



## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. - Mt 3:4

### Our Lady of Lourdes

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Fri (9:00 am - 12:00 pm)

### The Proto-Cathedral of

#### St. James the Greater

218 W 12th St., Vancouver, WA, 98660

Phone: (360) 693-3052

Website: [www.protocathedral.org](http://www.protocathedral.org)

Office Hours: Tue - Fri (9:00 am - 12:00

pm, 12:30 pm - 3:00 pm)

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400 S. Andresen Rd.,  
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Website: [www.stjoevan.org](http://www.stjoevan.org)

Office Hours: Mon - Thu (9:00 am -

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## Our Parish Family Mass Schedules

### \*Livestreamed

Watch Livestreams: [parishfamily45.org/livestreams](http://parishfamily45.org/livestreams)

### Our Lady of Lourdes

#### Mass Times

**Sunday:** 9:00am\*, 11:00am

**Wednesday:** 6:00 pm

**Thursday & Friday:** 9:00am

**1st Saturday of the Month:** 9:00am

**Saturday:** 5:00pm Vigil

#### Confession Times

**Friday:** 8:30am

**Saturday:** 3:30pm

### Proto-Cathedral of St. James the Greater

#### Mass Times

**Sunday:** 8:00 am, 10:30am,  
1:00pm (Vietnamese)

**Tuesday-Friday:** 12:10pm

**Saturday:** 9:00am, 5:00pm Vigil

#### Confession Times

**Sunday:** 12:30pm (Vietnamese)

**Wednesday/Friday:** 11:00am

**Saturday:** 8:00am, 4:00pm

### St. Joseph

#### Mass Times

**Sunday:** 9:00am\*, 11:30am\* (Spanish),  
5:00pm

**Monday-Thursday:** 8:30am

#### Confession Times

**Tuesday:** 5:00pm-6:00pm

**Thursday:** 7:30am-8:15am

## Mass Intentions

### Our Lady of Lourdes

#### Sunday (12/7)

11:00 am: OLL Community

### Proto-Cathedral

#### Saturday (12/6)

5:00 pm: Marnie Munoz-Campos

#### Sunday (12/7)

8:00 am: Vincent Troiano+

10:30 am: Marie Lee

#### Monday (12/8)

12:10 pm: Pro Populo

7:00 pm: All mothers who are expecting

#### Tuesday (12/9)

12:10 pm: John Ulloa+

#### Wednesday (12/10)

12:10 pm: Zach Zachariasen+

#### Thursday (12/11)

12:10 pm: Franklin Emmanuel Munoz

#### Friday (12/12)

12:10 pm: Gene Paul+

#### Saturday (12/13)

9:00 am: Diane Helley+

5:00 pm: Fr. Ron Millican+

### St. Joseph

#### Sunday (12/7)

9:00 am: Pro Populo

11:30 am: All Souls in

Purgatory

5:00 pm: Leon Kling Smith+

#### Tuesday (12/9)

8:30 am: Paul Williams

#### Wednesday (12/10)

8:30 am: Jon Miller+

#### Thursday (12/11)

8:30 am: Ted Blahnik+

See our Parish Family prayer list at [parishfamily45.org/prayer-list](http://parishfamily45.org/prayer-list)

## Our Clergy

**Pastor:** Fr. Timothy Ilgen

**Parochial Vicars:** Fr. Kyle Rink & Fr. Kingsley Tebulo

*Contact Our Priests by contacting any of our parish offices!*

### Deacons:

Deacon Jose Gonzalez, [joseg@stjoevan.org](mailto:joseg@stjoevan.org)

Deacon Tom Hayward, [tomh@stjoevan.org](mailto:tomh@stjoevan.org)

Deacon Tim Shamrell, [tim@ollparish.org](mailto:tim@ollparish.org)

Meet our parish staff at [parishfamily45.org/parish-staff](http://parishfamily45.org/parish-staff)

## Adoration and Devotion Times

**Our Lady of Lourdes:** Fridays (9:30 am - 10:30 am), Adore & More: Mondays (7:00 pm - 8:00 pm)

*Every Wednesday the Rosary is recited at 5:30 pm, followed by the Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help*

