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Pastor: Rev. Peter Hieu Quang Nguyen

Mass Schedule:

Monday - Saturday	6:45 AM (Bilingual)
Eucharistic Adoration	7:30-8:00 AM After Daily Mass
Saturday Vigil:	6:00 PM (Vietnamese)
Sunday:	7:45 AM (Bilingual)
	9:00 AM Adoration
	10:00 AM (Vietnamese)
	1:45 PM (CCD-Bilingual)

During Lent: Fridays *(S.O.C)* 7:00 PM (Vietnamese)

Confessions:

Daily before Mass
Saturday: By Appointment**.**

Baptism & Wedding:

Please contact the Parish Office during business hours: 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today we begin the season of Advent, which marks the start of a new liturgical year for the Church. The readings for Sunday Mass are arranged on a three-year cycle. Each year features a different Gospel—Matthew, Mark, or Luke. Readings from the Gospel of John are interspersed throughout all three years. With this year's first Sunday of Advent, we begin Cycle B of the Lectionary, which focuses our attention on the Gospel of Mark. This week and next week, our readings from Mark's Gospel present two important Advent themes: the Lord's return at the end of time and John the Baptist's preparation for Jesus.

Today's Gospel is taken from the end of Mark's Gospel, the chapter that immediately precedes Mark's account of Jesus' Passion. Having been questioned repeatedly by the scribes and the Pharisees, Jesus is now questioned by his disciples—Peter, James, John, and Andrew—who want details about his prediction of the destruction of the Temple. Jesus answers with many warnings about the difficulties that the disciples will face.

Today's passage comes at the conclusion of Jesus' warnings to his disciples. Jesus emphasizes the need for watchfulness. The Son of Man will come without warning; only the Father knows the exact hour. The disciples must not be caught unprepared when this time comes.

Scholars believe that Mark's Gospel was written around the time of the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in A.D. 70. Mark's audience consisted of Christians who were living in difficult social and political times, times of conflict. They were likely beginning to face persecution as followers of Jesus. In this difficult time, it helped to recall that Jesus had foretold of such difficulties. Early Christian communities took courage from Jesus' warning to remain alert and watchful, and they found in his words a way to persevere through suffering.

Today's Gospel reminds us that Advent is about more than our preparation for the Church's celebration of Christ's birth at Christmas. Advent is also about preparing ourselves for Christ's return in glory at the end of time. Like the disciples and the faithful in Mark's community, we must also stay alert and watchful. Our faithfulness to God, through the good times as well as the difficult times, shows us to be ready for the coming of the Son of Man.

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THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

NOVEMBER 28- NOVEMBER 29

Show us, Lord, your love; and grant us your salvation.
(Psalm 85:8)

MASS NOVEMBER 28

TIME	INTENTION
Sat. 6:00 pm	Deceased Parishioners'

MASS DECEMBER 05

TIME	INTENTION
Sat. 6:00 pm	Deceased Parishioners'

† Pray for the Sick and Shut-In †

Alando Palmer
Darren Singleton
Nishen Palmer
Sr. Hoa Ngoc Nguyen
Victoria Stewart
Sr. Hoa Thanh Nguyen
Beverly Harleaux
Linda Thuy Truong
Clay Polk
Susan Brown
Coogan Ryan
Sharon Smith
Claire Gremillion
Mrs. Xuyen
Jennifer Lawkins
Ollie Singleton
Tashekia Carter Richard

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

TIME	INTENTION
Mon. 6:45 am	All Souls
Tues. 6:45 am	All Souls
Wed. 6:45 am	All Souls
Thur. 6:45am	All Souls
Fri. 6:45am	All Souls
Sat. 6:45am	All Souls

WEEKLY OFFERING

Nov. 21 – Nov. 22, 2026

Budget for 2026-2027 - $861,000.00

Identified Givers	$	11310 .00
Unidentified Givers	$	974 .00
Maintenance	$	165 .00
Online Giving	$	280.00
For the Poor in VN	$	330.00
Catholic Campaign	$	40 .00
Baptism	$	25.00
Stipends	$	50.00
Theresa Parking	$	2,700.00

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THIS WEEK

MONDAY, December 30…Monday of the First Week of Advent***. The Feast of St. Andrew, Apostle.***

TUESDAY, December 01…Tuesday of the First Week of Advent.

WEDNESDAY, December 02…Wednesday of the First Week of Advent**.**

THURSDAY, December 03…Thursday of the First Week of Advent. ***The Memorial of St. Francis Xavier, Priest.***

FRIDAY, December 04… Friday of the First Week of Advent. ***The Optional Memorial of St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church.***

SATURDAY, December 05 Saturday of the First Week of Advent.

SUNDAY, December 06… The Second Sunday in Advent.



Vocation View: "Like a man away on a journey, he assigns each of us a task; be on the alert." Being chosen to serve as a priest or in consecrated life is an amazing work of the Lord. Ask the Holy Spirit and our Blessed Mother to help you recognize and be faithful to your vocation. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 225-336-8778 or via email: ablount@diobr.org

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA AND LE VAN PHUNG MISSION STATEMENT:



Motto: "Together We Worship" "Our Mission Statement: We pledge our lives to Christ and Covenant with each other to Demonstrate His Spirit through Worship, Prayer, Evangelization, and Ministry to the needs of our community.

Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention for December: Pope Leo XIV invites the faithful to pray that Christians living in the midst of war may be seeds of peace.

Mass Schedule for:

Immaculate Conception December 8: 6:45 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Christmas: December 24: 4:00 p.m. (English) and 7:45 p.m. (Vietnamese)
December 25: 7: 45 a.m. (Bilingual) and 10:00 a.m. (Vietnamese)

Ordination of Priesthood and Deaconate: Deacon John Baptist Han Van Nguyen, ICM will be ordained priesthood and Brother Joseph Vinh Nguyen, ICM will be ordained deaconate on Saturday December 12 at 10 a.m. The most reverend Michael Duca will be celebrant. Their first thanksgiving mass will be on December 13 at 10 a.m. After both masses there will be a reception at St. Anthony Hall. All are welcome.

FMOL SISTERS COME AND SEE WEEKEND: For single Catholic women ages 18-40 who feel called to explore religious life – or simply want space to listen for where God may be leading. Dec. 26-27, 2026 Saturday at 9 a.m. through Sunday at 3 p.m. RSVP by Dec. 11. To RSVP email Sr. Uyen: uyen.vu@fmolhs.org