

**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**



The Feast of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated on *Saturday, December 8th*. It is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. The Mass schedule is as follows:

- Friday, December 7th: (Vigil) 6:30 PM (English)
- Saturday, December 8th: 9:00 AM (English)
10:30 AM (Spanish)

An Advent Prayer

Lord Jesus, you are the fulfillment of all time, the center of all history. We praise you for the wonder of your love. We thank you for your mercy and redemption. We bless you for your unfailing goodness. May we love you with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. We pray that you keep us awake and watchful. May we recognize your real presence in every moment of our lives. Transform our hearts from stone-blocked tombs into life-giving temples where we may find you, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, and live in your grace so that one day we may be with you forever in paradise. AMEN.

Lunch with Santa



When: Saturday, December 15th
Place: Parish Hall
Time: 12 Noon – 3:00 PM

Donations are needed: cookies, cookie décor, frosting, glue dots, sprinkles, or Wal-Mart gift cards.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 1

4:00 PM †Brenda Larsen by Sherry Goelden

Sunday, December 2

8:00 AM Pro Populo

10:30 AM †Valente Briones Jr. by Tom & Maxine Koller

12:15 PM †Evangelina Peguero Int. de su Hermana y Familia

Tuesday, December 4

8:00 AM †Richard G. Collier by Kathy & Matthew Collier

Wednesday, December 5

8:00 AM †Trisha Willy by Paul Willy

Thursday, December 6

8:00 AM †Ann Glynn by Martha Kasper

Friday, December 7

8:00 AM †John McCowen by Lucy Krouskop

6:30 PM In Honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Vigil)

Saturday, December 8 (Immaculate Conception)

9:00 AM In Honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10:30 AM En Honor de la Virgen María

4:00 PM Frank & Elaine Kasper by Friends

Sunday, December 9

8:00 AM †David Sr. & †Louise Lopez by Jesse & Josie Lopez

10:30 AM Pro Populo

12:15 PM Benditas Almas del Purgatorio Int. de Dulce Robles

Mass Intentions



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 in the foyer of the church.

Anointing of the Sick



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 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.

First Friday in Honor of the Sacred Heart

We will have our monthly Holy Hour on **Friday, December 7th** from 8:30-9:30am. Everyone is invited to attend.



The Week Ahead

Sunday, December 2

9:15 AM R.E. Classes

Monday, December 3

1:00 PM Crochet Ministry @ Casa St. John
7:00 PM Grupo de Oración @ Casa St. John

Tuesday, December 4

8:00 AM Daily Mass
6:30 PM R.E. Classes

Wednesday, December 5

8:00 AM Daily Mass
6:30 PM R.E. Classes

Thursday, December 6

8:00 AM Daily Mass
7:00 PM RCIA classes

Friday, December 7

8:00 AM Daily Mass
8:30-9:30 AM Holy Hour
6:30 PM Mass (Immaculate Conception-Vigil)

Saturday, December 8 (Immaculate Conception)

9:00 AM Mass (English)
10:30 AM Mass (Español)

Ministry Schedule for the Weekend of Dec. 8/9

Lectors:

Sat. 4:00pm Melody Zimmer/Karen Mathers
Sun. 8:00am Gerald Garcia
Sun. 10:30am Karie Hammond/Shelilah Dean

Extraordinary Ministers:

Sat. 4:00pm Karen Mathers/James Zimmer/Melody Zimmer
Sun. 8:00am Mary Pat Samuels/Lou Roberts/Chris Probst
Dan Probst/Paul Willy
Sun. 10:30am Bud McClure/Bill Bedrick
Karie Hammond/Tammy Guerra

Ushers:

Sat. 4:00pm Suzy McCook*/Debbie P./Steve R./Paul M.
Sun. 8:00am Michael Gumler*/Cindy K./David B./Abby H.
Sun. 10:30am Richard Lozano Jr.*/Steve H./Dennis C./Erik A.



- Deacon James Starr
- Frank Kasper
- Anthony Hernandez
- Nancy Bardsley
- Curtis Rushing
- Paul Smith
- Maria Carmona
- Paul Gumler
- Olivia Nicole Yates
- Mario Sanchez
- Jay Perry
- Consuelo Luna
- Bacilisa Garcia
- Jose Guerra
- Rosann Kinkaid
- Silvia Sanchez
- Richard Lyon & Family
- Angel Gabriel Godinez
- Tomas Samuel Garcia
- Barbara Sikors Hendricks
- Myra Arrellano
- Tillie Trevino
- Marianne Marsden
- Maria Landaverde
- Freddy Kasper
- Manuel Santoyo
- Jovita De la Garza
- Bob Rowland
- Judy Aloï
- Jennifer Thompson
- Oscar Ramirez Robles
- Amie Voigt
- Maria Guillen
- Vera Griffin
- Felipa Garcia
- Donna Mae Carta Rios
- Sandy & Donny Adams
- Bonnie Boggioni
- Martha Kasper
- Wayne Meshell
- William Koller
- Ricky Larue
- Jean Thompson

- Nick Morales, Sr.
- Lee Wilde
- Melissa Castro
- Brenda Newburn
- Henry Taft
- Joyce Salisbury
- Jose Ivan Ramirez
- Mason Gumler
- Steve Sieglaff
- Joe Wages
- Karen Medina
- Margaret Wages
- Sheila Wages
- Will Mellons
- Johnnie B. Malouf
- Pascual Meza
- David Salinas
- Michelle Elliott
- Barbara Meshell
- JoAnn Martinez
- Warren Terry
- Elmer Marsden
- Odin Kizer
- Claire Taft
- Jennilea Campbell
- Claudia Aronoff
- Efrain Valenzuela
- Colleen Eldred
- Shirley Taft
- Jose Aramil
- Bruce Leleux
- Blanche Rizkal
- Deborah Sieglaff
- Joan Bohl
- Kenneth Elliott
- Doyle Smith
- Shirley Sikors
- Guido Boggioni
- Jonathan Wilder
- Crystal Sanchez
- Juan Eduardo Alejos
- Mario Sanchez Jr.

