

DECEMBER 17, 2023 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT, CYCLE B

17 de diciembre de 2023 tercero Domingo de Adviento, Ciclo B

Mass Intentions /Intenciones de Misa

Saturday	12/16	5:30pm	+Father Michael Herbert Goondiwindi
Sunday	12/17	9:00am	+Maria Trinidad Bolaños(Trini) +Colleen Woodcock
		12:00pm	Jose Jesus Rodriguez Rangel 15th Blessing +Jesus Tavera +Hector Juarez +Nestor Gallegos +Daniel Gallegos
Tuesday	12/19	1:30pm	Stefanie Avila 5th Birthday
Wednesday	12/20	6:00pm	
Thursday	12/21	7:00pm	+Jose Morin
Friday	12/22	6:00pm	+Josue Guadalupe Jinez
1ST COLLECTION		2ND COLLECTION	
December 03:\$4308	December 03:	Social Ministries	\$1606
December 10:\$3445	December 10:	Building Fund	\$2658
December 11:\$926	Misa de Guadalupe		
December 17:\$	December 17:	Building Fund	\$
December 24:\$	December 24:	Building Fund	\$
December 31:\$	December 31:	Retired Religious	\$
BUILDING DEBT: \$627,653.52			

Food Sales—Goes towards Building Fund Monthly

Cursillistas	\$	
St.Jude Group	\$2209	MONTHLY PAYMENT: \$ 7,100
United in Faith	\$	
Ushers	\$	
VOTIVE CANDLE OFFERING—November	\$186	

TODAY'S READINGS/ Lecturas de Hoy

First Reading/Primera Lectura: Isaiah 61:1-2a,10-11

The Lord's salvation will be made known to the poor and the oppressed.

Responsorial Psalm/Salmo Responsorial: Luke 1:46-50,53-54

Mary sings praise to God.

Second Reading/Segunda lectura: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Paul encourages the Thessalonians to rejoice and pray always.

Gospel Reading/Lectura del Evangelio: John 1:6-8,19-28

John gives testimony that he is preaching and baptizing in order to prepare for the coming of another.

Readings of the week/Lecturas de la Semana

16 Saturday/Sabado Sir 48:1-4, 9-11

17 Sunday/Domingo Is 61:1-2A, 10-11

18 Monday/Lunes Jer 23:5-8

19 Tuesday/Martes Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a

20 Wednesday/Miercoles Is 7:10-14

21 Thursday/Jueves Sg 2:8-14

22 Friday/Viernes 1 Sm 1:24-28

Background on the Gospel Reading

This Sunday's Gospel invites us to continue our reflection on the person and mission of John the Baptist. Today we depart from the Gospel of Mark and read a selection from the Gospel of John.

The Gospel for today combines a brief passage from the prologue to John's Gospel with a report about John the Baptist. As in Mark's Gospel, the Gospel of John contains no birth narrative. Instead, John's Gospel begins with a theological reflection that has come to be called the "prologue." This prologue places the story of Jesus in its cosmological framework. It speaks of Jesus' existence with God since the beginning of time. In John's Gospel, Jesus is presented as the fulfillment of the Old Testament and the culmination of the Word, the light that is coming into the world's darkness.

Following this prologue, John reports on the ministry of John the Baptist. We learn about the attention that John the Baptist received from the Jewish authorities. Messengers from the Jewish priests, the Levites and the Pharisees question John about his identity and the meaning of the baptisms that he is performing. John's Gospel uses these questions to establish the relationship between Jesus and John the Baptist. John the Baptist is not the Messiah, nor is he Elijah or the Prophet. In John's denials, we hear echoes of the kind of messianic expectations that were common in first-century Palestine.

The only affirmative response that John the Baptist gives is when he quotes the prophet Isaiah. Upon answering the next question, John announces that the savior they seek is already among them, but as yet unrecognized. John's response highlights for us an important Advent theme: Jesus has already come into the world as our savior. During Advent, we pray that we will be able to recognize Jesus' presence in our midst. Advent also reminds us that Jesus will come again to fulfill the promise of salvation. We pray that we will continue to be watchful as we anticipate that great day.

The third Sunday of Advent is also called Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete, a Latin word which means "rejoice," is taken from the entrance antiphon for Sunday's Mass. This theme is echoed in today's second reading from the first Letter to the Thessalonians. It is a reminder that Advent is a season of joy because our salvation is already at hand.

