



Third Sunday of Advent

December 17, 2023

“A celebration may be flawless on the exterior, very beautiful, but if it does not lead us to encounter Jesus Christ, it is unlikely to bear any kind of nourishment to our heart and our life. Through the Eucharist, however, Christ wishes to enter into our life and permeate it with His grace, so that in every Christian community there may be coherence between liturgy and life. (Pope Francis ,General Audience, 02/12/2014)

Congratulations on Reaching our CSA Goal

Congratulations on the incredible results on achieving our CSA goal so early in the appeal. If you have not donated yet, it is not too late. The more we pass our goal, the more tickets we earn which could help us win \$5,000.00 which would go toward our building fund. Remember, offering your prayers is considered a donation.

Last Chance for Christmas Poinsettias

We are offering the opportunity to remember relatives and friends by making donations towards our Christmas poinsettias. Envelopes are in the Church entryways. Please PRINT the information on the envelope, include your donation and return them in the offertory baskets or bring them to the church office no later than **Sunday, December 17**. Your loved ones will be remembered at all our Christmas Masses.

Last Weekend of Knights Holiday Fundraiser-Tamales & Pecans

This will be the last weekend that the Knights of St. Paul the Apostle will be having their Holiday Fundraiser to support their many charitable activities. This is the final weekend to order and pickup pecan products and tamales, offered for your holiday pleasure and/or donation to local food banks. Order forms are available from the Knights after each Mass. **Thanks and We wish you and yours a merry Christmas and a blessed New Year!**

Little Blue Books

There are a few remaining “Little Blue Books” for Advent and Christmas in Hecker Hall. Please take one.

The Perfect Christmas Gift

Still looking for that perfect Christmas gift for the person who has everything. The beautiful pictorial “Treasures of the Diocese of Austin” is still available for the discounted price of \$20.00.

2024 Catholic Calendars

The 2024 Catholic Calendars have arrived featuring the saints among us. Please pick up a calendar in Hecker Hall.

Prayer List

Please review the names on the prayer list and call or email the office if the person’s name should be omitted. This will eliminate the need to wipe out the entire list and start all over again.

Holy Hour

In conjunction with the Eucharistic Revival, the parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle Catholic parish are invited to spend an hour a week in prayer before the exposed Blessed Sacrament. The Holy Hour will take place in front of the Exposition Tabernacle in the sanctuary, each Tuesday from 12:00 noon to 1:00 PM.

Pray the Rosary

All are welcome to join in praying the rosary together: Sunday, December 17 - 9:45 a.m. in the Holy Spirit Chapel; Wednesday, December 20 –4:50 in the Chapel; Thursday, December 21 - 8:00 am in the Church; Friday, December 22 - 8:30 am in the Church, Sunday, December 24 - 9:45am in the Chapel.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Saturday, December 23, Fourth Sunday of Advent, Mass at 5:30 pm

****Sunday, December 24, Fourth Sunday of Advent, Mass at 8:30 (Live Streamed)**

Sunday, December 24, Christmas Eve, Mass at 4:00 (Youth), 6:00, and 8:30 pm (traditional Midnight Mass)
Pre-concert beginning 20 minutes prior to every Christmas Eve Mass

Monday, December 25, Christmas Day, Mass at 10:30 am

Monday, January 1, Solemnity of Mary Mother of God, Mass at 9:00 am

****Please note: on Sunday morning, Dec. 24, there will be only one Mass – at 8:30 am****



No weekday Masses December 27, 28, 29

Church Office will be closed December 25 – January 1

Building Fund Support – BFF Cards

BFF cards are available at church after weekend Masses and in the office on weekdays. They make great gifts AND support the parish! Cards may be used at all HEB stores and HEB gas stations, Bay Side Market, and PK Nails & Spa

Drinking and Dining with the Saints in Croatia

Join Michael and Alexandra Foley, authors of *Drinking with the Saints*, and Father Red Blevins for a ten day tour of Croatia, July 19 – 28, 2024. It features 7 nights accommodations on a private yacht, wine tasting, cooking demonstrations, Daily Mass, and much more. For more information, contact Select International Tours at 800-842-4842.

SAVE the DATE

WWICS

SOUPS ON / Art Stroll

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

11:00 a.m.

ticket information forthcoming...

Mass Intentions

Dec. 16	5:30 PM	Mary Davis +	Dec. 23	5:30 PM	Ellen Rybaski +
Dec. 17	8:30 AM	Bard & Fleming Families +	Dec. 24	8:30 AM	Kevin Anzivino +
Dec. 17	10:30 AM	Martha Burt +	Dec. 24	10:30 AM	No Mass
Dec. 20	5:30 PM	Cal Harmson +	Dec.24	4:00 PM 6:00 PM 8:30 pm	Christmas Memorials
Dec. 21	9:00 AM	Deceased Canatella Members +	Dec. 25	10:30 AM	Christmas Memorials
Dec. 22	9:00 AM	Fr. Stanislaus Kelly, SJ +	Dec. 27, 28, 29		Mo Masses

