

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Second Sunday of Advent ~ December 7, 2025



Sunday Reflection



Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception – Holy Day of Obligation – Reminder that Monday, December 8 is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, patronal feast day of the United States and our diocese! We will have Mass at 8am, 5:30pm, & 7pm.

Our Lady of Guadalupe – We will have a special Mass this Friday at 6pm in honor of the patronal feast day of the Americas. All are welcome!

Advent 40-hour Devotion – Our Devotion begins this Friday in the small chapel. We still have a few hours without adorers. If you can, please spend an hour or two with our Lord by signing up on the sheet in the entrance of the church or online at the parish website.

Redemptoris Missio – Chapter 1

To continue our reflection on St. John Paul II's encyclical, he writes at the beginning of chapter 1: *"The Church's fundamental function in every age, and particularly in ours, is to direct man's gaze, to point the awareness and experience of the whole humanity toward the mystery of Christ"* (RM #4). Calvary brought salvation to the whole world which means every person has been united to Christ forever and it is only the faith of Jesus and His Church, the Body of the Christ, which allows full participation in this mystery.... let that sink in.... In this light, the Church understands her mission. Which brings up several difficult questions: "Is human development an adequate enough goal for the Church?" "Does respect for conscience and for freedom take priority over any effort of converting others?" "Is it not possible to attain salvation in any religion?"

It is here that we are reminded of the words of Jesus: *"no one comes to the Father, except through me"* (Jn14:6). In his first letter to Corinthians, Saint Paul gives us the plan for how to address these many questions: reject anything contrary to the faith and emphasize the truths of different ideologies/religions that are in line with faith.

We will continue our reflection next weekend.

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Mass Schedule

Tues, Wed, Friday	8:00 a.m.
Saturday	6:00 p.m.
Sunday	9:00 a.m.

Misa en español

Jueves	7:00 p.m.
Domingo	11:00 a.m.

Confessions/Confesiones

Tues, Wed, Friday	7:30 a.m.
Mar, Mié - Vie	7:30 a.m.
Jueves	6:30 p.m.
Saturday/Sabado	5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.
Sunday/Domingo	8:30 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. 10:30 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.

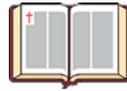
Parish Office/Oficina

302 South B Street
620-442-0566
Monday/Lunes
9:00 a.m. - 3:30p.m.
Tuesday-Friday/Martes-Viernes
9:00 a.m. - 4:00p.m.
parish@sacredheartarkcity.org
www.sacredheartarkcity.org

School/Escuela

312 South B Street
620-442-6550
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- For the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Matrimony, and Anointing of the Sick contact Fr. Sam Brand @ 620-442-0566
- Couples planning marriage must contact the pastor nine months in advance of the marriage.
- For homebound visits or OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) call the office, 620-442-0566
- Eucharistic Adoration weekly from 9 a.m. Tuesday through 12 a.m. Wednesday in the Chapel.



**Readings for the week of
December 8, 2025**

Monday, December 8 ~ The Immaculate Conception

8:00 a.m. †Elmer Diver by the Kuffler Family
5:30 p.m. †Wesley Upton by Ron Upton
7:00 p.m. For the people of the parish

Tuesday, December 9

8:00 a.m. †Joan Carroll by Judi Befort

Wednesday, December 10

8:00 a.m. †Sr. Mary Clare, IHM by Grace Lujan

Thursday, December 11

7:00 p.m. †German Moreno by Martha Moreno & Family

Friday, December 12

8:00 a.m. Special Intention by Alice Erickson

Saturday, December 13

6:00 p.m. †Charlie Kirk and Family

Sunday, December 14 ~ Third Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. Special Intention by Alice Erickson
11:00 a.m. For the people of the parish

Monday	Gen 3:9-15,20	Ps 89:1,2-3ab, 3cd-4	Luke 1:26-38
Tuesday	Isa 40:1-11	Ps 96:1-2,3 & 10ac, 11-12,13	Matt 18:12-14
Wednesday	Isa 40:25-31	Ps 103:1-2,3-4,8 & 10	Matt 11:28-30
Thursday	Isa 41:13-20	Ps 145:1 & 9,10-11,12-13ab	Matt 11:11-15
Friday	Zech 2:14-17	Judith 13: 18bcde,19	Luke 1:26-38
Saturday	Sirach 48:1-4,9-11	Ps 80:2ac & 3b, 15-16,18-19	Matt 17:9a,10-13
Sunday	Isa 35:1-6a,10	Ps 146:6-7,8-9,9-10	Matt 11:2-11

	<i>Liturgical Ministers for the Week of December 13 & 14</i>		
	SAT- 6:00 PM ENGLISH	SUN – 9:00 AM ENGLISH	SUN – 11:00 AM SPANISH
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER	Mary Trillo	Kellie Hull	Minister of Holy Communion- Fr. Sam
LECTOR	Dan Givens	Lillie Pankaskie	Silvia Martinez
ALTAR SERVER	VOLUNTEER	Fred Bergkamp Lizzy Bergkamp Katherine Bergkamp	Juan Ramirez Diego Matias Marcos Juan Andres Domingo
OFFERTORY	Tom & Marcia Metzinger	Duane & Connie Befort	Catarina Diego Family
GREETERS	Garrett & Sarrah Metzinger	Stan & Maria Villines	Douglas & Elvia Figueroa
December Gift Counters	Doug & Amy Lawson,		
Church Cleaners	Carlos & Gaby Leyva Family		

