## **December 11, 2022**

## **Regular Mass Schedule**

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 11am English & 1:30pm Spanish Daily Mass: Monday through Saturday 8am Reconciliation: Saturday 3pm - 4:45pm

Adoration followed by Confession: Tuesday 7pm Adoration Chapel: 7am - 7pm (code to enter in office)

Anointing of the Sick: 9:30am, 2nd Sunday of the Month

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Monday ~ Thursday 9am-3pm

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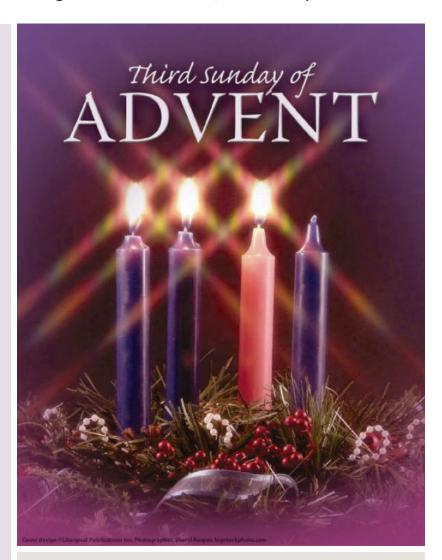
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#### **Pastoral Council**

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#### **Finance Council**

Robert Ferek, Claudia Lorena Marron, Will Fryer Deacon Larry Loumena, Cecilia Pelayo, Tom Barrie, Jesus Torres, Ilene Burkhardt

## **Church Calendar and Events**

#### **Mass & Event Calendar**

Sunday December 11 3rd Sunday of Advent
Masses 8:30am, 11am English & 1:30pm Spanish
Our Lady of Guadalupe Festivities Schedule
see page 6 & 7

Every Day Strength Cancer Support 9:45am (OC)
EFF / Sacramental Prep 9:45am /or 12noon (PC)
Prayer Shawl Ministry 12:15pm (LIB)
Pastorela Rehearsal 5pm (GYM)
HS Youth Group 6:30pm (Gym & Rm 8)

Monday December 12 Mass 8am
Our Lady of Guadalupe Festivities Schedule
see page 6 & 7

# Tuesday December 13 Mass 8am St. Henry Penance Service 7pm

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry 9:30am (SVDPP)
Spanish Committee Meeting 5:30pm (FSR)
Folk Group 6:30pm (Rm 8)
Respect Life Meeting 7pm (Rm 10)
English OCIA (Rm 6) & Spanish OCIA (FSR) 7pm

#### Wednesday December 14 Mass 8am

Library Open 9:30am (LIB) Pinochle 12noon (FSR)
Pastoral Council 5:30pm (OC) Youth Ministry 6:30pm (PC)
English Choir 6:30pm (CH) Spanish Choir 7pm (MC)

#### Thursday December 15 Masses 8am & 7pm Spanish

Brother/Sister Kitchen 12noon (Gym Kit)
Thursday Book Group 7pm (LIB)
Spanish Leadership Committee 7:30pm (FSR)

#### Friday December 16 Mass 8am

Empty Nest Christmas Party by Reservation 4pm (FSR)

## Saturday December 17 8am & Vigil Mass 5pm Eng.

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry 9:30am (SVDPP)
Pastorela Rehearsal 6pm (Gym)

Sunday December 18 4th Sunday of Advent Masses 8:30am & 11am English & 1:30pm Spanish Donuts @ 12noon hosted by Justice & Peace

Every Day Strength Cancer Support 9:45am (OC)
EFF / Sacramental Prep 9:45am /or 12noon (PC)
H.S. Youth Group 6:30pm (Rm 8)
Posadas 6:30pm (Gym)



