

December 5, 2021

MASS SCHEDULE

8:15am

5:30pm

RECONCILIATION

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Tues, Wed, Fri

Monday – Friday 8:00-3:30pm

8:15am, 7:00pm

8:45-9:30am

4:00-5:00pm

8:00-4:30pm

8:00-2:00pm

Mon-Fri

Sunday

Friday

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Holy Days

Wednesday Saturday

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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GREETINGS FROM FR. DAVE

last weekend in his homily, Advent invites us to look inward. It is easy to get so immersed in the stuff we urgently need to get done that we kind of bounce off Likely you have received our Advent mailing and I the surface of life. And realistically, for many, December becomes one of the craziest months of the vear.

Ponder the words of this final prayer from Mass this last weekend (bold print added by me for emphasis): "May these mysteries, O Lord, in which we have participated, profit us we pray, for even now, as we walk amid passing things, you teach us by them to love the things of heaven, and hold fast to what endures."

We do indeed walk among passing things constantly, and our invitation is to live reflectively enough that we are seeing and responding to Jesus in the midst of them. Every encounter with another person is an opportunity to bring kindness; Christmas decorations and music are reminders to us of the hope we have because of the glorious destiny that awaits us; gifts are reminders to us of the ultimate GIFT God has souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace.

Advent is off and rolling and as Fr. Tony mentioned given us in Jesus. May this Advent inspire us to greater attentiveness to all that!

> want keep our upcoming holiday schedule in front of you as move towards the big day (see graphic below). Noted there is our Advent Reconciliation Service coming up this Saturday at 4:00pm. We will begin with a brief Scripture service, homily, and an examination of conscience, then have an opportunity for individual confessions and absolution. Doing all this as a community brings out a deeper significance in confessing our sins by immersing us in our faith community seeking together to honor God by being the "best version of ourselves."

> Blessings to Ayla Baza and Quinn Southwick, who were baptized this weekend!

> Funeral services were held last week for Bob Bruno and Jim Alexander. Service for Lynda Borer is Friday, December 10th at 11:00am. May their souls and all the

HOLIDAY EVENTS & MASS SCHEDULE

Immaculate Conception

Wednesday, December 8th 8:15am (live streamed) & 7:00pm

Advent Reconciliation Service

Saturday, December 11th 4:00pm

Simbang Gabi Christmas Novena Masses with our Filipino Community

December 15-23 in the Church 6:30pm Rosary, 7:00pm Mass

12/15 - Fireside Room (same times) 12/18 - 5:00pm Rosary, 5:30pm Mass 12/22 - Cafeteria (same times) •

Christmas Eve

Friday, December 24th 1:00, 3:00 & 5:00pm (all live streamed)

Regular daily Mass will still be held at 8:15am

Christmas Day

Saturday, December 25th 9:00am (live streamed) We will **not** have our 5:30pm Saturday Mass



Sunday, December 26th

Mass at 8:00am, 9:30am (live streamed), and 11:15am

New Year's Day Saturday, January 1st 9:00am -

We will have our 5:30pm Saturday Mass

Sunday, January 2nd Mass at 8:00am, 9:30am (live streamed), and 11:15am

HOLY FATHER'S **INTENTION** FOR DECEMBER

Catechists

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

Sunday, December 5th

- * 10:30-12:00pm Religious Ed.
- 12:30-1:30pm OR 5:00-6:00pm, Fireside Confirmation class (choose one)
- + 12:30-2:00pm, Playground Youth Ministry
- * 3:00-4:00pm, Church R.E. Family Ministry Session
- * 3:00-6:00pm, Cafeteria Filipino Dance rehearsal

Monday, December 6th

* 3:00-8:30pm, Gym – CYO: Basketball practice

Tuesday, December 7th

- ✤ 3:00-8:30pm, Gym CYO: Basketball practice
- + 6:00-7:30pm, via Zoom Small Faith Group (Mallari)
- * 6:30-8:00pm, Church RCIA

