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because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.*

*El Espíritu del Señor Dios está sobre mí.  
Me ha enviado para anunciar la buena nueva a los pobres.*

Ministerial Assignments	Date/Fecha	Sábado 5:30 pm Misa	Sun 8:30 am
Director of Worship	Dec 15-16 Dec 22-23	Evelia Edwin	Jeronimo Edwin
Altar Server/Acolyte/Acólitos	Dec 15-16 Dec 22-23	Janet y Tania Christian y Santiago	Grant & Marian Kayden & Tania
Audio/Visual	Dec 15-16 Dec 22-23	Eric Angel	Dominic & Ryan Geneva & Angely
Lector	Dec 15-16 Dec 22-23	Tania y Jeronimo Edwin y Rosa	Dan vanIngen Dan vanIngen
Palabra de Dios por los niños	Dec 15-16 Dec 22-23	Mariam y Cecilia Mariam y Cecilia	Mariam y Cecilia Mariam y Cecilia
Hospitality / Accommodadores	Dec 15-16 Dec 22-23	Angel y Evelia O Tania y Lulu F	Nick G. & Dennis R. Nick G. & Dennis R.
Communion Minister	Dec 15-16 Dec 22-23	Jeronimo y Alfredo Reyes Edwin y Roman	Jeronimo & Kathleen Edwin & Kathleen



Plan to attend our Christmas Eve celebration beginning with holy mass at 7:00 pm, Monday, December 24. Christmas Day will be celebrated at 9:00 am, Tuesday December 25 in the Unionville Church.

Celebre la Nochebuena en Santa María comenzando con la santa misa a las 7:00 pm, el lunes 24 de diciembre. El día de Navidad se celebrará a las 9:00 am, el martes 25 de diciembre en la iglesia de Unionville.

**Happy Birthday/ Feliz Cumpleanos...December/Diciembre** 9 Cody Weter; 10, Mary Bohle; 11, Jazelle Bahena; 12, Daniel Perales, Maira Gomez; 14, Lesli Bahena, Jessica Perez; 17, Maria Castaneda; 19 Daniel Hatcher; 23, Paula May, Xavier Bahena; 25, Rodrigo Martinez; 28, Jennifer Bahena.

**Anniversaries/Aniversarios...December/Diciembre** 1, Consuelo y Felipe Bahena, 27 años; 5, Teresa y Efen Lopez, 26 años; 7, Benjamin y Veronica Ochoa, 16 años.

## Weekly Readings

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**December 16, Sunday-Domingo**  
3rd Sunday of Advent

3° Domingo de Adviento

Zep/Sof 3:14-18a

Phil/Flp 4:4-7

Lk/Lc 3:10-18

**December 17, Monday-Lunes**

Gn 49:2, 8-10

Mt 1:1-17

**December 18, Tuesday-Martes**

Jer/Jr 23:5-8

Mt 1:18-25

**Dec. 19, Wednesday-Miércoles**

Jgs/Jc 13:2-7, 24-25a

Lk/Lc 1:5-25

**December 20, Thursday-Jueves**

Is 7:10-14

Lk/Lc 1:26-38

**December 21, Friday-Viernes**

Sg/Can 2:8-14

Lk/Lc 1:39-45

**December 22, Saturday-Sábado**

1 Sm/Sam 1:24-28

Lk/Lc 1:46-56

**December 23, Sunday-Domingo**  
4th Sunday of Advent

4° Domingo de Adviento

Mi/Miq 5:1-4a

Heb 10:5-10

Lk/Lc 1:39-45

## Mass Intentions

**Sat, December 15, 5:30 p.m.**

†Margarito Bahena

**Sun, December 16, 8:30 a.m.**

Parish

**Sun, December 16, 10:30 a.m.**

†Dorothy Lutz

**Sat, December 22, 5:30 p.m.**

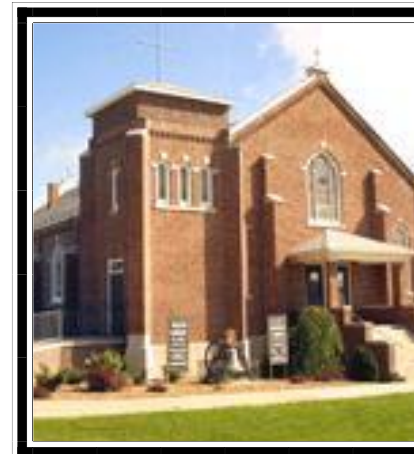
La Familia Gomez

**Sun, December 23, 8:30 a.m.**

†David Watt

**Sun, December 23, 10:30 a.m.**

Parish



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## Third Sunday of Advent, Year C, Tercer Domingo de Adviento, el año C del Evangelio de San Lucas December / Diciembre 15/16, 2018

