

A "Few" Words from Fr. Robert



December 23, 2018

Mercy Mondays

The friars were so touched and grateful for the large turnouts at our Mercy Mondays this Advent. It was a privilege for us to speak with you and share the Lord's mercy and forgiveness with anyone who sought it. Rest assured that it will also be our practice to celebrate Mercy Mondays on every Monday during Lent.

Where Are the Calendars?

One or two people have asked me where the church calendars are. They are sitting in the Parish Office by the copy machine. We will be distributing them the last weekend of the year - December 29th/30th.

Masters of Ceremony

You may have noticed that some of our high school students are wearing black cassocks and surplices rather than the normal white albs that the other servers wear. That's because they have been asked and agreed to serve our parish as Masters of Ceremony. They coordinate our entire Altar Server Program. They train our young altar servers and make them feel comfortable. They also study the liturgy and will assist the friars as we celebrate significant moments in the liturgical life of the Church. Theirs is indeed an important ministry for the parish which will entail a significant amount of commitment. All of us should be grateful for their willingness to share their leadership skills with the young people of our parish. If you see them, please thank them for their willingness to serve as a Master of Ceremony.

Welcome Home, Please Introduce Yourself

I've noticed some new young adult faces in church and I am happy to see them. I assume that they are our college students home for the semester break. Welcome home! The end of any semester is always very taxing and challenging. Please rest up, get some sleep. Try to ease back into a "normal" sleep pattern if you remember what that is. Enjoy your families and make sure to touch base with your hometown friends. **I would also ask that you take the time to come and introduce yourself to your friars before or after Mass. We'd love to meet you, learn where you are going to school, and your major.** Welcome home!

No Bulletin Next Week

There will be no bulletin the Sunday after Christmas. Our staff is off most of the week and it's just too hard to publish one. Any important updates will be shared during the announcements at Mass, on Facebook and on the parish website. Thanks for understanding.

Christmas Blessings

On behalf of all of the friars and the entire parish staff we wish to extend to you and your families Christmas best wishes and certainly Christmas prayers. St. Anne is a beautiful parish community with so very much for which to be grateful. May our Lord Jesus be reborn in each of your hearts. May you find so much comfort in the fact that God so loved the world that He sent His only Son... to each and every one of us. Merry Christmas!

Christmas Flowers 2018

Thank you to all who donated to our Christmas Flower Fund to help make our church so beautiful for Christmas:

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