



# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

219 E. Rockwood Blvd.  
Spokane, WA 99202

*Second Sunday of Advent*

*December 8, 2019*

*2019: The 50th Anniversary of our Church!*

The pastor and parishioners of Sacred Heart Catholic Church warmly welcome you to our parish family! We hope that you find us to be a family of faith and love, exemplifying in word and deed the generosity of the Father, the self-giving service of Jesus Christ, and the enduring presence of the Holy Spirit.

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**Mass Schedules:**

**WEEKENDS:**

Reconciliation: *Saturday 4:00 pm*

Saturday Vigil: *5:00 pm*

Sunday: *10:00 am*

**WEEKDAYS:**

Tue, Wed, Thurs, & Fri: *8:30 am*

**HOLY DAYS:**

*8:30 am & 5:30 pm*

**Religious Education:**

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

*Sunday 10:00 am Mass*

Religious Education, Kindergarten to Grade 6:

*Sunday, 8:45-10:00 am*

*For events, schedules, and contact persons for all other parish activities and ministries, visit our website:*

***[shparishspokane.org](http://shparishspokane.org)***

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## Advent & Christmas at Sacred Heart Church

*Advent Reconciliation Service*  
Wednesday, December 11th, 7 pm

### *Christmas Celebrations*

Christmas Eve Family Mass: 5:00 pm  
Christmas Morning Mass: 10:00 am

*Mary, Mother of God (New Years)*  
Tuesday, December 31st, 5:30 pm



## All Women's Choir!

*Choir* For women who love to sing yet prefer an occasional choir commitment, we have a women's choir that sings about once per month. Any woman who can carry a tune is welcome to join! Our next practice will be on Monday, December 16th, at 7 pm in the parish center. Our next Sunday singing will be Sunday, December 22nd. If interested, please contact Marian Beaumier, (509)747 5790, or by email at [marianfletcherbeaumier@hotmail.com](mailto:marianfletcherbeaumier@hotmail.com).



## New to the Parish?

We look forward to getting to know you!  
Please contact our office by phone: 747-5810,  
e-mail: [office@shparishspokane.org](mailto:office@shparishspokane.org), or through our  
website: [shparishspokane.org](http://shparishspokane.org), to register. **Welcome!**

## Our Parish Sacrificial Offerings for the Month of November

Envelope & Plate Offering: \$ 22,459.77  
Outreach Offering: \$ 880.00



*In order to meet our budget, an average monthly collection of \$25,350 is needed. Thank you so much for your generosity!*

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES CHRISTMAS COLLECTION 2019



We are invited once again to support the vital work of Catholic Charities of Eastern Washington, with the start of this year's Christmas Collection. Sarah Yerden, Assistant Director of Development, will be with us next weekend to share a few words at the end of our Masses. If you have not received a donation envelope in the mail, there are additional envelopes on the table in the vestibule. Please feel free to take one!

*Hope!*

*Advent!*



## Advent Reconciliation Service

Set aside some time on Wednesday, **December 11th**, to prepare for the coming Christmas feasts by celebrating the great gift of Reconciliation. Our Advent Reconciliation service will begin at 7:00 pm with reflective music, beautiful Scriptures, a sensitive examination of our lives, and the opportunity for personal confession with one of several priests.

A number of our parish children will also be receiving the sacrament for the first time this evening; let us support them with our prayers.



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## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

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It is with overwhelming gratitude that we update you on the progress of the Annual Catholic Appeal, and announce that our parish has pledged **\$76,985, more than 128% of our "goal!"** This excess of more than \$17,000 will be returned to our parish—**Thank YOU!**

## Mass Intentions This Week

**Sat., Dec 7** +Betty Carlson by Mary Conley  
**Sun., Dec 8** People of the Parish

### WEEKDAY MASSES—8:30 A.M.

**Tues., Dec 10** +Zelika Edwards by the Nevers family  
**Weds., Dec 11** +Ellen Crawford by Irene Dufort  
**Thurs., Dec 12** +Mary Tracy Roberts Keil by Molly Hannan  
**Fri., Dec 13** +John Noel by Peggy McCoy

**Our Parish Prayer Chain:** Is there illness or are there special needs in your family? Our community prayer chain looks forward to praying for you! Send your request to *Judy Felgenhauer*, [jfelgen@comcast.net](mailto:jfelgen@comcast.net).