*From Deacon John...*

*The crowds ask John the Baptist what evidence is required to prove repentance? John replies naming concrete actions: crowds should share their food and cloaks; tax collectors should be just; soldiers should act fairly. When the crowd begins to wonder if John might be the Messiah, he makes it clear that his ministry is in preparation for the Messiah. John's teaching suggests that each person has a role to play. It is the great mystery of our salvation that God permits and even asks for human cooperation in his divine plans.*

*Las multitudes le preguntan a Juan el Bautista qué evidencia se requiere para probar arrepentimiento? John responde nombrando acciones concretas: las multitudes deben compartir su comida y sus capas; los recaudadores de impuestos deben ser justos; Los soldados deben actuar de manera justa. Cuando la multitud comienza a preguntarse si Juan podría ser el Mesías, deja claro que su ministerio está en preparación para el Mesías. La enseñanza de John sugiere que cada persona tiene un papel que desempeñar. Es el gran misterio de nuestra salvación que Dios permite e incluso pide la cooperación humana en sus planes divinos.*

## Weekly Schedule of Services

Mass Saturday in Spanish / Sábado en Español, Milan 5:30 p.m.

Mass Sunday in English / Domingo en Inglés

Milan 8:30 a.m. — Unionville 10:30 a.m.

Evening Vespers with Communion: Wed, 5:30 p.m.

Reconciliation, Saturday, 4:30-5:15 p.m. & by appointment

## Pastoral Council

Gary Drummond, [councilPresident@stmarymilan.com](mailto:councilPresident@stmarymilan.com)

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Mariam Camacho, Cecelia Pacheco, *Youth*; Roman Bahena, *Social Justice*; John Mino, Al-

fredo Reyes, Rex May, Teresa Blair, *Stewardship*; Lety Curiel, Jean Nee, *Altar Society*;

Edwin Pacheco, Roman Bahena, *San Juan Bautista*

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### Bishop McKnight's December prayer intention for our Local Church

*"For the blessing of family life; that as a community we may safeguard this basic cell of society in public policy, and as a Church we may support those struggling to provide a home filled with faith, hope and love."*

### Statement on updated list of credibly accused or removed from ministry in the Diocese of Jefferson City Bishop W. Shawn McKnight, December 16, 2018

On November 8, I provided to the people of our Diocese and the public a list of 33 priests and religious brothers who have either been credibly accused or removed from ministry in the Diocese of Jefferson City out of concern for the safety of our youth. Today, I am providing an updated list. With this update, two names are added to those who have been credibly accused of abuse and one name, which is of a priest who was removed from ministry out of safety concerns, has now been determined to be credibly accused of abuse. This update is the result of information we received after our November 8 release and recent action by the Diocesan Review Board.

The three priests are: Don Greene, deceased; Mel Lahr, removed from ministry because of a credible allegation of violation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People; and Robert Duesdieker, whose removal from ministry now results from a credible allegation of violation of the Charter. (*Entire statement available at [diojeffcity.org](http://diojeffcity.org)*)

### Intensión del mes de diciembre del Obispo McKnight por nuestra Iglesia Local

*"Por la bendición de la vida familiar; que como comunidad podamos salvaguardar esta célula básica de la sociedad en la política pública, y como Iglesia podamos apoyar a aquellos que luchan por brindar un hogar lleno de fe, esperanza y amor."*

## Calendar of Events

Sat, Dec 15 5:30 pm	Los músicos del coro con Enrique Castro, Milan iglesia
Sat, Dec 15 5:30 pm	Palabra de Dios por los niños, Milan Iglesia
Sun, Dec 16 8:30 am	The Third Sunday of Advent Milan Church
Sun, Dec 16 8:30 am	Children's Liturgy of the Word Milan Church
Sun, Dec 16 4:00 pm	Clases RCIC Milan salón parroquial
Dec 16 - 23 7:00 pm	Las Posadas Milan Salón
Mon, Dec 17 6-8:00 pm	Student Assistance Milan Hall, East Classroom
Tue, Dec 18 6:00 pm	Práctica de los músicos del grupo de oracion, Milan salón
Wed, Dec 19 9-10:00 am	Aerobics, Milan Parish Hall
Wed, Dec 19 4:30 pm	PSR Grades 3 to 6 Milan Video Classroom
Wed, Dec 19 5:30 pm	Evening Prayer-Vesperas Milan Church
Wed, Dec 19 6:00 pm	Práctica musical para coro con Jan, Milan Church
Wed, Dec 19 8-10:00 pm	AA-Al Anon, Milan Parish Hall
Thu, Dec 20 6:00 pm	Práctica de los músicos del grupo de oracion, Milan iglesia.
Thu, Dec 20 7:00 pm	El grupo de oracion. Todos estan invitados. Milan basement
Fri, Dec 21 9-10:00 am	Aerobics, Milan Parish Hall

