



HOLY ROSARY

Church & Dominican Priory

First Sunday of Advent | 3 December 2023



Mass

Sunday Vigil 5:30 PM Saturday
Sunday 7 & 9 AM
11 AM (Dominican Rite: Latin)
1 & 5:30 PM
Weekdays 6 AM (Dominican Rite: Latin)
7 AM, 12 Noon
First Friday 7:30 PM (Dominican Rite: Latin)
Saturday 6 AM (Dominican Rite: Latin)
8 AM

Confession

Weekdays 11 AM – 12 PM
First Friday 7 – 7:30 PM
Saturday 4 – 5:30 PM
Sunday half hour before each Mass

Adoration

Weekdays 12:30 – 4 PM

Devotions

Rosary 11:30 AM Weekdays,
7:30 AM Saturday, 10:30 AM Sunday
Vespers 4 PM First Saturdays

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THIS WEEK AT HOLY ROSARY

Sunday, 3 December

First Sunday of Advent

Coffee and Doughnuts after morning Masses

Monday, 4 December

St. John Damascene

Dominican Rite: St. Peter Chrysologus

Aquinas Littles – 9:30 AM

Tuesday, 5 December

Advent Weekday

Dominican Rite: Advent Feria

Wednesday, 6 December

St. Nicholas

CCD – 4:30 PM

Scouts – 7:00 PM

ACE – 7:00 PM

RCIA – 7:00 PM

Thursday, 7 December

St. Ambrose

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd – 10:00 AM

Confessions – 4:00 PM

Vigil Mass – 5:30 PM

Homeschool Support Meeting – 7:00 PM

Friday, 8 December

The Immaculate Conception – Holy Day of Obligation

Dominican Rite Mass and Reception – 7:00 PM

Saturday, 9 December

St. Juan Diego

Dominican Rite: Advent Feria

Rorate Cæli Mass – 6:00 AM

Advent Day Retreat – 8:00 AM

Lay Carmelites – 8:00 AM

Sunday, 10 December

Second Sunday of Advent

Coffee and Doughnuts after morning Masses

Potluck after 9:00 AM Mass

Youth Group – 10:00 AM

Young Adult Night – 6:30 PM

Dear Holy Rosary Friends and Families,

In December, the theme of waiting and preparing for the Lord's coming is emphasized throughout the first 24 days of this month. We should prepare to celebrate Christmas, the mystery of the Incarnation, by anticipating the birth of the Savior. Don't let the hustle and bustle of shopping, social gatherings, and company celebrations overshadow the meaning of this holy season. We must keep Advent holy with eager anticipation of God's coming by heeding John the Baptist's call to repentance (cf. Mark 1:1-8). That means turning away from sin and "making straight the paths" to receive the graces of this season. There are several meaningful ways that we can prepare spiritually and emotionally for the celebration of Christ's birth. Here are some traditional practices and ideas:

Prayer: Dedicate time each day for prayer and reflection. Contemplate our God's extraordinary love and humility in the flesh and in the womb of the Virgin Mary. You can use Advent prayers, such as the "O Antiphons," as part of your daily prayer routine. Join the friars for Solemn Vespers according to the ancient Dominican Rite. Starting December 2nd, this liturgy will be held on the first Saturday of every month at 4 pm. Also, you can also join the friars for Lauds (morning prayer) after the 7 am Mass.

Advent Wreath: Lighting an Advent wreath candle is a beautiful tradition. Each candle represents a different theme or virtue (Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love), and you can light them successively each week as a symbol of increasing anticipation.

Scripture Reading: Read and meditate on the Bible passages related to the birth of Jesus, such as the prophecies in the Old Testament and the Gospel accounts of the Nativity. This will help you connect with the significance of the season.

Acts of Charity: Like Mary who assisted her cousin Elizabeth, consider donating to the St. Nicholas Christmas Tree, or volunteer to assist in delivering holiday food boxes and gifts. This reflects the spirit of giving and selflessness that Christmas represents.

Confession and Repentance: Take time for self-examination and reconciliation with God. The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is a significant part of preparing your heart for Christmas. Confession times are available weekdays from 11am-noon, and a half hour before the weekend Masses.

Fasting and Abstinence: Fasting or abstaining from certain foods and drinks during Advent is a way to prepare spiritually. This practice helps to cultivate the virtue of temperance.

Advent Retreat: Consider participating in the parish Advent Day retreat offered by Fr. William Dillard on Saturday, December 9th, from 8 am until 4 pm. The theme will be the Eucharist and Reconciliation.

