



Advent Prayer

*Come to me, Jesus my joy,
as I prepare to celebrate your birth at
Bethlehem.
Come to me, Jesus my love,
as I hold you in my heart throughout the day.
Come to me, Jesus my peace,
as I look forward to the day I will live with you
forever. Amen*

Advent Thought

This Second Sunday of Advent reminds us that as people who have put on Christ in Baptism we have a responsibility to further God’s reign. John the Baptist makes it clear that repentance and preparation are the signposts on the “way of the Lord,” the straightened road to the reign of God.

WEEKLY CONFESSIONS

The Sacrament of Penance is offered
in the Church:

Saturdays from 4:15 to 4:45 pm in English
Wednesdays from 6:00 to 6:45 pm in Spanish

THE ADVENT GIVING TREE

Thank you to everyone who took gift tags last weekend! Please return the **unwrapped gifts** with the **original gift tag attached** to the church or parish office by **Sunday, December 17th**, to be delivered to families in time for Christmas.

Let us enter into the true spirit of Christmas, for we celebrate God’s greatest gift to the world...the gift of His Son! Thank you for your participation.



Christmas Mass Schedule



A warm welcome is extended to our parishioners and friends of the parish. Join us for our Christmas Masses as we adore the newborn Babe, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, during the blessed and joyous Christmas Season!

CHRISTMAS EVE

(Sunday, December 24th)

5:00 pm – Mass in English
Midnight 12/25 – Mass in English

CHRISTMAS DAY

(Monday, December 25th)

8:00 am – Mass in English
11:30 am – Mass in English



+ BLESSING OF THE NATIVITY SCENE +

God of every nation and people, from the very beginning of creation, you have made known your love. When our need for a Savior was great, you sent your Son to be born of the Virgin Mary. To our lives He brings joy and peace, justice, mercy, and love. Lord, bless all who look upon this manger, may it remind us of the humble birth of Jesus, and raise up our thoughts to Him, who is Savior of all, who lives and reigns forever and ever. AMEN

MASSES FOR

DECEMBER 11 - 17, 2023

Every Mass is offered for the faithful, living or dead, however the following are specifically remembered this week.

Monday, December 11 – Advent Weekday

7:30 am – Peter Gallo, Jr. by family

Tuesday, December 12 – Advent Weekday

7:30 am – In Honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Wednesday, December 13 – Advent Weekday

St. Lucy

7:30 am – Intentions of Parishioners

Thursday, December 14 – Advent Weekday

St. John of the Cross

7:30 am – John Criscione – 25th Anniversary Remembrance by classmate, Father Joe

Friday, December 15 – Advent Weekday

7:30 am – Intentions of parishioners

3:00 pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet

Saturday, December 16 – Advent Weekday

8:00 am – Intention of Priest Celebrant

LORD’S DAY MASSES

Saturday, December 16

5:00 pm

Patricia M. Fitzgerald by Joe & Cheryl
Deceased of Santucci, Sperduti, Nunes, & Quinn Families

6:30 pm – Mass in Spanish

Sunday, December 17

Third Sunday of Advent - Gaudete Sunday

8:00 am

Andrea Ceprano – 3 Year Remembrance & Birthday Remembrance by wife & children

9:30 am – Mass in Spanish

11:30 am

Angelina & Amadio Bianco and Wayne Rand by Virginia
Andy D’Agostino – Birthday & Christmas Remembrance by wife, Rosalie & Family

Eugene & Adina D’Allesandro and Deceased Family Members by daughter, Sandra

Lucy Emma

Cristina Sorvillo

Steven Verdecchia

2024 Mass Intentions: The scheduling of Mass Intentions for next year are now being accepted, Monday – Friday from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm. **Every Mass will be a Community Mass, offered for every intention requested; in this way every family will be considered.** An offering should be given at the time of scheduling. Thank you for your cooperation.

WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT

What Our Lord Asks Is Not Equal Gifts - But Equal Sacrifice.
(Increased Giving Campaign)

Church Collections & Mail-in Budgets

Weekend of

December 2 & 3, 2023

\$7,028.00

**Sanctuary Candle &
Altar Bread & Wine:**



In Memory of
Orlando Giansanti, Jr.
Louis V. Spertini
Angelo Valentino

This Week’s Bulletin Is Sponsored

In Memory of

Peter Gallo, Jr.

Misas en Español

Lunes, Miércoles y Viernes 7:00 pm
Sábado 6:30 pm-- Domingo 9:30 am
N.B. Miércoles a las 5:30 pm Adoración
Confesiones los Miercoles en español 6 a 6:45 pm

Bautismos Enero 27.

Debe registrarse **3 semanas antes** de la fecha



Oración de Adviento

*Ven a mí, Jesús mi alegría,
mientras me preparo para celebrar tu nacimiento en
Belén.*

*Ven a mí, Jesús mi amor,
mientras te tengo en mi corazón durante todo el día.*

*Ven a mí, Jesús mi paz,
Mientras espero con ansias el día en que viviré
contigo para siempre. Amén*

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EL ÁRBOLITO DEL ADVIENTO

¡Gracias a todos los que se llevaron etiquetas de regalo el fin de semana pasado! Devuelva los regalos **sin envolver con la etiqueta de regalo original adjunta** a la iglesia o a la oficina parroquial antes del **domingo 17** de diciembre para que se entreguen a las familias a tiempo para Navidad.

Entremos en el verdadero espíritu de la Navidad, porque celebramos el regalo más grande de Dios al mundo... ¡el regalo de Su Hijo! Gracias por su participación.



Pensamiento de Adviento

Este Segundo Domingo de Adviento nos recuerda que, como personas que nos hemos revestido de Cristo en el Bautismo, tenemos la responsabilidad de promover el reino de Dios. Juan el Bautista deja claro que el arrepentimiento y la preparación son las señales del “camino del Señor”, el camino enderezado hacia el reino de Dios.



+ BENDICIÓN DEL PESEBRE+

Dios de toda nación y pueblo, desde el principio de la creación, has hecho notorio tu amor. Cuando nuestra necesidad de un Salvador era grande, enviaste a tu Hijo a nacer de la Virgen María. A nuestras vidas Él trae alegría y paz, justicia, misericordia y amor. Señor, bendice a todos los que miran este pesebre, que nos recuerde el humilde nacimiento de Jesús, y eleve nuestro pensamiento a Aquel que es Salvador de todos, que vive y reina por los siglos de los siglos. AMÉN