

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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December 19, 2021

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

MASS SCHEDULE

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Mon-Fri	8:15am			
Wednesday	2:15pm (school Mas			
Saturday	5:30pm			
Sunday	8:00, 9:30, 11:15am			
Holy Days	8:15am, 7:00pm			
RECONCILIATION				

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Friday Saturday

AND 4:00-5:00pm PARISH OFFICE

8:45-9:30am

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Mon – Thur 8:00-4:30pm Friday 8:00-2:00pm

SCHOOL OFFICE

503.644.5748 <u>www.htsch.org</u> Monday – Friday 8:00-3:30pm

> Food Closet Ministry

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Tues, Wed, Fri 10:00-12:30pm



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GREETINGS FROM FR. DAVE

Okay, here we go! School is out for our students, suspect it will be. Our Mass schedule is printed Christmas vacation begins for many, shopping and cards are all.....maybe......done, folks have started Mass (for the Sunday's Feast of the Holy Family) on travelling, food prep is underway, and Christmas is Christmas Day, even though it is Saturday! upon us.

I and our staff here are really curious how the crowds will be this year. We are hoping some who have been away during COVID will take this opportunity to return and as you have seen, our numbers are gradually increasing. Last weekend at Masses, I asked vou to reach out with words of encouragement and welcome to someone you have been out of touch with in recent months. Part of that can include an invitation to join us for Mass on Christmas.

In previous years, the pattern has been for the most crowded Mass to be the earliest one, and the easiest one to get seats and parking is on Christmas morning. I can't guarantee that will be the case this year, but

below. Note that we will not have our 5:30pm Vigil

As we head into 2022, we are in need of more volunteers to bring Holy Communion to our Homebound parishioners. If you have a heart for this, please contact Erin (erin@h-t.org).

Thanks again for the overwhelmingly generous response to the Giving Tree. I am inspired by all of you over and over again. Well done HT family! Blessings to each of you and through each of you to many others as we approach Christmas!

Blessings to Charlotte & Margo Aponte, Blake & Jordan Miller, and Claire Hagen, who were baptized this weekend!

HOLIDAY EVENTS & MASS SCHEDULE

Simbang Gabi

Christmas Novena Masses with our Filipino Community

December 19-23 in the Church 6:30pm Rosary, 7:00pm 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) & 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) & 11:15am

BRETT'S TWO CENTS

Hello, everyone! I just wanted to make a quick announcement regarding the weekly worship aid that's printed in the bulletin. Since we have our music books back in the pews for you to use again, we've decided that the coming weekend's bulletin (for Christmas and the Feast of the Holy Family) will be the last one where we'll print the song lyrics here. On occasion, we'll print the lyrics for a song that isn't available in the songbooks, but that isn't likely to be a weekly occurrence. Happy Fourth Week of Advent to you all!

THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

Sunday, December 19th

- * 10:30-11:30am Religious Ed.
- * 3:00-4:00pm, Church R.E. Family Ministry Session
- 6:30pm, Church Simbang Gabi (rosary followed by 7:00pm Mass)

Monday, December 20th

6:30pm, Church – Simbang Gabi (rosary followed by 7:00pm Mass)

Tuesday, December 21st

 6:30pm, Church – Simbang Gabi (rosary followed by 7:00pm Mass)

Wednesday, December 22nd

- 6:30pm, Cafeteria Simbang Gabi (rosary followed by 7:00pm Mass)
- ✤ 7:00-8:30pm, Church Choir rehearsal

Thursday, December 23rd

- 6:30pm, Church Simbang Gabi (rosary followed by 7:00pm Mass)
- 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 24th

The Food Closet is closed today, and the Parish Office closes at noon.

- * 8:15am, Church Daily Mass
- * 1:00, 3:00 & 5:00pm, Church Christmas Eve Mass

Saturday, December 25th

9:00am, Church – Christmas Day Mass

We will <u>not</u> have our 5:30pm Saturday Vigil Mass today.

Monday, December 27th

The Parish Office is Closed for the Christmas holiday.

SCRIPTURE READINGS					
<u>Monday 20th</u> Is 7:10-14 Lk 1:26-38	<u>Tuesday 21st</u> Sg 2:8-14 Lk 1:39-45	<u>Wednesday 22nd</u> 1 Sm 1:24–28 Lk 1:46–56	<u>Thursday 23rd</u> Mal 3:1-4, 23-24 Lk 1:57-66		
Frida Daily 2 Sm 7: 1-5, 8 Lk 1:	<i>Mass</i> 8 b-12, 14a, 16	Saturday 25 th Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Masses <u>Is 62: 1-5</u> <u>Ti 3: 4-7</u> <u>Mt 1: 18-25</u>	Sunday 26 th 1 Sm 1:20–22, 24–28 1 Jn 3:1–2, 21–24 Lk 2:41–52		

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 18th

5:30pm +Claudia Ditter

Sunday 19th

- 8:00am Holy Trinity Parish
- 9:30am Blessings to David & Donna Wills as they celebrate their 30th anniversary
- 11:15am +Catarina Lan Pham Cao

Monday 20th

8:15am +Magdalena Tuyet Suong Ngo *and* +Daniel Duffy *and* All Souls

Tuesday 21st 8:15am +Teresita Duhaylongsod

Wednesday 22nd 8:15am +Joseph Parayil *and* +Lily Tran *and* +William Davenport

Thursday 23rd 8:15am +Arnaldo Garcia-Blanco

Friday 24th 8:15am +Maria H. Vu

> The flowers for this weekend are in honor of David & Donna Wills as they celebrate their 30th anniversary. Congratulations!

