

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY (DEC 28, 2019)

Sacristan - NEIL MCPHEDRAN
Readers - #1 & #2 - EUNICE RANDALL
Comm. - NEIL MCPHEDRAN

SUNDAY (DEC 29, 2019)

Sacristan - SCOTT AUSTIN
Readers - #1- IMELDA KEDGE / #2- JULIE DUELING
Comm. - MAGGIE RATHJEN
Eucharistic Ministers - BECKY RODRIGUEZ, SYLVIA VIELLETTE, REMY JOVEN, VENTURA SCHIMMICI, THEA FISHER, SHERRY STILES
Altar Servers - BOVENSI; AMANI AND MALAIKA
Greeters - MADELINE HARRINGTON AND HELEN TUMBACH

CHRISTMAS MINISTRY SCHEDULE

TUESDAY (DEC 24, 2019)

Sacristan - ROY MACINTYRE
Readers - #1 RICK BIGLAND & #2 - EUNICE RANDALL
Comm. - MARK ZIEBARTH

WEDNESDAY (DEC 25, 2019)

Sacristan - SCOTT AUSTIN
Readers - #1 GERRY ACHTEM & #2 - LUCY LADIERA
Comm. - NEIL MCPHEDRAN
Altar Servers - BENOIT; PASCAL, JONAH AND SEAN
Greeters - BYRON AND JENNIFER DOLAN AND FAMILY

PARISH PRAYER LIST

(please call the office at 250-494-3110)
LORD HEAR OUR PRAY FOR THE SICK... and all who are suffering in any way in our community and in our families especially: George Szucs, John Morrissey, Debra Webb, Christine Delaurier, Vivian Dolezsar, Philomena Keogan, Eugene Chorneyko, Rosa Santos, Carmen Telechea, Kathryn Simpson, Elmo Sheppard, Toran Younge., Bob Day, Anne Arthur, Jim Graf, Moira Day, Nick Deuling, Olivia Whitfield-Carson, Sandy Jaser, Malinowski Family, Carrie Malinowski, Jennifer Knoll, Reid & Anne Watson, Paul Pasqualetto, Kian Hooshmand-Hall, Ann Grison, Dawna Werbeski, Wayne and Joanne Banks, Marie Horn, Pat Thomas, Sheila Dafluyen, Betty Jolie, Chrissy Kozier, Richard Roess, Cecilia Roess, Jack Rowland, Margo Preston, Jody Richter, Geraldine Koropchuk, Bev McIntyre

DEAR PARENTS AND CHILDREN

The parish is in great need of altar servers to help in our Sunday *Eucharistic Liturgy* as a number of servers are leaving the parish. **Thank you!**
Let us know if you are interested 250-494-3110.

HELP WANTED Holy Child Parish is looking for a part-time custodian who is able to work for 11 hours/week. **Please contact the parish office at 250 494 3110 or Fr. Ben.**

DECEMBER 22, 2019



HOLY CHILD PARISH

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Office Hrs - Tues.-Fri. 10:30am-1:00pm

Parish Secretary: Carey Roess

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Fridays after Mass (9:30am)

Saturdays-5:30-6pm.

(outside of these schedules, Pls. call the office)

Adoration - Every Thursday - 9:30 - 11:00 AM

PARISH CONTACT LIST

Parish Council Chair - Bernadine J. - 250-494-7972
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Music Ministry - Imelda K. - 250-494-5921
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Ministerial Singers - Terri W. - 250-809-173

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Dec 15, 2019- 2,639.40 (Goal: 2,880)
THANK YOU! GOD BLESS YOUR GENEROUS HEARTS!

MASS SCHEDULE

(No Mon. Mass unless specified)

TUESDAY 7PM
WEDNESDAY*- FRIDAY 9AM
SATURDAY 6PM
SUNDAY 10AM

Sacred Heart Mission Mass 1PM (at Penticton Reserve)
*2nd Wed. of the month- Mass is at Sr's Village, 9:30AM.

