



St. Mary's Catholic Church

Located at the Corner of First & Polk in Moscow & 138 Jackson St. in Genesee

Rev. Joseph F. McDonald, III JCL, Pastor Deacon George Canney

December 12, 2021
Third Sunday of Advent

Rejoice in the Lord always.

I shall say it again: rejoice!

Your kindness should be known to all.

—Philippians 4:4-7

The Year of Eucharistic Renewal

St. Gregory of Nazianzus, Bishop and Doctor (c. 330-390) recounts the miraculous healing of his sister, Gorgonia, through her Eucharistic faith in the following excerpt:

What did this great soul do who was worthy of such exalted things, and what was the medicine for her suffering? Here, we encounter the ineffable. Giving up on all other aid, she fled to the Physician of all. During the night, her sickness had somewhat advanced and she fell down before the altar in faith. She called upon the One who is honored thereon with a loud cry and all manner of petitions, recounting His powerful works, both ancient and new. Thus, she expressed a certain good and pious importunity in imitation of the woman whose flow of blood was healed by the hem of Christ's garment. She laid her head on the altar with a similar cry, admixed with tears, like the woman who had anointed the feet of Christ. And so she refused to be sent away before obtaining healing... and O what a marvelous thing! She left feeling sensible of her salvation; light in body, soul, and reason. She received the reward of her hope, gaining strength of body and soul. These great things are not a lie! All may believe, both the healthy and infirm, so that you might keep or regain your health.



This Week at St. Mary's Church

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| Mon. | Dec. 13 | 8:00 a.m. Communion Service 8:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Knitters Christmas Party 6:30 p.m. Parish Council Meeting 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts |
| Tues. | Dec. 14 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (†Dan Klejwa) 2:00 p.m. Produce Truck at the Food Bank 6:00 p.m. Paint and Sip 7:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus |
| Wed. | Dec. 15 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (†Lorriane Thomson) 10:00 a.m. St. Zelig Martin Moms' Group 5:00 p.m. AA 7:00 p.m. Genesee Parish Council Meeting 7:00 p.m. RCIA |
| Thurs. | Dec. 16 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (†Luz Reyes) 6:00 p.m. Adoration 6:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Society |
| Fri. | Dec. 17 | 9:00 a.m. School Mass (Ints. of Larry Nichols & family) 2:30 p.m. Youth Room Open |
| Sat. | Dec. 18 | 8:00 a.m. Reconciliation 5:00 p.m. Mass |

Schedule of Masses

Saturday Evening—5:00 p.m.
Sunday Morning—9:30 & 11:00
Genesee—7:30 a.m.
Daily Mass—8:00 a.m. Tuesday-Thursday
Communion Service—8:00 a.m. Monday
School Mass—9:00 a.m. Friday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday—8:00 a.m.
or by appointment

Rosary

Monday-Thursday—7:40 a.m.
Friday—8:40 a.m.



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Family Christmas Mass

You and your child(ren) are invited to participate in the Family Christmas Mass on Friday, December 24 at 4:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Church. Families with their children are needed to help in the following areas:

- ⇒ Hospitality
- ⇒ Do a reading
- ⇒ Bring gifts to the altar
- ⇒ Help with the collection of money
- ⇒ Bring baby Jesus to the crib
- ⇒ Be an altar server
- ⇒ Be an Eucharistic Minister



Sign up online, via Flocknote, email Sister Margaret at Sisterm@stmarysmoscow.com, or call the office at 208-882-4813. Thank you!

Gifts for Baby Jesus

The Liturgy Committee is again doing Gifts for Baby Jesus for CareNet. Suggested donations include winter clothing, teething toys, pacifiers, newborn outfits, bath towel sets, and new bottles. They also need baby lotion, baby shampoo, thermometers, nail clippers, baby wipes, diapers (most needed sizes 3-6), and diaper bags. All donations will be left up at the altar, a fitting reminder of our charity during this season. It's nice to see our generosity in this the darkest and most hopeful time of the year.

December Coffee Social

Did you miss the November Sunday social? The December social is planned after the 11 a.m. Mass on December 19th. Don't miss it!



THEN,,,,, we'll start 2022 with the 2nd Sunday Social.

IDAHO CATHOLIC
MEN'S
CONFERENCE

Registration is now open!

The Idaho Catholic Men's Conference will take place on Saturday, January 29, 2022 at St. Paul's in Nampa and online. The conference theme is "Chosen For Such A Time As This" and will feature dynamic national speakers including Fr. Don Calloway, Deacon Adam Curtis, and Matt Harte. Bishop Peter Christensen will be celebrating the opening Mass. The early bird registration fee is just \$49 before January 16 and online is \$29. For all the details and to register go to www.IdahoCatholicMen.org or call 208-484-0898.

Online Giving



Scan the Code or Visit:
<https://osvhub.com/stmarysparishmoscow/funds>

Sacrificial Giving: December 2021

Budgeted Offertory Income: \$24,295.40

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| December 5: | \$ 7,973.56 |
| December 12: | \$ |
| December 19: | \$ |
| December 26: | \$ |

November Offertory Income: \$7,973.56
Our Offertory Goal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021 is \$318,000. At 42% of the year, we have received 37.99% of our annual goal. Thank you!

