

Mission San José y San Miguel de Aguayo

*A Franciscan Mission Founded February 20, 1720 * Established as a Parish September 23, 1932.*

Third Sunday of Advent

DECEMBER 16, 2018

Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

IS. 12:2-3,4,5-6



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Mission Statement

Mission San Jose Catholic Church was founded and established to proclaim the gospel mission of Jesus for our time and place by becoming a faith community of God's people. Through a commitment to prayer, study, fellowship and ministry, we strive to become a community of hope to all around us and a living mission to the many who choose to come to Mission San Jose.



Mass Intentions this Week

Saturday, December 15

5:00 pm † Johnnie E. Diaz, † Yolanda Mesa

Sunday, December 16

7:30 am † Mary A. Chavez, † Ismael Solis
9:00 am † Martin, Stella, Caroline, Martin Sada Jr.,
† Jennita Poston
10:30 am † Gilbert & Consuelo 46th wedding Annv.,
Bertha & Cande Colunga 25th wedding Annv.,
Logan Torres—healing, † Ramiro Gonzalez,
† Martin Gomez III, † Patricia Segrest

12:00 pm † Arthur Cervantes, † Paula Hernandez

Monday, December 17

8:00 am For the safety of those traveling

Tuesday, December 18

8:00 am † Robert Martinez

Wednesday, December 19

7:00 am For the safety of all Immigrants

Thursday, December 20

8:00 am For all our expecting mothers

Friday, December 21

8:00 am For peace within families

Saturday, December 22

5:00 pm † Adrian Ramirez, † Yolanda Mesa



Calendar of Events

Sunday, December 16

11:00 am—3:00 pm Catechist retreat (PC)

Monday, December 17

6:30—Finger Prints of God (PC)
6:00 pm Clean the Church (Church)

Tuesday, December 18

7:00 pm Reconciliation Service (Chapel)

Wednesday, December 19

6:00 pm La Posada (MC & PC)

Thursday, December 20

6:00—9:00 pm Bible Journaling (PC)

Friday, December 21

6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal (Church)

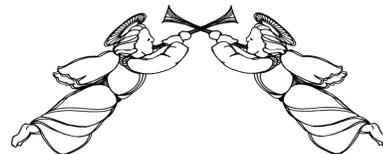
Saturday, December 22

9:30 am RCIA (CR)
10:00 am—1:00 pm Altar Society (PC)
1:00 pm —3:00 pm Spanish Choir (MC)
1:00 pm Gonzales & Whitaker wedding (Church)

Sunday, December 23

No activities in the parish

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Our Mass, Reconciliation and Eucharistic Adoration Schedule

Monday - Friday: 8 a.m. (English), in the Saint Juan Diego Chapel
Saturday (Main Church) : 5:00 pm (English)
Sundays (Main Church) 7:30 am (Spanish); 9:00 am (English); 10:30 am (English)
12:00 pm -Mariachi Choir (English)

Eucharistic Adoration - Every 1st Friday of the Month in the St. Juan Diego Chapel 8:30 am - 5:00 pm

Reconciliation -Saturday - 4:00 pm in the St. Juan Diego Chapel

Contact the office or visit website: Missionsanjosechurch.org for information on Baptisms, Weddings, other sacraments and Quinceañeras.

Holy Day Masses

The Nativity of the Lord— Christmas Masses

- ♦ Tuesday, Dec 25 12:00am (midnight, bilingual)
- ♦ Tuesday, Dec 25 10am (bilingual)

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God—a holy day of Obligation

- ♦ Tuesday, January 1 @ 10am (bilingual)

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO CAME TO TAKE YOUR PHOTOS FOR THE DIRECTORY.

It is not too late, you can submit a digital photo taken vertically with your phone. Please include your name and names of ALL individuals in the photo, # of yrs. as Parishioner, any Ministries you partake in.

TO Rosanna Neveu at
afteamer14@hotmail.com



THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS!

