# SAINTS JOACHIM & ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH



DECEMBER 17, 2023

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### MASS SCHEDULE

#### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 4:30 PM (Anticipated Sunday Mass)

Sunday 10 AM 12 Noon (Latin) 7PM

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday & Wednesday 8 AM

Tuesday & Thursday 7 PM

Friday 11:30 AM

Saturday 9 AM

#### **SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION**

30 minutes before each Mass on Sundays, Saturday 4 PM & 15 minutes before Weekday Masses

#### PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

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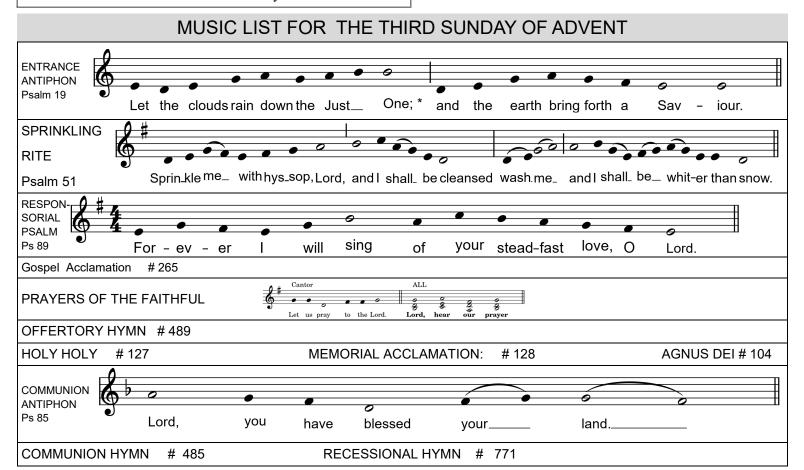
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	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT	
	<b>Priest's Mass Intention</b>	
Sat. Dec. 16		
4:30 PM	Veronica & Frank Petras RIP	
Sun. Dec. 17		
10 AM	Joe & Rita Wipfli RIP	
12 NOON	Ervino Ciccone RIP	
7 PM	Parishioners of Sts. Joachim & Ann	
ADVENT WEEK 3		
Mon. Dec. 18		
8 AM	Maria Ponte RIP	

Tue. Dec. 19

7 PM Jamie Ponte RIP

Wed. Dec. 20

8 AM Augusto & Herminia Ponte RIP 11 am Funeral Mass for John Boulton

Thurs. Dec. 21 St.. Peter Canisius, Priest, Doctor

7 PM Joe Ponte RIP

Fri. Dec. 22

11:30 AM Maria Ponte RIP

Sat. Dec. 23 St. John of Kanty, Priest 9 AM Gerard Joseph Lyver RIP



# **ADVENT HOLY** HOUR

Friday December 22 7 — 7:45 PM

- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction
- the Holy Rosary
- opportunity for the Sacrament of Confession

## **NEW YEAR'S EVE HOLY HOUR**

December 31 — 11 PM with Benediction at Midnight Light Refreshments after Benediction



#### HAPPENINGS IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday				
Prayer Group	7:05 pm	Church		
Tuesday				
Vigil Prayers for John Boulton RIP	6 pm	Church		
RCIA	7:30 pm	Hall		
Wednesday				
Funeral Mass for John Boulton RIP	11 am	Church		
Thursday				
New RCIA	7:30 pm	Hall		
Friday				
PREP for Confirmation	5 pm	Hall		
Holy Hour & Benediction	7 pm	Church		
Saturday				
Divine Mercy Chaplet	9:30 am	Church		



# **FOOD COLLECTION FOR CHRISTMAS HAMPERS**

We are collecting non-perishable food items for our Christmas hampers to help needy families

in our area. Donation bins will be in the vestibule Deadline for donations: Tuesday Dec 19 4 pm

#### **SNOWSHOE WITH NUNS**

#### All women aged 18-35 are welcome!

Come spend quality time with the Religious Sisters of the Archdiocese and have fun outdoors on Saturday, January 6! We will meet at St. Anthony's Parish in West Vancouver and start with Mass at 9 a.m., then drive to Cypress for the snowshoe up Black Mountain. The trail is a 5.3-km snowshoe loop with a beautiful view at the top. There is no cost. Please pack a bagged lunch and bring your snowshoes. If you need help getting snowshoes or a ride, please contact Sister Mary Martha

at smmhetzler@rcav.org. Learn more and register at beholdvancouver.org/events.



