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*El Espíritu del Señor está sobre mí.  
Me ha enviado para anunciar la buena a los pobres.*

Ministerial Assignments	Date/Fecha	Sábado 5:30 pm Misa	Sun 8:30 am
Director of Worship	Dec 16-17 Dec 23-24	Jeronimo Edwin	Jim & Darlene Jim & Darlene
Altar Server/Acolyte/Acólitos	Dec 16-17 Dec 23-24	Angely, Jasmin, Tania America, Andrew, Jocelyn	Geneva/Marian Geneva/Marian
Audio/Visual	Dec 16-17 Dec 23-24	Dominic Erick	Ryan Angel
Lector	Dec 16-17 Dec 23-24	Saul y Tania Geneva y Jeronimo	Gary Drummond Gary Drummond
Palabra de Dios por los niños	Dec 16-17 Dec 23-24	Mariam y Cecilia Mariam y Cecilia	Mariam Mariam
Hospitality / Acomodadores	Dec 16-17 Dec 23-24	Nadia y Rosa Evelia y Angel	Dan & Dennis Dan & Dennis
Communion Minister	Dec 16-17 Dec 23-24	Jeronimo y Blanca Fernando y Irma	Kathleen & Sherry Kathleen & Sherry

**Dear Friends in parishes of the Jefferson City Diocese** - We've had a busy fall thus far. Lots of activity at the Abbey Guest Center. Here are three more retreats and days of reflection that we're offering during November and December. God's blessings to you all. **Abbey Guest Center, Conception, MO 64433, 660 944-2809; email: [guests@conception.edu](mailto:guests@conception.edu); Site: [www.conceptionabbey.org/guests](http://www.conceptionabbey.org/guests)**

**December 30-Jan 1 Annual New Year's Retreat** Begin the New Year in prayer and reflection. Staff and Monks will look forward to the feast of the Epiphany—a reflection upon what the Lord has made known to us and how we will reflect that in our daily lives. Take time to bring in the New Year with more than resolutions. How do we make what the Lord has manifested in our lives become the gifts we offer to others? We will also offer special sessions and handouts in Spanish. Room/Meal/Director fees: \$180 single room; \$300 double room (\$150 each)

All our retreats and days of recollection provide a setting for quiet reflection, personal prayer and relaxation along with the opportunity to join the monastic community for prayer and Eucharist. Day programs can include overnight accommodations upon request.

#### Parish Nursing Program...

The Faith Based Health Ministry Network (a program sponsored by Catholic Charities of Central and Northern Missouri) will sponsor a parish nursing course in spring, 2018. Date/time to be determined. If you are interested, please contact Susan Devaney~ 573 696 1424~ [devaney.susan@gmail.com](mailto:devaney.susan@gmail.com).

## Weekly Readings

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Jer/Jr 23:5-8  
Mt 1:18-25

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Jgs/Jc 13:2-7, 24-25a  
Lk/Lc 1:5-25

**Dec 20, Wednesday-Miércoles**  
Is 7:10-14  
Lk/Lc 1:26-38

**Dec 21, Thursday-Jueves**  
Sg/Can 2:8-14  
Lk/Lc 1:39-45

**Dec 22, Friday-Viernes**  
1 Sm/Sam 1:24-28  
Lk/Lc 1:46-56

**Dec 23, Saturday-Sábado**  
Mal /Mi 3:1-4, 23-24  
Lk/Lc 1:57-66

**Dec 24, Sunday-Domingo**  
**4th Sunday of Advent**  
**Cuarto Domingo de Adviento**  
2 Sm/Sam 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16  
Rom 16:25-27  
Lk/Lc 1:26-38

## Mass Intentions

**Sat, Dec 16, 5:30 p.m.**

Parish

**Sun, Dec 17, 8:30 a.m.**

†Margaret Poole

**Sun, Dec 17, 10:30 a.m.**

†Carolina Camacho

**Sat, Dec 23, 5:30 p.m.**

†Emilia Roman

**Sun, Dec 24, 8:30 a.m.**

Joe McCarty

**Sun, Dec 24, 10:30 a.m.**

Parish

**Christmas Eve, Dec 24, 7:00 p.m.**

Parish



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## Third Sunday of Advent, Year B, Tercer Domingo de Adviento, el año B del Evangelio de San Marcus December/Diciembre 16/17, 2017

*From The Deacon's Desk...*

*The renovation of our beautiful church is proceeding well. As with any older structure, there is always a little more to do than one might hope. The electricians have completed all the safety improvements; the carpenters have finished the sheetrock and cabinet work; the artists are renewing the statuary and the painters have the ceilings and high work finished and the firsts coats in the sanctuary are complete. Unfortunately despite our hope, Christmas will be celebrated at Bread of Life, Thank you for your understanding.*

