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RECONCILIATION

Every Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM

Other times by Appointment

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

5:00 PM (Vigil Mass)

Sunday

7:00 AM

9:00 AM

11:00 AM (Bilingual)

6:30 PM (Youth)

Latin Mass 1:30 PM

(2nd Sunday of the Month)

Weekdays

In the Chapel

Mon. 7:00 AM

Communion Service 12:15 PM

Tue. 7:00 AM & 12:15 PM

Wed. 7:00 AM & 12:15 PM

Thurs. 8:15 AM & 12:15 PM

Fri. 7:00 AM & 12:15 PM

Saturday

8:15 AM





Dear Parish Family,

This weekend we begin a new journey and we do it by preparing ourselves for the “coming” of Our Lord; that is the actual meaning for the word *Advent*. As a community of believers we will recall the promises made by God to our forefathers through the prophets; the promise of peace, the promise of justice, the promise of love. We begin this journey of *Advent* by *actively waiting*, by *joyfully hoping* that with the celebration of the coming of Jesus at Christmas, our world will be reminded that those promises have already been fulfilled with the Birth of Jesus. Jesus came already; he was born at Bethlehem more than two thousand years ago. Let us not forget that this is the focal point of our Christmas Celebrations. Let us make of this advent journey a great opportunity to prepare, mind and spirit, so He might come again into our hearts.

With the Advent Season we began our preparation to receive Jesus not only in the manger or crib we might arrange at our homes this Christmas, but into our hearts as well. The very word “*advent*” has to do with this season prior to Christmas. It tells us the “*He is coming*”. All along the four weeks of Advent, Mother Church invites us to *actively wait* preparing ourselves to celebrate the first coming of Christ into our world at Christmas and also calls our attention to the second coming of the Lord at the end of time.

There is a truth though, we do not like to wait, and since we do not like to wait, we find ways to fill up the empty feeling of waiting. Popular culture adores multi-tasking, fast pain relief, instant everything. College students emerge from class and immediately activate their cell phones, even when they are walking in a group of classmates. States pass laws prohibiting texting while driving. Minds and hearts of young and old are filled with *urgent concerns*.

Sadly to admit in most of the cases the Coming of the Kingdom is not one of these urgent concerns young and old currently have. Why worry about something that is not going to happen any time soon? Why, indeed? In Advent, God answers: “*Because it is the wise thing to do. It is the right way to live.*” So through St. Mateo in the Gospel for the 1st Sunday of Advent I encourage you to “*Stay awake...and to be prepared...*”

I know that for many of you, life is hectic and you may have many scheduled activities to comply with. Nevertheless I would like to invite you to the different celebrations we will be having leading us to a wonderful Christmas time. Also you will be receiving the brochure for the Advent/Christmas Schedule and you will have a chance to take one of the booklets with reflections for Advent called *Advent Gospel Reflections by Bishop Robert Barron*. We will also have the opportunity to go to Reconciliation at the Advent Penance Services; my brother priests will come together to celebrate with us: The Holies on Wednesday, December 13th; Holy Redeemer 4pm & Holy Family 7pm, The Saints on Thursday, December 14th; St. Joseph 4pm & St. Paul 7pm.

Fr. Mike I., Fr. Lane, Deacons John C., Jim K. and I are preparing wonderful liturgies to commemorate the Coming of Jesus more than 2000 years ago with the hope they will help us focus and prepare for the Coming of Jesus at the end of times. In the meantime let us rejoice in his Coming to us ‘in Word and Sacrament to strengthen us in holiness’ at every Eucharist we celebrate and also when He goes undercover as one of our brothers and sisters.

Advent Greetings and Blessings,

Rev. César Vega M.
Pastor

A PRAYER FOR THE LORD'S PROTECTION

First Reading

Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b;64:2-7

Isaiah Prays for the Lord's forgiveness of the people.

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Because Christ has been raised from the dead, all those who have died will also be raised. .

Gospel Reading

Mark 13:33-37

Jesus teaches that when the Son of Man comes in glory, he will judge the nations, separating the sheep from the goats.

