



HOLY REDEEMER CATHOLIC CHURCH

SERVED BY THE CONGREGATION OF HOLY CROSS

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“WITH THE LORD THERE IS MERCY AND FULLNESS OF REDEMPTION”

<https://holyredeemerpxchurch.org>

NOVEMBER 27, 2022



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

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

4:30-7:30pm Thursday, Not on Thanksgiving Day

Sacramental Life

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact Frs. Cameron, Pat or Michael

BAPTISM

Please contact Fr. Michael, Ext. 510.

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

Please contact Rectory Office.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Please contact Teresa Markgraf, Ext. 502.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

Please contact a priest eight months in advance.

Rectory Office Hours

Monday—Friday 8:00am-3:00pm

Parish Calendar

1st SUNDAY IN ADVENT, NOVEMBER 27

10:00 am Spanish First Communion Class, Cantwell Hall
11:00 am Communion Economy Discussion Brunch, Rectory Basement
1:30 pm First Communion Adult Class, Clare Hall

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28

5:30 pm Stepping Into Serenity Al Anon Meeting, Guadalupe Room

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

6:30 pm Spanish Mass Choir Practice, Church
7:00 pm Hispanic AA Meeting, Guadalupe Room
7:00 pm Spanish Eucharistic Ministers Training, Rectory Dining Room

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1

6:30 pm Spanish Women Guitar Group, Clare Hall
7:00 pm Hispanic AA Meeting, Guadalupe Room
7:00 pm Pastoral Council Meeting, Rectory
7:30 pm Choir Practice (10am Choir), Church

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2

6:00 pm Charismatic Group, Church

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

7:00 pm Spanish First Communion Group, Clare Hall
9:00 pm U of P Vespers Choir Concert, Church

2nd SUNDAY IN ADVENT, DECEMBER 4

9:00 am Breakfast Club, Cantwell Hall
10:00 am Spanish First Communion Class, Clare Hall
11:00 am Communion Economy Discussion Brunch, Cantwell Hall

2:00pm Confirmation Class, Clare Hall

2:30 pm Spanish Parents Confirmation Class, Cantwell Hall

Mass Intentions for the Week

SANCTUARY LIGHT: HR Parishioners
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28
7:15am Skip Willis †
by Mindy Garlington

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29
7:15am Stethanie Li & Family
by Sr. Terese Tsang

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30
7:15am Marie Hong Tran †
by Joseph S. Tran
8:20am Rudy Nusbaum †
by Matilda Gutierrez

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1
7:15am Leo Gladkov †
by Arlow Family

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2
7:15am John Hepp †
by Mindy Garlington

SATURDAY DECEMBER 3
8:00am Parket Studer
by Michelle Smith
5:00pm HR Parishioners

2nd SUNDAY IN ADVENT, DECEMBER 4
8:00am Guillermo & Thelma Ramirez †
by Rosa Allamby
10:00 am Marie Hong Tran †
by Joseph S. Tran
Noon Jose Luis Munoz Campos †
by Maria del Socorro Campos

This Week's Readings

Sunday, November 27
Isaiah 2:1-5
Romans 13:11-14
Matthew 24:37-44

Monday, November 28
Isaiah 4:2-6
Matthew 8:5-11

Tuesday, November 29
Isaiah 11:1-10
Matthew 8:5-11

Wednesday, November 30
Romans 10:9-18
Matthew 4:18-22

Thursday, December 1
Isaiah 26:1-6
Matthew 7:21,24-27

Friday, December 2
Isaiah 29:17-24
Matthew 9:27-31

Saturday, December 3
Isaiah 30:19-21,23-26
Matthew 9:35—10:1,5a,6-8

Sunday, December 4
Isaiah 11:1-10
Romans 15:4-9
Matthew 3:1-12

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 **Monday, December 19th**. 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. Be sure to list the names of those to be remembered and your name as the donor.



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Church News, Outreach and Social Justice

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW MEMBERS OF THE PASTORAL COUNCIL!

