



# HOLY ROSARY

CATHOLIC PARISH

## MASS TIMES

December 11, 2016

### Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil at 5:00pm  
Sunday at 8:30am and 10:30am

### Weekday Masses

- *Daily Mass:*  
7:45am in the Church Tuesday thru  
Friday (8:30am on Sat)
- *Caring Mass* on the first Saturday of the  
month at 8:30am in the Church, to pray  
for those who have recently passed  
away, and to offer the Sacrament of the  
Anointing of the Sick for those in need.
- *Communion Service:* Monday at 7:45am  
in the Church.

## OTHER INFORMATION

Reconciliation is available in the Church:

- Saturdays: 3:30pm to 4:30pm
- Tuesdays: 5:30pm to 6:30pm
- or by appointment.

Low Gluten hosts available. Please see the  
priest to request before Mass.

The Parish Nursery is available for both the  
Sunday 8:30 and 10:30am Masses.

Download our Parish App at  
[myparishapp.com](http://myparishapp.com)

Submit a prayer request:  
[prayers@holyrosaryseattle.org](mailto:prayers@holyrosaryseattle.org)

## FELLOWSHIP—all are welcome!

- Tuesday morning Coffee in the Parish  
Center Reception Room.
- Sunday Coffee and Donuts in the School  
Hall after the Sunday Masses.



THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## The Blessed Virgin Mother

**“Am I not here, I, who am your mother? Are you not under my shadow and protection? Are you not in the hollow of my mantle, the crossing of my arms? Am I not the source of all your joy? What more do you need? Let nothing else worry you, disturb you.”**  
*The Maiden to Juan Diego*



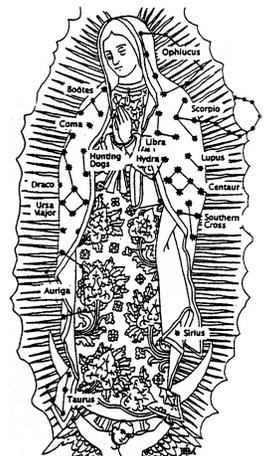
Diego

During this season of Advent, we journey with Mary to Bethlehem, there to greet the son she is carrying in her womb.

On December 9, 1531 Juan Diego was headed into town to attend Mass and receive religious instructions in the Catholic faith. This new religion had been brought by missionaries who arrived shortly after the Spanish Conquistadors defeated the Aztecs. He was a member of one of the bordering tribe—those required to provide the people for the Aztec human sacrifices. As he journeyed along, he was passing by a hill called Tepeyac, he heard some beautiful singing and went to investigate. As he drew nearer, a happiness and joy overcame him, and at the top of the hill he found a beautiful Maiden. She looked like one of the natives, and appeared to be but a teenager. She wore a beautiful mantle about her, and she was truly radiant. She introduced herself as the ‘Ever Virgin Holy Mary, mother of the one great God.’ (The Christian belief in one God, and the Virgin mother who gave birth to the Son but who was not a god herself, was rather confusing for the polytheist natives.) She made a request—that a church be built there. She instructed him to take this message to the Archbishop in the city.

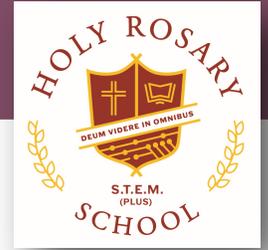
Not surprisingly the bishop was a bit suspicious of this farmer. He asked for proof. Good servant Juan took the archbishop’s message back to the hill and the Maiden. He suggested she send someone more worthy. Instead, she encouraged him and sent him off once more. He was rebuffed again, and this time followed by several of the servants of the archbishop. He asked for a report on this individual. They lost him through their own carelessness, and simply reported back that he led a life of dissipation. In the meantime, Juan returned to the Maiden who instructed him to return on the following day, December 12. Juan’s uncle became very sick, however, and he went to get a priest. He tried to avoid the hill and the Maiden in his route, but she appeared to him along the way. She told him that her uncle had already been cured. And then she gave Juan Diego the sought after sign. He was instructed to climb Tepeyac once more. What he found astonished him—in the middle of winter were blooming beautiful Castilian roses—the kind that only grow in Spain, and never blossom in winter. He gathered them up into his tilma, his poncho, as she instructed. He presented them to the Maiden who arranged them just so. She then bade him not to open his tilma until he was in front of the archbishop. The servants of course made him wait, but he finally gained entrance. When he unfolded his tilma, imprinted upon it was a beautiful image of the Maiden as the roses fell.