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Your gift will grow your parish and expand the reach of Christ's love to those who need it most. Your tax-deductible donation will fund important works such as:

- Youth and young adults ministry in our parishes
- The construction of new Catholic schools
- Programs that support healthy families
- Feeding the homeless and vulnerable in the Downtown Eastside
- Pastoral ministry and support for the hospitalized

The Diocesan goal this year is \$3,000.000, the same as last year. Our parish portion of that goal is \$15,600. Once our parish goal is met, all additional funds raised (minus administration costs) will be directed back to our parish. Last year our parish raised \$103,294,50, from which \$85,806.07 was directed back to our parish. This years parish goal is to raise at least \$80,000. Since we have been advised by our furnace maintenance company that the original furnaces are near the end of their life, the Pastoral Council has decided that the parish rebate will be used to set up a contingency fund for the eventual replacement of the church's roof and its four furnaces. The replacements of the furnaces would cost between \$28,000 to \$40,000 in today's money.

To read the message from Archbishop Miller and to find out more about what the appeal will do on the Archdiocesan level, and how to donate online, check out https://support.rcav.org/project-advance-2023/

# WHAT IS ADVENT ALL ABOUT

Advent is a season in the Church's life intended to renew the experience of waiting, and longing, for the Messiah. Though Christ has already come into the world, the Church invites us to renew our desire for the Lord more deeply into our lives, and to renew our desire for Christ's triumphant second coming into the world. We also prepare to celebrate Jesus Christ being born into the world.

In the search engine on the **Formed.org** website, type in "advent" and you will find many items for adults, children, and young people to help you make this Advent season, the best ever.



# HELP FOR PARENTS DEALING WITH CHILDREN AND TEENS

# **Making Sense of Counterwill**

The instinct to resist being controlled or coerced is one of the most perplexing and troublesome dynamics in dealing with children and youth. This video course by Dr. Gordon Neufeld reveals the dynamics controlling this instinct and provides suggestions for how to deal with it. This material is applicable for all those dealing with toddlers through adolescents: teachers, parents and helping professionals. Discussions will be facilitated by Kevin Bredeman, M.A.

On Tuesdays, from January 23 to February 20, 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., via Zoom. Cost is \$25. These workshops are not being recorded. Learn more and register at <a href="mailto:beholdvancouver.org/events">beholdvancouver.org/events</a>.



# ·CHRISTMAS · SCHEDULE ·

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#### **Fourth Sunday of Advent**

A Holy Day of Obligation - Catholics are required to attend Mass on all Sundays

Saturday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>

4:30m pm

Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>

Mass

Mass

Mass (in Latin) 12 noon

NO 7 PM MASS

10 am

#### **Christmas — The Nativity of the Lord**

A Holy Day of Obligation - Catholics are required to attend Mass

Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>

9 pm

Mass during the night

Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>

10 am

Mass

12 noon

Mass (in Latin)

Weekdays in the Octave of Christmas				
Tuesday, December 26 <sup>th</sup> St Stephen, the First Martyr	7 pm	Mass		
Wednesday, December 27 <sup>th</sup> St John, Apostle & Evangelist	8 am	Mass		
Thursday, December 28 <sup>th</sup> The Holy Innocents, Martyrs	7 pm	Mass		
Friday, December 29 <sup>th</sup> St Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr	11:30 am	Mass		
Saturday, December 30 <sup>th</sup>	9 am	Mass		

#### The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

A Holy Day of Obligation - Catholics are required to attend Mass on all Sundays

Satuday, December 30<sup>th</sup> 4:30 pm Mass Sunday, December 31st 10 am Mass

Mass (in Latin) 12 noon

Mass

Mass 7 pm

Holy Hour with Benediction 11 pm

### The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

A Holy Day of Obligation - Catholics are required to attend Mass

Monday, January 1st 10 am

Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God Mass (Latin) 12 noon

7 pm Mass