Second Sunday of Advent

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

December 10, 2023

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Parish Office hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am to Noon, 1:00 pm-4:00 pm

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WEEKEND MASSES MISA EL FIN DE SEMANA

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm (English)

7:00 pm (Español) Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am and 5:30 pm (English)

1:00 pm and 7:00 pm (Español)

WEEKLY MASSES MISAS ENTRE SEMANA

Monday-Friday: 6:30am & 8:30am, Small Church (English)

Thursday 7:00 pm, Small Church Español) Saturday 8:30 am, Small Church (English) First Friday Mass 7:00 pm, Small Church (English)

CONFESSIONS/CONFESIONES

Notice: Saturdays time has been updated. Saturdays | 3:30 -5: 30 pm | Big Church Thursdays | 6:00 - 7:00 pm | Small Church First Friday | 6:30 -7:00 pm | Small Church

BAPTISMS

"As a rule an adult is to be baptized in his or her parish and an infant in the parish of the parents unless a just cause suggests otherwise." (Canon Law 587 and 2) If you are a parishioner who attends St. Joseph and would like to baptize your child in another parish, you will need a letter from the pastor of St. Joseph giving you permission to do so. If you are not a St. Joseph parishioner and want to baptize your child in this parish, you need to get permission from your pastor to baptize your child here. The parents and sponsors must attend a class before the Baptism of the child.

PRAYER CHAIN

To put someone on the Prayer Chain: Email parish.office@stjoseph-kennewick.org or call the Parish Office at 509-586-3820

Pastor

Deacons

Parochial Vicar Parochial Vicar In Residence

School Principal

Pastoral Assistant for Administration

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While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. LUKE 24:51

MISSION & CORE VALUES

Our mission and sacred purpose as the parish of St. Joseph is to fully live our Catholic faith, which is rooted in Jesus Christ and the teachings of His Church, to nurture and build our parish so that every parishioner can know love, and serve God in this world and encourage others to do the same.

Our core values include:

Hope—rooting our ministries and actions in prayer; joyfully carrying them out with competence, care and confidence in God's promise of salvation.

Liturgy—maintaining the highest of ministry standards to bring glory to God through the rites, ceremonies, prayers, and sacraments of the Church.

Community-caring about and addressing the needs of others.

Evangelism—telling others the good news about Jesus.

Giving-practicing stewardship as a way of life by sharing of our time, talents, and treasure to support the mission and ministries.

Parish Staff

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INQUIRING ADULTS-OCIA

Order of Christian Initiation Of Adults OCIA is for all adults older than 18 years of age in need of the sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion, and/or Confirmation. We welcome your interest in exploring the Catholic faith and invite your participation in our year-round OCIA process. Call the Parish Office for more information.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Anointing is the proper Sacrament for those Christians whose health is seriously impaired by sickness, before surgeries, or anyone over the age of 59. Through the Sacrament of Anointing, the Church supports the sick in their struggle against illness and continues Christ's messianic work of healing. If you need the Sacrament of Anointing, please call the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the priest of the parish where you want to celebrate your wedding ceremony to discuss your situation and set the date in the parish calendar. Do this at least six months prior to the day you are planning to marry.

FUNERALS

Death is something that awaits all of us and our loved ones. Yet we often avoid thinking about it. Please let the Parish Office know how we can help with the farewell to your beloved family member.

Stewardship Message

"Prepare the way of the Lord..." - MARK 1:3
We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, puts us on the path to holiness and is an example for others to be holy, too. We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. How are you helping others get to Heaven?

