

Holy Redeemer Chapel

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Septuagesima Sunday

February 1st, 2026

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The Labourers in the Vineyard

“Why stand you here all the day idle? They say to him: Because no man hath hired us. He saith to them: Go you also into my vineyard” (Matt. 20, 6-7)

* MASS TIMES THIS WEEK *

Sunday, February 1 st	SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY Katharina Stromberg (<i>Mrs. Lisa Ammon</i>) †Deceased parishioners (<i>Purgatory League</i>)	8:00 A.M. 10:30 A.M.
Monday, February 2 nd	PURIFICATION OF THE BVM - Candlemas Day For my soul (<i>Mrs. Joan Pang</i>)	11:00 A.M.
Tuesday, February 3 rd	St. Blaise, BpM Trisha Saliveros (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Robert Lambert</i>)	11:15 A.M.
Wednesday, February 4 th	St. Andrew Corsini, BpC †José Blancas -death anniv. (<i>Mrs. Carmen Garita</i>)	11:15 A.M.
Thursday, February 5 th	St. Agatha, VM †Danilo A. Pablo -death anniv (<i>Danilo F. Pablo</i>)	11:15 A.M.
Friday, February 6 th * First Friday Devotions	St. Titus, BpC †Georgia Stieren (<i>Will Shafer</i>)	11:15 A.M.
Saturday, February 7 th * First Saturday	St. Romuald, Ab Mr. & Mrs. Wilfredo Pablo & family (<i>Fr. Ercoli</i>)	9:00 A.M.
Sunday, February 8 th	SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY †Maria Nu Nguyen (<i>The Nguyen family</i>) †Johnny Ammon (<i>Mrs. Lisa Ammon</i>)	8:00 A.M. 10:30 A.M.

* ANNOUNCEMENTS *

- **CANDLEMAS IS TOMORROW.** Blessing of candles, procession and High Mass at **11:00 A.M.**
- **SEVEN SUNDAY OF ST. JOSEPH DEVOTION** starts today, in preparation for the feast of St. Joseph.
- **FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS** is taking place this Friday, at 6:00 P.M. Holy Hour followed by Distribution of Holy Communion.

WISDOM OF THE SAINTS

Simplicity

- “When we have to deal with astute and crafty persons, the best way to win them to God is to treat them with much candor and simplicity. This is the spirit of Christ the Lord, and whoever is destined to glorify Him must act according to His spirit.”—St. Vincent de Paul
- “The female dove has this peculiarity, that she does everything for her mate, so that when she sets, she leaves to him the care of herself and of whatever is needed and thinks of nothing but cherishing and protecting her dovelets, to please her mate and rear for him new offspring. Oh, what a pleasing rule is this---never to do anything except for God and to please Him, and to leave to Him all the care of ourselves!”—St. Francis de Sales

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Mr. Caron * Mrs. Balbuena * J-M Michaud * S. Camberlain * J. Pang * J. Osness

THE LORD'S VINES ARE OUR SOULS which He has given us to cultivate by good works that one day we may be admitted into eternal glory. Many live as if they were never to die, or as if they had not to give to God an account of their lives, as if there were no Heaven and no hell. They believe but they do not reflect. They take all possible care of worldly affairs, but attend not to the salvation of their souls. O my God, what shall my lot be? If I may be lost why do I not embrace such a life as may secure for me eternal life?

St. Paul says: *We entreat you, brethren ... that you do your own business* (*1 Thess. 4, 10*). The greater number of people in the world are attentive to the business of this world. What diligence do they not employ to gain a law-suit or a good position! How many means are adopted, how many measures taken! They neither eat nor sleep. And what efforts do they make to save their souls? All blush at being told that they neglect their family affairs, and how few are ashamed to neglect the salvation of their souls! *Brethren*, says St. Paul, *we entreat you that you do your own business; that is, the business of your eternal salvation.*

"The trifles of children," says St. Bernard, "are called trifles, but the *trifles* of men are called *business*," and for these trifles many lose their souls. If in one worldly transaction you suffer a loss, you may repair it in another; but if you die in enmity with God, and lose your soul, how can you repair the loss? *What exchange shall a man give for his soul?* (*Matt. 16, 26*).

God, therefore, sets a high value on your soul. Such is its value in the estimation of Satan, that, to become master of it, he sleeps not night or day, but is continually going about seeking to make it his own. Hence St. Augustine exclaims: *"The enemy sleeps not, and dost thou sleep?"* The enemy is always awake to injure you, and you slumber. Pope Benedict XII being asked by a prince for a favour he could not conscientiously grant, said to the ambassador: Tell the prince that if I had two souls, I might be able to lose one of them to please him; but, since I have only one, I cannot consent to lose it. Thus he refused the favour the prince sought from him.

