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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

On this last Sunday of Advent, just a few days before Christmas, we quietly reflect on the mystery. We rest in awe, in wonder, at how our God entered our world and came to be with us. We pause to receive the gift offered to us: that the Spirit of God will open up our lives and that Jesus will really come into our hearts. May we have watchful hope today, believing in what the Lord promises us. Let us pray today, that we might be God's servants, that we might be instruments of God's love for our families and all we serve this week. (*Creighton's University Online Ministries*)



The **CHRISTMAS SEASON** celebrates the birth of the Lord Jesus and the ways he manifested the presence of God among us. For the Church, only the Easter celebration of the Lord's death and rising is more important than the Christmas season.



On behalf of Fr. Manuel, Deacon Inacio and all the members of parish pastoral team as well as the members of the finance and parish councils, I would like to wish all our parishioners and friends a very **MERRY CHRISTMAS!** May we take this time to express our gratitude to our Father for the gift of his Son our Savior and Redeemer: the **WORD** made **FLESH!**

### A BLESSED CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE!

*Fr. Carlos Macatangga, SVD*

*... and the WORD  
BECAME FLESH!*



We plan to celebrate the family Christmas morning, with our traditional customs, perhaps with a Christmas tree gift sharing with the children. When we come to church to celebrate our faith together, there is a different feel than midnight Mass or even an early morning Mass. Still, the choir draws us in immediately. We look at each other and smile and we see the bright eyes of the elderly and single friends around the community. We know why we are here, and it is easy to join in the singing. Let us give thanks today. Let us repeat the sounding joy of a faith-filled Christmas. Let's go forth to share glad tidings with our family and friends. Let's help our Lord usher in an age of justice and peace, beginning in our hearts this day. (*Creighton University Online Ministries*)

Brothers and sisters:

In times past, God spoke in partial and various way to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son. (Hebrews 1)

## SIMBANG GABI

Novena Masses for Christmas

December 16 to 24 at 5:00 AM

We take this opportunity to THANK all our ministers who helped and served during the Simbang Gabi 2018. In a very special way we express our GRATITUDE to all our SPONSORS!



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



### CRISTO REI CHURCH

Monday, December 24 – Christmas Eve

7:00 pm – Mass in English  
11:30 pm – Mass in Portuguese



Tuesday, December 25 – Christmas Day

9:00 am – Mass in Portuguese  
11:00 am – Mass in English  
1:00 pm – Bilingual Mass (English/Portuguese)  
5:30 pm – Mass in English



Saturday, December 29 – Holy Family

4:00 pm - Mass in Portuguese  
5:30 pm - Mass in English



Sunday, December 30 – Holy Family

8:00 am & 1:00 pm - Masses in Portuguese  
10:00 am & 5:30 pm - Masses in English

Monday, December 31 – Vigil Mass for Mary, Mother of God (Year End Mass)

5:00 pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
6:00 pm – Bilingual Mass

Tuesday, January 1, 2019 – Mary, Mother of God

8:00 am & 1:00 pm - Masses in Portuguese  
10:00 am & 5:30 pm – Masses in English



### CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

We invite our parishioners to donate brand new toys for our Christmas Toy Drive 2018. *The drive will end today, the 23<sup>rd</sup> of December.* We thank the Knights of Columbus for coordinating this year's TOY DRIVE and we thank ALL OF YOU for your support.

### CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

Let us keep the spirit of giving and sharing this Christmas by continuing our Food Drive for our brothers and sisters in need. The items that are needed the most are: sugar, canned-goods, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, jello for children, cereal, peanut butter and some toothpaste, soap, shampoo.



CHRISTMAS BELLS (Dec. 24)

7:00 PM CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

We invite all children to bring small bells which we will ring during the singing of the Gloria. The overflow for these masses will

be accommodated in the parish hall where a widescreen projector will be installed to telecast our Eucharistic Celebration. Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist will bring communion to people in the hall. We will do this for both Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses.

