

# ST. GREGORY 1310 Carolina St., Marysville



## CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**DECEMBER 14, 2025** 



Mass Schedule and Intentions				
Tuesday, Dec. 16				
8:15am St. Gregory	† Carole Cunningham			
Wednesday, Dec. 17				
12:05pm St. Gregory	† John Nietfeld			
Thursday, Dec. 18				
8:15am St. Gregory (note time change)	~ Holy Souls in Purgatory			
9:30am St. Malachy (note time change)	~ Living and deceased members of Ron and Annette Burton family			
Friday, Dec. 19				
8:15am St. Gregory	† Carrie Fisher			
Saturday, Dec. 20				
5:30pm St. Gregory	~ Living and deceased members of Emmett & Gertrude Peschel family			
Sunday, Dec. 21				
7:00am St. Gregory	~ Utecht and Weston families			
8:45am St. Malachy	~ People of the Parishes of St. Malachy and St. Gregory			
10:30am St. Gregory	† Clare Luke			
Confessions				
Saturday 4:30pm - 5:1	5pm St. Gregory			
Sunday 8:30am - 8:40	am St. Malachy			

ADORATION		
Wednesday 11am - 12pm	St. Gregory	
Thursday 9am - 11am	St. Malachy	
Friday 6am - 3:30pm	St. Gregory	

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Veronica Olmsted, Liturgical List	David Holthaus, Parish Council

#### CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve 4:30pm St. Gregory 6:00pm St. Malachy 7:30pm St. Gregory

Christmas Day 10:00am St. Gregory

### REJOICE

Today we celebrate the 3rd Sunday in Advent. It is commonly referred to as Gaudéte Sunday. The name for the Sunday comes from the Entrance Antiphon for the Mass. It is the first word in the Latin antiphon. Below is the antiphon in Latin and English. Let us rejoice in the Lord.

Gaudéte in Dómino semper: íterum dico, gaudéte. Dóminus enim prope est.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near. (Phil 4:4-5)

#### "O" ANTIPHONS

During this Advent Season, Father Quentin invites everyone to pray vespers (evening prayers) with him. From December 17th through December 23rd join Father each evening at 6:30pm in the church as we reflect on the "O" antiphons.

The importance of "O" Antiphons is twofold: Each one highlights a title for the Messiah: O Sapientia (O Wisdom), O Adonai (O Lord), O Radix Jesse (O Root of Jesse), O Clavis David (O Key of David), O Oriens (O Rising Sun), O Rex Gentium (O King of the Nations), and O Emmanuel. Also, each one refers to the prophecy of Isaiah of the coming of the Messiah.

According to Professor Robert Greenberg of the San Francisco Conservatory of Music, the Benedictine monks arranged these antiphons with a definite purpose. If one starts with the last title and takes the first letter of each one,

**E**mmanuel **R**ex Oriens Clavis Radix Adonai Sapientia



the Latin words ero cras are formed, meaning, Tomorrow, *I will come*. Therefore, the Lord Jesus, whose coming we have prepared for in Advent and whom we have addressed in these seven Messianic titles, now speaks to us, Tomorrow, I will come. So the "O" Antiphons not only bring intensity to our Advent preparation, but bring it to a iovful conclusion.

Fr. William Saunders catholiceducation.org

#### ST. MALACHY

#### **Christmas Choir**

If you want to sing in the Christmas Choir, the song list is on the table in the back of church or contact Veronica.

#### **Ladies Guild**

We are looking for volunteers for 2026 President and Treasurer. Contact Karen Taphorn if interested.

#### **Mass Intentions**

If you would like to schedule a Mass Intention in 2026, please contact Rosalie for open dates.

#### Parish Council Member Needed

St. Malachy Parish Council would like a gentleman to volunteer to be on Parish Council beginning in January. If interested, contact Dave Holthaus.

#### **Beattie Museum**

The Beattie Museum will NOT be open December 21st.

#### **FINANCES**

Envelope and Plate for December 7th \$ 1,308.00

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>

Sacristan: Linda Bergmann

Eucharistic Minister: David and Leslie Holthaus,

Vicki Smith

Servers: Scarlet and Hallie Schneider,

Lakyn Smith

Lector:Jim TaphornSong Leader:Dianna YoungerGifts:Jarrod and Katy Smith

Money Counters: Paul Studer and Katy Smith

Ushers: Jim Sandmann and Todd Sandmann

Clean Linens: Linda Bergmann

Dec. Guild Leaders: Abby Seagren and Deb Dwerlkotte

# Prinking With The Saints IV Saturday, January 3rd | 7:30pm

Enjoy a fun filled evening learning about saints, virtues and

the drinks associated with those saints!

(Alcoholic & non-alcoholic drinks will be discussed, made & enjoyed)

#### ST. GREGORY

#### **Christmas Choir Practice**

There will be choir practice for the 4:30pm Christmas Eve Mass on *Monday, December 22nd at 5pm* in the church. Families, youth, men's choir...everyone is invited to sing. Songs will be familiar. Please plan to join us!

#### **Thanksgiving Food Drive**

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who contributed to the Knight of Columbus food drive in November. We were able to donate a total of 720lbs of food to our local Food Pantry. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!!

