

## **FR.TK.REFLECTIONS FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A-2022:**

### **WAKE UP AND BE READY:**

This Sunday we begin the church liturgical calendar year A.As we begin the year it gives us an opportunity for a **new flesh start**.This is the season known as **Advent** which means **expectations or awaiting**.It has two fold aspects,**a time for preparing for the Birth of Jesus Christ and and a time to prepare for the second coming of the Lord.**

We shouldn't forget the fact that there are different moments which Christ comes to us.**He speaks to us in the scripture, in a gathering,where two or three are gathered in my name I will be in their midst**, Each time we are involved in works of mercy he is present,whatever you do to these least of my Brothers and sisters you do it unto me.He is specifically present in **Eucharist This is my Body this is my Blood**.All these are presence of our Lord among us.

Preparations for Christmas is already in high gear and this can be sensed as you go in the towns,decorations lights, cards and gifts can be located here and there, soon Christmas trees will flood the stores and the sending Christmas gifts and cards.How are we preparing spiritually?are we taking a note and care of our spiritual part? How are we preparing to bring Christ to our lives?

St.Paul in his letter today is showing us the way forward,**that we should be children of light,it is the time to wake and cast off deeds of darkness,drunkness,prostitution,vices,fightings and jealousy.we must put on Christ(Rom.13:11-14)**.are we ready to cast off these deeds and follow Christ?Jesus speaks of suddenness and unpreparedness of his second coming,he says that people will be going on their daily business,eating,traveling,gossiping,praying having a drink in the neighborhood pub,he is telling us **we must be prepared.**

Advent should be time to look into our faith life,**prayer,sacraments, relationship with others,commitments to our vocation,marital**

**life, single life, honesty, acts of mercy, charity, reviving our relationship and rifts in the family have time with your them. Repair broken connections. liberate ourselves from internet this great social killer in form of modern technology at the cost of our availability to others. Lets not let it use us we use it for informations positively but not to let it control us.**

**Our responsibilities to the poor, sick, homeless and those who need our support .Respect for sacredness of life, gun control (shooting spree of innocents people MUST BE STOPPED), Abortions. excessive uncontrolled consumption of alcohol and drugs**

It is very easy to be carried away by external artificial lights that we forget the **true light of christ.**

We must cast off the deeds of darkness and put on Armor of christ. This is the call of Advent to open up and be realistic in life thus getting away the darkness and putting on light of Jesus Christ.

**COME LORD JESUS:**