

# SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 10, 2017

## TODAY (Sunday):

- ❖ Novena de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, 6:30 p.m.

## MONDAY:

- ❖ Our Lady's Prayer Group following the 9:00 a.m. Mass.
- ❖ NOVENA Y MISA, 6:30 p.m.
- ❖ CATECISMO, 6:30 p.m.
- ❖ Grupo de Evangelización San Pio X, 7:30 p.m.

## TUESDAY:

- ❖ FIESTA DE NUESTRA SEÑORA DE GUADALUPE. Mañanitas a las 5:00 a.m. Misa : 6:00 P.M.
- ❖ NO LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY this week. (December 19 is the last of this series)
- ❖ NO CHOIR PRACTICE

## WEDNESDAY:

- ❖ FAITH FORMATION CLASSES.

## THURSDAY:

- ❖ FARMER'S MASS, 9:00 a.m. Rosary and Confession, 8:30 a.m.
- ❖ Hora Santo, 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ RCIA/RICA 6:00 p.m.

## FRIDAY:

- ❖ CLASE DE CONFIRMACIÓN, 6:00 p.m.

## SATURDAY:

- ❖ NOVENA, MISA Y POSADAS, 4:30 p.m.
- ❖ Sacrament of Reconciliation, 3:30 to 4:00 p.m.
- ❖ Vigil masses at 5:00 p.m. (en español) and 7:00 p.m. (English)



**CAMBRIDGE PRAYER SERVICE:** Today it is our turn to lead the prayer service at the Cambridge at 3:00 p.m. Consider taking a break from your Christmas shopping to give the residents the gift of your presence.



## ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES (all beginning at 6:00 P.M.):

- † Wednesday, Dec. 13 – Royal City
- † Thursday, Dec. 14 – Moss Lake
- † Friday, Dec. 15 – Mattawa
- † Monday, Dec. 18 – Ephrata



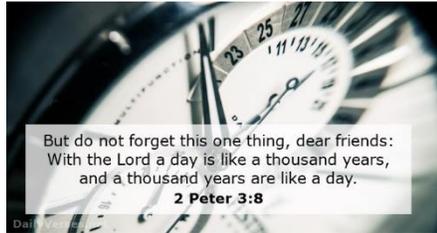
**IF YOU DIDN'T GET A TAG FROM THE GIVING TREE YET**, there are still a few left. We participate in the community giving tree, and they count on our support to provide gifts to families in need.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES:** Each year, your offering at Christmas goes to support the work of Catholic Charities. What is Catholic Charities and who does your generosity help? As the social service arm of the church, Catholic Charities serves those most in need throughout the lifecycle – from expectant mothers and families with young children to grandparents raising their grandchildren and the elderly struggling to live independently. Please give generously to help your neighbors in need. To learn more about the Catholic Charities network of services, visit [www.catholiccharitiescw.org](http://www.catholiccharitiescw.org).



**CARIDADES CATÓLICAS:** Todos los años, su ofrenda en Navidad apoya el

trabajo de Caridades Católicas. ¿Qué es Caridades Católicas y a quién ayuda la generosidad de ustedes? Como la rama de servicio social de la iglesia, Caridades Católicas sirve a los más necesitados durante el ciclo de vida – desde las mujeres embarazadas y las familias con niños pequeños hasta los abuelos que están criando a sus nietos y los ancianos que se esfuerzan por vivir independientemente. Por favor sea generoso ayudando a sus hermanos necesitados. Para informarse mejor sobre los servicios de la cadena de Caridades Católicas, visite [www.catholiccharitiescw.org](http://www.catholiccharitiescw.org).



**Rachel's Vineyard:** "If the emotional and spiritual wounds of a past abortion have been sapping faith, love and joy from your life, I promise, that if you enter this process for healing, your life will begin to change." ~ Dr. Theresa Burke, founder of Rachel's Vineyard

If God is calling you to hope and healing OR to minister to those in need of hope and healing here in our local community, please contact Lisa Petersen (509-421-7847 or [lisapetersen65@gmail.com](mailto:lisapetersen65@gmail.com)) for more information. Your call will be kept completely confidential.