Spend Time in Silence: Amidst the hustle and bustle of the holiday season, find moments of silence and solitude for reflection and prayer. It can help you to center your thoughts

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Online Giving



on the true meaning of Christmas.

Remember that the goal of Advent is to prepare our hearts and minds to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. Let us also ask for Mother Mary's intercession. She waited for the day of the Savior's birth with a more fervent longing than anyone else. Mary's preparation was perfect in every way. Let us strive to prepare our souls better by embracing her earnest spirit of prayer with a pure heart and wholehearted obedience to God's divine will.

- Fr. Peter Do, OP

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES FOOD PANTRY Parishioners who wish to access the pantry are welcome to do so by contacting Sue Scheese at foodpantry@holyroarypdx.org. Do you wish to help the pantry? Non-perishable food donations are welcome in the office or vestibule, and financial contributions are welcome, payable to Holy Rosary Church, memo "Food Pantry". Right now we could use peanut butter, jam, and canned fruit. Please note we can only accept unopened items before their expiration date.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL The Holy Rosary St. Vincent de Paul Conference is available to help our parishioners and our parish neighbors in need. If you need emergency assistance with Rent, Utilities, or Food, or if you are interested in joining us as a volunteer, please contact us at (971)533-8320 or email hrstvincentdepaul@gmail.com. All inquiries are held in confidence and assistance is provided to anyone in need.



ST. NICHOLAS CHRISTMAS TREE

If you are struggling or are aware of any families struggling during this time, please contact st.nicholaschristmastree@yahoo.com.

This ministry of Holy Family Chapter of the Dominican Laity helps families and parishioners with Christmas gifts and needs. You can help by taking a tag or two from the St. Nicholas Giving Tree in Siena Hall or the north vestibule, or going to the virtual Giving Tree at the QR code. Wrapped gifts should be returned to the parish office by December 18th.

THE RORATE CAELI MASS is a traditional Advent devotion wherein the Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary for Advent is offered just before dawn. On December 9 and 16 this Mass will be celebrated according to the Dominican Rite at 6:00 AM. The Mass takes its title, Rorate Caeli, from the first words of the Introit, which are from Isaiah 45:8: "*Rorate, caeli, desuper, et nubes...*" (Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain the just: let the earth be opened and bud forth a Savior.) The Rorate Mass is lit only by candlelight. Because it is a votive Mass in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary, white vestments are worn instead of Advent violet. In the dimly lit setting, priests and faithful prepare to honor the Light of the world, Who is soon to be born, and offer praise to God for the gift of Our Lady. As the

Mass proceeds and sunrise approaches, the church becomes progressively brighter, illumined by the sun as our Faith is illumined by Christ.



ADVENT DAY RETREAT Fr. William Dillard will be giving an Advent Day Retreat on the Eucharist and Reconciliation at Holy Rosary on Saturday, December 9th. Meals are included so please register ASAP.

- 8am Mass | Breakfast | Lauds
- 10am First Talk | Q&A
- 12pm Lunch
- 1pm Second Talk | Q&A | Parting Message
- 3:15pm Rosary | Adoration | Benediction
- 4pm Confession

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION SCHEDULE

7 December, Thursday

Regular weekday liturgical schedule

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM Confessions

5:30 PM Vigil Mass of the Immaculate Conception

8 December, Friday

Immaculate Conception - Holy Day of Obligation

Regular weekday liturgical schedule

7:00 PM Dominican Rite Mass & Reception

MONTHLY POTLUCK BRUNCH Everyone is invited to a monthly community potluck brunch after the 9 am Mass on Sunday, December 10 in Siena Hall, during normal coffee and donuts time. Families are asked to bring a main dish, fruit, side dish, or dessert. Our hope is to grow in community through food and fellowship.

SOLEMN VESPERS January 6 | Please join us for Solemn Vespers according to the ancient Dominican Rite, held on the first Saturday of every month at 4:00pm.



A WINTER WONDERLAND WITH CANTORES IN ECCLESIA

This year marks the 40th anniversary of Cantores in Ecclesia! Please join us on Friday, December 15th at 7:00 pm in Holy Rosary's

Aquinas Hall as we celebrate with our annual Winter Wonderland fundraiser! Admission includes a festive evening of wine, hors d'oeuvres, seasonal desserts, and holiday cheer. Entertainment will be provided by the choir's two ensembles of children and adults. Tickets available for purchase at cantores.ticketleap.com or by scanning the QR code.

YOUNG ADULT NIGHT Young adults ages 18-35 are invited to spend time in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament, with an opportunity for confession following the 5:30 PM Mass on Sunday, December 10, then gathering in Siena Hall at 7:30 PM for a social.

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