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December 24, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Advent

520 South Garfield St. Kennewick, WA 99336

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

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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.

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

"Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!" – Luke 1:28
After Jesus, we look to Mary as an ideal steward. Her entire life was lived in obedience to God's call. Mary teaches us to live with joy for all we have been given. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, Mary reflects the light of Christ. Like Mary, we are called to reflect Christ's light to the world through our gratitude and generosity.

Collection for December 17, 2023

Sunday Offerings	\$21,862.45
Building Fund	\$1,988.00
School Donations	\$1,267.94
Giving Tree	\$870.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$225.00
Diocese	\$123.50



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, Koltan 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

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ADORATION**



Openings:

MON. 2 am
TUES. 1 pm
THUR. 4 am
FRI. 5 am,

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"By means of the angels, Jesus calls the poor and simple shepherds in order to manifest Himself to them. He calls the learned men by means of their science. And all of them, moved by His inner grace, hasten to adore Him. He calls all of us by divine inspiration and communicates with us by means of His grace. How many times has he invited us too? And how readily have we responded? My God, I blush and become embarrassed when I have to answer such a question." (St. Pio 1886-1968)

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

December 25-31

Monday, December 25

midnight - Christmas Eve
9:00 am– English
11:00 am– Spanish

Tuesday, December 26

6:30 am
† Elaine Loftus
8:30 am
† Victoria Villarreal

Wednesday, December 27

6:30 am
† Pedro Alcantar
8:30 am
† Lucille Manning

Thursday, December 28

6:30 am
† Pedro Alcantar
8:30 am
† Lucille Manning
7:00 pm
† Ignacio Ballardo

Friday, December 29

6:30 am
Revie Barr
8:30 am
† Lucille Manning

Saturday, December 30

8:30 am
† Lucille Manning
† Doris Mager
Fr. Jose Herrera (B-day)
5:30 pm
Kyle Hadley (healing)
Sherrye Lysiak (Healing)
Forlando Family

7:00 pm
† Agustin Martinez Mojica
Mendoza Corro Family
† Maria Reyes

Sunday, December 31

9:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:30 pm- English,
1:00 pm, 7:00 pm - Spanish



Fourth Sunday of Advent

12/24/23
Big Church
English Masses
9:00 am, 11:00 am
Spanish Mass 1:00 pm
Nativity of the Lord
5:30 pm & Midnight
Spanish Mass
7pm

12/25/23
Big Church
English Mass 9 am
Spanish Mass 11 am

Feast of the Holy Family

12/31/23
Big Church
English Masses
9:00 am, 11:00 am &
Spanish Mass 1 pm
Vigil of Solemnity of
Mary, Mother of God
English 5:30 pm
Spanish 7pm

1/1/24
Solemnity of Mary,
Mother of God
Big Church
English Mass 9 am
Spanish Mass– 11 am

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Can I fulfill my Sunday AND Christmas Holy Day of obligations by going to Mass just once on Christmas Eve? No. Can I fulfill my Sunday Feast of the Holy Family AND January 1 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God obligations by going to the Vigil Masses on December 31? No. You CAN fulfill all obligations by attending Masses on the Sunday mornings or afternoons and then attending the Vigils on the same day. Or just attend Masses on both days.

A NOTE FROM SERRA CLUB OF TRI CITIES

" Mary said, 'Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.' Then the angel departed from her. " (Luke 1:38)
Obedience to the Lord's will is the fruit of humble prayer. Ask God if He is calling you to serve Him as a priest, permanent deacon, brother, or sister.



Your offering on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day will illuminate the darkness with the love of Christ through the network of Catholic Charities. Catholic Charities serves those most in need throughout the lifecycle – from expectant mothers and families with young children to grandparents raising their grandchildren and the elderly struggling to live independently. Thank you for prayerfully considering a gift to your neighbors in need this holiday season. To learn more about Catholic Charities' services throughout Central Washington, [visit www.hopetolife.org](http://www.hopetolife.org).



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By Fr. Riccardo Keolker

Wednesday at 9:15 am
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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.

12/24 Dick & Celine Petersen

12/31 Maria Elmore

With questions or to sign up, contact Celine Petersen, 509-582-8738, or Irma Valdivia, 509-366-4422.

Sacrament Reception Dates

OCIA(Adults) and RCIC (Children)

Easter Vigil the elect for
Baptism & Full Communion
March 30 • 8:00 pm

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

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

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

**First Communion for Children:
Sunday, April 28
11:00am (English)**

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 this through Jesus, Who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life for all. Amen.



First Friday Mass

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
January 5, 2023
Reconciliation 6:30 pm
Mass 7:00 pm | Small Church

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

December 31 is a 5th Sunday so there will be a collection after Mass. Since the beginning of October, we have helped our neighbors with over \$6,000 worth of food and gas vouchers, utility payments and more, all thanks you, the parishioners of St. Joseph. Please be generous as the need is great. Remember, you can always donate by making a check out to "St. Vincent de Paul" and mailing it or dropping it off at the Parish Office. The staff will see that we get it.

Merry Christmas season and a Blessed New Year!

