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Mass Times

Saturday Vigil
at 5:00 PM

Sunday at 8:00 AM
Sunday at 10:30 AM
Sunday at 7:30 PM

Weekdays (M-F)
at 8:00 AM

At LJC—**La Storta Chapel**
(Located North of our property)
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you!

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays -
3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

OR by appointment
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Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2022

A Message from the Pastor

This week we light a second Advent candle. This candle represents hope. This weekend we will hear three prophets of hope—Isaiah, St. Paul and John the Baptist. Isaiah describes the coming of God’s Anointed. Emmanuel (God-with-us) won’t judge by appearances or make decisions based on hearsay. He will judge the poor with justice and protect the land’s afflicted. That type of leader would fill me with great hope.

St. Paul founded and sustained many new Christian communities. In the face of opposition and persecution, he continually encouraged them and reminded them of their mission and vision in the world. He reminds us that, in troubled times, by endurance and by the encouragement of the Scriptures we will find hope.

John the Baptist probably could have used a “spin doctor.” He is a prophet of hope because he reminds us about the importance of preparing the way of the Lord. He reminds us, even during this brief period of Advent, to repent because the kingdom of heaven is near. He not only “talks the talk” but “walks the walk.” He lives what he preaches. Annually he challenges us to produce good fruit as evidence of our repentance. The best way to prepare for Mercy coming into the world is by being merciful. Actions will always speak louder than words!

This week, however, I want to add one more Advent prophet of hope. His name was Thomas Merton and he was a Trappist monk. Peace activist, John Dear, believes that Thomas Merton is the quintessential Advent person. He entered the Trappist monastery on December 10, 1941, in the heart of Advent, and he died twenty-seven years later on December 10, 1968.



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Merton's life and ministry is captured by the season of Advent. He once wrote an essay entitled "Advent: Hope or Delusion?" In it he wrote the following:

In despair, Advent offers HOPE.
In the presence of war and death, Advent offers PEACE.
In prejudice and hate, Advent offers LOVE.
In sadness, discouragement and loneliness, Advent offers JOY.



Merton believed that "In Advent we celebrate the coming and indeed the presence of Christ in our world. We witness to his presence even in the midst of all its inscrutable problems and tragedies." Merton pointed out what St. Gregory the Great had said about Advent—that all Christians should continue the prophetic mission of John and point out the presence of Christ in the world. We need that now more than ever. If we are not awake, we cannot look for it. If we never look for it, we can never become aware of that presence. This Advent calls us individually and as a faith community to look for, become aware of and celebrate the presence of Christ in our sometimes bewildering world.

G. K. Chesterton once wrote, "The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting. It has been found difficult; and left untried." This, however, is the world we live in and the human race to which we all belong. As Thomas Merton reminds us, "The fact that the world is other than it might be does not alter the truth that Christ is present in it and that His plan has been neither frustrated nor changed: Indeed, all will be done according to His will. Our Advent is a celebration of this hope."



During this second week of Advent, light a candle for hope. Look for sources of hope in your children, your grandchildren, your parents, grandparents, family, faith community, friends, the people who present themselves in need of your works of mercy. All of them are signs and sources of Advent hope. And remember, there is much more to come. This is why, as a Christian community, we live in hope.

Fr. Mike

Holy day

Advent Reconciliation Service



Please join us for the
December 8, 2022 at 8AM or at 7PM
Mass for the Solemnity of the
Immaculate conception of the Blessed
Virgin Mary. (School Mass is at
1:10PM)



Please join us for the
Advent Reconciliation Service on Mon-
day, **December 12, 2022** at 7PM in the
church.
Several priests will be available for indi-
vidual confessions.

Mass Readings

Mass Readings for Dec 4, 2022

Isaiah 11:1-10
Romans 15:4-9
Matthew 3:1-12

Mass Readings for Dec 11, 2022

Isaiah 35:1-6a,10
James 5:7-10
Matthew 11:2-11

Sure on This Shining Night

an Advent performance by *Fifth Sunday*

December 6, 2022

7:30 PM

St. Ignatius Catholic Church

3400 SE 43rd Avenue

◆
Please consider bringing a non-perishable item to be donated to a
food pantry.

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To contact Fifth Sunday, please email fifthsundaysings@gmail.com



Enjoy this free concert in the church in this Advent Season!

“Sure On This Shining Night” -- Please join us for an evening of Advent music on Tuesday, December 6 at 7:30pm. *Fifth Sunday*, an elite choral group that provides music at St. Ignatius' Contemplative Mass, will offer songs of the season. Admission is free, and donations will be collected for the parish's St. Vincent de Paul food pantry.

Active Catholics Together ~ Christmas Party

Annual ACT Christmas party, **Dec. 17th, 6:00PM** at Jan and Mike Bresee's home, 13723 SE Portland View Place, Happy Valley. BYOB/potluck munchies. Also, please bring a gift for white elephant gift exchange. Adults only/is open to anyone 50ish and up, all are welcome! Questions, please call 503-318-5503.



