

Liturgy: Saturday ~ 5:00pm & Sunday ~ 8:30am & 10:30am Second Sunday of Advent — December 9/10, 2017

Reconciliation
By appointment
Contact Msgr. da Silva

Baptism Of Infants
Preparation of parents
in advance
Contact parish office

Young Adult—Interparish
FirePit Ministry
Fr. Radmar, director—208-343-2128

Marriage
Preparation at least
6 months in advance
Contact parish office

Entrance Into The Catholic Church

Adults: Deacon Ted & Ludee Vermaas, 208-345-8279

Children: Deacon Gary Anderson, 208-362-6584

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I am pleased to greet all of you and to offer you a warm welcome. Catholics and Lutherans together, discussing Luther, at a meeting organized by an Office of the Holy See; truly we are experiencing the results of the working of the Holy Spirit, who overcomes every obstacle and turns conflicts in occasions for growth in communion.

Serious research into the figure of Luther and his critique of the Church of



his time and the papacy certainly contributes to overcoming the atmosphere of mutual distrust and rivalry that for all too long marked relations between Catholics and Protestants. An attentive and rigorous study, free of prejudice and polemics, enables the churches, now in dialogue, to discern and receive all that was positive and legitimate in the Reformation, while distancing themselves from errors, extremes and failures, and acknowledging the sins that led to the division.

Address to Participants in the meeting "Luther: 500 Years Later, Pope Francis, March 31, 2017

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Giving Tree

This custom, with help from the Jesuit Volunteers, expands and links Christmas giving to people in need.

Gifts go to families in need at Risen Christ and the surrounding area, Catholic Charities, Corpus Christi House, Catholic Relief Services, and Heifer International.

Tags describing gifts are on the giving tree in the narthex.

Gift wrap or place gift in a gift bag or envelope.

You may include a Christmas card or personal greeting. Attach tag securely.

Return gifts no later than the weekend of December 16/17.

To return monetary gifts, put tag with a check made out to Risen Christ in an envelope and place in collection basket.



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated at Risen Christ during Advent on Tuesday, Dec. 12 from 5:00–7:00_{PM}, as well as by appointment.

Typically one priest will be available in each of the Boise area parishes. Check their reconciliation schedule.

NEW BULLETIN ADVERTISERS AND SPONSORS NEEDED

Do you own a business? Would you like to help Risen Christ in a unique way? If so, why not advertise in our bulletin? Our bulletin needs ads and sponsorships to allow us to receive weekly bulletins at no cost to the parish. Kjirsten Finnegan from our new bulletin publishing partner, Liturgical Publications, will be in the parish office the week of December 11th seeking advertisers for our new bulletin. Contact Kjirsten at KFinnegan@4LPi.com or 402-312-9955.

ADVENT REFLECTION BOOKS

Reflection Books are available on the counter in the narthex or at the parish office. Suggested donation: \$1.

YEAR END CONTRIBUTIONS

The parish office will be closed December 25 – January 2, 2017. If you are planning to make a year end contribution that you wish to appear on your 2017 contribution statement, please remember it needs to be received or if mailing, postmarked on or before December 31, 2017.

TO SERVE AT A CHRISTMAS MASS, LITURGICAL MINISTERS MAY SIGN UP IN THE WORKING SACRISTY. CHRISTMAS EVE - 4:00pm & 6:00pm CHRISTMAS DAY - 8:30am



Office Closed for Christmas Monday, Dec. 25 – Tuesday, Jan. 2



IDAHO CATHOLIC REGISTER

It's time to renew. Make a check out for \$17 to Risen Christ with Idaho Catholic Register noted in the "memo" section and drop it in the collection basket.



WOMEN'S GROUP

We gather on Tuesday, Dec. 12 at 7:00pm for our annual Christmas party. All women are invited.

Please join us. We look forward to seeing you.

PARISH EVENTS

DECEMBER

- 11 Bible Study, 7:00рм
- 11 RCIA, 7:00рм
- 12 Reconciliation, 5:00–7:00PM
- 12 Women's Group, 7:00PM
- 13 St. Vincent de Paul, 6:30pm, OFF SITE
- 16 Men's Discussion Group, 7:30AM Office Closed: Dec. 25TH–JAN. 2ND
- 24 Christmas Eve Mass, 4:00pm and 6:00pm
- 25 Christmas Day Mass, 8:30AM

RELIGIOUS ED & YOUTH GROUP

QUESTIONS OR VOLUNTEER, CONTACT **Deacon Gary Anderson** ganderson@risenchristboise.org

