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Church Remodeling—Phase I Milestones

December 07	January 08	February 08	May 08	June 08
Pour interior on grade slabs; Lay Exterior block bearing walls; Parish sign names on beams.	Erect structural steel and decking	Roofing installation completed	Complete interior sheet rocking and finishes.	Move into Phase II!

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Esta semana la Iglesia celebra dos de las grandes fiestas en honor de la Santísima Virgen María: el 8, la Inmaculada Concepción (Patrona de los Estados Unidos); y el 12, Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe (Madre y Patrona de Las Américas). Hablemos un poco de la razón y sentido de nuestra devoción a María. Nuestra devoción se basa en la fe en la Palabra y obrar de Dios. "Al llegar la plenitud de los tiempos, envió Dios a su Hijo, nacido de mujer" (Gálatas 4,4). El culto mariano, nos dice Juan Pablo II, se funda en la admirable decisión divina de vincular para siempre, como recuerda el apóstol Pablo, la identidad humana del Hijo de Dios a una mujer, María de Nazaret. Los textos evangélicos atestiguan la presencia del culto mariano ya desde los principios de la Iglesia. Los dos primeros capítulos del evangelio de Lucas parecen recoger la atención particular que tenían hacia la Madre de Jesús los judeocristianos. Podemos captar en ellos las expresiones iniciales y las motivaciones del culto mariano, sintetizadas en las exclamaciones de Isabel "Bendita tú entre las mujeres (...) ¡Feliz la que ha creído que se cumplirían las cosas que fueron dichas de parte del Señor!" (Lc 1,42.45). Huellas de una veneración ya difundida en la primera comunidad cristiana se hallan presentes en el cántico del Magnificat: "desde ahora me felicitarán todas las generaciones" (Lc 1,48). El evangelio de Juan, señalando la presencia de María al inicio y al final de la vida pública de su Hijo, da a entender que los primeros cristianos tenían clara conciencia del papel que desempeña María en la obra de la Redención. El Concilio Vaticano II, al subrayar el carácter particular del culto mariano, afirma: "María, exaltada por la gracia de Dios, después de su Hijo, por encima de los ángeles y hombres, como la santa Madre de Dios, que participó en los misterios de Cristo, es honrada con razón por la Iglesia con un culto especial... En efecto, desde los tiempos más antiguos, se venera a la Santísima Virgen con el título de Madre de Dios, bajo cuya protección se acogen los fieles suplicantes en todos sus peligros y necesidades" (Lumen Gentium, 66). Esta afirmación es confirmada por la iconografía y la doctrina de los Padres de la Iglesia, ya desde el siglo II. Después del Vaticano II, el culto mariano parece destinado a desarrollarse en armonía con la profundización del misterio de la Iglesia y en diálogo con las culturas contemporáneas, para arraigarse cada vez más en la fe y en la vida del Pueblo de Dios peregrino en la tierra. (Extractos de "Catequesis de Juan Pablo II: culto y devoción a la Virgen María", publicado en L'Osservatore Romano, edición semanal en lengua española, del 17-X-97).

Su amigo y servidor,
Padre Jesús Camacho

This week the church celebrates two of the biggest feasts in honor of our Blessed Virgin Mary: The 8th, the Immaculate Conception (Patroness of the United States); and the 12th, Our Lady of Guadalupe (Mother and Patroness of the Americas). Let's talk a little about the reason and the sense of our devotion to Mary. Our devotion is based on the faith and Word and work of God. "But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his son, born of a woman, born under the law." (Galatians 4:4). The Marian Culture, John Paul II Tells us, is based on the admirable divine decision to forever bind, as a reminder of the apostle Paul, the human identity of the son of God to a Woman, Mary of Nazareth. The Gospel Books witness the Marian Culture present since the beginning of times in the Church. The first two Chapters of the Gospel of Luke seem to capture the particular attention that the Judeo-Christians gave the Mother of Jesus. We can glean from them the initial expressions and motivations of a Marian Culture synthesized in the exclamations of Elizabeth, "Most blessed are



Church Remodeling—Phase II Milestones

July 08	August 08	September 08	October 08	December 08	January 09
Demolition— Center Section of existing Church	New Masonry— wall on 26th Street Side	Erect Structural Steel & Framing Install roofing	Reconstruct Floor System	Interior Sheet rocking & Finishes; Install Audio/Visual System; Remove Temporary wall between Phase I and II; tie finishes together.	Install Furnishings and move in!