Family Connection

www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/

In family life, we try to prepare ourselves for many future things: our next vacation, our children's education, our retirement. We are careful not to allow ourselves to be caught by surprise so that we can handle any challenges our family may face. Today's Gospel reminds us that we are called to be just as attentive and alert to the coming of the Son of Man so that it will not catch us unprepared. This means attending to our family's spiritual life as carefully as we attend to other important family matters.

As you gather as a family, talk about a time when you received surprise visitors at your house, perhaps a neighbor who stopped by or a relative who arrived unannounced. Was your household prepared to receive this unannounced guest? What might your family have done differently if you knew ahead of

time that this visitor was going to arrive? Jesus told his disciples that no one knows when the Son of Man will return, except the Father. Read with your family what Jesus told his disciples in today's Gospel, Mark 13:33-37.

During Advent, we not only prepare ourselves to celebrate the birth of Jesus, we also check to see if we are doing all the things that will keep us ready to receive Jesus when he comes again. Talk about how your family can recommit to daily prayer, reading Scripture, and staying faithful to God's commandments. Pray together that through this Advent season your family will be more prepared to receive Jesus when he comes again. Read as a concluding prayer Paul's words to the Corinthians found in today's second reading,

1 Corinthians 1:3-9, or pray the Lord's Prayer.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Second Sunday of Advent

December 10, 2017

1st Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11

2nd Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-14

Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

SEMINARIANS!



Bishop Tyson has encouraged us to pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. **Jacob Sevigny is studying Spanish in Morelia, México.** Please keep him and those who are considering vocations in your prayers.

9th Annual



Rockin' Around The Christmas Tree
Dinner ~ Auction ~ Dance
2017

Holy Family Father
Murtagh Gathering Hall

**Saturday,
December 9th, 2017**

6:00~11:00 p.m.



Make your reservations today in our Gift Shop or
in our Parish office during the week.

Table of 8 for \$480.00

\$60 per person.

Proceeds to benefit our Faith Formation Programs.

If you are unable to attend and would like to make a donation you can do so by contacting Dolores Nesta at 966-0830.

Silent and live auction items are still needed.

Join us, we are still taking reservations. We are excited for your presence.

First Sunday of Advent - December 3, 2017

WELCOME TO HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

If this is your first time at Holy Family, welcome and be sure to pick up a registration card at the Welcoming Desk or call the Parish Office at 966-0830 and we will be glad to assist you. If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to become a member of Holy Family.

Announcements



TROOPS OF SAINT GEORGE

VIRTUS. HONOR. FRATERNITAS.

Using the outdoors and the sacraments for the formation of fathers and their sons age 6 to 18.

Join Us!

**1st Thursday of each month
7-8pm**

Knights of Columbus Hall

- Monthly meeting & campout/activity
- Learn outdoor skills, life skills
- Foster your faith and love for the sacraments and vocations

Call Steve Branch for info (480-9685)

www.facebook.com/TSGTroop1969

troopsosaintgeorge.org

Advertiser of the Week



**NEW LOCATION
6712 Tieton Dr.**

We thank

Tacos el Rey

and all of our Advertisers who make this bulletin possible.

See their ad on the back of this bulletin.



The CTCs school community is taking part in the KIMA Kids for Cans Food Drive again this year. Last year they won the competition amongst many schools in the valley, even though they were the smallest. The theme for the event was "We have Heart." We are hoping to do the same this year. There will be a Northwest Harvest collection box in the foyer of the church until December 15th. They are also collecting cash donations on the following link: <https://www.crowdrise.com/ctcs-kids-for-cans>. As an incentive Heather will dress as a chicken and do the chicken dance in an assembly if they win. Last year when they won, she dyed her hair. The kids are super excited and really want to show Christ's love through the support of this event.



SUNDAY BREAKFAST 7:30 to 11:00am Next Breakfast Dec. 17th

**Donations Suggested.
Proceeds go towards
council projects.**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE, IN SERVICE TO ALL.



MAGNIFICAT

**Formation School of Faith For
Leadership and Lay Ministry**

These classes are designed for growth in knowledge of our faith, creed and doctrine of the Church. Led by Bishop Joseph Tyson, the English-speaking Magnificat program is a formation school of faith for leadership and lay ministry. All classes will be offered in the school building of Paul Cathedral in Yakima, St. Pius X Parish in Quincy, or Holy Spirit Parish in Kennewick, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. 509-965-7117. Next session in Yakima will be on December 2, 2018

Annual Catholic Appeal 2018



*Encounter Christ
on the
Journey of the
Pilgrim Church*



We wish to thank everyone who made a gift or pledge to the Diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal last weekend. If you were unable to make a pledge last weekend, please prayerfully consider doing so today. Envelopes are available in the pews, and once completed, they may be placed in the collection basket. No matter the size of your gift, we pray that you will participate in this important campaign.

