

DECEMBER 12, 2021

Whoever has two cloaks
should share with the
person who has none.
And whoever has food
should do likewise.

Luke 3:11

THIRD Sunday OF *Advent*



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Pastoral Staff:

Rev. Jose I. Gamba, Pastor
Rev. Marco T. Marroquin, Vicar

Eucharist:

Daily: Chapel 8:30 am
Monday, Thursday: 7:00 pm (Spanish)
Saturday: 5:00 pm (English) 7:00pm (Spanish)
Sunday: 8:00 am (English), 9:00 am (Spanish) 10:30 am (English)
12:00 noon, 1:30 (Spanish)

Next Holy Day of Obligation

(All Sundays)

December 25, 2021 CHRISTMAS

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoración del Santísimo

Monday: 6:00 to 6:45pm Lunes: 6:00 a 6:45pm
Thursday: 6:00 to 6:45pm Jueves: 6:00 a 6:45pm

Office Hours/Horario de Oficina:

Daily (Diario) (M - F) 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Baptism/Bautizos:

For Baptisms in English, please contact Father Marco.
Arrangements should be made one month in advance. Parents
should be registered parishioners.

Los Bautizos son el 3er sábado de cada mes. A las 11:30
A.M. Deben de pasar por la oficina para coordinar la fecha por lo
menos con un mes de anticipación. Deben de estar inscritos en la
parroquia para solicitar un bautismo.

Marriage/Matrimonio:

Please arrange with the priest at least one year in advance. Por favor
de separar fecha con el sacerdote y un año de anticipación.

Reconciliation/Reconciliación:

Monday & Thursday: 6:00pm - 6:45pm
Saturday 9:00 - 9:30am & 4:15 - 4:40pm
Lunes & Jueves 6:00 - 6:45pm
Sabado 9:00 - 9:30am & 4:15 - 4:40pm
By appointment only, please call the rectory office.
Por cita, por favor llamar a la rectoria.

Religious Education/Catecismo:

English Sundays: 10:15 to 11:30 am
Español Domingos: 10:15 a 11:30am

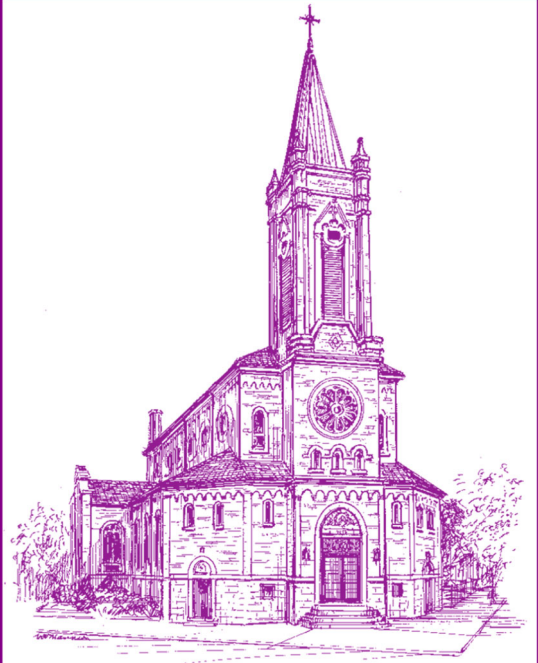
Sponsorship/Godparent Certificates:

You must be an **active parishioner** (registered) for at least 6
months to receive a Certificate of eligibility to be a sponsor or
godparent.

Debe ser un **feligrés activo** durante al menos 6 meses para recibir
un certificado de elegibilidad para ser un patrocinador o padrino.

Staff:

Mr. Will Villanueva, Trustee
Mrs. Germania Meza, Parish Secretary
Mrs. Sandra Bonilla, Religious Education



MISSION STATEMENT

St. Anthony of Padua Parish is committed
to the Celebration of God's presence among

His people through meaningful, well
prepared liturgy, prayerful gatherings,
evangelization and faith formation. We
recognize and welcome the richness of our
culturally and ethnically diverse community.

We strive to nurture and develop these
differences by encouraging all our brothers
and sisters to share their gifts so we may
strengthen our community and become one.

