

Mass & Confession Times

SUNDAY MASSES

5:00pm Saturday Vigil 8:00am Sunday (English) 10:00am Sunday (English) Noon Sunday (Spanish)

DAILY MASSES

7:15am Monday—Friday 8:00am Saturday

CONFESSIONS~NOT ON DECEMBER 4;

Saturday 3:30-4:30pm or by appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

4:30-7:30pm Thursday

Sacramental Life

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Please contact a priest eight months in advance.

BAPTISM

Please contact Fr. Michael, Ext. 510.

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Rectory Office Hours

Monday—Friday 8:00am-3:00pm

HOLY REDEEMER CATHOLIC CHURCH SERVED BY THE CONGREGATION OF HOLY CROSS

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NOVEMBER 28, 2021



Parish Calendar

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28 FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT 10:00am Hispanic First Communion Class, Clare Hall

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

- 6:00pm Hispanic Charismatic Group Meeting, Clare Hall
- 7:00pm Hispanic AA Meeting, Clare Hall
- 7:00pm Hispanic Choir Practice, Church

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1

- 6:30pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Altar set up, Church
- 7:00pm Liturgy Committee Meeting, Rectory Conference Room

7:00pm Safety Meeting

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2

7:00pm Hispanic AA Meeting, Clare Hall

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3

- 5:00pm U of P Choir set up & rehearsal, Church
- 6:00pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena, Clare Hall

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4

- 9:00am First Reconciliation Retreat, Cantwell Hall
- 7:30pm U of P Advent Lessons & Carols, Church
- SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5 SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT
- **10:00am** Hispanic First Communion Class, Clare Hall
- 4:00pm Confirmation Class, Cantwell Hall
- 6:00pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena, Church

Mass Intentions for the Week

SANCTUARY LIGHT: HR PARISHIONERS	
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29	
7:15am	Fr. Peter Tsang †
	by Heidi Tse
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30	
7:15am	Yvonne Neuhaus †
	by Michelle Neuhaus
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1	
7:15am	Florence Biery †
	by Pat Cary & Gordon Oliver
8:20am	Yvonne Neuhaus †
	by Michelle Neuhaus
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2	
10:00am	John Hepp †
	by Mindy Garlington
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3	
7:15am [′]	Mrs. Catherine Fung
	by Sr. Therese Tsang
SATDAY, DECEMBER 4	
8:00am	Mary Ip †
	by Sr. Therese Tsang
5:00pm	Mark Glilgam
0100pm	by HR Community
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5	
8:00am	HR Parishioners
10:00am	Sheri Luen Fan
	by Sr. Therese Tsang
Noon	Guillermo & Telma Ramirez †
	by Rosa Allamby

This Week's Readings

Jericho 33: 14-16 Sunday, November 28 1 Thessalonians 3: 12-4:2 Luke 21: 25-28 34-36 Isaiah 2: 1-5 Monday, November 29 Matthew 8: 5-11 Romans 10: 9-18 Tuesday, November 30 Matthew 4: 18-22 Wednesday. Isaiah 25: 6-10a December 1 Matthew 15: 29-37 Thursday. Isaiah 26: 1-6 December 2 Matthew 7: 21, 24-27 Isaiah 29: 17-24 Friday, Matthew 9: 27-31 December 3 Saturday, Isaiah 30: 19-21, 23-26 December 4 Matthew 9: 35-10:1,5a,6-8 Sunday, Baruch 5: 1-9 December 5 Philippians 1: 4-6, 8-11 Luke 3: 1-6



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Church News, Outreach and Social Justice

HOLY REDEEMER STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

On November 21 we had Holy Redeemer Stewardship Sunday. Thank you to those who responded. If you have not yet completed your card, please prayerfully make your pledge and return it to the church office. We would like 100% participation in showing our support of Holy Redeemer. Every pledge means so much!



