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Message by Parish Priest



Dear Friends. Our Archbishop in his advent pastoral letter invites us to focus on the celebration of Advent and Christmas

not as mere seasonal festivities but to the hope we carry in our hearts, from the day of our Baptism, of the second coming of the Lord when he will return in power and glory to establish His kingdom for ever- the kingdom of righteousness, and truth, justice, peace and love. We have begun the Diamond Jubilee of our Archdiocese and the theme of this year is "Love is our norm, service our life-style" with a special focus on 'giving', in order to motivate us to generously share our resources for the noble task of uplifting the poor and the downtrodden irrespective of caste and creed.

The Archbishop invites us all to make that special effort to reawaken in us the awareness of our Christian vocation, deepen our faith and trust in the Lord, the savior of the mankind. May this advent season truly help us to make love as the norm of our life and service our lifestyle.

SCC MEETINGS

Vellankani Matha SCC meeting on 5th Dec. (7:30 pm) Thurs. at Mr. Theodor Toppo, residence, Qtr. No. 94-D, Sector-IV, D.I.Z. Area, Baba Kharak Singh Marg.

Parish Priest

Fr. Lawrence PR Asst. Parish Priests Fr. John Britto

Fr. Shinil Jacob

Saturdays

6.00 pm (Eng) Anticipated Mass

<u>Sundays</u>

6.30 am - English 7.30 am - Malayalam 9.00 am - English 10.15 am - Hindi

11.30 am - English 4.00 pm - Hindi

6.00 pm - English

Weekdays

6.30 am- English 1.00 pm - English 6.00 pm - English

Tuesday evening Mass is in Hindi

* No mass at 1.00 pm on Saturdays

Sunday Liturgy

English 9:00am

St. Anthony **SCC Unit**

Hindi 10:15am St. Sebastian **SCC Unit**

----(((((Sunday readings & reflection))))

1st Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

This oracle depicts the true eminence of Zion because of the Lord, the universal King dwells in her midst.

Response Ps: 121

I rejoice when I heard them say: "Let us go to God's House".

2nd Reading: Romans 13:11-14

Paul writes that salvation is at hand. Christians face a critical time and must respond to it with vigilance.

Gospel : Mathew 24:37-44

Jesus makes a comparison between the days of Noah and the coming of the Son of Man.

Prayers of the Faithful:

Lord, Hear us.

पहला पाठः इसायस का ग्रंन्थ 2:1-5

नबी इसायस भविष्यवाणी करते हैं कि प्रभु मसीह इस संसार में आयेंगे और अपना राज्य सीिपित करेंगे। वह समस्त राष्ट्रों पर राज्य करेंगे। उनके राज्य में न्याय, एकता और शान्ति छायी रहेगी।

अनुवाक्यः स्तोत्र 121

मुझे यह सुन कर कितना आनन्द हुअः "आओ, हम ईश्वर के मंदिर चलें।"

दुसरा पाठः रोमियों के नाम पत्र 13:11-14

संत पौलुस हमें आश्वासन देते और कहते हैं कि अब नींद से जागने ही घड़ी आ गयी है। अतः हमें अंधकार के कार्यों को त्याग कर ज्योति के अस्त्र धारण करना चाहिए।

सुसमाचारः संत मत्ती 24:37-44

प्रभु एक दिन हमारे पास अवश्य आयेंगे लेकिन कब, कैसे, किस घड़ी इसके विषय में कोई नहीं जानता। अतः उनसे मिलने के लिए हमें सदा तैयार रहना चाहिए।

विश्वासियों के निवेदन

हे पिता, हमारी प्रार्थना सुन।

REFLECTION

Jesus exaggerates in today's Gospel when He claims not to know the day or the hour when He will come again. He occasionally makes such overstatements to drive home a point we might otherwise miss. His point here is that the exact "hour" is not important. What is crucial is that we not postpone our repentance, that we be ready for Him—spiritually and morally—when He comes. For He will surely come, He tells us—like a thief in the night, like the flood in the time of Noah. In today's Epistle, Paul too compares the present age to a time of advancing darkness and night. Though we sit in the darkness, overshadowed by death, we have seen arise the great light of our Lord who has come into our midst. He is the true light, the life of the world. And His light continues to shine in His Church, the new Jerusalem promised by Isaiah in today's First Reading. In the Church, all nations stream to the God of Jacob, to worship and seek wisdom in the House of David. From the Church goes forth His word of instruction, the light of the Lord—that all might walk in His paths toward that eternal day when night will be no more.

