

## Tri-Parish Office

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## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY

5 pm - Assumption Church, Ferdinand

### SUNDAY

8 am - St. Mary's, Cottonwood

10 am - St. Anthony, Greencreek

### WEEKDAY MASS

Monday - No Mass

Tuesday, 6:30 pm - St. Mary's, Cottonwood  
Wednesday, 8 am - St. Anthony, Greencreek  
Thursday, 8 am - St. Mary's, Cottonwood  
Friday, 8 am - Assumption, Ferdinand  
First Saturdays, 8 am - St. Mary's, Cottonwood

### RECONCILIATION

St. Mary's: Saturdays 3:00 - 4:00 pm  
Or by appointment during the week

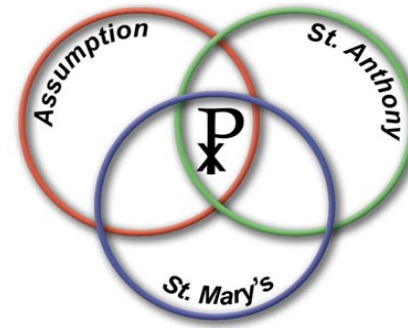
### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION ST. MARY'S

Every Tuesday: 7 am - 6:30 pm.  
Tuesday Adoration until 8 pm if no Mass  
Third Thursday: 7 pm - 7 am Friday  
First Friday: 7 pm Thurs. - 7:50 am Saturday  
7:50 am Benediction on First Saturday prior to Mass

### TRI-PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

<u>St. Mary's</u>	<u>Assumption</u>	<u>St. Anthony</u>
Sarah Walsh Term ends Jan 2019	Ron Riener Term ends Jan 2019	Ken Stubbers, Pres. Term ends Jan 2019
Brandy McElroy Term ends Jan 2020	Tara Duclos Term ends Jan 2020	TJ Schmidt Term ends Jan 2020
Morna Lustig Term ends Jan 2021	Nicole Kinzer Term ends Jan 2021	Whitney Westhoff Term ends Jan 2021
<b>Holy Cross</b> Heath Klapprich - Term ends Jan 2021		

## December 2, 2018 - First Sunday of Advent



And Holy Cross Chapel

*We are many parts, we are all one body.*

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*Each week we want to be praying for a religious from this area or serving this area. This week please pray for Christopher Hattrup, Seminarian, Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter.*

Divine Mercy Chaplet prayed daily at 3:30 p.m. at St. Mary's. Please join us.

**Holy Day of Obligation on Sat., December 8th. The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.** Mass times for the Holy Day:

On Friday Evening, Dec. 7th:

5 pm at Assumption

7 pm at St. Anthony

On Saturday morning, Dec. 8th:

8 am at St. Mary's

**Father's Corner ...** This weekend, we begin the season of ADVENT. Advent begins on the Sunday closest to the Feast of St. Andrew, which is on November 30. Because of this, Advent can begin as early as November 27 and as late as December 3 and it ends on Christmas Eve. It always begins four Sundays before Christmas.

Advent is a time of joyful expectation. In Advent we are waiting and preparing for the coming of Jesus. St. Bernard of Clairvaux, a twelfth century monk, wrote of the "Three Advents of Christ". The first Advent, His first coming, is Christ's coming at Christmas.

The third Advent is Christ's Second Coming, at the end of time. The Second Coming is the "eschatological" aspect of the season of "Advent. The divisions between these two are not clear-cut in our celebrations. Generally, the first two weeks of Advent focus more strongly on the Second Coming of Christ, while the last two weeks focus more on Christmas itself. For this reason, the third Sunday is called "Gaudete Sunday, or "Joyful Sunday". This is the day we light the pink candle in the Advent Wreath.

The Second Advent is Christ being present with us now. This is celebrated each Sunday. Therefore, in Advent we prepare to celebrate the anniversary, the birthday, of Jesus coming in to the world at Christmas. In preparing for this, we make our souls a fitting place of welcome for our Redeemer to enter now. Because we are ready for Jesus to come into us now, we are ready for His coming at the end of our lives.