HOLY REDEEMER'S SVDP CONFERENCE

DO YOU HAVE ENOUGH HEALTHY FOOD FOR YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY?

If you are struggling, you are not alone. We can help you get through difficult times with nutritious fresh and canned food from our St. Vincent de Paul food pantry. Located in the church basement off Williams Avenue, we are open Wednesdays and Saturdays from 2:30 to

4:00 pm. All requests are treated confidentially. Another resource is <u>foodfinder.oregonfoodbank.org</u>.



CHRISTMAS FOOD HOTLINE BEGINS NOVEMBER 8 at 9:00am-12:00pm

Serving Multnomah County Residents, call 503-595-2292 Lines open Monday through Thursday 9:00am-12:00pm, until capacity reached.

<u>CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS:</u> Our Holy Redeemer St. Vincent de Paul Conference aims to provide 100 Christmas food baskets to families within our parish boundaries. We're asking you to consider picking up extra groceries on your shopping trips this month. Each week we

will ask for a different donation, although all foods are welcome. **This week's special request is for canned fruit and vegetables**. Please bring your donations to the church on Saturday or Sunday, to the rectory during office hours (8 a.m. to 3 p.m.), or drop by during pantry hours of 2:30 to 4 pm Wednesdays and Saturdays. Please specify that the donations are for the Christmas food baskets. Thanks for your generosity.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: Coffee, Tea, Sugar, Juice, and Paper Shopping Bags. You can bring these to the rectory or to the Food Room during Wednesday & Saturday hours.

<u>SOCK DRIVE</u>: Again, this year we will be collecting socks for the homeless. There will be a barrel in the entrance to the church for your donation. Take advantage of the after Thanksgiving sales to purchase socks. All donations will be given to Saint Andre Bessette Downtown Chapel for distribution. THANK YOU!

ADVENT GIVING TREE:

Holy Redeemer's Giving Tree is here! Take this opportunity to share your blessings with those in our community and brighten their holiday season. Please take a tag and return it with your wrapped gift or monetary donation to the Parish office by Tuesday, December 14. Alternatively, visit our virtual tree at https://signup.com/go/hUtbSdo to contribute directly. Email givingtree@holyredeemerpdx.org with any questions. Your generosity is appreciated!



CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Gustavo Hernandez Hernandez and Fabiola del Carmen Hernandez Colin who were married at Holy Redeemer Church on November 13, 2021. May the Lord bless them in their vocation and as they begin life together.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

It is time for those wishing to participate in the Christmas Memorial Flower Fund to do so. A list will be published so that all of the Parish community will be able to join in prayer for those remembered or honored. The cut-off date for your memorial contribution is **Saturday, December 18th.** This allows time to prepare the list for the bulletin on Christmas. You may drop your monetary gift, marked FLOWER FUND, at the Parish Office. <u>Be sure to list the names of those to be remembered and your name as the donor</u>.

Growing in Faith

ADVENT SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

The University of Portland's Department of Music will host an Advent Service of Lessons and Carols in our church on Saturday, December 4 at 7:30 pm. Please come and join in the beautiful music that will be offered. Also, since they will need rehearsal time, there won't be Confessions on that Saturday, December 4.

ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION: A YEAR ACCEPTABLE TO THE LORD

Sunday, December 5, 10am-1:30pm (10am Mass, 11am-1:30pm brunch and reflections) Join the Simone Weil Catholic Worker for a retreat exploring how the Advent Gospels highlight the economics of *preparing the way of the Lord*. Jesus brings this challenge to a head by declaring *a year acceptable to the Lord*. What could the framework he proposes look like at Holy Redeemer? This retreat will include a talk and small group discussion over brunch. We will gather immediately following the Sunday 10am mass in the Holy Redeemer school cafeteria. Childcare will be provided in the gymnasium.