	Mass Intentions	December 12 - 18
M	+Joseph Olbrich	(Joseph Olbrich)
Т	+Clarence & +May Dingma	n (Harry & Patti Dingman)
W	+Jeffrey Garbarino +Linda Tercek	(Joseph Olbrich) (Michael Swift)
T	+Al and +Dorothy Olbrich +Mari Spring	(Joseph Olbrich) (Rod Spring)
F	+Pauline Olbrich	(Joseph Olbrich)
S	+Carol & +Gary Gilbert +Nguyen Thi Man -Nicole Lutomski	(Joseph Olbrich) (Loan Nguyen) (Claire Clow)
S	+Ben & +Bernice Olbrich +Scott McClintic -Bo Nguyen +Jorge Lepe Sanchez +Gert & +Ted Frazee	(Joseph Olbrich) (Michael Riordan) (Loan Nguyen) (Magdalena Sanchez Lepe) (Joseph Olbrich)

Please pray for Jeanette Allison who has recently died. May Janette and all the faithfully departed rest in peace.

"What you ask in my name, I will do" John 14:13. Please pray for... Jerry Ahern, Madeline Angeli, Joe Bonneville, Marven Bowman, Page Bowman, Brian, Barbara Brosh, Charles Brosh, Stephanie Burton, Julie Canoy, Jeanne Chambers, Pete Clark, Cheryl Corum, Richard Cuff, Angela Donnelly, Bryan Donnelly, Donald Caldwell, Mike Eagan, Angie Eckroth, Judy Ell, Dan Frantano, Frost Family, Michael Gaige Family, Madeline Green, Sherry Gwilliam, Ed Hagan, Lisa Hills, Andrew Hirtzel, Bill Huber, Shawn Hudson, Susan Kuckenberg, Duane Martian, John Merz, Synthia Meyers, Bronwyn Miles, Elizabeth Miles, Dr. Richard H. Miller, Kathleen L. Miller, MaryAnn Minich, Serena Minich, Miranda Lopez Family, Patricia Mulkey and Family, Peggy O'Keefe, Phillip Pham, Bob Pierce, Norm Ragnone, Duane Ranieri, Vickie Rizzo, Jenny Sanzone, Don Schantz, Elizabeth Scheffer, John Schoepner, Tom Stein, Lyn Stevens, Jeannine Summerfield. Bernie Verbout. Out of respect for an individuals privacy, we print only the names of those who give their permission to have their names published. Please call the office to have your name on this list.

Please submit your articles to be considered for the bulletin...Dec 25 bulletin, submissions due Dec.12. Jan 1 bulletin, submissions due Dec. 19

## St. Henry News



Liturgical Ministers Schedules for the Weekend of December 17 - 18

5:00pm Sat ..Greeters: Carol Cord, Jim & Karen Lewis Lector: Theresa Tschirky

Eucharistic Ministers: 1.Debra Connell 2. Roberta Cummings, 3.Mary Scroggins Server: Lysa Maxey

8:30am Sun ...Greeters: Becky King, Anne & Faith Herold Lector: Monique Reynolds Servers: Leonides Lopez, Monique Reynolds, Jeanie Bertson Eucharistic Ministers: 1.Cathy Leeper 2.Annette Gilbert 3. Lisa Dryer

11:00am Sun ... Greeters: Cathy Paintner, Cal & Rhoda Auvil Lector: Teresa Jones Servers: Shannon Clark, Helen Flores

Eucharistic Ministers: 1.Dave Salber 2. Donna Salber 3. Cheryl Middal

**Justice and Peace Advent...** Christ Our Lord did not come to bring peace to the world as a kind of spiritual tranquilizer. He brought to his disciples a vocation and a task—to struggle in the world of violence to establish His peace not only in our own hearts but in society itself. Thomas Merton

**Library...**We have a book cart now in the Madonna Center all week. We try to change the books every two weeks. I add books on Wednesday that are mentioned in Father's homily on Sunday, All the books on the cart are new to our library.

Please stop and see what treasures are there. Directions for checking out a book are on the poster next to the cart and on the check-out page itself. On Sundays there is usually a volunteer to help if you have any questions. Advent and Christmas selections are available on the cart now.

The library is also open on Wednesday after the 8 AM Mass until 11 AM. There is always coffee and treats. *Come join us*.

**Retirement Fund for Religious...** Help aging religious. Senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests have devoted their lives to prayer, service and works of mercy. Most ministered for little or no pay. Today, their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings. Your gift to today's Retirement Fund for Religious collection helps furnish medications, nursing care, and other necessities Please give generously.



