



THOUGHTS FOR THE 4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Advent is a time to live in joyful expectation of the coming of the Lord Jesus. Like Joseph, the Lord of Israel calls to us, speaking challenging, yet consoling words of hope and peace. We often do not want to hear God’s calling because it may disrupt our plans. In the Town of Bethlehem, the world was changed forever. In the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary grew the One who would save the world from sin and death. As Christians, we are called to find the Light, beckoning us to become part of God’s infinite story of compassion. Within us lies the potential to bring justice, peace, and God’s love to all we meet!

A Christmas Prayer

Great God of Peace, we celebrate the birth of your Son, Jesus, remembering the words of the angels on the night of His birth.

“Peace on earth to all of good will.”

Today, as never before, Heavenly Father, we pray for your loving peace. May peace be the guiding force in the hearts of our world leaders.

May peace reign in every corner of the globe and in the hearts of every man, woman, and child upon this earth. This Christmas and always, may we embrace your wonderful gift of peace with courage and conviction. In so doing, we will also be embracing your greatest gift to us, your Son, the Prince of Peace.

AMEN



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

(Friday, December 24th)

5:00 pm – Mass in English

7:00 pm – Mass in Spanish

Midnight 12/25 – Mass in English

CHRISTMAS DAY

(Saturday, December 25th)

8:00 am – Mass in English

9:30 am – Mass in Spanish

11:30 am – Mass in English

A Blessed Christmas to All

God sent the first greetings of this holy season through an angel who announced, not to the mighty, but to the poor shepherds - ***“A Savior has been born to you, the Messiah and Lord!”***



Let us keep Christ at the heart of Christmas and take time to think of His divine love for each of us. Our prayers go out to those who have given so much of their time, talent, and treasure for the good of our parish community! We shall remember all who are sick, lonely or afflicted by sorrow, as well as those who will celebrate Christmas without Christ. May they respond to the kind invitation of Christ calling them back to His divine love. Together with Christ, we invite them to come back home.

To one and all, a most Blessed and Merry Christmas!

MASSES FOR

DECEMBER 20 - 26, 2021

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

Monday, December 20 - Late Advent Weekday

7:30 am - Antonetta, Luigi, Louis, & Salvatore Pullano
by family
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

Tuesday, December 21 - Late Advent Weekday

7:30 am - Paul F. Gallo by family

Wednesday, December 22 - Late Advent Weekday

7:30 am - Intentions of Parishioners
5:30 pm - Eucharistic Adoration - Spanish
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

Thursday, December 23 - Late Advent Weekday

7:30 am - Elena Pilloni by sister

Friday, December 24

7:30 am - For A Special Intention
5:00 pm - Christmas Mass - English
7:00 pm - Christmas Mass - Spanish
Midnight 12/25 - Christmas Mass - English

Saturday, December 25 - The Nativity of the Lord

8:00 am - Christmas Mass - English
9:30 am - Christmas Mass - Spanish
11:30 am - Christmas Mass - English

Sanctuary Candle & Altar Bread & Wine

In Memory of

Andrea Ceprano
Birthday Remembrance
by wife & children



Baptized in Christ
Kiana Rose Diaz Velarde

WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT

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

Weekend of December 11 & 12, 2021
Church Collections & Mail-in Budgets
\$6,399.00

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Sunday, December 26

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

8:00 am

Antonio & Mary Mercurio and
Michael & Mafalda Andrea by Ron & Linda Mercurio

9:30 am - Mass in Spanish

11:30 am

Frank & Marion Cuiccio by daughters
Benjamin Lombardi by family
Michael R. Mancini - One Month Remembrance
by family



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