### Proto-Cathedral of St. James the Greater:

*Rosary: Tuesday - Friday at 11:35 am and Saturday at 8:20 am*

*Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions: After 12:10 pm Wednesday Mass*

*Alliance of the Two Hearts Adoration: First Friday of each month after the 12:10 PM Mass, ending with Benediction at 7:00 PM. Watch for our e-mails to sign up for an hour of Adoration.*

*Divine Mercy Chaplet: The 3rd Friday of the month, after Mass, the Chaplet will be recited. BLESSED PIER GORGIO FRASSATI ADORATION CHAPEL: Open 24/7, excluding Mass times and on First Friday Adoration. Please sign up in advance for a Holy Hour by contacting Tammie Vincent at 360-281-5479 (Text Preferred) or [tammievincent@gmail.com](mailto:tammievincent@gmail.com).*

**St. Joseph:** Tuesdays (9:15 am - 7:00 pm), Rosary: Monday - Thursday (8:00 am)

### Dear Friends in Christ,

A blessed Advent to you on this second Sunday of Advent. We have some penance services in the Southern deanery to help you cleanse your souls (by God's grace) and prepare for the upcoming celebration of Christmas. The pastors in the Southern deanery decided to have one penance service at each parish family in the deanery. The penance services are: Dec. 10 at St Rose in Longview, Dec. 15 at St. John's, Dec. 16 at St. Joseph's, and Dec. 23 at Holy Redeemer. All services will begin at 6 pm. If you don't have an opportunity to come to a regularly scheduled time for confession, please come to one of these deanery penance services.

Back to my pilgrimage to Greece. We drove to Corinth, which is a short drive west of Athens. We visited the archeological site which is only partially exposed. There is still much to be uncovered. They have discovered that many modern homes have been built over the site. Imagine how long it will take to negotiate with the people to move to another location so that they can uncover the ancient ruins. St. Paul was in this area for quite some time. He wrote two letters that we know of to the Corinthians. It was an important place in Church history. Unlike some of the other sites that we visited, this one had very few visitors the day we were there. We were able to celebrate Mass at the site. It was a very windy day. Celebrating the Mass outside was challenging. What kind of challenges did Paul have while bringing the Gospel to these people? He may have had to stride against the strong winds of opposition as he brought them the Good News. After our visit here, we drove back to Athens for one more night.

The next day began the sea voyage part of our pilgrimage. As we drove out of Athens to the port of Lavrion, we stopped at St. Barbara church for Mass. This is one of the few Roman Catholic churches in Greece. It's a small, beautiful church that seats about 100 people. After the windy Mass outside that we experienced the day before, I appreciated having the Mass inside a church again. The Gospel reading for that day (Lk 8:16-18) was about not hiding a lamp but placing it somewhere so that it can be seen and shed light. I talked about how St. Paul was a light that was very visible. He brought the light of Christ to this part of the world. We are called to also be the light of Christ for the world. St. Paul, through his witness, is still being a light of Christ for the world. We are called to follow his example.

It was a short drive from the church to the port. After going through the boarding process, we got on the ship and soon left the port. We sailed to the island of Mykonos and arrived at about 6 pm. We had some time to walk about the town. There were plenty of tourists walking amongst the shops and restaurants. I

enjoyed going through the narrow and winding passageways. After a short excursion, we went back to the ship for a late dinner.

We sailed to Kusadasi, Turkey. This would be our only stop in Turkey on our pilgrimage. It was a 20-minute drive by bus to Mary's house in Ephesus. It is tradition that Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and John the Evangelist lived in this house after Pentecost. It is quite small. Because of the line of people that was going through the house, we were not able to spend much time inside. Some members of our group were disappointed because they were really looking forward to being there, and the experience was over quickly. There was not much we could do. The employees there had to keep people moving so that everybody had the chance to see it.

A Franciscan priest walked us a short distance to a chapel where we were able to have Mass. It was nice to have the privacy and not be rushed. We celebrated the feast of the Assumption of the BVM. It seemed appropriate to celebrate this feast in this special place. After the Mass, most of our group had gone back through the grounds while I put things away in the chapel. I came out of the building and noticed that there was no line of people to get into Mary's house! I thought, "What an opportunity," and I wondered why none of the rest of my group had not gone back there. I walked into Mary's house and spent some time there praying. It was a gift to be able to do this. I caught up with my group after a while and we walked back to the bus.

