



For the One who carved the islands / has come to live among us,
And this is the house He has chosen, / St. Mary Star of the Sea. — Anne Porter

**GREETERS AND SERVERS—NEXT WEEK
DEC. 16/17 2017**

REMINDER: Servers and Greeters, not Parish staff, are responsible for finding a substitute once a schedule is disseminated. Thanks.

ALTAR SERVERS

SAT 9:00 AM: Spanish Assigned
SAT. 5:30 PM: Edward Carder
SUN. 8:15 AM: Isaac and Elias Johnson
SUN. 11:00 AM: Tiburcio Brennan

GREETERS

SAT. 8:45 am: Carmen Boling
SAT. 5:30 pm: Betty Harmon
SUN. 8:15 am: Nenita Chvilicek and Judy Atkinson
SUN. 11:00 am: Trish Murphy and Kathi Ryan

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 9:00 AM (HISPANIC):

For the special intentions of the Hispanic Community of St. Mary Star of the Sea.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 5:30 PM: For the repose of soul of Lena Buttermere and in remembrance of her birthday, as requested by her granddaughter and family.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 8:15 AM: For the special intentions of the parishioners of St. Mary Star of the Sea.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 11:00 AM: For the repose of the soul Ken Golden, as requested by his family.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 12:05 PM: For the repose of souls of Paula Stingle and Gloria Larson, Bob and Kathy Johnson.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 6:30 PM: For the repose of the soul of Gary Korhonen, as requested by Mary Jane Schmidt.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 12:05 PM: In this special time of gift giving we give thanks for the gifts of the members of St. Mary's through their generosity in sharing their talents, time and treasures with the Parish.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 12:05 PM: For all sinners that through the intercession of our Blessed Mother they be reconciled with Jesus her Son this Blessed Christmas Season.

Readings for the Week...

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| MONDAY Isaiah 35:1-10 Psalms 85:9-14 Luke 5:17-26 | TUESDAY Zechariah 2:14-17 Judith 13:18-19 Luke 1:26-38 | WEDNESDAY: Isaiah 40:25-31 Psalms 103:1-4, 8, 10 Matthew 11:28-30 | THURSDAY: Isaiah 41:13-20 Psalms 145:1, 9-13 Matthew 11:11-15 | FRIDAY: Isaiah 48:17-19 Psalm 1:1-4, 6 Matthew 11:16-19 | SATURDAY: Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11 Psalms 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 Matthew 17:10-13 | SUNDAY: Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11 Luke 1:46-50, 53-54 1 Thessalonians 5:1-24 John 1:6-8, 19-28 |
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WEEKLY CALENDAR

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

11:30 am: CONFESSIONS
12:05 pm: MASS
1:00 pm: Rosary Makers--Hall
3:00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet--Church

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

12:05 pm: COMMUNION SERVICE
3:00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet--Church
6:00 pm: Choir Practice--Church

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

3:00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet--Church
6:00 pm: CONFESSIONS
6:30 pm: HEALING MASS
7:00 pm: RCIA--Hall

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

11:30 am: CONFESSIONS
12:05 pm: MASS
1:00 pm: Saint Vincent de Paul Meeting--Hall
4:30 pm: CONFESSIONS--Quilcene
5:00 pm: MASS--Quilcene
6:30 pm: Knights of Columbus Meeting--Hall

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15

11:30 am: CONFESSIONS
12:05 pm: MASS
1:00 pm: Adoration--Church
3:00 pm: Divine Mercy Chaplet--Church
6:00 pm: Christmas Around the World and Potluck

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

9:00 am: Spanish Mass
10:00 am: Spanish--Hall
4:30 pm: Rosary
4:30 pm: CONFESSIONS
5:30 pm: MASS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

8:15 am: MASS (CONFESSION 30 MIN. PRIOR)
9:30 am: Religious Education--Classrooms
11:00 am: MASS AND SIMBANG GABI CELEBRATION
SIMBANG GABI POTLUK AFTER MASS
12:30 pm: Pax Christi Meeting--Rm. 6
5:00 pm: Rosary



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AROUND THE PARISH



COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE

There will not be a coffee hour after any of the Masses this Sunday.



**ANGEL TREE DEADLINE
EXTENDED!**

For your giving pleasure the deadline for Angel Tree gifting has been extended to Sunday, December 17, (no later please). Pick up an angel from the tree in

the Narthex today and assure that a child will have a wonderful Christmas. (P.S. Frankincense and myrrh are not top favorites this year...)



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
CHRISTMAS CARDS**

LAST CHANCE

The Knights of Columbus will be selling "Keep Christ In Christmas" Christmas Cards **after all Masses** in the Parish Hall this weekend. This will be your last opportunity to purchase them so stop by!



THANK YOU

While our Stewardship Pledge campaign continues it is time to step back and count our blessings in the wonderful generosity expressed by those who have already

submitted their pledge. We have achieved a 48% response rate and have raised \$248,437 towards our goal of \$384,048 which leaves \$135,611 to go. This is a wonderful example of the stewardship and love that you give to our Parish. For all of this a great 'Thank You' is given for the treasures you have given back to our Lord.



**ST. MARY'S SIMBANG GABI
CELEBRATION NEXT SUNDAY!**

Hosted by our Filipino Community again this year is the wonderful Simbang Gabi Celebration which is a special prelude to the Christmas season on Sunday, December 17, at the 11:00 am Mass followed by a potluck in the Parish Hall. **All are welcome!!!**

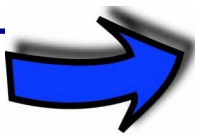


CHRISTMAS FLOWER ENVELOPES

Envelopes for donations towards the floral decoration of our church at Christmas are now in the pews.

"OUR MISSION IS TO...

