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PRAY FOR PEACE AS YOU REMEMBER THOSE WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES AT PEARL HARBOR.	7 HONOR MARY ON THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION BY ATTENDING MASS AND SAYING THE ROSARY.	8 SEND A CHRISTMAS CARD OR NOTE TO SOMEONE IN THE ARMED FORCES.	9 TELL YOUR FAMILY THAT YOU LOVE THEM.	10 DONATE CANNED GOODS TO THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY.	11 OFFER TO PROVIDE AN EVENING OF CHILD CARE FOR A SINGLE PARENT.	12 GO CHRISTMAS CAROLING AND SHARE THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT.
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CHURCH OF ST. LEO THE GREAT
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December 8th - Feast of the Immaculate Conception Masses: 8:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

December 13th - Christmas Caroling
Beginning at the Parish Center at 5:00 p.m.

December 20th - Breakfast with St. Nick
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon
\$15.00 per ticket includes breakfast, make and take ornaments, decorating donuts, hot cocoa and coffee bar, music, photo opportunities, and *special guests* -- St. Nick, Buddy the Elf, the Grinch, elves, and angels
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December 24th & 25th - Christmas Masses

December 31st & January 1st - Solemnity of Mary Masses

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses

Monday through Friday
8:30 a.m.

Weekend Masses

Saturday
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Sunday
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Christmas Masses

Wednesday, December 24th
4:00 p.m. Mass
Thursday, December 25th
8:00 a.m. Mass
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Feast of the Holy Family

Saturday, December 27th
4:00 p.m. Mass
Sunday, December 28th
8:00 a.m. Mass
11:00 a.m. Mass

New Year's Day - Solemnity of Mary

Wednesday, December 31st
7:00 p.m. Mass
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8:30 a.m. Mass

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

*Each Saturday during Advent
from 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. and
each Sunday during Advent from
10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.*

ADVENT WREATH FOR THE HOME

Week 1: O Lord, stir up your might, we beg you, and come, that by your protection we may deserve to be rescued from the dangers of our sins and be saved by your deliverance. *Light the first purple candle.*

Week 2: O Lord, stir up our hearts that we may prepare for your only begotten Son, that through his coming we may be made worthy to serve you with pure minds. *Light the first and second purple candles.*

Week 3: O Lord, we beg you, incline your ear to our prayers and enlighten the darkness of our minds by the grace of your visitation. *Light the first two purple candles and the pink candle.*

Week 4: O Lord, stir up your power, we pray, and come; with great might help us, that with the help of your grace, your merciful forgiveness may hasten what our sins impede. *Light all four candles.*

BLESSING OF THE HOME

A custom celebrated by some ethnic groups is the blessing of the home on the Feast of the Epiphany. With chalk, write 20 + C + M + B + 26 over the doorway in your home. The numerals represent the year - 2026. The letters stand for the three kings who visited our Lord: Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar. Recite a prayer asking God to bless your home and all who enter it.

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