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Mass Intentions December 11 - December 19, 2021

SATURDAY (December 11) St. Damasus

8:30 PHILIP & ROBIN CASTILLO
5:00 JENNIE MERRITT/(Bequest)
7:00 VIRGEN DEL CAACUPE/Los Paraguayos

SUNDAY (December 12) THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00 DOMENICA CARONIA/Children
9:00 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
10:30 ROSALIA & GIUSEPPI ARCIERI/Nicolo &
Vincenza Arcieri & Family
12:00 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

MONDAY (December 13) St. Lucy

8:00 ANTHONY & MARIE BELLUSCIO/Frank &
Susan
7:00 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

TUESDAY (December 14) St. John of the Cross

8:30 ST. LUCY/Joann Barberio & Sons

WEDNESDAY (December 15) Advent Weekday

8:30 MATHEW CASTILLO

THURSDAY (December 16) Advent Weekday

8:30 ONOFRIO CHILLEMI/Antonia Chillemi
7:00 VARIOUS INTENTIONS

FRIDAY (December 17) Advent Weekday

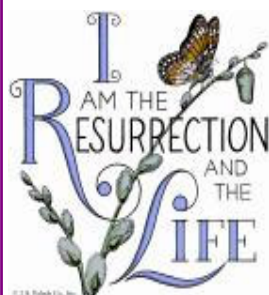
8:00 DOMENIC & MARIA BIANCO/Joann Barberio
& Sons

SATURDAY (December 18) Advent Weekday

8:30 MATHEW CASTILLO
5:00 GAETANO & LINDA MAZZA/Mr. & Mrs. Frank
O. Mazza
7:00 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

SUNDAY (December 19) FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00 NICHOLENA ZENNARIO/Bequest
9:00 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
10:30 MARIA ROSA/Silvio Rosa
12:00 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH



**ETERNAL REST
GRANT UNTO THEM,
O LORD!**

We remember those who have
died in the peace of Christ,
especially:

Vincent E. Caccese

OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION



is shown below. We sincerely thank all those parishioners and friends who contributed to the parish. Be assured that the Lord will never be outdone in rewarding those who give even a glass of water in His Name.

December 05, 2021

1st collection: \$ 3,806.00

2nd collection: \$ 3,402.00

Monthly Diocesan Assessment

December 08, 2021

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION \$

December 12, 2021

1st collection: REGULAR

2nd collection: Retirement fund for Religious

Collections for the following weeks:

December 19, 2021

1st collection: REGULAR

December 24, 2021

1st collection: CHRISTMAS

December 26, 2021

**1st collection: REGULAR/SOLEMNITY OF
MARY**

January 02, 2022

1st collection: REGULAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Carmen Alava
Caterina Campbell
Isaac Castañeda
Orlando Chavez
Wayne Cook
Rosemary Coppola
Mary Cusmano
Leonor Sepulveda De Devia
Marianna Dubell
Maria Espinoza
Mario Fronzoni
William Getilmea
Denise Griest
Jared Leonardo Henao
Jacob Hinman
Joshua Hinman
Joseph B. Jean-Mary
Ray Joseph
Lindsay LaMarre
John Lapolla
Theresa Lattanzio
Rosa Leon
Richard Matela
Anthony Merlo

Leonarda Merlo
Michael Merlo
James D. Milazzo
Carmen Mistichelli
Rosemarie Newton
Declan Rocco O'Connor
Robergeau Paul
Maria Perdomo
Frank Pierre
Jose Luis Porto
Gisel Porto
Carmen Fojo Prieto
Sergio Ricciardi
Angel Rivera
Magdalena Rodriguez
Dennis Rooney
Olga Rooney
John Ruela
Maria Saavedra
Salvatore Saluccio
Hugo Santa Maria
Frank Tinnirella
Rosalie Tinnirella
John Veltre

WEEKLY HOMILY / HOMILÍA SEMANAL**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 2021**
TERCERO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO 2021