## **Activities and Opportunities**

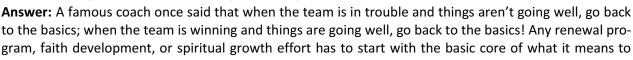
The **TRAVELING CRIB** is here the month of December. More than ever this is a time to help those in most need and fill our baby crib with much needed items for pregnant women and their babies during this Christmas season. To participate, please return your donations to the **CRIB** in the Madonna Center or the office M-Th. 9am-3pm. This is a beautiful response of support to the needs of women who have said "YES" to new life. Place your new or gently used baby items in the crib, wrapped or unwrapped. Money donations are also welcome and may be placed in the enve-



lopes provided. THANK YOU FOR HELPING US ..........CELEBRATE LIFE. Questions? Call Jeanne @ 503-665-9129

#### Why Do We Do That? Strengthening Faith ©LPi

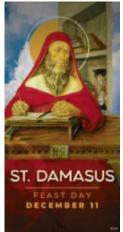
**Question:** Our prayer group is discussing ways we can change and strengthen our faith. What one thing could we change that would have the greatest impact on our faith?



believe. If the foundation is not strong, the house will not stand. So if you work on one thing, begin with the idea that God is love, who loves us and calls us to love one another. If we really take that belief to heart, it changes how we see God, ourselves, and one another. It would change how we pray, how we treat others, and how we understand and live our own life. Our sense of mission and purpose will be more focused on God's plan and our role in it. Love is the core of faith, the goal of life, and the hope of heaven. Whatever we do to strengthen and deepen our faith will begin and end with love.

#### Saint of the Week... Saint Damasus | December 11 ©LPi

Saint Damasus served as bishop of Rome for 18 years as Pope Damasus I (366-384). He had to endure significant controversy early in his pontifical reign when a factional group of bishops insisted that their chosen claimant, Ursinus, was the true pope. Both sides resorted to violence before the issue was decided in favor of Damasus. He went on to make the unification of the Church a central focus of his papacy and fervently fought to counter any division caused by the many heretical teachings of his time.



While he was pope, Christianity was declared the official religion of the Roman Empire and Rome's authority in the Church was decided by a synod that Damasus called in 382. This synod established Rome as the direct descendant of the Church founded by the apostle Saint Peter, the apostolic see, and put an end to confusion stemming from Constantinople, which some were already calling 'The New Rome'.

To further unify the Church, Damasus introduced Latin as the principle liturgical language and commissioned his secretary, Saint Jerome, to compile and revise the various translations of the Bible into one official translation to be used by the entire Church: The Latin Vulgate. This successfully preserved the original Scriptures by making them more accessible to the average Christian.

A writer and poet himself, Saint Damasus lives on in history through his many epigrams and verse inscriptions that can be found on the Roman catacombs that he restored during his papacy. Saint Jerome described his friend, Pope Damasus, as being "an incomparable person, learned in the Scriptures, a virgin doctor of the virgin Church, who loved chastity and heard its praises with pleasure."



St. Henry is looking for a part time to full time Maintenance Person.

St. Henry is also looking for a part time Choir Director.

If you are interested in either position, please call Claire directly at 503-665-9129

or email Claire at cclow@archdpdx.org

We look forward to hearing from you!

## **Penance Services and Information**

icariate Advent Penance Services coming up			
December 13 @ 7pm St. Henry in Gresham	December 13 & 22 @ 2pm—5pm St. Joseph the Worker in Portland	December 14 @ 7pm St. Anne in Portland	
	December 15 @ 7pm St. Rita in Portland & December 16 @ 10am - 12noon		

**Catholic Daughters...** will be having their Christmas Potluck and a short meeting on December 14 beginning at 6:30 PM in the Knights of Columbus Hall. All ladies in the parish are welcome. Please bring your favorite dish and join us. For more information please call Marcy Marlow at 503-351-7860.