1st collection \$4,508.12
2nd collection: \$518.80 Retired Men & Women Religious

This Sunday: Youth Ministry Taco Sale
2nd Collection: Chapel renovation

Next Sunday: No breakfast scheduled
2nd Collection: Chapel renovation

GAUDETE SUNDAY

The 3rd Sunday of Advent is called Gaudete Sunday, the day when we light the pink candle on the wreath. Rose vestments are worn to emphasize our joy that Christmas is near.

Gaudete means 'rejoice'. Reminds us of the joy of service during this season of penance

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Tuesday, December 18 @ 7pm in the San Juan Diego Chapel

You shall confess your sins at least once a year.

We must prepare for the Eucharist by means of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). This sacrament "continues Baptism's work of conversion and forgiveness."

Prayers for the sick: Dorothy Narendorf, Susise Huizar, Grace McDaniel, Thomas Arellano, Cynthia Yanta, Jesusa Ruiz, Ralph Lopez, Sandra Tellez, Norma Meyer, Erika Garza, Benjamin De Los Santos, Mark Castro, Leticia Arellano, Noelia Rodriguez, Steve Buford, Christine Hoog, Frances Jordan, Dahlia Martinez, Rebecca M. Tejada, Pat Gonzalez, Maria Toscano, Newton Meyer, Susan Ford, Adela Davila, Frances Bustos, Joann Bronder, Maureen Gress, Clarisa Pena, Homer Joseph Cadena, Jesse & Rosie Quintero, Johnny Kingsley Scarcliff, Noemi Rios, Thomas E. Gomez, Amando Galindo, Emma Ortiz, Margie Mungia, Dolores Neabauber, Alberto Carrillo, Mary Navaira, Raul Navaira, Jaxson Wilshire, Gloria Maravilla, Baby Gracie Bernal, Jerry Krajca, Mary Lopez, Cynthia Lopez, Alfred DeHoyos, Adam Perez, Lisa Salazar, Madison Rodriguez, Fedrick Ortiz, Darlean Parker, Anna Soliz, Olivia Aranda, Jesse Hernandez, Antonio Guzman, Lavern Kusenberger, Yolanda "Lolly" Byington, Ellen Lopez, Leonardo Aponte, Eva Ortiz Tuarviola

Las Posadas at Mission San Jose

A wonderful Mexican Christmas tradition, Las Posadas, literally translates in English as “the inns” or “the lodgings” and symbolizes the Biblical journey of Mary and Joseph as they searched for shelter in Bethlehem before the birth of Jesus. Las Posadas is a nine-day celebration that lasts from December 16 to Christmas Eve and includes a candle-lit procession of children, parents and families reenacting Mary and Joseph’s journey through Bethlehem. This holiday ritual includes a lively and colorful pageant of children (the pilgrims or “peregrinos”) –costumed as Joseph, Mary, angels, shepherds and the Three Wise Men, who travel from house to house until they reach a designated home where Las Posadas will be celebrated. Upon arrival, the hosts or “innkeepers” meet the procession at the door to begin the exchange of lyrics from the traditional “pidiendo Posada”. The reenactors go to three homes until they find lodging at the third home where they pray, sing Christmas carols and end the night with a festive celebration.

This year our one day Posada will be on

Wednesday, 12/19/2018, to begin at 6:00 p.m. on the grounds of Mission San Jose Church. Please join us to make this celebration of Las Posadas a wonderful learning experience for our children as we come together in the spirit of Christmas to accompany Joseph and Mary on their journey. Please call the office to help with The Posada 210-922-0543.



La Historia de Mission San Jose

Adobe buildings were made from sun baked adobe bricks. These buildings had no foundation. An outline of the building was cleaned of sod, then a firm surface was prepared for the bricks to be placed. Bricks were laid in a variety of patterns determined by the desired thickness of the wall, which depended on the use of the building and how high it was going to be. Wall of larger buildings and those buildings expected to be 2 stories, could be over 2 feet thick. Smaller, non-load bearing walls could be 9 to 18 inches thick. As with the jacal, doors and windows were gaps in walls to be later framed after plastering and white washing of the building was done. Doors, windows, and roof were then installed. Mission San Jose’s granary is an example of a structure beginning as a jacal, then adobe, then stone.

