

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.

+ 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, 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

2019 Mass Intentions: Mass intentions are a beautiful way to remember a loved one or a Special Intention. **Every Mass will be a Community Mass, offered for every intention requested; in this way every family will be considered.** Mass intentions for 2019 may be scheduled at the Parish Office. An offering should be given at the time of scheduling. Thank you.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE – Our Lady of Guadalupe is most closely associated with the Mexican Culture; as that is where she first appeared. In 1946 Our Lady of Guadalupe was named Patroness of the Americas, with her feast day being celebrated each year on December 12. Our Parish will offer a special mass in Honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe on **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15th at 5:00 pm (combining the 5:00 pm & 6:30 pm Masses).** Everyone is invited and welcome to attend the Mass and celebration of food and music in the Church Hall following the Mass.

+ 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

(Monday, December 24th)
5:00 pm – Mass in English
7:00 pm – Mass in Spanish
Midnight – Mass in English

CHRISTMAS DAY

(Tuesday, December 25th)
8:00 am – Mass in English
9:30 am – Mass in Spanish
11:30 am – Mass in English

NEW YEAR’S EVE

(Monday, December 31st)
5:00 pm – Mass in English
7:00 pm – Mass in Spanish

NEW YEAR’S DAY

(Tuesday, January 1, 2019)
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
8:00 am – Mass in English
9:30 am – Mass in Spanish
11:30 am – Mass in English
(Holyday of Obligation)

ADVENT SEASON OF SONG – Join us for an afternoon of Christmas Hymns sung by our Parish Choir on **Sunday, December 16th at 3:00 pm** in our church. Parishioners and friends are invited to enjoy the sounds of this beautiful season in preparation for the Birth of Our Lord on Christmas.

LOOKING AHEAD

- December 8 – The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- December 9 – Second Sunday of Advent
- December 15 – Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
- December 16 – Third Sunday of Advent
- December 23 – Fourth Sunday of Advent
- December 16 – Christmas Concert by Choir
- December 25 – The Nativity of the Lord
- December 30 – Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph
- January 1, 2019 – Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MASSES FOR DECEMBER 10 - 16, 2018

Every Mass is offered for the faithful, living or dead.

However the following are specifically remembered this week.

Monday, December 10th

7:30 am – Peter Gallo, Jr.- 4th Anniversary - by family
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

Tuesday, December 11th

7:30 am - Maria & Biaggio Del Bonis by granddaughters Jean & Barbara
6:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 pm - Novena Devotions & Benediction

Wednesday, December 12th

7:30 am - Our Lady of Guadalupe
5:30 pm - Eucharistic Adoration – Spanish
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

Thursday, December 13th – St. Lucy

7:30 am - Joseph & Rose D'Arezzo by daughters

Friday, December 14th – St. John of the Cross

7:30 am - Vincenzina & Clemente D'Arezzo
by granddaughters Jean & Barbara
3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet
7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

Saturday, December 15th

8:00 am - Intentions of Parishioners

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday, December 15th

5:00 pm - Community Mass
In Honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe
Giuseppe DeMasi by family
Giovanni Mancini by wife Maria
Evangelista Rendina by wife & children

NO 6:30 pm Mass in Spanish this Evening

Sunday, December 16th **Third Sunday of Advent**

8:00 - Community Mass
Leonora & Guido Buco by family
Stephen Buco by family
Gene & Marie Santanelli by family
Frank & Marion Cuiccio by daughters

9:30 am - Mass in Spanish

11:30 am - Community Mass
Matthew Celeberto
Angelina & Amadio Bianco & Wayne Rand by Virginia
Annunziata Camarda Ierfino by family

December 9, 2018

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tuesday, December 11th

6:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 pm - Novena Devotions & Benediction

Friday, December 14th

3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet – Chapel

Saturday, December 15th

10:00 am - CCD Classes – 1st & 2nd years
4:15 - 4:45 pm - Confession – Church
6:00 pm - Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe - CH

Sunday, December 16th

10:30 am - Confirmation Class
3:00 pm - Christmas Concert - Church
2nd Collection: Annual Year-End Special Collection

+ WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT +

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

Weekend of November 24 & 25

First Collection: \$3,091.44
Second Collection: \$1,290.00
Extraordinary Parish Expenses

Thanksgiving Special Collection: \$1,110.00

Sanctuary Candle:

Giovanni Mancini by wife Maria

Altar Bread & Wine:

Giovanni Mancini by wife Maria

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