



SACRED HEART PARISH

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MASS SCHEDULE

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| Sunday | 8:00 am (Low Mass) 10:00 am (Missa Cantata) |
| Mon, Tues & Thurs | 7:00 am |
| Wed & Fri | 6:00 pm |
| Saturday | 9:00 am |
| Holy Days | Check Bulletin |

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (Confession)

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| Friday | 5:30 pm |
| Saturday | 8:30 am |
| Sunday | 7:30 & 9:30 am |

Any time by appointment.



SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Active registered parishioners should contact the Pastor at least six Months in advance of the date.

BAPTISM

Please contact the office.

LAST SACRAMENTS AND SICK CALLS

Please contact the office. In an emergency requiring Extreme Unction or Viaticum please call 267-6123.


**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK**


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| Sunday Dec. 13 8:00 AM 10:00 AM | Third Sunday of Advent Gareth Betts + (anniv) <i>Pro Populo</i> |
| Monday Dec. 14 7:00 AM | Feria of Advent David Dickman |
| Tuesday Dec. 15 7:00 PM | Feria of Advent Zachary Koralewski |
| Wednesday Dec. 16 6:00 PM | Ember Wednesday of Advent Ben Becker |
| Thursday Dec. 17 7:00 AM | Greater Feria of Advent Andrew Polaniecki |
| Friday Dec. 18 6:00 PM | Ember Friday of Advent FSSP |
| Saturday Dec. 19 9:00 AM | Ember Saturday of Advent Ann Howard + (anniv) |
| Sunday Dec. 20 8:00 AM 10:00 AM | Fourth Sunday of Advent Holy Souls <i>Pro Populo</i> |

Please join your fellow parishioners for coffee and donuts after the 8:00 AM Mass on the first Sunday of the month, or after the 10:00 AM Mass on the first and third Sundays of the month. This is also the time to visit our small lending library of good Catholic books and media. This is located on the first floor of the school building (Classroom #5).

Blessing of religious objects takes place after Mass on the third Sunday of every month. Please leave your objects on the designated table in the school basement.



SUMMARY OF UPCOMING EVENTS

(see announcements for details)

Dec. 16 — Ladies' Group

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Thursday, Dec. 24 — 7:00 AM Low Mass

12 Midnight — High Mass

Friday, Dec. 25 — 9:00 AM High Mass

A reminder that Dec. 25 is a holy day of obligation, but the obligation has been lifted by the bishop.

JANUARY 1—OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY

As this day is also observed as a major secular holiday, the regular Sunday schedule will be observed, with Masses at 8 AM and 10 AM

Handmaids of St. Joseph Women's Group – Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of Every month

The next meeting for the women's group is Wednesday, Dec. 16. This group is open to women of all states in life – single, married, widowed – 16 years of age on up.

Format of group meetings:

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm: Holy Hour

Third Sunday of Advent

(Time for silent prayer; confessions and spiritual direction for women from 5:00-5:30)

6:00 pm – 6:30 pm: Mass

6:30 pm – 7:00 pm: Meatless Potluck Supper in Parish Hall – please bring a dish to share

7:00 pm – 8:00 pm: The pastor will speak on what we have been reading in *The Way of Perfection* and answer questions.

For more information on the women's group, call Cate at 260-402-7740 or email Emily at mikebem@earthlink.net.

DECEMBER 17 — THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE GREAT ANTIPHONS (*From The Liturgical Year of Dom Prosper Guéranger*)

The Church enters [on Dec. 17] on the seven days, which precede the Vigil of Christmas, and which are known in the Liturgy under the name of the *Greater Ferias*. The ordinary of the Advent Office becomes more solemn; the Antiphons of the Psalms, both for Lauds and the Hours of the day, are proper, and allude expressly to the great Coming. Every day, at Vespers, is sung a solemn Antiphon, which consists of a fervent prayer to the Messiah, whom it addresses by one of the titles given him by the sacred Scriptures.

The antiphon for Dec. 17:

O Wisdom, that proceedest from the mouth of the Most High, reaching from end to end mightily, and disposing all things with strength and sweetness! come and teach us the way of prudence.

O Uncreated Wisdom! that art so soon to make thyself visible to thy creatures, truly thou *disposest all things*. It is by thy permission, that the Emperor Augustus issues a decree ordering the enrolment of the whole world. Each citizen of the vast Empire is to have his name enrolled in the city of his birth. This prince has no other object in this order, which sets the world in motion, but his own ambition. Men go to and fro by millions, and an unbroken procession traverses the immense Roman world; men think they are doing the bidding of man, and it is God whom they are obeying. This world-wide agitation has really but one object; it is, to bring to Bethlehem a man and woman who live at Nazareth in Galilee, in order that this woman, who is unknown to the world but dear to heaven, and is at the close of the ninth month since she conceived her child, may give birth to this Child in Bethlehem, for the Prophet has said of him: "His going forth is from the beginning, from the days of eternity. And thou, O Bethlehem I art not the least among the thousand cities of Juda, for out of thee He shall come." [Mich. v. 2; St Matth. ii. 6.]. O divine

Wisdom! how *strong* art thou, in thus reaching *Thine ends* by means which are infallible, though hidden! and yet, how *sweet*, offering no constraint to man's free-will! and withal, how fatherly, in providing for our necessities! Thou chooseth Bethlehem for thy birth-place, because Bethlehem signifies the House of Bread. In this, thou teachest us that thou art our Bread, the nourishment and support of our life. With God as our food, we cannot die. O Wisdom of the Father, Living Bread that hast descended from heaven, come speedily into us, that thus we may approach to thee and be enlightened [Ps. xxxiii. 6.] by thy light, and by that *prudence* which leads to salvation.

The antiphon for Dec. 18:

O Adonai, and leader of the house of Israel! who appearedst to Moses in the fire of the flaming bush, and gavest him the law on Sinai; come and redeem us by thy outstretched arm.

O Sovereign Lord! O Adonai! come and redeem us, not by thy power, but by thy humility. Heretofore, thou didst show thyself to Moses thy servant in the midst of a mysterious flame; thou didst give thy law to thy people amidst thunder and lightning; now, on the contrary, thou comest not to terrify, but to save us. Thy chaste Mother having heard the Emperor's edict, which obliges her and Joseph her Spouse to repair to Bethlehem, she prepares everything needed for thy divine Birth. She prepares for thee, O Sun of Justice! the humble swathing-bands, wherewith to cover thy nakedness, and protect thee, the Creator of the world, from the cold of that mid-night hour of thy Nativity! Thus it is that thou willest to deliver us from the slavery of our pride, and show man that thy divine *arm* is never stronger than when he thinks it powerless and still. Everything is prepared, then, dear Jesus! thy swathing-bands are ready for thy infant limbs! Come to Bethlehem, and *redeem* us from the hands of our enemies.

