Dear Padre,

What do Advent-wreath candles signify?

ost Advent wreaths have three purple candles and one rose candle to echo the liturgical colors of the Church's Advent celebrations.

Whether the wreath is being used at home or in a church, the lighting of the candles should follow the liturgical colors of the Sundays of Advent. The vestments at Mass are purple during the first two weeks of Advent, so we light a purple candle on the first and second Sundays of Advent.

On the third Sunday, the Church celebrates Gaudete Sunday or Rejoice



Sunday, named after the first word of the day's traditional entrance verse (Philippians 4:4-5). The priest wears rose vestments at Mass as a sign of our brightening hope and joy, and on the Advent wreath we light the rose candle to reflect the theme of the liturgy. The fourth Sunday of Advent sees the lighting of the last purple candle.

Some churches and families add a fifth candle to their Advent practices by placing a white candle in the center of the wreath. They light this at Christmas, again echoing the Church's liturgical color for the season and rejoicing in Christ our

Lord, whose birth brings light and life to our world.

Fr. Matthew Allman, CSsR / Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about Dear Padre.



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

© 2021 Liguori Publications, Liguori, MO 63057-9999. Printed in USA. Imprimatur: "In accordance with CIC 827, permission to publish was granted on May 19, 2021, by the Most Reverend Mark S. Rivituso, Auxiliary Bishop, Archdiocese of St. Louis. Permission to publish is an indication that nothing contrary to Church teaching is contained in this

work. It does not imply any endorsement of the opinions expressed in the publication; nor is any liability assumed by this permission." No part of this work may be used in any form without the prior written permission of Liguori Publications. Scripture texts in this work are taken from the New American Bible, revised edition © 2010, 1991, 1986, 1970

Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, Inc., Washington, DC. All Rights Reserved. To order Liguori Sunday Bulletins, visit Liguori.org or call 800-325-9521.

Advent is a continuous call to hope: it reminds us that God is present in history to lead it to its ultimate goal, to lead it to its fullness, which is the Lord....God is not distant, he is always with us, to the extent that very often he knocks on the door to our heart.



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, NOVEMBER 29, 2020



NOVEMBER 29 Advent Weekday

> Is 2:1-5 Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday

NOVEMBER 30 St. Andrew, Apostle

Rom 10:9-18

Mt 4:18-22 Wednesday

DECEMBER 1 Advent Weekday Is 25:6-10a

Mt 15:29-37 Thursday

DECEMBER 2 Advent Weekday Is 26:1-6 Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday

DECEMBER 3 St. Francis Xavier,

Priest Is 29:17-24

Mt 9:27-31

Saturday **DECEMBER 4**

Advent Weekday Is 30:19-21, 23-26 Mt 9:35-10:1,

5a, 6-8

Sunday

DECEMBER 5 Second Sunday of Advent

Bar 5:1-9

Phil 1:4-6, 8-11 Lk 3:1-6

Timely topics viewed with a Catholic perspective

Catholic Update explores contemporary issues through the lens of Catholic teaching and traditions. rint and digital subscriptions! For more information, visit Liguori.org or call 800-325-9521.









November 28, 2021

Holy Spirit Catholic Church & Christ the King Catholic Mission

Reverend Peter Kmiecik. Pastor

Deacon John E. Jennings + Deacon Norbert Lloyd, Jr.

Parish Office 283-5252 - Fr. Peter's Office 233-0947 - Fax 283-5255

holyspiritcc@bellsouth.net - www.holyspiritcc.com

Office Hours: Mon-Thur-8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Fr. Peter is off on Monday



Holy Spirit Mass Schedule & Intentions

Week of November 27 – December 3

Sat 6:00 pm †Charlie Brenke Sun 11:00 am †Grover Johnson 6:00 pm †Robert Robbins

Mon 8:00 am NO Mass

8:00 am †Charlie Brenke Wed 8:00 am Elvia Carrillo (Birthday)

8:00 am †Evelyn Smith 8:00 am †Joanne Reneker

Christ the King Mass Schedule & Intentions

Week of November 27 – December 3

Sat 4:00 pm †Deceased Members of the Radich Family

Sun 9:15 am Parishioners Living & Deceased

Tue 4:00 pm Falcone & Johnson Family

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Before and after daily Mass, and by Appointment 1st Friday Adoration – 8:30am- 6:00pm at Holy Spirit in St. Patrick's Chapel **Adoration** at **Christ the King** – Tuesday 3:30pm-4pm