The disciples of John asked Jesus: “Are you the one who is to come, or should we wait for another?” And Jesus answered them: “Go and tell John what you have seen, the lame walk, the blind see, the deaf hear, and the lepers get cured...” These are the messianic signs, that everything recuperate its original beauty, as a Jewish Talmud recount, “When the people got out Egypt, they were blind, mute, lame, etc... And Yahweh restored them to the original beauty. Because of this, when John received the news from his disciples of the signs that Jesus performed, he was not surprised because, He saw in these signs that Jesus was the Messiah, and that there was no more waiting to do. So, today, the third Sunday of Advent 2010, how can we recognize the Messiah? What signs have we seen so we must follow him? Christ is going to ask us, why are you here today? What you have come here to do today? What do you want to see? So, I will tell you the same thing of Christ. Because, I hope you have come to see the Messiah, and not only to fulfill an obligation, but to look for the one who can give you “Eternal Life.” The Lord is inviting us to see the signs that He, Christ, has been leaving in our lives, so we can recognize him as the true messiah. Many times we have misinterpreted those signs of Christ and have followed a false messiah, who promised us happiness. That’s why Christ put in front of us the image of John the Baptist, that is coming today to calls us to conversion “Convert and repent from your sins, so your heart may turn to the Lord.” This third Sunday of Advent known as Gaudete Sunday, because the true happiness comes from having found the Lord that is the only one who can makes us happy, restoring us to our original beauty according to God’s plan, and so, to take away the ugliness of our sins and wrong doing. May God bless you always.



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Le preguntaron a Jesús, los discípulos de Juan: ¿Eres tu el que Ha de venir, o tenemos que esperar a otro? Y Jesús les responde: “Id a decirle a Juan, lo que habéis visto, “Los cojos andan, los sordos oyen, los ciegos ven, los leprosos quedan limpios...” Estos son las señales mesiánicas, que todo vuelve a recuperar su esplendor, su belleza original. Como cuenta un Talmud Judío, “Cuando lo Israelitas salieron de Egipto, todos iban deformes, cojos, ciegos, sordos, mudos, etc. Y Yahvé les hizo recobrar su belleza original. Por eso Juan cuando recibe esta noticia no se extraña, a lo mejor sus discípulos dirían, que respuesta tan rara nos ha dado este. Pero Juan ve en estas señales que verdaderamente Jesús es el Mesías y que no hay que esperar a nadie más. Entonces, hoy, en este domingo tercero de cuaresma, ¿como podemos reconocer al Mesías? ¿Qué señales vemos o hemos visto para seguirlo? Por que Cristo nos va a preguntar, ¿Qué habéis venido a hacer hoy aquí? ¿Qué habéis venido a ver? Pues yo os digo lo mismo, no de mí, sino de El, de Cristo. Por que espero que hayáis venido a ver al Mesías, no solo a cumplir con una obligación, sino a buscar al que os puede dar la vida Eterna. Así que el Señor nos esta invitando hoy, a ver las señales que el ha ido dejando en nuestras vidas para que podamos reconocerlo como el verdadero Mesías, ya, muchas veces hemos mal interpretado esas señales y hemos seguido a otro, aun falso profeta que nos prometía la felicidad. Por eso Cristo hoy nos viene a poner delante a Juan el Bautista, que nos viene a decir: “Convertíos y arrepentíos de vuestros pecados y que vuestro corazón se vuelva al Señor vuestro Dios.” Este es este tercer domingo de Adviento, o también conocido como “Domingo de Gaudete,” ya que la verdadera alegría viene de habernos encontrado con el Señor, que es el que nos puede hacer felices, devolviéndonos a nuestra belleza original, según el plan de Dios, y así poder quitar la fealdad producida en nosotros por nuestros pecados y equivocaciones. Que Dios los bendiga a todos siempre.



Mañanitas a nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Diciembre/December 12, 2021

5:00 am - Serenata/Serenade

1:00 pm - Procesión/Procession

(Seguido por la Santa Misa - Follow by the Holy Mass)



Jueves - Diciembre 16, 2021
NOVENA AL DIVINO
NIÑO JESUS
7:30 PM
(Después de la Santa Misa)



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Shout for joy! Sing joyfully! Be glad and exult! The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior (Zephaniah 3:14-18a).