The earliest record of Advent being celebrated is in Gaul in the early 400's. In 380 at the Council of Saragossa, the council wrote about this season of preparation. The length of Advent has varied from one week to six weeks in history. The season has a penitential aspect that is similar but milder than Lent.

*Father Paul Wander*

Congratulations to Amy and Jim Gorges who were married November 17 at Wichita, Kansas. Officiating at the ceremony was Jim's cousin, Fr. Bernie Gorges.

**Discussion Question of the Week:** St. Paul in the 2nd Reading tells us, "...how you should conduct yourselves to please God and as you are conducting yourselves you do so even more." Therefore, the question of the week is, "How during this Advent can you become more pleasing to God?"

See current and past bulletins under the Resource tab on our website: [www.triparishchurches.com](http://www.triparishchurches.com)

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**Preparation for Sacraments. BAPTISM:** Preparation for Parents and Godparents is **required prior to Baptism**. Classes are available first Wednesday of each month at St. Mary's Church. Contact Tri-Parish office 962-3214 to register for class, it is necessary to do this, as if there is no one registered then there is not a class. **MARRIAGE:** The engaged couple needs to contact parish priest six months prior to the proposed wedding date. **NEW TO PARISH:** Please call 962-3214.

Pope's Tweet ... *"Faced with the tragedies in life, we are called to look to the horizon, because we have been redeemed and the Lord will come to save us."*

**Debbie's rectangle ... For Youth Ministry:**

**Youth Ministry**

**Dec 2:** Rite of Welcoming at 8 am Mass, St. Mary's

**Dec 2:** Confirmation Class, 11:30 am at CEC

**Dec 3:** HS Youth, meet OMG 7 pm, Christmas cards

**Dec 5:** JrH PFFP kids, meet 3:15, St. Vincent De Paul

**Dec 6:** HS Youth, 4 pm City Shed to decorate float

**Dec 7:** First Friday Adoration, Youth hour 10 pm

**Dec 9:** Confirmation Class, 11:30 am at CEC

**Dec 9:** Meet City Shed, 3:15 dress for parade

**Dec 12:** HS dinner, movie, walk in Lewiston lights, we will leave 5 pm from St Mary parking lot

**Dec 13:** Haiti Poinsettia deliveries 8:30 to 5

**Tri-Parish Calendar of Events**

**Dec 2:** Rite of Welcoming, 8 am Mass

**Dec 3:** St. Anthony Society meets

**Dec 4:** TMIY, 6 am, KC Hall

**Dec 5:** RCIA meet 7 pm at St. Mary's

**Dec 5:** GriefShare, 6-8 pm at Sonnen home

**Dec 6:** Holy Trinity, Nezperce, Penance Service 7 pm

**Dec 6-8:** Eucharistic Adoration over First Friday, begins 7 pm Thurs. through to 8 am Sat. at St. Mary's

**Dec 8:** *Feast of Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.* See Mass times in left columns

**Dec 8-9:** GROW groups will talk at Sunday Masses

**Dec 8-9:** Pick name from a hat for Parish Council

**Dec 9:** KC Breakfast at KC Hall, 7-10 am.

**Dec 10:** Penance Service at St. Mary's, 7 pm

**Dec 11:** Office closed 11 am to 1:00 pm

**Dec 11:** KC Meeting, KC Hall, 7:15 pm.

**Dec 12:** Summit Academy Christmas Play at

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**Dec 16:** Please help Liturgy Committee decorate our Churches for Christmas

**Dec 18:** Sts. Peter & Paul Penance Service, 7 pm.

**Dec 19:** RCIA meet 7 pm at St. Mary's

**Dec 20:** St. Anthony Penance Service, 7 pm.

**Envelopes in the entrance of Churches.** Please use one to send in your \$17.00 for your subscription to the Idaho Catholic Register; or leave check at office. Questions, please call Tri-Parish office 962-3214 Please make check payable to your parish.

