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## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday, November 25th, 2012; Christ the King** Daniel 7:13-14, Revelation 1:5-8, John 18:33-37

Masses, 8:30 a.m. (English)  
10:30 a.m. (English)  
12:30 p.m. (Spanish)  
3:00 p.m. (Spanish)

**Monday, November 26th, 2012; Revelation 14:1-5, Luke 21:1-4**

Masses, 9:00 a.m. (English)  
6:30 p.m. (Spanish)  
Confessions, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, November 27th, 2012; Revelation 14:14-19, Luke 21:12-19**

Masses, 9:00 a.m. (English)  
6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

**Wednesday, November 28th, 2012; Revelation 15:1-4, Luke 21:12-19**

Masses, 9:00 a.m. (English)  
6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

**Thursday, November 29th, 2012; Revelation 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9, Luke 21:20-28**

Masses, 9:00 a.m. (English)  
6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

**Friday, November 30th, 2012; St. Andrew** Romans 10:9-18, Matthew 4:18-22

Masses, 9:00 a.m. (English)  
6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

**Saturday, December 1st, 2012; Revelation 22:1-7, Luke 21:34-36**

Vigil Mass, 5:30 p.m. (English)  
7:00 p.m. (Spanish)  
Confessions, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

**Sunday, December 2nd, 2012; 1st Sunday of Advent** Jeremiah 33:14-16, 1Thessalonians 3:12-4:2, Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Masses, 8:30 a.m. (English)  
10:30 a.m. (English)  
12:30 p.m. (Spanish)  
3:00 p.m. (Spanish)



## Christ the King



*"For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."*

*-John 18:37*

**Fear versus Love:** Love gives us the confidence and the hope to expose ourselves a bit and in the process know the richness of life. Fear undercuts confidence and hope so that we don't expose ourselves at all. We flee or shut ourselves off and life seems anything but rich. Our experiences are somewhere in the middle, part love and part fear. This complicates things because it's possible to argue that we aren't loved enough so we are somehow "fated" to live a poorer life. And yet, as mean as life may be, it is very unlikely that we have known nothing of love. Life is something we receive and it is something we make. Ignoring one of these facts, as easy as it may be, is sinful.

One writer notes several temptations that seek to convince us life is something we can't change and is something we need to fear. "When our lives are filled with constant reminders of our inadequacies or with tasks that are not rewarding we will be sorely tempted to take refuge in the more congenial world of daydreaming.... Daydreaming becomes sinful when it distrusts and rejects the world that God has provided for a world of one's own making. It is destructive because it wastes the opportunity to find love and freedom in the only world that offers them, in the real world. This real world may seem uncompromising but it is precisely the task of faith to discover hidden opportunities and blessings. Some of the most exquisite flowers bloom in the desert."

Another temptation takes a gradual approach. "It begins with a tendency to be critical and judgmental which becomes ever more pervasive until it darkens everything. Nothing is beyond criticism; everything is flawed. The final stage in this process is bitterness which drives all enjoyment out of life and makes happy surprises impossible. The two biblical figures who personified this tragic destiny were Saul and Judas. Both were talented and showed great promise but they were both consumed by darkness".

A third temptation is marked by an inability to help others or not being stewards of the gifts given. Here people are selfish because they "do not feel free enough and strong enough to reach out to others." This gives rise to a sense of insecurity and "it wastes much precious time in selfish preoccupation with survival in a supposedly hostile world. This kind of attitude is sinful to the degree that the insecurity is the result of choosing not to accept the love and affirmation available."

A fourth and graver temptation is to claim the love and freedom we have exist completely through our own efforts. Life is not a gift; life is what I make it. These people "wrongly believe that their freedom is their own achievement, they indulge in it as if it did not imply serious responsibilities. They easily excuse themselves from any obligation toward the less fortunate and less sophisticated members of society, unfairly attributing their misfortunes to laziness and callously suggesting that the better things in life would be wasted on them. Since these are usually the relatively free and affluent and educated people, they can readily rationalize their insensitivity, but God knows their responsibility and will demand an accounting." In the words of Isaiah the prophet, "Though you offer countless prayers, I will not listen. There is blood on your hands; wash yourselves and be clean ... Cease to do evil and learn to do right, pursue justice and champion the oppressed; give the orphan his rights, plead the widow's cause (Isaiah 1:15-17)."

*-The unattributed quotations in the above article are from Flowers in the Desert by the Benedictine priest Demetrius Dumm, pp. 50-53.*

**Advent begins** December 1-2. As in years past, the Diocese offers an Advent retreat in English and in Spanish from 8:30 am – 12:30 pm on Saturday, December 1, 2012 at Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church, 300 East 11800 South, Draper. There is a \$7.00 registration fee due the day of the retreat.

**Marriage preparation classes** in English are available by appointment with one of the priests. The next Spanish pre-matrimonial class is December 1 beginning at 9:00 a.m. No registration is needed.

**Don't forget our annual Christmas Boutique.** It's a great opportunity to find the perfect Christmas gift hand made by the women of the parish. Many great treats and deserts are also available. This year's boutique is December 1 and 2. Those that come early have a greater choice among items that are the best of the best.

**Our Advent Penance Service** will be December 6 at 7:00 p.m. Quite a few priests are scheduled to participate so as to help prepare ourselves for the Coming of the Savior. Because of the penance service, there will be no daily Mass at 6:30 p.m. on December 6.

