

December 18, 2022



Regular Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 11am English & 1:30pm Spanish

Daily Mass: Monday through Saturday 8am

Confession: 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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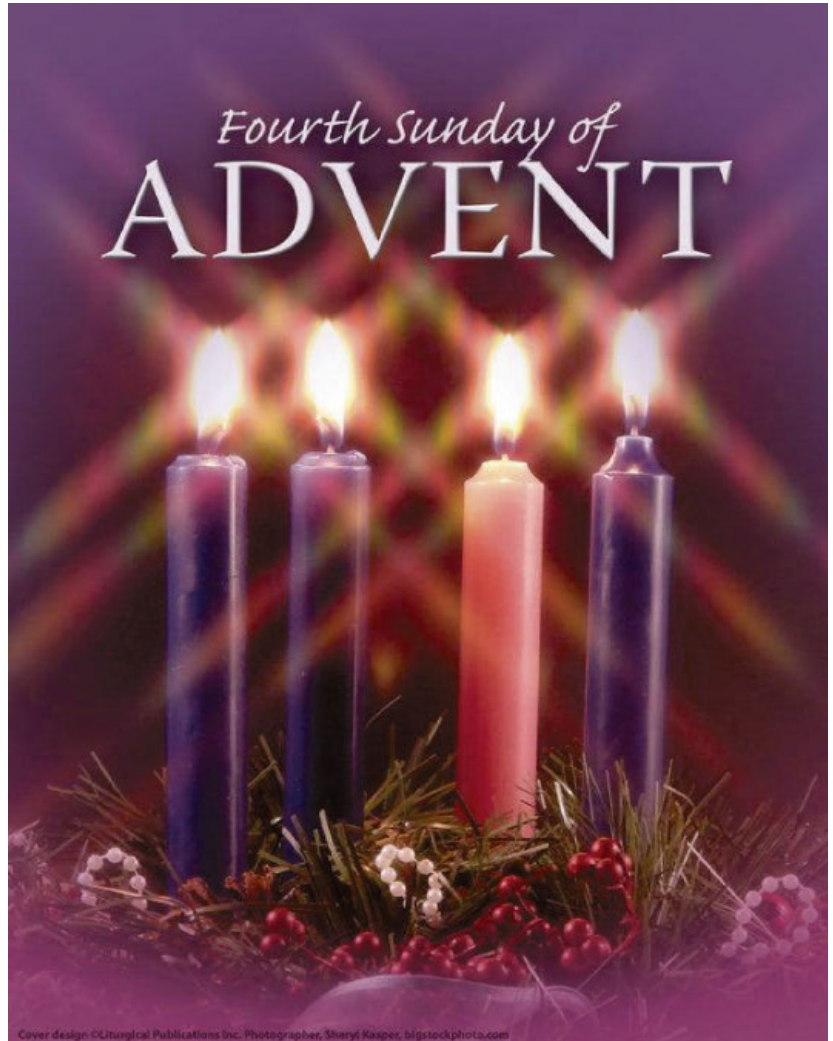
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Church Calendar and Events

Mass & Event Calendar

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)

HS Youth Group 6:30pm (Gym & Rm 8)

Posadas 6:30pm (Gym)



Monday December 19 Mass 8am

Las Posadas 6:30pm - 8:30pm(Gym)

Spanish Volunteer Catechesis 7pm (FSR)

Tuesday December 20 Mass 8am

St. Henry Penance Service 7pm

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry 9:30am (SVDPP)

Las Posadas 6:30pm - 8:30pm (Gym)

Folk Group 6:30pm (Rm 8)

English OCIA (Rm 6) & Spanish OCIA (FSR) 7pm

Wednesday December 21 Mass 8am

Library Open 9:30am (LIB)

St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 1pm (Rm 6)

Catholic Daughters 6:30pm (KC Hall)

Las Posadas 6:30pm - 8:30pm (Gym)

English Choir 6:30pm (CH)

Spanish Choir 7pm (MC)

