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Weekly Mass Schedule

Daily Mass: Monday—Saturday—9 AM

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00 PM

Sunday Masses—8:30, 9:45, 11:00 AM

Confessions:

30 minutes prior to all Mass times
Saturdays 2:30—3:45 PM

Holy Hour, Novena, Adoration:
Monday, 7:00 PM

Young Adult Adoration: Monday, 8:00 PM

Benediction and Adoration:
Monday, Wednesday and Friday
Immediately following daily Mass

Holy Day of Obligation:

Vigil 4:00 PM Holy Day 9 AM & 7 PM

December 3, 2017 First Week of Advent



First Sunday of Advent

*Be watching, then!
For you have no
knowledge on what
day your Lord will
come. Matthew 24:42*

Today's Readings

First Reading -- We are the clay and you, O LORD, are the potter: we are the work of your hands (Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7).

Psalm -- Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved (Psalm 80).

Second Reading -- God is faithful; by God you were called to fellowship with the Son (1 Corinthians 1:3-9).

Gospel -- Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come. (Mark 13:33-37).

This Week's Readings

Monday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6; Mt 9:35 --10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: First Sunday of Advent

Monday: St. John Damascene

Wednesday: St. Nicholas

Thursday: St. Ambrose;

Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

Friday: Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday: St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin

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Mass Intentions

Sunday 12/3—9:45 AM Edward Rezendes

Requested by: Sara McFarland

11 AM—Tony Mennuti

Requested by: Jorge and Mariann Campos

Monday 12/4 —Jan Graham

Requested by: Cathy Windish

Tuesday 12/5—Matthew Fisher Chrest

Requested for: the Chrest family

Wednesday 12/6—Theresa Guernon

Requested by: Mom and Dad

Thursday 12/7—Fr. William Mooney

Requested by: Cathy Windish

Friday 12/8—Rosemary Aeschbach

Requested by: the Cornish family

Saturday 12/9—9 AM Catherine Smith

Requested by: Cathy Windish

4 PM—Ernie Seifried

Requested by: Gay Seifried

If you would like to request a Mass intention, please contact Sue Ann Nanney in the Administration Building during office hours or by calling 904 797-4842.

CATHOLIC APOLOGETICS CLASS

WITH FR. ED MURPHY

DEC. 7TH

"THE DOGMAS OF MARY"

7 PM MARIAN HALL

CCD Classes

There will no CCD classes until January 10th.

BENEDICTION, ROSARY AND HOLY HOUR

7 PM MONDAY

YOUNG ADULT ADORATION

8 PM MONDAY



Adoration will be with praise and worship music.

FR. WILLIAM MOONEY

is available for Spiritual Direction and Confession during the week.

Please call the Rectory at San Sebastian at 904 824-6625 and ask to speak to Fr. Mooney.

From The Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

Attention!!! Beginning on the first weekend of January, the Sunday morning mass schedule will officially change. The new schedule beginning 2018 is: 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. Why the change? There are a number of reasons. The most important are: 1. Easier traffic flow in the parking lot for those leaving mass and those arriving for the next mass; 2. More time for the priest presider to gather and socialize with the parishioners; 3. More time for confessions before each mass. Please make note of these changes on your 2018 church calendars. We will have weekly reminders in the parish bulletin and also on the parish website.

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (Dec. 8th) falls on a Friday this year. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. The masses are as follows: Thursday, December 7th – 4 p.m. Vigil; Friday, December 8th – 9 a.m. (with Catholic homeschoolers) and 7 p.m.

Last weekend I decided to use incense at the Sunday masses because we celebrated a solemn feast day. Incense is an important element in Catholic worship. It is used to honor God. However, I have heard back from some of you that the incense was too overpowering and that it affected those of you with asthma and breathing problems. I apologize for the oversight. The mistake I made was that I put too much incense in the incensor and then proceeded to leave it burning in the church while it was not being used. This aggravated the situation. As a result, when I use incense for the festive times of the Church calendar year, such as Christmas, Easter, Pentecost, or Corpus Christi, I will be very careful to use just a pinch of incense. And I will make sure the incensor is taken outside after being used. Again, my apologies to those who were adversely affected.

And now some funnies:

#1 – A lady lost her handbag in the bustle of Christmas shopping. It was found by an honest little boy and returned to her. Looking in her purse, she commented, "Hmmm.... That's funny. When I lost my bag there was a \$20 bill in it. Now there are twenty \$1 bills."