We drove to the ruins at Ephesus. Our guide walked us through the ruins explaining various things. I thought the site was well preserved. It was the hottest day (Sept. 23) of our trip so far. Our guide told us that in this part of Turkey the temperature can reach 125 degrees in July and August. St. Paul had success in Ephesus. "He entered the synagogue, and for three months debated boldly with persuasive arguments about the kingdom of God. ... This continued for two years with the result that all the inhabitants of the province of Asia heard the word of the Lord, Jews and Greeks alike." (Acts 19:8, 10) Despite the heat, it was a great experience "walking along the footsteps of St. Paul," especially in this place where he had much success. We were also grateful to have been in the place where tradition says that our Blessed Mother had lived. More of the pilgrimage to come.

Blessed Mother and St. Paul, pray for us,  
Fr. Tim Ilgen



## Parish Family 45 Catholic Schools

Check in each week to learn more about what is going on at our fantastic schools!



### Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School

#### TUITION ASSISTANCE

If you think you may need tuition assistance for Kindergarten - 8<sup>th</sup> grade next school year, apply for the \$1,350 Fulcrum Tuition Assistance grant. Every family looking for financial assistance will need to apply first for the Fulcrum Tuition Assistance Grant. <https://fulcrumfoundation.org/grants-programs/supporting-students/>.

#### TOY DRIVE OPEN UNTIL 12/10

We are collecting new stuffed animals and new family games for local children ages 6-8. Each year we are proud to partner and join the incredible efforts of Santa's Posse as they help make Christmas special for families in Clark County.



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### St. Joseph Catholic School

We proudly celebrated the beautiful diversity of our community, the many cultures and traditions that make SJCS a reflection of God's love.

During our Intercultural Prayer Service, middle school students reflected on traditions, heritage and culture in their families. The Our Father was prayed in very a special way. Students spoke a line or phrase in a language spoken by our school families, 11 different languages: Latin, Portuguese, Tigrinya, Tagalog, Spanish, French, Mandarin, Sinhalese, German, Russian, and American Sign Language. We are so thankful for our community and the many ways we experience God's love through one another.



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# ADVENT CALENDAR

## KEY - Location

- P** Proto-Cathedral of St. James the Greater  
218 W 12th St., Vancouver, WA, 98660
- L** Our Lady of Lourdes  
4723 NW Franklin St Vancouver, WA 98663
- J** St. Joseph  
400 S. Andersen Rd., Vancouver, WA 98661
- Parish Offices Closed from Dec 24 - 26  
& Dec 31 - Jan 2**

## Confession Schedule

Unless otherwise noted

- P** Wednesday/Friday: 11:00 am – 11:45 am  
Saturday: 8:00 am – 8:45 am and 4:00 pm – 4:40 pm  
Sunday: 12:30 pm (Vietnamese)
- L** Friday: 8:30 am – 9:00 am  
Saturday: 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm
- J** Tuesday: 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm  
Thursday: 7:30 am – 8:15 am

