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**Christmas At Redeemer**

Tuesday, 24 December  
 3 PM - Children's service\*  
 5 PM - Family service\*  
 10:30 PM - Midnight Mass

Wednesday, 25 December  
 7:30 and 10 am - Mass  
 1 PM - Mass in Spanish  
 \*nursery open

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**NOTE:**  
 Masses at 7:30, 8:45 and 11:15 AM  
 on Sunday, 8 December

*Christ is Our Foundation!*

**Blessing and Dedication of our new Ministry Center**

*Sunday*  
 8 December  
 10 AM  
 Parish Lawn

"In the heart of the city with a heart for the city"

**WEEKLY AT REDEEMER**

- ◆ **Weekday Daily Mass -**  
10 AM; **Weds -7:30 AM, Thurs - 5:30 PM**
- ◆ **Weekday Morning & Evening Prayer -**  
8:30 AM & 5:15 PM
- ◆ **Saturday Eucharist - 10 AM & 5:30 PM (Contemporary)**
- ◆ **12 Step Groups -** meet daily throughout the week. Contact parish office for meeting times.
- Sunday**
  - ◆ Sunday Eucharists: 7:30, 9 & 11 AM, 1 PM in Spanish
  - ◆ Nurseries: 8:50 AM
  - ◆ Children's Chapel: during the 9 AM mass
  - ◆ Sunday School: 10:10 - 10:40 AM, various locations
  - ◆ *Rector's Class:* 10:10-10:40 AM, TBA
  - ◆ *Tell Me More:* 10:10 - 10:40 AM, TBA
  - ◆ Gift Shop: 8:30 AM, and after the 9 & 11 AM Masses
  - ◆ RSCM Canterbury Choir, Grade 9 - 12: 5—6 PM, Music Room
  - ◆ Senior EYC: 6 - 7:30 PM, Gillespie Hall
- Monday**
  - ◆ Samaritan Counseling Center, by appointment
- Tuesday**
  - ◆ *Faith Fitness Class:* 12 Noon, Gillespie Hall
- ◆ 11 AM Sunday Choir Rehearsal: 3:15—5 PM, Choir Room
- ◆ *Crecimiento in spiritu sancto:* 7PM, Eva Pope Room
- Wednesday**
  - ◆ *Businessmen's Bible Study:* 7 AM, Turner/Dabney Room
  - ◆ *Heart to Heart Women's Bible Study:* 9:45 AM, Eva Pope
  - ◆ Gift Shoppe: 10 AM - 2 PM
  - ◆ RSCM Westminster Choir, Grade 2-5: 5 - 5:45 PM, Church
  - ◆ RSCM Canterbury Choir, Grade 6 - 8: 5 - 6 PM, Church
  - ◆ Confirmation: 5 - 6 PM, Phillips/Turner/Swanson Room
  - ◆ Junior EYC: 6 - 7:30 PM, Gillespie Hall
- Thursday**
  - ◆ *Balance & Movement Class:* 9 - 10 AM, Gillespie Hall
  - ◆ Samaritan Counseling Center, by appointment
  - ◆ Needlepoint Group: 10 AM, Eva Pope Room
  - ◆ Adult Choir Rehearsal: 7 PM, Music Room
- Friday**
  - ◆ Youth Bible Studies: 6:15 -7 AM, various locations
  - ◆ Men's Prayer Breakfast: 7:30 - 8:30 AM, Eva Pope Room
- Saturday**
  - ◆ Men's Prayer Group: 7:30 - 8:30 AM, Eva Pope Room
  - ◆ Confessions: 9:15—9:45 AM, Halton Chapel



**IN THE BEGINNING...**

*It's the beginning of a new month at Redeemer.*

**DECEMBER 2019**

Dear People of God:

There are three items about which I wish to write to you this month. The first is about the dedication of our new building, scheduled for Sunday, 8 December, at 10 AM, on the lawn. Bishop Smith will be present to dedicate the building. On that day we will start the 9 AM Mass at 8:45 and the 11 AM at 11:15. This is an exciting and historic day for Church of the Redeemer. Make your plans to be present!

