First Sunday of Advent (Year A)

November 27, 2022 * 9:00 am

The Word of God

PRELUDE

Prelude on Once he came in blessing

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

ENTRANCE HYMN



OPENING ACCLAMATION

he will then re -

let us here con - fess

Celebrant Blessed are you, holy and living One.

People You come to your people and set them free.

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LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Lily Palazzola, with the Youth and Children, are lighting the Advent wreath this morning. Amari Agren is our Reader for today.

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thee

Celebrant O God, as we enter this time of waiting and preparation, may our Advent journey

heal thee,

till

and

in heaven we

for

give

bless

thee.

thee.

open our hearts to the love you bring to the world. Let these days be for us a new beginning that our lives may show forth your hope, your peace, your joy, and

your love.

Reader Loving God, rouse us from sleep and form us into a watchful people so that, at

the advent of your Son, we may be prepared, bearing witness to your light and

eager to receive you.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Isaiah 2:1-5

Reader A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

¹The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

²In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.

³Many peoples shall come and say,

"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob;

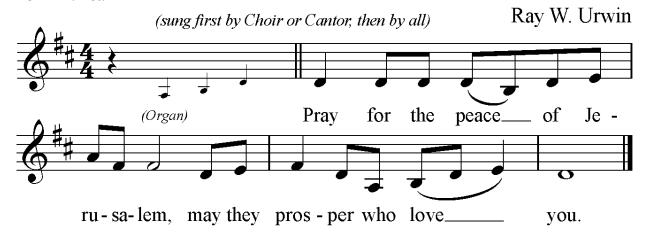
that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths."
For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

5O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 122



The Psalm verses will be sung by the Choir to Anglican chant by C. V. Stanford.

ANTIPHON

¹I was glad when they said to me, * "Let us go to the house of the LORD."

²Now our feet are standing * within your gates, O Jerusalem.

ANTIPHON

³Jerusalem is built as a city * that is at unity with itself;

⁴To which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, *the assembly of Israel, to praise the name of the LORD.

⁵For there are the thrones of judgment, * the thrones of the house of David.

ANTIPHON

⁶Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: * "May they prosper who love you.

⁷Peace be within your walls * and quietness within your towers.

ANTIPHON

⁸For my bretheren and companions' sake, * I pray for your prosperity.

Because of the house of the LORD our God, * I will seek to do you good."

ANTIPHON

SECOND READING: Romans 13:11-14

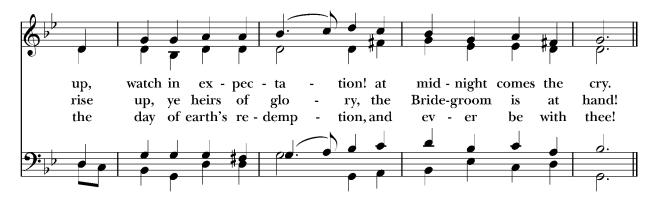
Reader A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

¹¹You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.





GOSPEL: Matthew 24:36-44

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, ³⁶ About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷ For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸ For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, ³⁹ and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰ Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴¹ Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴² Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³ But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴ Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please join in singing the last verse of the hymn as the procession returns.

SERMON The Rev. Dr. Barbara Stewart

A period of meditative silence follows the Reflection.

THE CREED

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Intercessor

"The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness- on them light has shined." (*Isaiah 9:2*)

You who dwell in darkness and light, in silence and sound, dwell in the hearts of your people. In hope, peace, and joy may we await with anticipation the coming of Christ, the Morning Star.

Christ, be our light.

All Shine in our hearts.

Intercessor

You who framed the brightness of the first light in creation, guide and strengthen your church, remembering especially Michael, our Presiding Bishop, John, our Bishop, and all who serve you. Fill your faithful people with the radiant light of truth.

Christ, be our light.

All Shine in our hearts.

Intercessor

You who delivered your people from the misery of bondage in slavery to the land of promise, set us free from enslavement to division, disunity, and distrust in our public life and labor. Illumine those in authority with the light of vision. We pray

Christ, be our light.

All Shine in our hearts.

Intercessor

You who patterned the stars and called the sun into being, who appointed the moon and chartered the cosmos, pattern the hearts of people everywhere to see in each other the beauty of the universe and the splendor of creation, that

divisions of race, class, gender, and ethnicity may be reconciled and shaped into one common humanity.

Christ, be our light.

All Shine in our hearts.

Intercessor

You who shower comfort and hope to the lowest, the lost, and the least, shower the light of your compassion on the sick, the sorrowful, and the suffering, especially _______. Help us to be your compassion and hope in the world.

Christ, be our light.