NOVENA PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

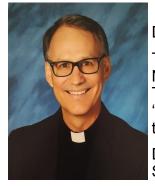
As the Church brings the Year of St. Joseph to an end on December 8, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. One way to complete this year is to prayer a 9-Day Novena though the intercession of St. Joseph, the patron saint of the Universal Church. Any prayer can be used, however, the following prayer specifically for this time of pandemic might appeal to people. The Novena begins on Nov. 30 (Wed) and is completed 9 days later on December 8 (Wed). *St. Joseph, spouse of Mary and patron of the Church, pray for us!*

Our Novena Prayer to St. Joseph during Pandemic

Protect, O Holy Guardian, this our nation. Enlighten those responsible for the common good, so that they might know--like you do- how to care for those entrusted to their responsibility. Grant intelligence of knowledge to those seeking adequate means for the health and physical well-being of their brothers and sisters. Sustain those who are spending themselves for those in need, even at the cost of their own safety: volunteers, nurses, doctors who are on the front lines in curing the sick. Bless, O St. Joseph, the Church: beginning with her ministers, make her the sign and instrument of your light and your goodness. Accompany, O St. Joseph, our families: with your prayerful silence, create harmony between parents and their children, in a special way with the youngest. Preserve the elderly from loneliness: grant that on one might be left in desperation from abandonment and discouragement. Comfort those who are the most frail, encourage those who falter, intercede for the poor. With the Virgin Mother, beg the Lord to liberate the world from every form of pandemic. Amen.



Pastor's Message



Dear Friends:

The Advent season is upon us! It always begins on the Sunday nearest to November 30, the feast day of St. Andrew the Apostle, and covers four Sundays. The word Advent comes from the Latin word *adventus*, which means 'coming.' Advent has been observed since the fourth century. Originally, it was a time when converts to <u>Christianity</u> readied themselves for baptism.

During the Middle Ages, Advent became associated with preparation for the Second Coming. Advent lasted from November 11, the feast of St. Martin of Tours, until Christmas Day. Advent was considered a pre-Christmas season of Lent when

Christians devoted themselves to prayer and fasting. Although it was not as strict as Lent, Advent adhered to a rather long period of fasting: three days per week, known as "Ember Days."

In contemporary times, the season of Advent invites meditation on both the first coming of Christ into human history, as well as on the second coming of Christ at the end of time. Its core symbol is the Advent wreath, which has its origins in the folk traditions of Northern Europe, where in the winter people lit candles on wheel-shaped bundles of evergreen. The candlelight offered comfort at the darkest time of the year.

An Advent wreath traditionally has four candles—three purple and one rose-colored candle. The three purple candles symbolize hope, peace, and love, and the rose candle, which symbolizes joy, is usually lit on the third Sunday. Sometimes a fifth candle is placed inside the Advent wreath. This candle is lit on Christmas Day. It is white, the color associated with angels and the birth of <u>Jesus</u>.

The idea of expectant waiting, which is so closely associated with Advent, is rather foreign to contemporary society. While the proverb, "All good things come to those who wait," seems to mirror the spirit of Advent, our American culture prizes efficiency and overnight delivery. Having lived in East Africa for almost eight years, I returned to the U.S. very much aware of the frenetic pace at which most people live their daily lives.

Perhaps this Advent we can find creative ways to honor this time of expectant waiting for Christ who is, who was, and who is to come. Why not make your own Advent wreath? Each night, when you light a candle or candles look up on the Internet "Prayers for Advent Candle Lighting" or simply make up your own spontaneous prayers together.

You might be tempted to save the manger for last. However, a great practice is to lay out the manger early in Advent, but do not put Baby Jesus in the scene yet. Prepare the manger by laying straw in it each day. Some families put straw in the manger for every good deed they do during Advent—so Jesus has bedding to lay on made out of love.

Be intentional about serving others during Advent. Supporting the Giving Tree in the church vestibule or donating food to St. Vincent de Paul is a wonderful way to assist needy families in our community.

Have a blessed Advent. Come, Lord Jesus!

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Pat

