



ST. PHILIP BENIZI CATHOLIC CHURCH

December 3, 2023
First Sunday of Advent



PARISH INFORMATION

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil - 5:30pm Mass
Sunday - 8:00am & 10:30am Mass
Mon/Wed/Thurs/Fri - 8am Mass
Tuesday - 6:30pm Mass
First Saturday of each Month – 8am Mass Anointing of the Sick

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays – 4:00-5:00pm or by Appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Thursdays – 8:30am-9pm
(ends with *Benediction*)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

If you or someone you know is homebound, wants to receive Communion or the Sacrament of Anointing, please call the parish office, 503-631-2882.

Baptisms: Call the Parish Office.

Funerals: Call the Parish Office.

Weddings: Call Fr. Joseph Hùng Nguyễn at least 6 months in advance of the potential date.

St. Philip Benizi Mission Statement

St. Philip Benizi Catholic Church being part of the universal church shares in its mission: to proclaim Jesus Christ who came to the world to fulfill His father's will; by proclaiming the kingdom of God, building up the parish community as a witness to God's love and care for the world, helping one another to become what God has called us to be. We are therefore encouraged to work toward God's purpose of "wanting all men to be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth." (1 Tim 2:4).

The Celebration of the Christian Mystery

Article 3. The Sacrament of the Eucharist

The holy Eucharist completes Christian initiation. Those who have been raised to the dignity of the royal priesthood by Baptism and configured more deeply to Christ by Confirmation participate with the whole community in the Lord's own sacrifice by means of the Eucharist. CCC 1322

"At the Last Supper, on the night he was betrayed, our Savior instituted the Eucharistic sacrifice of his Body and Blood. This he did in order to perpetuate the sacrifice of the cross throughout the ages until he should come again, and so to entrust to his beloved Spouse, the Church, a memorial of his death and resurrection: a sacrament of love, a sign of unity, a bond of charity, a Paschal banquet in which Christ is consumed, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us." CCC1323

I. The Eucharist - Source and Summit of Ecclesial Life

The Eucharist is "the source and summit of the Christian life." "The other sacraments, and indeed all ecclesiastical ministries and works of the apostolate, are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it. For in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself, our Pasch." CCC1324

"The Eucharist is the efficacious sign and sublime cause of that communion in the divine life and that unity of the People of God by which the Church is kept in being. It is the culmination both of God's action sanctifying the world in Christ and of the worship men offer to Christ and through him to the Father in the Holy Spirit." CCC1325

Finally, by the Eucharistic celebration we already unite ourselves with the heavenly liturgy and anticipate eternal life, when God will be all in all. CCC1326

In brief, the Eucharist is the sum and summary of our faith: "Our way of thinking is attuned to the Eucharist, and the Eucharist in turn confirms our way of thinking." CCC1327

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Saint of the Week: St. Nicholas

March 15, 270-December 6, 343

St. Nicholas of Myra was born in Asia Minor, which was under control of the Roman Empire at the time. Nicholas was a very obedient and pious child. When he was still young, his parents died during an epidemic, leaving Nicholas orphaned, but very well off financially. However, he was dedicated to giving his inheritance to works of charity. One such story, according to legend, involved a poor man in Patara was not able to afford a dowry for any of his three daughters. At night Nicholas went by the house and threw a sack of money down the chimney to cover the dowry for one of the daughters. He did this two more times for the other two daughters, but on his last visit the father rushed outside to see who had been generously tossing the money inside, but Nicholas begged him to keep his identity secret. After the death of his parents, Nicholas was raised by his uncle, who was the Bishop of Patara. Nicholas continued to live his faith very devoutly, eventually being ordained to the priesthood by his uncle.

In 303 the Great Persecution under Diocletian started. Shortly after, Nicholas was elected Bishop of Myra. During this time he was jailed and tortured. In 311 the persecution was ended and Nicholas was freed. In 325 Nicholas attended the Council of Nicaea. In 343 Nicholas died and was buried in Myra. His tomb became a site of pilgrimage, as his relics emit a balm, known as the "Manna of St. Nicholas."

St. Nicholas, pray for us!



Archbishop
Sample Vicariate
Pastoral Visit

Tues.
Dec. 5

Project Andrew Mass & Dinner
6pm Christ the King
This Mass and dinner provides young men, 16-30 the opportunity for prayer, conversation & discussion about vocations to the priesthood.

Thurs.
Dec. 7

Vicariate Healing Holy Hour
6-7pm Christ the King
Join for an hour of Eucharistic adoration, during which Archbishop Sample and vicariate priests will be hearing confessions and lead benediction.

Reception/ Q&A
7-8pm Christ the King
Following the healing holy hour, refreshments and reception to follow in Christ the King's Parish Center.

Sat.
Dec. 9

Vicariate Town Hall on Eucharistic Revival
6:15-7:30pm St. John the Apostle
Following the healing holy hour, refreshments and reception to follow in Christ the King's Parish Center.

Sun.
Dec. 10

Mass Celebrated by Archbishop Sample
8-9am St. Philip Benizi
Archbishop Sample will celebrate 8am Mass at St. Philip Benizi.