**Sunday's Readings...First Reading:** Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense he comes to save you. (Is 35:4)

Psalm: Lord, come and save us. (Ps 146) Or Alleluia.

**Second Reading:** Make your hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand. (Jas 5:7)

**Gospel:** When John the Baptist heard in prison of the works of the Christ, he sent his disciples to Jesus with this question,

"Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?" (Mt 11:2-3)

#### Gospel Meditation...December 11, 3rd Sunday of Advent

Life can leave us feeling dark and desolate. Sandy was just twenty-eight when her husband, Rob, died, leaving her to raise their two young children. She was without paid employment. Rob went to work one morning and never returned home. Sandy, though, had faith and trusted that somehow God would help her through, even though most days brought deafening, piercing loneliness. She persevered, and the darkness gave way to light. Remarking one day to a friend hesitant to commit to a relationship, Sandy shared her wisdom. Even if she knew the outcome would be the same, she would marry Rob again. She assured her friend that she would even do

this if eight years could only be eight minutes. We are being led by God and God transforms the darkness into light.

"Be strong, fear not!" Those are easy words to say. Putting them into practice is the challenge. When our paths are dark and life's roads become treacherous, we can easily complain about life's unfinished nature. When will the pain go away? Will the loneliness ever cease? Will I experience happiness again? As the farmer needs to exercise patience with the soil, we need to do the same with our lives. We have to wait for the early and late rains to come, properly tend to our gardens, and ensure that the rich nutrients of God's merciful and tender presence continue to enrich us. God is not done. God has only just begun his work in us.

We cannot allow life to hold us captive. The systems, agendas, protocols, regulations, expectations, and unfinished business can distract us from what it means to be God's child. Life can leave us feeling cheated, negative, and parched. All times and seasons of our spiritual and liturgical lives lead us to three virtues: faith, hope and love. Stop complaining about what is wrong and look to what God can make right! Joy that flows from the Baptist's message: in Jesus, the one mightier than he, are found healing, reconciliation, and freedom. Christ will save us from life's distortions, illusions, and disappointments. Do you believe this?

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## Celebration

# St. Henry Catholic Church Celebrates Our Lady of Guadalupe

Preparing to celebrate
Our Lady of Guadalupe in December

December 11 from 3:00pm to 11:00pm in the Gym (after 1:30pm Sunday Mass)

Delicious Food Sale
Presentation of the apparition of our Lady
Prayer of the Rosary
Songs to our Lady

Birthday serenade to our Lady

December 12 from 5:00pm to 10:00pm

Prayer of the Rosary and blessing to the children

Mass and procession to the gym
Gathering, food, music,
band music and folk dances

## Celebrar

# FIESTA DE NUESTRA SEÑORA DE GUADALUPE

Empecemos a prepararnos para celebrar a nuestra Virgen de Guadalupe en el próximo mes de Diciembre

11 de Diciembre de las 3:00 a 11:00pm en el gimnasio (después de la Misa Dominical 1:30pm)

Venta de comida

Representación de las apariciones

Rezo del Santo Rosario dedicado a nuestra morenita

Cantos a la Virgen

Mañanitas

12 de Diciembre de las
5:00 a las 10:00pm en el gimnasio
Rosario y bendición de niños "Juandieguitos"
Misa y Procesión con la
Virgen Peregrina al gimnasio
Convivencia, comida, música,
banda y bailes folclóricos

Entrada a la Iglesia se les pide de manera atenta recordar venir a tiempo a la Misa, que inicia a la 1:30p.m y que tenemos un Rosario a la 1:00 p.m.. Gracias por Respetar la MISA.
 Confesiones. Son los días Sábados y son a las 3 de la tarde, si vienen a las 3:40p.m. y ya no hay gente en el templo, es posible que los sacerdotes se hallan ido también.
 El Horario de la Oficina Parroquial. Es el Lunes a Jueves de 9:00 a.m. a 3:00 p.m. Hay Servicio en En Español los MARTES, MIÉRCOLES y JUEVES de 9:00 a.m. a 3:00 p.m. Favor de hablar antes de llegar a la Oficina para que se le atienda con prontitud.



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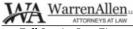
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