The church was soon built, and Juan Diego became a caretaker there. 10 million natives would convert in the succeeding decade, whereas the previous decade had seen less than 100,000. And the tilma remains there to this day, surprising since cactus fiber garments don’t normally last 450 years. In fact, it has proved strikingly resilient—emerging unscathed from both a bombing in 1921 (29 sticks of dynamite which disfigured the brass altar cross and candlesticks and shattered the windows) as well as a nitric acid spill in 1785. A worker was cleaning the glass covering. The Acid should have eaten away the material entirely, but instead it was partially damaged—that is until it self-restored in the month ahead.



There are some interesting facts about the tilma. An ophthalmologist magnified the eyes 2,500 times. In the pupils are visible an image of the people in the room that day before Juan Diego as he unveiled the tilma. The flower and band around Mary’s waist was the very one worn by native women who were pregnant, and the dimensions of her body reflect someone on the cusp of childbirth. And if the tilma were flattened and lifted into sky, looking up at it the stars would have provided a perfect map of the constellations in the night sky above Juan Diego and Archbisho Zumarraga.

The tilma cactus fibers are very rough—though where the image is it feels like silk. Using infrared technology, scientists are astonished to find no brush strokes. This isn’t surprising to a people of faith since we know that no human painted the image. Interestingly, the same infrared technology showed the image keeps a continue 98.6 degree temperature—the same as that of a human being. The coloring is also astonishing, as it changed depending on how close you are—something unrepeatable by human hands, but something found often in God’s Creation. Every copy made, using the best techniques of the time, on the same material, always deteriorate. In 1789, a specially encased copy lasted only eight years residing next to the original because of the hot, humid climate. Human endeavors fail. But not those of Heaven. All of this occurred weeks before the birth of Jesus Christ,. Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us, and give to us the gift of your son, our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Holy Rosary Catholic School—SPIRIT AND MIND *ignited*

With Advent under way, while we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, our students are demonstrating the spirit of giving and community service through many ways:

From Kindergarten to Eighth grade, canned goods are being collected for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank. Kindergarten is also gathering baby socks and booties for WestSide Baby and First grade is making decorated gift bags for our Holy Rosary Women’s Shelter, which will contain gloves, socks, lip balm, deodorant, candy, complete with a handmade Christmas card. Second grade has taken gift tags off the giving tree to benefit Westside Baby and SW Youth & Family Services. Third grade will purchase Christmas meals for two families in need. As part of their service, the students will walk to the nearby Safeway store where they can determine actual prices and purchase food.

The drop in temperature has fourth grade collecting hats, scarves, mittens, gloves, socks and coats for St. Vincent de Paul Society. Fifth and Eighth grades are collecting monetary donations to buy wish items from the giving tree at the church. Sixth grade is supporting foster kids and collecting items for Treehouse. And, Seventh grade is supporting YMCA’s Dress For Success, collecting new or gently-used dress shirts, slacks, ties, and skirts for youth 7-12 years in need.

At Holy Rosary School, tradition and innovation converge to provide a leading-edge education that is grounded in the Catholic faith. Students are engaged by enthusiastic teachers who provide hands-on curricula designed to spark creativity and encourage critical thinking. Each child is given room to discover and develop their own unique gifts.

For more information, contact the School Office: 206-937-7255 or [admissions@holyroaryws.org](mailto:admissions@holyroaryws.org).

## PARISH &amp; COMMUNITY NEWS

## Advent Giving Tree

Our Annual Giving Tree Project continues! You are invited to select a tag from the tree, purchase the gift on the tag, and return it **unwrapped** by noon on December 18. You may also return gifts to the Rectory during regular business hours. This year the Giving Tree will benefit **Noel House, St. Martin de Porres, Matt Talbot Center, Full Life Care, Catherine Booth House, Noel House, Holy Rosary Women’s Shelter, Detention Ministry, St. Francis Toy Room, Westside Baby, SW Youth and Family, and St. Vincent de Paul**. Thank you for helping to make the Christmas Season a little happier for those less fortunate.

## Laudato Si: A weekly tip on Caring for Our Common Home

This Christmas, save wrapping paper for later use; reuse old wrapping paper for this year's gifts or use a fun alternative such as color newspaper comics. Instead of a material gift, consider donating on someone's behalf to a food bank, homeless shelter or other charity.

## Holy Rosary Christmas Brunch

The silver bells will be ringing in the Christmas season, after Daily Mass on Tuesday, December 13th in the Parish Center, when the Holy Rosary Senior Ministry hosts a Christmas Brunch and White Elephant Gift Exchange! Bring a breakfast dish to share and a wrapped “white elephant” to exchange. Coffee, tea, and juice will be provided. Everyone is invited – please join our festivities!