The second item has to do with pastoral care. One of the most important things that the clergy do daily is make hospital calls in the area hospitals. We visit our parishioners in two hospitals in Sarasota, two in Bradenton, one in Lakewood Ranch, one in Venice, and on occasion some of the hospitals in Tampa. It is our desire to visit all of our parishioners who are in the hospital, to pray with them, give them Holy Communion, and anoint them for healing.



When you go to the hospital, some of the hospitals ask for the name of the church you attend. Some hospitals ask if you would like your parish to know about your hospitalization. Both of those questions give the *erroneous* impression that the parish is contacted when you are admitted to the hospital. The fact of the matter is that NO HOSPITALS IN OUR AREA CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE IN ORDER TO INFORM US THAT YOU HAVE BEEN ADMITTED AS A PATIENT. Some of the hospitals do have lists that may or may not have your name listed as a member of the parish. It has been my experience over the years that whether or not a person's name makes it on such a list is a very "hit or miss" thing; you cannot rely on even that information being available to your clergy. The only way that you can be assured that you will be visited during your hospital stay is by notifying the parish office.

St. James says, "Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord." Please do let us know when you are in the hospital so that you can receive the ministrations of the Church in your time of need.

Finally, at their November meeting, the Vestry requested that I postpone my retirement by one month to the end of January. That way, I will be able to be here through the Annual Parish Meeting. It was thought that the Annual Parish Meeting would be a more fitting closure to my tenure at Redeemer, especially since the parish cannot begin the search for a new rector until the new Vestry is in place. I agreed that sounded like a good plan, and so my last day will be 31 January. You'll have to put up with me one more month, and Linda and I are looking forward to that extra month!

Best wishes to all for a blessed Advent and joyous Christmas!

See you in church.

Faithfully yours,

*Fr. Fred*

## OF NOTE IN DECEMBER

To see all weekly happenings at Redeemer, refer to the back of this issue. All events listed subject to change. Check [redeemersarasota.org](http://redeemersarasota.org)

- 1 Dec**            **Advent I**  
Advent Event, 10:10 AM – 10:40 AM, Gillespie Hall  
No Sunday School
- 2 Dec**            *Heart to Heart Women’s Book Club*, 9 AM, Gillespie Hall  
*Night Shift Women’s Book Club*, 6:30 PM, Eva Pope Room
- 4 Dec**            Advent Organ Recital, with Richard Benedum, 12:10 PM – 12:40 PM, nave  
*Christian Art & Symbolism*, with Fr. Robinson, 6:30 PM, location TBD
- 5 Dec**            Widows’ & Widowers’ Might luncheon, 12 noon, Gillespie Hall  
Moms’ Night Out, 7 PM, Gillespie Hall & Redeemer Book & Gift Shoppe  
*History Hunters*, 6:30 PM, 3rd floor
- 6 Dec**            *First Friday*, 6 PM, Palm Avenue Terrace
- 7 Dec**            Quinceanera, 2 PM, nave
- 8 Dec**            **Advent II**  
Dedication of the New Building, 10 AM, Parish Lawn  
No Sunday School  
Advent Lessons & Carols, with reception, 5:15 PM, nave
- 9 Dec**            Daughters of the King, 9:45 AM, Eva Pope Room  
Monday Morning Study with Fr. Wood, 10:45 AM, Eva Pope Room
- 10 Dec**          Finance Committee, 4:30 PM, Turner /Dabney Room  
Mission & Outreach Committee, 5:30 PM, Phillips/Turner/Swanson Room  
Facilities & Grounds Committee, 6 PM, Turner/Dabney Room  
Chamber Orchestra of Sarasota in concert, 7:30 PM, nave
- 11 Dec**          Advent Organ Recital, with James Guyer, 12:10 PM – 12:40 PM, nave  
*Christian Art & Symbolism*, with Fr. Robinson, 6:30 PM, location TBD
- 14 Dec**          GATORS’ Advent Gathering, 6:30 PM, offsite  
Sr. EYC, Bowling, 6 PM, offsite at Sarasota Lanes
- 15 Dec**          **Advent III**  
Rector’s Class: *Prophet Margins*, 10:10 AM, 3rd floor  
*Tell Me More*, 10:10 AM, Gillespie Hall  
Messiah Sing-Along, 7:30 PM, nave
- 16 Dec**          Vestry, 6 PM, Strawberry Hill
- 18 Dec**          Advent Organ Recital, with Jakob Hamilton, 12:10 PM – 12:40 PM, nave  
*Christian Art & Symbolism*, with Fr. Robinson, 6:30 PM, location TBD
- 20 Dec**          Jr. & Sr. EYC Lock-In, 5:15 PM, Hollywood 11 & Redeemer
- 22 Dec**          **Advent IV**  
Decorate the Parish Christmas Tree, 10:10 AM, Gillespie Hall  
*Tell Me More*, 10:10 AM, TBA  
No Sunday School  
Welcome Home Redeemer’s College Undergrads, 10:10 AM, Gillespie Hall  
Choral Artists of Sarasota in concert, 5 PM, nave
- 23 Dec**          Daughters of the King, 9:45 AM, Eva Pope Room  
Monday Morning Study with Fr. Wood, 10:45 AM, Eva Pope Room
- 24 Dec**          **Christmas Eve**  
3 PM—Mass for Children with Live Nativity & Special Visitor (nursery open)  
5 PM—Mass for Families (nursery open)  
10:30 PM— Midnight Mass
- 25 Dec**          **Christmas Day**  
7:30 AM & 10 AM Masses, 1 PM Mass in Spanish
- 29 Dec**          Christmas Lessons & Carols, 9 AM Mass  
Great Redeemer Bake-Off, 10:10 AM, Gillespie Hall  
*Tell Me More*, 10:10 AM, TBA  
No Sunday School
- 31 Dec**          Wedding - 6 PM

