

Blessed Sacrament Church Iglesia del Santísimo Sacramento



December 25, 2022



HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The office will be closed from December 23rd through January 2nd

We will resume normal hours on January 3rd

La oficina estará cerrada del 23 de diciembre al 2 de enero.

Reanudaremos el horario normal el 3 de enero

We will be checking messages regularly during these days.

****For emergencies please call or text Fr. Nick at 806-367-2395**

****Para emergencias, llame o envíe un mensaje de texto al padre Nick al 806-367-2395**

Due to the Christmas Holiday, changes to the schedules in regards to Holy Hour, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and daily mass are as follows:

There will **not** be Holy Hour on Dec 16th, 23rd, & 30th

There will **not** be Adoration on Dec 23rd or Dec 30th

There will **not** be daily masses the week of Dec 26th-Dec 30th or Jan 4th

Debido a Navidad cambios en los horarios con respecto a la Hora Santa, la Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento y la misa diaria son los siguientes:

No habrá Hora Santa los días 16, 23 y 30 de diciembre

No habrá adoración el 23 ni el 30 de diciembre.

No habrá misas diarias la semana del 26 de diciembre al 30 de diciembre o el 4 de enero.

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Parish Office Hours

**Monday - Thursday 9am-1pm & 2pm-5pm
Friday 9am -12pm**

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD LA NATIVIDAD DEL SEÑOR



Saint John the Apostle | December 27

Saint John was one of the Twelve, part of Jesus' inner

circle, among the few that witnessed the Transfiguration, the raising of Jarius' Daughter, and the Agony in the garden at Gethsemane. He and his brother James were the sons of Zebedee and Salome. When Jesus called them, they left their father mending nets and followed him. Jesus called the brothers "Boanerges," meaning "sons of thunder" — they were passionate in their faith and Jesus had to rebuke them for their fiery zeal on more than one occasion. John, the younger brother, possibly the youngest disciple, was the only one present at Jesus' death.

Saint John the Apostle is traditionally thought to be the author of the fifth Gospel, the three Epistles of John, and the Book of Revelation. However, there has been some debate among scholars from antiquity to the present. Tradition also gives him the title Beloved Disciple and John's Gospel sees him seated next to Jesus at the last supper and the one to whom Jesus gives the care of Mary at the crucifixion.

Although Church tradition says that John survived the other disciples, living a long life, much of it is steeped in myth and legend. Some say he retired to Ephesus after the crucifixion with Mary and remained there until he died. But in other traditions he is more active. For a time he remained in Jerusalem with the other disciples, then founded churches in Asia Minor. In a legend of his persecution, during the reign of the Emperor Domitian, John is taken to Rome and thrown into a cauldron of boiling oil but preserved from death. He is then exiled to the island of Patmos where the Book of Revelation was written.

Most accounts agree that after his exile and the Assumption of Mary he returned to Ephesus where he died sometime after 98, during the reign of the Emperor Trajan.

Readings for the week of December 25, 2022

Sunday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 (3)/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
Monday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22
Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Wednesday 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/Mt 2:13-18
Thursday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6/Lk 2:22-35
Friday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
Saturday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13/Jn 1:1-18
Next Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

The true meaning of Christmas is not found in the twinkling lights, the beautifully adorned trees, or the exchanged gifts. It is revealed when we find God along the way of our lives, especially when we feel displaced, desperate, and alone. Fleeing from their home, Joseph and Mary cautiously made their way through the uncertain, complex, and dark paths to a longed-for place of safety and welcome. Not sure where to lay their heads, they created makeshift preparations for the birth of their child, the Son of God. God, who always was, is, and will be, without beginning or end is the one constant in life who sees us through difficult and scary times. Jesus is the light, which enlightens everyone, and comes into the world to show us the truth. It is joyful good news that calms our fears and allows us to go forth into the nighttime of our lives, courageously. This is the meaning of Christmas. We are never lost or alone. God is with us, loving us and leading us where we need to be.

