

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”

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NOVEMBER 29, 2020

Mass & Confession Times

SUNDAY MASSES

8:00am Sunday (English)

10:00am Sunday (English) (Live on Facebook)

12:00pm Sunday (Spanish) (Live on Facebook)

2:00pm Sunday (Spanish)

DAILY MASSES

9:00am Monday and Wednesday

CONFESSIONS

Call to make appointment 503-285-4530

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.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Please contact Teresa Markgraf, Ext. 502.

FIRST COMMUNION and CONFIRMATION

Please contact Meaghen Igloria, Ext. 512.

Rectory Office Hours

Monday– Friday 8:00am-3:00pm



COVID19

Until further notice only clergy will distribute the Eucharist at Mass. No Precious Blood will be distributed until further notice. Face coverings need to cover both your mouth and nose when you come to Holy Redeemer for Mass or church meetings.

HOLIDAY MASSES

Lottery attendees have been notified by email or phone.

Masses for the Week



SANCTUARY LIGHT: HR Parishioners

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30

9:00am Corrine Martinez †

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1

Kwok Yee Tse †

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2

9:00am John Hepp †

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3

Kwai Chun Mak †

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4

Fr. Peter Tsang †

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

Beth Wells

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

8:00am Amanda Potts

10:00am Dean Fisher

Noon HR Parishioners

2:00pm Ricardo Acosta † and

Wilder Camacho †

This Week's Readings

Monday,
November 30

Romans 10: 9-18
Matthew 4: 18-22

Tuesday,
December 1

Isaiah 11: 1-10
Luke 10: 21-24

Wednesday,
December 2

Isaiah 25: 6-10
Matthew 15: 29-37

Thursday,
December 3

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

Friday,
December 4

Isaiah 29: 17-24
Matthew 9: 27-31

Saturday,
December 5

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

Sunday,
December 6

Isaiah 40: 1-5, 9-11
2 Peter 3: 8-14
Mark 1: 1-8

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS

Please contact Fr. Michael to determine if we can bring Eucharist to their homes.

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Miss Fatima Garcia Salvador
Saturday Receptionist

Church News and Outreach & Social Justice



HOLY REDEEMER SVDP CONFERENCE

For the week of November 18th we served 24 families with \$3,306 in food & utility/rent assistance. Holy Redeemer church/school volunteers offered 42 hours of time. Thank you for your ongoing love and sacrifice.

RENT & UTILITY ASSISTANCE

We are able to provide emergency rent and utility assistance—for those facing utility cutoff or eviction. Assistance is provided to registered parishioners and households within our parish boundaries (N. Alberta to the Columbia River and N. Denver to NE 26th Ave.). We are able to provide this assistance due to the generosity of parishioners. The Oregon Community Foundation grant program is closed at this time.

NEED EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE?

HR's SVDP Food Room (back side of church, basement level) is open every Wednesday and Saturday, 2:30 - 4:00 PM. Anyone in need of emergency food is encouraged to go to the food room during these hours of operation to be given emergency food. All requests are treated confidentially. All visitors must wear masks.

SVDP PANTRY NEEDS:

Fresh eggs, canned meals/meats/tuna, peanut butter, jelly, cereal & fresh fruits. Please drop them off in the parish office 8am-3pm, Monday-Friday. **Thank you for your help.**

**FREE
FOOD
BOXES**

Anyone can pick up
WHILE SUPPLIES LAST



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Jesus entered into the pain and death that sin inflicts. He accepted the torment but gave us joy in return. We whom he has sent to minister amid the same sin and pain must know that we too shall find the cross and the hope it promises. (Constitution 8:113 of the Congregation of Holy Cross, "The Cross, Our Hope") Holycrossvocations.org

FARM TO FAMILY FOOD BOX LOCATIONS:

<https://evangelization.archdpx.org/usda-food-box>

This program is USDA partnered with Pacific Coast Fruit & Archdiocese of Portland:



Growing in Faith

ADVENT BEGINS TODAY

The Advent Wreath reminds us of spiritual darkness, of waiting for the coming of the Messiah, the Light of the world. Each year in Advent we prepare for the coming of the Lord: His historical coming in Bethlehem, His final coming at the end of time and His coming in every moment of our lives.

Dear Jesus,

You are the hope in our messy world. This Advent, help us slow down, listen to your voice and focus on what's really important. We place our hope in you as we prepare our hearts to celebrate your birth on Christmas. Amen.

ADVENT GIVING TREE



Holy Redeemer's Giving Tree is here! Take this opportunity to share your many blessings with those in our community and brighten their holiday season. This year, due to COVID, we are asking for gift cards for our Giving Tree families. Please bring your gift card or monetary donation to the Parish office by Friday, December 18th at 3:00pm. Your generosity, is appreciated!

