

Second Sunday of Advent Prayer



Jesus, as we prepare to welcome
you again this Christmas,
speak your words into our hearts and lives, that by
our preparation for your birth,
we might proclaim what still
needs to be made ready if our world
is to become more like your Kingdom.
Soften our hearts, calm our fears,
and give us courage to proclaim your coming in
our broken world.



**MASS
INTENTIONS**

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

Saturday, December 15

4:00 PM †Wayne Kretler – In Memory of his 10th Anniversary of Death by Terry Kretler

Sunday, December 16

8:00 AM †Joe & †Julia Gonzales by Jesse & Josie Lopez

10:30 AM Pro Populo

12:15 PM †Dolores Valencia – En Memorial de su Aniversario de Fallecimiento Int. de Estela Valencia

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.

From the Pastor's Desk

**THERE WILL BE NO MORNING MASSES
NEXT WEEK (DECEMBER 11TH – 14TH)**



Meeting

The Knights of Columbus will meet *Thursday, December 13th* at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.

Coffee and Donuts



Please join us for coffee and donuts on Sunday after the 8:00am Mass in the Parish Hall.

Lunch with Santa



When: Next 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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT/SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO



The Week Ahead

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
 Jean Thompson
 Felipa Garcia
 Donna Mae Carta Rios
 Sandy & Donny Adams
 Bonnie Boggioni
 Martha Kasper
 Wayne Meshell
 William Koller
 Ricky Larue
 Bobbie Goelden

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.

Sunday, December 9

8 AM-1:30 PM KC Blood Drive & Pancake Breakfast
 9:15 AM R.E. Classes

Monday, December 10

1:00 PM Crochet Ministry @ Casa St. John
 7:00 PM Triduo en Honor de la Virgen de Guadalupe

Tuesday, December 11

8:00 AM NO Daily Mass
 6:30 PM R.E. Classes
 7:00 PM Triduo en Honor de la Virgen de Guadalupe

Wednesday, December 12

8:00 AM NO Daily Mass
 6:30 PM NO R.E. Classes
 7:00 PM Triduo en Honor de la Virgen de Guadalupe

Thursday, December 13

8:00 AM NO Daily Mass
 7:00 PM RCIA classes

Friday, December 14

8:00 AM NO Daily Mass

Saturday, December 15

12-3 PM Lunch w/Santa in Parish Hall

Ministry Schedule for the Weekend of Dec. 15/16

Lectors:

Sat. 4:00pm Suzy McCook/Melody Zimmer
 Sun. 8:00am Lou Roberts
 Sun. 10:30am Bud McClure/Meli Kinjo

Extraordinary Ministers:

Sat. 4:00pm Karen Mathers/Argie Benavidez/Suzy McCook
 Sun. 8:00am Michael Gumler/Lou Roberts/Robin Truett
 Paul Willy/Mary Pat Samuels
 Sun. 10:30am Karie Hammond/Bud McClure
 Bill Bedrick/Shelilah Dean

Ushers:

Sat. 4:00pm Sherry Goelden*/Paul M./Debbie P./Steve R.
 Sun. 8:00am Cindy Kelley*/David B./Robert B./Rachel H.
 Sun. 10:30am Steve Hernandez*/Dennis C./Richard Jr./Erik A.

Last Week's Collection

Last Week's Collection:	\$8,614.18
2 nd Coll. (Parish Improvement Fund):	4,619.49
FY' 18-19 Budgeted Average:	6,621.63
FY' 18-19 Average Sunday Coll. thru 11/30/18:	6,190.18
Candles:	50.55
Attendance:	1,162

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: 9th & 16th
Tuesday: 11th, & 18th
Wednesday: 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/stjohnterrell/

Once we have the tally of teens who have turned in their commitment forms for DCYC, we will begin the full registration process. If there are adults, who wish to help as chaperone, or in any way for the DCYC weekend please see Michelle at the church office for the necessary screening.

1 Timothy 4:12



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

The Second Week of Advent



“Jerusalem, take off your robe of mourning and misery; put on the splendor of glory from God forever.” Those words from **Baruch** are in the first reading for the **Second Sunday of Advent**. **Luke's Gospel** offers us a first look at the promise of John the Baptist as he cries out, “Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low. The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.”

On Wednesday much of North America celebrates the **Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe** with its own special readings. Thursday is the **Memorial of Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr**. Friday is the **Memorial of Saint John of the Cross, priest and doctor of the Church**.

We focus on the first readings from the Prophet **Isaiah** this week. With the Babylonian Captivity, the temple was destroyed, the leaders of the people were taken away to Babylon and a remnant was left behind. A life-threatening desert separated the people. In this context, Isaiah proclaims God's vindication of the people in exile. The desert will be reborn. A highway will bring their liberation. And the signs will be that there is healing and peace. “Comfort give comfort to my people,” says the Lord. The valleys will be filled in, the mountains leveled - every obstacle will be overcome - to build a highway for our God to come and save us. The people can hardly believe the good news. They are weak and weary of their captivity. Isaiah proclaims, “They that hope in the LORD will renew their strength, they will soar as with eagles’ wings.” He offers support: “I am the LORD, your God, who grasp your right hand; It is I who say to you, 'Fear not, I will help you.'” The people have been at a distance from the Lord for some time and were not obeying the commandments. The Lord says, “I, the LORD, your God, teach you what is for your good, and lead you on the way you should go.” The final first reading this week is a piece from the book of **Sirach** in which the prophet Elijah is praised. Elijah, who was destined to come again to restore order before the day of the Lord, is seen in the reading from **Matthew's Gospel** to be John the Baptist.

The gospels this week, taken from various evangelists, show Jesus as the fulfillment of the liberation promised. Jesus heals the paralytic. He tends to the lost sheep of his flock. He comforts us who labor and are burdened. Jesus teaches a true wisdom.

**NUESTRA META ES LLEGAR A DIOS,
EL CAMINO RECTO PARA HACERLO ES CRISTO**

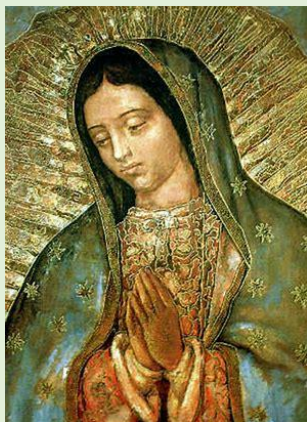


Es este segundo domingo del Tiempo de Adviento estamos invitados a elegir siempre lo mejor para poder llegar “limpios e irreprochables al día de la venida de Cristo”.

- Juan el Bautista empezó a predicar un bautismo de penitencia para el perdón de los pecados por toda la comarca del Jordán. Anunciaba la voluntad reconciliadora de Dios, preparando así el terreno para Jesús.
- Lo dicho por el profeta Isaías utiliza figuras de la orografía para hacer notar que el Señor quiere traernos su salvación de una manera directa, sin obstáculos, ya que él desea que todos los hombres vean su salvación y la experimenten.

Que el Señor nos ayude a evitar los caminos enredados en los que solemos meternos para seguir de verdad el camino recto de Jesús.

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.

Clases Pre-Bautismales



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

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: 9 y 16
- Clases de Martes: 11, y 18
- Clases de Miércoles: 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: Proximo 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.