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you among women (...) blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." (Luke 1:42,45). Signs of a diffused veneration in the first Christian community are seen in the Cantic of the Magnificat: "Behold from now on will all ages call me blessed." (Luke 1, 48). The Gospel of John indicates that Mary's presence, at the beginning and end of her son's public life, gives us the indication that the early Christians had a clear understanding of the role Mary played in the work of Redemption. The Second Vatican Council, as they underlined the particular character of the Marian Culture, affirmed: "Mary, exalted by the grace of God, after her Son, above the angels and men, as the Holy Mother of God who participated in the mysteries of Christ, she is honored with reason by the Church with a special culture...in effect, from the very early times, the blessed Virgin Mary is venerated with the title Mother of God, under whose protection the faithful take refuge in her with all of their dangers and necessities" (Lumen Gentium, 66). This affirmation is confirmed by iconology and doctrine of the Fathers of the Church since the second century. After Vatican II, the Marian culture seems to be destined to develop in harmony with the profoundness of the mystery of the church and in dialog with the contemporaneous cultures to strengthen itself each time more in the faith and in the life of the city of God journeying on Earth. (Extractions of "Catechesis of John Paul II: Cult and Devotion to the Virgin Mary", published in L'Osseratore Romano, weekly edition in Spanish Language, of 17-X-97).

Your friend and servant,
Fr. Jesús Camacho



Chocolate-dipped BLENHEIM apricots will once again be on sale next weekend from your Knights of Columbus. This California-grown apricot is most probably the best tasting dried apricot you will ever taste. **Proceeds will be used to support our Seminarian and Rachel's Vineyard Seminars.**

Catholic Charities of Idaho is having a diaper, baby blankets, and warm winter baby clothes drive for "New Comer" families in the Boise area. Please drop off the donations at the Catholic Charities office on 4202 W. Emerald St. during the month of December. If you would like more information please call Margaret Stewart at the Catholic Charities of Idaho office at 345-6031.

Housing and Jobs are needed for New Comers and their families. If you or anyone that you know is looking for help with work or has a house that they would like to rent, please call Margaret Stewart at the Catholic Charities of Idaho office at 345-6031 for more details.

WINE, WOMEN AND PSALMS. ADVENT SPECIAL EVENTS AT NAZARETH.

- **Friday, December 12th**, 7-9pm For men and women, Rev. Kenneth Hein, OSB, lectures on the history and significance of the psalms, wine and cheese tasting included. \$15/single & \$25/couple if reservations made before midnight of 12/4. \$20/person at the door.
Saturday, December 13th, 9am—4pm For women only. A day of retreat with Gloria Pettinger helping participants write about a landmark in their life—a story of praise, adoration, petition, lament, or thanksgiving. Prayer, quiet, reflection, music, guided meditation; breakfast and lunch provided, \$25/person. For information and reservations, please call Peg Wuelfing at 338-6535 or email MissionCentered@GMail.com.

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Scripture Readings

December 7—December 13

SUN.	Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 85:9-10-11-12, 13-14; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk 1:1-8
MON.	Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
TUES.	Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14
WED.	Is 40:25-31; Mt 11:28-30
THURS.	Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15
FRI.	Zec 2:14-17; Lk 1:26-38
SAT.	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

NEXT YOUTH MASS IN JANUARY 2009

With the arrival of Advent and the many activities that accompany it, we will take a break from monthly Youth Mass until January 24, 2009. If you haven't participated yet and want to get involved, let me know. If you have already participated and want to keep participating, let me know. All youth interested in being a lector must attend lector training, dates to be announced. Best wishes for a joyful Advent, Maureen O'Toole, maureenotoole@cableone.net

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

December 10th	St. John's
December 11th	Our Lady of the Rosary
December 15th	Risen Christ
December 16th	Sacred Heart
December 18th	St. Mark's
December 22nd	Holy Apostles

(All Services at 7 p.m.)

