

St. Agatha Catholic Church  
December 19, 2010  
Fourth Sunday of Advent

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**December**

**18 Saturday**  
5pm †Betty Gende...David Gende & Family

**19 Sunday**  
8:30am †Thomas Jarosh...Kristy Cory  
10:30am Our Parish

**20 Monday**  
8:30am †Dawn Schechtel...Ed Schechtel & Family

**21 Tuesday**  
8:30am Liz Earnhart

**22 Wednesday**  
8:30am Mark & Alice(†) Moothart...Moothart Family

**23 Thursday**  
8:30am †Ignatius Custer...Jim & Lucy Kutcher

**24 Friday**  
5:00pm †Irene Jordan...Pat Jordan & Family  
11:00pm Eivers & Woodworth Families...Tim/Mary Eivers

**25 Saturday**  
10am †Fr. Slider Steuernol...Tim & Mary Eivers

**26 Sunday**  
8:30am †George Eivers...Gene Meucci  
10:30am Our Parish

**STEWARDSHIP**

December 5 \$ 8,541

**ALTAR CARE**

December 21-25 Carole VanOrden & Doris Scrutton  
Shannon Ellison

**LECTOR SCHEDULE**

December 24	5:00	Marcy Huss
	11:00	Jennifer Trask
December 25	10:00	Erin O'Malley
December 26	8:30	Genevieve Hainley
	10:30	Hannah Spencer
		Zoe Mullins-Bowman

**ALTAR SERVERS**

December 24	5:00	Emma Blodgett
		Maggie Rohling
		Ellie McElligott
	11:00	Owen Spencer
		Gwen Spencer
December 25	10:00	Gina Varesio
		TBD
December 26	8:30	Freddie Winter
		Jonathan Gritzmacher
	10:30	Nathaniel Gregos
		Logan Weisenberger

**FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

**DECEMBER**

19 Sunday School 1-4, 9:30am-PC  
RCIC, 11:30am-PC  
Loft Choir Rehearsal, 11:45am-C

20 Catechism Study, 7pm-PC

21 Music Ministry Rehearsal, 10am-C

22 Music Ministry Rehearsal, 6:30pm-C  
RCIA, 7pm-HMR

23 Music Ministry Rehearsal, 10am-C

27 Catechism Study, 7pm-PC

29 Music Ministry Rehearsal, 6:30pm-C  
RCIA, 7pm-HMR

**JANUARY**

2 Sunday School 1-4, 9:30am-PC  
RCIC, 11:30am-PC  
Prayer for Life, 1:30pm-C  
"Light the Tower" Reception, 6pm-H

3 Baptism Class, 6pm-HMR  
Catechism Study, 7pm-PC

**YEAR-END DONATION REMINDER** – If you plan to make a year-end donation, we need to receive your check on or before December 31 in order for it to be applied to your 2010 donations. Questions? Call the Parish Office.

**ADORATION CHAPEL** – There is a need for Adorers on the days listed below. Please call Emma Bosco 503-238-0072 or Nancy Curcio 503-235-5165 to sign up!

Sunday	10-11pm; 11pm-Midnight
Monday	1-2pm; 11pm-Midnight
Tuesday	10-11am
Wednesday	11am-Noon
Thursday	4-5am; 5-6am; 5-6pm
Friday	5-6am
Saturday	4-5am; 5-6am; Noon-1pm; 3-4pm

**GREETER SCHEDULE**

Dec. 24	5:00	Mike & Heather Stephens & Family
	11:00	Tim & Mary Eivers
Dec. 25	10:00	Therese Suntheram & Nancy Curcio
Dec. 26	8:30	Tom & Helen Bowman & Emily Gabrish
	10:30	John & Stephanie Earp

**SUNDAY SCRIP SELLERS**

December 26	8:30	Megan Loeb
	10:30	Karen Gregos

**ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK!**

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## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve 5pm & 11pm

Christmas Day 10am  
(No 5pm Sunday Vigil)

New Years Day 10am  
(No 5pm Sunday Vigil)

January 2 - 8:30am  
(No 10:30am Mass)

“Light the Tower Mass”  
January 2 – 5pm



**COFFEE & DONUTS** – There will be no coffee and donuts on Sunday, December 26 or Sunday, January 2!

**SPOTLIGHT ON SCRIP** -- During the month of December our school can earn an additional 2% on gift card purchases for Starbucks, Lowe's and iTunes. If these cards are on your holiday gift list be sure and purchase them from our scrip program and earn even more money for our school. Gift cards make great stocking stuffers and are a good way to show appreciation to the teachers for the marvelous job they are doing with our children. Thanks for your support.

### Scripture Readings for December 26, 2010

First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21

Gospel: Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

**BAPTISM CLASS** - This is a required class for parents and godparents before the baptism of a child. Classes will be held January 3 & 4, 2011, at 6pm in the Hall Meeting Room. To register or if you have questions call Randy/Kathy Stewart 503-659-7869.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY** – In today's Gospel, we hear that Jesus will be named Emmanuel, which means "God is with us." The mystery of the birth of Jesus is supremely a mystery of love. May each Christmas find us more and more like him: more humble, more holy, more happy, and more full of God.

Your gifts to the Society of St Vincent de Paul help those who are poor and suffering to find Emmanuel, for indeed they come to know that "God is with us."

December Suggested Donation Item: Jams, Jellies, Preserves



### **MAKE 3 NEW YEARS' RESOLUTIONS**

If you aren't REGISTERED, please do so  
Participate in SUNDAY MASS  
GIVE GENEROUSLY to sustain your parish

*Father Nathan*

**THRIFTY COTTAGE NEWS** – Remember, the holiday break for the Thrifty Cottage will begin this coming week on December 22. Only two days left to purchase any last minute items at the Cottage! After that, we will be closed until Monday, January 3 at 10am! Our volunteers wish you a very happy holiday.

**PARISH PROJECTS!** A special thank you to the many people who have made donations to help with the unexpected expenses we've had recently!

**MEN'S WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY** – Every Tuesday this group meets for breakfast and fellowship from 6:45-8am at Eastmoreland Grill on Bybee Blvd. (at the Golf Course).

Dear Friends,

I want to extend my sincere gratitude to all those who have given so generously to pay for the maintenance projects I approved some time ago. We have now completed the installation of the new furnace in the Parish Center (thank you from all of us who work there!), and the Hall sewer project is underway. After the first of the year, we will begin the installation of the new sewer for the Thrifty Cottage. The cost of each of these projects was met through individual generosity.

Now, the parish Administrative Council has recommended that we begin saving the money needed to replace the furnace in the Church. We are praying that our old one holds out until next summer. If it doesn't – and parts are needed – we will be in trouble. Our furnace maintenance provider has informed us that new parts are no longer available! However, the over 50 years of continuous service provided by our current boiler system has been remarkable.

With trust in the continuing generosity of the parish, we have set next summer as a tentative time for replacing the church heating system. The cost will be approximately \$35,000, including a \$5,000 contingency. In old buildings we never know what we may find when the time comes. I know that you will give generously again to make this necessary improvement to our church in a timely manner.

May God bless you during this Holy Season.

Father Nathan Zodrow

P.S., Don't forget to take advantage of the end-of-the-year tax benefit for donations to the Church.