



# ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## 3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 13, 2020

### MONDAY:

- (Sunday) Mass at 9:00 a.m. for the high risk and elderly
- Rosary 3:00 P.M.
- CATECISMO, 6:30 p.m. Recoja paquetes.
- Grupo de Evangelización

### TUESDAY:

- **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE, 1:00-6:00 p.m.**
- Misa para personas mayores y feligreses de alto riesgo, 7:00 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY:

- **Mass at 9:00 a.m.**
- FAITH FORMATION. Pick up your packets between **6:00-6:30 p.m.**
- CLASE DE CONFIRMACIÓN (virtual).

### THURSDAY:

- HORA SANTA 6:00 p.m.
- Spanish RCIA, 6:00 p.m.

### FRIDAY:

- Mass at 9:00 a.m. in the Church

### SATURDAY:

- Misas de Vigilia: 5:00 p.m. y 7:00 p.m. en español.



**BLOOD DRIVE:** We are hosting the blood drive on Tuesday at the Community Center and are looking for a few volunteers to help out. Please contact Rita, 797-5844, or Mary to volunteer. Also consider giving blood, it is much needed this time of year!

**NOVENA:** ¡Comenzaremos la Novena el 16 de diciembre a través de Zoom via Facebook Live a las 8:00pm! ¡Toda la comunidad está invitada a unirse a nosotros! Por favor compartan para que llegue a mas personas! Gracias



**POINSETTIAS:** Envelopes are in the narthex if you would like to donate a poinsettia in memory of a loved one for our Christmas decorations. You can also call Mary if you are unable to pick an envelope up because you are watching the Mass from home.



**CHRISTMAS COLLECTION:** Your offering on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day help Catholic Charities become the hands and feet of Jesus to 50,000 people throughout Central Washington. Catholic Charities brings hope to life by embracing people, strengthening families, and empowering to thrive. Your generosity helps us reach out in your name. For more information about the Catholic Charities network of services, visit [www.catholiccharitiescw.org](http://www.catholiccharitiescw.org).

Su ofrenda en la Víspera de Navidad y en el Día de Navidad ayudará a Caridades Católicas a ser las manos y los pies de Jesús para unas 50,000 personas en todo Washington Central. Caridades Católicas da esperanza a la vida ayudando a las personas, fortaleciendo a las familias, y capacitándolas para prosperar. Su ayuda generosa llegará a ellos en su nombre. Para más información sobre la red de servicios de Caridades Católicas, visite [www.catholiccharitiescw.org](http://www.catholiccharitiescw.org).

*Did you know you can access the bulletin from our website? By doing so, you can click on the links that are highlighted and go directly to the websites referred to in the announcements.*

**Carmelite Study Group:** Discover how to connect more authentically with the living Christ, experience the joy of Carmelite community, and engage in the lively caring for others which springs from this spirituality. **The Carmelite Study Group** meets **Sat., Dec. 19th** and **every third Sat.** of the month, from 10 AM to noon, at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Wenatchee. For full details, please register with Teresa Drollman, (509) 699-1236 or [teresa@drollman.com](mailto:teresa@drollman.com) This group is guided by the California-Arizona Province of St. Joseph, Discalced Carmelites.



**The food bank**, as well as Serve Quincy Valley can use your help financially and with donations of food and household items. In addition to the Giving Tree, there is a basket in the Narthex to collect items for the Food Bank, or you can take your donations to them on Tuesday or Friday mornings. To make a donation to Serve Quincy Valley, look them up, or call Mary for help. You can even put your donation in the collection basket (clearly marked) and we will get it to them.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION, December 6:** \$3454.00

### MINISTERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

**Lectors:** Pat and Laura Escure; **Eucharistic Ministers:** Tina Gonzalez and Pat Moore; **Greeters:** Mary; **Cleaners:** Volunteer

**HELP NEEDED:** We need more volunteers to help clean the pews after the Masses so the same ones are not doing it every week. Please let Mary know if you can help with the 9:00 a.m. Mass, or Alejandra Garcia know if you can help with the Spanish Masses.



### CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

- † Christmas Eve: 5:00 p.m. (English); 8:00 p.m. (Spanish)
- † Christmas Day: 9:00 a.m. (English); 11:00 a.m. (Spanish)

New Year's Masses for the Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God, will be the same schedule as the Christmas Masses

### IF YOU ARE STILL HAVING TROUBLE SIGNING UP FOR MASS FOLLOW THESE STEPS:

- 1) **Go** either to St. Pius X Facebook page, or our website: [stpiusxquincy.com](http://stpiusxquincy.com) and
- 2) Click on the SignUp Genius icon.
- 3) Click on which Mass you want to attend.
- 4) Mark the dates you are signing up for and at the bottom of the page click 'Submit and Sign Up'.
- 5) On the next page enter your information, number of people, etc. Answer the Covid screening questions and click 'Sign Up Now'.

**One Who Is Coming – Scott Hahn's Reflection for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent:** The mysterious figure of John the Baptist, introduced in last week's readings, comes into sharper focus today. Who he is, we see in today's Gospel, is best understood by who he isn't. He is not Elijah returned from the heavens (see [2 Kings 2:11](#)), although like him he dresses in the prophet's attire (see [Mark 1:6](#); [2 Kings 1:8](#)) and preaches repentance and judgment (see [1 Kings 18:21](#); [2 Chronicles 21:12-15](#)). Not Elijah in the flesh, John is nonetheless sent in the spirit and power of Elijah to fulfill his mission (see [Luke 1:17](#); [Malachi 3:23-24](#)). Neither is John the prophet Moses foretold, although he is a kinsman and speaks God's word (see [Deuteronomy 18:15-19](#); [John 6:14](#)). Nor is John the Messiah, though he has been anointed by the Spirit since he was in the womb (see [Luke 1:15, 44](#)).



I Baptize With Water  
But One Mightier  
Is Coming

John prepares the way for the Lord (see [Isaiah 40:3](#)). The baptism he performs is symbolic, not sacramental. It is a sign given to stir our hearts to repentance. John shows us the One upon whom the Spirit remains (see [John 1:32](#)), the One who fulfills the promise we hear in today's First Reading (see [Luke 4:16-21](#)). Jesus' bath of rebirth and the Spirit opens a fountain that purifies Israel and gives to all a new heart and a new Spirit (see [Zechariah 13:1-3](#); [Ezekiel 36:24-27](#); [Mark 1:8](#); [Titus 3:5](#)). John comes to us in the Advent readings to show us the light, that we might believe in the One who comes at Christmas. As we sing in today's Responsorial, the Mighty One has come to lift each of us up, to fill our hunger with bread from heaven (see [John 6:33, 49-51](#)).

And as Paul exhorts in today's Epistle, we should rejoice, give thanks, and pray without ceasing that God will make us perfectly holy in spirit, soul, and body—that we may be blameless when our Lord comes.

### Sacraments during the COVID-19 pandemic:

- † Baptism: Contact the parish office to arrange for baptism. Fr. Mario is doing up to 3 each Sunday after the Spanish Mass.
- † Sacrament of Reconciliation: None at this time, in accordance with the decree from the Bishop during the pandemic - "Priests serving in the Diocese of Yakima over the age of 60 should not celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with individual parishioners."
- † Anointing of the Sick: Contact the parish office
- † Weddings and Quinceaneras: Make arrangements with Fr. Mario. All events must follow the pandemic guidelines. Capacity: 30