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.

FAITH FORMATION

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

"Ero Cras!"

I begin with a hidden message in Latin. Take all the Gospel Acclamations from 12/17 – 12/23 (which are, by the way, the Scriptural names for Jesus) and reorder the first letter of each name BACKWARDS in LATIN, and you get an important message. No way to know if some crafty monks ordered the antiphons in such a way to make this work, but I have always been enchanted by the holy possibility that God's inspired word ordained it to be so.

These *seven titles* for Jesus are embedded in the Bible. Let's savor them as we prepare for *Who* we are waiting for:

O Wisdom, O Adonai, O Root of Jesse, O Key of David, O Morning Star, O King of the Nations, O Emmanuel

But these are the English translations; to do this correctly, we need the Latin:

O <u>S</u>apientia, O <u>A</u>donai, O <u>R</u>adix Jesse, O <u>C</u>lavis David, O <u>O</u>riens, O Rex Gentium, O Emmanuel

Now we need to dim the lights, light our candles and imagine that we are praying *Vespers (Evening Prayer)*. As each daily Psalm washes over us, we chant our hopeful expectation for the Jesus we long for. Each day that we pray, we encounter a different Jesus as follows: *essential wisdom in our lives; our Lord; the root of our salvation; the key to everything important in our lives; the morning star, the dawn and light that permeates our darkness; our noble king; Emmanuel, God is with us.*

Ero Cras? Imagine it's December 23rd, and we figure out the message:

TOMORROW, I WILL COME!

Come Lord Jesus, we are ready! Merry almost Christmas, everybody! +

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

UPCOMING CONFIRMATION CLASSES

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

UPCOMING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

- * December 19th (*RE Family Christmas party!*)
- ✤ January 2nd (Merry Christmas! See you in 2022!)

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY Marilyn Palma – <u>marilynpalma@comcast.net</u>

Join fellow Holy Trinity parishioners at Wednesday Bible Study to collectively grasp an understanding of God through His Word! Our Winter 2022 study is **Revelation: The Kingdome Yet to Come**, presented by Jeff Cavins and Thomas Smith. This intriguing study pulls back the veil on the rich symbolism present in Revelation and shows how the kingdom established by Christ in his Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven.

We'll meet weekly from 9:00-11:00am in the Fireside Room, beginning on January 12th. Interested in participating or want to learn more? Visit <u>h-t.org/wbs</u> to sign-up and email Marilyn Palma with any questions!

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES Erin Nieves – <u>erin@h-t.org</u>

Are you a **practicing Catholic adult** (baptized and received First Communion) who has not yet been Confirmed? Take part in a short series of classes in preparation to receive the Sacrament at our Confirmation Mass on February 19th! You'll join with the RCIA class on Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:00pm beginning January 18th. Sign-up online at <u>h-t.org/rcia#adultconfirm</u> and email Erin with any questions.

Pope Francis 🥏 @Pontifex

May the Virgin Mary help us so that, as we approach #Christmas, we do not allow ourselves to be distracted by external things, but make room in our hearts for the One who has already come and wants to come again to heal our illnesses and to give us his joy.

4:30 AM - 15 Dec 2019

MINISTRY NEWS

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

Fourth Week of Advent: He Shall Be Peace

From the Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns Advent Reflections

"Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." (Luke 1:45)

"[Elizabeth's words] speak to one of the deepest truths of the Christian faith: that God values and lifts up that which the world considered worthless, sees those who are obscure, empowers those who are powerless. During the dark days of the pandemic, we became more aware of our powerlessness and insecurity. . . As we conclude Advent and prepare to celebrate Christmas, we are invited through the story of Christ's miraculous and humble birth to have hope amidst these overwhelming global challenges. . . We never know what goodness may come from the smallest of our actions."

Reflect: How are you being invited to say "Yes" to God's will in this Advent season?

Pray (from the Magnificat): *"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant."*

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY Jerry Maurseth – <u>vjmaurseth@gmail.com</u>



"Like every other human family, the Holy Family had to confront real and concrete challenges. Yet, "in every situation, Joseph declared his own 'fiat'" (PC 3). His 'yes' to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he

consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph's devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us. . . May we, too, be miracles in the lives of those who are most in need, especially at the beginning and end of life. Dear St. Joseph, you who were "able to turn a problem into a possibility by trusting always in divine providence" (PC 5), help us to imitate your faithful trust and courage."

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Upcoming Events in the Archdiocese

12/28, 6:30pm – Rosary and Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (3145 SW 192nd Ave.) for Feast of the Holy Innocents

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	302	Last Week	18		
Since January 1st	14,356	School Year	991		

Thank you so much for your generosity and all the beautiful Christmas cards! We distributed the Christmas cards and gift cards last week and I can tell you that the families we are helping are extremely grateful. You have given them the opportunity to provide a Christmas to their family in which they were not able to without your help. And the shelves in the pantry are packed with donations from Thanksgiving, HT's Cub Scout Pack 598, and from so many of you and others in the community. I often feel a bit guilty because families are constantly thanking me when they come through. I tell them every time: it's not me, it's the parish that is so giving. I am just the distributor.

Please note that the Food Closet will be closed the next two Fridays, December 24th and 31st.

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. You'll have fellowship time together, time to yourself for prayer, and enjoy wonderful meals cooked by the Sisters. Leave the fast pace of your everyday life behind from 8:00am Saturday morning until 3:00pm on Sunday afternoon.

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>!

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