### First Sunday of Advent

November 30

Vigil: November 29

**P L J** Normal Mass Times

### Third Sunday of Advent

December 14

Vigil: December 13

**P L J** Normal Mass Times

### Feast of the Holy Family

December 28

Vigil: December 27

**P L J** Normal Mass Times

### Second Sunday of Advent

December 7

Vigil: December 6

**P L J** Normal Mass Times

### Deanery Advent Penance Service

December 16

**J** 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

### Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God

Holy Day of Obligation

Vigil: December 31

**P** 7:00 pm (Incense)

**L** 7:00 pm

**J** 7:00 pm (Spanish)

January 1

**P L J** 9:00 am

### Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Holy Day of Obligation

December 8

**P** 12:10 pm, 7:00 pm\*

**L** 9:00 am

**J** 8:30 am, 7:00 pm (Spanish)

### Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 21

Vigil: December 20

**P L J** Normal Mass Times

### Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

Holy Day of Obligation

Vigil: December 24

6:30 pm\*, 12:00 am  
(Midnight Mass)\*

5:00 pm, 7:30 pm

5:00 pm, 7:30 pm (Spanish)\*,  
10:00 pm\*

December 25

8:00 am

9:00 am\*

**J** 9:00 am\*,  
11:30 am (Spanish)\*

### Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

January 4

Vigil: January 5

**P** Normal Mass Times  
(Incense at 10:30 am)

**L** Normal Mass Times  
(Incense at 11:00 am)

**J** Normal Mass Times

### Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

January 11

Vigil: January 12

**P L J** Normal Mass Times

\*Notes that Incense will be used

Online calendar available at  
[parishfamily45.org/advent](http://parishfamily45.org/advent)



## PHASE 1 LISTENING SESSIONS SYNTHESIS

### What Are Our Challenges? What Are Our Opportunities?

During the listening sessions, several key themes emerged regarding challenges within the wider community and our parish family. Participants expressed “widespread concern about homelessness, mental illness, and lack of resources or effective outreach.” There were also immigration-related concerns and an awareness that there is a large, unchurched population.

Another recurring theme focused on serving the sick, disabled and elderly—particularly those in care homes—as well as serving young people, married couples, and teens, in addition to people with disabilities and special needs. Participants emphasized that these groups are in need of greater attention and accompaniment.

A number of challenges were identified within the parish family itself. Many noted a “lack of engagement and volunteerism,” with “the same individuals repeatedly volunteering while others are unaware or uninvited.” Participants also shared concern about the “lack of youth participating in the faith” and a “decline in religious engagement or involvement by parishioners who only attend Mass without contributing or engaging in parish life.” There was a shared sense that “we need to build a community where everyone feels comfortable and welcome, whether young or elderly.”

Participants highlighted “the need to reach out to isolated people—homebound, singles and young families” as well as confusion about the parish family structure, lack of updates, and unclear financial transparency. Another challenge identified was “difficulty uniting the diverse communities within the parish family” and a “lack of cohesive community between language and cultural differences”. The Vietnamese community mentioned the lack of bilingual Bibles and raised security concerns in the event of an emergency or threat.

In addition to these challenges, many expressed a strong desire for community and unity—not only within the parish family but among other parishes as well. There was a call to “unite as a family,” to “serve the community cheerfully and make it stronger,” to invite new people, and to “evangelize and be the Body of Christ.” The sessions also reflected gratitude for the “blessing of having a Hispanic community” and encouraged efforts to reach out and invite more Hispanics to expand the Hispanic community.

Participants also identified a number of opportunities within our parish family and the wider community to effectively serve and accompany others. These included engaging youth and young families through mentorship, support, and faith formation; reaching out to young adults to “encourage and support them to be married in the Catholic Church;” and “reconnecting with the ‘unchurched’ who have drifted away.” Many emphasized the importance of promoting sacramental education and vocational awareness, and building a community that fosters “intergenerational and intercultural relationships.”

There was also strong interest in sharing resources, ministries, and programs while respecting the diversity of worship styles, and in increasing outreach to the unhoused, immigrants, people struggling economically, and those with unplanned pregnancies. Participants agreed that a need exists to increase the number of volunteers to implement services both within and outside of the church. They suggested increasing and focusing announcements regarding the need for servers and expressed enthusiasm for creating a vocational ministry, ministries for prisoners, and a ministry for the elderly.

Other ideas included focusing on praying the Rosary in English and Spanish and “creating small groups for support and that provide Eucharistic ministry, healing and conversion.” Together, these ideas reflected a shared vision of a more connected, compassionate and inclusive parish family—one that welcomes, serves, and unites all members of the Body of Christ.



### Lector Trainings

Lay readers (lectors) are entrusted with proclaiming the readings from Sacred Scripture at Mass and sometimes announcing the intentions for the Universal Prayers when a deacon is not present. There are upcoming Lector Trainings across our parish family. See the schedule below.

- A training was completed on December 6 at St. Joseph.
- December 11, 6:00 pm, Our Lady of Lourdes
- December 18, 6:00 pm, The Proto-Cathedral

Any current readers in need of a refresher are welcome to attend, as well as anyone who would like to join this important ministry. Please attend the training at the location where you would like to Lector.