DECEMBER/diciembre

For persons with disabilities

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

for Persons with Disabilities Rezamos para que las personas con discapacidad puedan estar en el centro de atención de la sociedad, y que las instituciones puedan ofrecer programas inclusivos que valoren su participación activa.

Antecedentes sobre la lectura del Evangelio

El Evangelio de este domingo nos invita a continuar nuestra reflexión sobre la persona y la misión de Juan el Bautista. Hoy nos apartamos del Evangelio de Marcos y leemos una selección del Evangelio de Juan.

El Evangelio de hoy combina un breve pasaje del prólogo del Evangelio de Juan con un informe sobre Juan el Bautista. Como en el Evangelio de Marcos, el Evangelio de Juan no contiene ninguna narrativa de nacimiento. En cambio, el Evangelio de Juan comienza con una reflexión teológica que ha llegado a llamarse el "prólogo". Este prólogo coloca la historia de Jesús en su marco cosmológico. Habla de la existencia de Jesús con Dios desde el principio de los tiempos. En el Evangelio de Juan, Jesús se presenta como el cumplimiento del Antiguo Testamento y la culminación de la Palabra, la luz que viene a las tinieblas del mundo.

Siguiendo este prólogo, Juan informa sobre el ministerio de Juan el Bautista. Aprendemos acerca de la atención que Juan el Bautista recibió de las autoridades judías. Los mensajeros de los sacerdotes judíos, los levitas y los fariseos preguntan a Juan acerca de su identidad y el significado de los bautismos que está realizando. El Evangelio de Juan usa estas preguntas para establecer la relación entre Jesús y Juan el Bautista. Juan el Bautista no es el Mesías, ni es Elías ni el Profeta. En las negaciones de Juan, escuchamos ecos del tipo de expectativas mesiánicas que eran comunes en la Palestina del primer siglo.

La única respuesta afirmativa que Juan el Bautista da es cuando cita al profeta Isaías. Al responder a la siguiente pregunta, Juan anuncia que el salvador que buscan ya está entre ellos, pero aún no reconocido. La respuesta de Juan destaca para nosotros un importante tema de Adviento: Jesús ya ha venido al mundo como nuestro salvador. Durante el Adviento, oramos para que podamos reconocer a Jesús presencia en medio de nosotros. El Adviento también nos recuerda que Jesús vendrá de nuevo para cumplir la promesa de salvación. Oramos para que sigamos vigilantes mientras anticipamos ese gran día.

El tercer domingo de Adviento también se llama domingo de Gaudete, una palabra latina que significa "regocijarse", es tomada de la antífona de entrada para la misa del domingo. Este tema se hace eco en la segunda lectura de hoy de la primera Carta a los Tesalonicenses de . Es un recordatorio de que el Adviento es un tiempo de alegría porque nuestra salvación ya está cerca.



Asistencia a víctimas: Si es víctima o conoce a una víctima Si usted sabe o sospecha que un adulto menor o vulnerable está siendo abusado o está en peligro, informe inmediatamente a la policía estatal/local o al Departamento de Servicios de Familia y Protección de Texas al (800) 252-5400 o txabusehotline.org. Cualquier caso actual o pasado de abuso que involucre al personal de la Iglesia también debe ser reportado también al coordinador de asistencia a víctimas de la Diócesis de Tyler al (903) 266-2159 o vac@dioceseoftyler.org.

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Dec.16th posada at 7 pm – to – 24th 6:30 pm

Dec. 17th third Sunday of advent – regular mass schedule

Dec. 24th fourth Sunday of advent- 9 am and 12 noon mass (no mass at 1:30)

Christmas mass schedule

Dec. 24th vigil mass in English 7 pm

Midnight mass at 12 am – bilingual

Dec. 25th Christmas day 9 am English & 12 noon Spanish

Dec. 31st feast of holy family - Sunday

regular mass schedule- 9 am, 12 noon & 1:30pm

January 1st feast of Mary Mother of god
(this year it's not a holy day of obligation)

9 am mass in English & 7 pm mass in Spanish

Guadalupe Festival

1 T-shirt \$20
Pony rides \$65
Pop Corn \$65
Soccer Tournament \$1200
Lottery game \$64
Games \$146
Bottle raffle \$210
Toy sales \$659
Food group sales \$8211
Raffle Ticket sales \$7700

Thank you to the following for the Donations of Prizes:

Jóvenes adultos para Cristo/Young adults for Christ

Mike and Rebecca Owens

Jaime Mirlles

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Family Balderas

Family Tavera

And any one I may have missed.