Wednesday, December 8th

- + 9:10-11:00am, Fireside Wednesday Bible Study
- * 2:15pm, Church School Mass
- * 3:00-8:30pm, Gym CYO: Basketball practice
- 6:00-7:00pm, via Zoom Our Lady of Perpetual Help novena with the Filipino Community
- ✤ 7:00pm, Church Mass
- * 8:00-9:00pm, Church Choir rehearsal

Thursday, December 9th

- * 3:00-8:30pm, Gym CYO: Basketball practice
- + 6:00-7:30pm, Fireside Autistic Young Adults Ministry
- ✤ 6:00-7:00pm, Church Holy Hour of Adoration
- * 7:00-8:30pm, Church Filipino Choir rehearsal
- 7:00-8:00pm, via Zoom HT Zoom Bingo (email Debbie at <u>debbie.a.m.gray@gmail.com</u> to join the fun!)

Friday, December 10th

- 9:00-1:00pm, Beaverton Resource Center COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic (all 3 vaccines + third dose / booster doses available!)
- ♦ 9:15-10:30am, via Zoom Small Faith Group (Mallari)
- + 11:00am, Church Funeral for Lynda Borer
- * 3:00-8:30pm, Gym CYO: Basketball practice
- * 6:00-8:30pm, Cafeteria Filipino Dance rehearsal

Saturday, December 11th

- + 9:00-11:30am, Chapel Advent Retreat for Young Adult Women
- + 4:00-5:00pm, Church Advent Reconciliation Service

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 4th 5:30pm +Peter & +Maria Cao

Sunday 5th

8:00am +Sean Deghuee

9:30am In Thanksgiving from Peter Nguyen & Mary Ngo

11:15am Holy Trinity Parish

Monday 6th

8:15am +Peggy Hiss *and* +Marcella Sicat *and* +Joyce Shores

Tuesday 7th

8:15am +Stephanie Spaulding

Wednesday 8th

8:15am	In Thanksgiving from John & Helen Quach
	John a Heien Quuen

- 2:15pm Holy Trinity Parish
- 7:00pm +Frank Walkiewicz

Thursday 9th

8:15am +Ông Nguyễn Bá Linh

Friday 10th

8:15am +Ray Seabeck and +Charleen Gutmann and +Carol D'Amico and All Souls

The flowers for this weekend are in loving memory of Leon Flores.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

<u>Monday 6th</u> Is 35:1-10 | Lk 5:17-26

<u>Tuesday 7th</u> Is 40:1–11 | Mt 18:12–14

<u>Wednesday 8th</u> Gn 3:9–15, 20 | Eph 1:3–6, 11–12 | Lk 1:26–38 Is 41:13–20 | Mt 11:11–15 Friday 10th

Thursday 9th

Is 48:17–19 | Mt 11:16–19

<u>Sir 48:1-4, 9-11 | Mt 17:9a, 10-13</u>

<u>Sunday 12th</u> Zep 3:14–18a Phil 4:4–7 Lk 3:10–18

FAITH FORMATION

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH: THOUGHTS ON FAITH Erin Nieves – <u>erin@h-t.org</u>

Advent - Are we ready, Lord?

That's the big *Advent* question. It actually should be the *BIG QUESTION* for everyday of our *LIFE*, but let's set that aside for a moment. Advent prepares is for the two comings of Jesus. The first is at Christmas, and each year we continue *to prepare for*, *remember*, *and celebrate* it. We keep Advent, prepare our hearts to receive Jesus in a deeper way, and when Christmas arrives *we celebrate with gusto*!

Now let's pick up the *BIG LIFE QUESTION* and consider the promised coming of Jesus at the end of time. For that occasion, we definitely want to be *READY*. How do we do that? Read the signs of the times. Give our lives 100% to Jesus, deepen our faith daily, practice what we believe, and wait expectantly. And pray, for Him to come, both in the ways He comes to us daily in our lives, and for the day when He does come that He finds us ready. *Is today the day? Watch, wait, and BE READY!*

It's written in the songs we sing this season, that we expect Jesus to come. Trusting this to be true, we sing:

"Come thou long-expected Jesus, Born to set Thy people free! From our fears and sins release us, Let us find our rest in Thee. Israel's strength and consolation, Hope of all the earth Thou art; Dear desire of every nation, Joy of every longing heart."