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.



Calendar for December:

Sunday: 2nd, 9th & 16th
Tuesday: 4th, 11th, & 18th
Wednesday: 5th, & 19th

NO CLASSES ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

Sunday: 23rd & 30th (Christmas Holiday)
Tuesday: 25th (Christmas Holiday)
Wednesday: 12th & 26th (OLG & Christmas Holiday)

Calendar for January:

Sunday: 13th, 20th, & 27th
Tuesday: 8th, 15th, 22nd, & 29th
Wednesday: 9th, 16th, 23rd, & 30th

NO CLASSES ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

Sunday: 6th
Tuesday: 1st
Wednesday: 2nd

St. John the Apostle High School Youth



We meet on Sunday mornings at 9:15 and Wednesday evenings at 6:30 in the Parish Hall. Please check out the church Facebook site www.facebook.com/stjohnnterrell/

HIGH SCHOOL PARENTS: DCYC pre-registration have been sent out on 11-28 and 12-2. Please return by the due date on the form, if your teen is attending.

Also, take a minute and go watch the promo video For DCYD. It is just a small taste, but worth watching: <https://vimeo.com/298208252>

1 Timothy 4:12



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

First Week of Advent



Sunday is the beginning of a new liturgical year with the **First Sunday of Advent**. The first reading from the **Book of Jeremiah** offers a comforting promise of safety to beleaguered Israel: “those days Judah shall be safe and Jerusalem shall dwell secure.” **Luke's gospel** offers us a repeat of several of the daily gospels, advising us to be alert and vigilant, watching for signs. “And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.”

Monday is the **Memorial of Saint Francis Xavier**, the legendary Jesuit missionary. Friday is the **Memorial of Saint Ambrose, bishop and doctor of the Church**. Saturday is **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**, with its own special readings.

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.”

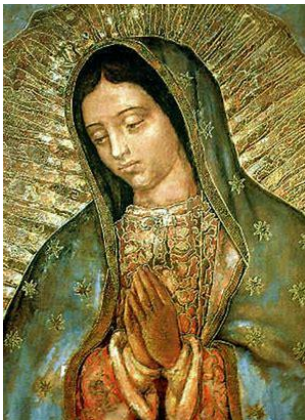
The gospels for this first part of Advent are chosen from several gospels. They are meant to match the first readings and to show that the promises are fulfilled in Jesus. Jesus brings healing. He raises up the childlike. And Jesus calls and sends the twelve apostles to continue his ministry.

La Inmaculada Concepción de la Virgen María



La Inmaculada Concepción de la Virgen María será celebrada el *sábado, 8 de diciembre*. Es un día de precepto. La Misa en español es a las 10:30am.

Triduo a la Virgen de Guadalupe



Los invitamos al Triduo en honor de la Virgen de Guadalupe los días lunes, 10 de diciembre, martes, 11 de diciembre, y el miércoles, 12 de diciembre. Cada noche nos reunimos a las 7:00pm. Todos están invitados.

Hora Santa

Vamos a tener la Hora Santa este *viernes, 7 de diciembre* de 8:30 - 9:30am. Todos están invitados.



Clases Pre-Bautismales



ANOTEN: No tendremos clases Pre-Bautismales hasta el 2 de febrero, 2019.



Donación de Sangre

Los Caballeros de Colón estarán patrocinando su campaña anual de donación de sangre el próximo *domingo, 9 de diciembre* de 8:00am hasta la 1:30pm. Tenemos inscripciones después de todas las Misas.



Desayuno – Caballeros de Colón

Los Caballeros de Colón tendrán un desayuno de panqueques (todo lo que pueda comer) *el próximo domingo, 9 de diciembre*. El costo es de \$5 adultos y \$3 (menores de 12 años). El desayuno panqueque es gratis si donas sangre. ¡Por favor venga y únase a nosotros!



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.



Calendario para el mes de Diciembre:

Clases de Domingos: 2, 9 y 16

Clases de Martes: 4, 11, y 18

Clases de Miércoles: 5 y 19

NO HAY CLASES EN LAS SIGUIENTES FECHAS:

Domingo: 23 y 30 (Navidad)

Martes: 25 (Navidad)

Miércoles: 12 (Virgen de Guadalupe) y 26 (Navidad)

Almuerzo con Santa



Fecha: Sábado, 15 de diciembre

Lugar: Salon Parroquial

Horario: 12 Medio Dia – 3:00 PM

Necesitamos donaciones de galletas, decoraciones para las galletas o/y tarjetas de regalos de Wal-Mart.