Thursday December 22 Masses 8am & 7pm Spanish

Brother/Sister Kitchen 12noon (Gym Kit)

Las Posadas 6:30pm—8:30pm (Gym)

Spanish Leadership Committee 7:30pm (FSR)

Friday December 23 Mass 8am

La Pastorela 6:30pm—8:30pm (Gym)



Saturday December 24 Christmas Eve

4pm Family Mass English w/ Folk Group

6pm Family Mass Spanish w/ Spanish Choir

11pm Traditional Evening Mass English

w/ Carols & Prophets starting at 10:15pm

St. Vincent de Paul Pantry 9:30am (SVDPP)

Sunday December 25 Christmas Day

Masses 8:30am &

11am English w/ St. Henry Youth Choir



	Mass Intentions	December 19 - 25
M	+Theresa Dickinson	(Joseph Olbrich)
T	+Si & +Marie Henke +Linda Tercek	(Joseph Olbrich) (Jo Tuttle)
W	+Herman & +Liz Wolfe	(Joseph Olbrich)
T	+Marion Garbarino +Eva Rupp +Joseph Olbrich	(Joseph Olbrich) (Jo Tuttle) (Joseph Olbrich)
F	+Bob Weber +Alyce Bobusch	(Anita Weber) (Judy & Gary Delorit)
S	-Philip Phan +Merle Schnackenberg -Imelda Broyles +Linda Tercek	(Nguyen Nguyen) (Family) (Ron Welsh) (Michael Swift)
S	+Scott McClintic +Istvan & +Greg Fuleki +Manuel & +Lucille Fagundes +James Toner & Joann Kelley	(Michael Riordan) (Margaret Fuleki) (Manuel Fagundes Jr) (Dingman Family)

“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...Jan 1 bulletin, submissions due Dec.19. Jan 8 bulletin, submissions due Dec. 22

Schedules

Christmas Eve, December 24...

English Mass at 4pm w/ Folk Group

Spanish Mass 6pm w/ Spanish Choir

English Mass 11pm w/ Carols & Prophets starting at 10:15pm

Christmas Day, December 25...

English 8:30am w/Organ, Piano, Cantor

English Mass 11am w/ St. Henry Youth Choir

Liturgical Ministers Schedules for the Weekend of December 31 - January 1



5:00pm Sat ..Greeters: Ilene Burkhardt, Bill & Mary Hay **Lector:** Terry Tygielska

Eucharistic Ministers: 1.Ken Adler 2. Patti Adler 3.Rommel Relos

8:30am Sun ...Lector: Celia Ballard

Eucharistic Ministers: 1.Marcy Marlow 2.June Vining 3.Jim Hietpas

11:00am Sun ... Lector: Brandon Dannog

Eucharistic Ministers: 1.Judy Giorgi 2.Ginny Fraser 3.Paz Jaramillo



**December 26 through December 30 there will be no Morning Mass.
Instead St. Henry will offer Adoration and Rosary at 4:30pm with Holy Mass
starting at 5:30pm these days**

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.***

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 envelopes provided. **THANK YOU FOR HELPING USCELEBRATE LIFE.** Questions? Call Jeanne @ 503-665-9129



Retirement Fund for Religious... A Sister writes, "We remember the many people who believe in the Retirement Fund for Religious, thanking them in prayer for their great generosity and compassion." God bless you for donating to last weeks' second collection.

Activities and Opportunities

Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark... Join Deacon Mike presenting a powerful series by Dr. Tim Gray discovering the Gospel of Mark like never before. Immerse yourself in this action-packed Gospel that offers Saint Peter's account of Christ's life and teaching. Starting Monday, January 9 @ 7pm or Tuesday, January 10 @ 9am. Study guides are available for \$10. Call Terri at the office (503-665-9129) to reserve your spot and / or study guide. Deacon Mike

Why Do We Do That? Las Posadas ©LPi

Question: What is the Hispanic Advent custom of "Las Posadas"?

