

**Sacraments:**

**Infant Baptism** -- Parents need to contact the pastor regarding instruction/preparation. The sacrament will be scheduled when the parents and pastor are in agreement that the family is ready for this experience.

**Initiation of Adults & Older Children (RCIA):** Contact the parish.

**Reconciliation:** Saturday at 4:00pm at Nativity or by appointment (watch bulletin for special reconciliation services).

**Matrimony** -- Engaged couples need to contact the pastor at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date. They need to participate in a series of instructions. They should make no final decision regarding the wedding date until they and the pastor are in agreement that they are ready for this experience. Please do not set a wedding date prior to contacting the pastor.

**Sacrament of the Sick and/or Communion for the Sick** -- Either the parishioner or a relative should contact the pastor whenever the parishioner is sick and wishes to receive communion or the Sacrament of the Sick.

**Confirmation:** Adult & Youth; preparation is required. Please contact the parish.

**Parish registration:** Registration cards are in the vestibule of the church.

**Mass Schedules:**

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm at Nativity

Sunday: 9:00am at Nativity; 11:15am at St. John's

Daily: Wednesday through Friday at 11:00am at Nativity

Holy Days: see bulletin

**Rosary:** ½ hour before Mass on Sundays

Day	Date	Time	Feast	Mass Readings
Sun	12/13	9:00am / 11:15am	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent	Is 61:1-2a,10-11 / 1 Thes 5:16-24 / Jn 1:6-8,19-28
Mon	12/14	No Daily Mass	St. John of the Cross	Nm 24:2-7,15-17a / Mt 21:23-27
Tues	12/15	11:00am (NBVM)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Weekday of Advent	Zep 3:1-2,9-13 / Mt 21:28-32
Wed	12/16	No Daily Mass	3 <sup>rd</sup> Weekday of Advent	Is 45:6c-8,18,21c-25 / Lk 7:18b-23
Thurs	12/17	No Daily Mass	Weekdays of Advent	Gen 49:2,8-10 / Mt 1:1-17
Fri	12/18	No Daily Mass	Weekdays of Advent	Jer 23:5-8 / Mt 1:18-25
Sat	12/19	No Daily Mass	Weekdays of Advent	Jgs 13:2-7,24-25a / Lk 1:5-25
Sat	12/19	5:00pm (NBVM)	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent	2 Sm 7:1-5,8b-12,14a,16 / Rom 16:25-27 / Lk 1:26-38
Sun	12/20	9:00am / 11:15am	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent	2 Sm 7:1-5,8b-12,14a,16 / Rom 16:25-27 / Lk 1:26-38

**Collection**

Collection	NBVM	SJB
<b>Budget per Week</b>	<b>[\$1,338.00]</b>	<b>[\$754.00]</b>
5pm & 9am / 11:15am Sunday	TBA	TBA
Building (Savings) Fund		
HOPE		
Turning Point		
World Mission		

**Liturgical Ministers for – as available**

	NBVM Vigil	NBVM Sunday	SJB Sunday
Server			
Lector			
EME			
Music			
Hospitality	n/a	n/a	n/a

**Mass Intentions:** The intention for the Sunday Mass is for the whole parish.

**Wednesday:**  
**Thursday:**  
**Friday:**

Bulletin: Announcements need to be received by Wednesday at 7pm for inclusion in that weekend's bulletin. Items can be emailed to [nbvm.sjb.bulletin@gmail.com](mailto:nbvm.sjb.bulletin@gmail.com) or call Deacon Paul at 503-556-0511 or 503-396-8554.

"Yahweh's angel is encamped around those who reverence him, and he rescues them."  
(Psalm 34:8)

## Announcements

**General:**

Father Mark wants to remind everyone of the expectation that those attending Mass must sign up and wear a mask. Following the guidelines from the Archdiocese is important if we want to keep our churches open.

Missals for Advent and Christmas are available if folks wish to take one home. They are especially helpful to those individuals who are unable to attend Mass due to Covid-19.

Contribution envelopes for next year are available. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements to pick yours up.

There will not be an Advent Reconciliation Service this year. If you wish to go to confession, contact Fr. Mark to make an appointment. Please note: confession will not be in the confessional. There will be physical distancing and a mask will be required.

**Christmas Mass Schedule:**

Vigil: December 24 at 4:00pm at St. Johns

Mass at Night: December 24 at 9:00pm at Nativity

Morning Mass: December 25 at 10:00am at Nativity

As with Sunday Mass you will need to contact Ron Haley (Nativity) or Kathy Reandeau (St. Johns) to be signed up for a particular Christmas Mass. See additional information below.

To maintain safety, there is limited space in the church to ensure safe physical distancing. Therefore, attendance is kept, and you need to sign-up to attend a particular weekend Mass. For Nativity contact Ron Haley at 503-396-1212, and for St. Johns contact Kathy Reandeau at 503-728-3149. Please note that face masks are currently required. See Fr. Mark for additional information or questions.

**Nativity:**

**Bible Study** – Bible Study meets every Wednesday at 6:30pm in the hall. Physical distancing is in place. Attendance is limited to about 6-7 individuals. Please contact William Stahl at 503-556-3717 for details.

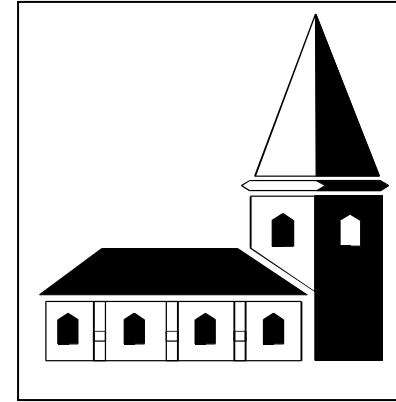
Please don't forget to contribute to HOPE, especially during this time.

**St. Johns:**

Don't forget to contribute to Turning Point, especially during this time.

Everything that exists is a gift from God. Yet oftentimes we look to the things and creatures created by God for a satisfaction and fulfillment that only God Himself can provide. When the soul wraps itself around the things and the people of this world, looking for satisfaction or fulfillment that only God can give, it produces a distortion in itself, and in others as well. Many spiritual writers call the process of unwinding this possessive, self-centered, clinging, and disordered seeking of things and persons ‘detachment’. The goal of the process of detachment is not to stop loving the things and people of this world, but, quite to the contrary, to love them even more truly in God, under the reign of Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Things and people become even more beautiful and delightful when we see them in this light. There are almost always painful dimensions to this process of 'letting go' in order to love more, but it's the pain of true healing and liberation. Christian detachment is an important part of the process by which we enter into a realm of great freedom and joy."

— Ralph Martin, from “The Fulfillment of All Desire”



## *Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

*(East 2nd & "D" Street; Rainier)*

## *St. John the Baptist*

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## *3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent*

*December 13, 2020*

### *Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

*The mission of Nativity of the B.V.M. is to know, love, and serve our Lord, by knowing and loving and serving His people, and by being open to our responsibility to all humanity.*

#### **NBVM Volunteer Staff**

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### *St. John the Baptist*

*The mission of St. John the Baptist Parish is to be an involved witness to the Gospel, so that each of us may develop more fully our potential for spiritual growth, as we nurture and expand our parish family and help the community around us experience the Lord.*

#### **SJB Volunteer Staff**

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