Holy Family's Helping Hands

Your helping hands are needed! Camp Hope homeless shelter in Yakima have had a lot of volunteers contributing their time and efforts to get ready for occupancy. There are still some items they need as they begin to set things up. This is where your helping hands come in. Here is a list of items they need. Your donations are needed.

If you are interested in providing food for the camp please call Linda Iasella at 966-8644

Couches

Tables

Chairs

Appliances

Refrigerators

Microwave Ovens

Toaster Ovens

Hot Plates

Coffee Makers

Storage cabinets

Non-perishable foods (it is better for us to have a large quantity of a single item then lots of various single items.)

Paper towels

Silverware

Pots and pans

Microwaveable cooking containers

Non-breakable cups and dishes

Food Storage containers



THE ONE THING I'M DOING THIS ADVENT

By Emily Pellarin <http://lifeteen.com/blog/the-one-thing-im-doing-this-advent/>



Advent is here! Advent is here! You know what that means...Or maybe you're like me and you don't really know what that means. *"It's like Lent, sort of. But it's not 40 days."*

"And it's like a countdown to Christmas. There are advent calendars with chocolate inside of them that my mom always gets me."

"Something about waiting...that sound's right."

Every year, these are the thoughts that run through my head about this liturgical season.

Until this year. And Pope Francis.

Something that he has been saying for a while, finally clicked for me this year.

In all of his addresses, he talks a lot about "encounter." To encounter people seems to be more than just acknowledging people passing by. When I think about encountering people, I think of meeting up in a coffee shop or a ball game. It's about occupying the same space.

In the beginning of *Joy of the Gospel*, Pope Francis said: "I invite all Christians, everywhere, at this

very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to letting him encounter them."

And it made me think about all the times in my day when I don't leave space to let God into my day.

I wake up in the morning and I check my phone.

I show up a couple minutes early for a meeting and I check my phone.

I get in my car and plug the aux cord into my phone.

I'm waiting for my friends to show up at Chipotle and I...you guessed it...pull out my phone.

It's not that my phone is bad or anything. It keeps me connected to my family and friends. I keep up with emails on my phone. I even use some apps to pray and read the Bible.

But if I'm honest with myself, most of the time I use my phone to fill the void in the pockets of unscheduled time throughout the day. I think I've lost what Pope

Francis talked about: an openness to letting God encounter me in these little moments.

Christmas is all about welcoming Jesus into the world. I want to use my Advent leaving space and silence to welcome Jesus into my day.

So that's what I'm doing for Advent this year. When I find myself reaching for my phone in those little pockets of time throughout my day, I am going to but my phone back and sit in the silence and give God the opportunity to encounter me.

So as you walk into Advent this year, think about how you can make room to let the Lord encounter you. Maybe it's joining me in the phone challenge. But let's take Pope Francis up on his invitation and use this Advent to encounter Jesus and let Him encounter us.



In search of Altoid Tins. Please drop them off in our parish Office or in the basket placed on the welcoming Desk.

Youth Group

Wednesdays

6:30 to 8:30

JOIN US!



[Instagram.com/holyfamilyyakimayouth/](https://www.instagram.com/holyfamilyyakimayouth/)

First Sunday of Advent - December 3, 2017

Sacraments/Faith Formation



Walking with PURPOSE

Enabling women to know Christ through Scripture
Women's Scripture Study

Catholic Bible study for women that aims to bring women to a deeper personal relationship with Christ.

Holy Family in the Church Hall Classroom (across from the nursery) from 6:30 - 8:15 pm. Forms are available in the Foyer & Parish Office.

Workbooks \$45.00.

For questions or to RSVP, call or email Teresa Guaglianone at 559-269-4364 or terguaglianone@gmail.com. You can also visit www.walkingwithpurpose.com for more information.

