



Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 22, 2019

They shall name him Emmanuel,
which means "God is with us."

— Matthew 1:23



12/15/2019 Weekly Offering : Loose Change: \$1,012.77 Envelopes: \$1,325.00 Total: \$2,337.77

Saturday, Dec. 21 6:00 PM

- † GUADALUPE GUTIERREZ (Birth. Mass) by family
- † SELFA HINOJOSA (2nd Anniv) by M/M Ramon Garcia, Jr. & family
- † ERASMO VALDEZ by wife & children
- † MANUEL C. SOLIS, JR. by Felipe & Hilda S. Ramirez & family

Sunday, Dec. 22

7:30 A.M.

- † MARTIN A. VALDEZ, JR. by M/M David Luera & family
- † ANICETO P. PEREZ by M/M Johnny Hughes

11:30 A.M.

- † EVANGELINA PARR (9th Anniv) by family
- † ERIC MIGUEL GALVAN by M/M Abel Aragon
- † MAURICIO V. MENDOZA, III by M/M Rogelio Santos
- † SANTIAGO RAMON SENDEJO, JR. (39th Anniv) by Rodolfo Sendejo & family

† FOR ALL THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE LICHTENBERGER FAMILY by Estella Lichtenberger Juarez & family

7:00 P.M.

- † JULIA O. GARCIA by M/M Ruben Lopez
- † RAUL S. SERMA, JR. by Thelma U. Saenz & family

Monday Dec. 23 No Mass

Tuesday Dec. 24 7:00 PM Christmas Eve

- † Yolanda Barrera by Kathie Hinojosa
- † Trinidad B. Rangel by Fernando & Elva Trevino

Wed. Dec. 25 9:00 AM Christmas Day

- † SANTIAGO R. SENDEJO, JR. & SANTIAGO RAMON SENDEJO, SR. by Rodolfo Sendejo & family
- † ARNOLDO TUNCHEZ by M/M Loreto Trejo

Thursday Dec. 26 6:00 PM

- † ERIC MIGUEL GALVAN (Birth Mass) by Balde & Lela Vasquez & family
- † PHILIP RODRIGUEZ by Celina & Ricardo Salinas

Friday Dec. 27 7:00 AM

- † DAVID G. VALERIO by M/M Gilberto Valerio
- † MARIA ORALIA SALINAS by M/M Ruben Rangel & family

Saturday, Dec. 28 6:00 PM

- † MARGARITA LASO by M/M Ray Santos
- † HERBERTO GARZA (2nd Anniv) by Rosie, Beto & Adrian Garza
- † DELIA G. LOPEZ (20th Anniv) by Lopez & Luera family & Cleo and family
- † ELMIRA GUERRA by Maria & Jaime Garza
- † PAUL BARRERA by M/M Loreto Trejo

Sunday, Dec. 29

7:30 A.M.

- † ROGELIO P. LASO, SR. by M/M Luisano Suarez
- † ANTONIO P. IBARRA by Henri & Rosie Garcia

11:30 A.M.

- † ALEJANDRO SAENZ by family
- † ELMA R. GARCIA by M/M Rogelio Munoz
- † ROBERTO RENE SAENZ II by Ned & Natalie Luna
- † RAFAEL & LYDIA GONZALEZ by Jose & Juanita Gonzalez
- † GENOVEVA QUINTANILLA (5th Anniv) by family

7:00 P.M.

- † REYNALDO VIDAL by Lynette Lichtenberger
- † GREGORIO D. LONGORIA by M/M Luciano Suarez

Altar Servers please follow your schedules.

LECTORS

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, 12/28/2019

6:00 P. M. Nelissa Perez Amada Hernandez

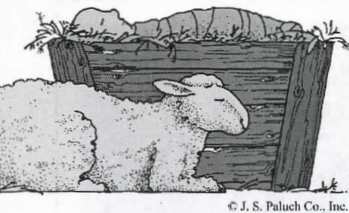
Sunday, 12/29/2019

7:30 A.M. Leo Ibarra/Ana Lopez
 11:30 A.M. Arby Perez Andreana Chapa
 7:00 P.M. Lala Perez/Elvira Trejo

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Elvira Maldonado, Margarito Maldonado, Sr., John C. Molina, Moses J. Gonzalez, Alejo Garcia, Frica Pizzini, Rene Hinojosa, Jr., Vanessa Garza Lowe, Madalia Morin, Leticia Garcia, Steve Duckwarth, Enriqueta Garcia, Diamantina (Tina) Luera, Ennie Molina Ramirez

- * If you are going to have surgery, please feel free to come by the rectory and receive the sacrament anointing of the sick.
- * The sick list will be made new every 6 months. In January and in July. If you need

ST. JOSEPH MISSION



Oscar Garcia/Mission Council President
Meetings held on last Thursday of the month at 7:00PM.
Elva G. Garcia/ President Altar & Rosary Society .
Meetings held on the first Sunday of the month after
9:30 a.m. Mass.



12/15/2019 Weekly Offerings: Loose Change : \$140.00 Envelopes: \$81.00 Total: \$221.00

Mass Intention for Sunday, Dec. 22, 2019, at 9:30 A. M. † JESUS HERNANDEZ, SR. by Manuelita Rojas † IRMA G. ESCOBAR by family † BELINDA M. MUNOZ by M/Mrs R. B. Barrera

Mass Intention for Sunday, Dec. 29, 2019, at 9:30 A. M. † DORA & AGAPITO GONZALEZ, SR. by Nancy Gonzalez & Son † RAUL & AGAPITO GONZALEZ, JR. by Nancy Gonzalez & Son.

Weekly Announcements

- Schedule for Christmas Masses are as follows for St. Francis and St Joseph Mission:

St. Joseph Mission-Palito Blanco : December 24 (Vigil Mass) — 5:00 PM

St. Francis de Paula Church: December 24 (Vigil Mass) —7:00 PM

December 25 (Christmas Day) —9:00 AM and 7:00 PM

- Anyone wishing to add a name to the prayer list for the sick or leave a name that is already on there, please call the office at 279-3596 during office hours. All names will be taken off at the end of the year.
- CCD classes are closed for the holidays. Sunday classes will resume on January 5th and Wednesday classes will resume January 8th. Students must continue to sign in after Mass during the holidays.
- Father Pasala would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas. May this Christmas fill your home with joy, peace and love at Christmas and all year long. Anyone wishing to leave a Christmas card for Father, can place it in the red box at the entrance of church or drop it off at the rectory mailbox.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — You will be given this sign: The virgin shall conceive and bear a son (Isaiah 7:10-14).

Psalm — Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory (Psalm 24).

Second Reading — God has called us to belong to Jesus Christ (Romans 1:1-7).

Gospel — The son born of Mary shall be called Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins (Matthew 1:18-24).

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TRUST IN GOD

On this final Sunday of Advent our scriptures focus on the historical birth of Jesus, who is son of David and Son of God, child and king, Jesus and Emmanuel.

Isaiah the prophet begs Ahaz to ask for a sign, to allow God to offer him reassurance of the survival of the Davidic dynasty. The king hypocritically refuses to "tempt the LORD" in that way (Isaiah 7:12), but the prophet foretells the birth of a son, an heir to the throne, who will prove the Lord's enduring protection of God's chosen lineage on the throne of David. The child will be called Emmanuel.

Matthew's reference to this history in his description of the birth of Jesus highlights the contrast between the faithless refusal of trust shown by Ahaz, and the complete trust in God shown by Mary and Joseph in bringing about the birth of Jesus Christ.