**Greencreek Altar Society Christmas Party,** Sunday, Dec 2nd, at RoDonna's. Social Hour 4:00 with Dinner at 5:00 pm. All Altar Society ladies and other ladies of St. Anthony Parish are invited. Please bring \$15 gift if you would like to participate in the gift exchange.

**Gifts for Residents of Cottonwood Shelter Home**

If you would like to help purchase gifts for the residents of the Cottonwood Shelter Home, please call JoAnn McHugh 208-962-3846. Thank you for your generosity.

**Men are you ready to make a change?**

Idaho Communities need strong Catholic men to answer the call to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend our values. For 130 years, Knights of Columbus have done exactly that, standing up for the Church, serving the least among us, and strengthening our parishes and families. All practical Catholic men, 18 years old and over can now join the KC's online in a simple streamlined process. As a member, you join a worldwide community of nearly 2 million men, including five thousand right here in Idaho who stand together united in our faith. Men have a duty to lead, protect, serve and defend. The world needs more committed unified Catholic men to answer the call. Visit [kofc.org/joinus](http://kofc.org/joinus) to join and avail yourself of many benefits of membership in the Knights of Columbus.

**Thank you Msgr. Andy Schumacher,** he donated back to the parishes the amounts that he received from parishioners as donations for his book *"I Have Come to Serve and Not to be Served."* Amounts received: St. Mary's \$495; Assumption \$455; and St. Anthony \$240.

**Thank You** to everyone who donated to the **iGiveCatholic Campaign!** Your support is very much appreciated. We will publish in next week's bulletin the total given to each parish.

**Collections for last weekend:**

	Budget	Received	Gifts/Other
St. Mary's	2757.69	2379.00	28.00
St. Anthony	1025.00	914.00	8.00
Assumption	794.23	1019.00	3.00

