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**December 17<sup>th</sup>, Third Sunday of Advent**

**Welcome to**  
**Saint Catherine's Catholic Church**  
**PO Box 685**  
**Kamiah, Idaho 83536**  
**935-2130**

**Website: [saintcatherines.weebly.com](http://saintcatherines.weebly.com)**  
**Intentions & Daily Mass**

**December 17th, Sunday 8:00am**  
**December 19th, Tuesday 5:00pm**  
**December 20th, Wednesday 7:45am**  
**December 21st, Thursday 8:30am**  
**December 24th, Sunday 8:00am**  
**December 24th, Christmas Eve 7:30pm**  
**Christmas Eve - Christmas Carols 7:00 - 7:25**  
**pm. Mass Prelude: "O Holy Night" to be Sung at 7:25 pm.**  
**December 25th, Christmas Day 9:00am**  
**Christmas Day – Mass Prelude: "O Holy Night" to be sung at 8:55 am.**

Confessions are heard on Sundays before Mass 7:30-7:45

1<sup>st</sup> Fridays 4 to 4:45 pm, 6 pm to 6:30 and by request.

**\*\*PREPARATION FOR SACRAMENTS\*\***

**BAPTISM/1ST COMMUNION/ RECONCILIATION:**

Preparation for Parents and Godparents is required prior to baptism. Contact Kathy Mincola 208-702-2458 /Stephanie Schaff 935-9199

**MARRIAGE:** The engaged couple needs to complete the formal paperwork with the parish priest prior to setting the date for the wedding. Jim and Vickie O'Leary are the coordinators for Engaged Couples Education. Call 476-9128.

**Youth Coordinator/Confirmation:** Please contact Michelle Fabbi (208)553-6363

**ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH?** To register your membership with St. Catherine's Parish, please fill out

the parish census form located in the plastic wall rack in the front door entryway and return it to the rectory.

**RCIA:** Please contact Patty Kries 935-2856

**If you would like Father to say a mass for your intentions, there are special envelopes in the back of church.**

**Email - [bulletinSCCC@hotmail.com](mailto:bulletinSCCC@hotmail.com)**

**Call - Melinda Wimer 935-1834**

**Church email [saintcatherinesparish@hotmail.com](mailto:saintcatherinesparish@hotmail.com)**

**ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE**

**December 17<sup>th</sup>-**Oniece and Sawyer

**December 24<sup>th</sup>-** Olivia and Gwen

**December 24th Christmas Eve:** Peter and Angel

**December 25<sup>th</sup>-**Kaden and Lincoln

**December 31<sup>st</sup>-**Aubrey and Peter

**January 7<sup>th</sup>-** Charlie and Orley

**Birthdays: 12/18-**Reagan Faeth and **12/19-** Tina Ulmer

**Anniversaries: 12/20-**Josh and Hayley Akre and **12/21-**Tim and Betty Vernon

**Confession Schedule -** Sunday from 7:30 – 7:45am. First Friday from 4 to 4:45 pm and from 6 pm to 6:30

**He will also be available by appointment.**

Sunday School Classes  
No Religious Ed classes on Dec 24<sup>th</sup> or Dec 31<sup>st</sup>. We will resume on Jan 7<sup>th</sup>.

**We invite everyone to remain after Mass** for just a few minutes so that our children can express their thanks for your Religious Ed. Donations. They will be singing 2 very short songs for you. Thank you.

Weather last Sunday resulted in the cancellation of the Valley Ringers and Singers concert scheduled at St. Gertrude's in Cottonwood.

This talented group will offer a second concert at St. Catherine's TODAY at 3pm. If you missed the concert last week this is your chance to hear some wonderful Christmas music.

**Christmas Eve - Christmas Carols**

7:00 - 7:25 pm. Mass Prelude: "O Holy Night" to be Sung at 7:25 pm.

**Christmas Day – Mass Prelude:** "O Holy Night" to be sung at 8:55 am.

**Announcement:** If you would like to support our Religious Education and Formation program, you can donate to the Jesse Tree, which will be in the Narthex throughout Advent. We have 40 children/youth registered for our program this year! That is more than we've had for years, praise be to God! To make a donation, you just take an envelope off the tree, place your donation inside, and put it in the offertory basket. Your donation pays for curriculum, retreats, and the Youth Convention in Boise for High School Students. Thank you!

**Please support the kids going to ICYC this year by participating in our monthly envelope drawing fundraiser.**

You could win \$30! Please grab an envelope in the back ranging from \$1-\$30 on it and write your name on the front.

Please put the envelope in the next collection basket or give it to Stephanie or Dan and Michelle Fabbi! We will have a drawing every month on youth mass to pick a winner.

**Upcoming Events:**

**Dec 19<sup>th</sup>-** Soup & Movie following 5:00pm Mass

**Dec 24<sup>th</sup>-** Fourth Sunday of Advent Mass 8:00am

**Dec 24<sup>th</sup>-** Christmas Eve Mass 7:30pm

**Dec 25<sup>th</sup>-** Christmas Day Mass 9:00am

**\*\*\*WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY\*\*\***

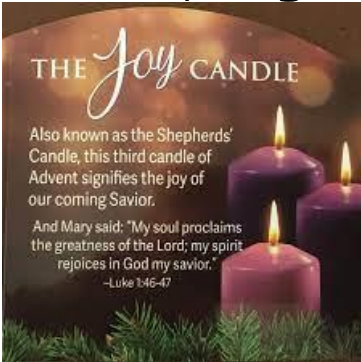
**\*\*\*Mark your calendars\*\*\***

**STARTING Thursday JANUARY 11TH @ 9:30 am** in the Sienna Center, we will be studying **" REVELATIONS : The Kingdom Yet to Come"** from Ascension Press.