Psalms — Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel (Isaiah 12).

Second Reading — Rejoice! The Lord is near. Make your requests known to God (Philippians 4:4-7).

Gospel — John tells his hearers to share their possessions with the needy; be honest; do not threaten or accuse others falsely (Luke 3:10-18).

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LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — ¡Canta! ¡Da gritos de júbilo! ¡Gózate y regocíjate! El Señor tu Dios está entre ustedes y es un poderoso salvador (Sofonías 3:14-18a).

Salmo — Griten de alegría, porque grande se ha portado contigo el Santo de Israel (Isaías 12).

Segunda lectura — ¡Alégrense! El Señor está cerca. Presenten sus peticiones a Dios (Filipenses 4:4-7).

Evangelio — Juan dice a sus oyentes que compartan sus posesiones con los necesitados; que sean honrados; que no amenacen ni acusen a otros injustamente (Lucas 3:10-18).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-19, 23; Mt 21:28-32

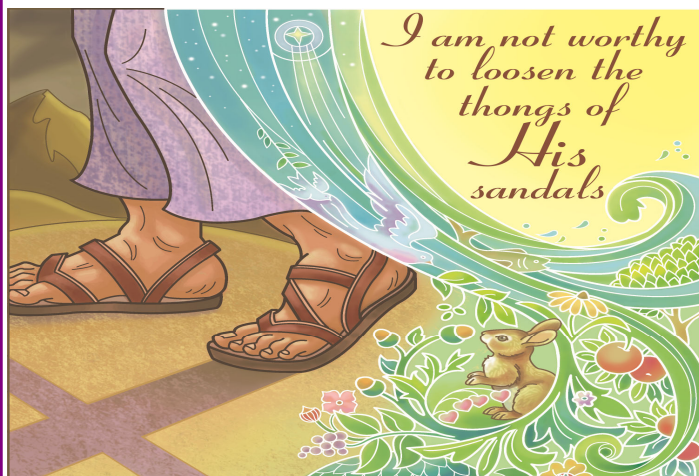
Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Ps 85:9-14; Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday: Is 54:1-10; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b; Lk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

Saturday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45



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PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Third Sunday of Advent

O God, who see how your people faithfully await the feast of the Lord's Nativity, enable us, we pray, to attain the joys of so great a salvation and to celebrate them always with solemn worship and glad rejoicing. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

How am I faithfully awaiting the Lord's Nativity?

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ORACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

Tercer Domingo de Adviento

Dios nuestro, que contemplas a tu pueblo esperando fervorosamente la fiesta del nacimiento de tu Hijo, concédenos poder alcanzar la dicha que nos trae la salvación y celebrarla siempre, con la solemnidad de nuestras ofrendas y con vivísima alegría. Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo y es Dios por los siglos de los siglos.

Pregunta de reflexión:

¿Cómo espero fervorosamente el nacimiento del Señor?

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THE ADVENT WREATH

3rd Candle- (Pink)

THE CANDLE OF JOY

The angels sang a message of JOY! (Luke 2:7-15)

An Advent wreath symbolizes our longing for the coming of Christ. The wreath is a circle of evergreen branches into which are set four candles. Traditionally three candles are violet and one is rose.

The wreath symbolizes many things. Evergreens signify God's enduring promise of redemption, evident like green branches in the midst of snow. The circle signifies our hope for the return of Christ, whose kingdom will have no end. The colors of the candles match the traditional colors of the vesture for the four Sundays of Advent. Violet garments signify our penitent hope for salvation. The rose color, which may be worn on Advent's Third Sunday, signals that the season is nearly over – joy is at hand!

The wreath's most luminous symbol is its growing light. One candle is lit on the First Sunday of Advent; two on the Second, three on the Third and all four on the Fourth. In the northern hemisphere, Advent comes at a time when the days decrease to their shortest length. As the hours of darkness increase, we light more candles on the wreath. The wreath, which symbolizes the coming of Christ, grows in intensity as the anniversary of Jesus' birth draws near.

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