Collection for December 3, 2023

Sunday Offerings	\$20,481.73
Building Fund	\$1,639.00
School Donations	\$1,702.62
Diocese	\$30.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$5,000.00

Prayers: For our Armed Forces at home and overseas including Christian Fraga, Steven Hahn, Ramon



Vargas, Ian Dimmick, Christy Hylden, Andrew Jacobsen, Alexander Araujo, Tyson Kaas, Christian Shink, Juan Borrego, Estrella Gomez,

Erick Miller, Eric Sheldon, and Justin Dennis Byerly. For our sick including Drew Schreiber, Gil Gloria, Elaine Himes, Lois and Rick Rutherford, Jan Billings, Rory Valdes, Silvia Rodriguez, Kathleen Barone, Monica Moore, Lourdes Nelson, Jessica Floeter, Billy Sickles, Nestor Barba, Elizabeth Torres, Kim Davis, Kathy Ramirez, Bill Roe, Donna Whitehead, John Curran, Bob and Mary Ross, Alberto Carranza, Danika Whitsett, Father Tom Long, Jerry Mikkelsen, Kelly Freeman, Gus Perez, Jim Nicacio, Arlene Callahan, Dominic Nicacio, Luca Nicacio, Phyllis Pelletier, Nancy Park, Marlene Madrigal, Sherri McKie, Hugo Garcia, Vanessa Nicacio, Carol Smith, Pat Leskovar, Tony Wise, Patty Brown, Armando Rodriguez, Jose Del Angel, Zara Husan, Raquel Cardoza, Samuel Quintanilla, Pat McKie Szacik, Carmen Nava, Mike Draper, Peter Braun, Yolanda Quintero, Hazel Meister, Ernie Skwierczynski, Kendra Skwierczynski, Kolton Hansford,

Jeannine Soehnlein, Debbie Lord, Joanne, Judy Kirk, and all parishioners with health problems and for those from our community who have passed away recently. Please call when your ill family member gets better, so we can make room for others on the list of prayers for the sick.

ADORATION CHAPEL

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



Openings:

MON. <u>2 am</u> TUES. 1 pm THUR. <u>4 am</u> FRI. <u>5 am</u>,

The Adoration Chapel is open to visitors. Please call: Carol, 509-582-5011, or, en español, Delmi, 509-528-8896, to obtain a personal code for entry.

"If, in imitation of Mary, our heart is firmly anchored in God, nothing can distract us from our interior occupation: to seek and love the Lord and live in intimacy with Him." (Divine Intimacy, Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen, OCD)

The Knights of Columbus will have a membership drive after all Masses on December 16 and 17. For more information, please contact Deacon Bill at the Parish Office.

Welcome to our Parish Community!

If you are new to St. Joseph, we welcome you – whether you have come here from another part of the country, from across the world, or simply from another parish. You have helped us celebrate the liturgy in a beautiful way. If you would like to become part of our Catholic community, please fill out a registration form available on our website. Welcome!

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 11

6:30 am

† Elaine Loftus

8:30 am

Alice Marie D. Chuang

(B-day)

7:00 pm - OLG Mass

Tuesday, December 12 midnight - OLG Mass

6:00 am - OLG Mass

| 6:30 am

Audrey Hisington (B-day)

8:30 am

† Raul Beltran

7:00 pm - OLG Mass

Wednesday, December

13 6:30 am

Isela & Araceli Valdivia

(Healing)

8:30 am

† Alex & Clarine Lysiak Thursday, December 14

6:30 am

Isela & Araceli Valdivia

(Healing) 8:30 am

Mateo Ledesma

7:00 pm

† Eva Maldonado

Friday, December 15

6:30 am

† Pedro Alcantar

8:30 am

† Amalia Del Pozo

December 11-17

Saturday, December 16

8:30 am

† Monica Duncan

† Godofredo Saso

† Doris Mager

5:30 pm

Diana Fischer (Healing)

† Leif Thomas

† Michael Costello

7:00 pm

† Agustin Martinez Mojica

† Maria Dolores Hernan-

dez

† Familia Hernandez Sunday, December 17

9:00 am

5.00 am

† Doris Mager † All Souls

† Mary Raekes

11:00 am Sharon Atkins and Family

(Healing)

Don Eckert (Healing)

† Cindy Cimmiyotti

1:00 pm

† Maria Reyes Arreola

Enrique Guzman Erica Weber

5:30 pm

† Ann Morgen † Michael Costello

† Mary Raekes

7:00 pm

† Maria Reyes

Mass Intention scheduling is open six months in advance. For example, on December 29, 2023, the 2024 Intentions will open for January – June 2024.

