

*Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths:
all flesh shall see the salvation of God.*

*Preparen el camino del Señor, hagan rectos sus senderos,
Y todos los hombres verán al Salvador.*

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We do need your support and your stewardship. For your safety and convenience, you may donate on the parish web-site or start your phone camera and scan this QR Code.

May God continue his blessings upon us. If you have questions, call Deacon John at 660 265-4110.

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We lift up to the Lord all who have died. We are especially grateful for those who feed, house and clothe the world, and those who labor selflessly for our safety, growth and well being.

Happy Birthday / Feliz Cumpleanos...December/Diciembre 3, Emir Bahena; **6**, Susie Gardener; **7**, Elena Bueno; **9**, Cody Weter; **10**, Mary Bohle; **11**, Jazelle Bahena; **12** Maira Gomez; **14**, Leslie Bahena, Jessica Perez; **17**, Maria Castaneda; **19**, Daniel Hatcher; **23**, Xavier Bahena, Paula May; **25**, Rodrigo Martinez; **28**, Jennifer Bahena.

Anniversaries / Aniversarios...December/Diciembre 1, Felipe y Consuelo Bahena, 29 años; **5**, Efren y Teresa Lopez, 28 años; **7**, Benjamin y Veronica Ochoa, 18 años.

Todos son dispensados de su obligación dominical de asistir a misa por parte del obispo Shawn, siempre que vean la misa dominical transmitida desde Santa María, la Catedral o el Vaticano; o leer y meditar en las lecturas dominicales y rezar el rosario o la Coronilla de la Misericordia. Las personas en riesgo durante esta crisis, especialmente las de 65 años o más, deben considerar seriamente el uso de la dispensación. La transmisión de la liturgia de cada semana continúa en stmary.church/masses, facebook.com/stmary.life.

Necesitamos su apoyo y su corresponsabilidad. Puede donar en el sitio web de la parroquia o enciende la cámara de tu teléfono y escanea este Código QR. Si tiene preguntas, llame al 660 265-4110.

El 11 de noviembre, el obispo Shawn revisó su Decreto Pastoral sobre la Actividad Parroquial para incluir una directiva que hasta nuevo aviso, los eventos parroquiales públicos se restringirán únicamente a los eventos que incluyen la celebración de la Santa Misa.

Seguimos elevando al Señor a todos los que han muerto. Estamos agradecidos por quienes alimentan, albergan y visten al mundo, y por quienes trabajan por nuestra seguridad y bienestar.

Weekly Readings

www.usccb.org/bible/readings

Dec. 6, Sunday-Domingo
Second Sunday of Advent
Segundo Domingo de Adviento

Is 40:1-5, 9-11

2 Pt/Pd 3:8-14

Mk/Mc 1:1-8

Dec. 7, Monday-Lunes
Saint Ambrose / San Ambrosio

Is 35:1-10

Lk/Lc 5:17-26

Dec. 8, Tuesday-Martes

Immaculate Conception

Gn 3:9-15, 20; Eph/Ef 1:3-6, 11-12

Lk/Lc 1:26-38

Dec. 9, Wednesday-Miércoles

Is 40:25-31

Mt 11:28-30

Dec. 10, Thursday-Jueves

Is 41:13-20

Mt 11:11-15

Dec. 11, Friday-Viernes

Is 48:17-19

Mt 11:16-19

Dec. 12, Saturday-Sábado

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Zec/Za 2:14-17

Lk/Lc 1:26-38

Dec. 13, Sunday-Domingo

Third Sunday of Advent

Tercer Domingo de Adviento

Is 61:1-2, 10-11

1 Thes/Ts 5:16-24

Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Mass Intentions

Sat, December 5, 4:30 p.m.

†Jim Bonifazi

Sun, December 6, 8:30 a.m.

First Communion Candidates

Sun, December 6, 11:00 a.m.

Parish

Sat, December 12, 4:30 p.m.

†Connie Knowles

Sun, December 13, 8:30 a.m.

Parish

Sun, December 13, 11:00 a.m.

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Second Sunday of Advent, Year B Segundo Domingo de Adviento, el año B Gospel of St. Mark / El Evangelio de San Marcos December / Diciembre 6, 2020

From Deacon John...

Peter describes the kindness of the Father, saying God "is patient with you, not wishing that anyone should perish but that all should come to repentance." Yet, there is this warning: "The Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar... and the earth and everything on it will be found out." How do we manage these two, the merciful love and the privilege of discipleship? Peter tells us we should conduct ourselves "in holiness and devotion." Is this not the goal of Advent, living lives focused on Christ, in gratitude for all He has done. John the Baptist instructs us to "prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." We need to make good use of the time we have been given this Advent season. We can honor both the mercy and justice of God, and yet be prepared to celebrate giving account for all His gifts.