Giving and Spending	Last 30 Days	Year To Date
Collections	\$8,312	\$44,737
Bills Paid	\$9,223	\$40,510
Balance	\$-911	\$4,227

## Question of the Week

*3rd Sunday Advent – Luke 3:10-18*

**Key Passage:** The crowds asked John the Baptist, 'What should we do?' He replied: 'Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise.' Soldiers asked and he told them: 'Do not practice extortion, do not falsely accuse anyone and be satisfied with your wages.'

**Question for adults:** If people in your peer group would ask John the Baptist "What should we do?" what might he say?

**Question for children:** What do you think John the Baptist might say to you today to prepare for the coming of Jesus?

## Pregunta de la Semana

*3° Domingo de Adviento -- Lucas 3:10-18*

**Pasaje Crucial:** En aquel tiempo, la gente le preguntaba a Juan el Bautista: "¿Qué debemos hacer?" Él contestó: "Quien tenga dos túnicas, que dé una al que no tiene ninguna, y quien tenga comida, que haga lo mismo".

**Pregunta para los adultos:** Si las personas de su grupo de pares le preguntaran a Juan el Bautista "¿Qué debemos hacer?", ¿Qué podría decir?

**Pregunta para los niños:** ¿Qué crees que Juan el Bautista podría decirte hoy para prepararte para la venida de Jesús?

## Events Continued...

Sat, Dec 22 5:00 pm	Los músicos del coro con Jan, Milan iglesia
Sun, Dec 8:30 am	4th Sunday of Advent Milan Church
Sun, Dec 23 6-7:00 pm	Youth Group Milan Video Classroom
Mon, Dec 24 7:00 pm	Christmas Eve Mass Milan Church
Tue, Dec 25 9:00 am	Christmas Day Mass Unionville Church

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**Happy Birthday:** December 13, Richard Savage; 21, Sophia Villarreal; 24, Jenna Knowles.

**Wedding Anniversaries:** December no recorded anniversaries.

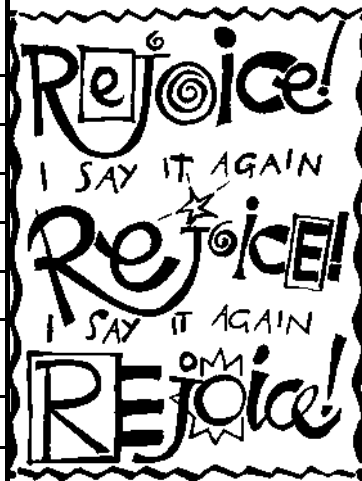
Giving and	Last 30	Year
Collections	\$3,112	\$19,202
Bills Paid	\$3,054	\$14,954
Balance	\$58	\$4,248

We lift up to the Lord all who enter the eternal peace of Christ. We pray too, for all the sick, especially Father Ed Doyle, Gary Drummond, Megan Worley and all those battling cancers. May the healing

mercy of almighty God always provide their every need. We pray for those who struggle with grief or addictions, those who feed the world, and those who labor to provide our well being, especially first responders and military.

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Ministers Assignments	December 2018
Lead Rosary	Melba Hackney
Director of Worship	Kay Bonifazi
Acolyte	Ed, Edwin, Jerónimo
Lector	Gene Brummer
Hospitality	Marty and Janet
Communion Ministers	Margaret Szucs Janoah Medecce
Church Cleaning	Bill and Joy Bovy
Plants/Decorate	Mary and Kathleen
Supplies	Mary Greinert



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### Third Sunday of Advent, Year C Sunday, December 16, 2018

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#### December 17, Monday

Gn 49:2, 8-10

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Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a

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#### December 20, Thursday

Is 7:10-14

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Sg 2:8-14

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#### December 23, 4th Sun Advent

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*The crowds ask John the Baptist for specifics. What evidence is required to prove their repentance? John replies by naming concrete actions: crowds should share their food and cloaks; tax collectors should be just; soldiers should act fairly. The concern for justice is a hallmark of this Gospel.*

*When the crowd begins to wonder if John the Baptist might be the Messiah, he makes it clear that his ministry is in preparation for the Messiah. John the Baptist knows his place and role in God's plan of salvation. John's teaching suggests that each person has a role to play in salvation. It is the great mystery of our salvation that God permits and even asks for human cooperation in his divine plans.*

Rosary Sunday, 10:00 a.m.  
Mass Sunday in English  
Milan 8:30 a.m.— Unionville 10:30 a.m.