Don't forget to schedule your mass intentions online by scanning the QR code.



Advent Penance Services

Wed, Dec. 13	Holy Spirit 6:30 pm	7409 W. Clearwater Kennewick
Fri, Dec. 15	Sacred Heart 6:30 pm	1905 Highland Dr., Prosser
Mon, Dec. 18	Christ the King 6:30 pm	1111 Stevens Dr., Richland
Tues, Dec. 19	Saint Joseph 6:30 pm	520 S. Garfield St Kennewick
Wed, Dec. 20	St. Frances Cabrini 6:30 pm	1000 Horne Dr. Benton City







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Liturgical Art & Environment Committee

This Ministry creates seasonal decorations using their artistic gifts that help to set the mood for the liturgical seasons. The atmosphere of reverence and beauty all reflect the glory of God whether in the beauty of a flower arrangement, the care of a plant, or images and signs of the paschal mystery.

"Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness" (Ps. 29:2)

Volunteers:

Primary Contact: Angel Machado 509-438-4257 Danette Hester, Tess Pulido, Betty Weber, Marcie Palmieri, Elizabeth Arroyo, Ada Muñoz, Angelica Segovia, Jose Ochoa, y Patricia Madera.

Extra help is always needed and welcomed during the Christmas and Easter holidays as the Church is decorated for these special celebrations, more information to come next week.



POSADAS

The Posadas are celebrated each evening. The posadas re-enact Mary and Joseph's difficult journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem in search of shelter; in Spanish, the word means "lodging."

Each evening begins with prayers followed by traditional posada caroling.

December 16	6 pm	Dillon Hall
December 17	2:30 pm	Dillon Hall
December 18	6 pm	Dillon Hall
December 19	6 pm	PAC (Gym)
December 20	6 pm	PAC (Gym)
December 21	6 pm	Dillon Hall
December 22	6 pm	Dillon Hall



Tamales

St. Joseph Youth Group will have tamales for sale after the 11:00 am Mass on December 17.

The order will include 2 tamales and a beverage for \$10.

CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT

December 24, 2023

The Choir members have been working on a Christmas Carol Concert for 5:30 Mass on Christmas Eve.

Friendly Reminder

Coordinators wanting to use a space anywhere in parish facilities including church & school staff must reserve that space for the appropriate time by calling the Facility Scheduler at the parish office during office hours.

Please do not assume a room is available because it is empty. If you have not scheduled the use of a room/space through the Parish Office and received a confirmation, the space is not available for your group to use. Always check with the Parish Office to confirm room assignments.

Please call at least a week prior to plan adequately, know that we will do our best to honor last minute requests. If your group needs to cancel a scheduled facility, please make every effort to do so as soon as possible since there are many ministries and activities which would love to use the space.

At the conclusion of your event please leave the room back to the condition in which you accepted it and secure all doors (push doors shut) and turn off all lights.

Thank you!

MEMORIAL Flowers

St. Joseph Parish has established a Memorial Flowers program, through which your memorial and personal intentions can be visibly observed at Mass. The flower arrangements are a great way to remember a loved one, offer thanksgiving for a special grace, or help beautify our sanctuary.

Memorial flowers may be requested for any weekends and Holy Days of obligation throughout the year, except during Lent and Advent, memorial. You and your intentions will announced in the parish bulletin for that week.

Please reserve the preferred weekend at least two weeks prior or more by visiting our website or calling the parish office. Click on the Mass intention calendar and on the right side next to the shopping cart there are two tabs click on MEMORIALS to see available weekends.

BEGINS 1ST WEEKEND OF JANUARY 2024



Available Options (suggested donation)

\$100 Tabernacle

\$150 Altar

\$150 Ambo

\$150 Our Lady of Guadalupe



Your memorial flowers will be made by the Liturgical Art & Environment Committee and placed in the church in time for the Vigil Mass or Holy Day. They will be displayed for all the Masses that day.