We wish to thank the following parishioners for agreeing to serve on the Pastoral Council: Colleen Dugan, Julie Howe, Megan Lehman, and Monica Vargas. May the Holy Spirit fill them with wisdom as they begin this important ministry of service to our parish.

SEEKING BUSINESS MANAGER

Holy Redeemer Parish/School is seeking a Business Manager to assist the Pastor in the prudent stewardship of the parish's personnel, financial and capital resources. Ensures the effectiveness of operations, informing and advising the Pastor, department heads, and various parish councils and committees as needed. Handles all accounting procedures for parish and school. This position is part of the core management team that supports the Pastor and ensures that the pastoral and administrative needs of the Parish are met.

For complete job description, see parish website: <https://holyredeemerpxchurch.org>.

Please send letter of interest and resume to Fr. Patrick M. Neary, C.S.C., Pastor, at pnearycsc@gmail.com. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Fr. Neary at 503-285-4539.



SAINT VINCENT DE APUL COLLECTION TODAY

St. Vincent de Paul volunteers will be collecting donations at the back of the Church after the Masses this weekend. ***Thank you for your continuing support.***



HOLY REDEEMER'S SVDP CONFERENCE

"Giving help and hope one person at a time." The Society of St. Vincent de Paul was founded by a small group of students in Paris in 1835 and now stretches across the globe. Its namesake and patron saint was a sixteenth century priest from Pouy, France who became known as the "Father of the Poor." The Society was unique for its time in that it was formed by lay Catholics, and it offered charity to foreigners as well as non-Catholics. A truly Christian enterprise! Our conference at Holy Redeemer seeks to reflect this Vincentian spirit through our rent and utility assistance program as well as a food pantry, all staffed and funded entirely through volunteers. Our pantry receives food from the parish as well as partner agencies such as the Oregon Food Bank, Safeway, and Nite Hawk Cafe & Lounge. Each conference is governed by a Board of Directors which includes a spiritual advisor and is overseen by the Portland District Council www.svdppdx.org. Meetings take place in the rectory on the **second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.** For more information, please contact board president Gordon Oliver oliver.svdp@gmail.com.



HELP US FILL OUR CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS BY DECEMBER 8th- 2 WEEKS!

Please donate travel size: toothpaste, toothbrushes, dental floss, lotions, soap, shampoo, hair combs/brushes. Mark donation bag "For Stockings" if possible.

FOOD PANTRY

Do you have enough food for yourself or your family? Our pantry offers fresh, frozen and canned food to those in need. Located behind the church, we are open Wednesdays and Saturdays from 2:30 to 4:00 pm. Other food resources include the SVDP website at www.svdppdx.org and foodfinder.oregonfoodbank.org. SVDP is an equal opportunity provider and all requests are treated confidentially.

PANTRY NEEDS:

We welcome any FRESH OR FROZEN Meats, Veggies or Fruits. You may bring fresh or frozen items during our pantry hours on Wednesdays or Saturdays, or email Gordon Oliver at oliver.svdp@gmail.com to arrange a drop off time. Thanks! Bring donations to the pantry during open hours, the rectory, or use the shopping cart at the entrance to the church. With your help we can offer items that are otherwise difficult to obtain. Thank you!

RENT & UTILITIES ASSISTANCE

Need help paying for rent or utilities? SVDP Holy Redeemer offers up to \$750 in rent and \$400 in utility assistance per year to individuals or families living within our parish boundaries. To apply, call the **SVDP Emergency Services Hotline at 503-235-8431** or visit the website at www.svdppdx.org. Parish donors make this assistance possible. Thank you.

