

Today's Introit takes from the Prophecy of Isaiah, chapter 30, verses 19, 29, 30; then Psalm 79, verse 2. We review them scripturally then understand them in light of the feast. Verses in bold print mark Introit inclusions.

Isaiah, “Yahweh is salvation,” first of the four great prophets (Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel), was born in 760 BC, likely of a priestly or noble family of Jerusalem. Upon the death of the Judean king, Uzziah (742), Isaiah received his prophetic call while praying in the temple: *I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted,.. Then flew a seraphim to me having a burning coal which he had taken with tongs from the altar. He touched my mouth and said, “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin forgiven.” And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” Then I said, “Here am I! Send me.”* (Is 6:1-8). For the rest of his life, Isaiah proclaimed the downfall of Israel and Judah for their unfaithful and unrepentant attitude, the coming Babylonian exile and eventual return from exile and the reformation of life.

Chapter 30 is paraphrased: “The people are blamed for their confidence in Egypt and God’s mercies towards his church: the punishment of sinners.”

19. For the **people of Sion** shall dwell in Jerusalem...

A free verse: **behold the Lord shall come to save the nations**

30. And **the Lord shall make the glory of his voice heard**, and shall show the terror of his arm, in the threatening of his wrath, and the flame of devouring fire:...

29. You shall have a song as in the night of a sanctified solemnity, and **(in the) joy of (your) heart**, as when one goes with pipe, to go to the mountain of the Lord,...

As seen, this Introit mixes scripture and free verse to obtain today’s liturgical theme. The Church is the *People of Sion*; the Lord *shall come to save the nations*, is the fact we celebrate every Christmas; the Lord *shall make the glory of his voice heard* outwardly is the Church in the world; *in the joy of your heart* is the disciple’s experience of the peace of Jesus Christ as some measured piece of heaven.

Psalm 79 is paraphrased: “A prayer for the church in tribulation, commemorating God’s former favors.”

2. **Give ear, O thou that rules Israel; thou that leads Joseph like a sheep.** Thou that sits upon the cherubim, shine forth.

Give ear... the prophet asks He who *rules Israel* and *leads Joseph* come forth. St. Robert Bellarmine says Israel and Jacob reference the same object: all 12 tribes. “Israel” signifies all as all stem from Jacob (Israel); “Joseph” signifies all as Joseph fed and ruled all when in Egypt.

The Feast of the 2nd Sunday of Advent continues our Christmas preparation, to celebrate the Savior’s coming both in time past and in time to come. The Epistle recalls Christ as the object of our hope: “... in Him the gentiles shall hope”; the Gospel, breaking the suspense of ages, witnesses Christ’s arrival: “Art Thou He that art to come?” *May the God of hope, fill us with all joy and peace in believing.*



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The Daily Mass Schedule is:

Monday at 12 noon

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:00 am and 9:00 am.

Friday at 9:00 am and 6:30 pm. (On Friday, a 5:30 pm Holy Hour & confession time, precedes the 6:30 pm Mass.)

Saturday at 9:00 am.

The Sunday Mass Schedule is:

7:00 am low; 8:30 am low; 10:30 am sung; and 12:30 pm low.

Items on the “Blessing Table” in the hall are blessed after the 12:30 pm Mass; or, after the 10:30 am Mass, if there is no 12:30 pm Mass.

Confessions are heard in the confessional box ½ hour before Mass.

In Ocala:

Sunday Mass at 4:30 pm

Monday Mass at 7 am.

1st Saturday Mass at 10:30 am.

Sarasota “Lost & Found”
now located in the office

Liturgical Calendar for the Upcoming Week

DATE	FEAST	CLASS/COLOR	COMMEMORATION
Sun 12-05	2 nd Sunday of Advent	1/V	
Mon 12-06	St Nicolas	3/W	Feria
Tues 12-07	St Ambrose	3/W	Feria
Wed 12-08	Immaculate Conception of BVM	1/W	Feria
Thu 12-09	Feria of Advent	3/V	
Fri 12-10	Feria of Advent	3/V	St Melchiades
Sat 12-11	St Damasus I	3/W	Feria, Ann. Ded. of the Cathedral
Sun 12-12	3 rd (<i>Gaudete</i>) Sunday of Advent	3/Rose	



Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week in Sarasota

Sun 12-05	(7 am) CtK Volunteers (8:30 am) <i>Pro-populo</i> (10:30 am) Barbara Blake (12:30 pm) Tim Steindorf+	rb K Kirsch rb Marchand family
Mon 12-06	(12 pm) Kaiser family	rb M Farrow
Tues 12-07	(7 am) Holy Souls in Purgatory (9 am) Fr Mahowald	rb J&G Olivos rb M/M L Truong
Wed 12-08	(7 am) Blessed Virgin Mary (9 am) <i>Pro Populo</i> (6:30 pm) Terry Angley	rb a friend rb Angley family
Thu 12-09	(7 am) David Vitolo+ (9 am) Anne F Neary+	rb P Rincon rb M/M L Labrecque
Fri 12-10	(9 am) Fr J Passo (6:30 pm) Katy Tooley	rb T&M Ruane
Sat 12-11	(6 am) The Holy Father (9 am) Shirley Ann Baier+	rb CtK Parishioners rb B&M Kuziel
Sun 12-12	(7 am) Fr Mahowald (8:30 am) <i>Pro-populo</i> (10:30 am) Maureen Hallagan+ (12:30 pm) Consecration of Russia to the Immaculate Heart again	rb M/M L Truong rb MF Kitko

Today's 10:30 am Mass: Savior of the Nations (#798), *Asperges* (#567); Mass XVII (#762) & Credo I (#768); Exit: Come, Thou Long Expected (#801).

This week, Wednesday, Immaculate Conception of BVM, a Holy Day of obligation, three Masses (7 am, 9 am, & 6:30 pm); **Thursday,** Youth Catechism (5-6 pm); **Saturday,** *Rorate Caeli* Mass (6 am), Consecration Day to the BVM, & altar server practice.

Last Sunday's collection: \$5,524.00; CFA \$650.00.

Attendance: 7 am-63; 8:30 am-108; 10:30 am-152; 12:30 pm-67; total 390 souls.

The Rorate Caeli Mass is a traditional Advent devotion wherein the votive Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary for Advent is offered just before dawn. The Rorate Mass is lit only by candlelight. In this setting, we prepare to honor the Light of the world, Who is soon to be born, and offer praise to God for the gift of Our Lady. As the Mass proceeds and sunrise approaches, the church becomes progressively brighter, illumined by the sun as our Faith is illumined by Christ. See you Dec. 11 at 6 am!

Thank you for parking on G. Fried Flooring America, to our NE about 75 yards, before parking on our grass.

We are now collecting money to replace our aging shutter-windows with impact windows, a \$10,000.00 project. To date \$2,990.00 has been collected.

Status of 2021 CFA at Christ the King as of November 23, 2021: \$73,000.00 assessed by the diocese; \$55,165.41 pledged; 75.57% of goal; from 29.68% of 155 households; payments being \$52,505.41. (from dioceseofvenice.org) **Also, re: CFA donations,** write checks to "Catholic Faith Appeal" or "CFA" and on memo line "Christ the King."

Thank you for your donations to CFA. This last month, may I suggest you concentrate your giving to this fund. Let's see if we can complete our goal by January 21, the last day to contribute to this year's fund raising.

The Diocese of Venice mandates a Volunteer Management System, whereby volunteers sign in & out at the kiosk located just outside the sacristy. Please see Susan, our church secretary, who will, painlessly, help you register. **Thank you** to those who have already registered. You help keep CtK going!

Please pray for: Mark Wendel, Anne Finazzo, Jo Cunningham (12/5); Lynda Hall, Winston Shuttleworth, Tom Costo (11/28); and Hoa Pham (11/21). (Requests are posted for one month)

Sunday Dress & Modesty: Please dress appropriately at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. When sitting, a woman's dress should reach below her knees, cover the shoulders, and rest near the pit of the throat; a man ought to wear a suit & tie, or, at least, a collared shirt & clean slacks; shorts, short skirts, shirts with slogans, baggy or tight-fitting clothes are all inappropriate.

FYI: For the last 5 years, KoC toiled to sell 80 tickets to OL Guadalupe dinner; this year, an amazing 112 tickets sold, necessitating 4 extra tables. Fr Huber now has to live up to expectations; *Psst*, Fr Huber, show them a Miracle whip.jnr! Pius V Council writes: "We would like to thank everyone that purchased or contributed a ticket this year. We have exceeded all expectations for the year and are so grateful. We look forward to a fun, amazing and astonishing evening. Viva Cristo Rey!"

Be kind to everyone you meet, for we are all in a great battle!