Basque Christmas Music in the Cathedral... Traditional Basque and American holiday music sung by the Biotzetik Basque Choir in the awe-inspiring setting of St. John's Cathedral (8th & Hays) on **Tuesday, Dec. 9 at 7:00 p.m.** Sing along with your favorite carols! No religious services - everyone and every age is welcome and admission is free. Goodies, coffee, punch and wine in the Parish Hall following the concert. A heart-warming evening to kick off your Christmas season.

CALENDAR – CALENDARIO

Sun., Dec. 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 a.m., Christmas Bazaar! (Gym) • 11 a.m., Rite of Acceptance (Church) • 6:30 p.m., Byzantine Rite Mass (Church)
Mon., Dec. 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 a.m., Knights of Columbus (Rm. A) • 8:30 a.m., Mass—Immaculate Conception of Mary (Gym)
Tues., Dec. 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 p.m., Alanon (Salón C)
Wed., Dec. 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7:45 p.m., Christian Meditation (Rm. A)
Thurs., Dec. 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 p.m., RCIA (Rm. D) • 7:00 p.m. School Music Program (Gym)
Fri., Dec. 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 a.m., Our Lady of Guadalupe (Mañanitas) (Church) • 6 a.m., Mass—Our Lady of Guadalupe (Church) • 7 a.m., Breakfast—Our Lady of Guadalupe Festivities (Gym) • 12 p.m., Centering Prayer (Rm. E) • 7 p.m., Mass—Our Lady of Guadalupe (Church); Reception to follow (Gym)
Sun., Dec. 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4:30 p.m., Moving Pews (Church) • 5:30 p.m., Pinochle Club (Gym)

The **St. Mary's Golden Agers** are having a White Elephant Gift exchange on **Monday, December 15 at 9:30 a.m.** at Elmer's on Fairview. Everyone welcome!



The Food Bank needs the following items: **Pancake syrup, Peanut Butter, Mayonnaise and Jello.** If you can help, please bring the food to Mass or drop it off at the Food Bank, 2945 Chinden Blvd.—near the corner of Chinden and 30th St.— (M, W, F: 1 p.m.- 3 p.m.).

***Contributions:** Nov. 29 & 30: \$7,139.62
Last Year: \$6,402.50

*Building Fund not included.

Advertiser of the Week—Kane & Tobiason, LLP—Attorneys at Law!

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December, 2008	5:00 PM	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Lector 1	Mary Johnson	Steve Thomas	Marina Edwards
Lector 2	Fran Wickham	Roger Vega	Bill Clayton
Priest Host 1			
Alt. Eucharistic M - Host 1	Mary Ann Hogg	Vic Haus	Ron Caron
Head Eucharistic M - Host 2	Rod Jaszkwiaak	Merikay Jost	Toni Post
Eucharistic Minister - Host 3	Ray Hoobing	Russ Calkins	Frank Casabonne
Eucharistic Minister - Host 4	Eileen Hoobing	Genie Calkins	Nicole Casabonne
Deacon - Alternate - Cup 1	Virginia Medek	Joan Haus	Janet Casabonne
Eucharistic Minister - Cup2	Jason Jaszkwiaak	Sandy Banta	Carolyn Crooks
Eucharistic Minister - Cup 3	Jan Winner	Roland Krueger	Karena Whitmore
Eucharistic Minister - Cup 4	Larry Winner	Kathy Vawter	Tom Ditter
Hospitality Captain	Miriam Adams	Jim McConville/Lorry Roberts	Billy/Fabia D'Souza
December 6/7 - 13/14			
Altar Server Cross Bearer	Danielle Murano	Elizabeth Thometz	Jim Harrison
Altar Server Candle Bearer	Gabi Harrington	Alison Pettyjohn	Joe Harrison
Altar Server Candle Bearer	Cheyenne Murano	Andrew Pfeiffer	Roman Campanella
December 20/21 - 27/28			
Altar Server Cross Bearer	Keaton Hanna	Troy Garcia	Trevor Meyer
Altar Server Candle Bearer	Madison Fyan	Cece Pratt	Audrey Nolan
Altar Server Candle Bearer	Parker Jones	Noah Elia	Sean O/Toole