#### **FINANCES**

Envelope and Plate for December 7th \$ 13,265.20

#### **BUILDING PROJECT**

 Loan Principal Balance (as of 12/1/25)
 \$ 137,187.88

 Donations (since 12/1/25)
 \$ 3,140.00

 Total Contributions to Date
 \$7,983,144.29

### **COMMUNITY PARISH NEWS**

#### **Advent Penance Services**

<u>December 14th</u> 2:00pm Sabetha 5:00pm Marysville **December 21st** 3:00pm Seneca

#### **LAST CHANCE: Poinsettias for Christmas**

Final date to order a poinsettia to help decorate St. Gregory or St. Malachy for Christmas is *Friday*, *December 19th*. The suggested donation is \$30 per plant.

#### **Additional Confession Times**

Father Quentin will be available 15 minutes prior to all weekday Masses for confessions throughout the remaining Advent season.

#### Card Shower

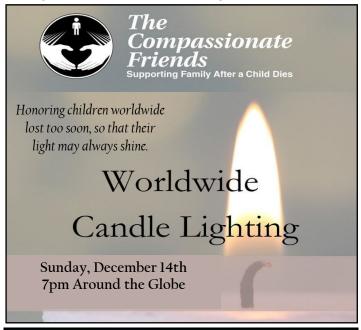
*Mary Lou (Ronnebaum) Voet* will celebrate her 90th Birthday on December 18th. Cards can be mailed to her at 510 N. 16th Street, Marysville, KS 66508.

#### Pinochle Club

Everyone is welcome to join us for pinochle on *Thursday*, *December 18th at 1:30pm* in the St. Gregory Parish Hall. Enjoy a fun afternoon of playing cards with friends. The group meets the third Thursday of every month.

#### **Knights of Columbus Soup Day**

The Knights of Columbus Annual Soup Day will be on **Thursday, January 8th from 11:00am - 7:00pm** in the Parish Hall. They will be serving vegetable beef, potato, chili and chicken noodle soups along with sandwiches and desserts. Local delivery and carryout is available by calling 562-2711. Free Will Offering.



#### K OF C FREE THROW CONTEST

January 11, 2026 | 3:00 pm (Registration at 2:45pm)

Marysville High School Gym

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#### **December Virtue of the Month - Generosity**

This month, we are practicing the virtue of generosity. Generosity is giving of yourself in a willing and cheerful manner. A common way we can be generous is with our belongings and money. Do we give a little bit of our income to the poor or to our church? Have we given away items we no longer use, old toys, books, or clothes to those who need them?

Dear Jesus, sometimes we don't want to give away our things or our money because we want to use them ourselves. Help us to think about those who don't even have enough to meet their basic needs. Grant us the grace today to be detached from our possessions and generous towards others. Amen.

#### **End-of-Year Giving**

As 2025 comes to a close, we are once again conducting a year-end giving campaign. We ask that you prayerfully consider a year-end donation to the school and place your donation in the school donation envelope. You can place your envelope in the collection at mass, bring or mail it to the school office or, T there is a QR code on the back of the envelope for online giving. Thank you for your continued support of St. Gregory Catholic School!

#### St. Gregory School Contacts

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#### PRAYER LIST

The power of prayer is an amazing thing! Please keep the following people in your prayers.

#### SHORT TERM HEALTH ISSUES

Dan "Matt" Musil Rachel Frese

#### LONG TERM HEALTH ISSUES

Carol Howell Dan Haug Jennifer Cohorst Phil Studer Bobbie Cohorst Anthony Donna Sedlacek Jeanne Cohorst Cummings Rick Thompson Peter Jeff Sekul Alice Murray Marcella Andrews Pat Clark Emmitt Budy Steve Sawin Lacey (Jones) Stevens Torey Butler Sandy Schmitz Alan Wassenberg Christopher McCloud Tony Evans Kenny Wurtz Mary Landoll Mary Kay (Voet) Nold Debra Nietfeld Lambert

Janel Weigel Joan Wacek

Hudson Gartner Sami Kirkland Kristi Meyer

Please let us know when your loved one is better! If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, call Margaret Huffman at 713-9653 or the Parish Office.

#### **Polar Express Experience**



The St. Gregory PTO invites you to ride the Polar Express on Wednesday, December 17th and discover the true meaning of Christmas - Wear your warm pajamas and enjoy the ride! Get your Golden Ticket and board the bus at the Historic Union Pacific Depot in Marysville, KS

with rides beginning every 15 minutes from 5:00 - 8:30 pm. While riding, listen to the Polar Express Story, enjoy hot chocolate and cookies, and make sure you don't lose

your bell! All are welcome. Tickets are \$12 each and must be purchased online. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Everyone boarding, no matter the age, must have a ticket. To purchase tickets, use the QR code or click here.



#### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK



#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Barb Knecht, Patti Wilson, Jean Dummermuth,

Dec. 15 Diane Ronnebaum, \*Tracy Studer, Josie Lyhane, **Everett Crome** 

Dec. 16 Roberta Temeyer, Deb Rieth, Jack Lauer

Dec. 17 Simon Luebcke

Mary Lou Voet (90th Birthday),

Dec. 18 Bill Huerter, Jessica Vogelsberg, Breckyn Finkbiner, \*Leona Bergmann

Dec. 19 Glenda Stohs, Melissa Ketter, \*Jordan Keating

Dec. 20 Madison Nemec, Bridger Yaussi, Paige LeSage

Dec. 21 \*Helen Olmsted

#### No Anniversaries



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