**The Madeleine Choir School** is now accepting applications for Pre-Kindergarten - Grade Eight for the 2013-2014 school year. Consider attending a "Drop-in" Prospective Parent Tour from 1:00 – 3:00 pm on either Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> or Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>. No appointment necessary. The school is located at 205 First Avenue in Salt Lake City. Please visit [utmcs.org](http://utmcs.org) for more information or contact the Admissions Office at 801-323-9850, ext. 103.

**This weekend** we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, a feast that originated 87 years ago as a response to those argued against any role for Christ in the modern world. Not surprisingly the emphasis is on Christ's majesty and power. The liturgy of Christ the King specifically includes aspects of Christ as God, the Creator of the universe and so the One who holds supreme power

over all things; Christ as our Redeemer, the One who took on our sins through His precious Blood, and so made us his own; Christ as Head of the Church, "holding in all things the primacy"; and Christ as the possessor of all the nations of the world. The Liturgy also includes elements of the kind of Kingdom Christ brings, one that is supreme, peaceful, and just; universal, extending to all times and places; eternal, for "The Lord shall sit a King forever"; and spiritual, Christ's "kingdom is not of this world".

Although there is a focus on the majesty of Christ, this focus does not undercut Jesus' mercy, love, compassion, and rich sense of service. Rather, the majesty of Christ serves as a door or an entrance into the mystery of God. Once we pass through that door, other aspects of the Mystery will arise, including Christ the Servant. We need both images of Christ if we are to better participate in the Mystery he has given us.

**Examining Vatican Council II** continues this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. downstairs in the Dominguez Room. This session is in English and is open to all who want to know more about this pivotal Council of the Church.

**Our next Holy Day of Obligation is December 8**, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, Patroness of the United States. Aside from celebrating our national patroness, this holy day recalls Mary born without sin. She was filled with such graces from her conception, that no stain of sin was able to touch her. As part of the Body of Christ that is the Church we rejoice in Mary's great gift and we ask her to add her prayers to ours. Masses for this Day of Obligation will begin December 7 at 6:30 p.m. with a bilingual vigil Mass. Masses on December 8 will be at 10:00 a.m. in English and 2:00 p.m. in Spanish.

Masses on Saturday Night, the 5:30 p.m. and the 7:00 p.m. Masses, are *not* for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Instead they are for the Second Sunday of Advent, December 9. Please note that it is important to attend Mass twice, once for the Immaculate Conception and once for the Sunday obligation.

**Our Lady of Guadalupe** Masses will be offered Midnight between December 11 and 12 in Spanish, 6:00 a.m. December 12 in Spanish, 9:00 a.m. December 12 in English, and 6:30 p.m. December 12 in Spanish. Our Aztec Dance group will be involved after each of the Spanish Masses.

Mariachis will sing for the midnight Mass and the 6:00 a.m. Mass. Additionally Mariachis will sing for *mañanitas* at 5:00 a.m. December 12. The 6:30 p.m. Mass on the same day will feature a procession. Roses will be available for purchase and food and drink will also be provided.

**Don't forget** Family Advent Night this Friday beginning at 6:30 p.m. It's a chance for children to participate in activities designed to focus on the new liturgical season beginning the first of next month. Thanks to the English Youth Group for organizing this event. Everyone is invited to stop by.

## COLLECTION, November 17-18

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## MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY, November 25th

8:30 AM +*Flint Majers* by *Dottie Majers*

10:30 AM +*Charles Eden* by *Irminda Eden*

12:30 PM +*Guadalupe Gonzalez*

3:00 PM +*Jose Eduardo Flores*

### MONDAY, November 26th

9:00 AM *Ints. Tracy Carter* by *Dottie Majers*

6:30 PM *All Faithful Departed*

### TUESDAY, November 27th

9:00 AM *Ints. Logan Carter* by *Dottie Majers*

6:30 PM *Those In Need*

### WEDNESDAY, November 28th

9:00 AM *Ints. Mike Sciumbato* by *Joe & Janice Hauzen*

6:30 PM +*Eusebio Sebrían*

### THURSDAY, November 29th

9:00 AM +*Lawrence Pivic* by *Jean Hummel*

6:30 PM +*Sofia Cevallos*

### FRIDAY, November 30th

9:00 AM +*Bill & Dorothy Williams* by *Bill Williams Family*

6:30 PM +*Jesus & Guillermina Lopez*

### SATURDAY, December 1st

5:30 PM +*Carl Marchesi* by *Kights of Columbus Council 1136*

7:00 PM *Parishioners*

**Sub-for-Santa sign-ups have begun.** This program provides basic gifts for children between 18 months and 14 years (older children by qualify if the have younger siblings). There are a variety of eligibility factors, to apply call 801-356-6200. Don't delay! Registration closes early December. St. Francis will only be accepting Sub-for-Santa referrals from this program.

**Report Child Abuse:** The Diocese of Salt Lake City is committed to protecting children and young people. If you believe that a child has been subject to abuse and the victim is under age 18 at the time of the report, contact the Division of Child and Family Services at 1-855-323-3237 or the nearest law enforcement agency. In addition, if the alleged abuser is employed by or is a volunteer for the dioceses OR if the victim is now age 18 OR older if the abuse occurred on diocesan property, please contact the Diocesan Pastoral Center at 1-801-328-8641.

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