

# Holy Trinity Parish

## ADVENT and CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2018

### THE COMING OF THE LIGHT



*"Christmas celebrates the dawn of the Light of the World. The powers of darkness are overcome by his coming to share our life. The long reign of sin is ended and grace has been poured upon the earth. The Sun of Justice has arisen, and evil is vanquished.*

*Perhaps the hardest thing to remember about Christmas is this: "It celebrates the incarnation, not just the nativity. The incarnation is an ongoing process of salvation, while the nativity is the once-for-all-historical event of Bethlehem. We do*

*not really celebrate Christ's 'birthday,' remembering something that happened long ago. We celebrate the stupendous fact of the incarnation, God entering our world so thoroughly that nothing has been the same since. And God continues to take flesh in our midst, in the men and women and children who form his body today. And the birth we celebrate is not just the past historical event but Christ's continuing birth in his members, accomplished by the power of the Spirit through the waters of baptism.*

*"... What we celebrate is our redemption in Christ and the transformation of all creation by the presence of the divine in our midst."*

*Sourcebook 2006, Liturgy Training Publications*

### PARISH COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES

*MONDAY, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm*

*FRIDAY, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 12:00pm*

*WEDNESDAY, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm*

### INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS

*SATURDAYS, December 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd, 2:30-4:00pm*

### FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

*SATURDAY, December 8<sup>th</sup>*

*HOLY DAY MASSES: 9:00am only*

*This is a Holy Day of obligation. Our Blessed Mother is the patroness of the United States under the title of the Immaculate Conception. All Catholics are obliged to participate in this holy day Mass that honors our Lady. PLEASE TAKE NOTE that participation in this Mass satisfies the requirement for the holy day ONLY. One must still participate in either the Saturday evening or one of the Sunday Masses to observe and satisfy the obligation to keep holy the Lord's Day. This means that ONE MUST PARTICIPATE IN TWO MASSES THIS WEEKEND in order to keep both days holy. Please plan your schedules accordingly.*

### SIMBANG GABI CELEBRATION

*MONDAY, December 17th, 6:00pm Mass, followed by Fiesta Celebration*

*TUESDAY, December 18th, 6:00pm Mass, followed by Fiesta Celebration.*

*Holy Trinity is hosting the Jackson Park Celebration. All are invited.*

### OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CELEBRATION

*WEDNESDAY, December 12<sup>th</sup>*

*MANANITAS with REFRESHMENTS FOLLOWING: 7:00am*

*EVENING MASS: 6:00pm, followed by Fiesta Celebration.*

### CHRISTMAS MASSES

*Christmas Eve\**

*5:00pm for families with Children (Incense free mass)*

*7:30pm and 10:00pm*

*Christmas Day\**

*10:00am (Incense free mass)*

*12:00pm "Spanish"*

*\*Music Prelude before all Christmas Masses*

### SOLEMNITY OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD

*HOLY DAY MASSES*

*MONDAY, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 5:00pm*

*TUESDAY, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 9:00am*