All Shine in our hearts.

Intercessor

You who welcome into the brilliant light of eternity those who have died, welcome those whose lives have been cut short by violence, warfare, and strife, and those whom we remember now _____. Shine the light of hope.

Christ, be our light.

All Shine in our hearts.

Intercessor

You who delight in the complexity and splendor of creation, help us to delight in the diversity of this earth, our island home. Inspire your people to care for all you have made.

Christ, be our light.

All Shine in our hearts.

Intercessor

Let us pray for our parish as we seek a new rector.

All

Almighty God, giver of every good gift, grant us the guidance of your Holy Spirit as we seek a new rector for Saint Michael and All Angels. Bless us with patience, courage, and foresight as you shepherd our parish family on this journey. Give us an open spirit, discerning hearts, and clear minds, that we may trust your will for us. Raise up for us, we pray, a rector who will boldly proclaim your Gospel, faithfully administer your sacraments, and serve your people with love and compassion; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Celebrant

May Christ, the Morning Star who knows no setting, find us ever burning with the light of love, the spirit of truth, and the wellspring of hope. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Celebrant

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins + through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Motet, Ecce concipies

Jakob Handl (1550-1591)

Ecce, concipies et paries filium, et vocabis nomen eius Jesum. Hic erit magnus, et Filius Altissimi vocabitur. Super solium David, et super regnum eius sedebit, et regnabit in domo Jacob in aeternum, et regni eius non erit finis.

Behold, you will conceive and bear a son, and you will call his name Jesus.

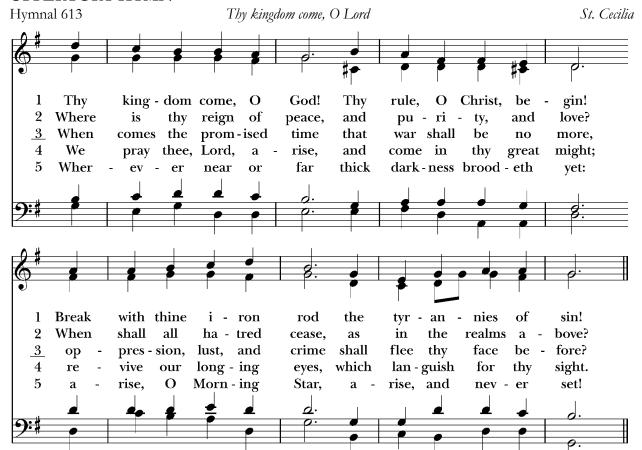
He will be great, and will be called the son of the Most High.

He will sit upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom,

and he will reign in the house of Jacob for ever, and of his kingdom

there will be no end. Luke 1: 31-33

OFFERTORY HYMN



The Great Thanksgiving

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

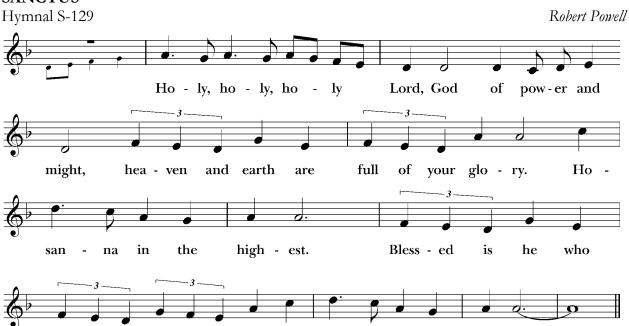
We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

SANCTUS



comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____ Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God.

To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you. On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with Michael and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey you are welcome to come forward to receive the consecrated wine and wafers. Wine will be served by our chalice bearers from the common cup. In keeping with the pandemic safety guidelines from our bishop, the communicant may drink from the chalice or, in the alternative, the priest will dip the wafer into the wine and place it directly on the communicant's tongue. If you prefer not to have wine, simply cross your arms over your chest after receiving the wafer.

Congregants worshiping on Zoom or Facebook Live may say the following:

A PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot receive you in the Sacrament of your Body and Blood, come spiritually into my heart. Cleanse and strengthen me with your grace, Lord Jesus, and let me never be separated from you. May I live in you, and you in me, in this life and in the life to come. *Amen*.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Once he came in blessing

Michael Burkhardt

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

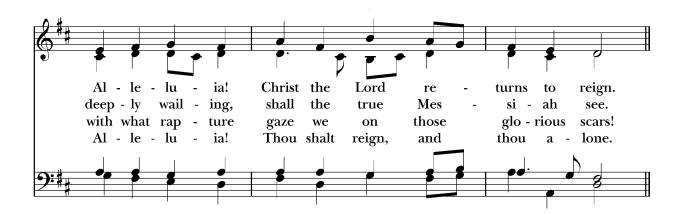
Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION HYMN



Hymn continues on next page.



DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Sleepers, wake, a Voice is calling

Michael Burkhardt

We are delighted to welcome you this Sunday morning.

No matter your background, you are welcome to be part of our community as we gather in this sacred space to encounter the Mystery of God through beautiful liturgy and inspiring music. Please be assured that all children, no matter their ages, are invited to join us in worship as a powerful reminder that we are all beloved children of God. Again, welcome!

Please take a moment to silence your cell phone. Thank you.

We publicly livestream our Sunday worship via Zoom and Facebook Live.

Join on Zoom: https://bit.ly/stmikessunday (Meeting ID: 912 3096 9532 / Passcode: 080100) Join on Facebook Live: https://facebook.com/SMAACDM

Important COVID Safety Reminder

All worshipers who are fully vaccinated are no longer required to wear masks at indoor gatherings. However, if you are not vaccinated, please wear a mask as required by the state COVID guidelines. Masks are available at the entrance to the church. Thank you all for your help in keeping our church a safe place for those most vulnerable.

Today's Worship Team

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Barbara Stewart

Organist: Dr. Ray Urwin

Choir: Cecilia Rogers, (Interim Section Leader), Michele Dulson, Susan Zevnik, Mary

Bailey (Section Leader), Pat Albers, The Rev. Dr. Barbara Stewart, Vincent Loza (Section Leader), Richard Zevnik, Scott Ziemann (Section Leader)

Sunday School

Godly Play (ages 3-10) 9:00 am in the Yellow Room

This week:

The Story of Advent.

Storyteller: Anne Conover.

Contact: Anne Conover (annabananacaddie@aol.com)

Youth Group (ages 11-14) Afternoon

Fourth Sunday of the month, Nov. 27,

No meeting today for Rest.

Contact: Susan Caldwell (scaldwell@stmikescdm.org)

Parish Prayer List

Bob	Bob	Dick	Katherine	Kitty	Lucius	Margaret
Mary Ann	Norris	Ron	Shirley	Tom	William	Joni
Pat	Steve					

Prayer requests remain on the list for three weeks unless otherwise requested.

To submit a name to the prayer list contact Brooke Pauley (kookiepauley@gmail.com or 949-514-7917), or The Rev. Dr. Barbara Stewart (barbarastewart001@gmail.com).

Altar Flowers

Members of the congregation may sponsor altar flowers, chapel flowers, and the sanctuary light in thanksgiving for all the blessings of this life or in memory of loved ones. The flowers are arranged by our Flower Guild with donors acknowledged in the Sunday bulletin.

Call the church office at (949) 644-0463 or make your donation via our website: https://www.stmikescdm.org/altar-flower-and-sanctuary-light-donations/

Music Notes by Ray Urwin

The melody of today's last hymn is attributed to John Francis Wade (c. 1710-1786), an English Roman Catholic who, following a tradition going back to at least the 16th century, spent most of his life on the Continent, in his case France. He worked as a music copyist and singing teacher, and left a manuscript. There are no composers or authors listed in it, and it is thought that he wrote the melody for today's hymn, but both the original Latin text and the tune for the other one, *O come*, *all ye faithful*.

Tuesday Morning Holy Eucharist

Tuesdays at 8:30 am

The Rev. Dr. Barbara Stewart celebrates and preaches each Tuesday. Nov. 29: Kamehameha and Emma of Hawaii,

King and Queen, 1863 and 1885



Prayer Vigil for Peace Fridays at 6:00 pm

Join us every Friday at 6:00 pm in the St. Michael's sanctuary and on Zoom as we pray for peace in our community and around the world.

Join on Zoom: https://bit.ly/stmikessunday (Meeting ID: 912 3096 9532 / Passcode: 080100)

Worship bulletins: https://www.stmikescdm.org/worship-bulletins/



TODAY: Advent Wreath Making!

Prepare for the Coming of Christ at Christmas! LOVE, JOY, and HOPE. Advent Wreath making on the patio directly after worship. Please join us for this creative endeavor! Candles, greens and chargers are free.

Betsy Densmore guest preaches at St. Mike's Sunday, Dec. 4 at 9:00 am

Betsy Densmore is guest homilist at Saint Michael's on Giving Sunday, December 4, as we conclude the 2022 Stewardship Campaign. Betsy is co-founder of Episcopal Enterprises which helps churches like Saint Michael's find ways to fund powerful visions for ministry beyond what churches can collect in pledges and tithes. Currently, Betsy is Founder/Managing Director of the Academies for Social Entrepreneurship, an educational organization dedicated to linking the passion of social purpose with sustainable business practices. She is also a dedicated vestry member at St. John's Episcopal Church in Costa Mesa.

