

# THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 15, 2019

## TODAY: (Sunday):

- ❖ CHRISTMAS CONCERT, 2:00 p.m.

## MONDAY:

- ❖ Our Lady's Prayer Group after the 9:00 a.m. Mass
- ❖ CHRISTMAS NOVENA (English), 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel
- ❖ NOVENA, MISA y POSADAS, 6:30 p.m.
- ❖ CATECISMO, 6:30 p.m.

## TUESDAY:

- ❖ CHRISTMAS NOVENA (English), 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel
- ❖ Spanish Children's Choir, 6:30 p.m. in the Classrooms
- ❖ NOVENA, MISA y POSADAS, 6:30 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY:

- ❖ CHRISTMAS NOVENA (English), 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel
- ❖ NOVENA, MISA y POSADAS, 6:30 p.m.
- ❖ FAITH FORMATION CLASSES, 7:00 p.m.

## THURSDAY:

- ❖ CHRISTMAS NOVENA (English), 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel
- ❖ NOVENA, MISA y POSADAS, 6:30 p.m.

## FRIDAY:

- ❖ CHRISTMAS NOVENA (English), 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel
- ❖ CLASE DE CONFIRMACIÓN, 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ NOVENA, MISA y POSADAS, 6:30 p.m.

## SATURDAY:

- ❖ CHRISTMAS NOVENA (English), 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel
- ❖ SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION, 3:45-4:15 p.m.
- ❖ NOVENA, MISA y POSADAS, 4:30 p.m.
- ❖ Vigil Mass: 5:00 p.m. en español; 7:00 p.m. (English).

**See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.**

Matthew 11.10



## TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS TODAY (SUNDAY) DECEMBER 15 AT HOLY APOSTLES PARISH:

Fr. Seamus Kerr will offer the Traditional Latin Mass Sun., Dec. 15 at 2 PM in the main sanctuary at Holy Apostles Church. For more information, please contact Teresa Drollman, (509) 699-1236 or [teresa@drollman.com](mailto:teresa@drollman.com)



**POINSETTIAS** for Christmas can be donated in memory of loved ones, envelopes are in the narthex. Return the envelope to the parish office or collection basket next week. As in the past, we prefer that you let us purchase the poinsettias, rather than bringing your own. It helps when decorating for Christmas, and your loved one gets included on the list in the bulletin and narthex.

**PREPARES Pregnancy and Parenting Support**, is gathering items for their Christmas drive. Tags are on the Giving Tree. There will be a 'Pack n Play' in the narthex next week to receive your donations, as well as diapers, baby wipes, etc. All families are welcome to participate. We hope everyone can share in this season of love! If you have any questions, please call Alma, 509-662-4569.

**CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES ARE OUT!** IF YOU ARE NOT RECEIVING CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES, BUT WOULD LIKE TO FOR 2020, PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY OR SIGN THE SHEET IN THE NARTHEX.



**CHRISTMAS CLEANING and TREE DECORATING:** Please join us next Sunday, December 22 after the Spanish Mass, to set up the tree and clean the church for Christmas. Please bring dust rags and cleaning supplies to clean the pews and windows in the narthex and parish hall.

**RETOUVAILLE: You Can Help Your Marriage** - Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. Visit [www.Retrouvaille.org](http://www.Retrouvaille.org) for emotional testimonials. For confidential information or to register for the February 14-16, 2020 Spokane weekend call (509) 520-4118 or (800) 470-2230 or visit the web site at [www.Retrouvaille.org](http://www.Retrouvaille.org).

**PRAYER SERVICE:** Next Sunday, December 22, it is our turn to lead the prayer service at the Cambridge. We are grateful to Pat and Laura Escure, and Regina Maag for making it possible for our parish to take part in this ministry with other churches in the community.

#### COMING UP....

- **CURSO DE PREPARACIÓN PARA EL MATRIMONIO**, 29 de febrero y 7 de marzo del 2020.
- **February 14-16** – High School Winter Retreat (Wenatchee)

**Concierto Navideño**  
"Hoy, en la ciudad de David, ha nacido para ustedes un Salvador, que es el Mesías y el Señor" Lucas 2:11  
**Cuando: 15 De Diciembre 2019**  
**Horario: 2:00pm**  
**Donde: Salón de la Iglesia St. Pio X Quincy**

**Participación Especial**  
**Brenda Robledo**

**\*EVENTO GRATUITO\***  
¡Ven con toda tu familia para alabar y dar gloria a nuestro Salvador Jesucristo!  
Navidad, época para estar alegres, ¡pero también para reflexionar!  
¡Te Esperamos No Faltes!