Should you have any questions or concerns, Angel Machado will be happy to assist you. **Thank you in advance for your generosity!**



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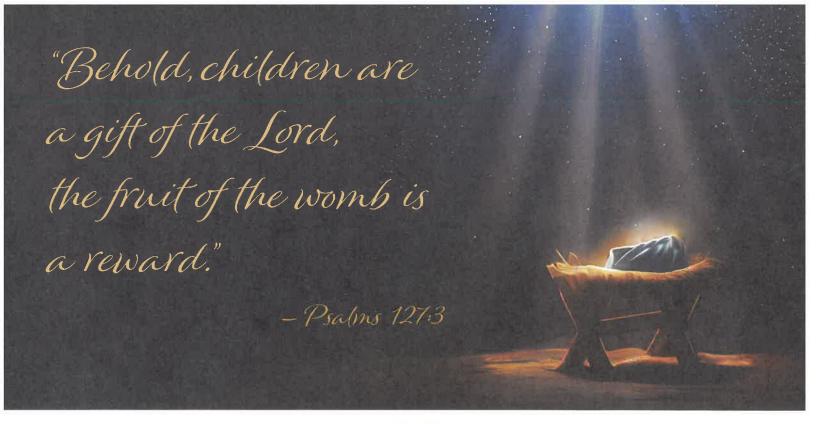
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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

There's nothing like the birth of a child to bring hope to the world. Each year, when we celebrate the birth of Christ, we celebrate the birth of hope. I hope you'll join me in helping to keep the light of hope alive throughout the year by giving to the Collection for Catholic Charities on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

For more than 70 years, Catholic Charities has been reaching out in love to help those most in need. Support for pregnant moms and families with young children. Helping hands for housebound seniors and the disabled. Counseling for those like Rosa who are dealing with depression and anxiety.

As you celebrate the birth of Christ, please be generous to those in need by giving to Catholic Charities. May God bless you and your family during this season of hope.

In Christ's love,

Monsignor Thomas C. Champoux Chairman of the Board and Vicar for Charities

Father Jon

ope comes in small packages. So small, in fact, that baby Ophelia brings enough hope to last her mother, Rosa, a lifetime.

Just a few years ago, Rosa hit bottom. Depression and anxiety had taken over her life and hope felt beyond reach. "I was at the point where I felt I had all the right reasons to end my life. I felt like I had nothing going for me," she says.

Thankfully, Rosa found the help she needed at Catholic

Charities. Therapy combined with medication was the path that led Rosa to a new life, one full of hope. Once stable, she landed a job at a local thrift store and worked her way up to store manager. She met Eddie, they married, and are now the proud parents of a beautiful baby girl. "She's my everything. I thank God every day for her," Rosa says.



The help Rosa received at Catholic Charities was not only a lifeline for herself; it gave her the knowledge and skills to raise her daughter with the tools she needs to live a stable life.

Ophelia is a happy, healthy baby, a daily reminder to Rosa to stay on the path that brought her out of darkness. "God has a plan for my life. He gave me Ophelia when I needed her most."



Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas:

No hay nada como el nacimiento de un niño para dar esperanza al mundo. Todos los años, cuando celebramos el nacimiento de Cristo, celebramos el nacimiento de la esperanza. Espero que se unan a mí para ayudar a mantener viva la luz de esperanza durante el año haciendo una donación a la Colecta de Caridades Católicas en Nochebuena y el día de Navidad.

Por más de 70 años, Caridades Católicas ha extendido con amor ayuda a los más necesitados. Apoyando a las mamás embarazadas y a las familias con niños pequeños. Extendiendo las manos a personas mayores y discapacitadas confinadas en sus hogares. Asesorando a personas como Rosa que están sufriendo depresión y ansiedad.

Les pedimos por favor que al celebrar el nacimiento de Cristo, sean generosos ayudando a los necesitados con su donación a Caridades Católicas. Que Dios los bendiga a ustedes y a sus familias durante esta temporada de esperanza.

En amor de Cristo.

Father Jone

Monseñor Thomas C. Champoux Presidente de la Junta y Vicario de Caridades a esperanza viene en paquetes pequeños. De hecho, la pequeñita Ophelia trajo suficiente esperanza a su madre, Rosa, que le durará toda la vida.