### **MILESTONES:**

#### **Joining:**

Eleanor Rose Bauer  
Robin Devine-Geyer  
Rene, Kathy & Caleb Fonte  
Virginia Lavender Guidroz  
Kenny Lopez & Jhon Meneses & son John  
Giovanni Nuzzi

Leonardo Nuzzi  
Ekaterina Vienna Salisbury  
Eloise Kelsey Torrance  
Anne Williams

#### **Returning:**

Janet & Jim Gallagher  
Emma Hollingsworth

Angeles Navarro

#### **Deaths:**

Herb Berdan  
Cornelius Cornell  
Blake Flint  
Mary Beth Goddard

## **December Birthdays**

- 1 Frank Braden, Bohdan Bulawka, Lois Cheney, Emma Childers, Barbara Janzen, Jack Petrecca, Dylan Rasmussen, Manual Reyes, Tom Russell, Ann Stephenson-Moe, Guillermo Tovar
- 2 Earl Smith
- 3 Shanley Caswell, Matthew Cook, Diane Roberts, Mike Rozmus
- 4 Barbara Dubon, Amanda Maulfair, Ann Smith, Laura Valek
- 5 Marion Almy, Maria Diego, Fr. Clay Knapp, Lorena Luts, Wells Purmort
- 6 Molly Lampert, Hope Stanley
- 7 Kurt Grade, Carmenza Jovines, Jane Meade, Bill Pettey, Janet Smiljanic
- 8 Steve Agren, Matthew Aresery, Jessica Cabrera, Toi Estes, Bob Hammond, Zoe Merritt, Kay Pinkerton-Perez, Gabrielle Richardson, Loisanne Robins, Melinda Sutter, Simon Valek
- 9 William Crouse, Mac DeCarle, Michael Easton, Don Laronge, Bob Lindsay, Elda Longueuil, Theodore Polenz, Renata Quirke, Martin Rometsch, Barbara Standish, Dallas Younkman
- 10 Mark Moncelli, Jon Newsome, Luis Ruis, Barbara Seed, Mary Skweres, Andrew Taylor, Zack Terres, Caitlyn Turner
- 11 Erick Cabrera, Ernie Cave, Will Morton, Heather Suescun
- 12 Nick Ferguson, Alex Martinez, Lilia Mosquera, Jeff Wiegand
- 13 Jeannette Giron, Brenden Larson, Alexandra Lonsdale, Phil Pasho
- 14 Scott Ames, Ryan Carson, Jeanne Clark, Mary Lou Couch, Leina Darling, Melissa Dunlap, Michael Peet, Thomas Patterson, Linda Rozmus, Carlixa Sanchez, Becket Smith, Nick Watts
- 15 John Buckingham, Patrick Cunningham, Joyce Jewell, Kareena Legare, Kristy Lonsdale, John Simon, Tom Spoor, Jack Trefry
- 16 Elena Polyak, Sandy Rinaldi, JP Rutledge, Mary Lou Sangdhal, Maynard Stringer, Ron Vincent, Josie Williamson
- 17 Roy Glah, Nancy Gridley, Georgia Lee, Diana Michel, Sadie Williamson
- 18 Diana Antezana, Sharon Coleman, Alison Gollnick, Kendal Gollnick, Dave Matuszak, Bill Myers, Meredith Piazza, Heather Pollard, Debra Riva, Jeannine Rusch, Fleur Salisbury, Kelly Turner
- 19 Raphe Ayres, Wilfred Erazo, George Rusch, Tommy Younkman
- 20 Katherine Best, Beth Cotner, Nora Johnson, Brandon Mouchett, Blair Williamson
- 21 Jud Boedecker, Elyse Dalabakis, Beverly Dame, William Leete, Edwin Mosquera, Lauren Pufahl, Jeff Sanders, Adam Sperber, Eric Unsworth
- 22 Kallista Barnes, Kayleigh Brown, Fatima Cardona, Barbara Corning, Justin Younkman

