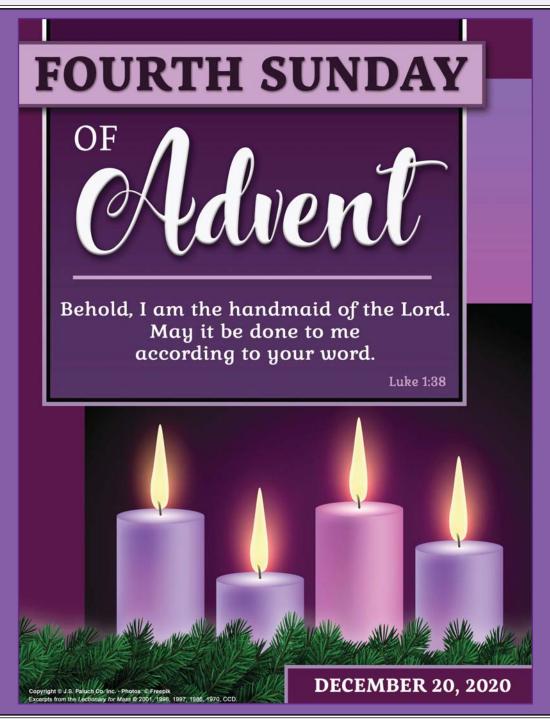


Welcome to our Amazing Parish!

We are an amazing parish because we create and nurture joyful disciples of Christ. A Catholic becomes an *Intentional Disciple* after recognizing they have been *personally chosen* by the Lord to enter an intimate relationship with Him. This relationship relies on the Holy Spirit and embraces a lifelong sacramental journey of prayer, service, evangelization and communally receiving Jesus Christ through Scripture and Eucharist. Thus, *Intentional Disciples* imitate Christ in everything they do on a daily basis.



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FROM OUR PASTOR

We have many different titles for the Blessed Virgin Mary. But one you don't usually hear is that she's a prophet. This weekend's Gospel story about the encounter between the Archangel Gabriel and Mary is consistent with the pattern of prophetic calls: an intervention into someone's life by a heavenly being; the announcement of a mission; an expression of reluctance by the person being called; a divine assurance he or she is up to the task; and an acceptance by the person called upon.

Mary was a prophetic witness to God in the most intimate way: she bore him in her womb for 9 months and raised him into adulthood. After Jesus's Resurrection, she was an active member of the early Church. After her death and Assumption into Heaven, she still wears her prophetic hat. Her earthly and eternal life are prophetic: she always points to Christ, never to herself.

Mary is approachable, and the greatest intercessor for anyone. She always has her Son's ear. So she is the best "prayer partner" anyone could ask for. Ask her to heal you from your anger if that's a problem for you these days – that's the sin I hear confessed most frequently in Confession these past few years. Anger is no good for your health or our nation's. Let Mary comfort you with her Son's *shalom*!

- Fr. John Ozella

Readings for the Week



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	Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21;
	Lk 1:39-45
Tuesday:	1 Sm 1:24-28;
-	1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56
Wednesday:	Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14;
	Lk 1:57-66
Thursday:	2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;
	Lk 1:67-79
Friday:	<u>Vigil</u> : Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29;
	Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
	Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14;
	Lk 2:1-14
	<u>Dawn</u> : Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12;
	Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
	<u>Day</u> : Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6;
	Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]
Saturday:	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab,
	16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Saturday: 4:00 P.M. in the Church/Adrians Hall

Sunday: 8:00 A.M. in the Church/Adrians Hall and live streamed at this Mass Look for links at ctkpueblo.org, or on Facebook.



Sunday: 11 A.M. Mass in the Church/Adrians Hall Tuesday and Wednesday: Mass at 7:30 A.M. Confessions: see schedule in the bulletin for Advent Christmas: see schedule in the bulletin



December 19th to 27th

<u>Saturday, 4:00 P.M. — December 19th</u> Johnny Sefcovic, by Rose Hopper Pete Bonfiglio, by Rosalie Bonfiglio **Sunday, 8:00 A.M. — December 20th**

Joe Lovato, by Bea Lovato

Sunday, 11:00 A.M. — December 20th For our Amazing Parish Family

<u>Monday: — No Mass — December 21st</u>

Tuesday: 7:30 A.M. — December 22nd

John Des Camps, by Paul and Sally Tafoya

Wednesday: 7:30 A.M. — December 23rd

Charlie Rael, by Rael Family

Rose Behm and Barbara Allen, by Behm Family

Thursday: 3:00 P.M. — December 24th

Karen Hicks, by Louisa Fugua

Frank and Helen Selak, by David and Mary Fraterelli

Thursday: 5:15 P.M.—December 24th

For our Amazing Parish Family

Friday: 9:30 A.M. — December 25th

Fr. John Ozella's Intentions

Saturday, 4:00 P.M. — December 26th

George Tafoya, by Paul and Sally Tafoya

Sunday, 8:00 A.M. — December 27th

Evangeline Andrews, by Andrews Family

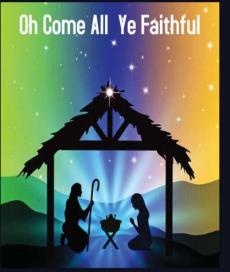
Sunday, 11:00 A.M. — December 27th

For our Amazing Parish Family

Christmas Schedule



Prelude Music 30 minutes before each Mass



Christmas Eve: Thursday, December 24th: 3:00 P.M. - Doors open @ 2:15 P.M. 5:15 P.M. - Doors open @ 4:30 P.M. Christmas Day: Friday, December 25th: 9:30 A.M. - Doors open @ 8:30 A.M.

