#### Saturday Vigil Masses:

Saint Josephs	5:30pm
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# Sunday Masses:

Saint Joseph's	9:30am
Saint Anne's & Holy Family	11:00am
Saint Patricks Ryhope	9:30am

#### Christmas Masses:

Saint Josephs Vidual Mass	5:30pm
Saint Josephs Daytime Mass	9:30am
Saint Annes & The Holy Family Vidual Mass	5:30pm



Saint Joseph's, Saint Anne's & Holy Family And Saint Patricks 11<sup>th</sup> December 2022, Third Sunday of Advent, Year A

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### 1st Reading - Isaiah 35:1-6A, 10

- 1 The desert and the parched land will exult; the steppe will rejoice and bloom.
- 2 They will bloom with abundant flowers, and rejoice with joyful song. The glory of Lebanon will be given to them, the splendor of Carmel and Sharon; they will see the glory of the LORD, the splendor of our God.
- 3 Strengthen the hands that are feeble, make firm the knees that are weak, 4 say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense he comes to save you. 5 Then will the eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of the deaf be cleared; 6 then will the lame leap like a stag, then the tongue of the mute will sing. 10 Those whom the LORD has ransomed will return and enter Zion singing, crowned with everlasting joy; they will meet with joy and gladness, sorrow and mourning will flee.

## Responsorial Psalm - Psalms 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10

R. (cf. Is 35:4) Lord, come and save us.

or:

R. Alleluia.

6 The LORD God keeps faith forever,

7 secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry. The LORD sets captives free.

R. Lord, come and save us.

or:

R. Alleluia.

8 The LORD gives sight to the blind; the LORD raises up those who were bowed down. The LORD loves the just;

9A the LORD protects strangers.

R. Lord, come and save us.

or:

R. Alleluia.

9BC The fatherless and the widow he sustains, but the way of the wicked he thwarts.

10 The LORD shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, through all generations.

R. Lord, come and save us.

or:

R. Alleluia.

## 2nd Reading - James 5:7-10

7 Be patient, brothers and sisters, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains.

8 You too must be patient. Make your hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand.

9 Do not complain, brothers and sisters, about one another, that you may not be judged. Behold, the Judge is standing before the gates.

10 Take as an example of hardship and patience, brothers and sisters, the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

Alleluia - Isaiah 61:1 (Cited in Luke 4:18)

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

18 The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,

because he has anointed me

to bring glad tidings to the poor.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

## Gospel - Matthew 11:2-11

2 When John the Baptist heard in prison of the works of the Christ, he sent his disciples to Jesus

3 with this question, "Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?"

 $4\ Jesus\ said\ to\ them\ in\ reply,$  "Go and tell John what you hear and see:

5 the blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them.

6 And blessed is the one who takes no offense at me."

7 As they were going off, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John, "What did you go out to the desert to see? A reed swayed by the wind?

- 8 Then what did you go out to see? Someone dressed in fine clothing? Those who wear fine clothing are in royal palaces.
- 9 Then why did you go out? To see a prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet.
- 10 This is the one about whom it is written: Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you.
- 11 Amen, I say to you, among those born of women there has been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."  $\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1$

Sunday Mass Readings Homily for  $11^{th}$  December 2022, Third Sunday of Advent, Year A

Today's Catholic Sunday Readings Homily Theme: Blessed is the One Who Takes No Offence at Jesus - Luke 7:18-23

Hope everyone is keeping well lots of love to all "Philip".

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