"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"

RELIGIOUS ED. | K-5TH GRADE FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION Chris Storm – <u>cstorm@htsch.org</u>

UPCOMING CONFIRMATION CLASSES

- December 5th
- ✤ January 9th
- * February 6th (retreat beginning with 11:15am Mass)

UPCOMING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

- December 5th
- December 12th
- December 19th (Christmas party; details to come!)

We are still in need of a volunteer to lead our first grade Sunday morning class. If the Spirit is calling you to share the faith this way, contact Chris or Ally!

WOMEN'S ADVENT MINI-RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS Ally Rudd – <u>allyr@h-t.org</u>



Are you looking for an opportunity to enter more deeply into prayer this Advent season? All women in their 20s and 30s are invited to attend a mini-retreat this

Saturday, 12/11 from **9:00-11:30am**! There will be space for prayer and rest, reflection, small group sharing, and fellowship with other young women. Sign-up online at <u>h-t.org/young-adults</u> and email Ally with any questions!

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH (CRHP) WOMEN'S WEEKEND Irma Vasquez – 503.640.6669 – <u>irmavasquez@hotmail.com</u>



After the holiday rush ends, give yourself the gift of a peaceful weekend with the Lord and with some of the women in our congregation! Attend our upcoming CRHP weekend on **February 19-20** and unwind in the serenity of the Our Lady of Peace Retreat House in Beaverton. Spend the weekend sharing the Gospel, attend Mass, visit the gift shop, walk the gardens, experience the love of Christ, and build lasting friendships.

What happens at a CRHP weekend? You'll hear some inspiring faith journeys, but you're not required to share your story unless you'd like to. Nobody makes judgements. Everyone cares. You'll have fellowship time together, and time to yourself in your private room. Leave the fast pace of your everyday life behind from 8:00am Saturday morning until 3:00pm on Sunday afternoon, and let the Sisters at the Retreat House cook wonderful meals for you.

The \$180 registration fee covers your overnight stay and all meals, and Holy Trinity generously provides financial assistance if its needed. If you have questions, please call or email our registration coordinator, Irma Vasquez. Find more details and sign-up today at <u>h-t.org/crhp</u>!

MINISTRY NEWS

SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY Eileen Sleva – 503.713.7939 – <u>eileen.sleva@gmail.com</u>

Second Week of Advent: Renewal of All Creation

From the Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns Advent Reflections

"For God will show all the earth your splendor; you will be named by God forever the peace of justice, the glory of God's worship." (Baruch 5: 3-4)

"We are reminded that God's reign of peace will involve all creation, a reign of right relationship between all created things. This means our preparation for his coming must involve repentance for the ways in which we have sinned against God, our neighbors, and against creation itself."

Reflect: What is one step you can take to "restore" your relationship with God, neighbor, or creation?

Pray: Lord, allow my voice to speak out for justice and ensure people living in poverty are heard.

HOLY TRINITY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Msgr. Charles P. Taaffe Council 14802

Our Holy Trinity Knights of Columbus Council would like to congratulate:

David Wills as **Knight of the Year**

and

Arron & Michelle Dieter as Family of the Year

for their exemplary service to Holy Trinity and the community at large!

Interested in Joining?

Holy Trinity's Knights of Columbus are looking for men who are interested in growing as family and community leaders while helping to support the parish. Contact Eric Watje at 510.857.9560 or Graeme Barker at 503.641.8835 to learn more!

