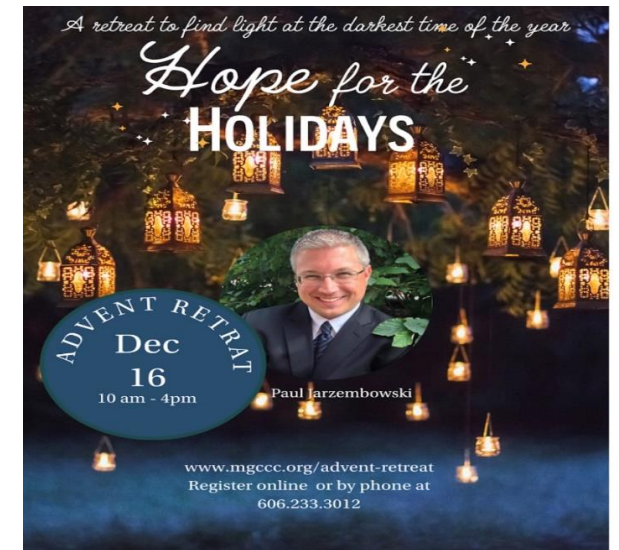
### Psalm Response:

“Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.”

## Announcements

- Downtown Christmas Jackson was wonderful! Many thanks to Susan and Shawn for all their volunteer hours setting up the event for our community. We had a great time touring the streets of downtown enjoying the lights and special characters.
- Please join us this Thursday for Church Work hour at 4 pm in the chapel followed by a simple supper in the Parish Hall.
- During Advent we will continue to gather on Thursday evenings at 5:30 for Faith Formation. Each Thursday of Advent we will have Vespers, the evening prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours. Afterwards, we will focus on the O Antiphons used in the evening prayer the 7 days before Christmas. Come on out and pray, learn, and create an ornament for your tree!
- During these holy days of Advent, please light an extra votive candle for a loved one or for a special prayer intention.  
Suggested donation: \$0.50 per votive.
- Saturday Offertory 12/2/2023 \$ 113.00
- A special thanks to Adam Barnett who traveled to Cincinnati, Ohio to attend Fr. Reynolds Garland’s funeral service. Thank you for representing Holy Cross Parish at an event celebrating the life of a priest who gave so much to our church.

“Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.”



Dear Holy Cross Family, Please notice these Updates:

- \$280. 00 was donated to our parish through the *igivecatholic* fundraiser with our diocese. Thank you Ven for setting up our web access! These monies will be deposited to our bank account soon. Thank-you notes have gone out to all our wonderful donors.
- Advent is a time for giving, please consider donating some canned or dry goods to the Church for feeding other families in the area. The Blessing Box is our main outreach right now, so we want to do that really well. It has been my observation that many parents of Head Start children frequent the box for extra food. We want to show them that we care and God provides! Yours in Christ, Sr. Amy (614-282-2103)



Thank you, Decorating Crew... Christmas outside Holy Cross Church looks beautiful!

Gospel Reflection:

Advent is a season of fresh beginnings. The writer of Second Isaiah gives people a message of hope and comfort. The exiles will return to Jerusalem on a straight and level road. Isaiah proclaims the good news that God is always faithful, a God of both power and tenderness. Jesus, God's son is sent to heal us and lead us home, Jesus is himself the Good News. Mark begins by telling us about John the Baptist, the herald of the good news of Jesus' coming. Today we are called to be heralds of this same Good News. We announce to a hurting world that Jesus Christ has experienced the worst we face and has come through it.

*(Faith Sharing for Small Communities by Baranowski)*

Reflection Question:

How are you preparing for Christ's coming?

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Second Sunday of Advent  
Vigil, December 9, 2023



Advent... waiting for Jesus to arrive.