San Pedro describe la bondad del Padre, diciendo que Dios "es paciente contigo, no deseando que nadie perezca, sino que todos procedan al arrepentimiento". Sin embargo, existe esta advertencia: "El Señor vendrá como un ladrón, y luego los cielos pasarán con un gran rugido ... y la tierra y todo lo que hay en ella será descubierto". ¿Cómo manejamos estos dos, el amor misericordioso y el privilegio del discipulado? Pedro nos dice que debemos comportarnos "en santidad y devoción". ¿No es esta la meta del Adviento, vivir vidas enfocadas en Cristo, en gratitud por todo lo que ha hecho? Juan el Bautista nos instruye a "preparar el camino del Señor, enderezar sus sendas". Necesitamos hacer un buen uso del tiempo que se nos ha dado en esta temporada de Adviento. Podemos honrar tanto la misericordia como la justicia de Dios y, sin embargo, estar preparados para celebrar dando cuenta de todos sus dones.

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Background on the Gospel Reading

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Bishop McKnight's December prayer intention for our Local Church

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Intención del mes de diciembre del Obispo McKnight por nuestra Iglesia Local

Por los hijos e hijas de la Iglesia. Para que seamos la luz del amor de Dios para el mundo a través de nuestra caridad sacrificial por aquellos en necesidad, especialmente los niños del mundo.

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Family Connection

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As John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus, Baptism commissions us to prepare the way of the Lord. The gift of the Holy Spirit leads us to continually renew our lives so that we might lead others to Jesus. What action might you take this week to try to be a more faithful follower of Jesus?

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2 Peter

| Giving and Spending | Last 30 Days | Year To Date |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Weekly Collections | \$5,748 | \$29,971 |
| Bills Paid | \$4,863 | \$37,925 |
| Balance | \$855 | -\$7,954 |

Question of the Week

Advent Week Two — Mark 1:1-8

Key Passage: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths"... "one mightier than I is coming after me... he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

Question for adults: What has been your preparation to date for Christ's coming?

Question for children: How do you show Jesus that He is in your life?

Pregunta de la Semana

2º Domingo de Adviento -- Marcos 1, 1-8

Pasaje Crucial: "Preparen el camino del Señor, enderecen sus senderos"... Ya viene detrás de mí uno que es más poderoso que yo... el los bautizara con el Espíritu Santo."

Pregunta para los adultos: ¿Cuál ha sido tu preparación hasta la fecha para la venida de Cristo ?

Pregunta para los niños: ¿Cómo se muestra a Jesús que Él es en su vida?

Calendar of Events

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| Sun, Dec 6 8:30 am | Advent, 2nd Sunday mass stream from Milan at stmary.church |
| Sun, Dec 6 11:00 am | 2º Domingo de Adviento misa y en vivo de Milan a stmary.church |
| Dec 6 to 12 7:00 pm | Novena en vivo de stmary.church |
| Mon, Dec 7 7:00 pm | Immaculate Conception, bilingual mass in Milan and Livestream at stmary.church |
| Tue, Dec 8 8:00 am | Immaculate Conception mass in Unionville |
| Sun, Dec 13 8:30 am | Advent 3rd Sunday mass stream from Milan at stmary.church |
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| Bills Paid | \$1,631 | \$13,344 |
| Balance | -\$105 | \$578 |



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Because of public health regulations, we may not be able to seat everyone who wishes to attend mass. If you have questions, call Deacon John at (660) 265-4110.

We lift up to the Lord all those who have died, may they enjoy the fullness of Christ. As this pandemic continues in our communities, we pray too, for those suffering from illness, disease or stress, especially those touched by this massive public health crisis. May we be strong and persistent in our desire to live our faith. As the gospel reminds us, the kingdom of heaven is an unimaginable reward to be pursued.



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**The Second Sunday of Advent
Year B, Sunday, December 6, 2020**

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Lk 5:17-26

Dec. 8, Tuesday

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Please make any unmet need of the local community known to Father Pat or one of the deacons. Acting together, we will work to expand the bounty of the harvest for every neighbor.

Birthdays: December 13, Richard Savage; 24, Jenna Knowles.

Anniversaries: December: No Anniversaries recorded

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Mass Intentions

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| Sat, Dec 5, 4:30p | †Jim Bonifazi |
| Sun Dec 6, 8:30a | First Communion |
| Sun Dec 6, 11:00a | Parish |
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| Tue, Dec 7 7:00 pm | Immaculate Conception, Mass in Milan |
| Tue, Dec 8 8:00 am | Holy Day of Obligation, The Immaculate Conception, Mass in Unionville |
| Wed, Dec 9 6:30 pm | All non-mass events cancelled by COVID-19 No Evening prayer |
| Sat, Dec 12 4:30 pm | 3rd Sun. of Advent Mass in Unionville |
| Sun, Dec 13 8:30 am | 3rd Sunday Advent mass in Milan and livestream at stmary.church |
| Sun, Dec 13 11:00 am | 3° de Adviento Misa en Milan y Misa en vivo a stmary.church |
| Wed, Dec 16 | No Evening Prayer |

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