**Thank you for your generous contributions of \$7,788.00 to the Sunday collection
\$1,835.00 for Retired Priests**



<u>Saturday, Dec. 16, 5:30 PM</u> Lectors – Judy Salvaggio, Jim Jamail Hospitality – Ted Shetka, Marian Trogus		<u>Liturgical Ministers</u> E. M. –Marilyn Ruiz, Barbara Shields, Mike Salvaggio Sacristan and Altar Server – Joe Smith
<u>Sunday, Dec. 17, 8:30 AM</u> Lectors – Keith Nesrsta, Jackie Scott Hospitality – Pauline Kramer, Jerry Kramer		E.M.- Elizabeth Zarsky, Valorie Becker, Jane Marino Sacristan and Altar Server – Joe Zarsky
<u>Sunday, Dec. 17 10:30 AM</u> Lectors –Donia Crouch, Terry Furguele Hospitality – Bob Schweizer, Jack Gless		E.M. – Sheila Boyle, Barbara Fuller, Denny Fuller Sacristan and Altar Server –Jeffrey Madere

Happy Birthday
Parishioners celebrating birthdays this week:
Clark Ross, December 15 (we are a week late, sorry)
Pat Bentley, December 17,
Ray Dupont, Averie Nesrsta, Alejandro Tolentino, December 18;
Denny Fuller, Greg Spence, December 19;
Kathleen Stahl, Miranda Thomas, December 20.
God’s blessings on your special day!

Happy Anniversary
Parishioners celebrating anniversaries:
Ted and Yettave Shetka—**34** years on December 16;
Tom and Debbie Engler-- **52** years on November 18;
Josh and Brandy Teitge-- **5** years on December 18;
Richard and Blanca Phelan—**58** years on December 18.
May God continue to bless your marriage!

Prayer Requests
Please pray for: Phil Schoch, Sara McLean, Marilyn Mahoney, Lorraine Cousons, Jim Balsam, Audrey Brady, Elidia Flynn and Family, Patrick Hall, Anjie Frost, Sharon Peterson, Erik Dieckert, Ron Johnson, Rachel McKinney, Fr. Elmer Holtman, Ramona Patino (Father Ruben’s aunt), Zoraida Copa, Carol MacNeill, Cecelia Siebrecht, Emily Gaylord, Charlotte Wheeler, Lynn Barrett, Don and Sandy Kerr, Jessica Bailey, Bonnie Raffels, Wendy Bedortha, Sandra King, Richard Adams, Kevin Caspersen, Allan and Stephanie Rundell, TJ Dunlap, Althea Rowan, Mike Hassenmiller, Larry Davis, Terry Hall, Mark Coffin, Francie Dix, Brigitte Chafin, Carolyn Greer, Cindy Reid, Debbie Lindholn, Isla Daniels, Leonard Mae Virdell, Judy Stehling, Laura Lalman, Killey Basiliko, Jessica Ferra, Elena Segura, Kristen Liesman, Ed and Sandy King, Joann Orwick, Mary Kalu, Meredith Hart, Don Niemann, Steven Patrick Kopenitz, Adam Kopenitz, Shelby Spangler, Emily Fenlon, Valerie Richards, Barbara Leffingwell, Andy Hartiens, Christian Fox, Donna Faye Russell, Patsy Goodman, Ken Girten, Barbara Schroeder, Jerry Pawelek, John Wheeler, Bryan Smitherman, Ross Smitherman, Helen Smith, Emily Riley, Doyle Rogers, Matthew Olson, Stan Jakubowsky, Susan Fox, Tom and Jules Mills, Farid Khadduri, Fr. Mark David Janus, CSP, Fr. Chuck Cunniff, CSP, Fr. Charlie Brunick, CSP, Please pray for the repose of the soul of Shelby Spangler and T. J. Eggestad.

<u>Please pray for those in our Armed Services</u>		
Adam Deller, USN	James Hicken, Jr. USAF	Pvt. Taylor Ewing
Sgt. Corey K. Bradford	Major Sean Zarsky, USAF	Heather Wiley USAF
Captain Eric Barton	Michael Cook	Mason Wiley, USN
Matthew Anderson, USN	SFC Erick DeAlba	SFC Mary McLean
Captain Hannah Zarsky, USAF	Col. Maria Bochat	Captain Heather Barton
Jeremiah Caspersen, US Army	Nathaniel Brown, USAF	Tiffanie Beotchner
Captain Christopher Ditter, USSF	Lt. Christopher Carr	JJ Castro, Jr., USN

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MASSES
Saturday at 5:30 p.m. Sunday at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. Thursday & Friday at 9:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS
Wednesday and Saturday 4:45 p.m. -5:15 p.m.

ADORATION
First Fridays -10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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A Word from Servant of God Isaac Hecker, Founder of the Paulist Fathers
“The meditation of the great truths of Christian faith is the source from which the inspiration must come, if society is to be regenerated and the human race directed to its true destination. He who looks to any other quarter for a radical and adequate remedy, and for true guidance, is doomed to failure and disappointment.” (CA, 22)
If you have asked Father Hecker to pray for you or another person who is ill, and you believe something miraculous has happened, phone Father Paul Robichaud, CSP, at 212-265-3209 x350 and tell him your story.

