FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Year **B**



St. Jude Shrine, November 29, 2026.

COMMENTARY *Brothers and sisters, the sacred season of Advent marks the beginning of a new Liturgical Year. We are invited by the Lord to enter into the mystery of the promise of His glorious coming. He, who took on our human history in Bethlehem, will come in the fullness of time, and He expects to find us vigilant and attentive in fulfilling His will and His commandments. Let us celebrate this Eucharist, filling our hearts with holy hope in the Lord. Let us rise, welcome* ***Father André Luiz****, and start our Holy Mass singing the Entrance Hymn.*

INTRODUCTORY RITES

1. ENTRANCE SONG

1. O come, o come, Emmanuel,
   and ransom captive Israel
   that mourns in lonely exile here
   until the Son of God appear.

   Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
   shall come to you, O Israel.

2. O come, o Wisdom from on high,
   who ordered all things mightily;
   to us the path of knowledge show
   and teach us in its ways to go.
   Refrain
3. O come, o come, great Lord of might,
   who to your tribes on Sinai's height
   in ancient times did give the law
   in cloud and majesty and awe.
   Refrain
4. O come, o Branch of Jesse's stem,
   unto your own and rescue them!
   From depths of hell your people save,
   and give them victory o'er the grave.
   Refrain
5. O come, o Key of David, come
   and open wide our heavenly home.
   Make safe for us the heavenward road
   and bar the way to death's abode.
   Refrain
6. O come, o Bright and Morning Star,
   and bring us comfort from afar!
   Dispel the shadows of the night
   and turn our darkness into light.
   Refrain
7. O come, o King of nations, bind,
   in one the hearts of all mankind.
   Bid all our sad divisions cease
   and be yourself our King of Peace.
   Refrain

2. GREETINGS

Celebrant: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. All: **Amen.**

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you All. All: **And with your spirit.**

3. PENITENTIAL ACT

Celebrant: My brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

All: **I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (And, striking breasts, say) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore, I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

Celebrant: May almighty God, have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. All: **Amen.**

Kyrie eleison (2x)
Christe Eleison (2x)
Kyrie eleison (2x)

Lord have mercy (2x)
Christ have mercy (2x)
Lord have mercy (2x)



Ritual: lighting the first candle of the wreath
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in Your church gathered today.

4. LET US PRAY

Celebrant: Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at his coming, so that, gathered at his right hand, they may be worthy to possess the heavenly Kingdom. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
All: **Amen.**

LITURGY OF THE WORD

5. FIRST READING (Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7)

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah:

You, LORD, are our father, our redeemer you are named forever. Why do you let us wander, O LORD, from your ways, and harden our hearts so that we fear you not? Return for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your heritage. Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down, with the mountains quaking before you, while you wrought awesome deeds we could not hope for, such as they had not heard of from of old. No ear has ever heard, no eye ever seen, any God but you doing such deeds for those who wait for him. Would that you might meet us doing right, that we were mindful of you in our ways! Behold, you are angry, and we are sinful; all of us have

become like unclean people, all our good deeds are like polluted rags; we have all withered like leaves, and our guilt carries us away like the wind. There is none who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to cling to you; for you have hidden your face from us and have delivered us up to our guilt. Yet, O LORD, you are our father; we are the clay and you the potter: we are all the work of your hands.

The Word of the Lord
All: **Thanks be to God**

6. RESPONSORIAL PSALM (PS 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19)
(02x) R. (4) Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.
2 O shepherd of Israel, hearken,
from your throne upon the cherubim, shine forth.
3 Rouse your power, and come to save us.
Response
15 Once again, O LORD of hosts,
look down from heaven, and see; take care of this vine,
16 and protect what your right hand has planted
the son of man whom you yourself made strong.
Response
18 May your help be with the man of your right hand,
with the son of man whom you yourself made strong.
19 Then we will no more withdraw from you;
give us new life, and we will call upon your name.

R. Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved. (2x)

7. SECOND READING (1 Cor 1:3-9)
A reading from the first letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians:

Brothers and sisters: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always on your account for the grace of God bestowed on you in Christ Jesus, that in him you were enriched in every way, with all discourse and all

knowledge, as the testimony to Christ was confirmed among you, so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will keep you firm to the end, irreproachable on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, and by him you were called to fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.
All: **Thanks be to God.**

8. GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (Ps 85:8)
R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
8 Show us Lord, your love;
and grant us your salvation.
R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

9. GOSPEL READING (Mr 13:33-37)
Celebrant: The Lord be with you!
All: **And with your Spirit.**

Celebrant: A reading from the Holy Gospel, ✝ according to Mark. All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples: "Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. It is like a man traveling abroad. He leaves home and places his servants in charge, each with his own work, and orders the gatekeeper to be on the watch. Watch, therefore; you do not know when the lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to all: 'Watch!'"

