



Cathedral of the Sacred Heart

Mission Statement: Baptized into the Body of Christ and inspired by the Word of God; we the Parish of the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart are

called to ongoing growth in our identity as Eucharistic people and our mission of spreading God's Reign of Love by our words and actions.

2nd Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME
2° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me?
My hour has not yet come." - Jn 2:4

Jesús le contestó: "Mujer, ¿qué podemos hacer tú y yo?
Todavía no llega mi hora". - Jn 2, 4

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Second Sunday of Advent –December 9, 2018

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Eucharistic Liturgies

Weekdays M-F: 12:00 Noon

Saturday (Anticipatory Mass): 4:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:15am and 12Noon

Holy Days of Obligation: 12:00 Noon and 5:30pm

Reconciliation (Confession): 2:30-3:30pm every Saturday

Holy Hour: First Friday of every month at 11:00am

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(closed from 12-1pm for lunch)

Anointing of the Sick: Call the Parish Office in the event of illness or anticipated hospitalization.

Hospital Visitation: Due to Federal Regulations, our hospitals can no longer supply names or other information about patients. Therefore, patients and family members must notify the parish if pastoral visits are requested. Both Parkview Medical Center and St. Mary Corwin Hospital have priest chaplains and other pastoral staff personnel.

Baptism: Preparation sessions for Parents and Godparents are held four times a year. Please contact the Parish Office concerning preparation sessions and celebration dates for the sacrament of baptism.

Marriage: Engaged couples are invited to call the parish office to make arrangements at least nine months in advance. Persons wishing to have their marriages blessed (validated) should call the office for further details.

Letters of Recommendation are issued to persons who are registered and active members of our Parish.

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, December 10, Advent Weekday

12:00 Noon: Communion Service

Tuesday, December 11, Advent Weekday, St. Damsus I, Pope

12:00 Noon: +Stephanie Garcia by Family
+Gina Wenthold (1 yr anniversary)
By Charlene Wenthold

Wednesday, December 12, Our Lady of Guadalupe

7:00am: Las Mananitas

12Noon: +Irene Gonzales by Cathy & Ginny

Thursday, December 13, Saint Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

12:00Noon: +Jim Smith by Dave & Barbara Francis

The health of Virginia Walker by Sharon Sirianni

Friday, December 14, Saint John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church

12:00 Noon: +Albert Martinez by Brothers & Sisters

Saturday, December 15, Advent Weekday (Vigil: Third Sunday of Advent)

4:00pm: Cathedral Parishioners

Sunday, December 16, Third Sunday of Advent

8:00am: +Felix Cordova
by Al & Norma Becco & Mike Orazem

10:15am: +Fr. Bacino by Thomas Lee Pomeleo
+Adrienne Valdez by Roland Valdez

12:00 Noon: + Joe Lucero by Mary Lucero & Family
For the family of Mickey Giarratano
by B. J. McNamara

Our Gift to God" for Dec. 2/3:

Envelopes:	\$7,570.50
Loose:	\$1313.00
Total:	\$8,883.50
Building Fund:	\$ 656.00

The "Giving Tree" is up!! Please take an ornament and make someone's Christmas. Please have the gifts in by December 11, 2018; please and thank you.

Cooperative Care will be collecting Canned Fruit for the month of December. Place your donated items in the basket provided in the pavilion. Thank you for your generosity!

This Week at a Glance:

Sunday, Today, December 9

- ♦ *Peanut Butter Angels" 2nd Sunday after the 8 & 10:15am Masses*
- ♦ *Parish Council Meeting @ 9am*
- ♦ *Baptism at 12Noon*
- ♦ *LOM Curio Meeting 2-4pm in the gym*

Tuesday, December 11

- ♦ *FF K-5th 6:15-7:30pm; Gospel Drama for those who are participating at 6:15-7:30pm*
- ♦ *Symbolon at 6:30-7:30pm in the office*

Wednesday, December 12

- ♦ *Advent Reconciliation after the 12:00N Mass*
- ♦ *Light Within 1-2:30pm*
- ♦ *Cantor/Bells practice 5:30 & 6:30pm*
- ♦ *MS FF at 6:15-7:30pm*

Friday, December 14

- ♦ *Women's Spirituality Group*
- ♦ *Adame/DiOsdado Wedding Rehearsal @ 4pm*

Saturday, December 15

- ♦ *Adame/ DiOsado Wedding at 1pm*
- ♦ *Serra Club 9-11am in the gym*
- ♦ *Baptism at the 4pm Mass*

Save the Date: Join us in celebrating Msgr. Jim in an Open House on Sunday, December 16th, from 1:30pm – 4:30pm in the gym. We will have a reception and everyone is welcomed to wish him the best as he prepares for his new journey of retirement!

Not sure what to give that special someone in your life for Christmas? How about a set of books "Wisdom From The Saints" by Steven DiIorio. You can find the order forms in the pavilion with an example of the books.

Don't forget the young person in your life with the special gift that is a life changing experience. For \$50.00 that will hold a spot for the Mission trip to Alamosa in July with JUST 5!!

