

“PREPARE THE  
WAY OF THE LORD,  
MAKE STRAIGHT  
HIS PATH.”

Rev. Msgr. John A. Ecker

John the Baptist appears in the fore-front of the Gospel today as the one who, chosen by God is to come into this world to fulfill Isaiah’s prophetic call, who spent his public life calling for repentance of sins and acceptance of Jesus Christ, whose appearance he foretold. And so we are in the midst of the Advent Season; a time to get ready in joyful anticipation of the memory of His first coming and His coming at the end of the world.

Particularly today, with the world in turmoil, with wars and threats, of wars, some T.V. evangelists and others are claiming to know when that will come, and are predicting Jesus to come at the end of the world soon. Remember what the Lord has said that even He was unaware when this will take place. Only the Father knows!!As disciples of the Lord, we too, are called and challenged to go out and prepare ourselves and others for the coming of the Lord. The mission of John the Baptist is a shared mission.

More than ever, we need to be aware of the Lord’s coming to us at Christmas. It seems that public life and society is forgetful of why we even celebrate Christmas, the birth of Jesus Christ. Rare are occasions when we see (outside of churches or our home) any visible sign of the real meaning. This wonderful challenge “Prepare the Way of the Lord, make straight his paths” is needed here in our community and neighborhoods. That’s our call as well as the call of John.

OUR LADY OF  
GUADALUPE NOVENA

We have 2 days to go!

Dec. 10th—1:00 PM

Dec. 11th — 7:00 PM

Please join the Procession in honor of  
Our Lady of Guadalupe!  
(Information below)

OUR LADY OF  
GUADALUPE

DECEMBER 12, 2023

3 AM CATHEDRAL DOORS  
OPEN FOR LAS  
MAÑANITAS SERENADE

3:45 AM MUSIC WITH BANDAS

4:30 AM DANCES

5 AM MASS

4 PM PROCESSION BEGINNING  
AT ST. JOSEPH’S ENDING  
AT ST. PAUL CATHEDRAL

6 PM MASS

7 PM FELLOWSHIP,  
REFRESHMENTS &  
MUSIC



LITURGY FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SCRIPTURE READINGS 1005

Processional Hymn On Jordan’s Bank No. 392

Responsorial Psalm 85

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Gospel Acclamation Luke 3:4, 6

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths:  
All flesh shall see the salvation of God

Offertory Awaken, Sleepers No. 393

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Holy, Holy, Holy No. 304

Memorial Acclamation Save Us Savior from Belmont Mass

Amen No. 307

Lamb of God No. 311

Communion Hymn Christ, Be Our Light!  
Touch the Earth Lightly No. 584  
No. 808

Recessional Hymn Soon and Very Soon No. 861

DECEMBER

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2023

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Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00AM-4:30PM  
(Closed 12:00 Noon-1:00PM)

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:30PM & 7PM (Spanish)  
Sunday: 7, 9, 11AM, 1PM (Spanish) &  
7:00PM Life Teen

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday, Wednesday Friday: 7AM  
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 8AM  
Spanish Mass Tuesday: 7:00PM

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00PM or by Appointment

Baptisms

Please call Parish Office

Weddings

Four months preparation required

Adoration

Fridays 7:30AM-6:00PM Benediction

Monday Evening Prayer

Weekly 5:30PM-Chapel

Complete Staff listing inside.

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# SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 11, 2023

M Dec. 11 St. Damasus I  
T Dec. 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe  
W Dec. 13 St. Lucy

TH Dec. 14 St. John of the Cross  
F Dec. 15 Weekday  
S Dec. 16 Weekday

LAST WEEK'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING TOTAL: **\$13,125.35**

### Annual Catholic Appeal

There is still an open opportunity to share in the ministry of our Bishop and greater church, the Diocese of Yakima. Thanks to all who have already responded. TAKE PART IN THIS MOST IMPORTANT & NECESSARY APPEAL!!

### HELP!!

We need your help this coming Saturday morning at 9:00 AM to decorate our Cathedral for the upcoming Christmas season. Many hands can accomplish this task quickly and efficiently. Thank you in advance for assisting in this project. Because the fourth Saturday is so close to Christmas this year (Christmas Eve) we need to gather this coming Saturday, December 16th.

### UNITED STATES CATHOLICS EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Culminating in a national gathering in Indianapolis next summer, we are preparing for our own parish and diocesan revival as well. In place of our usual Advent Booklets we will send you Bishop Barron's "This is My Body" as a reminder and review of what Holy Eucharist really is, the Body and Blood of Jesus, Himself. We always approach His altar with a sense of deep reverence and devotion as we prepare to receive Holy Communion and when we gather to "celebrate the Eucharist." What a privilege and blessing is the Eucharist!!