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
All: **Praise to You Lord, Jesus Christ.**

Homily

10. PROFESSION OF FAITH (APOSTLE´S CREED)
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and Earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. All: **Amen.**

11. PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL
Celebrant: *Brothers and sisters, as we await in joyful hope for the coming of the Lord, let us lift up our prayers to Him, beseeching:* R: **Come, Lord Jesus!**

1. Lord, we acknowledge that Your truth guides and leads us; grant that all who serve in the Church may always be co-workers in the truth that sets human beings free. Together we pray: Response

2. Lord, we know that our liberation is near; increase faith and love in our hearts, and—especially in difficult times—remind us of the joyful hope of Your glorious coming. Together we pray: Response

3. Lord, You invite us to be vigilant; grant Your light and salvation to those who fall into despair, especially the young. Together we pray: Response

4. Lord, You who have promised eternal life to those who remain faithful to Your Word, welcome into Your Kingdom our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in You. Together we pray: R: **Come, Lord Jesus!**

(other prayers from the community)

Celebrant: Sustain, Lord Jesus, the people who hope in You, and hear their cry. You who live and reign, forever and ever. All. **Amen**

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

12. OFFERING SONG
1. Christify the gifts we bring to you,
bounty of the Earth receive anew;
Take and bless the work of our hands;
Christify these gifts at your command.

2. Sun and moon and Earth and wind and rain,
All the World's contained in every grain;
All the toil and dreams of humankind,
All we are we bring as bread and wine.
(02 chorus)

3. Turn the bread and wine, our hearts implore,
   To the living presence of the Lord;
   Blessed and broken, shared with all in need;
   All our hungers, sacred bread will feed.
   (02 chorus)

4. With this bread and wine you Christify,
   Now our deepest thirst you satisfy;
   We who by this bread you sanctify,
   Draw the World for you to Christify;
   We who by this bread you sanctify,
   Draw the World for you to Christify.

Celebrant: Pray, brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.
All: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

13. PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Celebrant: Accept, we pray, O Lord, these offerings we make, gathered from among your gifts to us, and may what you grant us to celebrate devoutly here below gain for us the prize of eternal redemption. Through Christ our Lord.
All: **Amen.**

14. EUCHARISTIC PRAYER III

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
All: **And with your spirit.**
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
All: **We lift them up to the Lord.**
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.
All: **It is right and just.**

Preface I of Advent:
t is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord. For all the oracles of the prophets foretold him, the Virgin Mother longed for him with love beyond all telling, John the Baptist sang of his coming and proclaimed his presence when he came. It is by his gift that already we rejoice at the mystery of his Nativity, so that he may find us watchful in prayer and exultant in his praise. And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of your glory, as without end we acclaim: **Holy, Holy, …**

Holy, Holy,
Holy Lord God of host
Heaven and Earth are full
Are full of your glory
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest

Blessed is he who comes,
Who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest

You are indeed Holy, O Lord, and all you have created rightly gives you praise, for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, by the power and working of the Holy Spirit, you give life to all things and make them holy, and you never cease to gather a people to yourself, so that from the rising of the sun to its setting a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.
Therefore, O Lord, we humbly implore you: by the same Spirit graciously make holy these gifts we have brought to you for consecration, that they may become the Body and † Blood of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, at whose command we celebrate these mysteries.
(Institution Narrative) (recalling the words of Jesus at the Last supper)
For on the night, he was betrayed he himself took bread, and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:
TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT, FOR THIS IS MY BODY, WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.
In a similar way, when supper was ended he took the chalice, and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying: **TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT, FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD, THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE POURED OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS. DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.**
The mystery of faith.
All: **When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**