LIVESTREAMS at 3:00 P.M. and 9:30 A.M. Links at ctkpueblo.org and on Facebook

Please join us at one of our Christmas Masses.

We will not be taking reservations. Doors will open early so you can enjoy the Prelude Music before Mass. Masks must be worn.



Our Christmas Eve Mass at 3 p.m. and the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Christmas will be livestreamed and remain accessible on our website for 3 days. It can be watched on either YouTube or Facebook, either directly or thru our website at ctkpueblo.org.

Confessions during ADVENT

Remaining Days: Saturday, December 19th following the 4 P.M. Mass until done and Tuesday. December 22nd at 8:00 A.M until done in Adrians Hall



Registration for this year's <u>online</u> Los Angeles Religious Education Congress has started. Cost is \$35 and gives you access to all 4 days of the event (including the Youth Day) from February 18th thru 21st – all concerts, liturgies, Keynote Addresses, and workshops. A listing of workshops can be found on our parish website. To register go to www.recongress.org and click on the **Register Today** button.

Advent Giving for the Homeless. Please Support the Pueblo Community Soup Kitchen for the Homeless and the Needy. It was founded by Christ the King pa-



rishioner Zola Hunyada and provides meals to 115-200 hungry people daily. The Soup Kitchen operates solely on the support, generosity and donations of private citizens and businesses. Online donations are accepted at pueblosoupkitchen.org.

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Remember Christ the King Parish as you make charitable contributions to reduce your tax burden. Gifts made be made on our online giving site that can be found at ctkpueblo.org.



Christmas and Christmas

Flower Envelopes are available in your envelope packets. Please place your gift in the collection basket as you enter church, or mail to the parish at 1708 Horseshoe Drive, Pueblo CO 81001. Thank you for your generosity.



RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS

We do not have classes on Sunday, December 20 or December 27. We will have to wait to see what the COVID situation looks like before we decide if it is safe to have elementary classes for parents and kids on January 10. We will keep you posted via email. Either way, the elementary packets for January can be picked up on January 10 after the masses. High School classes resume on January 3. Middle School classes resume January 10. Spend some quality time with your family this Advent and Christmas!

THE ETERNAL GOD

King David wished that the ark of God might have a more permanent home. David may have envisioned something like the cedar palace where he resided. God had in mind something more: a throne where David's descendants would rule for ever, a kingdom where Jews and Gentiles alike would be welcome.

Mary's prayerful nature led to an even more disturbing message. She would conceive and bear a Son though she was not yet married. "How can this come about?" Mary wondered. "The Holy Spirit will come upon you," she was told (Luke 1:35).

Mary's acceptance of this difficult challenge ushered in this, the final age of God's reign. What was once a secret known only by chosen people like King David and his descendants must now be made clear to all so that, as Saint Paul wrote to the Romans, we can be brought to the "obedience of faith" "according to the command of the eternal God" (Romans 16:26). Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

<u>Prayer Line</u>:

If you have a prayer request please call Sarah at 542-9248, Ext. 121 or email Sarah at snelson@ctkpueblo.org.





Preparing our Hearts for ADVENT

Adult Facilitated Groups will cover 4 Advent Episodes

Thank you for journeying with us this Advent! We hope that the reflections and short videos are meaningful in your life.

Reflection question for this week: We explore the theme of "Gift" in the 4th session - within the theme of Christ's Nativity and with the Gifts of the Magi. Advent is a time to reflect on Gods coming in our daily lives, as well as at Christmas. In what ways can I become more attentive to God's presence in my daily life? What are some "gifts" I can give back to Christ, who so generously gives himself to me?

Come and discuss this question in any of the groups mentioned below.

1) Catholic Fellowship will meet on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. via ZOOM. Contact Rich Dudley at 719-369-9115, rdudley_ranger@msn.com or Gerald Garduno at 719-252-8508, g.garduno@comcast.net to obtain a virtual link for these weekly sessions.

2) The Women's Study Group will meet on Wednesdays from 9:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. via ZOOM. Contact Micki Markowski at 719-545-6506 to obtain a virtual link to join the weekly session.

3) Watch on your own through the FORMED link and then complete the Participant Guide for that week. If you would like to discuss the episode further with your fellow parishioners we have a Facebook Group for you to join at **Christ the King Catholic Parish Advent 2020.** Join from the link on our Facebook page or on our webpage. The discussion guide is available as a pdf for you to print from the group page and on our webpage at ctkpueblo.org



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