Children's Ministries:

PRESCHOOL THRU GRADE 5

Middle School Ministries:

GRADES 6, 7 & 8 - Middle School

As we enter the Advent Season and are waiting to celebrate the birth of our Lord and preparing for His coming again, let us reflect on the many blessings we have been given here at Holy Family.

Our annual Holiday Bazaar was on Saturday, November 18th in the Gym, Cafeteria, and Gathering Hall. It was a huge success and we are thankful for everyone who helped and those who attended.

On Sunday, November 19th, we launched our first parent meeting for the Sacrament students. Of the 222 students enrolled just

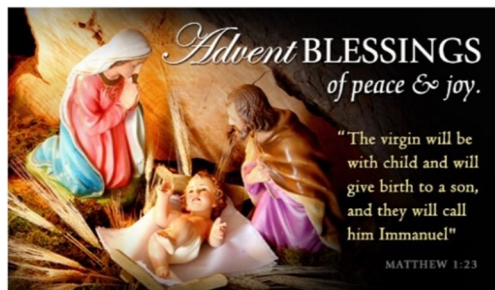
a few were not present. Pretty good turnout parents!

Our Christmas Program will be on December 17th at 11:00 a.m. in the gym. Students will meet at 10:30 a.m. in their regular classrooms. Everyone is invited to come! We will have a short reception following the program.

We are continuing our 'Coats for Kids' drive & our Middle School students are doing a canned food drive. All are welcome to participate!

*Have a joyous
Holiday Season*

Rose Meyer



Bible Study The Prophets

Come join us Thursday mornings as we take a look at **The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy**. Who were the prophets, what was their message, and what do they have to do with us? This 11 week study is facilitated by Ree Kearns using materials from Ascension Press. We meet at **10:30-12:00 p.m. in the Fr. Murtagh Gathering Hall**. Fee: \$20 (scholarships provided). To register, please call Amy at 966-5344 or email amy.baumgardner@holylfamilyakima.org. If childcare is needed please call as soon as possible. Walk-ins are always welcome!

The Giving Trees are in the main church and the foyer, you may bring an UNWRAPPED GIFT, food or you may give a monetary gift. There will be no tags to take this year, so please keep your gift unwrapped so that the Community Center can give them to the proper age group. Gifts will be collected the next two weekends ONLY. Gifts will be given out on December 15th. Thank you for your generosity.



Infant Baptisms take place on the 1st, 3rd & 5th weekends during Mass; and on the 2nd & 4th Sunday's in the chapel at 10:15am.

Parents & Godparents requesting baptism for children are expected to attend two preparation sessions prior to baptism.

To register, and if you need childcare you must call the office beforehand.

509-966-5344



Religious Education

K-5th Grades

Sundays: 10:30 am to 11:30am
Or Mondays: 4:00pm to 5:00pm

**MIDDLE
SCHOOL**
youth ministry
Wednesdays
6:30pm to 8:30pm



Wednesdays
6:30pm to 8:30pm

Monthly Collection

1200 Households

Average Needed Weekly \$16,000

November Collection 2017

Operating Funds	Building & Maintenance
1. \$17,274.00	\$935.00
2. \$12,992.94	\$280.00
3. \$15,461.50	\$150.00
4. \$10,553.00	\$128.00
Total: \$56,485.44	\$1,493.00

Sharing the Light Gift Shop

Saturday: 4:45pm to beginning of Mass; 6:00pm to 6:15pm Sunday:
Open at 8:00am closed at 12:15pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Chaplet of Divine Mercy is sung on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 3:00 pm.
Adoration: Tuesdays from 8:00 to 5:45 ending with Benediction.

HOLY FAMILY NURSERY:

Ages 4 and Under The Childcare Center at Holy Family church is available during the Saturday 5:00 pm Mass and Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am Masses. We invite all other children to attend Mass with their families.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Sister Janet Strong -Tel: 576-0931; email: annunciation@beitmery.org, our Diocesan religious Hermit, would like us to know that she is very happy to pray, before the Blessed Sacrament, for any intentions that might be referred to her.



KNITTING & CROCHETING FOR JESUS:

A prayer shawl ministry: Caring, Comfort and Celebration is what Knitting & Crocheting for Jesus does. Knitters & those who Crochet, knit & crochet at home and during our Prayer shawl gatherings. If you know someone who needs Caring or Comfort or has an event to Celebrate please call Mary Patrick at 509-952-1974 or the parish office. More knitters & those who crochet are also needed. Come and Knit or Crochet for Jesus. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday's of the Month at 9:30 am.

