

**December 14, 2025 - Third Sunday of Advent**

# St. George Catholic Parish

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## Weekend Masses:

Saturday Evening: 6:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

## Weekday Masses:

Tuesday: 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday-Friday: 9:00 a.m.

**Confession:** Saturday 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. or by appointment at a mutually convenient time.

“Behold, I am sending my messenger  
ahead of you; he will prepare your way  
before you.”



## Parish Ministries

**Baptismal Catechesis:** Deacon Mike Pentony 208-773-4715

**Marriage Preparation:** Deacon Mike Pentony 425-531-0341

Couples wishing to be married must contact the parish within 6 months of their proposed wedding date. No firm wedding date should be set prior to meeting with the Pastor or Deacon.

**Convert Formation (OCIA):** 208-773-4715

**Knights of Columbus:** Jim Beck 208-699-7319

**Maintenance Administrator:** Steve Gonnella 509-993-1292

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Colleen Provost 208-691-2486 & Jeannette Fay 208-699-0099

**Piece Makers (Quilters):** Pat Roland 208-457-9293

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208- 981-3791

**Holy Family Catholic School:** Sue Styren, Principal  
208-765-4327

**Serra Club of North Idaho:** Dianna Decker 208-819-0939

## OUTREACH

**St. George's Mission of Charity:** 208-773-8599

**Pregnancy Support Center:** 208-449-8512

**Friendship Kitchen:** Closed during construction.

**Parish Council Chairperson:** Debbie Ellis 509-991-2816

**Parish Financial Council:** Mary Jo Stanislao 406-580-6776  
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**Altar Server Training:** Myron Santos [my69my69@gmail.com](mailto:my69my69@gmail.com)

**Children's Religious Education:** Amy Parker 208-262-5888

# Third Sunday of Advent

## December 14, 2025

**Next Week's Readings: December 21, 2025**

**1st Reading:** Isaiah 7:10-14 (10A)

**2nd Reading:** Romans 1:1-7

**Gospel:** Matthew 1:18-24



### Matthew 11:2-11 “...more than a prophet.”

John the Baptist was a pivotal figure in the history of Israel. It had been five hundred long years since Malachi had issued his momentous prophecy concerning “the day of the Lord” (3:23). And when John came on the scene, many people recognized him as a prophet, a voice of hope—and perhaps even the fulfillment of that hope! They were so excited that they flocked to the desert to hear him and receive his baptism of repentance.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus makes it clear that John is even “more than a prophet” (Matthew 11:9). He is the final messenger, “Elijah,” the one who would return and prepare the way of the Lord (Malachi 3:1).

John’s appearance signaled a turning of the ages, the dawn of the long-awaited Messiah. We, too, are in our

own turning of the ages as we await the coming of Jesus, our Messiah. So how can we make our hearts ready for him to come, both at Christmas and at the end of time?

One way, of course, is to confess our sins. But just as John was *more than a prophet*, God wants to do *more* for us than cleanse us of sin. He wants to go deeper into our hearts and heal our inner wounds and any attitudes that might be keeping us from fully welcoming Jesus.

For example, perhaps your life hasn’t turned out the way you envisioned, and you feel disappointed with God’s plan. Or you may blame the Lord for something bad that has happened in your life or for not answering a heartfelt prayer. Perhaps the burdens of life have weighed you down, and you’ve allowed yourself to become satisfied with superficial or rote prayer.

Whatever is burdening you, now is the time to cry out to the Lord for healing! He wants you to live in freedom, not under a cloud of grief or resentment or complacency. Remember John’s message: “The kingdom of heaven is at hand” (Matthew 3:2). God’s grace is at hand for you—today!

**“Lord, search my heart and set me free!”**

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**OCLIA ~ John 6: Eucharist is truly Christ Himself**

Sessions are on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at St. George Parish Hall.



