



“It was of him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said: “A voice of one crying out in the desert, ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.”

Matthew 3:3

December 10, 2023

#### NOTRE DAME CATHOLIC CHURCH

Corner of Water and Washington Street,  
Kerrville, TX 78028  
Pastoral Center: 909 Main St.

830-257-5961  
Faith Formation 830-896-4233  
School 830-257-6707  
www.notredamechurch.cc

Office Hours:  
Monday-Friday 8:00 am-5:00pm,  
Closed 12:00 noon-1:00 pm

#### Clergy at Notre Dame

*Fr. Rafal A. Duda*

*Dc. Alfredo “Jimmy” Bill, Jr.*

*Dc. Francisco Hernandez*

*Dc. Harold “Sonny” Kaufhold*

*Dc. Roberto Zapata*



#### MASS TIMES:

Monday	12:00 Noon
Tuesday	7:00 a.m.
Wednesday	12:00 Noon
Thursday	12:00 Noon - (Liturgy of the Word with Communion Service)
Friday	8:00 a.m.
Saturday	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	7:45 a.m., 9:15 am (in Spanish) 11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION (Confessions)  
Saturday 3:00 p.m.— 4:30 p.m.



#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday—December 11, 2023  
Is 35:1-10, Lk 5:17-26(181)

Tuesday—December 12, 2023  
Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab, Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47(690A), or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary (707-712)

Wednesday—December 13, 2023  
Is 40:25-31, Mt 11:28-30(183)

Thursday—December 14, 2023  
Is 41:13-20, Mt 11:11-15(184)

Friday—December 15, 2023  
Is 48:17-19, Mt 11:16-19(185)

Saturday—December 16, 2023  
Is 61:1-2a, 10-11, 1 Thes 5:16-24, Jn 1:6-8, 19-28(8)

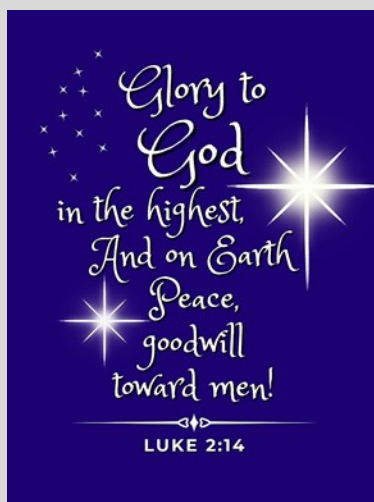
Sunday—December 17, 2023  
Is 61:1-2a, 10-11, 1 Thes 5:16-24, Jn 1:6-8, 19-28(8)

*Verse to reflect on this week:*

*As it is written in Isaiah the prophet:  
Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you;  
he will prepare your way.  
A voice of one crying out in the desert:  
“Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make straight his paths.”*

*Mark 1:2-3*





The theme of the Second Sunday of Advent is *Peace*. We are looking for peace in many ways and in various places: our hearts, our families, our countries, our world. We can experience so much tension or anxiety at times. It can take our peace away and make our life hard to enjoy. The Savior who is coming to **BE** with us wants to restore our peace. Prophet Isaiah will call him *The Prince of Peace*.

Are we willing to follow our Leader? Are we willing to learn how to become more peaceful people? Are we eager to spread peace among us? Are we good followers of - soon to be born - Prince of Peace?

God is hoping that we will follow His example. It is easy for us to create fear and anxiety by our words and by our actions. The newborn King comes to everyone with the same love and the same message, peace and love. We can do great things for our Savior in our life. One of the best ways to welcome Him is to create more peace. That's how we can *Prepare the way of the Lord*.

May this second week of Advent be filled with eagerness of being messengers of peace. May God let us create joyful peace in our hearts and in our families.

Remember about me in your prayer, please.

Father Rafael



<b>December 12</b>	5:00 AM—La Danza 5:30 AM—Mañanitas 7:00 AM—Communion Service 7:00 PM—Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass
<b>December 24—Fourth Sunday of Advent (Morning Masses)</b>	9:15 AM 11:00 AM
<b>December 24 Christmas Eve</b>	4:00 PM 12:00AM Midnight Mass
<b>December 25</b>	10:00 AM
<b>December 31</b>	7:45 AM 9:15 AM 11:00 AM
<b>January 1 New Year's Day</b>	9:00 AM

## Notre Dame Church Ministries

### Monday, December 11, 2023

Good Shepherd—5:00 p.m.

Cursillos—7:00 p.m.

### Tuesday, December 12, 2023—Our Lady of Guadalupe

5:00 a.m.—La Danza

5:30 a.m.—Las Mañanitas

RCIA—6:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.—Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass

### Wednesday, December 13, 2023

Ingles Tambien—5:00 p.m.