Our Stewardship of Treasure

November 30, 2025

Envelopes	\$ 4,611.00
Loose Offerings	\$ 974.75
Votive Candles	\$ 100.30
TOTAL	\$ 5,686.05
Budgeted	\$ 11,650.00
Below	\$ 5,963.95



Please keep our parishioners and friends in prayer. If they have recovered, please call the parish office and let us know.

Thank you. (620-442-0566)

Paul & Mary Ramirez, Leola Rippe, Lois Webb, Violet Waggoner, Emily Sims, C.N., Nate Montgomery, Eddie Erickson Jr., Mary Ann Schneider, Ann Erickson, Matthew Aikins, Ted Ford, Mary Wiggins, Lester David Hernandez, Kathy Schmeidler, Catalina del Rosario Batres, Theresa Mata, Eileen Docherty, Jessica Gregory, Joseph Schones, Jerry Old, Sherley Lopez, Donna Prichard, James Martin, Tami Potter-Pullins, Debbie Guerrero, Joe & Donna Rauscher, Lauren McPherson, N.L., J.G., David Schmeidler, Ernest Tauscher, Jeff Schroder, Jeremy Walker, Kenny McNutt, Marcia Trillo, Lori Rudman, Ken Martell, Judah Sonogo, J.A.G., Micah Smith, Edd Crittenden, Terri Pressnall, Debbie Walter, Phair Morgan, Joe Woodard, Karen Schmeidler



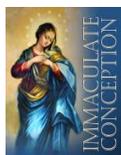
e-Giving with VANCO

If you would like to make your Church contributions through either direct debit from your checking/savings account or through your credit/debit card you can sign up with VANCO by

visiting our website at www.sacredheartarkcity.org and choosing the link for E-Giving.

PARISH NEWS

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION



Monday, December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be offered at 8 AM and 5:30 PM (English) and 7:00 PM (Spanish)



The parish office will be closed on Monday, December 8th for the Holy Day.

Advent 40 Hours Devotion



Set aside an hour during this "O Holy Season" for some quality time with Jesus in preparation for the "O Holy Night".

Beginning on **Friday, December 12th at 8 PM** and ending at the 11 AM Mass on Sunday, December 14th. You can sign up for an hour on our website (www.sacredheartarkcity.org) or if you need help, please call the parish office. 620-442-0566

Christmas Sharing



During the Christmas season of joy and giving, please consider helping some of our parish family. Take a tag off the tree on the bulletin board at the back of the church, wrap the new gift, attach the gift tag from the tree onto the outside of the package, and leave the gifts at the **church office**. All gifts must be delivered to the office by Tuesday, December 16th. Please call Kim Ford at 620-660-2697 if you have any questions or need to drop a gift off after church office hours. Thank you for your generosity!

Sacred Heart Youth Groups



Bullpups (Grades 6-8) will meet on the first and third Wednesdays from 7 - 8 PM (**January 21**)

Bulldogs (Grades 9-12) will meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays from 7-8 PM (**December 10th**)

CONFIRMATION CLASSES



Grades 5-7: class will meet on Sunday, **December 7th at 7 PM**. Please meet in the cafeteria.

Grades 8-12 will have class on Sunday, **December 14th at 7 PM**.

PSR CLASSES



Sunday, December 7 – 10 AM
Sunday, December 14 – 10 AM



First Confessions:
Sunday, December 14th @ 4 PM

SACRED HEART



We would like to thank the Knights of Columbus and other donors for the purchase and installment of the new fence for the school's play area. It is much appreciated!

Looking ahead:

Children's Mass: Sunday, December 7th @ 9 AM



First Confessions:
Sunday, December 14th @ 4 PM

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR



The last day for donations is December 17th. Donations will be accepted at the school or the office. Please avoid leaving items in the church to eliminate confusion with other donations.



SACRED HEART SCHOOL SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

Please call Mrs. Hull if you are available or willing to fill in as a substitute teacher at the school.
620-442-6550



PHOTOS REQUESTED

Do you have old photos of the school or students? The office will make copies and return your photos to you. The school office is requesting old photos to start preparing for their Centennial Celebration next year. For more information, please call the school office. 620-442-6550



Knights of Columbus News

Our next meeting is **Monday, December 8th** at 7:30 PM in the council chambers. All are welcome.

Vocations Support Breakfast



The Knights of Columbus will hold its annual Vocations Support Breakfast Sunday, December 7th after the 9:00 AM Mass in the Parish cafeteria. All parishioners and their families are invited to attend. There is no cost for the breakfast, but free-will donations will be accepted. Please come and join your fellow parishioners for a delicious breakfast and support the seminarians and religious in our Diocese!