For more information, please contact James Bartel the Pastoral Assistant for Liturgy and Music for Parish Family 45 at [music@protocathedral.org](mailto:music@protocathedral.org) or (360) 693-3052, Ext. 26.



### Listening Session Synthesis: Phase 1

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Parish Family Listening Sessions in October! Our Parish Family Advisory Council has finalized the Synthesis Report, recapping what was shared in these sessions. The full report is available in today's bulletin as well as on our parish family website at [parishfamily45.org](http://parishfamily45.org).



### Feast of the Immaculate Conception

This Monday, December 8th, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. We look forward to celebrating with you all! See Mass times around our Parish Family here:

- Proto-Cathedral of St. James the Greater: 12:10pm, 7:00 pm
- Our Lady of Lourdes: 9:00 am
- St. Joseph: 8:30 am, 7:00 pm (Spanish)

# Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

 **Dec 11/12**  **St. Joseph**

On December 11 & 12 we will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe! Please see the details for these celebrations below:

## December 11

- After the Holy Rosary at 7:00 pm, we will have a gathering with some sweet bread and hot chocolate in St. John Bosco at St. Joseph. All are welcome to attend!

## December 12 – Solemn Feast

- At 5:30 am in the morning a Holy Rosary will be prayed in the church at St. Joseph, followed by the Mañanitas with mariachi from 6:00 am to 8:00 am. After the mariachi, there will be a gathering in St. John Bosco with bread and hot chocolate.
- At 7:00 pm a Bilingual Mass will be offered at St. Joseph. After Mass, there will be a procession with the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe to Marian Hall. In Marian Hall, there will be danza in honor of the Virgin and a sharing of bread and hot chocolate. All altar servers are invited to join us wearing their albas.

We will begin a Novena in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 3rd, with the following schedule, at St. Joseph:

- December 3 – 7:00 PM – Church
- December 4 – 7:00 PM – SJB
- December 5 – 7:00 PM – Church
- December 6 – 7:00 PM – Church
- December 7 – 1:00 PM – Church
- December 8 – 6:00 PM – SJB
- December 9 – 7:00 PM – Church
- December 10 – 7:00 PM – Church
- December 11 – 7:00 PM – Church

## Volunteers and Donations

For more information, please contact Deacon José González at [360-696-4407](tel:360-696-4407) ext. 1229.

# Giving Trees for St. Vincent de Paul!

This Advent season, all three locations within our parish family will offer giving trees to help support St. Vincent de Paul. These Christmas trees will hold gift tags for children who do not have the usual luxuries we may enjoy. Please consider taking a tag and buying a gift.

- Our Lady of Lourdes: The giving tree can be found in the school lobby. Please return unwrapped gifts by Dec. 14 to the Parish Office from Monday through Friday and to the donation box in the school lobby on Saturdays and Sundays after Mass.
- Proto-Cathedral: The giving tree can be found at the front of the Proto-Cathedral. Please return your gifts to the box by the tree no later than Sunday, December 14.
- St. Joseph: The giving trees can be found in the Narthex. Please return your gifts to the trees where you took your tags by Sunday, December 14. The giving trees can be found in the Narthex. Any gift cards purchases should be brought to the Welcome Desk.





## Catholic Community Services Appeal for the Poor

Next weekend our parish family will take up a special collection for the CCS Appeal for the Poor. Every year CCS serves, on average, 100,000 poor and vulnerable people in Western Washington through more than 170 programs. This collection is used to support programs and services in our local area, and 92¢ of every dollar goes directly to serving those in need. To learn more about Catholic Community Services please visit [ccsww.org](http://ccsww.org). Thank you in advance for your generosity!



## Golden Fellowship Luncheon



**Dec 10**



**St. Joseph**

The Golden Fellowship Senior Lunch will resume on Wednesday, December 10 at St. Joseph! All 55+ are welcome to attend. Mass begins at 11:00 am, followed by a delicious lunch in Marian Hall, prepared by Chef Muggs and her team, and served by St. Joseph students. Suggested donation of only \$5. Please join us!