Source: Of various magnificence, James E. Ivey
Submitted by tri-centennial committee.

La Posada Piñata

La Posada ends with the traditional piñata which has 7 points. Those 7 points represent the Seven Deadly Sins. The beating of the piñata symbolizes the mortification that Christians exercise in overcoming personal sin. The blindfold represents our blind faith. The candy within each piñata characterizes the sweetness of God's grace made available to us through the birth of Jesus. Come and join in the piñata sing....

Dale, dale, dale No pierdas el tino; ...



Because We Care

Maggie Wunderlich who cantors at our 9 a.m. Mass, had a tragic fire in her home. She and her two sons escaped the burning house safely. Unfortunately, the house and all their possessions were a total loss. We are soliciting gift cards to help them during this unsettling time. If you wish to donate a card, please drop them off at the office. Let us remember Maggie and the boys in our prayers and thank God they are safe.

Christmas Sale



The gift shop will have a special Christmas Sale on Saturday and Sunday, December 22 & 23. Please stop by and check out all the new items. All proceeds go to support the Church.

ADVENT

A penitential season

The Sundays of this time of year are named the First, Second, Third, and Fourth Sundays of Advent.

The weekdays from December 17 up to and including December 24 are ordered in a more direct way to preparing for the Nativity of the Lord.

The liturgical color for Advent is purple, just like Lent—as both are seasons that prepare us for great feast days. Also Advent (like Lent) includes an element of penance in the sense of *preparing, quieting and disciplining our hearts* for the full joy of Christmas. This penitential dimension is expressed through the color purple, but also through the restrained manner of decorating the church and altar: During Advent the decoration of the altar should be marked by a moderation suited to the character of this time of year, without expressing in anticipation the full joy of the Nativity of the Lord...[also] the use of the organ and other musical instruments should be marked by a [similar] moderation.

The third Sunday of Advent is called "*Gaudete*" Sunday (coming from the first word of the Latin Entrance Antiphon for this day, meaning "Rejoice") and the liturgical color may be rose instead of purple and flowers are allowed. This is the Church's way of further heightening our expectation as we draw ever nearer the Solemnity of Christmas.



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Usher meeting

There will be a meeting for all ushers and those who would like to begin this ministry. The meeting will be with Deacon Chip on **Thursday, January 3 at 6:30pm in the Chapel**

Please call the office if you would like to begin serving as an usher or cannot attend this meeting. (210-922-0543)



This is a humble service, a special role of servant to the assembly.



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!
CLEANING THE CHURCH
FOR CHRISTMAS**

Date: Monday December 17

Time: 6:00 pm

Volunteers will be needed. Please help us get the Church ready for the holy days ahead.

Thank you for sharing your time, talents and treasures.

**RELIIGIOUS
EDUCATION**

CCD— Religious Education classes for children begin with a 9am Mass followed by class instructions in the Parish Hall.

Starting December 8, **RCIA** and **ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES** will begin at 9:30 am on Saturdays in the Parish Office Conference Room. Adults who would like to receive sacraments, including baptism, please contact Irene Wunderlich at 210-922-0543 X 105 or you may email her at msjreled@gmail.com.

Mission San Jose will host an Annulment Workshop on Monday, January 14 at 6:30pm.

Why does the Church require a divorced Catholic to obtain an annulment before marrying in the Church?

In fidelity to Jesus' teaching, the Church believes that marriage is a lifelong bond (see Matt 19:1-10); therefore, unless one's spouse has died, the Church requires the divorced Catholic to obtain a declaration of nullity before marrying someone else. The tribunal process seeks to determine if something essential was missing at the moment of consent, that is, the time of the wedding. If so, the Church can declare that a valid marriage was never actually brought about on the wedding day.