**THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT:**
As we begin the Third Week of Advent, we anticipate Christmas, and so we ask Christ to grant us His grace that we might be prepared for welcoming His Birth. Gaudete Sunday, the Third Sunday of Advent, marks a traditional turning point in this period of preparation, and we see visually in the Advent wreath. Not only do we light more candles than we leave unlit for the first time in Advent—thus providing more light, symbolizing the light of Christ—but if our Advent wreath has a rose or pink candle, that’s the one that we light this week. The purple candles of the first two weeks (and of the fourth week) are symbols of penance, but the rose candle is a symbol of our coming joy.

**CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:**
- **Wednesday, Dec. 26th, St. Stephen: 9:00 am**
- **7:00pm, 9:00pm (Español), Midnight**
- **Sts. Joachim & Ann, Aldergrove Wed., Dec. 19th 7:00 pm**
- **St. Joseph’s, Mission**

**FEAST DAYS & READINGS DECEMBER 17TH TO DEC 23RD, 2018**

**Monday**
- 8:00am John Hanks, rip.
- 7:00pm Rupert Carderao, rip.
- **Wednesday 8:00am Barbara Skurupa, rip.**
- **Thursday 8:00am Neville Gomes, rip.**
- **Friday 8:00am Bruno & Lena Duzdik, rip.**
- **Saturday 9:00am Marilyn Leskun, rip.**
- **5:00pm Edward Haaf, rip.**
- **Sunday 8:00am Mary Blocha, rip.**
- **10:00pm Intentions for the Parish Noon Mike Silvestri, rip.**

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