Coffee & Donuts/ R.E. Classes Visit
9-10am St. Philip Benizi
Following 8am Mass, Archbishop Sample will join parishioners for coffee hour and will be visiting R.E. classes.

This week at SPB and Upcoming Parish/Archdiocesan Events

Women's Christmas Tea

The Women's Christmas Tea is next Saturday, December 9, 6:30-9pm
 Tickets are \$15. Tickets will be sold in the narthex after all Masses.
 Do you have a dessert recipe you've been waiting to show off? Can you help with this event? Contact Loretta Payne 503-632-4370
 For tickets or to host a table contact Elaine Keavney 503-939-5620

Helping Hands Giving Tree

The giving trees are up in the narthex and side door of the church! We are asking for \$25 or \$50 Visa gift cards. Each child will receive \$50 in gift cards to purchase their desired gift. Please take a tag off the Giving Tree for donating a \$25 or \$50 gift card, turkey or ham. Return the gift cards to the labeled box under the tree in the Narthex or drop off at the office. You can also give money donations to Helping Hands in the collection basket or with your ConnectNow, online giving. **DEADLINE to return items is Sunday, December 10th.** Thank you for providing gifts to local children in need!

Helping Hands Food Closet

Helping Hands needs food and personal hygiene items for Christmas baskets for 40 families. Items needed include flour, sugar, stuffing mix, rice, chili, spaghetti sauce, canned fruit, oatmeal, laundry & dish soap. Drop off food donations by the doors of the church or parish hall. Thank you for your generosity! **DEADLINE to return items is Sunday, December 10th.**

Time, Talent & Treasure

Thank you to all who have completed the Time, Talent & Treasure! They have all been inputted into a master form and heads of ministries will soon be receiving a list of volunteers.

2nd Collection for Retirement Fund for Religious

Next Sunday there will be a collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Envelopes will be in the pews. See the flyer enclosed for more information.

Archbishop Sample's Vicariate Pastoral Visit

Archbishop Sample will be visiting our vicariate next week! See the flyer on pg. 2 for more information on events.

Advent Holy Hour & Reconciliation Service

On Thursday, December 21st the JPPII Young Adult Crew will be hosting a Eucharistic Holy Hour with praise & worship 6-7pm, followed by the parish reconciliation service 7-9pm. Benediction to close the evening at 9pm.

Immaculate Conception

Next Friday, December 8th is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be 8am and 7pm.

Finance Corner

Registered 222	WEEK OF 11/26/23 Actual	Budget
Donors	\$6,509.11 (online \$1,178.50)	\$5,993
Fiscal Year	\$100,240	\$110,531

Thank you for your generous contribution! May God continue to bless you and your loved ones.

Sunday, 12/3/2023 First Sunday of Advent

8:00am Mass: + Ray & Mary Lou Silvander
 10:30am Mass: All Parishioners

Monday, 12/4/2023 Memorial of St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

7:40am: Morning Prayer/Church
 8:00am Mass: + John Barrett

Tuesday, 12/5/2023

6:30pm Mass: + Joseph Gach
 7:00pm: RCIA/Hall

Wednesday, 12/6/2023 Memorial of St. Nicholas, Bishop

7:40am: Morning Prayer/Church
 8:00am Mass: + Dave & Mary Lowry

Thursday, 12/7/2023 Memorial of St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:40am: Morning Prayer/Church
 8:00am Mass: +Linda & Phillip Mattern Sr.

9:00am-9:00pm: Eucharistic Adoration

6:00pm: Faith Sharing Group



Friday, 12/8/2023 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:40am Morning Prayer/Church
 8:00am Mass: + Mary Wetzel Anderson

7:00pm Mass: + John & Margaret Smith

Saturday, 12/9/2023

4:00-5:00pm: Reconciliation/Church
 5:30pm Sunday Vigil Mass: All Parishioners

C.A.S.E. Training

Any adults working or volunteering in any ministry that involves contact with minors are required to complete C.A.S.E. (Creating a Safe Environment) Training. Training will be held Wednesday, December 13th 6-8pm. Please contact Melissa Bear to register.

Pillowcases For Helping Hands Christmas Baskets

Help is needed to make 150 home-made pillowcases for families in need and spread Christmas cheer.
 If you can help, please contact Leslie Bossen 503-658-3797

Advent Retreats

Advent is a great time to prepare our hearts for Christ's arrival on Christmas. There are many upcoming retreats posted on the bulletin board in the narthex and parish hall to consider.

Next Weeks Assignments.

Ushers

12/9~5:30pm Tom Muldoon
 12/10~8:00am Clayton & Brenda Rosenau
 12/10~10:30am Kevin Horace

December Church Cleaners: Thuc & Gail Alexander (503)-740-8312
 December Altar Linens: Debbie Fassel (503)-515-7567

Thank you for serving in this ministry!

Lector/Commentator Extraordinary Minister

Heather Hannam Jeanne Hubel
 Danielle Dryden Jeannine Breshears
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12/10 9:00am: John & Elaine
 11:30am: Loretta Payne



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