**Come Join us. All Women Are Welcome.**  
**For more information and study materials, please contact Barbara Jaksha at 208-926-0151.**



# Parish Spotlight



*Advent is a time of vigilance and waiting patiently. It is a time to prepare our hearts, to pray in silence in preparation for Christmas. God's people had spent centuries longing and waiting for the day of salvation, for the Messiah to come. This same waiting is reflected in this season of Advent. During this last week, we are invited to look at our lives, at our relationship with God and with each other. It is a time of prayer and renewal, of letting Jesus enter our hearts and change our lives. Let us learn to recognize him among us and welcome him with joy.*

## Finance Team

Do you have questions about parish finances? Ask anyone on the team!  
Dan Fabbi-208-451-6559  
Dan Drover-208-935-8500  
Joe Chapman  
John Wilcox  
Trudie Johnson-bookkeeper-208-507-0099

## Social Concerns

To fulfill our mission as Disciples of Christ by providing support to those in need.  
**Melinda Wimer 208-935-1834****Virginia Daugherty 208-935-0003/208-983-8432**

## Prayer Chain

For requests for prayers  
Virginia Daugherty 208-983-8432  
Pat Ricken, 954-482-1996

	Advent Schedule 2023		
Date/Day		Location	Time
12/17/2023 Sun	Third Sunday of Advent	All Locations	Regular Mass Times
12/19/2023 Tue	Adoration and Reconciliation	Kamiah	4pm
12/19/2023 Tue	Soup and Movie	Kamiah	Following 5pm Mass
12/24/2023 Sun	Fourth Sunday of Advent	All locations	Regular Mass times
12/24/2023 Sun	Christmas Eve Mass	Orofino Kamiah	4pm 7:30pm
12/25/2023 Mon	Christmas Day	Kamiah Orofino	9am Mass 11am Mass
01/01/2023 Mon	Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God	Kamiah Orofino	8am Mass 10:30am Mass

## Save the Date to be Part of a Movement—Diocese of Boise Joins National Eucharistic Procession!

**From May 27<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024**, the Diocese of Boise will take part in the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage, hosting a dozen young adults as they process with the Blessed Sacrament on their way to the Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis in July. These four national teams embark on their cross-country pilgrimage on Pentecost Sunday, May 19, 2024. Along the way, they will stop at parishes to pray, process, and gather, unified around the Blessed Sacrament. This unprecedented opportunity allows the faithful in Idaho to join with one of the largest Eucharistic pilgrimages in history, as part of the national Eucharistic Revival sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

On May 27<sup>th</sup>, Bishop Peter will meet Bishop Cary of the Diocese of Baker on the border between Oregon and Idaho, where they will solemnly transfer the Blessed Sacrament to our diocese. The Eucharistic procession will continue across the southern portion of the state before it crosses the border into Utah. The national team will make four major stops in our diocese: Corpus Christi in Fruitland; the Cathedral of St. John in Boise; St. Edward's in Twin Falls; and Holy Spirit Catholic Community in Pocatello. *Save the date and plan to pray, process and be part of this historic event! More information to come on ways in which all communities will be able to participate.*

**God offers himself to us in the manger in Bethlehem, inviting each heart to welcome this heavenly gift.** "At Christmas, we on earth receive Jesus, the bread from heaven," Pope Francis said in St. Peter's Basilica. "We discover that the life of God can enter into our hearts and dwell there."

"If we welcome that gift, history changes, starting with each of us. **For once Jesus dwells in our heart, the center of life is no longer my ravenous and selfish ego, but the One who is born and lives for love,**" he added. Francis explained that "God makes himself small so that he can be our food. By feeding on him, the bread of life, we can be reborn in love, and break the spiral of grasping and greed."

**"Standing before the manger, we understand that the food of life is not material riches but love, not gluttony but charity, not ostentation but simplicity," he said.** The pope extended a challenge to simplify one's life and to share with others at Christmastime. Francis encouraged everyone to ask themselves, **"At Christmas do I break my bread with those who have none?"**

**"I want to come to Bethlehem, Lord, because there you await me. I want to realize that you, lying in a manger, are the bread of my life. I need the tender fragrance of your love so that I, in turn, can be bread broken for the world," Pope Francis said.**

## Maintenance Team

Pat Murphy Tom Steiger  
John Hagen Dan Edmonds  
Wayne Behnke

## Liturgy Team

Mary Sellitti -- 208-926-7086  
Jeanie Stettler -- 208-540-1313  
Virginia Daugherty-208-983-8432  
Kathy Petro - 208-816-1834  
Donna Hoopes - 208-935-0789  
Melinda Wimer - 208-935-1834  
Teresa Trulock

## Altar Society - Catholic Store

Please stop by and check the new arrivals in the Siena Center. It is open after Mass each Sunday.