Reconciliation, Sunday following mass, or by individual appointment.  
Infant Baptism Preparation, Marriage Preparation or Adult Initiation by appointment with Deacon John.

## Thomas Merton enjoys greater influence 50 years after death

By Sr Bernadette Mary Reis, fsp, December 13, 2018

*Fifty years have passed since the death of Thomas Merton, one of the greatest American spiritual figures of the 20th century, yet his influence is “wider now than when he was alive”.*

**(Vatican News)** On December 10, 1968, Thomas Merton died. This famous pacifist, Catholic convert, Trappist monk, spiritual writer, and comparative religion scholar has more influence now than when he lived. Brother Paul Quenon, a Trappist monk from Gethsemani Abbey, the

tape recorder to record numerous chants”, Br Paul said. An Archdiocesan liturgy commemorating the anniversary was celebrated Monday evening. Archbishop Joseph Kurtz was joined by the Abbey’s Abbot, Dom Elias Deitz, and other priests from the Archdiocese of Louisville.

### Prayer of Thomas Merton

My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it. Therefore will I trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone. Amen



same abbey where Thomas Merton lived, shared with Vatican News how the monks there celebrated the anniversary and how Thomas Merton’s memory still lives on.

### Merton’s anniversary

Br Paul said that the monks at Gethsemani Abbey celebrated the 50th anniversary of Thomas Merton’s death during Mass on Monday. During the noon meal, the monks heard a recording of Thomas Merton singing Gregorian Chant. Thomas Merton “loved Gregorian [Chant]. When he was living in the hermitage he used a

### Wider influence now

“Merton’s influence is wider now than when he was alive”, Br Paul says. His “legacy seems to expand, and four or five books are published each year.... Of course, Pope Francis’ recommendation of Merton to a joint session of Congress was a surprise and delight.

Many Americans had never heard of Merton, but many soon began making inquiries”, Br Paul said. Men and women considering a monastic vocation generally read something written by Merton.

*(Merton continued)* Although there are other authors to choose from, Br Paul says that Thomas Merton is still “prominent” among them. Nationwide conferences including presentations on Thomas Merton manifest an ongoing, “thriving interest in Merton”, Brother Paul attests.

### Inter-religious appeal

Thomas Merton influenced his own Trappist Order, Br Paul explained. “His emphasis on contemplation and experience in prayer have helped to shift the focus of the Order from penitential life to contemplative living”. Beyond his own Order, both non-Catholic and non-Christian “spiritual seekers embrace Merton as someone who understands them and who can speak the language of the heart. His own broad grasp of the Catholic tradition and his years in the monastery lend a tone of authority to his writing, without being authoritarian”. Br Paul gave a concrete example of his continuing influence in secular circles. A “Buddhist stupa and a Christian labyrinth in honour of the Dalai Lama and Thomas Merton” were recently constructed in a park at Spalding University in Louisville.

### KY and US remember Merton

Thomas Merton is also being remembered outside Abbey walls. Br Paul provided 35 photographs on loan to the Carnegie Centre for Literacy and Learning. Some of the best Kentucky writers” contributed poetry and prose in an evening dedicated to Merton’s memory at the Carnegie Centre which will host another event connected with the 50th anniversary on 18 January 2019. Since “Merton is an established figure in the ranks of American authors and spiritual writers”, celebrations also occurred throughout the US and articles appeared in newspapers and magazines.

## Calendar of Events

Sun, Dec 16 10:00 am	3rd Sun. of Advent Unionville Church
Wed, Dec 19	No Evening Prayer during winter time
Sun, Dec 23 10:00 am	Holy Rosary Unionville Church
Sun, Dec 23 10:00 am	4th Sun. of Advent Unionville Church
Mon Dec 24 7:00 pm	Christmas Eve Mass Milan Church
Tue Dec 25 9:00 am	Christmas Day Mass Unionville Church

## Mass Intentions

Sun Dec 16, 10:30	†Dorothy Lutz
Sat Dec 22, 5:30p	Gomez Family
Sun Dec 23, 8:30a	†David Watt
Sun Dec 23, 10:30	Parish

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