Christmas Festival of Lights at the Grotto

Friday, Nov. 25 – Friday, Dec. 30 (Closed Christmas Day)

Festival Hours

5 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. (Nov. 25 – Dec. 16)

4:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. (Dec. 17 – Dec. 30)

Grounds close at 10 p.m. each day

For ore information and to buy tickets:

<https://thegrotto.org/christmas-festival-of-lights/>



St Ignatius School



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During this first week of Advent, our students met in family groups to talk about ways they can let their light shine for others as their gift to Jesus during the season of Advent. The students wrote down what they will do for Jesus on pre-cut leaves that formed our school's Advent wreath in our main entry display case. Even our youngest students are excited to serve others throughout Advent. Some examples of ways our students can "Be a Star" for Jesus include:

- Pray a Hail Mary every day of Advent to thank Mary for saying "Yes".
- Read a Christmas Story to a brother, sister, parent or grandparent.
- Do something nice for someone without them knowing every week of Advent.
- Give someone new a compliment every school day of Advent.
- Do an extra chore at home without being asked, such as raking the leaves.
- Make a Christmas Card for someone in your extended family and a neighbor.

Students in family groups also learned about the Jesse Tree. Each student colored an ornament representing a Jesse Tree Bible story. These colorful creations will adorn our paper Jesse Tree in one of our main entry display cases next to our Advent wreath. May we all be inspired to serve others during this season of Advent.

Families, parishioners, and friends contributed to a successful [Giving Tuesday](#) event for our school beginning funding for Phase II of our playground which includes a new piece of playground equipment for our students in kindergarten through 8th grade. Giving to this project can be done at any time through

[Realm](#) by selecting the drop-down menu item

for the playground project. Please spread the word to those you know as we continue to generate funding for Phase II of our playground renovation.

As we move with great hope into unshakeable faith during the second week of Advent, may we embrace the words of Paul in his letter to the Romans, "May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to think in harmony with one another, in keeping with Christ Jesus, that with one accord you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ," Romans 15:5-6.

Peace be with you always.
Carol Pausz
Principal

GIVING TUESDAY
11.29.2022
#GivingTuesday

Let's finish the Playground!

Give Now
"School-GivingTuesday"

The gifts we have we are given to share.

RaiseRight ~ gift cards



It is gift card season! If you like to buy gift cards for your friends and loved ones during the holidays, consider purchasing those gift cards through Raise Right so that a portion of your purchase will benefit St. Ignatius parish! Many gift cards are available including some of the most popular purchases like Amazon, Safeway, Visa, Starbucks, and many more! Go to: www.RaiseRight.com And enroll with our parish using the code: **QZGM1F8VWDPE** Select the ecard or the mail directly to you option, and plan to pay online for your purchase.

Thank you and have a wonderful Advent!

Church tithing

Financial report (July 1, 2022—June 30, 2023):

Needed for the month of Nov \$48,000.00

Amount received through 11-20-2022 \$31,199.22

Thank you, may you be blessed abundantly for your generosity!



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

CHRISTMAS EVE, December 24, 2022: 4:00 PM, 7:30 PM & 10:30 PM
CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES Sunday, December 25, 2022: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Communion Ministry to the Homebound



Seeking a volunteer coordinator for our Communion Ministry to the Homebound: This beautiful ministry of hospitality and communion mostly functions on its own, but we do need someone to be the contact person for those wishing to be visited, as well as for those interested in becoming ministers to the homebound. Duties include being the phone or email contact for this ministry (very low volume), maintaining the Google document database in order to match the homebound with visitors, and coordinating training of new ministers to the homebound (possibly 1x/year and staff help is available for this, if needed). This ministry requires occasional phone or email contact, and just a few hours of time sporadically, as needed throughout the year. Contact Beth Schaller at bschaller@sipdx.org

Knitting and Crocheting Group ~ Join today!

Please join us for an hour of knitting or crocheting after the 10:30 mass on December 13th (second Sunday of the month) in the Bradley Room. Bring your own project or contact Pat at (503) 473-9118 about materials. Experts and beginners of any age are welcome. COVID precautions will be followed.



History Heros are back in action!

Enjoy the Christmas sounds of song and laughter with friends:

- December 15, 2022 around Noon
- 12260 SE East Main (off SE Division)
- Bring your singing voices as Joseph will play for us.
- Please contribute any finger foods, desserts or appetizers you want. I will provide main dishes, utensils, etc.

We have sparkling cider provided. There will be a small charge of about \$5.00 per person to pay for main dishes.

Thanks for understanding. WEAR YOUR UGLY SWEATER AN/OR HAT!

PLEASE RSVP TO: 971-344-3055 [my cell] via vm or text.

Remember all are welcome; any new members please call me & join the group!

Thanks; Have a Blessed Advent,
Judi Van Cleave, Coordinator



8:00AM Daily Mass Intentions

Please keep in your prayers

Monday	Dec 5	† Marie Hong Tran
Tuesday	Dec 6	† Sue Brent
Wednesday	Dec 7	† Richard Silva
Thursday	Dec 8	† Immaculate Conception
Friday	Dec 9	† Hoang Tran

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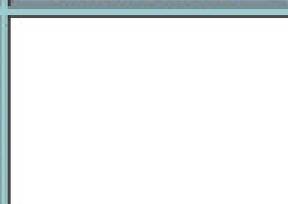
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