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Liturgical Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:30 PM Congregational Singing

Sunday Masses: 7:30AM 9:00 AM Congregational Singing 11:00 AM Cathedral Choir

> Daily Masses: 7:30 AM & 5:30 PM

5:30 PM Contemporary Ensemble

Reconciliation (Confession): Saturday 4:00 PM-5:15 PM Other times by appointment.



DECEMBER 10, 2017 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



XXX Mass İntentions

Dec 7:30am & 5:30pm

- 11 Mary Walsh, dec Luis Aponte, dec
- 12 Mary Goodrich, dec Tony Bada, dec
- 13 Carol Stalp Lucille Martin, dec
- Bob Brady, dec Mrs. Robin Boden, dec
- 15 Special Intention for health of Kathie Cooper Virginia H. Chiles, dec
- 16 Blanchet House



Week of December 10

Sunday: Coffee & Donuts after 9am Mass

Wednesday: RCIA 7pm

Financial Report for December 3

Regular Households: 800 **Envelopes used: 150**

E-Giving: 103

Budget %Difference **Actual Sunday Envelope:** \$ 8,295 E-Giving: \$ 5,936 **Loose Collection:** \$ 2,858 All Saints: 20 All Souls: 20 **Solemnity of Mary: TOTAL PARISH:** \$16,394 \$17,142 +5%

Fiscal Year to Date: \$331,459 \$360,668 -8%

Social Services: \$600 School: \$1,626 Christmas Flowers: \$388 Adult Formation: \$51 Retirement for Religious: \$100 Sun. School of Rel: \$40

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A Word from the Pastor

This Tuesday is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The story of Guadalupe is always worth retelling, especially now, since the number of Latino Catholics continues to grow in the United States. But the feast is important beyond that because it also celebrates an important quality of the Church, symbolized by Mary: that God calls the lowly and raises them to high places; that the Good News is, indeed, proclaimed to the poor.

On December 9, 1531, a woman dressed as an Aztec princess (whose name, rendered into Spanish, is "Guadalupe") appeared to an Indian whose Christian name was Juan Diego. The woman spoke his language and expressed her concern, her compassion, and her love for the Indian people. She requested that a chapel be built on that site, and her request was to be taken to the local bishop. The bishop didn't believe this poor and unassuming Indian, and he asked for a sign. On December 12, 1531, a sign was given: roses (in December), and a miraculous portrait of the woman on Juan Diego's tilma (cloak).

The details of Guadalupe are so interesting that we sometimes forget the deeper significance of Mary's appearance. The event at Tepeyac was the catalyst that led to the conversion of countless numbers of the native Indian population. Why is that? The Mary of Guadalupe on Juan Diego's cloak was portrayed in the ancient garb of the mother of the deities whom the Indians had worshipped before Christianity. They were able to see in Mary a connection—even a respect—for their tradition. But there was a major hurdle to overcome. The native population had been reduced to slavery by the conquering Spaniards. These same Spaniards preached the Gospel. Not surprisingly, the Indians confused the "Good News" of the Gospel with the "bad news" of domination and power that the Spaniards had brought with them. But the figure of Mary embodied the crucial message of love, compassion, acceptance, and hope for the oppressedmaking it possible for the Indians to grasp what Jesus himself proclaimed ("the poor have the Good News preached to them").

For me, the power of Guadalupe comes from its consistency with the portrait of Mary we find in the Gospel of Luke—a Gospel that presents Mary as first disciple and exemplar of the Church. The Mary of Guadalupe is the Mary who proclaims the Magnificat. She is the one of "lowly estate," the "slave woman" (or handmaiden) whom God has looked upon with grace and favor. Mary's Magnificat interprets the Incarnation the Christ event-in terms of what it means to her and to the Church she represents: that God has put down the mighty and raised up the lowly. Mary gave the Aztec people reason for hope—hope that God would lift them up, empower them, and set them free. That is the work of the Gospel. And that is the work of the Church.

May the Feast of our Lady Guadalupe inspire us to serve our brothers and sisters and to give thanks for the many blessings that God has bestowed upon us.

Msgr. Patrick S. Brennan

Worship & Prayer & Faith Formation

Advent Confession Times: Wednesday, December 21, Thursday, December 22 and Friday, December 23 from 4-5:15pm.



<u>Christmas Mass Schedule</u>: *Christmas Eve*: 4pm (Family Mass), 6pm and Midnight. *Christmas Day*: 7:30am, 9am, 11am.; No 5:30pm Mass.

Christmas Eve Family Mass: Your children are invited to participate in the procession and story of the birth of Jesus at the 4pm Christmas Eve Mass. Roles needed for the presentation include readers, gift bearers, ushers, angels, shepherds, kings and queens, as well as the Star of Bethlehem. We are also looking for volunteers to be Joseph, Mary, and the Baby Jesus. Costumes are to be provided by the participants. For more information pick up a sign-up form in the racks at the Cathedral doors. Forms are due by December 20.