Adoration of the Baby Jesus will take place after all Masses at both Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Ministers will also bring the Baby Jesus to the hall for adoration.



#### QUARTO DOMINGO DO ADVENTO

Neste último Domingo do Advento, apenas alguns dias antes do Natal, silenciosamente, refletimos sobre o mistério. Repousamos em reverência, e admiração, como o nosso Deus entrou no nosso mundo e veio para estar conosco. Paramos um pouco para receber o dom que nos é oferecido: que o Espírito de Deus abra as nossas vidas, e que Jesus realmente entre em nossos corações. Tenhamos esperança vigilante hoje, acreditando no que o Senhor nos promete. Rezemos hoje, para que possamos ser servos de Deus, e instrumentos do amor de Deus para as nossas famílias e para todos que vamos servir esta semana.



**A ÉPOCA de NATAL** celebra o nascimento do Senhor Jesus e as maneiras pelas quais Ele manifestou a presença de Deus entre nós. Para a Igreja, só a celebração Pascal, da morte e ressurreição do Senhor é mais importante do que a época do Natal.



Em nome do Pe. Manuel, Diácono Inácio, e todos os membros da equipe pastoral paroquial, bem como os membros do conselho paroquial e das finanças, Eu gostaria de desejar a todos os nossos paroquianos e amigos um **FELIZ NATAL!** Que possamos aproveitar este tempo para expressar a nossa gratidão ao nosso Pai pelo dom de seu Filho, nosso Salvador e Redentor. O VERBO se fez CARNE!

UM SANTO NATAL PARA TODOS!

*Fr. Carlos Macatangga, SVD*



Adoração do Menino Jesus terá lugar após todas as missas, na noite de Natal como no Dia de Natal. Os Ministros da Eucaristia irão levar o Menino Jesus ao salão para adoração.

*...e o VERBO*

*SE FEZ CARNE!*



Planeamos celebrar a manhã de Natal da família, com os nossos costumes tradicionais, talvez com um presente debaixo da árvore de Natal para partilhar com as crianças. Quando chegamos à igreja para celebrar juntos a nossa fé, há uma sensação diferente da Missa da meia-noite ou até mesmo uma Missa matinal. Ainda assim, o coro nos atrai imediatamente. Nós olhamos um para o outro e sorrimos e vemos os olhos brilhantes dos amigos idosos e solteiros ao redor da comunidade. Sabemos por que estamos aqui, e é fácil participar no canto. Vamos dar graças hoje. Vamos repetir a alegria sonora de um Natal cheio de fé. Vamos adiante partilhar a boa nova com a nossa família e amigos. Vamos ajudar o nosso Senhor a inaugurar uma era de justiça e paz começando em nossos corações neste dia. (Creighton University Online Ministries)

Irmãos e irmãs:

Nos tempos antigos, muitas vezes e de muitos modos, Deus falou aos antepassados por meio dos profetas.

No período final em que estamos, falou-nos por meio do Filho. (Hebreus 1)



#### PROGRAMA PARA O NATAL

##### IGREJA DE CRISTO REI

###### 24 de Dezembro (2ª -Feira) Véspera de Natal

7:00 pm - Missa em Inglês

11:30 pm - Missa em Português



###### 25 de Dezembro (3ª -Feira) Dia de Natal

9:00 am - Missa em Português

11:00 am - Missa em Inglês

1:00 pm - Missa Bilingue (Inglês/Português)

