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SAINT HYACINTH CHURCH

Diocese of
Amarillo

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 6, 2009



St. Hyacinth (1257)

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Adult Education

Meets on Sunday mornings from 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. or Tuesday evening from 7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. from September—May. Other opportunities are announced in the bulletin.

Religious Education

First grade through high school
Meets on Sunday mornings from 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. from September—May. **Register in the office.**

Adult Bible Study

Wednesday evening Call Aline Stocker at 374-6673 for more information.



Office Hours

Monday through Thursday
8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday
Closed

Sacraments

Reconciliation -
4:00 p.m.—4:45 p.m.
Saturday or by appointment

Baptism -
Call office for appointment

Weddings -
Make Appt. with Priest
6 months prior to marriage

Masses -
Check schedule below

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday 9:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m.

Parish Membership

Being officially registered in a parish is very important to every Catholic. If moving, or making any change of address or phone number, please contact the church office.

Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday — 4:30 p.m.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	12/07	5:00 PM	St. Hyacinth Angels by Rita Harmeyer
Tuesday	12/08	12:10 PM	Special Intentions
		6:30 PM	+Deanna Sanders by Karlee Creek
Wednesday	12/09	5:00 PM	+Joseph by Mrs. Dieu Thi Hoang
Thursday	12/10	5:00 PM	For the family of Arlene Pool
Friday	12/11	8:30 AM	NO MASS
Saturday	12/12	5:00 PM	Michael, Tracy and Amelia Zirkle by Mary Zirkle
Sunday	12/13	8:00 AM	+Val Keller by Viola Keller
		11:00 AM	For the Parish



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Continue to Pray for: Curtis Anderson, Louis Baumhardt, Barbara & Jim Berry, Steve Berry, Clay Burney, Dorothy Burns, Betty Byrd, Nicky & Victor Cordova, **Carmen Crosier, Msgr. Raymond Crosier,** L. V. Dominguez, Darrell Duncan, Bob Forton, Alfred Garcia, Adam Gonzales, D. D. Homen, Goldie Hyland, Jane Judd, David Keller, B.B. Lane, Tim Marsh, Dorothy Massie, Rhonda McNeal, Daniel Minahan, Sue Moore, Herbert Morales, Patricia Nielsen, Carla Norberg, Emma O'Dell, Eva Pierce, Eran Ramos, Emily Schwertner, John D. Shelton, Winnie Sweatt, Geneva Tillman and Cathy Zoller.

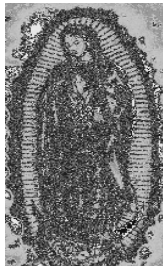
Luke was very thorough in placing the beginning of John the Baptist's ministry within a historical context. He set John's ministry in time by telling who the leaders were in the region. John's role was to prepare the way for Jesus and to proclaim a theme of repentance for those who would follow Jesus. Like a Roman corps of engineers filling in gullies and leveling mountains to make roads, John's job was to make the pathway smooth for those coming to Jesus.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION


The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday, December 8

Masses at 12:10 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.



Our condolences to Retired Deacon Belvin Dollins and his family. Sylvia Dollins passed away on November 25th.

 *Rest in Peace*

RETROUVAILLE: You Can Help Your Marriage

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped thousands experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the December program beginning with a weekend on December 11-13, call Rob or Mary Griffith, 806-282-2500, email retrocouple@suddenlink.net or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

Holy Father establishes "Year for Priests"

Pope Benedict announced a special "Year for Priests" which will begin June 19, 2009, on the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and conclude with an international gathering of priests with the Holy Father in Rome on June 19, 2010. The pope called for the year to coincide with the 150th anniversary of the death of St. John Vianney, who was famed for his priestly ministry.

AROUND AMARILLO

FUN-RAISER AND ADVENT GALA

School Sisters of St. Francis in Panhandle Saturday, December 12 at the Amarillo Civic Center Heritage Room. Tickets are \$100.00. Prizes include a \$750 gas card, a 47" VIZIO large screen TV, or a \$7,500 VISA gift card and 2 airline tickets to anywhere in the world (\$2,500)!

Nazareth Christmas Pageant at Holy Family Catholic Church on Sunday, December 20th at 7:30 p.m. and Wednesday, December 23rd at 7:30 p.m. No Admission.