Food Bank Appeal

The Knights of Columbus are encouraging support of food banks across America. As part of that effort, the Supreme Council will contribute \$100 for every 1,000 lbs. of food donated to our local food bank and \$100 for monetary donations totaling \$500. Total contributions from the Supreme Council is limited to \$500 per year. Please help us in this effort by donating food at the drop box as you enter church or by monetary donations either in the church offertory or at the Parish Office. Thank you from the Knights of Columbus Council 1397.

Job Posting:

Principal for St. Mary's School

St. Mary's Parish School is seeking an educational leader with strong Catholic faith to implement our mission and vision. The Principal is ultimately responsible for the overall success of the school and will report to the Parish priest/superintendent. This position will start June 2022. For more information on this position go to: <https://www.catholicidaho.org/current-openings/school-principal-leadership-position>

Parish School Raffle Tickets

What does \$10 get you these days? Well guess what? This year \$10 could get you a handmade stocking filled with \$250 worth of gifts PLUS \$1000 in cash. Yes, you read that right---\$1000 in cash!

St. Mary's Parish School is selling the raffle tickets---they are going fast. If you want one (or more) call Fundraisers Coordinators: Dianna Spellman (208-301-3232) or Natalie Johnson (208-816-3356) to order yours. Now, how many tickets would you like? Thank you and blessings!

Lighting the Rose Candle

Traditionally, Advent wreaths are constructed of a circle of evergreen branches into which four candles are inserted, representing the four weeks of Advent. Ideally, three candles are purple, and one is rose, but white candles can also be used.

The purple candles symbolize the prayer, penance, and preparatory sacrifices and goods works undertaken at this time.

The rose candle is lit on the third Sunday, Gaudete Sunday, when the priest also wears rose vestments at Mass; Gaudete Sunday is the Sunday of rejoicing, because the faithful have arrived at the midpoint of Advent, when their preparation is now half over, and they are close to Christmas.

The progressive lighting of the candles symbolizes the expectation and hope surrounding our Lord's first coming into the world and the anticipation of his second coming to judge the living and the dead.

St. Lucy

c. 284–304

Feast Day—December 13

This saint, venerated by Christians since her own time, likely was martyred in Sicily, probably during the persecutions of Roman Emperor Diocletian, who ruled 284-305. Legends about Lucy include a rejected suitor denouncing her as a Christian and miracles that saved her from life in a brothel, from being burned at the stake, and from having her eyes plucked out. Another legend says she bled to death after her throat was cut. Lucy, whose name suggests light, is among the saints listed in the canon of the Mass; she is the patron saint of electricians and ophthalmologists, and Christians pray for her intercession regarding diseases of the eyes.

"Lucy reminds us of a value which seems to me very important for you too: courage. She was a young defenseless woman, however she faced torture and a violent death with great courage, a courage that came to her from the Risen Christ, with whom she was united, and from the Holy Spirit, who dwelt within her... Lucy tells us that life is made to be given. She lived this out in the supreme form of martyrdom,



but the value of the gift of self is universal; it is the secret to true happiness. Man does not become completely fulfilled by having or by doing. One is fulfilled by loving, i.e. by giving of oneself. And this can also be understood as the secret of the name 'Lucy': a person is 'full of light' to the extent that he or she is a gift to others. In reality, every person is a gift, he or she is a precious gift!" —

Pope Francis, Dec. 13, 2014

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Please Join Us in Prayer

- ◆ **For the repose of the souls of our loved ones:** Judy Druffel, Nancy Bosse, Jackie Beckman, MaryAnn Niehenke, James Radleigh, and Harold Schacher.
- ◆ **For our friends and family:** Mike Smith, Maria Radleigh, Larry Nichols, Alice K., James Brady, and Chuck Stoddard.
- ◆ **For Our Diocesan Seminarians:** Christopher Din, Timothy Segert, Nelson Cintra, John Dyson, Tom Malone, Monico Heredia, Zachary MacKeller, Joshua Tennyson, Damien Sarrazolla, and Ian Willnerd.
- ◆ **For those that are embarking on their journey toward the sacrament of Reconciliation.** May they grow in and be surrounded by God's Love as they do so.
- ◆ **For all married couples celebrating an anniversary in the month of December.**

Directory of Services in our Local Area

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|  <p>St. Mary's School 882-2121</p> <p>Check out the latest about your parish school at www.stmarysmoscow.com</p> <p>Education and formation of young people's minds and spirits has been our mission since 1908.</p> |  <p>Latah County Title</p> <p>Underwritten by  Founded, family owned and operated since 1900</p> <p>Family Owned and Operated Since 1900</p> <p>106 E. Second Street — 208.882.4822</p> | <p>Hodgins Drug & Hobby</p> <p>Special orders Welcome Layaway Available</p> <p>307 S Main – Downtown Moscow 882-5536</p> <p>Monday-Friday: 9am-6pm Saturday 9am-4pm Sunday Noon-4:00pm</p> |
|  <p>SHORT'S FUNERAL CHAPEL</p> <p>MOSCOW, ID</p> <p><i>Our Family Serving Your Family</i></p> <p>1225 East 6th Street Moscow, ID 83843 (208) 882-4534</p> |  <p>P.O. Box 8188 Moscow, Idaho 83843 (208) 882-3021</p> <p>Gasoline/Diesel/Lubricants</p> <p>BUSCH DISTRIBUTORS</p> |  <p>Jeff's Janitorial</p> <p>Maintenance Services</p> <p>Owners: Jeffrey M. Finken • Bobbi A. Finken (208) 882-6364 Cell (208) 301-3438 moscowjanitor@gmail.com</p> |
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