**December 13th -  
December 19th**

**MASS+  
INTENTIONS**

**12/13 Saturday:** John Veylupek †  
**12/14 Sunday:** 8:30 - Tom D. † & Michael Wynia †  
 10:30 - People of the Parish  
**12/16 Tuesday:** Jim Barrio †  
**12/17 Wednesday:** For Earl & Nora Labrador  
**12/18 Thursday:** Bette Jibby †, Willa Jibby †,  
 & William Jibby, Sr. †  
**12/19 Friday:** For Vocations



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**Learn:** 30 Minutes BC

**Listen:** Is Christmas Pagan? What Catholics Believe About Christmas



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December 7	Income:	\$ 6,777.25
2nd Collection - Building Fund:		\$ 1,701.25
December 14	Income:	\$ 00.00
2nd Collection - Building Fund:		\$ 00.00
December 21	Income:	\$ 00.00
2nd Collection - Building Fund:		\$ 00.00
December 28	Income:	\$ 00.00
2nd Collection - Building Fund:		\$ 00.00
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## MAKING A PLACE TO GATHER & GROW

As St. George Catholic Church continues to grow, we look forward to the completion of our new Parish Center and Adoration Chapel. You are invited to be part of our efforts to complete this project.

Plans include a brick wall in our new grotto, as well as a tile wall in our new Narthex. These walls will feature customized bricks/tiles.

You may engrave your name or business, family, friend or in memory of a loved one on each of these bricks and tiles.



Example of tile wall for the Narthex

Bricks will be installed once the grotto is designed and installed. Approximate timeline is Spring 2026. Interior tiles should be installed Spring 2026.

### 4"x 8" Grotto Brick

3 LINES, 18 CHARACTERS PER LINE

Buy a brick which will include your personal inscription

**\$350**

\*2nd Grotto Bricks 4"x 8" to take home \$50

### 4"x 8" Narthex Tile

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### Grotto Brick & Narthex Tile

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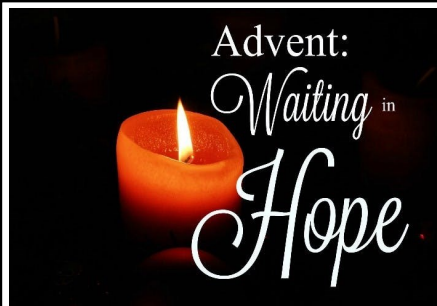
### \*Souvenir Bricks \$40

Miniature bricks are made of the same brick materials as our original bricks, but they are a third of the size (1.5" x 3")

### Keepsake Certificate \$20

A brick engraving fundraiser certificate is a great way to remember your commitment to our project.

\*Souvenir Bricks and 2nd Grotto Bricks are only available with the purchase of a 4" x 8" Grotto Brick or Narthex Tile.



**Sunday:** Coffee and donuts after Sunday Masses.

*Sweet Shoppe & Craft Emporium after all Masses.*

**Monday:** Parish Office open 9am-3pm.

**6:00pm Confirmation Class at St. Stan's.** "What does the Holy Spirit do for me?"

**Tuesday:** Parish Office open 9am-3pm.



**Youth Group Christmas Caroling!**  
Meeting at 3:30pm at St. Stanislaus Hall, caroling at Generations Assisted Living, 4pm, followed by dinner back at St. Stan's.

**Wednesday:** Parish Office open 9am-3pm.

**6:30 OCIA class in the parish hall.**

**No First Holy Communion (RCIC) class until Jan.7th.**

**Thursday:** Parish Office open 9am-3pm.

**10am-noon Mission of Charity Office open.**

**Friday:** Parish Office open 8am-Noon.

**6:00pm Tri-Parish Reconciliation Service at St. George Church.**



Join us downstairs in the parish hall after all weekend Masses for our Sweet Shoppe & Craft Emporium! Raffle ticket will be on sale and the drawing held this Sunday, right after the 10:30am Mass.

All proceeds benefit the New Parish building project.

**This Friday ~ Reconciliation Service**  
**6:00pm at St. George**

**Christmas Season Mass Schedule for St. George Church**

**Christmas Eve ~ Wed., Dec. 24th**

Children's Mass ~ 4:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Mass ~ 6:00 p.m.

**Christmas Day ~ Thurs., Dec. 25th**

9:00 a.m. Mass

No Masses on Friday, December 26th.

**Thursday, January 1<sup>st</sup> is a Holy Day of Obligation for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God.**

Mass times at St. George are 9:00am & 6:00pm.





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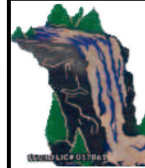
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