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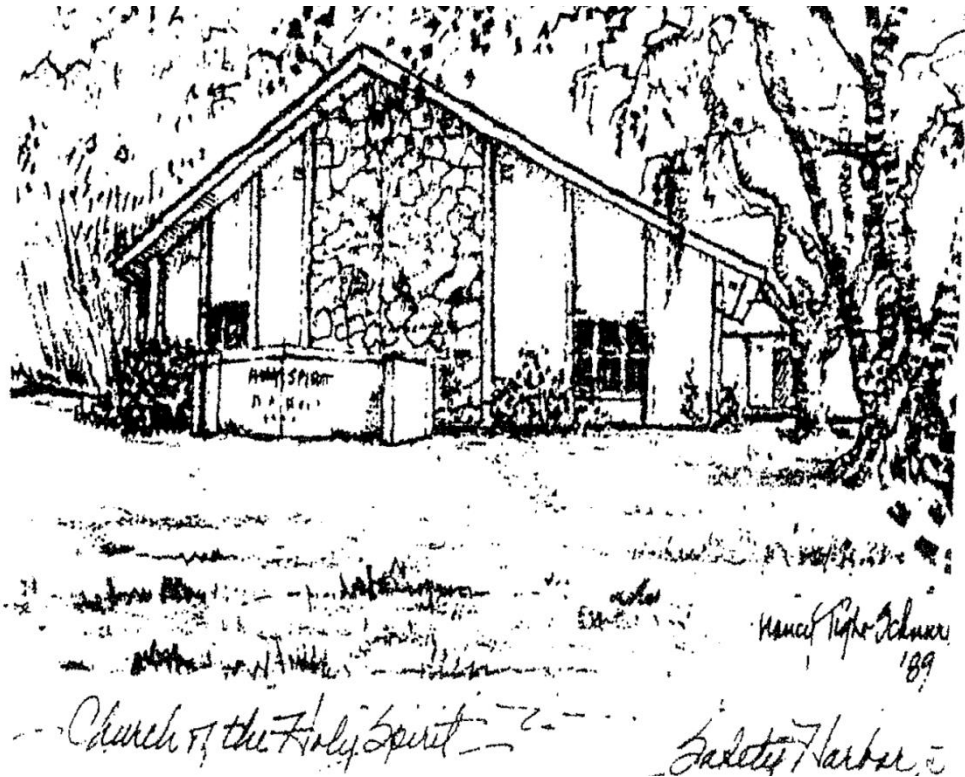
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The Mission of Our Diocese

Honor our Tradition, Build for the Future, Mercy in Mission

The Vision of Our Parish

To be the Body of Christ here and now—reaching out to welcome all, witnessing to God’s love in our lives, and sharing that love with others.



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Reverend Raynald S. Bonoan, Rector

The Reverend Joseph H. Diaz, Assisting Priest

1 ADVENT

NOVEMBER 29, 2020

Holy Communion—Rite II

Lighting of the Advent Candle:

Leader: Alleluia! Our King and Savior now draws near.

People: O Come, Let us adore Him, Alleluia!

Leader: Come and save us, Lord God of Hosts.

People: Show the light of your countenance and we shall be saved.

Leader: O Lord, arise, help us; deliver us for your name's sake.

People: Come and save us, Lord God of hosts.

Leader: Let us pray.

Blessed are you, Lord God of our Fathers, who in former times spoke through the prophets, and who sent to us your own beloved Son to be our Messiah and Savior; as we now light this candle in remembrance of His first coming long ago, help us always to be His faithful witnesses and disciples until He comes again, in majesty And great glory, at the last day.

People: Amen, so be it.

Leader: Rejoice, believers! The Lord is at hand.

All: Amen, Maranatha! Come quickly, Lord Jesus!

The Word of God

Prayer Book 355

Gloria

Prayer Book 356

The Collect

Prayer Book 357

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

First Lesson

Isaiah 64:1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence-- as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil-- to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Psalm

Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.
- 3 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 4 O LORD God of hosts, *
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears; *
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
- 6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors, *
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
- 7 Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
- 16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
- 17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
- 18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Glory to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The Epistle

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind-- just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you-- so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel:

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Mark 13:24-37

Jesus said, "In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels,

and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. “From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. “But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon	The Rev. Joseph H. Diaz
Nicene Creed	Prayer Book 358
Prayers of the People—Form I	Prayer Book 383
Confession, Absolution and Peace	Prayer Book 360
Announcements and Blessings	
The Offertory	
The Great Thanksgiving—Prayer A	Prayer Book 361
Salutation	Prayer Book 361
Sanctus	Prayer Book 361
The Lord’s Prayer	Prayer Book 364
The Breaking of the Bread	Prayer Book 364
Invitation of Communion (All baptized persons are invited)	
Prayer of Thanksgiving	Prayer Book 365

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Intercessions: (*Urgent needs this week*): Dennis, Jerry, Scott, Marie, Tammy, Greg, James, Chris, Ken, Dwayne and family, Bob, Elizabeth, Michael, Everett, Diane, Sharon, Mimi, Adam and Kristen, Ellie, Glad, Cindy, Cathi, Doane, Donna, Brendan, Richard, Parker, Roland, Carol, Alice, Sophia and family, Mila and family, Phil, Cheryl, Lori, Sandy, Tom, Linda, all first responders and health care workers, all those who suffer from the Coronavirus and their families and friends, for The Coalition Against Human Trafficking, the Victims of Human Trafficking, for the migrant workers, and for our brothers and sisters in Christ in the Dominican Republic. Pray for Justice.

We pray for those who have died, especially the victims of the coronavirus. Pray for their families and friends.

Pray for those having Birthdays and Anniversaries this week: especially Gloria, Peg, Jamie, Cindy, and Richard.