(Anamnesis, Offering, and Intercessions) (Stand up)
Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the saving Passion of your Son, his wondrous Resurrection and Ascension into heaven, and as we look forward to his second coming, we offer you in thanksgiving this holy and living sacrifice. Look, we pray, upon the oblation of your Church and, recognizing the sacrificial Victim by whose death you willed to reconcile us to yourself, grant that we, who are nourished by the Body and Blood of your Son and filled with his Holy Spirit, may become one body, one spirit in Christ. May he make of us an eternal offering to you, so that we may obtain an inheritance with your elect, especially with the most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with blessed Joseph, her Spouse, with your blessed Apostles, and with all the Saints, on whose constant intercession in your presence we rely for unfailing help.
May this Sacrifice of our reconciliation, we pray, O Lord, advance the peace and salvation of all the world. Be pleased to confirm in faith and charity your pilgrim Church on earth, with your servant Leo our Pope and Odilo our Bishop and the Order of Bishops, all the clergy, and the entire people you have gained for your own.
Listen graciously to the prayers of this family, whom you have summoned before you: in your compassion, O merciful Father, gather to yourself all your children scattered throughout the world.
† To our departed brothers and sisters and to all who were pleasing to you at their passing from this life, give kind admittance to your kingdom. There we hope to enjoy for ever the fullness of your glory through Christ our Lord, through whom you bestow on the world all that is good.**†**

Celebrant: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, for ever and ever.
All: **Amen.**

15. COMMUNION RITE

Celebrant: At the Savior´s command, formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:
All: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on Earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

Celebrant: Deliver us, Lord; we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
All: **For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you; look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will, Who live and reign for ever and ever. All: **Amen.**

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be with you always.
All: **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.
All: **Peace be with you**.

16. LAMB OF GOD

Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Prince of Peace Emmanuel, Morning Star, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords
1. Lamb of God, You take away The sins of all, the World, Miserere nobis
2. Bread of life, You take away The sins of all, the World, Miserere nobis
3. Agnus Dei, You take away The sins of all, the World, Dona nobis Pacem

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
All: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

17. COMMUNION SONG

1. Mary, did you know
   That your baby boy, would one day walk on water?
   Mary, did you know
   That your baby boy, would save our sons and daughters?
   Did you know
   That your baby boy, has come to make you new?
   And this child that you delivered will soon deliver you

2. Mary, did you know
   That your baby boy, will give sight to a blind man?
   Mary, did you know
   That your baby boy, will calm the storm with his hand?
   Did you know
   That your baby boy, has walked where angels trod?
   When you kiss your little baby you kissed the face of God?
   Oh, Mary did you know (uhuhuh)

   The blind will see
   The deaf will hear
   The dead will live again
   The lame will leap
   The dumb will speak
   The praises of the Lamb

3. Mary, did you know
   That your baby boy is Lord of all creation?
   Mary, did you know
   That your baby boy would one day rule the nations?
   Did you know
   That your baby boy, is heaven's perfect Lamb?
   The sleeping child you're holding
   Is the Great, I am.

18. PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: May these mysteries, O Lord, in which we have participated, profit us, we pray, for even now, as we walk amid passing things, you teach us by them to love the things of heaven and hold fast to what endures. Through Christ our Lord. All: **Amen.**

CONCLUDING RITES

19. FINAL BLESSING

Celebrant: May the almighty and merciful God, by whose grace you have placed your faith in the First Coming of his only Begotten son and yearn for his coming again sanctify you by the radiance of Christ's advent and enrich you with his blessing. All: **Amen.**
Celebrant: As you run the race of this present life, may he make you firm in faith, joyful in hope and active in charity.
All: **Amen**
Celebrant: So that, rejoicing now with devotion at the Redeemer's coming in the flesh, you may be endowed with the rich reward of eternal life when he comes again in majesty. All: **Amen.**
Celebrant: And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the son, ✝ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. All: **Amen.**

20. FINAL SONG

1. Longing for light, we wait in darkness
   Longing for truth, we turn to You.
   Make us Your own, Your holy people
   Light for the world to see.

   Christ, be our light!
   Shine in our hearts.
   Shine through the darkness.
   Christ, be our light!
   Shine in Your church gathered today.

2. Longing for peace, our world is troubled
   Longing for hope, many despair.
   Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
   Make us your living voice
   Refrain
3. Longing for food, many are hungry
   Longing for water, many still thirst.
   Make us Your bread, broken for others
   Shared until all are fed
   Refrain
4. Longing for shelter, many are homeless
   Longing for warmth, many are cold.
   Make us Your building, sheltering others
   Walls made of living stone
   Refrain

5. Many the gift, many the people
   Many the hearts that yearn to belong.
   Let us be servants to one another
   Making Your kingdom come
   Refrain



Save the date!
What? **Our next English Mass**
When? **Dec 20, 2026**
Time? **10 am**