

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

First Sunday of Advent

December 2/3, 2017

1. Plan to join other parishioners this Monday thru Wednesday, Dec. 4th-6th at 7pm for our Parish Advent Mission “Christmas, Begin with Christ”. Terry Barber, our speaker is the founder of St. Joseph Communications. The Mission will be translated into Spanish by a certified interpreter. Sign language translation will also be available upon request.
2. All Catholics are encouraged to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the season of Advent. Our parish communal Penance service will be Thursday, December 14th at 7pm. Following a short penance service, we will have 7 priests available to hear confessions.
3. Next Saturday, December 9th from 9am to 2pm we will have the Prayer labyrinth up in the parish hall. There is a table with information available after Mass today if you would like to learn more about this ancient form of prayer in advance.
4. This weekend our Youth Ministry is collecting E-waste or consumer electronics that you would like to dispose of. Volunteers are in the parking lot adjacent to the church from 9am-3pm for your drop-offs.
5. Next weekend, following all Masses we will have an Anointing of the Sick for all who are in need of the blessing of this Sacrament.
6. Our Thanksgiving Food baskets for the needy was a great success. After Masses this weekend, our youth are passing out bags and lists of food that will be needed for our Christmas baskets this month.
7. The Filipino community is inviting everyone to come and celebrate Simbang Gabi on December 16. Fellowship will follow after the Saturday 5:15pm Mass in the Parish Hall. Please see the bulleting for more details.
8. The Giving Tree in the side of the church is dedicated this year to those who suffered loss to life or property in natural or human disasters. You will find paper ornaments with gender and age of a child that you are invited to take and bring back an unwrapped gift with the paper ornament attached for a needy child along with a tree ornament which is given with the tree to a local family after 12-17.

Many more parish activities are in today’s bulletin & on St. Catherine’s website & facebook