MASS CHANGE

-Thursday, Dec 26th NO MASS
-Friday, Dec 27th NO MASS

CHRISTMAS HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, Dec 24 4PM
Sacred Heart (PENTICTON RESERVE)

Tuesday, Dec 24 6:30PM
CHRISTMAS EVE MASS
Holy Child Parish (SUMMERLAND)

Wednesday, Dec 25 10AM
CHRISTMAS DAY HOLY MASS
Holy Child Parish (SUMMERLAND)

DAILY READINGS

(Dec 23 – Dec 29, 2019)

Mon. – Mal 3.1-4; 4.5-6/Lk 1.57-66

Tue. – *Christmas – The Nativity of The Lord/* Isaiah 9.2-4, 6-7/Titus 2.11-14/Lk 2.1-16++

Wed. – *Christmas – The Nativity of The Lord/* Isaiah 62.11-12/Titus 3.4-7/Lk 2.15-20

Thu. – *St. Stephen/*Acts 6.8-10; 7.54-59/Mt 10.17-22

Fri.- *St. John the Apostle/*1 John 1.1-4/John 20.2-8

Sat.- *The Holy Innocents/*1 John 1.5-2.2

Sun. –*The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph/* Sirach 3.2-6, 12-14/Col 3.12-21/Mt 2.13-15, 19-23

MASS INTENTIONS

Dec 28 – (R) **JOSIF KOSOR** from Havlik family & Kosor family

LAST CHANCE

DONATIONS NEEDED for POINTSETTIAS!!!! Please leave at the office of in the Sunday collection in an envelope marked “Christmas Flowers”.

THANK YOU!!!!

PASTOR’S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Dear Holy Child Parishioners,

Christmas would always bring back my special childhood memories. Every Christmas, my playmates and I would go around the neighborhood and serenade them with Christmas carols for a penny. One of our favourite songs was “Hark the Herald Angels sing.” It was easy to learn and sing this song. I was singing it without minding what the words were and their meaning.

When I was reflecting on my Christmas message for this year, that song crossed my mind because of its message which is always relevant and timely.

“Hark the herald Angels sing. Glory to the newborn King.

Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled...”

This particular verse struck me because it tells us the reason why Jesus was born – to bring love, forgiveness and peace not just for the believers but for all who want to embrace His message. He was born when the world was in chaos because of sin. Unfortunately, 2000 years later, the same chaos still exists in this world. What has happened to Christ’s gift of love, mercy and peace? Why do people still cling to selfishness that creates division?

Perhaps this is the reason why every year we have to celebrate the birth of our Messiah, Jesus Christ. He continues to remind us that we have to proclaim and live His message in our families and our communities. As a “neighbor” and as a priest, this is a responsibility and a challenge to me whenever I am led by the Holy Spirit to places where I can fulfill my mission and inspire people to heed and live Christ’s message.

When I was a pastor at one of the parishes in my home country, the Philippines, I had a friend-soldier who was weary of wars and divisions. He once told me, “Father, why can’t we just hold hands and create friendship rather than hold guns and create wars?” I fell silent. I had many answers to his question, but I just realized that the best response on that moment was silence and prayer.

Peace seems to be elusive today, but as Christians we always believe that with Jesus, nothing is impossible. The Christmas season reminds us what Jesus brings and offers us.

My Christmas wish and prayer for you and your loved ones is the everlasting peace that Jesus brought not just when he was born in a manger but is always present in the Holy Eucharist - a priceless gift from our heavenly Father.

This beautiful prayer of St. Francis of Assisi should be a timely reminder for us this season:

Lord, Make me an instrument of Your peace;

Where there is hatred let me sow love.

Where there is injury, your pardon.

Where there is doubt, faith.

Where there is despair, hope.

Where there is darkness, light.

Where there is sadness, joy.

Thank you for your kindness, love and generosity. May the peace OF Christ reign always in your heart.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

