

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary

The Solemnity of the Immaculate conception of Mary will be celebrated on **Friday, December 8th**. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass schedule is as follows:



- Thursday, December 7th: (Vigil)**
6:00PM (English)
- Friday, December 8th:**
8:00 AM (English)
12:05 PM (English)
7:00 PM (Spanish)



Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 2

- 4:00 PM Frank & Elaine Kasper – In Honor of their Wedding Anniversary by Sherry Goelden

Sunday, December 3

- 8:00 AM Pro Populo
- 10:30 AM †George Conn by Joe & Doris Madden
- 12:15 PM †Rogelio De la Cruz Int. de la Familia De la Cruz
- 7:00 PM Novena Guadalupana

Monday, December 4

- 7:00 PM Novena Guadalupana

Tuesday, December 5

- 8:00 AM †Odilia Vargas by Lucy Krouskop
- 7:00 PM Novena Guadalupana

Wednesday, December 6

- 8:00 AM Lisa Mashnouk by James & Melody Zimmer
- 7:00 PM Novena Guadalupana

Thursday, December 7

- 6:00 PM In Honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 7:00 PM Novena Guadalupana

Friday, December 8 (Immaculate Conception)

- 8:00 AM Ma. Concepcion Carmona
- 12:05 PM Pro Populo
- 7:00 PM En Honor de la Virgen María

Saturday, December 9

- 4:00 PM Rebecca & Felipe Caballero by James & Melody Zimmer
- 7:00 PM Novena Guadalupana

Sunday, December 10

- 8:00 AM Bella Sanchez by Paul & Karen Mathers
- 10:30 AM Pro Populo
- 12:15 PM †Juanita & †Rodolfo De la Cruz Int. de la Familia De la Cruz
- 7:00 PM Novena Guadalupana



Mass Intentions

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| ✠ Mass Intention Offering Envelope | |
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| ☐ Living ☐ Deceased | |
| Date Requested: | Date: |
| Requester: | |
| Please Specify: | |
| Amount: | ☐ One Request ☐ Other |
| Other: | Requested By: |

Sound Catholic practice encourages us to offer the Mass for the departed and for those in any need. To request a Mass to be offered, please visit the parish office or return to the

office a completed Mass intention card. Available cards are located in the foyer of the church.

Anointing of the Sick



Sacrament of Anointing

Because of the Privacy Act, hospitals and nursing homes are no longer able to provide a list of the Catholic patients/residents for the Churches use in order to visit and administer the

Sacraments of Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick. Therefore, I need your assistance when you have a family member who is hospitalized or in a nursing home. Please call Fr. Orosco at the Church Office at (972) 563-3643 so that I may be of assistance.

Prayer Requests



Richard Collier
 Richard Lozano Sr.
 Mike Gonzales
 Nancy Bardsley
 Curtis Rushing
 Paul Smith
 David Salinas
 Paul Gumler
 Olivia Nicole Yates
 Stanley Quist
 Sonia Rodriguez Cadena
 Brenda Larsen
 Carol Dossey
 Cindy Kinkaid
 Rosann Kinkaid
 Juan Cleto Castillo
 Patti Sikors Garrett
 Angel Gabriel Godinez
 Tomas Samuel Garcia
 Barbara Sikors Hendricks
 Becky Caballero
 Ma. del Refugio Mendoza
 Marianne Marsden
 Connie Schroeder
 Casandra Lopez Ramirez
 Luisa Regina Ramirez Pérez
 Jovita De la Garza
 Leslie Erickson
 Judy Aloï
 Gayla Jackson
 Oscar Ramirez Robles
 Felipe Caballero
 Maria Guillen
 Darlene Blankenship
 Bacilisa Garcia
 Vicki Stevens

Nick Morales, Sr.
 Lee Wilde
 James Dean
 Brenda Newburn
 Henry Taft
 Jesus Arteaga
 Jose Ivan Ramirez
 Mason Gumler
 Lois LaDay
 Joe Wages
 Ziggy
 Margaret Wages
 Sheila Wages
 Kevin Huggins
 Johnnie B. Malouf
 Pascual Meza
 Robert Repka, Sr.
 Michelle Elliott
 Crystal Sanchez
 JoAnn Martinez
 Warren Terry
 Elmer Marsden
 Odin Kizer
 Claire Taft
 Jackie Petricka
 Claudia Aronoff
 Efrain Valenzuela
 Colleen Eldred
 Shirley Taft
 Jose Aramil
 Bruce Leleux
 Jackie Hull
 Daniel Guillen
 Blaine Miller
 Consuelo Luna
 Bob Rowland

