

December 4, 2016
Second Sunday
of Advent



Mass Schedule:

Sunday 10:00 a.m.
(interpreted)
5 p.m. Mass

**At Masses we
remember:**

10 am: Gene Stonemetz
5 pm: Natalie Valone

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- ***Today is the Newman Christmas party after the 10 am Mass. All are welcome!***
- ***Newman EBoard will have some vacancies next semester. The roles of president, treasurer and secretary will be available for one semester appointments. If you interested in developing leadership in a great organization, reach out to Alice Miller Nation at amncpm@rit.edu or Keena Tolentino at kmt2887@rit.edu***
- ***Holy Day—Feast of Immaculate Conception Mass—Thursday, December 8 noon—1 pm in the Allen Chapel***

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Advent is about letting God come to us. We do the letting and God does the coming.

Sometimes we find ourselves striggling or troubled by something in our lives. We might be tempted to prepare for Advent by cleaning up everything first...making sure that God can only see the good in us. And then we turn to God.

If this has been our practice, we might have missed the point. Our opening into Advent, our wanting to make this a "good" Advent is to realize that our God knows what to do with us when we are a hot mess. God knows what to do with troubles and disappointments. God knows well how to care for broken hearts.

God has no problem showing up in unusual and what might seem crazy circumstances. Look at Mary and Joseph...their situation was not ideal...and yet, God came to us in the form of Jesus.

God comes to each of us in the way we need to recognize and accept God. Advent is about letting God come to us. We do the letting and God does the coming. How about beginning this second week of Advent by looking for the face of God in the way you know best. This is a God of surprises. Let yourself be surprised!

One more week of classes and finals!! Hang in there, know that we are here for you and plan on coming to the Newman Christmas Party on Sunday after the 10 am Mass. Good food, free food and Christmas cookies to decorate.

Peace and good, Alice MN