



HAVE YOU EVER  
BEEN MISTAKEN  
FOR CHRIST?

Rev. Jesús Mariscal

I do not want to be a story topper, but little children mistaken me for God all the time after Mass. Perhaps the large and colorful vestment that priests wear impress children so much that they think priests God. Usually children make that mistake with me when I am wearing bright white or gold vestments. Perhaps this weekend children might mistaken me with a giant Pepto Bismol bottle as it is the third week of Advent, the rose vestments weekend.

John the Baptist was far from being mistaken for a pink bottle of medicine. People thought he was Christ, the Messiah or the Anointed One of God. He was not mistaken with Christ because of his fancy and colorless “garment of camel-skin,” and his exquisite diet of “locusts and wild honey,” but because of his sincere commitment to the truth, to holiness and to announcing the coming of the Christ.

What do people see in you when they look at you? Do people see mercy, understanding, forgiveness, or a tender love when they look at you? Have you ever been mistaken with Christ?

**Guadete Sunday**  
*Today, the third Sunday of Advent, is also known as “Rejoice SUNDAY” and rose-colored vestments are worn today, signifying the closeness to the Christmas celebrations. Let us rejoice and be glad as we anticipate the joyous Christmas Season!!*

**LOOKING AHEAD**


Next Sunday, December 24th is Christmas Eve! For your planning purposes, here is the Christmas/New Year’s schedule. **Next week-end Masses follow the usual schedule**, except there is no 7:00 PM LifeTeen Mass.

**CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE**

**Sunday Dec. 24th Christmas Eve**  
5:30 PM—Family Mass  
10:30 PM—Solemn Mass with our Bishop (Scripture and Carols at 10:00 PM)  
**Monday Dec. 25th Christmas Day**  
Masses at 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM & 1:00 PM (Spanish).  
No evening Mass on Christmas Day.  
No 5:30PM Evening Prayer.

*A Reminder: Our Christmas collection is for the benefit of Catholic Charities, who reach out in our name to help so many our name to help so many underserved and needy. Special envelopes are in the Cathedral today. Thank you for your generosity!!*

**Msgr. Ecker Foundation and Knights of Columbus**

 **Crab Feed** is scheduled for February 24, 2024 at Fr. Queen Gym. Doors open at 5:00 PM. Tickets are \$75/ person. Meal includes all you can eat crab, potato, coleslaw, bread, and two drinks! Must be 21 years of age or over to attend. Tickets: online at [eckerfoundation.org](http://eckerfoundation.org) or contact Shane Smith at (509) 949-7785.  
\*\*They make great gifts and are easy to wrap!

*Proceeds to benefit Christ the Teacher Catholic School Scholarships and the Knights of Columbus programs.*



**ST. PAUL CATHEDRAL**  
DIOCESE OF YAKIMA

*Love God. Live the Eucharist.*



**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

LITURGY FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT			
SCRIPTURE READINGS			1005
Processional Hymn	Comfort, Comfort O My People		No. 402
Responsorial Luke 1:46-58			
<i>My soul rejoices in my God.</i>			
Gospel Acclamation Isaiah 61:1			
<i>The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.</i>			
Offertory	Lo, How A Rose E'er Blooming		No. 438
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THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST			
Holy, Holy, Holy			No. 304
Memorial Acclamation	Save Us Savior	from Belmont Mass	
Amen			No. 218
Lamb of God			No. 311
Communion Hymn	The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns		No. 403
	O Come Divine Messiah!		No. 808
Recessional Hymn	The King of Glory		No. 565

**DECEMBER**

**17**

**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.**



# THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 18, 2023

M Dec. 18 Late Advent Weekday  
T Dec. 19 Late Advent Weekday  
W Dec. 20 Late Advent Weekday

TH Dec. 21 St. Peter Canisius  
F Dec. 22 Late Advent Weekday  
S Dec. 23 St. John of Canty

LAST WEEK'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING TOTAL: **\$12,968.10**

### 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 AND NECESSARY APPEAL!!



### 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.

### HOLY INNOCENTS' MASS

For all parents and families who have lost children by miscarriage, abortion, illness, accidents or any other way. IN THE CATHEDRAL CHAPEL—THURSDAY DEC. 28th at 5:30PM, followed by a reception in the Assembly Place. All are welcome as we gather to remember, raise up and celebrate their lives.

