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Welcome to our Parish Community!

Parish Office: 520-326-7670 | Fax 520-881-8480 Web Site www.cabrinitucson.org

Parish Office Hours:

Mon., Tues., Wed. & Fri., 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Thurs., 9:00 a.m. to noon Closed Sat. & Sun.

Please note: To help keep you and our staff safer, please wear a mask if you come in person to our parish office.

Members of our St. Vincent de Paul Society are available at 881-3075 from 8:00 to 11:00 a.m. on weekdays. Call that number if you need a food box or other practical assistance.

Dec. 6, 2020 Second Sunday of Advent



Parish Staff

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Our Christian Mission: Love God intentionally! Serve each other unreservedly! Live our faith joyfully!

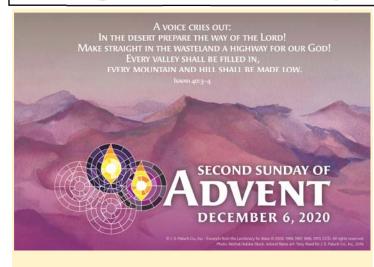
St. Frances Cabrini, born in Italy in 1850, founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. She immigrated to New York in 1887 to assist Catholic immigrants, died in 1917 and was the first American citizen to be canonized.



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GOD'S DELAY

In times of great difficulties scoffers taunt us, "Where is God? Why hasn't your Lord come to save you now?"

And we of faith respond much in the same way as Peter did in today's second reading: the "delay" of the Lord's second coming is not any type of punishment or failure to keep the divine promise, but a loving sign of God's patience. God is giving *everyone* the chance to seek repentance.

God does not make life more difficult. Rather, God lessens our burdens as once before for the Jewish exiles returning home to Judea after captivity in Babylon. It was

God who personally led them, making a "straight highway" for them across the desert.

We join with our ancestors of faith, who hoped that they might see God's Chosen One before them and who eventually realized that the Lord was also walking with them side by side. Copyright ° J. S. Paluch Co.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday:	Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12;
2	Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday:	Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
Thursday:	Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9, 10-13ab;
-	Mt 11:11-15
Friday:	Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4; Mt 11:16-19
Saturday:	Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;
	Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47,
	or any readings from the Common of the
	Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712
Sunday:	Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; Lk 1:46-50, 53-54;
	1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Our Current Schedule of Services:

5:00 p.m. Sat. — Drive-Through Communion Distribution in West Parking Lot (recommended for those who must avoid indoor public gatherings or who wish to do so, or those who cannot wear a mask) — Fr. Jay Jensen

8:30 Sun. — Mass (recommended for parents attending with children and for healthy younger adults) — Fr. Martin Barnum

10:30 Sun. — Mass (recommended for those 65 and older, to avoid contact with younger persons, who are more likely to be asymptomatic if they have the COVID-19 virus) — Fr. Martin Barnum

Coming to Mass:

In this phase of re-opening, we are trying to minimize physical contact to avoid spreading the COVID-19 virus, in case anyone in our congregation has it without showing symptoms. (If you do feel ill, please stay home and call your doctor!) Please wear a mask. Please allow a Hospitality Minister to find you a seat, so that we can have proper physical distancing.

Holy Communion will be distributed by Eucharistic Ministers from rows that will be intentionally left unoccupied between rows where people will be seated. Baskets for contributions will be at the two open exits, to avoid passing them.

Confessions: To arrange for the Sacrament of Penance (Confession), call the parish office. Fr. Jay will take appointments for Confession on Thursday mornings between 9:00 and noon and on Fridays from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

Parish Office: If you need in-person service, please call ahead (326-7670) to be sure someone will be here. For now, we are staggering our hours so staff can minimize contact, even with each other. Please wear a mask.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The rugged land shall be made a plain; the rough country, a broad valley (Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11). Psalm — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

Second Reading — Conduct yourselves in holiness, hastening the coming of the day of God (2 Peter 3:8-14). Gospel — I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit (Mark 1:1-8).

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2020-2021 FINANCIAL REPORT

Collection Total for 11/15/2020: \$3,288

WE SO APPRECIATE ANY CONTRIBUTIONS YOU CAN BRING TO THE MASS OR COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION OR THAT YOU MAIL IN.

ANOTHER WAY TO CONTRIBUTE — SAFE AMAZON SHOPPERS!

It is now possible to have your Amazon Smile contribution (from your purchases) go directly to St. Frances Cabrini's chapter of St. Vincent de Paul. Our unique charity link



is: <u>https://smile.amazon.com/ch/80-0614289</u>. Questions? Call Mary Lou at 488-3213. Thank you for helping us help others!

MISSALS & CALENDARS HAVE ARRIVED

We have the new St. Joseph Missals in the parish office. They contain the scripture readings used for each Sunday Mass, starting with the first Sun. of Advent. We sell them for our cost, \$3.00. We will give you one free if you are a Lector. Call the office ahead of time(326-7670) to be sure a staff member is in, and we will meet you at the parish office door to give you the Missal. **Please wear a mask** — we will too. We appreciate it if you can bring the exact change. We also have free Catholic calendars.



Fr. Martin Barnum is currently presiding at the Sunday Masses. Fr. Jay Jensen will say the other Masses in private (due to his pre -existing health conditions, he is more vulnerable to serious illness if he were to contract the COVID-19 virus). In either case, Masses will be offered for the above Intentions. We invite you also to pray for these people.

To arrange for a bulletin ad, contact Claudia Borders at 1-800-231-0805 or <u>bordersc@jspaluch.com</u>.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

It is time to order poinsettias for Christmas. This is a fund-raiser for our parish. Your contribution both supports our church and provides us with a



beautiful altar area for Christmas. The donation is \$15.00 each; make checks payable to St. Frances Cabrini Parish. We sent order forms to everyone on our parish email distribution list. The order form provides a way to donate the poinsettia in honor or memory of someone and ensures that your donation is included in your yearly contribution statement (or allows you to request a receipt, if you are not a registered parish member). If you did not get an order form or are unable to print it, we will be glad to mail you one if you call our office (326-7670) and request it. The last day to donate is Dec. 20th.

ST. FRANCES CABRINI GIVING TREE 2020

We will continue our tradition of having a giving spirit by collecting gift cards for people in our parish who are experiencing



a tough time financially during the holiday season. If you can help, it will be greatly appreciated. A Giving Tree Box will be in the church Nov. 22-Dec. 20 to collect your donated gift cards. You may also drop them in the collection baskets at the Saturday drive-through Communion Service or the Sunday Masses. Another option is to put them through the mail slot in the parish office door. Please put the card(s) in an envelope and boldly write CABRINI GIVING TREE on the front. Don't forget to write the amount of each card on it. If you have a question or suggestion, call Mary Lou at 488-3213. Thank you for your help!

If you would like the card(s) included in your yearly contribution statement, please put your name and the value of the donated card(s) on a piece of paper inside the envelope. If you are not a registered member and would like a receipt, please put your name, address, and the value of the donated card(s) on a piece of paper in the envelope.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

If you are interested in studying about our Catholic Church and your part in our Church, classes for Confirmation will begin on Jan. 24, 2021. Mary Lou and Janice will be teaching the classes. Classes will probably



have to be virtual at first, but hopefully we will be able to meet in person soon. Letters/registration forms will be mailed to students who attended CCD classes last year. If you are new to the parish or you have a friend interested in studying to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, call Janice at 520-906-6104 or Mary Lou at 520-488-3213.