Answer: "Posada" is the Spanish word for inn or lodging. "Las Posadas" refers to a traditional Advent custom in preparation for the birth of Jesus, beginning on December 16. For nine successive evenings, groups reenact the search of Mary and Joseph for shelter in Bethlehem.

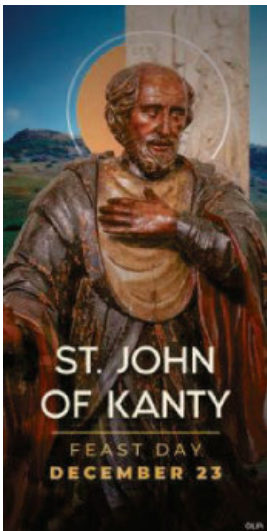
Two children dress as Mary and Joseph, sometimes with Mary riding on an actual donkey. They are usually accompanied by children dressed as angels and shepherds along with the Wise Men. Adults accompany them as they process to designated homes where they sing Christmas songs and request lodging. Part of the group enters the home and becomes the chorus that responds to the request for lodging. In the beginning the request is rebuffed. They move to several more homes where the ritual is repeated. Eventually, at the last home, their need is recognized, and they all enter the home where a party ensues. This is repeated in different neighborhoods and homes each of the nine days.

While this custom teaches children an important aspect of the Christmas story, it also emphasizes the need for hospitality to strangers and the continual need we all have to make room for Jesus in our "posada." As we struggle to arrive at a fair and just immigration policy, it would be good to recall the fact that Mary, Joseph, and Jesus were also immigrants looking for a hospitable place to dwell.



Saint of the Week... Saint John of Kanty | December 23 ©LPi

Saint John, sometimes called John Cantius, was born in the Polish town of Kanty in 1390. Not much is recorded about his early life, however, he was a bright young man who did well in his studies at the university in Krakow. He earned his



doctorate in philosophy and went on to be ordained and earn a doctorate in theology as well.

He began teaching at the university immediately following the conferring of his doctorate in philosophy. Unfortunately, his popularity worked against him, and he was dismissed from his post on false charges. Saint John was reassigned to a post as a parish priest in the town of Olkusz, Bohemia. His parishioners did not receive him with open arms, and he was unsettled in his new position. But John did not give up, his honest care for the people of his parish eventually endeared him to them.

After a time, he was invited back to the university and he returned to teaching, filling leadership roles in the philosophy and theological areas until the end of his long life. Saint John deeply cared for the poor, giving everything but only what he needed to survive away. He lived an aesthetic life but was such an engaging man that he often dined with nobility.

Saint John of Kanty died on December 24, 1473. He was canonized in 1767, by Pope Clement XIII. In 1998, a new religious community chose the saint for their patron and the Canons Regular of Saint John Cantius, was formed in Chicago, Illinois.

**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!



Thank you

Last month St Henry's St. Vincent De Paul served 255 families for a total of 928 individuals. You are helping to make a difference in their lives. St Henry's parishioners' generous donations to St. Vincent de Paul is why we are able to serve as many families as we do. Your generosity and continuous support provides many basic food items to prepare meals for families. Your financial support helps us buy canned food items and fresh produce. It also helps to keep families in their apartment and keep them warm. During the Thanksgiving Day food drive, you generously donated just over 2,600 lbs. of food and \$2,265. Thank you very much and God bless!



4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Sunday's Readings...First Reading: Therefore the Lord himself will give you this sign: the virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel. (Is 7:3-4)

Psalms: Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory. (Ps 24)

Second Reading: The gospel about his Son, descended from David according to the flesh, but established as Son of God in power. (Rom 1:15)

Gospel: The angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. (Mt 1:20)

Gospel Meditation...December 18, 4th Sunday of Advent

An entire town is wiped out by fire, a tornado rips through several neighborhoods, a bomb claims a maternity hospital and a sudden heart attack takes the life of a soul mate. Life is unpredictable and dramatic. Many buy into the sad illusion that the securities and familiarities we see around us today will remain forever: our homes, our friends, our spouses, our churches, and even our health. We are stunned and shaken by a sudden change, finding ourselves bewildered, mortified, and even embittered. We do not like change, especially change driven by sources beyond our control. Are there any guarantees in life? We often live as if our lives come with lifetime warranties. When they break, they can be fixed or replaced. Such is not the case. Many things are irreplaceable and unable to be fixed. During life's inevitable chaos, God says: "Do not be afraid." Seriously? How can one not be afraid when things are falling apart?