### Attention: Young Adults

Dinner (on your parish) Tuesday Dec. 26th at 6:00PM. Contact office for Reservations (essential by noon Saturday Dec. 23rd) All college, university students please join us. Come one, come all!! (Place revealed when you make a reservation).

### NON-PERISHABLE FOODS & WRAPPED GIFTS

Today is the LAST DAY of our KCs drive! **2169 pounds** of non-perishable food has been taken to St. Vincent's so far. Let's beat last year's record of **3170 pounds!** (Gifts should be labeled regarding for whom they are designated: age, gender, etc.)

### 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 Scott St. Mary, membership director at 509-594-7545.



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Sunday  
Offering  
ONLINE



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS GIVING!

### FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Two weeks from Sunday is the day honoring Joseph, Mary and Jesus and an opportunity for renewal of married vows and dedication of our families under the protection of the Holy Family—at all weekend Masses.

### MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD

Usually a day of obligation, January 1st, because it falls on a Monday, the obligation does not bind this year! Our Mass will be offered on Monday, January 1st at 9:00AM in our Cathedral with special emphasis and prayers honoring Mary as our “Queen of Peace” and besieging heaven for a true and lasting peace for our world. Please join us on this special day, honoring our Blessed Mother and asking her intercession for peace!!

### PRO-LIFE MASSES

Bishop Tyson will celebrate both the 11:00 AM (English) & 1:00 PM (Spanish) Masses on the Feast of the Epiphany, **January 7th, 2024** as our Diocese pledges anew our dedication as a PRO-LIFE PEOPLE. Please plan to join us for these celebrations in our Cathedral.

### END OF THE YEAR DONATIONS

The IRS offers tax breaks for donations to religious or charitable causes. Your Cathedral parish is one of those non-profits you may wish to consider as we approach the end of the year 2023. Thank you for your consideration!!

### LIFE TEEN & SPYEDGE

Movies, board games, and lots of food! Questions? Contact Shawn at 509-902-7150. \*For all high school & middle school students.\*

National Treasure  
National Treasure 2  
Book of Secrets

The Princess Bride  
The Greatest Showman  
The Lego Batman Movie

MOVIE MARATHON

FRIDAY DEC 29TH  
10:00AM-9:00PMish  
School Cafeteria

### 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

Fourth Sunday of Advent

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38

WELCOME TO OUR SISTERS AND BROTHERS OF THE YAKIMA ASSOCIATION OF FAITH COMMUNITIES as we gather on Wednesday 20 December in our cafeteria at our Parish Center for our annual Christmas luncheon. It is our pleasure to welcome those of other denominations, faith expressions to our Cathedral Parish!

### LAS POSADAS

Join us for our  
Festive Christmas  
Novena!

Where?

In the Cathedral

When?

December 16th-23RD

What time?

7pm Monday-Saturday  
and 1pm on Sundays.



### Cycle 'B' of Sunday Readings

With the new year of grace and Advent, we began the proclamation of the 'B' Cycle of scripture readings, which extends until the Feast of Christ the King, Sunday November 24, 2024.

### LIFE TEEN EPIPHANY PARTY

**Pizza & Gift Exchange Game!!** Sunday Jan. 7th, 2024 from 8:15pm-9:30pm, School Cafeteria. Bring a wrapped gift (\$5 or less) that you think others your age would enjoy!. EVERYONE THAT PLAYS LEAVES WITH A GIFT!! Bring your friends!!

**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](https://www.facebook.com/IGNITEYAKIMA) or email [IGNITEYAKIMA@GMAIL.COM](mailto:IGNITEYAKIMA@GMAIL.COM).

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

TO: Linda Kinkley, Ron Walker, Steve Boutillier, Daniel Bravo, Richard Herron, Christopher Holbrook, Delia Morse, Virginia Cuff, Kim Herron, Brad Hill, Bill Sennett, Christian Warmoth, Cody Wellner, Brenda Andrade, Benita Schumacher, Steve Erickson, Luca Faleto, Susan Wilmes, Erin Conklin, Grace Hayes, Ray Patnode, David Struthers, Tyler Thorp, and all who celebrate this week!