The boy quickly replied, "That's right, lady. The last time I found a lady's purse, she didn't have any change for a reward."

#2 - According to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, while both male and female reindeer grow antlers in the summer each year (the only members of the deer family, Cervidae, to have females do so). Male reindeer drop their antlers at the beginning of winter, usually late November to mid-December.

Female reindeer, however, retain their antlers till after they give birth in the spring. Therefore, according to every historical rendition depicting Santa's reindeer, every single one of them, from Rudolf to Blitzen.... had to be a female.

We should've known this when they were able to find their way.

#3 – I think Santa Claus is a woman....I hate to be the one to defy a sacred myth, but I believe he's a she. Think about it. Christmas is a big, organized, warm, fuzzy, nurturing social deal, and I have a tough time believing a guy could possibly pull it all off!

For starters, the vast majority of men don't even think about selecting gifts until Christmas Eve. Once at the mall, they always seem surprised to find only Ronco products, socket wrench sets, and mood rings left on the shelves. On this count alone, I'm convinced Santa is a woman.

Surely, if he were a man, everyone in the universe would wake up Christmas morning to find a rotating musical Chia Pet under the tree, still in the bag.

Another problem for a he-Santa would be getting there. First of all, there would be no reindeer because they would all be dead, gutted and strapped to the rear bumper of the sleigh amid wide-eyed, desperate claims that buck season had been extended. Blitzen's rack would already be on the way to the taxidermist.

Even if the male Santa DID have reindeer, he'd still have transportation problems because he would inevitably get lost up there in the snow and clouds and then refuse to stop and ask for directions.

Other reasons why Santa can't possibly be a man:

- Men can't pack a bag.
- Men would rather be dead than caught wearing red velvet.
- Men don't answer their mail.
- Men would refuse to allow their physique to be described even in jest as anything remotely resembling a "bowlful of jelly."
- Men aren't interested in stockings unless somebody's wearing them.
- Having to do the Ho Ho Ho thing would seriously inhibit their ability to pick up women.
- Finally, being responsible for Christmas would require a commitment.

Fr. Murphy


SOLEMNITY OF THE

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Holy Day of Obligation

December 7th—
Thursday
Vigil Mass 4 PM

December 8th—
Friday 9 AM & 7 PM



Save the Date! Parish Christmas Party
Saturday, December 16th
5 PM Marian Hall

Dinner
Caroling
Live Nativity
Visit from Santa Claus

All Parishioners and their families are invited.
RSVP sign up sheets will be available on 12/2&3, 12/9&10 at all doors of the Church.
There is no charge for the dinner.




Christmas Schedule

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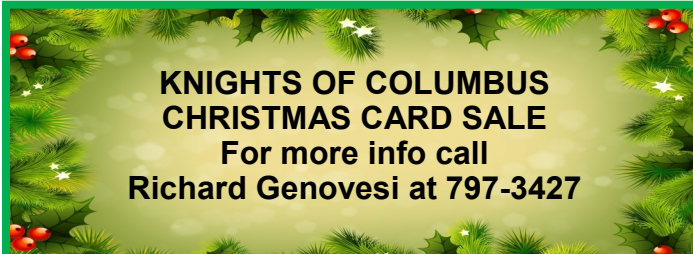


Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve 12/24 4 PM & 8 PM

Christmas Day 12/25 8:30 AM & 11:00

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
CHRISTMAS CARD SALE
For more info call
Richard Genovesi at 797-3427



The Giving Tree

Help make Christmas more joyous for seniors, children and families of Corpus Christi Catholic Church.

Specific needs are listed with information and particulars available on the Portico.

November 19th thru December 16th

Your prayers and generosity of clothes and toys for the children, families and seniors of cash and gift cards to Walmart, Target, Aldi's, Save-A-Lot, Big Lots and Publix show tremendous support from our church.

During this Holy Season may you know Christmas through the eyes of a child.

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904 501-0326



Youth Ministry
The Lord your God is with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:9 (NIV)

CCYM

Corpus Christi Youth Ministry

Middle School Fri., Dec. 1st—Marian Hall
High School Sat., Dec. 2nd "Rise Up!"
Jacksonville

Middle School Fri., Dec. 8th—Marian Hall
High School—Sat., Dec. 9th—Marian Hall

CHURCH CENSUS UPDATE

Whether you are a new parishioner or have been with us forever, please take a Census Card (Blue and White) from the Information table in the Vestibule and fill it out. You can return it by dropping it in the Collection Basket, handing it to Fr. Murphy personally or bring to the Church Office.