DECEMBER

- 10 Pre K-Grade 6, Noon-1:00рм
- 10 Jr. High, Grades 7–8, 3:30–5:00pm
- 10 Sr. High, Grades 9–12, 3:30–5:00pm
- 12 First Reconciliation, meet at 4:30PM
- 17 Pre K-Grade 6, Noon-1:00рм
- 17 Jr. High, Grades 7–8, 3:30–5:00pm
- 17 Sr. High, Grades 9–12, 3:30–5:00pm
- 24 No Religious Ed or Youth Group CHRISTMAS BREAK
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CONFIRMATION CLASS TOPICS, 7:00-8:00PM

Dec. 13th: Gifts of the Holy Spirit Jan. 10th: Confirmation

EVENING SCRIPTURE STUDIES

- Women in the New Testament-Mondays, 7:00pm. Participants will encounter the strengths and needs of numerous New Testament women, and explore how being a woman in the Holy Land during the time of Jesus and the Apostles shaped many of the challenges they faced.
- Contact Jim Scherer: 208-362-5607 or kernel@heritagewifi.com

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS) **JOURNEY THE CATHOLIC WAY**

If you, or someone you know, would like to become a full, participating members of the Catholic Church, the process to prepare you for the next step in your sacramental life has begun. Next class is Monday, Dec. 11th, 7:00pm.

HURRICANE AND EARTHQUAKE RELIEF **DONATIONS WELCOMED**

The Diocese of Boise will forward donationsmarked for those harmed by the hurricane in Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Florida and Texas-to Catholic Charities USA. The Diocese of Boise will also forward donations-marked for those harmed by hurricane or earthquake in Mexico and Caribbean Island nations-to Catholic Relief Services. Donations can be mailed or sent electronically to: Roman Catholic Diocese of Boise 1501 S. Federal Way, Boise, ID 83705 or <u>CatholicIdaho.org</u>.

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WEEKDAY LITURGICAL SCHEDULE - 8:30am WEEK OF DECEMBER 10TH

WEEKDAY MASS: MONDAY, TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY MORNING PRAYER: NOT SCHEDULED

FAITH IN ACTION

This article comes from Our Sunday Visitor

WHAT ARE MY PRIORITIES? DO THEY REFLECT JESUS' INTERTWINED COMMANDMENTS OF LOVING GOD AND LOVING NEIGHBOR AS SELF?

What would our lives look like if we really took to heart the two intertwined commandments that Jesus succinctly places before us, to love God with all our heart, soul and mind, and to love our neighbor as ourselves? Would we reorder our time so that Sunday Mass, daily prayer and regular participation in the Sacrament of Penance are always on our calendar? Would we carve out time for serving others? Might we recognize our talents as gifts from God and discern the ways we might give the gifts back, with increase, at home, in our parish, in the workplace and in the world? Would we consider that the ways we spend time, money and attention are signs of our priorities?

It is likely that most of us considering the list above would say "yes" to each question. As we hear and reflect on the Gospels, let us take Jesus' challenge to heart and act accordingly: love God, love neighbor.

AROUND TOWN

POSITION OPENING

- St Mark's in Boise is seeking candidates for the full-time position of parish bookkeeper. Under the direction of the Director of Parish Operations, the bookkeeper is responsible for a variety of bookkeeping and accounting functions for the parish and the school.
- Complete job description and diocesan application can be found by visiting www.stmarksboise.org/Job-Openings or www.catholicidaho.org/Employment.

TAIZE PRAYER AT NAZARETH RETREAT CENTER

- Wednesdays during Advent beginning December 6th, at 7:00pm, Taize Prayer is offered at Nazareth, 4450 N. Five Mile Road.
- For additional info, please call Nazareth, 208-375-2932 or email nazareth@rcdb.org.

CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER

- The next Engaged Encounter weekend is January 26–28 at Nazareth Retreat Center, Boise.
- Cost: \$295.00 per couple, includes two night's lodging, all meals Saturday morning through Sunday's sessions, & supplies.
- For info visit www.ceeboise.org.
- Questions? Contact Russ & Rena VanPapeghem: russvanp@msn.com or Don & Angela Atha at: Angelaatha67@gmail.com.

IDAHO CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE is Saturday, Jan 27, 8:00AM-6:00PM, at the Boise State Student Union Building. The conference features national speakers including Fr. Bill Casey of the Fathers of Mercy, Curtis Martin founder of FOCUS, and Dave DiNuzzo founder of True Manhood Ministry. Bishop Peter Christensen will celebrate opening Mass. Early bird registration: \$45 per person before January 12. For details and to register, go to: www.IdahoCatholicMen.com or call 208-353-8494.