Remember that, if you save your soul, your failure in every worldly transaction will be but of little consequence: for when you are saved, you shall enjoy complete happiness for all eternity. But if you lose your soul, what will it profit you to have enjoyed all the riches, honours and amusements of this world? For when you lose your soul, all is lost. *What doth it profit a man if he gain the whole world, and suffer the loss of his own soul?* (*Matt. 16, 26*). By this maxim St. Ignatius of Loyola drew many souls to God, and among them the soul of St. Francis Xavier who was then at Paris and devoted his attention to the acquirement of worldly goods. One day St. Ignatius said to him: "Francis, whom do you serve? You serve the world, a traitor that promises but does not perform. And if it should fulfil all its promises, how long do its goods last? Can they last longer than this life? And after death, what will they profit you if you shall not have saved your soul?" He then reminded Francis of the maxim of the Gospel: *What doth it profit a man, if he gain the whole world and suffer the loss of his own soul?*

But one thing is necessary! (*Luke 10, 42*). It is not necessary to become rich on this earth to acquire honours and dignities; but it is necessary to save our souls; because unless we gain Heaven we shall be condemned to hell: there is no middle place: we must be either saved or damned. God has not created us for this earth; neither does He preserve our lives here on earth that we may become rich and enjoy amusements. *And the end life everlasting* (*Rom. 6, 22*). He has created us, and preserved us, that we may acquire eternal glory.

* A NOTE TO NEWCOMERS *



Welcome to the traditional Latin Mass, and to the unchanged Catholic Faith. The priests and parishioners of Holy Redeemer Chapel reject the changes of Vatican II. They want to preserve the Roman Catholic Faith by maintaining everything that was taught and done by the Church prior to Vatican II. In order to receive the sacraments here, it is therefore necessary that you attend exclusively the traditional Latin Mass, and avoid the new Mass and reformed sacraments. We also invite you to take our booklet entitled *The Traditional Latin Mass*, which is very informative. We encourage you to visit our bookstore for some additional reading & information about the present crisis in the Church.

* PLEASE, OBSERVE OUR DRESS CODE *

For Men: A shirt and tie, with either suit coat, jacket or sweater, and dress shoes on Sundays and holy days of obligation. No earrings. **For Ladies:** A dress or skirt is required; no pants. The skirt must at least cover the knee, and should not be tight or otherwise revealing in any way. Immodest slits are forbidden. Clothing should be loose and not form-fitting. A head covering is also required. See-through blouses are forbidden, as well as clothing which is low-cut. **For Everyone:** No tennis shoes, sandals, denim, even on weekdays. The standards of Catholic modesty must be observed.

* APPOINTMENTS & OTHER INFORMATION *



If you wish to make an appointment with the priest, please call the rectory at **(206) 299-1522**. **Baptisms** are by appointment. At least one of the **Parents & Godparents** must be practicing Catholics in good standing who reject the changes of Vatican II. If you are contemplating **Matrimony**, catechism instructions may be needed; depending on the case, you may need to contact the priest as early as one year in advance of your wedding. When making arrangements for **Funerals**, please contact the priest before contacting the funeral director. **Extreme Unction & Sick Calls**, please do not put off making arrangements until the last moment. Let us know if a member of the Chapel is sick, hospitalized or in danger of death. For any emergency, please call **Fr. Ercoli** at **(586) 215-3251**.

- **Confession Schedule:** Sundays & Holydays, 30 minutes before Mass. Saturdays after Mass.
- **Blessing of Religious Articles:** Every First Sunday of the month at the communion rail.

BLESSING OF THE CANDLES

Wax candles are solemnly blessed on this day, in commemoration of our Lord, whom they represent as the Light of the world: "Three things," says St. Anselm of Canterbury, "may be considered in the blest candle: the wax, which is the production of the virginal bee, is the Flesh of our Lord; the wick, which is within, is His Soul; the flame, which burns on the top, is His Divinity." These blest candles are to be carried in procession, in remembrance of that wondrous procession made in the temple by our Lady, St. Joseph, St. Simeon, and holy Anna. They should also be kept, to be used by the faithful either on land or sea, and especially to be lit near the bed of a dying Christian, as a symbol of the immortality merited for us by Christ, and as a pledge of the protection of our Lady.