Christmas Baskets for those who could use a little help. We are once again putting together baskets of food for several families and need your help. The following items are needed: turkey or ham, canned items, flour, sugar, stove-top dressing, instant potatoes, jars of gravy, green beans, cream of mushroom soup, French's® French Fried Onions, olives, pickles, etc. We would also like to include a gift card from United with each basket, so they can shop for items we did not provide. We are also wanting to purchase one item for each family to have under their Christmas tree. If you would like, you can adopt a family. We will also accept monetary gifts then go shopping. Your help is needed to make this a success. Please check the bulletin board and see how you can help. If you have questions, you can call the office and talk to Debi. All items or monetary gifts should be brought to the office no later than December 11th.



Mass Intentions for 2010

If you would like to have a Mass said for a loved one or for a special intention, please contact the office. All request will need to be paid before the Mass is scheduled. You can mail a list of requested dates with payment and we will do our best to accommodate your request.



**Tuesday, December 8th
Thursday, December 24th
Friday, December 25th
Thursday, December 31st
And
Friday, January 1, 2010**

ACTS

Retreats for men, women and teens

The retreat begins on Thursday evening and concludes on Sunday at St. Mary's with the noon Mass (adults) or the 6 P.M. Mass (teens), followed by food and fellowship. The retreats are held at the DeFalco Retreat Center. Make plans now to have your SPIRIT RENEWED and your FAITH STRENGTHENED!!

DATES FOR UPCOMING RETREATS

Teens: December 31—January 3, 2010

For registration information or questions contact Kim Boyd at 381-9916.

Offerings: November 22

Sunday Offering	\$4,198.05
Children's Offering	27.03
Votive	22.00
Second Collection-Scholarship Fund	354.04
Capital Improvement	<u>100.00</u>
TOTAL	\$4,701.12

Offerings: November 29

Sunday Offering	\$3,815.31
Children's Offering	0.00
Votive	<u>19.58</u>
TOTAL	\$3,834.89

Scripture Readings for December 13

First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18a
Psalm: Isaiah 12:2-6
Second Reading: Philippians 4:4-7
Gospel: Luke 3:10-18

In compliance with IRS regulations all contributions are being recorded as of the date they are received by the church. All contributions to be credited for 2009 must be received by December 31, 2009. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



Prayer for the Gracious Holy Spirit, we come before you as the Church of the Diocese of Amarillo to ask your aid in our preparation for the Diocesan Assembly.

We are overjoyed to be able to honor the accomplishments of the past and all those who established and preserved our Faith in the High Plains. The great sacrifices that were made for the Church to flourish in this area are the foundation of our endeavor today to unite all the Catholics of the diocese to live, work, worship, and grow as one. As we release all past hurts and misunderstandings of the years behind, we look forward together to be able to assess our needs and to create a vision for the future of the Church in our beloved diocese. We beg for your inspiration, O Spirit of the Living God, and we ask our Blessed Lady of Guadalupe and St. Laurence to intercede for this purpose to live Communion and Unity with all the races and cultures with which we are so blessed. With gratitude, we ask this in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen

KEYS FOUND-call the office to identify.



**ST. HYACINTH CATHOLIC CHURCH
 WINTER EXTRAVAGANZA
 Sunday, December 6th at 4:00 p.m.
 St. Hyacinth Social Hall**

RAFFLE drawing to win a lap size quilt, an afghan, a baby afghan, note cards and several other surprises. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. See any member of the choir to purchase your tickets.

Refreshments will be provided.
 Musical entertainment to be presented by the St. Hyacinth Children and Adult Choirs.
 Sponsored by St. Hyacinth Choir

SECOND COLLECTIONS FOR DECEMBER

- December 6-Local Charities
- December 13-Capital Improvement
- December 20-Retirement Fund for Religious
- December 27-Scholarship Fund



The Senior Citizen's monthly pot luck luncheon is held on the last Wednesday of each month at noon. Please join us on Wednesday, December 16th.

WOMEN'S CLUB

St. Faustina Circle meets the second Thursday evening each month at 7:00 p.m. in the small social hall. **Next meeting will be January 14th.** Please call the office for more information.

Rachel's Corner

If anything, I feel more guilty now after seeing what great parents we both are not. TCD-6c

Next Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is February 5, 6, & 7th After Abortion Care/Healing call Christina 806-679-3370.

ADVENT PENANCE/CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Tuesday	December 14	7:00 p.m. (Advent Penance Service)
Monday	December 21	7:00—8:00 p.m.
Tuesday	December 22	7:00—8:00 p.m.
Wednesday	December 23	7:00—8:00 p.m.