Hace pocos años, Rosa tocó fondo. La depresión y ansiedad se habían posesionado de su vida y la esperanza se sentía fuera de su alcance. "Estaba en un punto donde sentí que tenía todas las razones para terminar mi vida. Sentí que no tenía nada a mi favor," dijo ella.

Afortunadamente, Rosa encontró la ayuda que necesitaba en Caridades Católicas. La terapia combinada con medicamentos fue el camino que guio a Rosa a una nueva vida, una vida llena de esperanza. Una vez estable, consiguió un trabajo en una tienda local de segunda mano y ascendió hasta convertirse en gerente de la tienda. Conoció a Eddie, se casaron, y ahora son



los orgullosos padres de una linda niña. "Ella es mi todo. Todos los días doy gracias a Dios por ella," dice Rosa.

La ayuda que ella recibió en Caridades Católicas no fue sólo un salvavidas para ella misma; sino que le brindó el conocimiento y las habilidades para criar a su hija con las herramientas que necesita para vivir una vida estable.

Ophelia es una bebita feliz, saludable y un recordatorio diario para que Rosa se mantenga en el camino que la sacó de la obscuridad. "Dios tiene un plan para mi vida. Me dio a Ophelia cuando más la necesitaba."

A NOTE FROM SERRA CLUB OF TRI CITIES

"Like a shepherd, He feeds His flock..." (Isaiah 40: 11) Allow our Lord to enrich your life by shepherding His people as a priest, permanent deacon, brother, or sister.



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As the social service arm of the Charities church, Catholic Charities brings hope to life to more than 50,000

people throughout Central Washington each year. Please help us serve others by giving generously on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. To learn more about the Catholic Charities network of services, visit hopetolife.org.

MOTHER TERESA MEAL MINISTRY

Delivering lunches twice a month for the Union Gospel Mission!



Third Tuesday – December 19, 2023, at 9:15 am

To see a list of donations needed or to volunteer to help. please contact Cindy Meyer through the parish links by visiting: https://stjoseph-kennewick.org

Special Dates this Month

December 18 is the 60th anniversary of Father Riccardo Keolker's ordination to the priesthood. Please congratulate and thank him for his many years of service to the Church. December 31 is Father Jose Herrera's birthday. Wish the New Year's Eve baby a "Happy 50th!" You may send or deliver cards to the Parish Office.

Grade: 8 -12 Day: Fridays

(For more information, check our social

media post)



Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30pm

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By Fr. Riccardo Keolker

Wednesday at 9:15 am in the Parish Office, second floor, rooms A and B or on Facebook.

Traveling Vocations Crucifixes

Courtesy of the Serra Club of the Tri Cities, St. Joseph Parish has two Traveling Vocations Crucifixes—one at the 9:00 am Mass and one at the 1:00 pm Mass. Sign up to take a crucifix (box includes the crucifix, rosary, and prayer cards) home for one week and pray for vocations—all vocations, but especially vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, and Vowed Religious Life. We pray that more men and women will hear God's call and say yes. Remember, without priests, we would not have access to the Holy Eucharist and other sacraments.

12/10 Julie & Larry Tharp 12/17 Ben & Kyle Garrison With questions or to sign up, contact Celine Petersen, 509-582-8738, or Irma Valdivia, 509-366-4422.

Sacrament Reception Dates 2024

OCIC (Adults) and RCIC (Children)

Easter Vigil the elect for baptism, March 30 • 8:00 pm

Confirmation Year Two (MS/HS): Saturday, April 20 •5:30 pm (Eng)

Confirmation Year Two (MS/HS): Saturday, April 20 • 7:00 pm (Sp)

First Communion: Saturday, April 27 • 10 am (SP)

First Communion for Children: Sunday, April 28 • 11:00am (Eng)

Lord, we pray for those who journey to You. Strengthen their faith. Open their hearts to the fullness of Your Love. Deepen their understanding. Set their hearts afire for the Kingdom. We ask this through Jesus, Who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life for all. Amen









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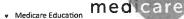
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