Total sales \$19130

FYI: Fr Jay will be on Vacation from January 11th through February 13th. During this time there will only be weekend Mass.

Para su información: El P. Jay estará de vacaciones del 11 de enero al 13 de febrero. Durante este tiempo solo habrá misa de fin de semana.

PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR PARISH/OREMOS POR LAS PERSONAS DE LA PARROQUIA

Spddy Peacock Tony Caruana John Caruana Myriam Drury Maria Emilia Lamadrid Lorenza Torres Franco Torres Christy Santos Milagros Santos Fannye Meador Sonia Loyola David Abel Debbie Mahaler Wendy O'Maine Juana Carmona Rita Bobbitt Boone Berry Boone Keith & Rosie Sotelo Virginia Barefield Gabriela Servin Edgar Rodriguez Buddy McCrary John Caruana Mason Cudd Dusty Speck Baxter Triny Bolaños Ruby Milawski

Please Pray for each Parish Family going through Difficulties

Pray for the men and women in the military/oremos por nuestros hombres y mujeres en las Fuerzas Armadas

Benjamin Villegas Carlos Villegas Michael Dillon Martin Cazares JR. Angel de la Luz Ruben, Marisol, Angelica,Carolina,Maria Isabel, Isaac Landin



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 Social Service Hotline 211
 Crisis Text Line—text 741741
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OLOS Mass Schedule— Horario de Misas
WEEKEND / FIN DE SEMANA

Saturday / sábado 5:30PM (Eng)
 Sunday / domingo 9:30AM (Eng), 12:00PM (Span)
 1:30PM (Span)

WEEKDAY / DIAS DE SEMANA

Tuesday / martes	9:00AM (English)
Wednesday / miércoles	6:00PM (English)
Thursday / jueves	7:00PM (Spanish)
Friday / viernes	6:00PM (English)

OLOS Confessions / Confesiones

Friday / viernes	6:30PM—7:30PM
Saturday / sábado	4:00PM—5:00PM

OLOS Holy Hour / Hora Santa

Fridays / viernes	6:30PM—7:30PM
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MINISTRY TO THE SICK, HOME BOUND & NURSING HOMES & FOR BLESSINGS: Please call the office 903-586-4538 to Schedule the visit. If you have someone in the Hospital call Fr. Jay Lucas—903-918-6665.

SOCIAL MINISTRY : OLOS FOOD PANTRY
 EVERY THURSDAY 10 AM - 1PM.

Welcome New Parishioners!
 We invite you to become a part of the parish by registering. Cards are available in the narthex of the Church or in the Parish office. Also, please advise us of any change of address or phone number. Thank you!

¡Bienvenidos nuevos feligreses!
 Los invitamos a ser parte de la parroquia inscribiéndose. Las tarjetas están disponibles en el nártex de la Iglesia o en la oficina parroquial. Además, por favor avísenos de cualquier cambio de dirección o número de teléfono. ¡Gracias!

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 Juventino Torres, Permanent Deacon

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Office Hours / Horas de oficina
 Tuesday-Friday, 9:00AM—2:00PM
 Martes a viernes de 9:00AM a 2:00PM
 Office closed from 11:00—11:30

Faith Formation / de Catequesis
 Yvette Stabbs: Sacramental Preparation/RCIA
 Wednesday - 6:30 to 7:30 PM

Alejandra : Faith Formation / Doctrina
 Sunday - 10:45 to 11:45AM
Secretary@oloschurch.com
 Baptism Classes in Spanish

First Monday of the month / Primera Lunes de mes
 6:30 PM at Parish Hall
Marriage / Matrimonio

Talk to the priest 6 months before wedding day.
 Hable con el sacerdote 6 meses antes del día de la boda.

Meetings
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
 1st Tuesday of the month @ 6:30 pm

PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE
 2nd Wednesday after the end of each quarter @6:30pm

HISPANIC MINISTRY COMMITTEE
 3rd Thursday of the month @ 7:30pm

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
 1st Wednesday & 3rd Wednesday (officers) @ 6:45pm

OLOS Ladies Group
 2nd Monday of the month @ 6:00 pm

JOVENES Y ADULTOS POR CHRISTO
 Every Sunday @ 3:30pm & Thursday @ 7pm

Youth Group
 Every Wednesday @ 6:30