Mass Obligations on Christmas and the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God: This year, Christmas Eve is on a Sunday, and Christmas is on a Monday. This means that we will celebrate the 4th Sunday of Advent on Sunday morning, December 24th; and that afternoon, we will celebrate Christmas. Inevitably, the question arises: if we attend Mass on Sunday afternoon, will we fulfill both the Sunday Mass obligation and the Christmas obligation (a two-for-one Mass)? While canonists and liturgists argue the question, the prevailing view is this: each obligation must be fulfilled with a separate Mass (no twofer).

The situation is a little different the following Sunday (December 31st), the Feast of the Holy Family, and Monday (January 1st), the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God. Because the Solemnity (January 1st, New Year's Day) falls on a Monday, it is not a day of obligation. Therefore, the evening Mass of Sunday, December 31st, will be the Feast of the Holy Family, not the vigil Mass for Mary, the Mother of God.

Baptismal Preparation for Parents of Infants: There will be no class in December. The next class will be January 18.





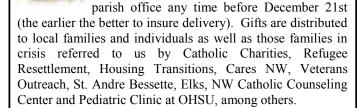


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<u>Cathedral School has openings</u> in Pre-Kindergarten, and First Grade for the 2017-2018 school year and we are now accepting applications for all grades for 2018-2019. Call 503.275.9370 for information or to schedule a tour. We hope to see you at our annual *Open House* for prospective families on Sunday, January 28, 20188 from 10am-12:30pm

Social Services

Giving Tree: This Advent, we invite all our parishioners to take a snowflake (or more!) from our Giving Tree and bring happiness to individuals and families in need. Items must be <u>NEW and UNWRAPPED</u> (in order to properly match the gift to recipient), and can be placed in the basket in the vestibule or dropped off at the



<u>Volunteers Needed</u> Once again Cathedral will be providing the stuffing for *Lift Urban Portland's* Christmas dinner hosted by Temple Beth Israel. We need volunteers to help prepare the ingredients and deliver the pans to Temple Beth on **Friday**,

December 22 at 11am. If you'd like to help chop, sauté, mix and deliver please call Gail Kinglsey at 503-241-2521.

Many thanks to the generous parishioners who brought



food to our Thanksgiving Mass. Thanks also to Mark Urich, who delivered 20 bags of goods weighing over 265 lbs. to the Lift Urban food pantry. The pantry serves needy families and

individuals in the neighborhood.

Please consider a charitable bequest to St. Mary's Cathedral in your estate planning.

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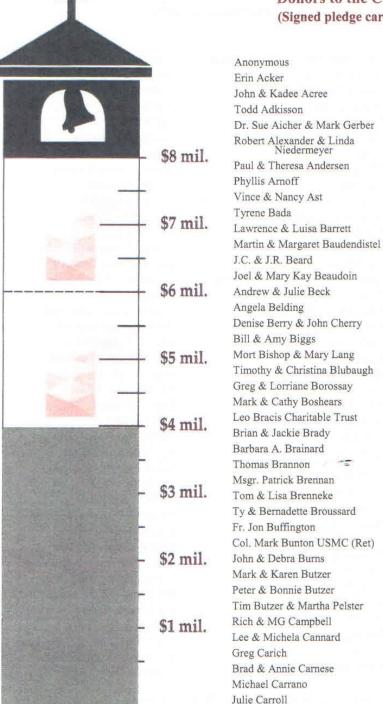
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<u>Charitable Gifts Year-End Cutoff:</u> According to the IRS, donors must deliver or mail checks on or by <u>December 31</u>, <u>2017</u>, Checks that are mailed and <u>postmarked</u> by December 31 will be deductible for 2017.

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Liturgical Ministers - Dec 16 & 17

Presiders:

Vigil Fr. Timothy Furlow 11:00 Msgr. Patrick Brennan

7:30 Fr. Timothy Furlow

9:00 Msgr. Patrick Brennan 5:30 Fr. Timothy Furlow

Lectors:

Vigil Kevin Keaney, Ginger McCarthy

7:30 Will Rader

9:00 Brad Zenger, Steven Gassert

11:00 Sr. Connie Furseth, Vince Ast

5:30 Hector Nunez, Neill McAuliffe

Greeters & Ushers:

Vigil TBA

9:00 Susan Hartwell

11:00 Sandy Simmons, Kara Kristiansen,

Chris O'Brien

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Vigil TBA, Karen Knight TBA, Ed Geisler, Suzie Santilli

7:30 Will Rader, Jesse Alvarez, Pat Pearce

9:00 Liesl Nebel, TBA, TBA

Steve Mattheisen, Kathryn Bowman, Sara Mattteisen

11:00 Esneda Patton, Debbie Paynter, Julie McCarthy Sarah Westenberg, Daniel Hseih, Gina Shapard, Joan Townsend

5:30 Neill McAuliffe, Margaret Witt, TBA Dorene Kemp, Amy Brown, David Pfaff

Altar Servers:

Vigil Sabina Quinteros, Carter O'Sullivan, Clara O'Sullivan

7:30 John Holman, Mary Jane Holman

9:00 Aidan O'Scannlain, Maura O'Scannlain, Wynter Veber

11:00 Colt Bordonaro, Skylar Bordonaro, Ben Lewis

5:30 Ben Morich, Will Morich, Jimmy Mercado

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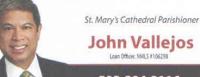


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