**PFFP Notes:** Thank you to all who attended Advent Night this past Wednesday evening.

**St. Mary's Ministry**

**Dec 2, Sunday 8 am:**

**Greeters:** Ryan & Heather Uhlenkott and Family

**Lectors:** Gary, Halle **Lead Rosary:** Morris & Julie

**Servers:** Clarise/Lillian/Julia **Child Lit:** Aimee

**EM:** Brandy, Chris, Mattie, Kate, Betty

**Dec 8, Saturday Immaculate Conception 8 am:**

Please come early and volunteer

**Dec 9, Sunday 8 am:**

**Greeters:** Roger & Chris Uptmor and Family

**Lectors:** Joe, Kevin **Lead Rosary:** Frank

**Servers:** Noah/Catherine, Sydney **Child Lit:** Lisa

**EM:** Loretta, Maurice, Derik, Kris, Kyle

**St. Anthony Ministry**

**Dec 2, Sunday 10 am:**

**Greeters:** Dale & Jeanne Stubbers and Family

**Sacristan:** Julie **EM:** Cliff, Curt, Norm

**Lector:** Jessie **Servers:** Rachel, Kylie, Chris

**Wednesday, Dec 5, Lector: Donna**

**Dec 7, Friday Immaculate Conception 7 pm:**

**Sacristan:** Rhonda

Others please come early and volunteer

**Dec 9, Sunday 10 am:**

**Greeters:** Conrad & Jennifer Arnzen and Family

**Sacristan:** Shirley **EM:** Teresa, Bo, Rhonda

**Lector:** Bobbi **Servers:** Makayla/Tommy, Conner

**Wednesday, Dec 12, Lector: Bobbi**

**Assumption Ministry**

**Dec 1, Saturday 5 pm:**

**Greeter:** Ken **Servers:** Monica,

**Lector:** Jenny **EM:** Ken, Carri, Justin W

**Dec 7, Friday Immaculate Conception 5 pm:**

**Greeters:** ken & Bertie **Servers:** Kaden, Connor, Monica

**Lector:** Nick **EM:** Carri, Ken, Virgil

**Dec 8, Saturday 5 pm:**

**Greeter:** Mitzi **Servers:** Aubree, Noah, Reagan

**Lector:** Millie **EM:** Shirley, Dorothy, Andrea

**Mass Intentions for the Week:**

**Dec 1, Sat. ASSUMPTION 5 pm:**

+Hilda Wassmuth, da 11/7, by Liz

Special Intention - Liz

**Dec 2, Sun. ST. MARY'S 8 am:**

+Dick & Joan (bd 12/2) Schultz

**Dec 2, Sun. ST. ANTHONY 10 am:**

Tri-Parish Parishioners

**Dec 3, Mon. No Mass**

**Dec 4, Tues. St. Mary's 6:30 pm:**

Special Intentions

**Dec 5, Wed. St. Anthony 8 am:**

+Jerry Schmidt, da 12/3 by Bobbi

+Heath Nuxoll, da 10/2

**Dec 6, Thurs. St. Mary's 8 am:**

+Clark Hinkelman, bd 12/5 +Kelly Hinkelman

+Tom Schmidt by Eleanor

**Dec 7, Fri. Assumption**

No Morning Mass

**The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary A Holy Day of Obligation:**

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All Tri-Parish Parishioners and their intentions

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**Dec 8, Sat. ASSUMPTION 5 pm:**

+John & Valeria Seubert by their family members

**Dec 9, Sun. ST. MARY'S 8 am:**

+Jane Hoene by Chuck and Betty

And for healing for family members

**Dec 9, Sun. ST. ANTHONY 10 am:**

+Shorty Arnzen +Chris Schmidt

*Happy Anniversary 40 years and more*  
James & Mary Ewing, Dec 2nd, 68 years!  
Martin & Annamarie Fowler, Dec 5th, 49 years!

**New Breaking Bread Missals at St. Mary's** have the **Daily** Responsorial Psalms in the back.

**A Servant's Reflection ...** Great suffering .... From the times I smashed my finger, twist my back, say something to hurt another, AND/ OR sin hurting God, I suffer. The pain in those times I think is nothing short of great tribulation ... this echoing the tribulations Jesus talks of at the end of time noted in the Gospel today. We all face very similar pains in our lives, right? We face physical suffering, mental and emotional torment, and the ever-present stress. Most often these sufferings we face, no matter how bad they are, can be blessings! These "Blessings" God puts in our lives not as ways to hurt us but as GIFTS! Sure, at the time they seem like detriments, but consider where we would be in life without these "tribulations". After you have lost a loved one, how do you help and empathize with a neighbor or acquaintance when they lose someone close? Most probably and hopefully with empathy and love. How about when someone you know gets something as simple as the flu after you just got over it, you can relate and are more sympathetic. The issues and sufferings we encounter make us stronger, personally but more than that, they make us stronger as the Body of Christ! With the "gifts" of suffering, we get stronger and help our neighbors, by helping them deal with and relieve their pains and ultimately these acts of love and caring make us stronger as a people of God. This next week when you stub your toe, get bad news, or whatever the tribulation or cross is, Thank GOD! They are to be blessings and God wants us to use them to help others. Can we, as the Body of Christ, use the tribulations in our lives to strengthen our neighbors and to be thankful for God's plan and crosses we encounter?

*May the Holy Spirit guide you in all that you do, Ryan*

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Lord our God, we praise you for Your Son, Jesus Christ: He is Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples, He is the wisdom that teaches and guides us, He is the Savior of every nation. Lord God, let Your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation. May he come quickly and not delay. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Pray: To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted' let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

Light one purple candle!

Read Isaiah 62:11-12: A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah. See, the Lord proclaims to the ends of the earth: say to daughter Zion, your savior comes! Here is his reward with him, his recompense before him. They shall be called the holy people, the redeemed of the Lord, and you shall be called "Frequented," a city that is not forsaken.



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encourages every home to have an Advent Wreath - to light your candles and pray together as a family.

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