St. Vincent de Paul

We invite you to come to our next SVdP meeting **January 8th at 5:30 PM** in the school cafeteria.



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Friday, December 12th
Mass @ 6 PM
Fiesta following in the gym

7 de diciembre ~ Segundo Domingo de Adviento

Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción – Día de precepto – Les recordamos que el lunes 8 de diciembre es la Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción, fiesta patronal de los Estados Unidos y de nuestra diócesis. Tendremos misa a las 8:00 a. m., 5:30 p. m. y 7:00 p. m.

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe – Tendremos una misa especial este viernes a las 6:00 p. m. en honor a la fiesta patronal de las Américas. ¡Bienvenidos todos!

Devoción de 40 horas de Adviento – Nuestra devoción comienza este viernes en la pequeña capilla. Todavía tenemos algunas horas sin adoradores. Si les es posible, por favor, pasen una o dos horas con nuestro Señor inscribiéndose en la hoja a la entrada de la iglesia o en línea en el sitio web de la parroquia.

Redemptoris Missio – Capítulo 1

Para continuar nuestra reflexión sobre la encíclica de San Juan Pablo II, escribe al comienzo del capítulo 1: «La función fundamental de la Iglesia en todos los tiempos, y particularmente en el nuestro, es dirigir la mirada del hombre, dirigir la conciencia y la experiencia de toda la humanidad hacia el misterio de Cristo» (RM #4). El Calvario trajo la salvación al mundo entero, lo que significa que cada persona ha sido unida a Cristo para siempre, y solo la fe en Jesús y su Iglesia, el Cuerpo de Cristo, permite la plena participación en este misterio... Reflexionemos... Desde esta perspectiva, la Iglesia comprende su misión. Esto plantea varias preguntas difíciles: «¿Es el desarrollo humano un objetivo suficiente para la Iglesia?» «¿Tiene prioridad el respeto a la conciencia y a la libertad sobre cualquier esfuerzo de conversión?» «¿No es posible alcanzar la salvación en ninguna religión?»

Es aquí donde recordamos las palabras de Jesús: «Nadie viene al Padre sino por mí» (Jn 14,6). En su primera carta a los Corintios, San Pablo nos da el plan para abordar estas numerosas preguntas: rechazar todo lo que sea contrario a la fe y enfatizar las verdades de las diferentes ideologías/religiones que están en línea con la fe. Continuaremos nuestra reflexión el próximo fin de semana.



Santa Misa con Padre Machado Domingo, 14 de diciembre @ 11:00 AM

El padre Machado está ofreciendo una clase de Biblia en la cafetería después de la misa de las 11 am



SAN VICENTE DE PAUL

Lo invitamos a venir a nuestra próxima reunión de SVdP el **8 de enero (jueves) a las 5:30 pm** en la cafetería. Por favor considere unirse a nosotros en esta reunión.



CLASES DE PSR

Domingo, 7 de diciembre – 10 AM
Domingo, 14 de diciembre – 10 AM

Primeras Confesiones:

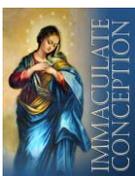
Domingo 14 de diciembre, 4 PM



CLASES DE CONFIRMACIÓN

Alumnos de 5.º a 7.º grado: la clase se impartirá el domingo **7 de diciembre a las 7 PM**. Nos reuniremos en la cafetería.

Alumnos de 8.º a 12.º grado: la clase se impartirá el domingo **14 de diciembre a las 7 PM**. Nos reuniremos en la cafetería.



La festividad de la Inmaculada Concepción, el 8 de diciembre es un día Santo de Obligación. Las misas serán celebradas el 8 de diciembre a las 8:00 a.m. y 5:30 p.m. (Inglés) a las 7:00 p.m. (español)

Noticias de la Escuela Sagrado Corazón:

Mirando hacia el futuro:

Misa de niños: domingo 7 de diciembre a las 9 a. m.

Primeras Confesiones:

Domingo 14 de diciembre, 4 PM



Reunión de hombres de Emaús

Lunes de 7 a 9 PM en la cafetería



Reunión de Mujeres de Emaús

Domingos de 12 a 2 PM en el Colegio Sagrado Corazón

Devoción de 40 horas de Adviento

Dedica una hora durante este tiempo de oración y reflexión con Jesús, preparándote para la Noche Santa.

Comienza el viernes 12 de diciembre a las 8 p. m. y termina con la misa de las 11 a. m. del domingo 14 de diciembre. Puedes inscribirte para una hora en nuestro sitio web

(www.sacredheartarkcity.org) o, si necesitas ayuda, llama a la oficina parroquial al 620-442-0566.



Grupos Juveniles del Sagrado Corazón



Los Bullpups (6.º a 8.º grado) se reunirán el primer y tercer miércoles de cada mes de 7 a 8 PM (**21 de enero**).

Los Bulldogs (9.º a 12.º grado) se reunirán el segundo y cuarto miércoles de cada mes de 7 a 8 PM (**10 de diciembre**).