- 23 Joan Falls, Emily McAnally, Mickey Seidholz, Keith Summerford, Tom Younkman
- 24 Sam Consentino, Mike Forbes, Gene Gumbert, Michael Hales, Bill Hutchison, Barbara Hyde, Jason Kubisiak, Jonathan Laronge, Allyson Rowell
- 25 Stephen Bennett, Rob Davis, Andrew Murray, Diane Smith
- 26 Anna Burchette, Janis Eastwood, Phyllis Lovrien, Graham Ryan
- 27 Isabel Arent, Margaret Barnes, Becky Nidiffer
- 28 Debbie Ayers, Mathew Cabral, Heather Germond, Janie Hritz, Natasha Menke, Karin Peet, Connor Shoemaker, Roland Shumate, Rhonda Summerford, Polly Teffenhart
- 29 Carter Ayres, Barry Bell, Randall Bibler, Christina Brush, Juanito Diego, Gussie Haeffner, Carroll Keim, Joseph Montgomery, Charlie Morgenthaler, Leonor Pineda, Josie Shaffer, Lissi Strom, George Tilley
- 30 Terry Anderson, Georgia Anderson, Richard Caldwell, Armando Herrera, Jody Maxwell, Liz Reuth, Jacob Rodriguez, Laura Sanclemente, Judy Sande, Michael Score
- 31 Elle Ferguson, Trevor Greene, Thomas Kimmel, Joanna Meyer, Alejandro Rodriguez, Ananda Rodriguez

## **December Wedding Anniversaries**

- 1 Hosana & Dane Fieber
- 6 Regina & Joe Smith
- 8 Laura & Jay Crouse
- 10 Jan & Bob Gillett, Susie & Charly Shugg
- 12 Elvira & Terry Lindemann
- 14 Laura & Billy Merritt
- 15 Gily & Dani Hernandez, Mary Pat & Kevin Radford
- 18 Allison & Timothy Derr, Karen & Bob Hammond
- 19 Rose & Richard Scantlebury
- 21 Lauren & Andrew Taylor, Heather Younkman-Ivery & Riccardo Ivery
- 22 Jane & Jack Thompson
- 23 Carmen Gillett & Bill Belmont
- 25 Rosalia & Teo Vasquez
- 26 Gina & Phil Hughes, Sandy & Bob Hulvat
- 27 Jacki & Jud Boedecker, Leeann & Ched Gladding, Gail & Fr. Rick Marsden, Carolyn & Don Peet, Mary & Ned Richardson
- 28 Cynthia & Karl Pond, Laura & Robert Vukovich
- 29 Lisa & Orion Marx, Christy & Tom Teffenhart, Ann & John Williams
- 30 Mariana & Sumner Darling, Marsha & Steve Devitt, Patricia Moppett & David Whip, Jill & Carl Stockton
- 31 O’lyn & Byron Coleman, Jeanne & Harry Lewis, Harriett & Rob Lewis, Susan Stemitz & Jeff Berkowitz