Growing in Faith

Advent Day Retreat - Thur. Dec. 8th



"Prepare the Way of the Lord"

with Bishop Peter Smith

8:15am (doors open) to 2:30pm

Retreat Fee: \$40

**Conferences, Holy Mass, time for prayer
& Lunch**



**Hosted by the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Sorrows
at Our Lady of Peace Retreat, 3600 SW 170th Ave., Beaverton**

To register: 503-649-7127 or olpretreat.org

**The Filipino Catholic Community of Oregon
and SW Washington**

**cordially invites you to
Simbang Gabi Commissioning Mass**

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

Sunday, December 11, 2022

2:00 PM

St. Mary's Cathedral of the Immaculate Heart

1716 NW Davis St, Portland OR 97209

Celebrant: Archbishop Alexander K. Sample

Concelebrants: Filipino Priests of the Archdiocese of Portland

**Light Reception follows immediately after the
Celebration of the Holy Eucharist**

ADVENT GIVING TREE

Take this opportunity to share your many 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 Friday, December 16th. Email givingtree@holyredeemerpx.org with any questions.

Your generosity is appreciated!

Fr. Michael's Message



Today is the first Sunday of Advent.

Today, we begin a new year in the church. Today, we enter into the season of Advent and we prepare our homes, our church, our hearts and our lives for the celebration of the upcoming season of Christmas and its many feast days.

And with a new church year, we begin a new liturgical cycle of Scripture readings on Sundays and weekdays. On Sundays, we follow a 3-year cycle of readings; on weekdays, we follow a 2-year cycle of readings. So, the Scripture passages should sound familiar as we return to them every 2-3 years.

And with a new church season, we have a different color: violet. Violet or purple is a royal color. In Jesus' time, only royalty could afford purple cloth. Purple dye was made from an extract of a shellfish and was difficult to obtain. So, only the wealthiest could buy it and only the most powerful could wear it.

The final Sunday of the year, Christ the King Sunday, was celebrated last week. Often the image of Christ as King is one where he's crowned with thorns, condemned to death, but wrapped in a royal purple mantle - a King! Even though the world does not recognize Him as Savior and Ruler.

Even though most of the world's calendar ends on Dec. 31, we've already entered into the experience of the end: the end of the church year, the end of a liturgical season, and looking towards the end of the world and the end of our lives.

Wow! That's ominous, isn't it? Sobering.

Advent has a serious nature to it even as our hearts are joyful as we anticipate the next liturgical season of Christmas. But, think about this: Thomas Merton wrote, "**Advent is the beginning of the end of everything within us that is not yet Christ.**" This hardly sounds like a way to prepare for the joy of the Christmas season. But let's lean into this and go deeper.

"Advent" comes from the Latin word "adventus" which means "coming." In Greek, it's "Parousia" which is associated with the end of the world. With something coming, doesn't that mean something must be leaving or at least give way to what is new? If something is new, doesn't it replace the old? And, in our faith, when there's death, it is certainly the place from which new life will come. **"Advent is the beginning.**

Our Advent Wreath candles gradually burn down week after week. The sun in the sky diminishes by rising later and setting earlier. The weather in this hemisphere turns cloudier and colder. Plants don't grow; flowers no longer bloom; some creatures hunker down for a dormant period. It is the end. **"Advent is the beginning of the end.**

Of course, we all will experience our personal end - mortality - upon our own death. Our mortality is a mystery but one that is transformed by Christ's death and resurrection. **"Advent is the beginning of the end of everything within us that is not yet Christ."**

The core of our faith: Jesus was born into our world and took on our humanity. He, even as divine, became one of us. Jesus came, whose name means "God saves," comes to save us and our world from darkness, sadness, evil and even death.

By the gift of his death on the Cross, his sacrifice opens our hearts to the kingdom of heaven. And his resurrection graces us with the gifts of the Holy Spirit so that we can love God and our neighbor each and every day.

So, during these days of Advent, consider, with Thomas Merton, and ponder: What is there within me that is not yet Christ? What within me needs to die? Where is God leading me during this season from death to new life? Consider bringing all of this to the Lord and experience the Sacrament of Reconciliation. **Our Parish Reconciliation Service will be held on Monday, December 5, 7:00 pm.** We will have 5-6 confessors and 2-3 who are bilingual. Until then, let's see where the good Lord leads us. He promises to bring us into a new way of life which can only come as we let go of our old ways.

Peace,
Fr. Michael

