

# Holy Redeemer Chapel

✠ ROMAN CATHOLIC ✠

PRE-VATICAN II - TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

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## Second Sunday of Advent

December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022

*Rev. Carlos A. Ercoli - Rev. Héctor L. Romero*



*The Immaculate Conception*

*“O Mary conceived without sin,  
pray for us who have recourse to thee.”*

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\* **MASS TIMES THIS WEEK** \*

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Sunday, December 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b> Michael Goggins Jr. ( <i>Mrs. Angela Goggins</i> ) ☞ Deceased parishioners ( <i>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Robert Lambert</i> )	8:00 A.M. 10:30 A.M.
Monday, December 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Ferial Day</b> Carleen Pang -birthday ( <i>Mrs. Joan Pang</i> )	11:15 A.M.
Tuesday, December 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>St. Nicholas</b> , BpC ☞ Judiwiwoho Hadiwidjaja ( <i>Mrs. Marcia Aguirre</i> )	11:15 A.M.
Wednesday, December 7 <sup>th</sup> <i>* Fast &amp; Complete Abstinence</i>	<b>St. Ambrose</b> , BpCD ( <i>Vigil of the Imm. Conception</i> ) ☞ Bernita Caron ( <i>Mr. Alan Caron</i> )	11:15 A.M.
Thursday, December 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BVM</b> <b>10:30 A.M. &amp; 6:30 P.M.</b> Conversion of our families & friends ( <i>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Wilfredo Pablo</i> )	
Friday, December 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Within the Oct. of the Immaculate Conception</b> <i>Sp. &amp; temp. welfare of Iliana Padilla &amp; Tyler Thompson (Tyler Thompson)</i>	11:15 A.M.
Saturday, December 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Within the Oct. of the Immaculate Conception</b> Barbara House ( <i>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Robert Lambert</i> )	9:00 A.M.
Sunday, December 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b> Mr. John Wittman ( <i>Mrs. Joan Pang</i> ) Conversion of sinners, sick & dying ( <i>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Lambert</i> )	8:00 A.M. 10:30 A.M.

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\* **ANNOUNCEMENTS** \*

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- **WEDNESDAY IS THE VIGIL OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**, a day of *Fast & complete Abstinence*.
- **THURSDAY IS THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**, a Holy Day of Obligation. Please note that Holy Mass will be offered **at 10:30 A.M. & 6:30 P.M.**
- **NEW 2023 TRADITIONAL CALENDARS** are available in the vestibule. **Color \$15 - B&W \$8**
- **CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:** Midnight & 10:30 A.M. (Holy Redeemer) 5:30 P.M. (St. Joseph).
- **CHRISTMAS POTLUCK DINNER AT HOLY REDEEMER.** Christmas Day around noon.

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**LITURGICAL CALENDAR & UPCOMING EVENTS**

- ☐ **DEC. 8<sup>th</sup>** – IMMACULATE CONCEPTION **10:30 A.M & 6:30 P.M.**
- ☐ **DEC. 24<sup>th</sup>** – CHRISTMAS CAROLS **11:30 P.M. MIDNIGHT HIGH MASS**
- ☐ **DEC. 25<sup>th</sup>** – HOLY MASS **10:30 A.M.** - CHRISTMAS DINNER

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\* **WISDOM OF THE SAINTS** \*

*Diligence*

• *“Among the many means of performing our actions well, one is to do each of them as if it were to be the last of our lives. At every action, then, say to yourself: “If you knew that you were to die immediately after this action, would you do it? and would you do it in this way?” —St. Vincent de Paul*

**S**t. John and Christ. The thought of them leads us to a consideration of the nature of character, which is the end of all education. The whole purpose of Christian education is the formation of men of character.

**Pope Pius XI demands these two qualities of the man of character.** 1. an intellect which is formed in such a way that it thinks in the right way and according to truth, and 2. a will which is constant and faithful in following the dictates of reason.

**He adds something which is essential,** that the true intellectual light is that which comes from the doctrines and example of Christ.

**Tenacity of conduct is not enough.**

The will of the obstinate man can also be tenacious, so can that of the man who is in error, or merely obstinate in false principles. Perfection of character demands perfection in the guiding principle of reason, which alone sustain the will. I am the truth, said Christ. When this is the guiding light of a character, the character is from the human point of view perfect.

The faith is the basis of this character, not the mere light of reason, as Pius XI points out.

**The saints were essentially men of character.** We may say without error that all the saints were men of character, because true sanctity demands this rule of life, this tenacity of conduct according to a rule, that of truth itself. In this is character detected, not elsewhere.