A CALL TO MEN

Holy Family MEN'S MINISTRY

Monday- 7:00pm
Thursday-7:00pm
& Friday-6:00am

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." John 15:5

PRAYER HOTLINE:

For any prayer requests call Barb McKinney at 945-0477 or email: rbmckinney84@gmail.com
If you'd like to become a member of the prayer hotline please call Barb.



Elizabeth Ministry

is a wonderful ministry in our parish that takes time to congratulate new parents and we come our new 'lil' one into our faith community. Welcome bags are available in the church foyer or the parish office. These are filled with goodies and helpful information. We are looking for new team members to help welcome new families into our community. If you are interested in joining the Elizabeth Ministry team, please call Amy at 966-5344.

Elizabeth Ministry Bereavement offers support for women who have suffered the loss of a baby to **miscarriage**. In this time of grief and questions please call Christine Levitan at 901-4995 to receive helpful information and resources. And if you wish, the opportunity to talk with someone who has been through this difficult experience.

If you are interested in volunteering with one of the Elizabeth Ministry teams, please contact Amy at the Office of Adult Faith Formation, 966-5344, for more information.

PRAISERCISE

Mon and Wed 1:15 pm

Cardio, Resistance Training, mat work and stretching & short Bible Study. Bring a water bottle and a mat (I will have some extra mats). Comfortable clothing, and sneakers which provide good support.

Where?

**Premier Fitness 5110 Tieton Dr. #340 (Glenwood Square 3rd Floor)
Questions? Call Jill Carroll at 965-0296**



Catholics Returning Home

If you are a Catholic who has been away from the Church for a while, or know someone who has, this program is for you. Our faith community is incomplete without you. No matter how long you have been away, and for whatever reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with the Catholic Church. Brochures are at the end of the pews or at the welcome desk in the foyer. For more information contact Amy at the adult faith formation office.

"HOLY GROUNDS"

after Mass **Fellowship** Coffee and donuts every weekend. Coffee hours will follow the 7:00, 9:00, & 11:00am Masses. Come visit and have a latte or coffee.



pray & play

"Exercise & reflection" Join us on Monday & Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:00 a.m. Call Tom Kelleher for more information at 494-3738. All adults (22 and older) are welcome!!!!

FLOWER REMEMBRANCE

- Walter & Charlotte Markusiewicz: In loving memory of mothers and sister deceased in December: **Michalina Markusiewicz, Magdalena Cichon, Stella Topoll and Marilyn Dryzmala.**
- Bob & Cecile Schneider: In loving memory of **Rosemary Benoit** & both of their fathers **Dr. Louis Benoit** and **Casper Schneider.**
- Dwain & MaryAnn Schrank: In loving memory of our son, **Cleatis** on the anniversary of his death, Dec. 6th.
- Juanita Jean and Shanda & Casey, Amanda, Claudia & great grandchildren: In loving memory of **Pedro & Esther Ybarra** on the anniversary of their passing.

If you have wondered about how to plan a vigil and funeral liturgy contact Deacon Jim at 945-5432 after 4pm

SEWING MINISTRY

Can you sew? Every Tuesday morning to make linens and vestments for our priests. Perhaps giving one year to this ministry could be your gift to the church. They meet every Tuesday from 9:30 to Noon in the Brides room off the church foyer.

HELP STOP ABORTION!

Please join Nathan Stone in representing Holy Family's crusade against abortion.

**Tuesdays 9-10 am and 2:30 to 3:30pm
Wednesday 9:00 to 11:00am.**

People committed to ending abortion walk with signs in front of Planned Parenthood abortion clinic on 11th & Tieton Dr. Call Nathan at 966-3216 for information.

CURSILLO

The Cursillo Movement seeks to remind laity of their unique role in the world as Christians and empower a Christian life. Contact: John McKean, 509-317-2134.

The Yakima Diocese has a sexual abuse hotline for those who wish to report some incident concerning that issue as regards to a bishop, priest, deacon or diocesan employee or volunteer. Please call (888) 276-4490.