## Ofrenda at St. Joseph



**St. Joseph**

Throughout the month of November, we honored and remembered all those who have gone before us. If you placed a photo on the altar, you are free to take it back at any time. Photos are available for pickup at the welcome desk at St. Joseph in December.

## Winter Adult Confirmation Classes



**St. Joseph**

If you are a baptized Catholic over the age of 18 seeking to complete your Sacraments of Initiation (Confirmation and/or First Communion), you are invited to our next Adult Confirmation Preparation classes.

Introduction and Orientation session is on January 4, 2026, from 10:15 am to 11:15 am in Marian Hall (St. Kateri Room) at St. Joseph. Schedule of sessions and requirements will be handed out at this first session. The Confirmation Mass will be early May 2026.

No pre-registration required, but you must attend the first session on January 4, 2026. For further details, contact Debbie Adams ([adultfaithform@parishfamily45.org](mailto:adultfaithform@parishfamily45.org); 360-823-2831)

## Parish Lunch at Our Lady of Lourdes!



**Dec 13**



**Our Lady of Lourdes**

The next Parish Lunch at Our Lady of Lourdes will take place at 12:00 pm on Saturday, December 13 in the school gym. All are welcome, we hope you can join us!

## Knights of Columbus Breakfasts

Each of our three locations have upcoming Knights of Columbus Breakfasts in December! See the schedule here!

- Proto-Cathedral: St. Nicholas Breakfast on Sunday, December 7th to benefit Seminarian Support! Our full breakfast includes our Egg, Cheese & Sausage Scramble with Hash Browns, Fresh Fruit, Coffee, & Orange Juice after the 8:00 am and 10:30 am Masses at the Proto-Cathedral.
- Our Lady of Lourdes: Breakfast on Sunday, December 14 after Masses in the school gym!
- St. Joseph: Breakfast on Sunday, December 21 after 9:00 am and 11:30 am Masses!

## Greg's Mission Urgent Donation Need

There is an urgent need with winter coming for blankets, sleeping bags, sweatpants, hoodies, and hand warmers. Items can be dropped off at Our Lady of Lourdes office during office hours. Thank you for your support!

## Young Adult Advent Retreat



**Dec 20**



**Our Lady of Lourdes**

Adults aged 18 - 39 are invited to a retreat on December 20th titled, "Patiently Waiting in Hope". This retreat will be from 11:00 am – 5:00 pm at the Our Lady of Lourdes Pastoral Center. Enjoy talks by Fr Kyle and a guest speaker, as well as lunch, prayer time, and small group sharing. There is a suggested donation of \$10. Please join us! Visit [parishfamily45.org/events/young-adult-retreat](http://parishfamily45.org/events/young-adult-retreat) to RSVP.

## La Pastorela (The Sheep of Bethlehem)



**Dec 19**



**St. Joseph**

Join us on Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in Marian Hall at St. Joseph for La Pastorela! Huellas Migrantes presents La Pastorella, a story of unity, understanding, and resilience that will lead you to reflect and undoubtedly, to understand the true meaning of Christmas.

## OTHER HAPPENINGS

### Winter Hospitality Overflow (WHO) Shifts

Thanks to all of you who volunteered at WHO during the week Parish Family 45 was committed to fill all the shifts, you all did a great job! During the month of December, no faith community has responsibility for covering all the shifts, and the need to be present to our neighbors who live at WHO is still great. If you are interested in serving again or missed doing it last time, please visit [parishfamily45.org/who](http://parishfamily45.org/who) to sign up. We will have another week in March when we will be responsible for filling the shifts again, so this is extra help, but much needed. Thank you.

### St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Donations

Thank you for all your gently used clothing donations this past year to Vancouver St. Vincent de Paul! Due to space limitations in our facility, we must limit the amount of clothing donations during the month of December. We can only accept warm coats, blankets, men's clothing, hats, scarves, new socks, and underwear. Thank you for your understanding. We will continue to take non-perishable food, hygiene items, and the above warm winter items. Our location is 2456 NE Stapleton Road, Monday – Friday 10 AM to 3PM. Please visit [svdpvancouverusa.org](http://svdpvancouverusa.org) to learn more or call 360-694-5388.

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