Good Shepherd—5:00 p.m.

Faith Formation—5:15 p.m.

EDGE—5:30 p.m.

LifeTeen—7:00 p.m.

Confirmation (Youth) - 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Choir Practice—7:00 p.m.

### Thursday, December 14, 2023

'That Man is You' Men's Prayer Group—6:45 a.m.

PTC Christmas Program—6:00 p.m.

Spanish Choir Practice—6:30 p.m.

### Friday, December 15, 2023

Divine Mercy—3:00 p.m.

La Danza—7:00 p.m.

### Saturday, December 16, 2023

Reconciliation—3:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

### Sunday, December 17, 2023

RCIA (Children's) - 9:30 a.m.

## Mass Schedule

### Sunday, December 10, 2023

7:45 am (Fr. Rafal)	†Fran Bertagnolli
9:15 am (Fr. Rafal)	People of the Parish
11:00 am (Fr. Rafal)	†Elba Beltran
5:00 pm (Fr. Rafal)	†Karen Mundahl

### Monday, December 11, 2023

12:00 pm (Fr. Rafal)	†J. Fred & Margaret Smith
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### Tuesday, December 12, 2023—Our Lady of Guadalupe

7:00 am (Dc. Sonny) (Communion Service)	Mass offered for Salvador Vazquez
7:00 pm (Fr. Rafal)	†Julian A. Lopez Jr.

### Wednesday, December 13, 2023

12:00 pm (Fr. Rafal)	†Bobby Waddell
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### Thursday, December 14, 2023

12:00 pm (Dc. Francisco) (Communion Service)	†Julian G. Lopez
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### Friday, December 15, 2023

8:00 am (Fr. Rafal)	†H.J. Dickson
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### Saturday, December 16, 2023

5:00 pm (Fr. Rafal)	Mass offered for Joseph Kilian
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### Sunday, December 17, 2023

7:45 am (Fr. Rafal)	†Doug Harris
9:15 am (Fr. Rafal)	†Eusebio Artega
11:00 am (Fr. Rafal)	People of the Parish
5:00 p.m. (Fr. Rafal)	†Milo Kavedra

### MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS - Notre Dame

Acts Core—Janet Ontiveros—830.459.8126

Daughters of Notre Dame—Anne Beitel—830.928.1714

Eucharistic Adoration—Dana Garre—501.908.6593

Knights of Columbus—David Pillatzke—830.928.0335

Lectors—Gail Stauder—830.377.8716

Ministry to the Sick  
(Hospital) - Patti Kerth—713.409.3107  
(Homebound) - Gracie Burback—512.589.9164  
(Nursing Home) - Frank Galvan—830.285.2825

Music Ministry—Kevin McCormick—830.370.9095

RCIA—Gail Stauder—830.377.8716

St. Vincent de Paul—Mike Henke—713.962.7173

Ushers—Robert Machicek—830.739.4965

### SPANISH MINISTRIES

Cursillos—Gerardo Angel—830.370.9595

Guadalupanas—Angelica Contreras—830.329.3788

M.O.S.T. (Ministerio Oracion Santisimo Trinidad) - Olga Lopez—830.370.2164

### Altar Servers Ministry.

If you would like to become an Altar Server please contact Marta Mata at 830.257.5961.

Thank you for serving Jesus in the Eucharist :)

### Ministerio de monaguillos.

Si quieres servir como monaguillo, póngase en contacto con Marta Mata al 830.257.5961.

Gracias por servir a Jesús en la Eucaristía :)



**The Sanctuary Lamp  
will burn this week  
for  
Milburn Beitel III  
By  
Family**





The following are the Fredericksburg Deanery Advent Reconciliation dates and times.



**Monday, December 11, 2023—6:00 p.m.—**  
Comfort, Sacred Heart

**Wednesday, December 13, 2023—6:00 p.m.—**  
Fredericksburg, St. Mary

**Thursday, December 14, 2023—6:00 p.m.—**  
Harper, St. Anthony



The following are “Posadas” which will begin soon. The times, dates and places are listed as follows. For questions, please call Norma Sanchez at 830.343.0168. All are Welcome!

Los siguientes son “Posadas” que comenzarán pronto. Los horarios, fechas y lugares se nombrarán de la siguiente manera. ¿Preguntas? Favor de comunicarse con Norma Sanchez al número 830.343.0168. ¡Todos bienvenidos!