*La renovación de nuestra hermosa iglesia está funcionando bien. Al igual que con cualquier estructura anterior, siempre hay algo más que hacer de lo que uno podría esperar. Los electricistas han completado todas las mejoras de seguridad; los carpinteros han terminado el trabajo de yeso y gabinete; los artistas están renovando las estatuas y los pintores tienen los techos y el trabajo alto terminado y los primeros abrigos en el santuario están completos. Desafortunadamente, la Navidad debe celebrarse en la Iglesia del Pan de Vida. Gracias por su paciencia.*

## Weekly Schedule of Services

Mass Saturday in Spanish / Sábado en Español, Milan 5:30 p.m.

Mass Sunday in English / Domingo en Inglés

Milan 8:30 a.m. — Unionville 10:30 a.m.

Evening Vespers with Communion: Wed, 5:30 p.m.

Reconciliation, Saturday, 4:30-5:15 p.m. & by appointment

[Go to Unionville Bulletin](#)

**Pastoral Council**  
Gary Drummond, *councilPresident@stmarymilan.com*  
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Mariam Camacho, Eric Chinchilla, *Youth*; Josefina Bahena, Dan VanIngen, *Social Justice*;  
John Mino, Alfredo Reyes, Rex May, Teresa Blair, *Stewardship*; Jean Nee, *Altar Society*;  
Edwin Pacheco, Roman Bahena, *San Juan Bautista*

**Pope: Guadalupe feast shows Mary's closeness to those on margins**  
By Editor, Catholic News Service, December 12, 2017  
(CNS) The appearance of Our Lady of Guadalupe, which mirrored that of the indigenous people of the time, is a sign of Mary's closeness to those who are marginalized, Pope Francis said. Like St. Juan Diego, who felt of no importance at being chosen by Mary because of his indigenous heritage, marginalized people in today's world are often made to feel worthless by conditions imposed upon them, the pope said in his homily for the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

"Among them are the indigenous and Afro-American communities, who often are not treated with dignity and equality of conditions; many women who are excluded because of their sex, race, or socioeconomic situation; young people who receive a poor education and have no opportunities to advance in their studies or to enter into the labor market so as to move ahead and establish a family; many poor people, unemployed, migrants, displaced, landless peasants, who seek to survive on the informal market; boys and girls subjected to child prostitution, often linked to sex tourism," he said.

In his homily, Pope Francis reflected on the reading from St. Luke's Gospel, in which the angel appears to Mary. "And behold, Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God," the angel said. Elizabeth's sterility, the pope said, was considered at the time "a divine punishment for her or her husband's sin" and a sign of shame and guilt "for a sin she did not commit ... (she was) made to feel small for being unable to fulfill what was expected of her." However, in Elizabeth -- who was the first to recognize the child in Mary's womb -- Christians can find a woman who is "fruitful and amazed" upon experiencing in her life "the fulfillment of a promise made by God." "In her, we understand that God's dream is not nor will be sterile or to stigmatize or fill his children with shame, but rather bring forth through and from them a song of blessing," he said. This fruitfulness can also be seen in St. Juan Diego, who was chosen by Mary to bear on his "tilma the image of the Virgin."

Mary, shown "with dark-skin and mestizo appearance," reflected a "mother capable of taking on the traits of her children to make them feel a part of her blessing," the pope said.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, he added, remains a symbol of the wealth and cultural diversity of Latin America and the Caribbean that must not only be cultivated, but also defended from every attempt to impose a way of thinking that "makes everything we inherited from the elders invalid or sterile."

**Happy Birthday/ Feliz Cumpleanos...December/Diciembre** 14, Jessica Perez; 16, Leslie Bahena; 17, Maria Castaneda; 19, Daniel Hatcher; 22, Joe McCarty; 23, Paula May, Xavier Bahena; 25, Rodrigo Martinez; 28, Jennifer Bahena.

