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**MASS INTENTIONS**

Dec 4 - 5

Sat 5:15 p.m. +Sam L. Hayes  
 Sun 9:00 a.m Parishioners of St. Joseph's  
 Sun 11:30 a.m +Trinidad De La Torre  
 Sun 3:00 p.m. (Baggs) Parishioners of OLS

Dec 6 - 12

Mon 12:00 Noon +Irene Bauman  
 Tues 12:00 Noon +Mimi Kirsch  
 Wed 7:00 a.m +Phyllis Torres  
 12:00 Noon + B. G. Jerry Michie  
 7:00 p.m Parishioners of St. Joseph's  
 Thurs 12:00 Noon +Anna Lascano

Fri (NO MASS SCHEDULED)

Sat 5:15 p.m. +Murry Family  
 Sun 9:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Joseph's  
 Sun 11:30 a.m +Luis and Lucy Lascano  
 Sun 3:00 p.m. (Baggs) Parishioners of OLS

The second candle of the Advent wreath, also purple, represents faith. It is called the "Bethlehem Candle" as a reminder of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.

PASTOR Rev. Sam Hayes 324-4631  
 Secretary Deb Chaffin 324-4631  
 Director of Religious Education Linda Butler

**SCHEDULE OF MASSES**

Saturday 5:15 p.m.  
 Sunday 9:00 , 11:30 a.m.  
 Daily Monday and Wednesday 7:00 a.m.  
 Tuesday and Thursday 12:00 Noon  
 Holy Days 7:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon, 7:00 p.m.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION**

Saturday 4:00 – 4:50 p.m.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Kindergarten thru 8<sup>th</sup> Grades  
 Sunday 10:10 – 11:10 a.m.

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

Baptisms: Scheduled by appointment

Marriages: Six Month Notice

LEGION OF MARY PRAYER GROUP:

For Information call: 321-4442 Debbie

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree 1st  
 Wed 7:00 p.m.

## Second Sunday of Advent

Quite likely you have a long checklist of things that you need to do before Christmas, which is now only three weeks away. But is “repentance for the forgiveness of sins” on that list? It ought to be, for this is exactly what John the Baptist called for in preparation for the Lord’s coming.

Gathered here today to receive Jesus in the Eucharist, let us repent of the wrongs we have done or good we have failed to do and seek forgiveness for our sins so as to properly prepare a place for our Lord to be born anew into our lives.

*“At this Christmas when Christ comes, will he find a warm heart? Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving the others with God’s own love and concern.”*

*Mother Teresa*

This **Wednesday, December 8**, we celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a holy day of obligation. For your convenience three masses will be celebrated...7:00 am, 12:00 noon and 7:00 pm.

*Mary was chosen by God to bear the Son of God. Like Mary, we too were chosen by God, as Paul writes to the Ephesians at the beginning of his letter. We were all chosen to be sons and daughters of God. We too are called to bear Christ to the world.*

## SYNOD NEWS

As conversations have begun about walking together, let us prepare to enter Advent with renewed Faith and allow the Holy Spirit to lead us to find creative ways to continue walking together and deeply listening to one another. Form small discussion/prayer groups; spend time as a family exploring the image of Jesus, the crowd, and the apostles; reach out to family members and friends who have left the church and ask them to join you for prayer and conversation. Go to <https://dioceseofcheyenne.org/synod-2021-2023> for updates and information.

*“God speaks in the silence of the heart. Listening is the beginning of Prayer.”* Mother Teresa

**One hour of Adoration and private prayer time is held in Thursday’s at 7:00 pm. What better way to enter into the season of advent?**

St. Vincent de Paul will be distributing Christmas Day food baskets on Saturday Dec 18<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. You do not need to call in to reserve a Christmas Day basket. We are trying a drive-thru event this year. In addition, if your child is in need of a Christmas gift, please call Mike Lujan at 307-321-6453.

Our Lady of Guadalupe: Because The Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe falls on Sunday, November 12, we cannot celebrate the special mass that day. Instead, the third Sunday of Advent must be celebrated. Therefore, we will celebrate **Our Lady of Guadalupe with Mass on Monday December 13 at 7:00 p.m.**