AUTISTIC YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY Cecily Lehrfeld – <u>cecilymesa1@gmail.com</u>

Holy Trinity is hosting this new ministry in the Archdiocese, which seeks to provide a space for neuro-diverse Catholics (ages 21–35) to create community, foster faith, and minister in the church. These sensory-sensitive evenings are held in the Fireside Room on the second Thursday of the month from 6:00-7:30pm. They also provide co-ministry support for parents, who are invited to stay and visit in a separate space for the evening. To register (*requested but not required*) or for more information, contact Cecily Lehrfeld.

FOOD CLOSET MINISTRY

Michelle Dieter – 503.641.1842 – <u>michelle@h-t.org</u> Holy Trinity Food Closet is an Equal Opportunity Provider.

NUMBER OF PEOPLE SERVED					
Food Closet		Backpack Program			
Last Week	274	Last Week	0		
Since January 1st	13,768	School Year	905		

Thank you for generosity at our Thanksgiving Mass! I have to confess, this was the first time that I have had the opportunity to attend, and it was so inspiring. I am so grateful for all that you donated and all your help filling the pantry. It is truly a blessing. It was also great meeting so many new faces as Mass last weekend, as I was stationed with my husband Arron at the Giving Tree, and I look forward to meeting more of you in the future!

On to Christmas. The Giving Tree tags are a little different this year. We are asking that you write/make a Christmas card to the family listed on the tag. If you took a tag that says 'Rose Haven', just write a generic message. For safety reasons, they do not share family names.

When you've finished with your card(s), put it <u>and</u> the tag from the tree into an envelope and **leave the envelope** <u>UNSEALED</u>. A staff member or volunteer will be in the narthex at all four Masses with a basket for you to put these Christmas cards into. You can also bring it to the Parish Office during the week.

We need to have Christmas cards and tags returned **no later than Sunday, December 12th**. This will ensure we can sort through and distribute everything in a timely manner, and give families enough time to purchase gifts/ food/etc. before Christmas.

We (the parish) are purchasing gift cards to distribute to each family. If you would like to contribute to this effort, our suggested donation is \$25 (you can do more or less). The donation is meant to be separate from the Christmas cards/tags, however. The easiest way to donate (for us and for you) is online: <u>h-t.org/holiday-outreach</u>. You can donate by cash or check, but please be sure to write "FC (*Food Closet*) Christmas" on the envelope and on the memo line of your check, so we know it's not meant as a general Christmas donation for the parish. You can put it in the usual collection box at church or come to the office.

Lastly, I've had this comment from many of you: "But I really like buying gifts for the children myself!". I do, too! I have all boys at home, so I loved buying gifts for girls in past years. Yes, COVID-related precautions are part of the reason we're doing gift cards again, but think also about how the parents don't get the opportunity to buy gifts for their own children. By giving the parents the gift cards, they get the joy of buying gifts for their kids, which is a gift unto itself that I know they are so grateful for.

PARISH FINANCES

FOR THE WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 20-21

Offertory	\$29,243
Food Closet Ministry	\$5,069
HT School	\$35
Additional Gifts	\$2,500
Food Closet: Thanksgiving	\$13,670

PARISH FINANCES For the Weekend of November 27-28

Offertory	\$19 <i>,</i> 579		
Food Closet Ministry	\$1,600	Thanksgiving Day Mass	
HT School	\$35	(all to Food Closet)	
Additional Gifts	\$5,200	\$2,573	
Food Closet: Christmas	\$2,427		

WINTER BLOOD DRIVE Tom Stoffel – 503.806.1816



The Red Cross is still facing a nationwide blood shortage of all blood types. Someone in the U.S. is in need of blood every two seconds, and that was *before* the COVID pandemic began. To meet current hospital demand, they need to collect more than 1,000 additional

blood donations each day. Scientists can't manufacture a solution for this problem; only generous donors can fill this constant need, and one donation can potentially save multiple lives.

Our Winter Blood Drive is coming up on **Friday**, **December 17**th from **1:00-6:00pm** in the **Fireside Room**. Enter *HolyTrinityBeaverton* as the sponsor to see available donation times at <u>redcrossblood.org</u> and sign-up today! Many thanks to our Knights of Columbus for coordinating these life-saving drives.



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