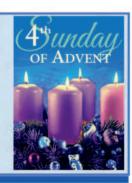


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December 21 and 25, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Advent and The Nativity of the Lord

## MASS SCHEDULE Weekday

#### Tuesday and Friday

Mass: 7:30 a.m. Morning Prayer and Adoration Follows Mass

### Weekend Mass Saturday

4:00 p.m.

### Sunday

8:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.

## Confession Saturday

2:45 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. or by appointment



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#### **Christmas Eve:**

Wednesday, December 24th 4:00 P.M. - Mass with Children's Choir 7:00 P.M. - Mass with Adult Choir (No Midnight Mass)

#### **Christmas Day:**

Thursday, December 25th 9:30 A.M. - Mass



Come early to each Mass and enjoy Christmas Prelude Music.



Solemnity of Mary, Thursday, January 1st 9:30 A.M. - Mass

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## Merry Christmas

From the Christ the King Parish Staff



Imagine holding the infant Jesus. As his eyes meet yours, welcome into your heart the greatest gift of Christmas.

#### 02 | READINGS AND MASS INTENTIONS

Readings for the week of December 21, 2025

Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (7c, 10b)/

Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

Monday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk 1:46-56 Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/

Lk 1:57-66

Wednesday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3,

4-5, 27 and 29/Lk 1:67-79

Thursday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/

Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 (Lk 2:11)/Ti 2:11-14/

Lk 2:1-14

Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 (3c)/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18

or 1:1-5, 9-14

Friday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and

17/Mt 10:17-22

Saturday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8 Next Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 (see 1)/

Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

# Parish Envelopes

In 2026, we will continue to provide individual envelopes, conveniently placed in the pews.

We encourage everyone to utilize our online giving platform, where you can easily sign up for recurring donations.

- · Simply scan the QR code on the envelope to access our website directly.
- · Alternatively, visit ctkpueblo.org and follow the link to Online Giving.

Additionally, packs for the year are available in the Narthex.

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#### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, December 20 - 4:00 p.m.

† Camille Mosco, by Eileen Mosco

† Daniel Medved, by Joan Medved and Family

#### Sunday, December 21 - 8:00 a.m.

† Joe Lovato, by Bea Lovato and Sons

† Florence Naccarato, by Naccarato Family

† Tom Compton, by Compton Family

#### Sunday, December 21 - 11:00 a.m.

† Tom, Molly and James Jagger, by Jagger Family

#### Sunday, December 21 - 7:00 p.m.

For the People of Our Amazing Parish

#### Monday, December 22

No Morning Prayer or Mass on Monday

#### Tuesday, December 23 - 7:30 a.m.

† Barbara Allen, by Gerri Allen and Debi Genova

† Rose and Joe Behm,

by Gerri Allen and Debi Genova

#### Wednesday, December 24 - 4:00 p.m.

† Frank and Helen Selak, by Mary and David Fraterelli

Wednesday, December 24 - 7:00 p.m.

† Chuck Vega, by Molly Vega and Daughters

#### Thursday, December 25 - 9:30 a.m.

† Francisco Pangtay, by Parents, Benito and Iwona

† Karen Hicks, by Louisa Fugua

#### Friday, December 26 - 7:30 a.m.

† Karen Hicks, by Louisa Fugua

† CP and Elizabeth Garcia, by Tom DeNiro Family

#### Saturday, December 27 - 4:00 p.m.

† Camille and Joseph Mosco, by Eileen Mosco

#### Sunday, December 28 - 8:00 a.m.

For the People of Our Amazing Parish

#### Sunday, December 28 - 11:00 a.m.

† Matthew Spangler, Yvonne and Jim Spangler, by Bill and Lynette Payne

#### Sunday, December 28 - 7:00 p.m.

Special Intentions for DH, by Theresa Medina



Please note: We will be locking the doors in the Narthex once Mass begins. This is for safety purposes.

Christmas 2025

My Dear Beloved Parish Family,

As we gather once again around the mystery and beauty of Christmas, my heart is filled with deep gratitude for each of you. This holy season draws us together in a way few moments can—uniting our families, our parish, and our hearts around the humble manger in Bethlehem. During our Christmas Masses, in the quiet glow of the Nativity, we are invited to pause, to breathe, and to receive anew the precious gift that God offers the world: hope.

This past year, many among us have faced burdens that weighed heavily on our hearts. Challenges in health, family, finances, and faith have touched our parish community. And yet, God has continually revealed His presence in the most unexpected ways.

I want to share with you a real story—a story that, for me, embodies the very heart of Christmas hope.

Earlier this year, one family went through a difficult season. Their youngest daughter, only eight years old, faced a serious illness. The diagnosis came suddenly, and what followed were long days in the hospital, countless tests, and moments of fear that any parent would dread. Yet through it all, this family never stopped praying. Their home, even during those heavy days, remained filled with Scripture on the walls, whispered prayers, and the constant reminder that God was near.

One night, the mother shared that she sat beside her daughter's bed, overwhelmed by uncertainty. As she prayed, her daughter opened her eyes, smiled slightly, and said, "Mom, Jesus is holding my hand." It wasn't dramatic. It wasn't loud. But it was real. In that quiet hospital room, hope broke through like a small but steady light.

Weeks later, the girl began to recover—slowly at first, then steadily. Today, she is home, laughing again, and even returned to serve at Mass. Her strength is a testament not only to medical care but to God's gentle, persistent hope—hope that does not remove every trial but walks with us through them.

My dear parishioners, the birth of Jesus does not ignore the darkness of our world—it pierces it. The star that shone over Bethlehem was not merely a decoration in the sky; it was a sign that God has stepped into human history, and nothing would ever be the same. The hope born that night is stronger than fear, deeper than sorrow, and more enduring than any struggle we face.

As we celebrate this holy season, may we become bearers of hope to one another. In a world hungry for compassion, let our parish be a place where kindness is spoken, forgiveness is offered, and generosity overflows. Just as God used the simple, sincere faith of a child in a hospital room to renew the hope of her family, so too can He use each of us—our words, our prayers, our presence—to bring His light into the lives of others.

Hope grows each time we choose love over indifference, mercy over judgment, and service over self-comfort. This is the hope the Christ Child invites us to carry—not only on Christmas Day but in every season of life. When we gaze upon the manger, we are reminded that God's greatest work often begins in the smallest, quietest places.

May we allow that same hope to shape the months ahead. Let it guide our decisions, strengthen our families, and deepen our trust in God's promises. And when challenges arise, as they surely will, may we remember that the God who entered the world as a fragile infant is the same God who walks faithfully beside us today.

My prayer for each of you—and for all those you love—is that this Christmas brings peace to your homes, joy to your gatherings, and hope to your hearts. May the light of Christ shine brightly upon you and guide your steps in the coming year. And may the God who sent His Son as a tiny infant bless you with renewed strength, renewed courage, and renewed trust in His unfailing love.

Merry Christmas, dear parish family. May the hope of Christ be yours today and always.

With prayers and gratitude,

Fr. Zaldy B. Norba, sss

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