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES:** Your generous gifts on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day help Catholic Charities become the hands and feet of Jesus to 50,000 people throughout Central Washington. Catholic Charities brings hope to life by embracing people, strengthening families, and empowering to thrive. Your generous gifts help us reach out in your name. For more information about the Catholic Charities network of services, visit [www.catholiccharitiescw.org](http://www.catholiccharitiescw.org).

**CARIDADES CATÓLICAS:** Su donación generosa en la Víspera de Navidad y en el Día de Navidad ayudará a que Caridades Católicas se convierta en las manos y pies de Jesús para 50,000 personas en todo Washington Central. Caridades Católicas da esperanza a la vida ayudando a las personas, fortaleciendo a las familias, y capacitándolos para prosperar. Su generosidad nos ayudará a llegar a ellos en su nombre. Para saber más sobre la red de servicios de Caridades Católicas, visite [www.catholiccharitiescw.org](http://www.catholiccharitiescw.org).

**FRIENDLY REMINDER** to those who use the facilities during the week. Please check restrooms to see if they need to be restocked and pick up garbage. December is a very busy time in our parish and with everyone's cooperation we can keep the facility picked up and in good condition for the people who use it next.



**PLEASE, REMEMBER TO TURN OFF THE HEAT AT THE CHAPEL AND RESTROOMS. SOME PEOPLE TURN ON THE HEATER AND LEAVE IT ON.**

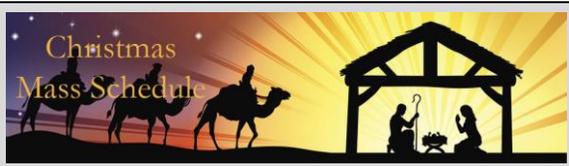
**CHRISTMAS NOVENA:** To prepare our hearts for Christmas, we will be praying a Novena (English) beginning Monday at 10:00 a.m. in the Chapel. All are welcome. The Spanish novena is in the evening.

### MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

**Saturday:** Lectors: Bev McDonald and Irma Sepulveda;  
Eucharistic Ministers: Chuck and Debbie Graaff.

**Sunday** - Lectors: Rita Keene and Kaleb Krautscheid;  
Eucharistic Ministers: Baldemar and Gloria Garces, Sonia Padron, Desirae Garcia, Amy Krautscheid

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION, December 8:** 3898.00



### Christmas Eve

5:30 p.m. English; 10:00 p.m. Spanish

### Christmas Day

9:00 a.m. English; 11:00 a.m. Spanish

***THIS IS THE SAME SCHEDULE FOR NEW YEAR'S (Mary, Mother of God) Masses.***

**REFLECTION by Scott Hahn...** John questions Jesus from prison in today's Gospel—for his disciples' sake and for ours. He knows that Jesus is doing "the works of the Messiah," foretold in today's First Reading and Psalm. But John wants his disciples—and us—to know that the Judge is at the gate, that in Jesus our God has come to save us. The liturgy of Advent takes us out into the desert to see and hear the marvelous works and words of God—the lame leaping like a stag, the dead raised, the good news preached to the poor (see [Isaiah 29:18-20](#); [61:1-2](#)). The liturgy does this to give us courage, to strengthen our feeble hands and make firm our weak knees. Our hearts can easily become frightened and weighed down by the hardships we face. We can lose patience in our sufferings as we await the coming of the Lord.

As James advises in today's Epistle, we should take as our example the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. Jesus also points us to a prophet—holding up John as a model. John knew that life was more than food, the body more than clothing. He sought the kingdom of God first, confident that God would provide (see [Matthew 6:25-34](#)). John did not complain. He did not lose faith. Even in chains in his prison cell, he was still sending his disciples—and us—to our Savior.

Join us for  
**A Celtic Christmas**

Featuring Affiniti and  
Howard Crosby

**December 17, 2019**  
**7:00 PM**

St. Paul Cathedral, Yakima  
Benefitting faith education in  
Central Washington through  
the Celebration of Faith Fund



We come to Him again now in the Eucharist. Already He has caused the desert to bloom, the burning sands to become springs of living water. He has opened our ears to hear the words of the sacred book, freed our tongue to fill the air with songs of thanksgiving (see [Isaiah 30:18](#)). Once bowed down, captives to sin and death, we have been ransomed and returned to His Kingdom, crowned with everlasting joy. Raised up

we now stand before His altar to meet the One who is to come: "Here is your God."