Please prayer for our parish families & friends. BJ, Ernest, Allen, Lilia, Nora, Louie, Lenny, Gina, Gary, Antoinette, Mary, Bernadette, Melissa, Mary, Melody, Cathy, Greg Sr, Greg V. III, Jerry, Mark, Sylvia, Abraham, Ethyl, Odelia, Richard, Jennie, Celestino, Angelica, Eloy, Anita, Joy C, Betty, Emily, Kenia, John, Solidad, Maria, Irene, Jennifer, Rachel, Alex, Rich, Barb, Cordy, Adella, Whitney, Faith, Armando, Lynda, Natalie, Tony, Eloisa, Stephen, Henry, Ricky, Xavier, Kathy, Mike, Ivy, Barbara, Dave, Patricia, Deana, Mary K., Toni, Joel, Olivia, Dave, Deana, Edith, Joel, Carol, Ken, Michael, Murph, Chris, Ariana, and Joshua, Sharon, Viola, Tina, Virginia, Rose M., Tim, Jess, Sara, Juanita, Laura & Brian, Jesus C, Danielle, Amy, Pete, Margie, Barbara, Betty, Daniel, Elizabeth & all those we have in our hearts.

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Lifelong Faith Formation News

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Questions of the Week: What do the prophets of Advent tell us about God? What does God becoming human mean to you? How will members of your family prepare your hearts and home for Jesus' coming at Christmas? In what ways can you share Jesus with others?

In Church: Share the Sign of Peace or a smile with someone you don't know.

Family Prayer: Lord, help us to recognize what hurts your heart and have the courage to work to change it.

Marriage Moment: The frantic pace so many of us live 'getting ready for Christmas' can lead to careless words and actions. Today's Marriage Moment by Susan Vogt is a wonderful reminder for all of us this season. "Spouses, even very loving spouses, sometimes need a "Do over." When you catch yourself (or you are caught) saying or doing something hurtful, be humble enough to ask for a "Do over.: Apologize. Rephrase your statement in a more sensitive way, make an amend. Visit Susan's website at www.SusanVogt.net.

Christmas Eve Gospel Drama. Again this year we are inviting children to enrich our 4pm Christmas Eve Mass by dramatizing the Gospel. Children dress in costumes to portray angels, shepherd, innkeepers and Mary & Joseph to present the story of Jesus' birth. Older youth and parents join in to help as coaches, readers, singers, back stage lighters, photographer. Practices will be held on Tuesday evenings December 11th & 18th from 6:15-7:30pm with a dress rehearsal on Saturday, December 22nd. @ 10:00am in the Church.

K-12 Faith Formation News.

Gr. K-5 Faith Formation meets this and next Tuesday. Practice for the Gospel Drama coincides with Class time these two weeks. 6-8 Faith Formation meets this Wednesday. The youth are planning a field trip on the 19th. Please visit with Miss Corinna or Miss Marge. Permission slips were sent home last week. High School Faith Formation: Dec. 16 ... has been canceled to allow youth to participate in Fr. Jim's Retirement Party, that afternoon in the Parish Hall. Youth who would like to help with the celebration, please call Marge or Jamie.

Adult Faith Formation News:

Join us for any of the Faith Formation events that appear in this Week at a Glance.

Don't forget "Second Sunday Meal-Peanut Butter Angels" today, December 9 after the 8 am & 10:15am Masses. Thanks be to God, we have a temporary warming shelter for the winter.



A voice of one crying out in the desert: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths....the winding roads shall be made straight and the rough ways made smooth."

As one travels through the deserts of the Negev and the Sinai, it becomes quite evident that a person would have to do a tremendous amount of work to make all the winding ways straight and the rough ways smooth. Those deserts, especially the Sinai, are quite unique. There is no visible vegetation; the rocks are piled high; breakdowns are common; Israeli checkpoints in the Negev and Egyptian checkpoints in the Sinai are few and far between but definitely harrowing when they are approached.

To put this picture of the desert to the test, a group of us who were studying in Jerusalem rented a car, a Volkswagen Golf, at the Egyptian border, and set out from Taba to St. Catherine's monastery and Mt. Sinai. We traveled through the night to avoid traffic, but instead found that camels liked to wander about during the night. While I was driving, I was amazed at how tall a camel was. I could have driven underneath if I hadn't stopped in time. More damage would have to been done to the Golf than the camel.

Getting through the checkpoints was interesting. The guards would let us pass if we paid our baksheesh, our bribe. I was so unaware of this custom and having no idea what they were asking for, that the guards, in disgust, would wave us through just to get rid of us; my inability to understand what in the world he wanted saved me some Egyptian Pounds -- or American dollars which were even more appreciated. The obstacles on our trip were rocks on the highway, camels, guards, desolation.

While we had certain obstacles on our journey, it's easy to see why Luke uses the imagery of desert travel to proclaim John the Baptist's message. Jesus the Messiah came to a world in which there were many desert-like obstacles to overcome, obstacles that were much more difficult to traverse than the desert types. From the very moment of his birth Jesus was hounded by poverty, authorities, both Jewish and Roman, by his own countrymen, even by his own family. To say that the winding roads would be made straight and the rough ways smooth would be a bit of an exaggeration.

What was the saving grace in all this seeming contradiction between the promise and the actuality? "All flesh shall see the salvation of God." That was the answer to the difficulties of this disconnect between what the prophet said and what happened in the life of Jesus. All people would now be welcomed to the salvation that Jesus would bring to the world. Truly then all roads would be straight and all rough roads smooth. In this second week of Advent, we are able to travel that smooth road to the savior. God bless us all.