Athanasius and Ambrose were great characters, but no less were Thérèse and Maria Goretti.

**The power of example.** Christ is the supreme example of this, and it is in the power of his example that he rises above all the other saints and prophets, I have given you an example, he could say, that you may follow in my steps.

He did more, he gave the rule of truth and grace to help us. This gives us supernatural fortitude, which is the hall-mark of the Christian. This is no religion for the weak and feeble; it demands great strength of character. As one spiritual writer has said about the virtue of purity: "if anyone maintains that this is a virtue for the weak and feeble, then it is a sure sign that he has never tried to keep it!"

How many of our ordinary people are models of strength of character. Many Catholic mothers, many priests in their small parishes, in the day-to-day administration of their flock! How many strong characters, hidden under meekness and kindness to others! Gentleness, which is rather a complex virtue, demands fortitude, from which it stems.

**The example of John the Baptist.** He, as no one else, is an example of the teaching of Pius XI, because he thinks and acts always in the light which we receive from Christ. He has filled himself with that spirit on the desert and prepares the way of the Lord perfectly. He rejoiced in Christ and in the thought of the vast mystical body of Christ. For that reason, when he was asked, Who art thou? his reply was: I am a voice! He, the voice, Christ, the light, the word of God, speaking through the mouth of John.

**The world today needs strong characters.** It needs those who will allow themselves to be nothing but a voice crying in the wilderness of the world which has lost most of his inheritance of truth and virtue. There will always be this opposition between the world of the spirit and the materialistic attitude of the world of the flesh and the devil.

The Catholic character, result of a true Catholic education, can alone apply the remedy. A character founded on the light of faith, the example of Christ and the help of his grace.

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\* A NOTE TO NEWCOMERS \*

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Welcome to the traditional Latin Mass, and to the unchanged Catholic Faith. The priests and parishioners of Holy Redeemer Chapel reject the changes of Vatican II. They want to preserve the Roman Catholic Faith by maintaining everything that was taught and done by the Church prior to Vatican II. In order to receive the sacraments here, it is therefore necessary that you attend exclusively the traditional Latin Mass, and avoid the new Mass and reformed sacraments. We also invite you to take our booklet entitled *The Traditional Latin Mass*, which is very informative. We encourage you to visit our bookstore for some additional reading & information about the present crisis in the Church.

\* PLEASE, OBSERVE OUR DRESS CODE \*

**For Men:** A shirt and tie, with either suit coat, jacket or sweater, and dress shoes on Sundays and holy days of obligation. No earrings. **For Ladies:** A dress or skirt is required; no pants. The skirt must at least cover the knee, and should not be tight or otherwise revealing in any way. Immodest slits are forbidden. Clothing should be loose and not form-fitting. A head covering is also required. See-through blouses are forbidden, as well as clothing which is low-cut. **For Everyone:** No tennis shoes, sandals, denim, even on weekdays. The standards of Catholic modesty must be observed.

\* APPOINTMENTS & OTHER INFORMATION \*



If you wish to make an appointment with the priest, please call the rectory at (206) 299-1522. **Baptisms** are by appointment. At least one of the **Parents & Godparents** must be practicing Catholics in good standing who reject the changes of Vatican II. If you are contemplating **Matrimony**, catechism instructions may be needed; depending on the case, you may need to contact the priest as early as one year in advance of your wedding. When making arrangements for **Funerals**, please contact the priest before contacting the funeral director. **Extreme Unction & Sick Calls**, please do not put off making arrangements until the last moment. Let us know if a member of the Chapel is sick, hospitalized or in danger of death. For any emergency, please call **Fr. Ercoli** at (586) 215-3251.

- **Confession Schedule:** Sundays & Holydays, 30 minutes before Mass. Saturdays after Mass.
- **Blessing of Religious Articles:** Every First Sunday of the month at the communion rail.
- **Mass Intentions:** For your Mass requests there are Mass Intention envelopes available in vestibule.
- **Building Fund:** A 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection is taken on the *First Sunday* of each month. This Special Collection will go toward remodeling and building expenses.
- **St. Lawrence Poor Box:** Donations will help the poor and needy. *“He who gives to the poor suffers no want, but he who ignores them shall suffer indigence.”* (Prov. 28:27)
- **Purgatory League:** Holy Mass & Prayers for our deceased parishioners are offered on the First Sunday of each month. *May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*
- **Registration at Holy Redeemer Chapel:** If you intend to attend Holy Redeemer Chapel regularly, please complete the Registration Card in the vestibule.