**Ministry Schedule for the Weekend of
 December 9/10**

Lectors:

Sat. 4:00pm Cathy Burton/Karen Mathers
 Sun. 8:00am Seth Jungman
 Sun. 10:30am Bill Bedrick/Donna Lain

Extraordinary Ministers

Sat. 4:00pm Joyce Salisbury/Rick Salisbury/Argie Benavidez
 Sun. 8:00am Melinda Sanchez/Paul Willy
 Lou Roberts/Donna Roberts
 Sun. 10:30am Bud McClure/Bill Bedrick
 Shelilah Dean/Tammy Guerra

Ushers:

Sat. 4:00pm Steve Ray*/Debbie P./Paul M./Michael G.
 Sun. 8:00am David Bendele*/Cindy K./Conrado A./Abby H.
 Sun. 10:30am Steve Hernandez*/Kevin P./Dennis C./Erik A.

This Week in our Parish

Sunday, December 3

9:15 AM R.E. classes
 7:00 PM Novena Guadalupana

Monday, December 4

1:00 PM Crochet Ministry @ Casa St. John
 7:00 PM Novena Guadalupana

Tuesday, December 5

8:00 AM Daily Mass
 6:30 PM R.E. classes
 7:00 PM Novena Guadalupana

Wednesday, December 6

8:00 AM Daily Mass
 6:30 PM R.E. classes
 6:45 PM **NO** Hora Santa
 7:00 PM Novena Guadalupana

Thursday, December 7

6:00 PM Mass (**VIGIL MASS**)
 7:00 PM RCIA @ Parish Center
 7:00 PM Novena Guadalupana

Friday, December 8 (IMMACULATE CONCEPTION)

8:00 AM Mass
 12:05 Mass
 7:00 PM Misa

Saturday, December 9

7:00 PM Novena Guadalupana

Sunday, December 10

7:00 PM Novena Guadalupana



Calendar for December:

Sunday Classes: 3rd, 10th, & 17th (No classes on 24th & 31st)

Tuesday Classes: 5th, 12th, 19th (No classes on 26th)

Wednesday Classes: 6th, 13th, & 20th (No classes on 27th)



VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED FOR THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM. IF YOU CAN HELP PLEASE CALL MICHELLE AT 972-563-3643.

Pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with a concealed handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a concealed handgun.

Pursuant to Section 30.07, Penal Code (trespass by license holder with an openly carried handgun), a person licensed under Subchapter H, Chapter 411, Government Code (handgun licensing law), may not enter this property with a handgun that is carried openly.

First Week of Advent



Sunday is the beginning of a new liturgical year with the **First Sunday of Advent**. The first reading from the **Prophet Isaiah** as the people repent before God: “Would that you might meet us doing right, that we were mindful of you in our ways!” **Mark's gospel** offers the image of the master who leaves his servants in charge while he is away. Be watchful! Be alert!

Friday is the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**.

During the first part of Advent - until December 17 - we focus on the first reading. This week it is from the **Prophet Isaiah**. These readings are about promises. Isaiah is consoling, building up and preparing his people to have hope. “In the days to come,” he says over and over. When the day of promise comes, “They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; One nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again.” Even though King David's line, and that of his father, Jesse, are almost wiped out, Isaiah proclaims hope: “On that day, a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom.” Who would believe even a peace in nature - lion lying down with the lamb? “There shall be no harm or ruin on all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be filled with knowledge of the LORD, as water covers the sea.” God's unique ways of favoring the poor, which Mary comes to know and proclaims in her *Magnificat*, are seen when Isaiah says, “He humbles those in high places, and the lofty city he brings down; He tumbles it to the ground, levels it with the dust.” Even Jesus' own statement about his mission is seen in the powerful images Isaiah uses to give us courage and hope: “On that day the deaf shall hear ... the eyes of the blind shall see ... the lowly will ever find joy in the LORD ...” “On the day the LORD binds up the wounds of his people.”

The gospels for this first part of Advent are chosen from several gospels. They are meant to match the first readings and to show that the promises are fulfilled in Jesus. Jesus brings healing. He raises up the childlike. And Jesus calls and sends the twelve apostles to continue his ministry.

Daily Prayer This Week

Despite all of the distractions at this time of year, we really can focus on Advent during these weeks. We seem to get very busy, and at times have to go to a number of social events or wrestle with budgets and shopping, but the heart of this season is all about expectant hope. So, we begin our Advent journey by giving ourselves some time - just a few minutes each day - to reflect on how much God promises us.