Corona Del Mar Annual Christmas Walk

Sunday, Dec. 4 from noon to 2 pm

You'll find us in front of Sherman Gardens. We'll sing Christmas carols and pass out flyers advertising our Christmas worship schedule. Join us for as long as you wish, then tour the rest of the displays on PCH. This annual event sponsored by the CdM Chamber of Commerce is one of the most popular Christmas events in all of Southern California.

Contact: Clyde Dodge (clydedodge@cox.net)

At a Glance:

Advent and Christmas

First Sunday of Advent

+ Wreath Making

Sunday, November 27 at 9:00 am

Giving Sunday

Betsy Densmore, guest homilist Giving Sunday Stewardship Celebration

Sunday, December 4 at 9:00 am

Corona del Mar Christmas Walk

Sunday, December 4 at 12:00 noon

Gingerbread Lane

Sunday, December 11 (after 9:00 am worship)

Children's Christmas Program

Sunday, December 18 at 4:00 pm

Christmas Eve Family Service

Saturday, December 24 Holy Eucharist at 5:00 pm

Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist

Saturday, December 24 Gift of Music at 7:30 pm Holy Eucharist at 8:00 pm

Christmas Day Holy Eucharist

Sunday, December 25 at 9:00 am

Prayer Vigil for Peace + Epiphany Celebration

Friday, January 6 at 6:00 pm

This Week at St. Mike's

Sunday, November 27

First Sunday of Advent

9:00 am Holy Eucharist 10:00 am Advent Wreaths

Tuesday, November 29

8:30 am Holy Eucharist

7:00 pm Tuesday Night at Mike's

Wednesday, November 30

4:00 pm Embracing Evangelism

Thursday, December 1

8:30 am Men's Fellowship 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, December 2

10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry6:00 pm Prayer Vigil for Peace

Sunday, December 4

Second Sunday of Advent

Giving Sunday

Betsy Densmore, guest homilist

Giving Sunday Stewardship Celebration

9:00 am Holy Eucharist Noon Corona del Mar Christmas Walk

Details on this week's events can be found elsewhere in this bulletin.

For more information, contact the church office by calling 949-644-0463 or email church@stmikescdm.org.

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Louise Stover, Senior Warden
Mary Bailey, Mission
Stacie Tibbetts, Treasurer
Steve Morris, Ombudsman

Adult Christian Education and Small Discussion Groups

All are welcome to join one or more of the groups listed below. For more information, visit our website: https://www.stmikescdm.org

St. Mike's Sunday Conversations

10:30 am in Michael's Room and on Zoom

No Sunday Conversation today so everyone can participate in Advent Wreath Making. On Dec. 18 we will show the Menotti opera *Amahl and the Night Visitors*.

Join on Zoom: https://bit.ly/sundaysat10 Meeting ID: 966 632 5340 / Passcode: 221426

View our updated schedule:

https://www.stmikescdm.org/blog/sunday-conversations-1030-am/

Contact: Kim Montgomery

Tuesday Nights at Mike's

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm on Zoom

Currently studying The Church Cracked Open by Stephanie Spellers.

On Nov. 29, Chapter 7: *Gain Your Life, Solidarity*. Join on Zoom: https://bit.ly/tuesdayatmikes Meeting ID: 834 2976 3754 / Passcode: none

Contact: Beth Bianchi

Bible Challenge

December 4, 11 and 18 at 8:00 am in the Conference Room All are welcome for this Advent devotional study, O Wisdom: Advent Devotional for the Names of Jesus, a Forward Movement Publication.

Join on Zoom: https://bit.ly/thirdsundaybiblechallenge Meeting ID: 958 1933 0475 / Passcode: 018474

Contact: Susan Caldwell

Inklings Book Group

Third Mondays at 10:30 am in the Davis Library and on Zoom

Join on Zoom: https://bit.ly/inklingsbookgroup Meeting ID: 938 4250 5095 / Passcode: 573156

Contact: Susan Caldwell

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Fridays at 10:00 am

Please join us as we knit or crochet and pray! Contact: Barbara Stewart+ at (949) 378-9780

Men's Fellowship Group

Thursdays at 8:30 am

Nov. 24, no Men's Fellowhip.

Dedicated to studying the Bible and the works of Christian theologians. Open to all adult men of the parish.

Contact: Kim Montgomery

Visit our church calendar for more:

https://www.stmikescdm.org/events