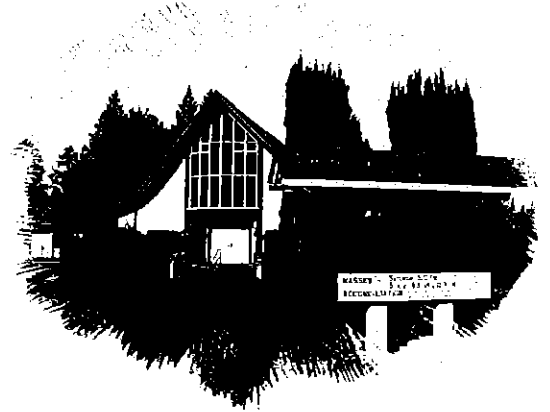


December 17th, 2020

Dear Parishioners:

Re: Mass Intentions December 21st, 2020 to January 3rd, 2021



Our Mass Intentions are:

- Tuesday, Dec. 22nd, @ 7:00pm – Thanksgiving for Joe Scaria; requested by the Scaria Family
- Wednesday, Dec. 23rd @ 9:00am – Soul of Theresa Koziar; requested by Sandi Digras
- Wednesday, Dec. 23rd @ 7:00pm – Mass Cancelled
- Thursday, Dec 24th – Intentions of the Connolly Family; requested by Mary Connolly
- Thursday, Dec. 24th @ 7:00pm & 9:00pm – Mass Cancelled
- Friday, Dec. 25th – Soul of Joanne Peacock; requested by Doreen Peacock
- Saturday, Dec. 26th – 5:00pm Mass Cancelled
- Sunday, Dec. 27th @ 8:30am – Soul of Frances Dolan; requested by Tess Cormack
- Sunday, Dec. 27th @ 10:30am – Mass Cancelled
- Tuesday, Dec. 29th @ 7:00pm – Intentions of Margaret Galway; requested by Kathleen Haverty
- Wednesday, Dec. 30th @ 9:00am – Soul of Clarity Gutierrez; requested by the Gutierrez Family
- Wednesday, Dec. 30th @ 7:00pm – Mass Cancelled
- Thursday, Dec. 31st – Souls of John & Julia Connolly; requested by Mary Connolly
- Friday, Jan. 1st – Soul of Jim Harker; requested by Mary Barrett
- Saturday, Jan. 2nd – Soul of Bernadette Critchley; requested by Margaret McKay
- Sunday, Jan. 3rd @ 8:30am – Soul of Bernadette Critchley; requested by Tess Cormack
- Sunday, Jan. 3rd @ 10:30am – Mass Cancelled

Due to the provincial government suspension of in-person worship services until January 8th, 2021, all mass intentions scheduled for the second mass of the day have been re-scheduled to the first available date in 2021. Thank you for your understanding.

Mass Intentions are welcome and may be scheduled through the parish office. Please contact the parish office to register for weekday Community Mass Groups. **Confession: Saturdays, 10:00am to 11:00am and Wednesdays, 1:00pm to 2:30pm. Regular Office Hours: Monday – Thursday, 8:00am – 4:30pm; Closed Fridays due to COVID-19.**

Yours in Christ,

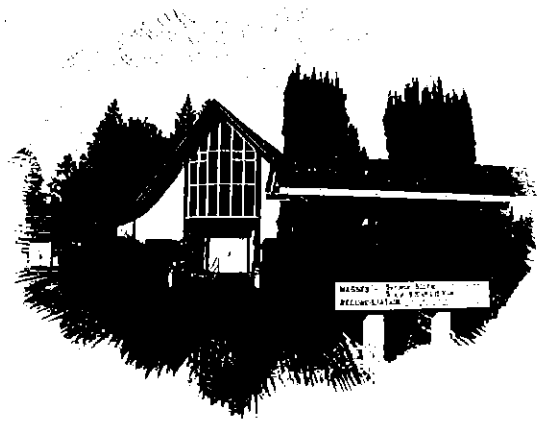
Fr. Michael Favero, Pastor

P. S. Please take time to pray for all those who are in need of prayer – please see attached Prayer List

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My Dear Parishioners:

The letter from Bishop Gary that was sent out earlier this week mentioned that the churches should be open... "I invite you to keep open the churches and be available to people who want to quietly visit. From the beginning of the pandemic, this has been the case for our churches in the diocese, that if people want to visit, they are welcome. You are welcomed to come. Entry is through the office door, rather than to the church doors. There are no masses with parishioners; only those who want to come to the church for some time in quiet prayer. I usually celebrate the weekday masses around 9:00am; so one would have to wait until after 9:30am before coming for a visit.

Thank you to Sandy Fraser and Keith Wilber, who put up the Christmas crèche this past Monday. Sandy has doctored up the figures with some cleaning and varnish to protect them from the elements.

The showers re-opened this past week and will continue going forward. The guests have to wear a mask, are given the towels as they come into the hall; and after their shower have a takeout bag and coffee if desired. If they require any clothing, they pick them up in St. Paul's room. We have a good supply of clothing; however, there is a need of men's large and extra-large undershirts. A thank you to our dedicated parishioner volunteers who are here on Tuesday and Thursday mornings and also the parishioners who wash the towels that have been used.

With all the masses cancelled until Friday, January 8th, I thought it would be good to connect with you as parishioners by live streaming the Christmas masses. Joanna Biddlecombe a parishioner and teacher, has experience live streaming and has helped getting it set up. Please go to <https://youtu.be/jC5EYbh6Ksw> the Youtube link, where you will be able to see the mass this coming Sunday at 8:30am. If there are weekday masses live streamed they will be sent out. The plan

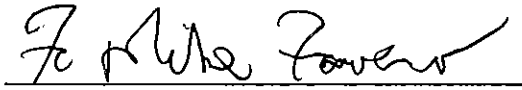
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is to live stream the Christmas Eve mass at 5:00pm and a Christmas Day mass at 8:30am.

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fr. Mike Favers". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Fr. Mike