**Anniversaries/Aniversarios** December/Diciembre: 9, Cindy Oder, 22 years; 17, Claudia y Alfredo Colon, 25 años.

Calendar of Events	
Sat, Dec 16 5:00 pm	Práctica musical para coro con Edwin, Bread of Life iglesia
Sat, Dec 16 5:30 pm	Los músicos del coro con Edwin, Bread of Life iglesia
Sat, Dec 16 5:30 pm	Palabra de Dios por los niños Bread of Life Iglesia
Sat, Dec 16 6:30 pm	Rito para pedir las posadas Bread of Life Iglesia
Sun, Dec 17 8:30 am	Liturgy of the Word for Children Bread of Life Church
Dec 17-23	Rito para pedir las posadas, hogares en la parroquia
Mon, Dec 18 9-10:00 am	Aerobics, Milan Parish Hall
Tue, Dec 19 6:00 pm	Práctica de los músicos del grupo de oracion, Milan salon
Wed, Dec 20 9-10:00 am	Aerobics, Milan Parish Hall
Wed, Dec 20 4:30 pm	Vacation — No PSR, Grades 2-6
Wed, Dec 20 5:30 pm	Evening Prayer-Vesperas Com- munion Service, Servicio de Comunión, Milan Salon
Wed, Dec 20 6:00 pm	Práctica musical para coro con Jan, Milan Parish Hall
Wed, Dec 20 6:45 pm	Adult RCIA Milan Video Classroom
Wed, Dec 20 8-10:00 pm	AA-Al Anon, Milan Parish Hall
Thu, Dec 21 6:00 pm	Práctica de los músicos del grupo de oracion, Milan salon.

<b>Income and Expense</b>	<b>Prior 30 Calendar Days</b>	<b>Fiscal Year To Date</b>
Contribution Budget	\$7,380	\$40,800
Contributions Received	\$9,119	\$40,613
Total Expenditures	\$7,119	\$41,084
Total Receipts	\$9,144	\$42,533

**Question of the Week**  
*3rd Sunday Advent - John 1:6-8, 19-28*

**Key Passage:**  
A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony to the light so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light.

**Question for adults:**  
Who has God made present in your life that added strength and understating to your beliefs?

**Question for children:**  
Who helps you to be better?

**Pregunta de la Semana**  
*3° Domingo Adviento -- Juan 1, 6-8. 19-28*

**Pasaje Crucial:**  
Hubo un hombre enviado por Dios, que se llamaba Juan. Este vino como testigo, para dar testimonio de la luz, para que todos creyeran por medio de él. Él no era la luz, sino testigo de la luz.

**Pregunta para los adultos:**  
¿Que tiene a Dios se hace presente en su vida que añade fuerza y subestimando a sus creencias?

**Pregunta para los niños:**  
¿Quién le ayuda a ser mejor?

**Events Continued...**

Thu, Dec 21 7:00 pm	El grupo de oracion. Todos estan invitados. Milan salon
Fri, Dec 22 9-10:00 am	Aerobics, Milan Parish Hall
Sat, Dec 23 5:00 pm	Práctica musical para coro con Jan, Bread of Life iglesia
Sat, Dec 23 5:30 pm	Los músicos del coro con Jan, Bread of Life iglesia
<b>Sun, Dec 24 7:00 pm</b>	<b>Christmas Eve Mass Bread of Life Church</b>
<b>Mon, Dec 25 9:00 am</b>	<b>Christmas Day Mass Unionville Church</b>

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**Happy Birthday:** December 21, Sophia Villarreal; 24, Jenna Knowles.

<b>Income and Expense</b>	Prior 30 Calendar Days	Fiscal Year to Date
Budgeted Contributions	\$2,600	\$14,400
Contributions Received	\$2,966	\$18,116
Total Expenditures	\$1,748	\$13,979
Total Receipts	\$2,976	\$19,059

**Wedding Anniversary:**  
**December** No anniversaries recorded.

**We lift up to the Lord in prayer** all those who enter the eternal peace of Christ, especially **Kerry, the son of Marilyn O'Toole**. For all the sick, especially **Clark and Melba**

**Hackney**, may the promise and the gift of the peace of Christ fill their hearts and minds, and may almighty God always provide their every need. We pray too, for those who struggle with grief or addictions and those who labor to provide our well being and freedom especially first responders and military, and for those separated from their loved ones and family.

**Youth & Adult RCIA Inquiry, Parish Hall, December 18, 4:30 pm**

**PSR 1st Communion to 6th grade, Wednesday, Jan 10, 4:30 pm**

<b>Ministers Assignments</b>	<b>December 2017</b>
Lead Rosary	Janoah Medecce
Director of Worship	Joe Koenen
Acolyte	Jaylee Knowles, Ed Brockmeyer
Lector	Gene Brummer
Hospitality	Marty & Janet Schmidt
Communion Minister	Melba Hackney Kay Bonifazi
Church Cleaning	Ed & Deb Penca
Plants/Decorate	Mary and Kathleen
Supplies	Mary Greinert



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### **Third Sunday of Advent, Year B Sunday, December 17, 2017**

#### **Weekly Readings**

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#### **Dec 17, 3rd Sunday of Advent**