**15 de diciembre—Gregoria Martinez (7:00 p.m.)**  
120 E. Davis St., Kerrville—830.792.2139

**16 de diciembre—Soledad Perez (7:00 p.m.)**  
228 W. Schreiner St., Kerrville—830.370.1819

**17 de diciembre—Berta Garcia (7:00 p.m.)**  
504 Moore St., Ingram—830.928.6478

**18 de diciembre—Delia Lira (7:00 p.m.)**  
127 Rancho., Kerrville—830.290.8559

**19 de diciembre—Rocio Gomez (7:00 p.m.)**  
700 Webster Ave., Kerrville—830.777.1466

**20 de diciembre—Maria Rivera (7:00 p.m.)**  
700 Webster Ave., Kerrville—830.777.1466

**21 de diciembre—Salvador y Angelica Acosta (7:00 p.m.)**  
Hunt, TX—830.343.2472

**22 de diciembre—Carmela Alvarado (7:00 p.m.)**  
Kerrville—830.257.0689

**23 de diciembre—Notre Dame Church (7:00 p.m.)**  
Corner of Water & Washington., Kerrville



The 46 days of Rosaries have begun. The following are some of the rosaries which will take place. Questions? please contact Nelda Bill at 830.377.7247.

Los cuarenta seis rosarios se han comenzado. Los siguientes son algunos de los rosarios que se llevarán a cabo. ¿Preguntas? Favor de comunicarse con la Sra. Nelda Bill al número 830.377.7247.

**December 9, 2023—Soledad Perez Solis—7:00 p.m.,**  
228 W. Schreiner St., Kerrville, 830.370.1819

**December 10, 2023—M<sup>a</sup> Engracia Mendoza/Luis Mendoza— 6:30 p.m.,**  
180 Live Oak Blvd., Center Point, TX.,  
830.777.6656 or 210.975.8571

**December 11, 2023—Guadalupe Mendoza—7:00 p.m.,**  
620 Moore St., Ingram, TX.,  
830.353.1954



The Daughters of Notre Dame are currently accepting Christmas Memorials. A Special Memorial Mass will be said on Sunday, January 14, 2024 at the 7:45 a.m. Mass; names will be published in the weekly bulletin.

Envelopes for donations are located in the back of the church in the Narthex. Donations may be placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the Pastoral Center.

Please make checks payable to Notre Dame Church. **Deadline for intentions is Sunday, December 31, 2023.**



### FREE CHRISTMAS GIFT WRAPPING!

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Knights of Columbus will be wrapping gifts in the Kerrville Mall (near the fountain) the weekends of December 9-10 and 16-17. Hours will be 11:00 a.m.—7:00 p.m.

Donations are welcome to support our Notre Dame School.



The Daughters of Notre Dame would like to express our thanks and appreciation to the parish for their help and generosity during the bazaar held on November 18th and 19th.

Thanks to you we were able to raise over \$5,600.00. This money will help our organization support our many projects including our scholarship program, gifts for our teachers and donations to St. Vincent de Paul, St. Peter Upon the Water and many others.

Your generosity and giving spirit touched our hearts. Thank you again.



Notre Dame Catholic School is seeking a **Middle School Social Studies Teachers for grades 5<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup>.**

Interested candidates may apply online at <https://archsa.org/employment> or contact the school office for more information at 830-257-6707.



**The Second Collection**  
on  
**December 16-17 2023**  
will be for  
**St. Vincent de Paul**

**Thank you for your generosity!**

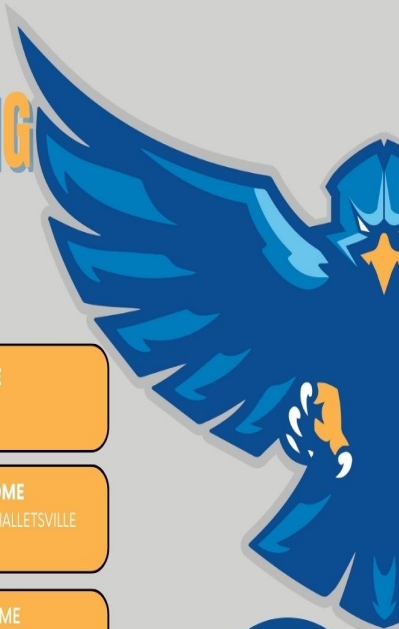
## Take a look at our Catholic Schools!