Fear is normal and it has a purpose. It is unrealistic, and somewhat unhealthy, to strive to live without any fear. Fear teaches us lessons and can be a catalyst to discovering more profound things. What we do with fear and how we understand it is critical. Fear can either cripple us or move us forward. God does not want fear to cripple us. If we look around at all that can change in our lives and consider what we might have to do, we can easily wallow in the mire of self-misery. Or we can step up to the challenge, as Mary did, and do what needs doing! We can stand tall, as did Joseph, and do the right and just thing! What gives us this courage? Faith.

God is with us. This is the focus of our Advent preparations. We need to be reminded that we are not in this alone. God not only made us and loves us, but God keeps us! In the person of Jesus Christ, God is the sign we need to persevere! Do not be afraid and do not be unbelieving! Hold fast to what God has done in giving us His only begotten Son. We do not have to anxiously attempt to control life's unpredictability. God has blessed us with the birth of His Son. Trust that He is with us and will not abandon us, even in death.



Information

The business office would like to remind you that it is the end of the year and if you need to get that extra tax deduction we'd love to help you out. 😊

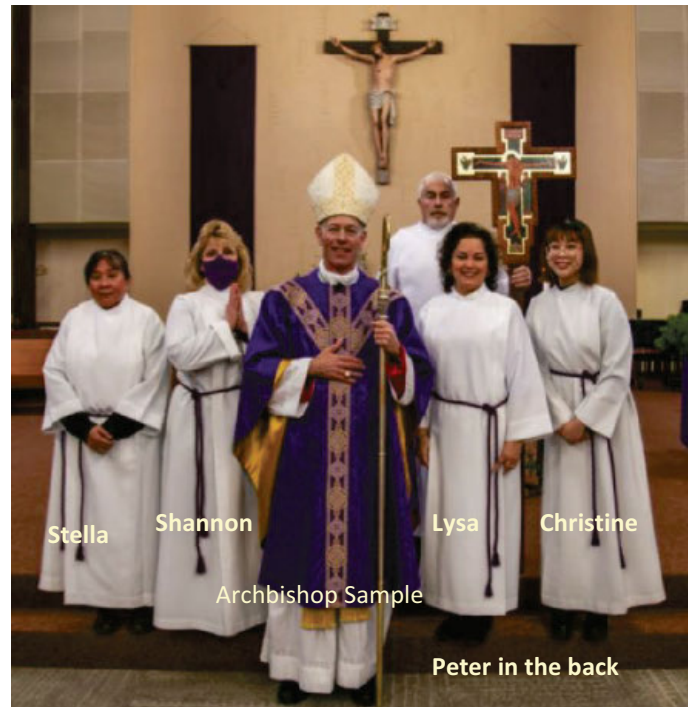
Stock transfers go through our Archdiocese and we have forms for your broker to use. The broker must list St. Henry on the paper work or the Archdiocese will not know where to send the money. Or you can simply make a donation in the collection basket before the end of the year. Thank you for any consideration in this matter. Please contact Claire in our office if you need further help; cclow@archdpdx.org



On another note, I'm sure you've noticed the construction in the main parking area for the church. We have added the sidewalk that the city needed and the bell tower had been moved. The street lights arrived but were damaged so we are waiting on replacements. A cost analysis of the whole Madonna Center will be supplied when all is completed.

St. Henry Welcomes Archbishop Alexander Sample...

December 4, 2022 Archbishop Alexander Sample was here at St. Henry to say Mass at 11am, Adoration at 3pm followed by a Town Hall meeting where the Archbishop answered pre-submitted questions.



Advent Wreath Families



1. 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. 2. 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. 3. 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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