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11

1 Thes 5:16-24

Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

#### **Dec 18, Monday**

Jer 23:5-8

Mt 1:18-25

#### **Dec 19, Tuesday**

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a

Lk 1:5-25

#### **Dec 20, Wednesday**

Is 7:10-14

Lk 1:26-38

#### **Dec 21, Thursday**

Sg 2:8-14

Lk 1:39-45

#### **Dec 22, Friday**

1 Sm 1:24-28

Lk 1:46-56

#### **Dec 23, Saturday**

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24

Lk 1:57-66

#### **Dec 24, 4th Sunday of Advent**

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

Rom 16:25-27

Lk 1:26-38

*From the Deacon's desk...*

*Please help meet our parish target. We are stalled at 92 % percent of our parish goal as we complete the 2018 Catholic Stewardship Appeal. We need an additional \$400 to achieve our objective. If you have not yet made a pledge or gift, please know that as a parish, we benefit greatly by the services and support provided through diocesan ministries. We appreciate any gift you are able to make. Thank you to all the families and individuals in our parish who have made a gift or pledge. The CSA counts on our parish contributions to support the many programs and services the diocese provides to us. This is an opportunity to express your gratefulness by making a pledge to this year's campaign. Please be generous.*

Rosary Sunday, 10:00 a.m.  
Mass Sunday in English  
Milan 8:30 a.m.— Unionville 10:30 a.m.

Reconciliation, Sunday following mass.  
Or by appointment  
Infant Baptism Preparation, Marriage  
Preparation or Adult Initiation  
by appointment with Deacon John

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## Sunday has lost its sense as day of rest, renewal in Christ,

### Pope says

By Editor, Catholic News Service, December 13, 2017

(CNS) Just like a plant needs sun and nourishment to survive, every Christian needs the light of Sunday and the sustenance of the Eucharist to truly live, Pope Francis said.

and strength to remain faithful to his word, follow his commandment to love others and be credible witnesses in the world.

The pope continued his series of



"How can we carry out the Gospel without drawing the energy needed to do it, one Sunday after another, from the limitless source of the Eucharist," he said Dec. 13 during his weekly general audience.

"We don't go to Mass to give something to God, but to receive from him that which we truly need," the pope said. Sunday Mass is the time and place Christians receive the grace

audience talks on the Mass in the Vatican's Paul VI hall, which was decorated with a large Christmas tree and a life-sized Nativity scene. A number of people in the audience hall handed the pope -- who turns 81 Dec. 17 -- Christmas cards, notes and a chocolate cake.

In his catechesis, the pope responded to the question of why it is so important to go to Mass on Sundays

(Sunday continued) and why it is not enough just to live a moral life, loving others.

Sunday Mass is not simply an obligation, he said. "We Christians need to take part in Sunday Mass because only with the grace of Jesus, with his presence alive in us and among us, can we put into practice his commandment and, in this way, be his credible witnesses."

"Just like a plant needs the sun and nourishment to live, every Christian needs the Sunday Eucharist to truly live," he said in summarized remarks to Arabic speakers.

"What kind of Sunday is it for a Christian if an encounter with the Lord is missing?" he asked in his main



talk. Unfortunately, in many secularized countries, the Christian meaning of the day has been lost and is no longer "illuminated by the Eucharist" or lived as a joyous feast in commun-

ion with other parishioners and in solidarity with others, he said.

Also often missing is the importance of Sunday as a day of rest, which is a sign of the dignity of living as children of God, not slaves, he said. "Without Christ, we are condemned to be dominated by the fatigue of daily life with all its worries and the fear of tomorrow.

The Sunday encounter with the Lord gives us the strength to live today with confidence and courage and to move forward with hope," he said.

## Calendar of Events

Sun, Dec 17 10:00 am	Holy Rosary Unionville Church
Sun, Dec 17 10:30 am	3rd Sunday Advent Unionville Church
Mon Dec 18 4:30 pm	Youth/Adult RCIA Parish Hall
Sun, Dec 24 10:00 am	Holy Rosary Unionville Church
Sun, Dec 24 10:30 am	4th Sunday Advent Unionville Church
<b>Sun, Dec 24 7:00 pm</b>	<b>Christmas Eve Holy Mass Milan Bread of Life</b>
<b>Mon Dec 25 9:00 am</b>	<b>Christmas Day Holy Mass Unionville Church</b>

## Mass Intentions

Sun Dec 17 10:30	†Carolina Camacho
Sat Dec 23, 5:30p	†Emilia Roman
Sun Dec 24 8:30a	Joe McCarty
Sun Dec 24 10:30	Parish
Sun Dec 24 7:00p	Parish

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