Each morning this week, while we are first coming to consciousness, we can name a desire, name an emptiness or feeling of anxiety or worry that we can feel. It is into the raw places in our lives such as these, that our Lord came to be with us. So, this week, we can begin to invite our Lord to be Incarnate in our lives, in the places we need him the most.

Our goal this week is to let ourselves feel like those to whom the promises of our God are made. We want to get in touch with ourselves, especially those parts of ourselves that are in need of a Savior. We do this by keeping our focus on the places that feel like a desert, the places that feel like we've been through a war, the places that feel like a lifeless stump. When we have a hard time seeing, we ask for the grace to be able to believe the promise that we shall see. When we seem deaf, we place our trust in the One who assures us that we will hear. And when we feel beaten down and awfully lowly, we turn to the One who promises that we will “find joy in the Lord.” And, who among us doesn't have days on which we are aware of various kinds of wounds? On the day of promise, “the Lord binds up the wounds of his people.”

As we let these deep realities of our daily, busy lives come into focus and interact with the readings, something wonderful happens. We become more and more aware of our need for God. Very naturally and quite spontaneously, a prayer comes forth from deep within us, which we can say in the smallest moments of our busiest days. “Come, Lord.” “Come and save me.” “Come and be with me in all of these messy, empty, dry and disordered places in my life.” “Come, Lord. I feel my longing for you grow. I feel my hope grow. And, as I place my hope in your promises, Advent begins to come alive in me.”

All of this preparation can happen in the simplest way, before the first Christmas decoration goes up. And, for each moment of each day that we encounter a place that we desire, that we long for our Lord's coming, we can express our thanksgiving. Each night we might pray:

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear?

The LORD is my life's refuge; of whom should I be afraid?” (Ps. 27)

La Inmaculada Concepción de la Virgen María



La Inmaculada Concepción de la Virgen María será celebrada el **viernes, 8 de diciembre**. Es un día de obligatorio. La Misa en español es a las 7:00pm.

La Inmaculada Concepción Es la Obra Maestra De la Redención de Cristo

María fue concebida sin mancha alguna de pecado “en previsión de los méritos de Cristo”: como una gracia singular, a María se le aplicó la Redención antes de la muerte del Señor.



- Este es un privilegio que Dios quiso y podía darle.
- El Espíritu Santo puso su morada en la Virgen María desde el primer instante de su existencia.
- María es la más elevada y perfecta de las personas humanas, es imagen de Dios de manera sobresaliente y por eso puede amarlo con una intensidad sin igual.
- En la Virgen inmaculada el cielo se une a la tierra, el Amor increado de Dios se une con el amor creado.
- María representa dignamente a toda la humanidad en su respuesta a Dios.

La Virgen María hace resplandecer la centralidad absoluta de Jesucristo en el orden de la salvación, conduce a todos a él y ayuda a que sea recibido por todos.

Novena a la Virgen de Guadalupe

La Novena a la Virgen de Guadalupe empieza hoy domingo, 3 de diciembre a las 7:00pm cada noche. Tendremos Misa el 11 de diciembre a las 11:00pm y Misa el 12 de diciembre a las 7:00pm. ¡Acompañenos!



Unción de los Enfermos



Si usted o alguien que usted conozca está necesitado en recibir comunión o el Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos favor de llamar al Padre

Orosco en la oficina de la Iglesia al número 972-563-3643.

LA DOCTRINA...

Calendario del Mes de Diciembre

Clases de Domingo: 3, 10, 17 (No hay clases el 24 y 31)

Clases de los Martes: 5, 12, 19 (No hay clases el 26)

Clases de los Miércoles: 6, 13, 20 (No hay clases el 27)

Almuerzo con Santa



Cuando: sábado, 16 de diciembre

Lugar: Salón Parroquial

Horario: 12 Medio Día – 2:00 PM

¡Todos los niños están invitados!

Necesitamos donaciones para decorar galletas o tarjetas de regalos de Wal-Mart.

“PERMANEZCAN ALERTA”



Iniciamos el Adviento, tiempo en el que nos preparamos para el encuentro con el Señor, tanto en su nacimiento como en su venida gloriosa al final de los tiempos.

- Hoy Jesús, el “dueño de la casa”, nos dice: “Velen y estén preparados, porque no saben cuándo llegará el momento”.
- Eso indica que tenemos que estar en constante alerta: hay que observar lo que pasa en nuestro mundo y en nuestra vida, para valorarlo a la luz de la fe y actuar en consecuencia.

¿Cómo nos estamos preparando para nuestro encuentro con Cristo?