**Viñedo de Raquel:** "Si heridas emocionales y espirituales de un aborto pasado le han estado exprimiendo la fé, amor y alegría de su vida, yo le prometo que si entra a este proceso de sanación, su vida empezará a cambiar." ~ Dra. Theresa Burke, fundadora del Viñedo de Raquel. Si Dios le está llamando a usted a esperanza y sanación o a ministrar a

aquéllos que tienen necesidad de esperanza y sanación aquí en su comunidad local, por favor contacte a Lisa Petersen (509-421- 7847 o al correo electrónico [lisapetersen65@gmail.com](mailto:lisapetersen65@gmail.com) ) para más información. Su llamada será estrictamente onfidencial.



**KEEP IN MIND** the Food Bank and Serve Quincy Valley rely on our help. Through our donations, they can offer help to those in need. Serve Quincy Valley is the local agency we often refer people to for assistance. They need our financial support in order to meet the needs in our community. Consider them this Christmas.

## MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK

**Saturday** – Lectors: Bev McDonald and Irma Sepulveda; Eucharistic Ministers: Warren and Kathy Horning

**Sunday** – Lectors: Elena Ybarra and Kaleb Krautscheid; Eucharistic Ministers: Pat and Kathy Tobin, Sam/Amy Krautscheid, Desirae Garcia, Jackie Garcia

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION, December 3:** \$3929.00

**CHURCH CLEANING...** Due to lack of people signing up for church cleaning, we have added the cleaning of the chapel and sacristy to the job description for our cleaners. However, there are still little things that we all should do help maintain the appearance of our church. For example, before you leave Mass, make sure books are in order and you didn't leave any garbage in the pew. The restrooms are cleaned twice a week, in the meantime, help keep them presentable. Parents of children should consider accompanying them to the restroom. When we cleaned the church last week, people spent hours removing gum from underneath the pews. So on that note.... if you placed your gum under the pew, please take it with you!



**To those who use the facilities during the week...** The whole facility is cleaned once a week (usually on Mondays), so if you use the building, please pick up after yourself, and leave it better than you found it. Check restrooms to see if they need to be restocked and pick up garbage.

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### A REFLECTION FROM SCOTT HAHN:

**Readings:** Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; Psalm 85:9-14; 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8

Our God is coming. The time of exile—the long separation of humankind from God due to sin—is about to end. This is the good news proclaimed in today's liturgy. Isaiah in today's First Reading promises Israel's future release and return from captivity and exile. But as today's Gospel shows, Israel's historic deliverance was meant to herald an even greater saving act by God—the coming of Jesus to set Israel and all nations free from bondage to sin, to gather them up and carry them back to God. God sent an angel before Israel to lead them in their exodus towards the promised land (see Exodus 23:20). And He promised to send a messenger of the covenant, Elijah, to purify the people and turn their hearts to the Father before the day of the Lord (see Malachi 3:1, 23–24).

John the Baptist quotes these, as well as Isaiah's prophecy, to show that all of Israel's history looks forward to the revelation of Jesus. In Jesus, God has filled in the valley that divided sinful humanity from Himself. He has reached down from heaven and made His glory to dwell on earth, as we sing in today's Psalm.

He has done all this, not for humanity in the abstract, but for each of us. The long history of salvation has led us to this Eucharist, in which our God again comes and our salvation is near. And each of us must hear in today's readings a personal call. Here is your God, Isaiah says. He has been patient with you, Peter says in today's Epistle. Like Jerusalem's inhabitants in the Gospel, we have to go out to Him, repenting our sins, all the laziness and self-indulgence that make our lives a spiritual wasteland. We have to straighten out our lives, so that everything we do leads us to Him. Today, let us hear the beginning of the Gospel and again commit ourselves to lives of holiness and devotion.

*The Lord is not slow  
in keeping his promise,  
as some understand slowness.  
Instead he is patient with you,  
not wanting anyone to perish,  
but everyone to come to  
repentance.*

2 Peter 3:9