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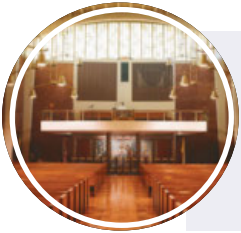
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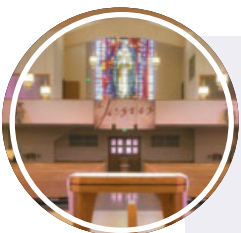
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A REFLECTION BY FR. HERIC

Dear Friends in Christ,

One of my favorite musicals is from the early 1990s, titled **"Children of Eden."** It's the story in Genesis of God's children, that's all of us losing the life of Eden by our disobedience and selfishness. The rest of the story, to this very moment in time, tells of God's endless plan to bring us back to paradise, the garden where the love of God and neighbor is the unambiguous center and reason for our lives. The final song in the play, in its own way, invites us to begin again the **season of Advent**, a sacred time of longing, waiting, and preparing for the Lord to come again at Christmas time, at the end of time, and in the meantime, every day of our lives.



Of all the gifts we have received
One is most precious and most terrible
The will of each of us is free
It's in our hands

Our hands can choose to drop the knife
Our hearts can choose to stop the hating
For every moment of our life
Is the beginning...

There is no journey gone so far
So far we cannot stop and change direction
No doom is written in the stars

It's in our hands...

We cannot know what will occur
Just make the journey worth the taking
And pray we're wiser than we were, It's the beginning
Now we begin...

Advent blessings to all!

Fr. William Heric, Pastor

Holy Mary Mother of God...pray for us!

St. Bridget of Kildare...pray for us!

St. Catherine of Siena...pray for us!

Live Jesus in our hearts...forever!

Mass Intentions

Our Mass celebrants will remember the following Intentions during the celebration of the Eucharist:

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2

9:00am | For the Parish † - AP & STB

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3

9:00am | For the Parish † - STC

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4

9:00am | For the Parish † - AP & OLL

6:30pm | For the Parish † - STB

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5

9:00am | For the Parish † - OLL & STC

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

9:00am | For the Parish † - AP & STB

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

5:00pm | For the Parish † - OLL & STC

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

9:00am | For the Parish † - AP & STB

10:30am | For the parish † - OLL & STC



Readings for the week of December 1, 2024

Sunday:

Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 (1b)/
1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Monday:

Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/
Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday:

Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/
Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday:

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/
Mt 15:29-37

Thursday:

Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday:

Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday:

Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/
Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday:

Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/
Is 60:1-6, 9-11/Lk 3:1-6

Prayer Corner

Marianne Roulet
Fr. Tim Sauer
Catherine Scott

Please pray for those who are ill:

Molly Anton,
(Cousin of Pat Lass)
Ryan Corr
(Son of Pat and Jean)
Lorene Davidson
Fr. Oliver Duggan
Robert Earhart
John Ernest
Linda Fredericks
Mary Gibson
Lily LaPorte
Daisy Lu
Mary Moore
Patrick Mulvihill
Bryan Perez Ramos

For those who have died:

Robert Willcoxon
(Father of Debra Ricard)

05 | COMMUNITY LIFE

NE Seattle Catholic Community

Get Involved in Our Ministries!

NEW! Parish Pals Transport **ALL PARISH**

Share the joy of Mass with our elderly parishioners by providing them with a ride! Join this meaningful ministry to offer companionship and ensure everyone can participate in our faith community. Your kindness can make all the difference—become a Parish Pal today! Please reach out to your church front office.

Bible Study

TUESDAY @9:30AM - OLL
TUESDAY @ 6:30PM - STC

Looking to grow in faith and connect with others? Join us for a welcoming time of reflection and discussion. Whether you're new to Scripture or experienced, there's always something to discover. Come as you are—we'd love to have you with us!

St. Francis House

Volunteers Needed

St. Francis House is a day center serving working poor and homeless families. Located at 169 12th Avenue, near Seattle University, it is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The center provides a friendly and supportive environment for everyone who walks through its doors.

On an average November day, we welcome 62 shoppers and serve a total of 155 clients. This adds up to approximately 1,100 shoppers and 3,100 clients per month. As you can see, volunteers are essential! There are many ways to help: serving coffee, sorting and organizing donations, or working directly with clients in the clothing rooms

Coffee Hour Help Needed **SUNDAYS @9:00AM - ASP & STB** **SUNDAYS @10:30AM - OLL & STC**

Help us foster community by volunteering for Coffee Hour after Mass. It's a fun way to connect, serve, and share hospitality with others. We need friendly faces to set up, serve, and clean up. If you're interested, please reach out to your parish office.

Children's Church or CLOW **ALL PARISH**

Our parishes are seeking volunteers for Children's Church! Each parish in our family offers a special Children's Liturgy of the Word, and we need your help to make it possible. If you love working with children and want to nurture their faith, please reach out to your parish office to learn more about this rewarding opportunity.



(men, women, and children) and housewares area.

