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14918 State Highway 30, Downsville

December 5 & 6	Lector	Sacristan
Saturday 4 pm	Joe	Doreen
5:30 pm	Loretta	Laraine
Second		
Sunday of 9:30 am	- - -	Val
Advent 11:15am	Alice	Alice

Masses	Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
St. John	9:30 am	9:30 am	9:30 am	4 pm	11:15 am
Holy Family					8 am
St. Peter	8 am	8 am	8 am	5:30 pm	9:30 am

- Pray for the following on their anniversary of passing~
- 30 John D. Erasnio, Gerdo Krauss
  - 1 Ray Schick
  - 2 Anthony Virga, Peter Peletz, Eleanor Belmont
  - 4 Adam Oles, Dr. Frederick Heinegg
  - 5 Vabina Meyers

Scripture

- Monday: Romans 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Matthew 4:18-22 - St Andrew
- Tuesday: Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalm 72:7-8, 12-13, 17; Luke 10:21-24
- Wednesday: Isaiah 25:6-10a; Psalm 23:1-6; Matthew 15:29-37
- Thursday: Isaiah 26:1-6; Ps 118; Matthew 7:21, 24-27 - St Francis Xavier
- Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1,4,13-14; Mt 9:27-31 - St John Damascene
- Saturday: Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8
- Second Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; Psalm 85:9-14;
- Sunday of Advent 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8

December

- 7 Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass: 6 pm at St. Peter; Rosary Rally at 4:45 pm
- 8 Immaculate Conception Masses: 9:30 am at St. John, noon at Holy Family
- 13 Faith Formation in Church: 8:30 am at St Peter; 10 am at St John. Topic: Advent & Christmas. Plan to have at least one adult from your family attend.
- 14 St. Peter Communal Reconciliation, 7 pm
- 15 St. Peter Individual Reconciliation, 7 pm
- 21 St. John the Baptist Communal Reconciliation, 7 pm
- 22 St. John the Baptist Individual Reconciliation, 7 pm

Remember those in special need of prayer~

Tami, Paul Burns, Brian Lacey, Marie, Evelyn Anderson, Ann, Fran B., Gabby Bass, Kevin, Richard, Bob Fasanaro, and the Tassitanos.

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November 30 to December 6 Mass Intentions

- Tuesday**
  - 8:00 am - - - - -
  - 9:30 am Ray Schick, 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary Mary Schick
- Wednesday**
  - 8:00 am - - - - -
  - 9:30 am Lucille Courtney Nancy Greene
- First Friday**
  - 8:00 am - - - - -
  - 9:30 am Adam Oles, 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary Doreen & Bill Oles
- Saturday**
  - 4:00 pm Dorothy & Joseph Howard Howard Family  
Christina Richburg Jacqueline Yuzzi
  - 5:30 pm Peter LaRiccia  
Barbara Vickers
- Second Sunday of Advent**
  - 8:00 am - - - - -
  - 9:30 am Josephine & James Connelly
  - 11:15 am Steven Smith, Jr. Maguire Family  
Dominic Milazzo Milazzo Family

Waking Up to Ourselves

The deepest meaning of Advent cannot be understood by anyone who has not first experienced being terrified unto death about himself and his human prospects and likewise what is revealed within himself about the situation and constitution of mankind in general.

The entire message about God's coming, about the Day of Salvation, about redemption drawing near, will be merely divine game-playing or sentimental lyricism unless it is grounded upon two clear findings of fact.

The first finding: insight into, and alarm over, the powerlessness and futility of human life in relation to its ultimate meaning and fulfillment. That powerlessness and futility are both boundaries of our existence and are also consequences of sin. At the same time we are keenly aware that life does have an ultimate meaning and fulfillment.

The second finding: the promise of God to be on our side, to come to meet us. God resolved to raise the boundaries of our existence and to overcome the consequences of sin.

However, as a result, the basic condition of life always has an Advent dimension: boundaries, and hunger, and thirst, and lack of fulfillment, and promise, and movement toward one another. That means, however, that we basically remain without shelter, under way, and open until the final encounter, with all the humble blessedness and painful pleasure of this openness.

Therefore there is no interim finality, and the attempt to create final conclusions is an old temptation of mankind. Hunger and thirst, and desert journeying, and the survival teamwork of mountaineers on a rope -- these are the truth of our human condition. The promises given relate to this truth, not to arrogance and caprice. There really are promises given to this truth though, and we can and should rely on them. *The truth will make you free.* John 8:32 May God help us to wake up to ourselves and in doing so, to move from ourselves toward Him. Father Alfred Delp, SJ