**CELEBRATE GOD'S PRESENCE IN OUR MIDST BY MASS, SACRAMENTS, AND PRAYER;
LIVE CHRIST'S LOVE BY SERVING OTHERS, ESPECIALLY THE POOR, NEGLECTED, AND SUFFERING;
GROW IN THE TRUTHS AND VALUES OF OUR CATHOLIC TRADITION, TEACH THEM TO OUR CHILDREN, AND
PROCLAIM THEM TO THOSE WHO DO NOT KNOW THEM."**





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**FROM THE DESK OF
FATHER PETER
ADOKO-ENCHILL...**

**HOW THE BEREAVED ARE
SUPPORTED (CONTINUED
FROM LAST WEEK)**

In Ghana another way to support the one in grief is to pick a close relative to take care of the woman and children, or serve the man who has lost his wife. The one picked serves as a 'wife' or 'husband' to the one bereaved. The children left would be taken care of by the successor.

The support from the society, the clan, and immediate family members in a way lessens the sadness which the loss brings.

Church members would visit from time to time till final funeral rites. If he or she is a member of a society in the church, the society would help in a way that would bring consolation to the family, even though sometimes, their presence reminds the bereaved of the loss of the relative.

In all it creates a sense of belongingness. One feels or the family feels he or she or they are not alone.

Fr. Peter

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE**

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| SÁBADO MISA EN ESPAÑOL | 9:00 am |
| SATURDAY VIGIL | 5:30 pm |
| SUNDAY | 8:15 am & 11:00 am |
| MONDAY | 12:05 pm |
| TUESDAY ** COMMUNION SERVICE | 12:05 pm |
| WEDNESDAY | 6:30 pm |
| THURSDAY | 12:05 pm |
| FRIDAY | 12:05 pm |

(CONFESSIONS 30 MINUTES PRIOR TO EACH MASS)

**Mass times are subject to change during the year. Please consult the Weekly Calendar on the last page of this bulletin for the specific schedule of Masses for the week.



MASS SCHEDULES

The times for all Sunday Masses will remain the same for the time being. Thanks to all who provided their input.

THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Confession of Sins

The confession (or disclosure) of sins, even from a simple human point of view, frees us and facilitates our reconciliation with others. Through such an admission man looks squarely at the sins he is guilty of, takes responsibility for them, and thereby opens himself again to God and to the communion of the Church in order to make a new future possible.

Confession to a priest is an essential part of the sacrament of Penance: "All mortal sins of which penitents after a diligent self-examination are conscious must be recounted by them in confession, even if they are most secret and have been committed against the last two precepts of the Decalogue; for these sins sometimes wound the soul more grievously and are more dangerous than those which are committed openly."

When Christ's faithful strive to confess all the sins that they can remember, they undoubtedly place all of them before the divine mercy for pardon. But those who fail to do so and knowingly withhold some, place nothing before the divine goodness for remission through the mediation of the priest, "for if the sick person is too ashamed to show his wound to the doctor, the medicine cannot heal what it does not know."

Fr. Peter

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve Masses

Sunday, December 24, 5:30 pm (Family Mass-Bilingual)

INCENSE WILL BE USED AT THIS MASS

Sunday, December 24, 10:00 pm

Solemn Mass of Christmas Eve

INCENSE WILL BE USED AT THIS MASS



Christmas Day Mass: (Holy Day of Obligation)

Monday, December 25, 10:00 am

INCENSE WILL BE USED AT THIS MASS.



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PAX CHRISTI MEETING

The next meeting of Pax Christ will be on Sunday, December 17, at 12:30 pm in Rm. 6.



THANKS FOR REGIFTING

Dear Parishioners-St. Mary Ladies Guild would like to thank you for all your help and generous support for our Christmas Re-Gifting and Cookie sale. We made \$1,067.41! The proceeds will go towards parish needs and activities. Many blessings to you and have a Merry Christmas!



**ST. MARY'S PRAYER TEAM
WELCOMES ALL**

St. Mary's Prayer Team will meet this Sunday at noon and will be happy to pray with anyone wanting prayers in the Chapel after Mass. Please wait in the front pews on Mary's side and they will come and greet you.



CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

Plan to join St. Mary's Charismatic Renewal Group Saturday, December 23, at 6:45 pm. All are welcome to attend.



**CONFESSIONS AND MASS IN
QUILCENE**

On Thursday, December 14, confessions will be heard at 4:30 pm and Mass will be offered at 5:00 pm in Quilcene

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Week of 12/03/2017

Week #23

Week / Semana

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| Actual / Colecta Real | \$ 10,239.06 |
| Budgeted / Presupuesto | \$ 7,382.49 |
| | \$ 2,856.57 |

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| Year to Date / Año Corrido | |
| Actual / Colecta Real | \$ 164,980.89 |
| Budgeted / Presupuesto | \$ 169,797.27 |
| | <\$ 4,816.38> |



**CHRISTMAS
AROUND THE
WORLD
POTLUCK**

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 6:00-8:00 PM

(In the Parish Hall)

*Come for a special night out and bring your favorite heritage dish to share!
It's a great night full of fun, fellowship and great food!*



YOUTH MASS

****DATE CHANGE****

The regular monthly Youth Mass DATE HAS CHANGED to SATURDAY DECEMBER 24, at 5:30pm - the Christmas Children's Mass (Bilingual). Parents

are encouraged to check with their RE teachers to coordinate details. Parents and families are most welcome and encouraged to participate too.



**CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
SERVICES' CCS
COLLECTION**

A collection for Catholic Community Services will be taken up at all Masses this

weekend CCS is the official outreach of the Catholic Church in Western Washington. Every day CCS serves over 111,000 poor and vulnerable people through more than 175 programs. Please make checks payable to **Catholic Community Services.**