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## UPCOMING EVENTS



**MONDAY**  
11 **SOCCER- HOME**  
vs CONCORDIA  
6:00 pm

**TUESDAY**  
12 **BASKETBALL- HOME**  
vs SACRED HEART HALLETTSVILLE  
5:00 pm

**THURSDAY**  
14 **BASKETBALL- HOME**  
vs LUTHERAN JV  
6:00 pm

**FRIDAY**  
15 **SOCCER-HOME**  
vs MONTERREY PARK  
6:00 pm



Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

## Retirement Fund for Religious

[retiredreligious.org](http://retiredreligious.org)

### A PRAYER OF PEACE For the Second Week of Advent

Heavenly Father, Lord of All  
come and fill this world with your peace.  
May there be an end to hatred  
and division among your people.  
Cease all the fighting and war  
in this world.  
Heal the bitterness and hurt  
in my own heart.  
In this season of Advent,  
Prepare my heart for the  
coming of Jesus,  
Our Wonderful Counselor,  
Mighty God, Everlasting  
Father, Prince of Peace.  
Fill my heart with your  
peace which passes all  
understanding.  
For of the greatness  
of his government and  
peace, there shall be no end.  
Amen.



## From Your Librarians

Books to borrow from the Notre Dame Parish Library located in the Pastoral Center is open Monday & Wednesday from 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon. If you are unable to come during these times, please call Deborah Harris at 214-538-9105 and I will help you get the book(s) you need.

**Our Lady of Guadalupe** by Carl Anderson (past Supreme Knight of the Knights of Columbus) and Msgr. Eduardo Chavez trace the history of Our Lady of Guadalupe from the 16<sup>th</sup> century to the present and discuss how her message was and continues to be an important stimulus for religious and cultural transformation. Looking at our Lady as a model of the church and Juan Diego as a model for all Christians who seek to answer Christ's call of conversion and witness, we explore the changing face of the Catholic Church. This book speaks to today's issues that confront people of today.

**The Treasure of Guadalupe** edited by Virgilio Elizondo, Allan Figueroa Deck, and Timothy Matovina allows readers to probe more deeply the story, image, devotion, and message of Guadalupe as well as how the rich Guadalupe tradition, the scriptures, and the spirituality of Advent can enrich one another. Guadalupe's significance as a celestial mother embodies hope and never abandons anyone who struggle with illness, poverty, unemployment, lack of social status, insecurity, or any kind of discouragement or difficulty. St. John Paul II called the church in America the "church of hope".

**The Woman and the Way** by George T. Montagne, S.M. tells us that Mary knows Jesus better than any other human being. Looking at the Savior's life through the eyes of Mary, you can appreciate more your own call to become like Him. By developing a relationship with Mary as your spiritual mother, she will point the way to Jesus. If you are devoted to Mary, this is the book for you.

**Mary for Today** by M. Basil Pennington, O.C.S.O. explores the mystique surrounding Mary by delving into Scripture, Vatican II documents, and recent apparitions and private revelations. If you are interested in developing or enriching your relationship with Mary, this book is for you.

### **The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe is December 12**

*Written by Deborah Harris*



William Etchison, Marci Denton, Regina Kelly, Mauricio Reyes, Tom Miller, Tony Perez, Eloida Garcia, Judy Maurer, Amelia Rios, Brad Druehl, Norman Maurer, Lenora Reyes, Dale Denais, Bernice Kunz, Barney Murray, Jessica Garza Gonzalez, Manuela Sanchez, Deodato & Jesusa Ruiz, Andrew Ornelas Jr., Marge Carseth, John Baldwin, Angie Nombrano, Carolia Arriaga, Fr. David Wagner, Deacon Sonny Kaufhold, Patti Zohlen, Beverly Kyle, Merv Nelson, Ray Cicconi, Ann Skeels, Patty Espenhover, Mark Padilla, Barry Cannon, Becky Chacon Hancock, Gracien (Chen) Ramos, Mary Jane Flores, Frank Bertagnolli, Gilbert Davila, Scottie Dugger, Phillip Venzor, Marc Weekley, Roxanne Peralta.

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION

December 2-3, 2023

### CHURCH

Envelopes/Checks \$ 14,530.00

Currency/Coin 4,104.11

Capital Improvement 498.00

**TOTAL \$ 19,132.11**

Notre Dame School  
(2nd Collection) \$ 787.00

**TOTAL \$ 787.00**

ND School GAP \$ 100.00

**TOTAL \$ 100.00**

Adoration Chapel  
(to date) \$301,899.50

**TOTAL \$301,899.50**

### Online Giving November 27-Dec. 3, 2023

Offertory \$3,776.00

School 250.00

Building 175.00

Adoration 00.00

**TOTAL \$4,201.00**

### SCHOOL

Envelopes \$6,065.00

**TOTAL \$6,065.00**

**Please keep Notre Dame Parish in mind when planning your year end charitable giving.**



IN RECEIVING THE  
*Eucharist,*  
WE ARE CALLED TO SERVE.

EL RECIBIR LA  
*Eucaristía,*  
NOS LANZA A SERVIR.

