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# "Make your hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand."

# December 8<sup>th</sup>— Second Sunday of Advent

#### Bulletin Reflection

We must be good stewards of God's gifts to us, receiving them gratefully and cultivating them with care lest we be the ones about whom John the Baptist speaks of today: "Every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."

## Living Stewardship... Pillar of Service

A popular saying around this time of year is "Keep Christ in Christmas." This is true in so many ways, and one way is to do good to others. We have been given gifts by God to use for the service of others; there is no better time to start than now. Consider donating a gift to your parish's Giving Tree for someone in need.

#### General Intercession for Mass

We pray that we can heed St. John the Baptist's words and bear good fruit in God's Name...

# December 15<sup>th</sup>— Third Sunday of Advent

# Bulletin Reflection

Each of us has his or her own role to play in the coming of the Kingdom of God. John the Baptist was called to be the herald of the Messiah, preparing the way of the Lord. To what is the Lord calling me?

### Living Stewardship... Pillar of Hospitality

"Say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not!" As we get closer to the day when Our Lord

came to us as a child, let us continue to preach the Good News to others.

Winter and the Christmas season may not always be a time of joy for all people (winter blues, grief over the loss of a loved one); let us bring to them

the light of Christ.

## General Intercession for Mass

That all in our community can feel Christ's love this Advent season. We pray to the Lord...

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