By our Baptism we have been made children of the light and day. It is time we start living like it—throwing off the fruitless works of darkness, the desires of the flesh, and walking by the light of His grace. The hour is late as we begin a new Advent. Let us begin again from today in the Eucharist. As we see in today's Psalm, 'let us go to God's House', let us give thanks to His name, keeping watch for His coming, knowing that our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.



2/Mon: Isa 4:2-6/Ps 122/Mt 8:5-11

3/Tue: Jer 1:4-8/Ps 71/2 Cor 4:7-15/LK 10:1-6

4/Wed: Isa 25:6-10/Ps 23/Mt 15:29-37

5/Thu: Isa 26:1-6/Ps 118/ Mt 7:21,24-27 **6/Fri:** Isa 29:17-24/ Ps 27/ Mt 9:27-3

7/Sat: Isa 30:19-21/Ps 147/Mt 9:35-10:1,5-8

Advent is a time for us to prepare for the coming of Jesus, Prince of Peace. It's a time to make peace with ourselves and our neighbours.

-Pope Francis-

PARISH NEWS

- 1. Today there will be the meeting of the parish council soon after the 9.00 am Mass.
- 2. CCBI celebrates the 'Communio India Sunday'on the first Sunday of Advent. Our Family's contribution for the Church in India. Kindly support and pray for Communio India.
- 3. There will be CA meeting next Sunday soon after the 9.00 am Mass.
- 4. All SCC units are requested to elect the representatives of the Parish Council by the end of December.
- 5. Thanks to St. Alphonsa SCC unit and Our Lady of Mt Carmel SCC units for animating the liturgy today.
- 6. Next Sunday, the Liturgy for 9.00 am Mass will be animated by St. Antony SCC unit and 10:15 am mass will be animated by St Sebastian SCC unit respectively.
- 7. Kindly pay your Church Support Fund regularly at the Help Desk.
- 8. Parish Calendars and stars are available in front of Maria Bhawan.
- 9. Next Sunday there will be second collection for the seminary fund.

Fr. Lawrence PR Parish Priest

Prayer for the Diamond Jubilee Year of the Archdiocese दिल्ली धर्मप्रातं की हीरक जयंती वर्ष प्रार्थना

O God of eternal love and compassion, we thank you for the gift of the Archdiocese of Delhi.

As we celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of the Archdiocese, grant us a fresh outpouring of your Spirit, so that learning from the self-giving love of Christ on the Cross, we might become a Church that makes GIVING of herself to others her joyful vocation. Alive to the needs of others, may we share the Good News of faith, hope, love, joy and justice with all peoples.

With the Jubilee motto, "Love is our norm, and service our lifestyle", we look towards the most Sacred Heart of Jesus to help us make this Jubilee year a time of renewal, where our Parishes and Institutions become signs of God's Kingdom and beacons of God's saving to all.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. O Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, make our hearts like unto thine.

Mary our Mother, intercede for us as we pray...

Remember

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हे अनंत प्रेम और करुणा के प्रभु, हम दिल्ली महपधर्मप्रांत के वरदान के लिए तुझे धन्यवाद। देते हैं।

हमारे महाधर्मप्रांत दिल्ली की हीरक जयंती के सुअवसर पर हम सभी पर पुनः तेरी आत्मा को बरसा दे तािक क्रूसित येसु के प्रेम से प्रेरित होकर हम ऐसी कलीसिया बने, जो स्वयं को दूसरों के लिए अपित करना अपना बुलावा समझे। दूसरों की जरूरतों में तत्पर रहते हुए, हम विश्वास, आशा, प्रेम, आनंद और न्याय के साथ सभी लोगों को सुसमाचार का साक्ष्य दे सकें।

जयंती वर्ष के सिद्धांत, "प्रेम हमारा नियम और सेवा हमारी जीवन शैली" के साथ हम प्रभु येसु के अति पवित्र हृदय की ओर देखते हुए, उनसे कृपा की कामना करते हैं कि यह हीरक जयंती वर्ष हमारे लिए कृपा एवं नवीनीकरण का समय हो जहाँ हमारे पल्ली एवं संस्थाएं सभी लोगों के लिए ईश्वर के राज्य के चिन्ह और आशा की किरण बन सकें। हम यह प्रार्थना करते हैं हमारे प्रभ येस खीस्त के द्वारा, आमेन।

हे येसु के अति पवित्र हृदय — हमारे हृ<mark>दयों</mark> को तेरे जैसा बना माता मरियम हमारे लिए प्रार्थना कर। याद कर विनती

आदेश अनुसार

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