

# Pastor's updates

December 17, 2021



## Things you may want to know this week

- 1. GOODNEWS** to all our early worshippers: We will have a **7:30AM mass** on **Christmas Day**, that is Saturday, December 25. So again, our masses on Christmas Eve is 4:00PM, 6:00PM and 9:00PM; Christmas Day is 7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM and no 5:00PM mass.
- 2.** Don't miss the concert this Sunday at 4PM entitled "**Magnificat**" celebrating the wealth of music talents in our community. Some of the performers will also serve as the choir for the 5PM mass. If you stay, you will hear an extended performance. Thanks to **GP**, our music director, for organizing and directing this concert.
- 3.** Today is **Pope Francis 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday**. Jorge Mario Bergoglio, his birthname, was born on December 17, 1936 in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Just last Monday, 13 December, he celebrated the 52<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of his priestly ordination. This is his 8<sup>th</sup> year as the head of the church. "Ad multos annos!"
- 4.** We had a wonderful **Band/Kidstock Christmas** show by our Grades K-5 last Monday evening in the church. This Tuesday at noon, our Kindergarten will have their own Christmas presentation. This Tuesday is also the last day of school for the year. Our students will be back to school on Monday, January 10, 2022.
- 5.** Our "**Grown-ups** led by Bob Lockwood had a Christmas Luncheon last Wednesday at the Basque Cultural Center. The group was entertained by Fr. Boie's singing of Have Yourself A Merry Little Christmas. We thank the committee for organizing the event especially **Virginia and Joe Yanke** and **Barbara Rudometkin**, the master of ceremonies.
- 6. Getting old, getting new!** Our parish phone system is quite old and replacing it is in the bucket list. Meanwhile, when you leave a voice message kindly speak slowly and if you leave a callback number please say it twice. Our rectory's pump for our hot water is about 20 years old and have undergone a lot of "Bob-the-Builder" fixing. So, finally, we replaced it with something new. One more Christmas or winter to hold on without heat in the church. So, please dress-up warmly when you go to church especially for the Christmas masses.
- 7.** The region in the Philippines especially the province/island of Bohol where Fr. Boie and I grew up was devastated by **Super Typhoon Rai**, called Odette in the Philippines, the other day. Some parts of the roof of both our houses were blown away by the strong wind. Some houses are submerged in the flood caused by heavy rain. People are living without electricity and insufficient water. Please offer some prayers!

**FAZnotes**  
**(Father Arnold Zamora)**  
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**Dear parishioners and friends of St. Robert's,**

**ONE Good FRIEND is equal to ONE Good Medicine.**

**Six Best Doctors in the World-**

1. Sunlight
2. Rest
3. Exercise
4. Diet
5. Self Confidence
6. Friends

Maintain them in all stages of Life and enjoy healthy life.  
If you see the moon ..... You see the beauty of God .....  
If you see the Sun ..... You see the power of God .....  
And ....  
If you see the Mirror.... You see the best Creation of GOD....  
So Believe in YOURSELF.

God loves us all!  
Christmas in 7 days! Christmas is everyday!.

*Fr. Arnold*