



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11: ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Following the homily, all are invited to be prayed for individually by prayer teams. The presider offers anointing. This sacrament provides spiritual, psychological and emotional healing and health of mind and body. Come and celebrate this sign of God’s great merciful and healing love.

Comfort and Healing

In Mark 6:12-13, St. Mark tells the apostles, to “anoint with oil many sick people and heal them. In James 5:14-15, St. James asks, “Is any one among you sick? Then call in the priest and the faith community and have them pray over those who are sick and anoint them with oil in the name of Christ. And this prayer of faith will save the frail and raise them up.”

The Oil of the Sick is blessed by the bishop at the cathedral on Holy Thursday morning. It is pure olive oil. The characteristic of olive oil is the healing and strengthening effect it possesses.

When we are apprehensive, God offers us this sacrament to quiet anxiety and dissipate fear. We are blessed with the peace of mind and confidence in God this sacrament bestows.

The essence of the sacrament is in the anointing of the person on the forehead and hands as the following prayer is prayed: “Through this holy anointing may our loving God, who frees you from sin, save you and raise you up.” We respond, “Amen.”

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Most Holy Trinity Parish

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The reign of God is at hand.

Matthew 3:2



Reflection: Marilyn Wussler, SSND; Design: Joyelle Proot, SSND

MISSION: We are a people graced by God, who come together as a community of faith, supporting each other as we live and celebrate the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Parish Mass Schedule: 9:30 AM Sunday (church); 4:00 PM First Saturday of the Month (rectory chapel)

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John the Baptist announces the words and work of Jesus will be nothing like the world has ever experienced. Jesus' baptizing "with the Holy Spirit and fire" transforms, bringing about the reign of God. How will this happen when our common home suffers great affliction: hunger, loneliness, sickness, loss, war, and violence?



The prophet, Isaiah, reminds us that God's Spirit inspires us to act. A spirit of wisdom and understanding impels us to live the mission of Jesus, a spirit of counsel and might graces us with strength of conscience and spontaneous goodness, a spirit of knowledge grants us wise judgment. The awe of God's presence enables trust in our Creator's guidance.

In the gospel, John calls upon all people to act bringing justice to our personal lives, to our country and to our world.

How will we respond offering encouragement to the poor, lowly and oppressed among us?

How do we promote harmony with all?

How are we compassionate toward others who suffer patiently?

In our stance for justice, the Holy Spirit leads us to be Christ's Body instilling hope, bringing about a new era of justice and peace.

– Sister Janice

ALL THINGS NEW: This morning we will meet in the cafeteria after Mass to talk about the mission and ministries of our parish. **Please wait until after this session to fill out the survey.**



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7: PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY: Today, survivors, veterans and visitors from all over the world, come together to honor and remember those who perished in the attack at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii in 1941. On this day we pray for peace in every country.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8: FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY, PATRONESS OF THE UNITED STATES

Mass at 12:10 in the chapel. Presider: Father Dan Kearns. The solemnity of this feast celebrates the joy of God's gift to all in Mary. Like Mary, we are called by God to fulfill a mission; are called to holiness, to recognize and respond to God's call in our vocation. May Mary's "Let it be done to me according to your Word," be the response of all Christians.

CONGRATULATIONS! Our Food Pantry was awarded a grant of \$2500 from the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA). The archdiocese Executive Director, Brain Niebrugge, thanks the parish for the leadership and support of the ACA which makes this possible. Most Holy Trinity is grateful for the service of Barbara Carrow, John Ferguson, Mike Freymuth, Kenneth Patterson, Doris Speed, Brenda Tillman, and Joe Tracy for the continual help they give to the people who come for assistance. We are grateful for the past work of Barbara Russell and Willy Howard.

THANKS to all who prepared our church for the celebration of Advent. The colors reflect the stillness in which we wait. In this season we are vigilant to see the daily coming of Jesus in our lives.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY and God's Blessings

DECEMBER

- 8 Patty Whaley
- 11 John Kelly
- 14 Father Dan Kearns
- 15 Thomas Young
- Ryan Grayson
- 21 Daecia Lindsay
- 22 Tim Ohmeyer
- 24 Carol Nowak
- 28 We remember Rosalind Robinson.



WE HOLD IN HEART AND PRAYER: Ed Deason, Tom George, Mary Lee Howard, Ethel Long, Joetta Lukowski, Mary Meyer, Sharon Morrow, Marta Reyna, Sargeant Steve Salvaggio (co-worker of Lt.Col. Rochelle Jones), James Smith, Amanda Suchara, John Towles, and the Tracy and Usanga families.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 9:30 PM

Presider: Father Gerry Kleba

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Lectors: First Reader: Melita Long; Second Reading: Sister Luanne

Eucharistic Ministers: Doris Speed & Nancy Lemond

COLLECTION: 11/20/22 - \$856.00

MASS INTENTION

Sunday, December 4, 9:30 am: Barbara McDonald

FLOWER MEMORIALS

Honor a loved one with beautiful poinsettias that will adorn our church for the Christmas season. Complete the slip below, put in a plain envelope with your donation, and place it in the collection basket. Your donation helps defray the cost of flowers.

YOUR NAME

NAME OF PERSON HONORED



St. Nicholas, holy patron of children, saintly and generous bishop, inspire us to give gifts of ourselves and our time.

Give us your blessing so that we might fill with sincerity each greeting we speak and send.

Smiling saint of sweets and toys, help us stay youthful and mirthful, playful and joyful

so that we can celebrate every day as Christmas.

Patron Saint of generosity, arouse us to an evergreen extravagance in loving and in giving gifts to those we love and to the poor.

Patron of the un-thanked, who always slips away before you can be thanked, incite us to be like you."

– Fr. Edward Hayes

