

**CHRISTMAS SEASON  
CELEBRATIONS**

**Penance Service at St. Josephs  
Monday, December 10th  
6:00 PM**

**St. Joseph, Redding**

Christmas Eve Masses  
Monday, Dec 24  
**5:30 P.M.  
10:00 P.M.**

**Tuesday, Dec 25 Christmas Day  
10:00 AM**

**St. Michael The Archangel**

City of Shasta Lake

**Tuesday, Dec 25 Christmas Day**  
9:00 A.M. *English*  
11:00 P.M. *Spanish*

**CELEBRATIONS FOR THE  
SOLEMNITY OF MARY,  
MOTHER OF GOD  
Holy Day of Obligation**

**Vigil Mass, Monday, December 31**

St. Michaels - 6:00 PM Spanish  
St. Josephs - 6:00 PM

**New Year's Day, Tuesday, Jan 1st**

St. Michaels - 9:00 AM  
St. Josephs - 10:00 AM

**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CELEBRATION  
and FEAST DAY**

TODAY December 9th, AFTER the 11:00AM Mass,  
(Bi-lingual) at St. Joseph Church  
Reception to follow with **Lunch** provided at St. Joseph  
School! Also, those Bazaar Ladies will have their  
wonderful Christmas Baskets, Cookie Walk and Other  
Goodies! Plan to Shop!

**Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day**

Wednesday, the 12th 6:00 AM (Mananitas) at St.  
Michaels with Spanish Mass at 6:30 AM.



**ST. MICHAEL'S CORNER**

Sunday Mass 9 a.m. English/11 a.m. Spanish  
Wednesday Mass As Announced In Bulletin  
Holy Days As Announced In Bulletin  
Religious Education Spanish: Sundays After Mass  
Spanish Choir Wednesday 6:00PM

*Next Sunday December 16th there will be one bilingual  
Mass at 9:00 am. Please join us after Mass for our  
Christmas Party. Toys for Kids and 1/2 off Bazaar Sale!*

**ST. JOSEPH CHURCH**

**SCHEDULED-WEEK OF DECEMBER 9, 2018**

SUN Our Lady of Guadalupe 11:00 Mass—Bilingual—Reception After  
SUN Bazaar Ladies Sale—School-8:30 AM—1:00 PM

**MON Penance Service 6:00PM**

MON YLI—6:30PM Church Basement

TUE Altar Society—9:30 AM Church Basement

TUE 50 s Plus —11:30 AM —Church Basement

TUE SVdP—6:00PM Church Basement

TUE Upstate Young Adults—Holy Hour at OLM 6PM

WED CCD—4PM Church Basement

WED Mananitas —6:00 AM, Mass 6:30 AM—St. Michaels

THU Youth Group—6:30PM Church Basement

THU Arise Bible Study —6:30PM—Church Basement

FRI Arise Bible Study— after 8:30 AM Mass—Church Basement

SUN Posada —after 5:30 PM Mass at St. Joseph School

**MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY ROSARY AT 8:00AM**

**MASS AT 8:30AM CHAPEL**



**ARISE BIBLE STUDY**

Thursdays at 6:30 PM and Friday after  
the 8:30 AM Mass in the Church  
basement. Join Fr. Fred and Fr. Rene.  
All are welcome, bring your Bible.

**50s PLUS CLUB**

*DO YOU WANT TO MEET PEOPLE YOUR AGE  
AND HAVE A FABULOUS MEAL TOO? THE 50s  
PLUS CLUB WILL MEET THIS TUESDAY, DEC.  
11TH, AT 11:30AM.*

*THIS MONTH WE WILL HAVE A CHRISTMAS  
CAROL PERFORMANCE BY THE CHILDREN OF  
ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL. WE GATHER AT ST. JO-  
SEPH'S DOWNSTAIRS MEETING ROOM FOR A  
POTLUCK LUNCH AND A BRIEF MEETING.  
IT'S INFORMAL AND FUN. PLEASE BRING A  
DISH TO SHARE.*

*Dues are reasonable at \$10/year/per person.  
PLEASE CALL GERI AT 242-6285.  
Please join us **THIS TUESDAY!***

**GREAT Christmas Gift Idea!!!**

Light a Candle!!! In the lighting of candles we not only  
pray, but our prayers become symbols of the One Light  
of Christ. Contact the Parish Office to purchase a  
candle for One Year!!!! Or, light one for one day!

# SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 9, 2018



This week and next, our Gospel readings invite us to consider John the Baptist and his relationship to Jesus. John the Baptist appears in the tradition of the great prophets, preaching repentance and reform to the people of Israel. To affirm this, Luke quotes at length from the prophet Isaiah. John baptizes for repentance and for forgiveness of sins, preparing the way for God's salvation.

The three Synoptic Gospels—Mark, Matthew, and Luke—attest to the importance of the baptism of John in preparing for Jesus. Only the Gospel of Luke, however, extends the connection between these two men to their birth. The first two chapters of Luke's Gospel contain the Infancy Narrative, which tells about the births of John the Baptist and Jesus. These stories set the stage for the beginning of Jesus' public ministry in chapter 3.

The evangelist Luke is the author of the Gospel that bears his name, and he also wrote the Acts of the Apostles as a continuation of the story of Jesus and the Church. In these two works, Luke's sense of time and history emerges. He identifies three epochs of salvation history: the time before Christ, the time of Christ, and the time of the Church and the Holy Spirit. In today's Gospel reading, as elsewhere, John the Baptist is presented as the figure who bridges the time before Christ and prepares the way for Christ's own ministry.

In today's Gospel we also note Luke's attention to political and historical detail. Luke shows that salvation is for all people and situated in world events. Therefore, Luke lists the political and religious leaders at the time of John's appearance in the desert. Salvation is understood as God's breaking into this political and social history.

John's preaching of the coming of the Lord is a key theme of the Advent season. As John's message prepared the way for Jesus, we too are called to prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming. We respond to John's message by repentance and reform of our lives. We are also called to be prophets of Christ, who announce by our lives the coming of the Lord, as John did.



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## Altar Service Schedule Week of Dec. 15th & Dec. 16th

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
<b>5:30PM</b>	<b>9:00AM</b>	<b>11:00AM</b>	<b>5:30PM</b>
S. Curcio	L. Shoffner	J. Warren	J. Niemer
S. Soares	T. Shoffner	J. Damalerio	J. Maxwell
K. Loveelopez			

## MASS SCHEDULE WITH MASS INTENTIONS

### Week of December 9, 2018

Sun	12/9	9:00 am	Jenny Goodman +
Sun	12/9	9:00 am	Joann Dilts + — <i>St. Michael</i>
Sun	12/9	11:00 am	Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration
Sun	12/9	5:30 pm	All Souls
Mon	12/10	7:00 am	All Souls — <u>Mercy Hospital</u>
Mon	12/10	8:30 am	Lydia Kalinowski Sp. Int.
Mon	12/10	12:15 pm	Frank Strazzarino +
Tue	12/11	7:00 am	All Souls — <u>Mercy Hospital</u>
Tue	12/11	8:30 am	Ramona Jenner +
Wed	12/12	6:30 am	<i>Our Lady of Guadalupe—Spanish—St. Michael</i>
Wed	12/12	7:30 am	<i>All Souls—St. Michael</i>
Wed	12/12	8:30 am	Brandon Barrows Sp. Int.
Thu	12/13	7:00 am	All Souls
Thu	12/13	8:30 am	Ernest F. Bartak+ & David L. Britton +
Thu	12/13	12:15 pm	Bill Wiebelhaus +
Fri	12/14	8:30 am	Lena Saad +
Sat	12/15	8:30 am	All Souls
Sat	12/15	5:30 pm	Carol Schrimmscher +

## ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE SCHEDULE

**St. Joseph—December 10th at 6:00PM**  
**St. Patrick —Weaverville- December 13th at 4PM**  
**Sacred Heart—Anderson—14th at 7PM**  
**Sacred Heart -Red Bluff—December 17th at 7PM**

## 72nd ANNIVERSARY OF ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

You are invited to the 72nd Anniversary of your catholic school. We will be having our Jumpers and Cords dinner auction of February 2, 2019 at St. Joseph School. Tickets are on sale now and available at the school office or online at [bit.ly/jumpersandcords](http://bit.ly/jumpersandcords).

## ADVENT GATHERING

Thanks to all who helped make our parish Advent Gathering such a wonderful fellowship opportunity!

The Knights of Columbus Breakfast was quite yummy! Confirmation Candidates and members of our Youth Group helped with crafts and making of Advent Wreaths. A good time was had by all!

Prayers for an Advent filled with peace and joy!