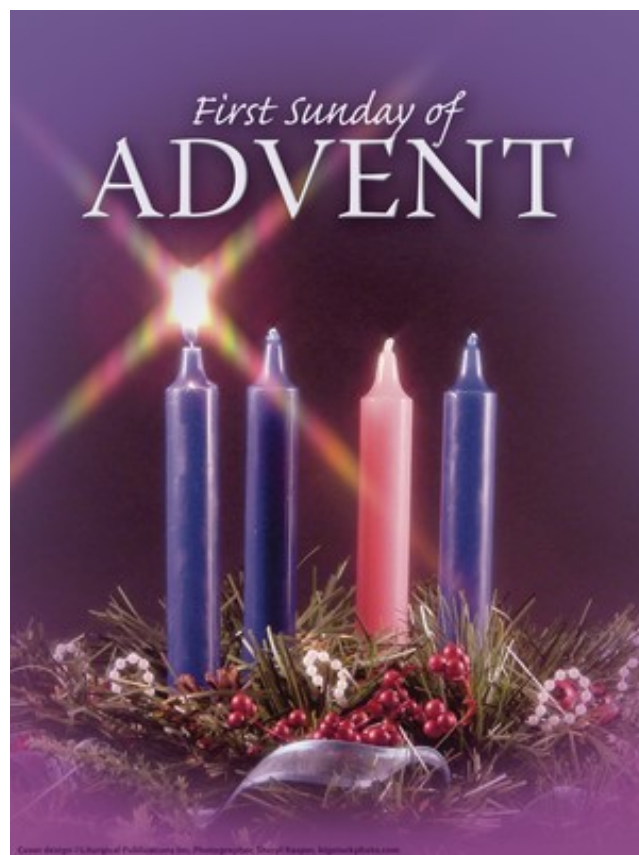
CHRISTMAS FLOWERS



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. Be sure to list the names of those to be remembered and your name as the donor.

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to offer a Mass intention for weekday or Sunday Mass, please stop by the rectory office.



ADVENT ONLINE RETREAT

Come join Bishop Peter Smith for a **Virtual Advent Day Retreat: "Making Advent Meaningful"** on Wednesday, December 2nd.

Prepare the way for Christmas with this retreat hosted by the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Sorrows at Our Lady of Peace Retreat House in Beaverton.

Register for your seat in our Advent ZOOM ROOM by visiting: www.OLPRETREAT.ORG- go to **Register Now for the Advent Virtual Retreat.** (CONFERENCE TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED - Between 9 am - 2 pm)

There is no fee to join us, however if you wish, the Sisters are grateful for your donation to support the Retreat House. A few "in-Person" seats are still available, \$40 donation, call 503-649-7127 to reserve.

Pastor's Message



"The celebration of Advent is possible only to those who are troubled in soul, who know themselves to be poor and imperfect, and who look forward to something greater to come." ~ Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Dear Friends:

I saw an Advent calendar in Fred Meyer the other day, much to my surprise. When I saw a picture of Santa Claus on one and Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer on the other, I realized that it had nothing to do with Advent at all.

For most of us, we know that the Advent season focuses on expectation and that it serves as an anticipation of Christ's birth at Christmas. This is part of the story, but there is more to Advent.

The word "Advent" is derived from the Latin word *adventus*, meaning "coming," which is a translation of the Greek word *parousia*. Scholars believe that during the 4th and 5th centuries in Spain and Gaul (modern day France), Advent was a season of preparation for the baptism of new Christians at the January feast of Epiphany. During this season of preparation, Christians would spend 40 days in penance, prayer, and fasting to prepare for this celebration; originally, there was little connection between Advent and Christmas.

By the 6th century, however, Roman Christians had tied Advent to the coming of Christ. But the "coming" they had in mind was not Christ's first coming in the manger in Bethlehem, but his second coming in the clouds as the judge of the world. It was not until the Middle Ages that the Advent season was explicitly linked to Christ's first coming at Christmas.

So Advent looks back upon Christ's coming to earth while at the same time looking forward in eager anticipation to his return to earth in glory.

The Jewish people of Jesus' time always called to mind the Exodus event when God intervened in history to lead his people out of slavery and exile. They continually called on God to act on their behalf once again to set Israel free.

We have, as a Church, passed through some very challenging times, whether because of a marked decline in religious practice or the scourge of the sexual abuse crisis. We look at our divided nation, the scourge of racism, and the havoc caused by this pandemic. All of this causes us to cry out to God to make things right—to put death's dark shadows to flight. Our exile in the present makes us look forward to our future Exodus.

May this Advent also be a time for each of us to receive grace and liberation for the parts of us still in exile: old resentments, hurts, fears, failures, and sins. We are the people who always look forward to something greater to come, for Christ himself to come to us, now and in the future. Until we see him face to face, the Advent hymn "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" perfectly represents the Church's cry during the Advent season.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Pat