## Northwest Boychoir Concert...

*A Festival of Lessons & Carols*

Friday, December 16, 7:30 pm at Holy Rosary Church. This classical performance consists of nine Christmas readings leading up to the nativity and followed by a traditional Christmas song performed by the choirs, and a congregational carol sung by the choirs and the audience. Advance ticket purchases are encouraged. Please contact the Northwest Boychoir at 206-524-3234 or website at [www.nwboychoir.org](http://www.nwboychoir.org).

### Young Adults Small Group Study

Please come to join us for the next meeting Thursday (12/15) at 7:15pm in the Parish Office Basement as we continue with Pope Francis' encyclical "Laudato Si". We decided to ask everyone to read through chapter two in preparation for our meeting. That way we can spend the majority of the meeting discussing (we will use a discussion guide from one of the books to help us). If you need to get a copy, the Vatican website offers a free digital copy in html or as a pdf or you can buy a physical copy from your favorite book store. If you have questions or you want to hear about other young adults activities, please email [youngadults@holyroaryseattle.org](mailto:youngadults@holyroaryseattle.org)

### Simbang Gabi—A Filipino Advent Tradition

One way that Holy Rosary celebrates Advent is by hosting a tradition from the Philippines: Simbang Gabi (which means *Night Mass*). This year, it will be on Saturday, December 17 at the 5pm Mass. There will be a procession with traditional Filipino star-shaped lanterns called *parols* to remind us of the star that guided the Magi to Jesus. After the Mass, everyone is invited to the School Hall for a pot-luck dinner reception.

### Carmina Angelorum: Songs for Harp and Treble Voices

December 18 at 7:30pm at Holy Rosary  
Celebrate the season with an evening of music! Featuring Juliette Stratton on harp and the young women of the Seattle Girls' Choir. Tickets: \$15. Available at [brownpapertickets.com](http://brownpapertickets.com), [seattlegirlschoir.org](http://seattlegirlschoir.org) or at the door.

### Nursery Open Christmas Eve at the 5pm Mass

Our Parish Nursery will be open for the Christmas Eve 5pm Children's Mass and will be closed on Sunday, Christmas morning. The Parish Nursery is located in the basement of the Parish Center and is for children walking up thru Preschool. For dropping off your children, go to the door that faces Genesee St. and ring the doorbell. Our Nursery is always staffed with two Caregivers who have completed our SEP program and are experienced with taking care of children. If you have any questions or would like a tour of the Nursery, please email Deyette at [dswegle@holyroaryseattle.org](mailto:dswegle@holyroaryseattle.org) or call at 206-937-1488, ext. 251.

### Homestay

Are you interested in hosting an international student? Kennedy Catholic High School is seeking families beginning in late January 2017 and/or beginning in August 2017. For more information, please contact Teri Crosswhite at 206.957.9628 or [crosswhitet@kennedyhs.org](mailto:crosswhitet@kennedyhs.org). A generous stipend is available.

### Rachel's Corner Hope and Healing After Abortion

"Having faith does not mean having no difficulties, but having the strength to face them, knowing we are not alone." -Pope Francis

Come on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat and find that the strength you need to face your past is given to you by God as you trust Him with your healing. You have never been and will never be alone. Let him show you how much He cares.

**You are loved with an everlasting Love!**

Next retreat: March 10-12, 2017

Call Valerie: 1-800-822-HOPE (4673)

*Project Rachel is a program of Catholic Community Services.*

### Job Opportunity at Holy Rosary:

#### Part-Time Choir Director – Seattle

Holy Rosary Parish in West Seattle is seeking a new .25 FTE choir director for its 8:30AM Sunday Mass and some Feast Days throughout the year. The choir sings from September through the beginning of June. Supported primarily by our MP Moller pipe organ, the choir's repertoire includes a variety of music, from Gregorian Chant and the occasional polyphony to classics and the hymnody of today. The successful candidate will be a practicing Catholic with a love of the Sacred Liturgy and preferably possesses an advanced degree in music or a related field. To better enable this individual to recruit, form and lead the choir at their rehearsals and at Mass, the candidate should have experience in a similar setting. For more information or to submit a resume and application, contact Gary Samaniego at [gsamaniego@holyroaryseattle.org](mailto:gsamaniego@holyroaryseattle.org) or (206) 935-8353 x213.