5:30 pm - Missas em Inglês



###### 29 de Dezembro (Sábado) - Sagrada Família

4:00 pm - Missa em Português

5:30 pm - Missa em Inglês

###### 30 de Dezembro (Domingo) - Sagrada Família

8:00 am & 1:00 pm - Missas em Português

10:00 am & 5:30 pm - Missas em Inglês

###### 31 de Dezembro (2ª -Feira) - Maria, Mãe de Deus

5:00 pm - Exposição do Santíssimo Sacramento

6:00 pm - Missa Bilingue

###### 1 de Janeiro 2019 (3ª -Feira) - Maria, Mãe de Deus

8:00 am & 1:00 pm - Missas em Português

10:00 am & 5:30 pm - Missas em Inglês



Programa para o Natal

##### IGREJA DO SS. SALVADOR DO MUNDO

###### 24 de Dezembro (2ª -Feira) Véspera de Natal

9:30 pm - Missa em Português

###### 25 de Dezembro (3ª -Feira) Dia de Natal

10:30 am - Missa em Português

2:30 pm - Missa Vietnamita

###### 29 de Dezembro (Sábado) - Sagrada Família

6:30 pm - Missa em Português

###### 30 de Dezembro (Domingo) - Sagrada Família

10:30 am - Missa em Português

###### 31 de Dezembro (2ª -Feira) - Maria, Mãe de Deus

6:00 pm - Te Deum

6:30 pm - Missa em Português

###### 1 de Janeiro 2019 (3ª -Feira) - Maria, Mãe de Deus

10:30 am - Missa em Português



PREPARAÇÃO SACRAMENTAL

PRIMEIRA COMUNHÃO

9:30 am até às 11:30 am na Escola do Fr. Goetz

Por favor, lembrem-se que os candidatos para a Primeira Comunhão e seus pais devem participar da Instrução Catequética. A próxima aula será no Sábado, 2 de Fevereiro 2019, na Escola do Fr. Goetz.

#### SACRAMENTO DA CONFIRMAÇÃO

##### Domingo, 20 de Janeiro 2019

10:00 am - Missa

11:15 até 12:45 - Reunião para a Confirmação

## **Programa para a Confirmação (2019)**

Domingo, 28 de Abril, às 2:30 pm

Escola de Saint Philip e Escola de Corpus Christi

Domingo, 5 de Maio, às 2:30 pm

Bishop Scalabrini, St. Matthew e Paróquia de Cristo Rei

**Pe. Carlos Macatangga, SVD**

O nosso pastor, Pe. Carlos Macatangga, SVD, estará ausente de 26 de Dezembro a 13 de Fevereiro, 2019. De três em três anos, SVD Padres e Irmãos podem ir para o seu país natal passar férias com as suas famílias. Pe. Carlos estará nas Filipinas para férias, e também para celebrar o 50º Aniversário de Casamento de seus pais.

### **PARISH OFFICE SCHEDULE**

December 22-23 - CLOSED

December 24, 25, 26 - CLOSED

December 27 & 28 - OPEN

December 29 & 30 - CLOSED

December 31 - CLOSED

January 1 - CLOSED

January 2 - REGULAR HOURS

### **SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION**

#### **FIRST COMMUNION**

Please be reminded that parish based candidates for First Communion and their parents are required to attend the next Catechetical Instruction at Fr. Goetz School on February 2, 2019

### **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

Next meeting: January 20, 2019

10:00 am - Mass

11:15 to 12:45 - Confirmation Session

#### **Schedule of Confirmation (2019)**

at Cristo Rei Roman Catholic Church

Sunday, April 28 at 2:30 pm

Saint Philip School & Corpus Christi School

Sunday, May 5 at 2:30 pm

Bishop Scalabrini, Saint Matthew & Cristo Rei Parish

### **RCIA & ADULT CONFIRMATION**

January 22, 2019 at 7:00 pm

at Msgr. Resendes Room.

Let us continue to pray for all our Adult Confirmation Candidates, their sponsors and all our catechists

**Fr. Carlos Macatangga, SVD**

Our pastor, Fr. Carlos Macatangga, SVD will be away from December 26 to February 13, 2019. Every three years SVD Priests & Brothers are allowed to go home to their home country for vacation to be with their families. Fr. Carlos will be in the Philippines for vacation as well as to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of his parents.

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*Merry Christmas*

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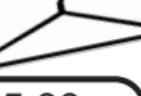
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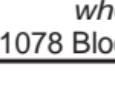
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