Please indicate if you would like to receive envelopes for the upcoming year. Envelopes will be delivered to your home by mail on a bi-monthly basis and it is important that we have your correct information. Please also keep us updated on your email and phone information.

Parish Activities...

COFFEE TABLE VOLUNTEERS—People are needed to help set up and/or serve at the Coffee Table on Sundays. If there is anyone who would like to help, please call Pat Richardson at 687-9184.

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON LADIES GUILD meeting on December 14th will be a Christmas Luncheon put on by the Committee. Guild will meet at 2 PM in the Church for the Rosary and Benediction. We will go to Marian Hall for Lunch. All ladies of the Parish are invited to attend. For more info call Pat Richardson at 687-9184.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month. Call Grand Knight Robert Orsino at 904 295-8262. Membership Director Mike Usina at 824-5354 or 4th Degree contact Jim Hughes at 797-2602.

RESPECT FOR LIFE - For information call Marian Campos 904-797-7869.

LEGION OF MARY—The Legion meets every Thursday at 11 am in the Conference Room at the Rectory. All adult women and men are invited and welcome to attend. Call for more info— 904 797-1976.

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS can be left in the container on the front Portico.

COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND AND CONVALESCENTS: Please call the parish office to arrange for communion to be brought to the home or nursing home. 797-4842

DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH? Are you a returning Catholic or are interested in becoming a Catholic? Call Fr. Murphy at 797-4842 to schedule a meeting.

HOSPITALIZATION: The Hospital will not notify our parish of any patients under their care. Please call if you anticipate a stay in the hospital. Family/friends are encouraged to notify the parish in case of an emergency hospitalization. 904 797-4842.

If you have info for the newsletter, please submit in writing to [sananey@ccstaug.com](mailto:sananney@ccstaug.com) or bring the written info to the Church Office by Tuesday morning.

**Sunday Offerings 11/23rd & 24th
\$8,671.00**

God Bless Our Troops



SO2 Coleman MacDonaugh, Steven Charles, USAF, 2LT Steven Waldrop, AM CPO Juan Marrero USN, Tech SGT Michael Seery, USAF, Staff Sgt Samantha Seery, USAF, Capt. Edward O'Connell, Capt. C. Fitzwater, Master SGT Gregory Fournier, MAJ Elizabeth Sweeney, J03 Justin Ludwig USAF, Jason Gillespie USMC, LTCOL Loren Penney, Robert Moran USMC, PVT E2 Dylan Lee. (To add/remove names, call the Church Office at 797-4842).

Please Pray For The Sick

Ann Merritt, Eileen Brewer, Chris Cohn, Madeline Corwin, Sister Ann Ribeiro, Amy Luiz, Joe & Alyce Orlando, Laurie Hesson, Linda Vandenberg, Judy McPartland, Jim Richardson, June Gunther, Clara Caiola, Florence Misselwitz, Lillian Zahnaw, Catherine Genovesi Schramm, Chris Janson, Eleanor Welsh, George Long, Bobby Edwards, Ann Mazzaraco, Melanie Hayes, Ellen Fruscione, Liela Meyerer, Betty Nanney, Dr. Bruce Berger, Nancy Raich, Donal & Erika Hagans, Chris Favareu, Thomas Lynch, Inge Caliandro, Hatsue Wright, Shirley MacMullen, Corine Gilda, Joshua Solana, James Bolton, Mary Ellen Page, Steve Vaccaro, Barbara, Joan Daniel, Lorraine Davi, Nick Davi, Jeanette Cohn, Aaron Rouselle, Kristiann Rouselle, Rita Pellicer, Susan Sharp, Marissa Zagorski, Kyle Driver, Rudolph Duzant, Dale Douylliez, Mary Murphy, Pat Richardson, Claire Doyle, Cyril Lenahan, Gina Ross, Jan Graham, Jan McRorie, Linda Pierce, Carolyn Accardi, Russell Flacker, Diane Cornell, Susan Hermus, Pat Price, Addy Tomberlin, Claire and Mary Crean, Carol Bishop, Bill McMurrer, Dorothy Register, Yolanda Kuenster, Carol Zelazny, Tristan Smith, Paul Putnam, Donna Marinelli, Helen Bell, Mackenzie Donovan, Daniel Saladino, Carol Matzke, Mary Celine Aaron, Michael Carpenter, David Fecher, Joann Wingate, Renee Baker (To add/remove name -797-4842.)

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