## 2016 Holy Rosary Advent & Christmas Schedule

- December 10 - 11: Third Sunday of Advent
- December 16: Northwest Boy Choir Concert at 7:30pm  
*(tickets available at [nwchoirs.org](http://nwchoirs.org))*
- December 17 - 18: Fourth Sunday of Advent  
*Regular Mass times*  
  
*Simbang Gabi Filipino Advent Mass - Saturday at 5pm,  
Reception afterwards*  
  
*All Giving Tree gifts must be returned by Sunday at 12.30pm*
- December 18: Seattle Girls' Choir Concert at 7:30pm  
*(tickets available at [seattlegirlschoir.org](http://seattlegirlschoir.org))*
- December 23: Parish Office Closed
- December 24: Christmas Eve  
*Vigil Masses at \*5pm and 8pm, (\*childcare will be available at the 5pm Vigil)*  
  
*Mass in the Night at 11pm*
- December 25: Christmas Day Mass at 9am
- December 26-30: Parish Office Closed
- Dec 31 - Jan 1: Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God  
*Regular Mass times*
- January 2: Parish Office Closed—School is Open
- January 7 - 8: Feast of the Epiphany  
*Festa Tri Kralja Epiphany Mass - Sunday at 10:30am,  
Reception afterwards in Lanigan Gym*

Regular Sunday Mass Schedule:  
5pm Vigil, 8:30am and 10:30am

Regular Confession Schedule:  
Tuesdays 5:30-6:30pm  
Saturdays 3:30-4:30pm or by appointment



# Sunday, December 11, 2016

- CLOW meets today during the 10:30am Mass
- Coffee and Donuts after all Masses today

## Monday, December 12

7:45 AM	Word & Communion Service   Church
7:00 PM	Contemporary Choir Practice   Church

## Tuesday, December 13

7:45 AM	Daily Mass   Church
8:30 AM	Tuesday AM Coffee   Reception Rm
8:30 AM	Social Justice Commission   Parish Office
5:30 PM	Confession   Church
6:00 PM	Handbell Practice   Chapel
6:00 PM	Childrens RCIA   Music Room
6:30 PM	Voices for Life   Room 203
7:00 PM	FamCom   Parish Office Conference Room
7:15 PM	Sanctuary Choir Practice   Church

## Wednesday, December 14

7:45 AM	Daily Mass   Church
8:30 AM	Scripture Study   Reception Room
2:30 PM	YouthChoir!Practice   Chapel
6:00 PM	Women's Spirituality Group   Parish Office Basement
7:00 PM	RCIA   Parish Office Conference Room
7:15 PM	Walking With Purpose   Reception Room

## Thursday, December 15

7:45 AM	Daily Mass   Church
6:00 PM	Children's RCIA   Parish Center
6:30 PM	School Christmas Program   Church
7:00 PM	Confirmation   Parish Office Conference Room

## Friday, December 16

7:45 AM	Daily Mass   Church
7:00 PM	Friday Night Men's AA   School Hall
7:30 PM	NW Boys Choir Concert   Church

## Saturday, December 17

7:00 AM	Men's Group   Reception Rm
8:30AM Mass will be cancelled as we have a funeral at 10AM	
10:00 AM	Croatia Directors Group   Reception Rm
10:00 AM	Funeral   Church
3:30 PM	Confession   Church
5:00 PM	SimBang Gabi Vigil Mass   Church
After Mass	SimBang Gabi Reception   School Hall

## Up Next

### December

13	Christmas Brunch after Daily Mass
15	School Christmas Program
16	NW Boys Choir Concert
17	Simbang Gabi
18	Seattle Girls Choir Concert
23	Parish Office Closed
24	Christmas Eve
25	Christmas Day
26-30	Parish Office Closed

### January

2	Parish Office Closed (School Open)
8	Festa Tri Kralja Epiphany Celebration

### Praying for those who have died:

John Boers

### Donations were made to the Fr. Mallahan

**Endowment Fund in honor of** Dorothy Besaw

**and in memory of** Stefano Tarlao, Giovanni Tarabochia

### Mass Intentions for Next Week:

Dec 13:	Ivan Picinich, RIP
Dec 14:	Alexander Escandar, RIP
Dec 15:	John K. Bajocich, RIP
Dec 16:	Antonio Carlos Mahfuz, RIP
Dec 17:	Peter Flohr, RIP (8:30am)
Dec 18:	Colleen Strand, RIP (8:30am)
	Holy Rosary Community (10:30am)

### Last Week's Collection:

December 4 Collection: \$  
October 16 Budgeted: \$23,534

### Annual Catholic Appeal Update:

Pledges & one time gifts: **\$166,831.64**  
Payments: **\$147,406.93**  
% paid to date: **88%**  
Number of Donors: **480**  
2016 Goal: **\$139,090.65**  
% of Goal Reached: **119.94%**

**PARISH DIRECTORY....dial 206-937-1488 and enter an extension**

**Baptism:** Contact Deyette Swegle at least two months in advance of your requested baptism date.

**Marriage:** Contact Sherry Smith six months in advance of your requested wedding date.

**Funerals:** Contact the Parish Office

**Becoming Catholic:** Contact JoAnn Tobin

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