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December 24, 2023

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Pastor: Fr. David Ostler

Retired Priests: Fr. Julian Reginato, Fr. Hans Ruygt, Fr. Richard Ryan

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

"Behold, you
will conceive in
your womb
and bear a
son, and you
shall name him
Jesus."
Lk 1:31



Image: The Annunciation to Mary by <u>Bartolomé Esteban Murillo</u>, Rijksmuseum,
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Mass Times

Saturday Anticipated Mass: 4 pm Sunday: 7 am, 9 am, 11 am Wednesday – Saturday: 8 am Please see page 3 for the Christmas Mass schedule

Christmas Week Confession Times

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday: 9 to 10 am

Christmas Week Office Hours

Sunday - Tuesday: Closed Wednesday & Thursday: 8 am to 3 pm Friday & Saturday: Closed

Annulments

For more information regarding annulments or to begin the annulment process, please contact Nanci Lukasik-Smith, Catechesis & Marriage/Annulment Ministry Director, at 623-344-7294 or Nanci@popscw.org.

Baptisms

To schedule a baptism, please contact Nanci Lukasik-Smith, Catechesis & Marriage/Annulment Ministry Director, at 623-344-7294 or Nanci@popscw.org. Baptisms are held on Sundays at 2:00 p.m.

Marriages

Planning to marry at Prince of Peace Parish? Please contact Nanci Lukasik-Smith, Catechesis & Marriage/Annulment Ministry Director, at 623-344-7294 or Nanci@popscw.org.



Romans 16:27

Prayer Opportunities

Divine Mercy Chaplet - Fridays following 8:00 a.m. Mass in St. John Paul II Chapel

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

- Sundays 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Monday to Saturday 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- Commit to an hour before our Lord at: princeofpeace.weadorehim.com

Healing Prayer Ministry - Thursdays at 8:45 a.m. In St. Michael's Hall

Litany of the Sacred Heart - Fridays at 4:30 p.m. in St. John Paul II Chapel

Patriotic Rosary - Mondays at 9:00 a.m. in St. John Paul II Chapel

Rosary - Approximately 30 minutes prior to each Mass

Sacred Heart Charismatic Prayer Group - Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. in St. Michael's Hall



Do not wait to be asked, JOIN THE KNIGHTS

Meeting Times

Officers Meeting: 10:00 a.m. on Second Saturdays

<u>Council Meeting</u>: 10:00 a.m. on Fourth Saturdays in St Michael Hall <u>Contact</u>: Richard, 714-350-2886 or rfarace@rmf67.net

Queen of Peace Women's Guild

Meeting Times

Monthly Meeting: 9:00 a.m. Social & 9:30 a.m. Meeting on First Wednesdays in St. Michael's Hall.

Ladies' Night Out: 6:00 p.m. Dinner and Program on Second Thursdays in St. Michael's Hall.

Contact Gerry Zopf at 623-214-8504 for Ladies'

Night Out reservations.

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Mass Intentions & Daily Readings

Sunday, December 24th - The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Readings: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27,

29; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38 7:00 a.m. Jon Mulhair † 9:00 a.m. Helen Wnukowski † 11:00 a.m. Parishioners of

Prince of Peace Parish
Michael Gluchanicz

6:00 p.m. Lawrence & Florence Myers †

Monday, December 25th - The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

Readings: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13; Ti 2:11-14;

Lk 2:1-14

4:00 p.m.

12:00 Midnight Parishioners of

Prince of Peace Parish

7:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of

the Lauderback Family

9:00 a.m. Ron Brossart † 11:00 a.m. Amber & Austin

Tuesday, December 26th - Feast of Saint Stephen, First Martyr

Readings: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 & 8ab, 16bc & 17: Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday, December 27th - Feast of Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist

Readings: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a & 2

-8

8:00 a.m. Jill Marcanti †

Thursday, December 28th - Feast of Holy Innocents, Martyrs

Readings: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-

18

8:00 a.m. Gerry Gelazela +

Friday, December 29th - Memorial of Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr

Readings: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-

35

8:00 a.m. Gerry Gelazela †

Saturday, December 30th

Readings: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40

8:00 a.m. Tom Clark

4:00 p.m. William † & Mary Ann † Giroux

Sunday, December 31st - Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Readings: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6, 21:1-3; Ps 128:1 -2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 or 3:12

-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40

7:00 a.m. Jill Kearney

9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of

the Lauderback Family

11:00 a.m. Parishioners of

Prince of Peace Parish

Christmas Mass Schedule

Sunday, December 24th 4:00 p.m. (choir) & 6:00 p.m.

Midnight Mass at 12 midnight (schola, Greek/ Latin Mass parts, incense, ad orientem)

Monday, December 25th

7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. (choir)

Christmas Schedule Changes

Please note the following schedule changes due to Christmas:

- There will be no confessions on Monday, December 25th. Confessions will resume on Wednesday, December 27th at 9:00 a.m.
- There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday, December 25th or Tuesday, December 26th. Adoration will resume on Wednesday, December 27th at 6:00 a.m.
- The office and gift shop will be closed on Monday, December 25th & Tuesday, December 26th. Both will reopen on Wednesday, December 27th at 8:00 a.m.

The Invisible Snowball of Grief

We all have our own ways to deal with loss in our lives. Do you throw yourself into work or activities? Exercise more? Isolate yourself? Travel? Go shopping? Drink more?