**Mass Ministry Schedule:** Please visit our website to view the upcoming Greeter, Lector, Server and Eucharistic Minister schedules: [shparishspokane.org](http://shparishspokane.org).

# Advent Tree of Sharing

Martin Luther King, Jr. Family Outreach Center has sent us gift tags for some of their children. We also have tags on our Tree of Sharing for adult residents of Blair House, Milford House, and two L'Arche homes (Harvest and Trinity).

**The MLK, Jr Center** offers services for neighborhood families including ECEAP (Headstart) pre-school, afterschool, summer and teen leadership programs as well as social services resources for families. **Blair House and Milford**

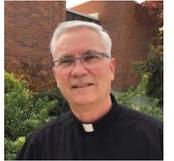
**House** are "sister" licensed group homes providing assisted living support for people ages 21-65 with brain disorders/mental illness. *L'Arche* creates and provides Christian communities among adults with developmental disabilities. They live together in two homes with full-time assistance to support them in living to their potentials.

Thank you for picking a tag(s) to help make Christmas special for those who have little. If a tag lists multiple gift ideas, you are welcome to purchase one or two of the gifts – you need not give everything on the list. Your participation is truly appreciated!

Please return your gifts under the tree with **gift tags firmly attached** (very important as MLK tags have family identifications on the tags) anytime, but **no later than Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**, please. You may also drop the gifts off in the parish office from 9 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday. On behalf of the 100+ people whose names are on the gift tags, we thank you for your open hearts for our neighbors!



## A Word from Father...



Dear Friends,

As you know, these past few weeks I have been using this column to write about various aspects of our Catholic liturgy and I want to continue in that vein this week. Having just celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the consecration of our beautiful church building, perhaps it is opportune to write a few words about the significance of such a building for the church.

Though we call buildings such as ours a "church", in a way that is a misnomer. The true church is the Body of Christ, the Christian community itself both everywhere in the world and particularly in each local church presided over by its bishop. The building is made of brick, stone, and glass, but the true church is made of flesh, blood, and a mighty share of the Spirit. But this doesn't mean that the building we call our church is not important to us and our faith, for in a very deep way, it is so much more than just a building among buildings, for it is our *home!* It is within its walls that we welcome, praise, listen, weep, farewell. Those walls, together with the windows, pews, ceilings, altars, ambos, chairs, crosses and artwork found within them, become for us a *holy place* filled with *holy things*. This holiness does not adhere to the thing itself, but to its use in the liturgy of praise and its symbolism of the mysteries of faith.



Take, for example, the Processional Cross that Bishop Daly blessed for us last Sunday; the cross with its image of Christ Crucified in itself calls to mind Jesus' death and his victory over death as does every cross and crucifix. But when carried at the head of a liturgical procession, lifted high with the people of God following it, it doesn't just "call to mind", it *PROCLAIMS* the victory of Christ over death in death! And in this proclamation, it places us in immediate contact with that ironic and audacious mystery of faith...it touches us and moves us and claims us! Thus it is that Christ himself leads us forward to the Kingdom of God and this cross above us and before us becomes holy.

There are many more examples of our faith lovingly symbolized in our church home...the statues, the stations, the altar, the canopy of light filling the church from above...all these things and so many more make this building a holy place for God's holy people!

*Fr. Kevin*

## SACRED HEART Youth

Thursday Nights 7:00 - 8:30pm

Sacred Heart Parish Hall

7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade



Encounter

Belong

Grow



[youthgroup@shparishspokane.org](mailto:youthgroup@shparishspokane.org)

## The Perfect Christmas Gift:

### Father Kevin's Books!

If you are wondering what wonderful gift you might give to dear friends and beloved family members, why not consider one or both of Father Kevin's books! A new supply has just come in and can be found in the church vestibule. *Still only \$20 each!*