### RELIGIOUS-THEMED CHRISTMAS CARDS

Today after all Masses our Knights of Columbus have an array of Christmas cards for sale in the Cathedral Vestibule. If you send greetings for the coming season, do your part to "keep Christ in Christmas."

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 894 AT ST. PAUL CATHEDRAL

Deep within the heart of every man is a call to live with purpose and meaning; a call to lead, protect, serve and to defend. Men today need a band of brothers—other Catholic men to share in that call to serve their parish, family, and community on the journey to something better. Discover the man God calls you to be, join today. For more information Contact Steve Royce, membership director at 509-952-7071.



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Sunday  
Offering  
ONLINE

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING!



### FRIDAY ADORATION

Each week as is our custom we offer adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament in our Chapel following morning 7:00AM Mass until Benediction at 6:00 PM. We wish to assure that someone be there at all times to be "present to the Lord." A new list will be available in the back of the Chapel that we request you sign so that there will always be someone in the Chapel during the day each Friday. (Even if you have signed up previously, please sign this new schedule this week.)  
**Thank You!!**



#### Monday: Sung Advent Evening Prayer

This Monday at 5:30PM join us for our special sung Evening Prayer, 1/2 hour, of spiritual preparation for Christmas—in the Chapel.

#### PARISH MAILING & CALENDARS

The December mailing will be sent this coming Thursday to all registered parishioners. As a favor, if you change your address please inform the parish office (to save money on returned postage). **Thank You!!** If you do not receive these mailings, please register with the parish as soon as possible.



### LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE FOR JANUARY TRANSFERS



Applications with current transcripts will be accepted through the end of the week! Visit [lasallevyakima.org/applications](https://lasallevyakima.org/applications) for more information.

#### YLI Christmas Cookie & Candy Sale!!

2 Dozen for only \$5.00!! Saturday December 16th & Sunday December 17th. After all Masses, while supplies last.



#### NON-PERISHABLE FOODS AND WRAPPED CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Each weekend of Advent (Dec. 3rd, 10th, and 17th) our KCs are conducting a drive for our local needy. Let's fill up the box in the vestibule to overflowing each week. When you come to Mass, bring something for someone else! (Gifts should be labeled regarding for whom they are designated: age, gender, etc.)



#### ABUSE HOTLINE

Our Diocese has this private line for those wishing to report incidents of sexual abuse regarding clergy, diocesan, or church employees or volunteers. **1-888-276-4490**



#### READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

**Third Sunday of Advent**  
Is 40:1-5,9-11; 2 PT 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8



### ST. VINCENT CENTERS

Support St. Vincent Center Food Bank by helping with daily operations. Volunteers are needed Monday and Thursday from 9AM-12PM and Thursday from 3-5PM to help prepare donations, re-stock shelves, assemble boxes and perform light janitorial tasks. We would love to have you join our team! Go to <https://catholiccharitiescw.org/services/involvement/volunteer-opportunities> to begin the process of becoming a volunteer.

### LAS POSADAS

Join us for our  
Festive Christmas  
Novena!

Where?

In the Cathedral

When?

December 16th-24th

What time?

7pm Monday-Saturday  
and 1pm on Sundays.

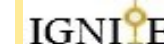


### CHRIST THE TEACHER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Come to the annual Mardi Gras Auction on Saturday, February 10th at 5PM in the Queen's Gym, 5508 W. Chestnut Ave. The purchase of tickets, table and other sponsorships, & donations can be made online, in person or over the phone with Catherine Canterbury 509-859-6913.



Want to reignite your faith? Want to deepen your relationship with Christ? Cursillo is an encounter with self, Christ, and others. 2024 Weekend for men April 4-7th & for women April 11-14th at Our Lady of Fatima, Moses Lake. If you have any questions please call Luann Anderson at 509-731-6975 for women's weekend and Dan Sisk at 509-942-4085 for men's weekend.



**IGNITE Adoration, Prayer & Praise continues this Wednesday at 5:30-6:30pm** in the Chapel. We will continue our journey of

Trusting Everything to Jesus as we grow deeper in relationship with Him through prayer and singing praises. All are welcome. For all the latest details follow us on our Facebook page at **IGNITE YAKIMA** or email [IGNITEYAKIMA@GMAIL.COM](mailto:IGNITEYAKIMA@GMAIL.COM).

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

**TO: Patrick Conklin, Vincent Couette, James Craw, James Dunlap, Laura McClintock, Nora Jane Allard, Elaine Griffith, Roberta Gruhn, Nicholas Kranz, Jared Wyss, Kristin Boettcher, Christina McCarthy, Andy Stiles, Norman Hepner, Gavin Melton, David Hargreaves, Arlen Wade Moses, and all who celebrate this week!**