Whether we realize it or not, most of us have learned how to grieve – or not – by what we lived and witnessed growing up. And many of us didn't necessarily learn effective or healthy coping strategies. We do the best with what we know. But what do we know? Join us Thursday, January 11th, to learn more.

The Invisible Snowball of Grief Thursday, January 11th 10:00 a.m. St. Michael Hall

Presenter: Bobi Martinez, Certified Grief Recovery Specialist

For more information and to RSVP, contact Lisa Kragness at 623-344-7283 or lisa@popscw.org.

St. Vincent de Paul News

Imagine how Mary felt at the birth of Jesus: excited, awed, frightened. Deep faith was her light in the darkness, for Jesus was born during the night of the year when darkness is the longest.

Your gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought light into the darkness surrounding the heart of those living in poverty bringing them the real, lasting, and deep joy of Christmas.

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YOUR THRONE SHALL STAND FIRM FOREVER —— FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT——

The Glory of Christmas

"And the Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us, and we saw His glory."

On Christmas, as we hear in my favorite Christmas song, *O Holy Night*, "the weary world rejoices." God gave us a Savior. We did not deserve this gift. We sinned. We betrayed God. We knew His laws, but we did what we wanted anyway and pushed Him away. But, in His immense love, He looked at this world of human beings He created in His image and likeness and His heart was filled with love. And in this immense love, He sent His Son.

The night that Christ was born truly changed the world. All of God's promises in the Old Testament were fulfilled, and in His death we can live. Eternity with God can be ours. Our choices determine whether or not we accept His offer. But He came today as a tiny baby to give us that chance, and in coming "the soul felt its worth."

What are we worth? We are worth mocking and beatings. We are worth the nails. We are worth an agonizing death. Why? Because we matter to God, and we are His.

On Christmas, as we celebrate the greatest gift ever given to us, let us think about the gifts we can give to Baby Jesus. Take time to reflect and to find a way to improve some aspect of your life that will please Christ and help you grow closer to Him. Maybe you have held a grudge too long. Maybe you often let your anger get the best of you. Maybe you struggle with being kind to someone at the office or in your extended family. Maybe you have held on to hurt and bitterness so long that it's eating you up inside. Maybe you struggle with an addiction. Or maybe you have felt yourself drift away from God. We all have something that has created a barrier between us and Our Lord. Our gift to Baby Jesus could be to begin to tear that barrier down.

Remember, our lives are not our own. They belong to Christ. This Christmas, let us not forget that we are His. Let us find joy in this fact and give Him the greatest gift we possibly can—ourselves.

And this Christmas, and always, let us praise and thank Him for taking on our sins and for dying so that we could have eternal life.

Indeed, the weary world rejoices when it gazes upon Baby Jesus, on Christmas day and every day. Merry Christmas!

By Susan Ciancio



The Annual KC Charity Golf Tournament and Dinner Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus – Prince of Peace Parish #17893 Saturday, April 6th Deer Valley Golf Club, Sun City West, AZ



- Golfer registration/check-in begins at 10:45 AM. Free range balls from 11:15 AM to 12:15 PM. The putting and sand blast competition is from 11:00 AM to 12:15 PM. Shotgun start at 12:30 PM.
- A hotdog/chips/soda lunch special is available in the Pro Shop for just \$4.00.
- This will be a 4-person step-aside scramble. Choose the flight your team will compete in: 'Players' (any age), 'Masters' (all players age 70+), 'Gamers' (2 or more women on team).
- Price includes range balls, dinner following the tournament, and awards for winning teams.
- Early-bird price is \$360 per team. Registration must include team payment for four golfers and \$25 for each extra dinner guest. Early-bird entries must be received by 3/11/24.
- \$380 per team after 3/11/24. Team registration and extra dinner(s) payment is due 3/25/24.
- Your foursome will want to buy the optional Team Super-Ticket for an extra \$60. This gives your players entry into the putting/sand blast contest before the tournament, eligibility for all on-course challenges (long drives, closest-to-the-pin), and 8 feet of "gimme" tape to lower your team score and speed-up play.
- Tournament is capped at 32 teams and sold out last year. Tournament is open to adults only.
- A limited number of power carts are available for rent. Carts are reserved for non-residents of Sun City West/Sun City Grand. Locals will ride with friends owning power carts (gas or electric) or borrow one!
- The catered Italian dinner and charity raffle immediately follow the tournament at Prince of Peace Parish's Hall, 14818 W. Deer Valley Dr., Sun City West. Adult beverages will be available.

Charities benefitting from this year's tournament: St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Mary's Food Bank, Phoenix Children's Hospital, SCW Helping Hands, Prince of Peace Charities, and Special Olympics.

The Annual KC Charity Golf Tournament Registration Form April 6, 2024		
· I <u>Player's Name</u> I 1	Email Address	
Captain'sAddress & Phone:		-
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Power cart: @ \$20 each One cart \$ Golfer Payment: @ \$360 per team (due 3/11/ Extra Dinners: @ \$25 each = \$ + Optional Team Super-Ticket: @ \$60 \$	+	

Make checks payable to: Knights of Columbus. Checks must accompany team signup and include payment for your foursome, cart if needed, and all the extras. Attach checks to this form and mail to: KC Golf Tournament, c/o Ken Oliphant, 13803 W. Elmbrook Dr., Sun City West AZ 85375

Want to pay by credit card? Call Richard Farace 714-350-2886 or rfarace@rmf67.net.

Questions/special requests? Call/text Ken Oliphant at 503-701-4780 or email kenoliphant@comcast.net.



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