We invite you to consider volunteering, whether weekly or on an occasional basis. For any questions, please reach out to:

Mary Jo Gasparich -
maryjogasparich@gmail.com

Marilyn Price

Jean Li



Wreath Making Class

December 4 at 6:30 pm
@ST. BRIDGET CHURCH

Join us for a festive evening of wreath-making! Enjoy step-by-step instructions and all materials provided, including wreath forms, fresh evergreens, dried embellishments, and a variety of ribbons to create a unique wreath.

Pre-registration is required!
Reserve your spot to join in the holiday fun.

- Cost: \$75pp + tax



CELEBRATE ADVENT IDEA 1:

If you need to wait
in a line, don't
immediately pull
out your phone.
Experience the
feeling of waiting
and offer up a
prayer for someone
you know in need!

The Assumption & St. Bridget Giving Tree

@ Assumption & St. Bridget

Our Giving Tree is up and ready! We invite our community to take an ornament from the tree, representing a gift for someone in need. Simply visit the church, select an ornament card, and return your unwrapped gift or contribution as indicated. Be sure to attach the ornament card to your gift.

Thank you for generously sharing with our neighbors in need. This year, we support SVdP, Prepares, and St. Francis House.

Important: All gifts must be returned by December 12.

Join us for a Wrap Party on December 15 at Assumption Parish, following the 9:00 am Mass.



THE GIVING TREE IS HERE!

Mother Teresa Guild has hosted the Christmas "Giving Tree" for over 20 years. We are collecting items for our selected charities to distribute as holiday gifts. This year, we are accepting the following donations:

- Gift Cards: \$25 (Kroger/Fred Meyer/QFC stores, Safeway/Albertsons stores, & Target)
- Tangible Items: Many of our charities need clothing and toys.

Donation Drop-off Location

Mother Teresa Guild will accept your donations in Jubilee Hall before and after Mass.

Deadline: December 15, 2024

For a list of items each organization requests, please see the link below or check the Giving Tree in Jubilee Hall.

Last Year's Generosity

Last year, you generously donated over 160 gift cards and hundreds of toys and clothing items that our charities rely on for holiday handouts. Please find the charities we support this year on the back.

Thank You!

Thank you in advance for your generous support and compassion. Your gifts will bring warmth and cheer to our neighbors in need at a time when our community's needs are especially great.

QUESTIONS?
SHAVAN: (206) 276-6500
WHITNI: (206) 949-9060

Save the Date Esperanza International

Next summer's high school service/immersion trek to Tijuana with Esperanza International is July 27 - August 2nd. Meetings and fundraising will start in January; the dates are TBD.

For questions, call St. Catherine parishioner Katie Fleming at 206-354-5161 or email kjfleming1239@gmail.com.



Young Adult Christmas Party December 7 at 7:00 pm @ ST. ALPHONSUS IN BALLARD

Join us for the All-Seattle Archdiocesan Young Adult Christmas Formal! Gather for a festive and classy celebration of the Christmas season with live music, dancing, appetizers, & seasonal cocktails, and connect with Catholic young adults (ages 21-35) across the diocese and region. Invite a friend and make new ones! We can't wait for another year of this joyful tradition.

Tickets can be purchased at <https://frassatiseseattle.org/christmasformal/ticket>

Prices will go up to \$30/person on November 24th, and will be \$35 the day of the event.

The OLL Giving Tree is Here!

NOW THROUGH DEC. 15

@ Our Lady of the Lake

Join the Mother Teresa Guild in spreading holiday joy! For over 20 years, we've collected donations to benefit local charities. This year, we're accepting \$25 gift cards (Target, Fred Meyer, Safeway) and tangible items like clothing and toys.

Donation Drop-off: Jubilee Hall, before and after Mass.

Deadline: December 15, 2024.

Your generous support brings warmth and cheer to neighbors in need. Last year, you donated over 160 gift cards and countless toys and clothing. Let's make this year's holiday season just as impactful!

Visit the Giving Tree in Jubilee Hall for a full list of needed items and supported charities. Thank you!

Celebrate the Season!

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Our All Parish Family Advent and Christmas schedule is now available! Embrace the joy and hope of the season with special Masses, events, and opportunities to gather in faith. Be sure to pick up a flyer at church or explore the complete schedule in this week's **Weekly Word**. Don't miss out on these cherished traditions and moments of spiritual renewal!

Have a bulletin story or pictures to share? Contact Director of Communications, **Susie Lane** - susie@stbridgetchurch.org

07 | FAITH FORMATION AND LITURGIES

NE Seattle Catholic Community

Social Seniors Cookie Exchange

December 11, 2024

All Parish @ St. Bridget Church

Attention Social Seniors in our NE Catholic Community! Are you ready to mix and mingle? This event is for you! Join us at St. Bridget Church on **Wednesday, December 11, at 11:00 AM at St. Bridget Church** for a fun-filled cookie exchange.

Please bring two dozen cookies to share—whether homemade or store-bought, all are welcome! To-go containers will be provided. We can't wait to celebrate and share this festive occasion with you!



SVDP Needs

ALL PARISH

Support our community!
Donate non-perishable food for SVDP at any church location. Check The Weekly Word for specific items needed. Thank you for your generosity!

Thank you for caring for our neighbors by stocking our pantry.

Note: Please do not donate food that is past the "use by" date as we cannot give this to neighbors.

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