VIVIR LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

El verdadero significado de la Navidad no se encuentra en las luces centelleantes, los árboles bellamente adornados o los regalos intercambiados. Se revela cuando encontramos a Dios en el camino de nuestra vida, especialmente cuando nos sentimos desplazados, desesperados y solos. Huyendo de su hogar, José y María se abrieron paso con cautela a través de caminos inciertos, complejos y oscuros hacia un anhelado lugar de seguridad y bienvenida. Sin saber dónde recostar sus cabezas, crearon preparativos improvisados para el nacimiento de su hijo, el Hijo de Dios. Dios, quien siempre fue, es y será, sin principio ni fin, es la única constante en la vida que nos ayuda a través de tiempos difíciles y aterradores. Jesús es la luz, que ilumina a todos, y viene al mundo para mostrarnos la verdad. Es una buena noticia gozosa que calma nuestros miedos y nos permite salir con valentía a la noche de nuestra vida. Este es el significado de la Navidad. Nunca estamos perdidos o solos. Dios está con nosotros, amándonos y guiándonos a donde necesitamos estar.

Tuesday faith formation classes Christmas break will be from December 26th to January 2nd. Classes resume January 3rd.

Las clases de **formación en la fe de los martes** tendrán vacaciones de Navidad del 26 de diciembre al 2 de enero. Las clases se reanudan el 3 de enero.

Pray for the Sick & those in the Military

We always welcome names for the sick. Please note that requests must only be made by the individual or an immediate family member. Names will remain in this prayer list for 1 month.

Alitzel Jara

Ana Mendoza

Eugenia Torres

Also pray for our parishioners who are in nursing homes or are homebound unable to attend Mass.

Life Teen & Edge classes will have a Christmas break from December 20th to January 7th. Classes resume January 11th.

Las clases de **Life Teen & Edge** tendrán un receso de Navidad del 20 de diciembre al 7 de enero. Las clases se reanudan el 11 de enero.



General Offering	\$ 4,130.40
Online E-Giving	\$ ~
Building Maintenance	\$ 811.93
Special Collection	\$~

Total : \$ 4,942.33

UPCOMING COLLECTIONS

January 15— Building Maintenance
January 22— Church in Latin America

**Thank you for your generosity!
Gracias por tu generosidad !**



Mass Intentions

Week of Dec 24– Dec 30

Please request Mass Intentions for loved ones, both living and deceased.

Saturday 12/24:

5:00pm: Health of Joshua Hernandez

Sunday 12/25:

9:00am: People of the Parish

11:00am: +Raul Pineda

1:00pm: +Raul Pineda

Tuesday 12/27: Closed

Wednesday 12/28: Closed

Thursday 12/29: Closed

Friday 12/30: Closed

WEEKLY EVENTS AROUND THE PARISH DEC 24– DEC 30

SATURDAY

3:30 pm- 4:30 pm Reconciliation/ Confesiones
5:00 pm Christmas Eve Vigil Mass

SUNDAY

9:00 am Christmas Mass
11:00 am Misa de Navidad
1:00 pm Misa de Navidad

MONDAY - OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY - OFFICE CLOSED

WEDNESDAY - OFFICE CLOSED

THURSDAY - OFFICE CLOSED

FRIDAY - OFFICE CLOSED

ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE

Online Giving is an easy way to give your tithes each week. Please visit Blessedsacramentamarillo.org and click under the online giving tab. Your weekly donations will be put on your account for end of the year tax statements.

Online Giving es una manera fácil de dar sus diezmos cada semana. Visite Blessedsacramentamarillo.org y haga clic en la pestaña de donaciones en línea. Sus donaciones semanales se depositarán en su cuenta para las declaraciones de impuestos de fin de año.



OH COME LET
US ADORE HIM.

*Celebrate Christmas with us
at Blessed Sacrament
This is a Holy day of Obligation*

DEC 24TH-5:00 PM ENGLISH | DEC 25TH-9:00 AM ENGLISH
DEC 25TH- 11:00 AM & 1:00PM SPANISH

Thank you to Roof Spotters, for your superb work on all the roofs here at Blessed Sacrament. May God bless your work in Amarillo and the surrounding areas.



Fr. Nicholas Gerber &
Blessed Sacrament
Church

Thank you to all the Groups and Families who hosted a posada this year. The meals you shared were absolutely wonderful. We would also like to thank all the musicians who took time to play this year.

Gracias a todos los Grupos y Familias que organizaron una posada este año. Las comidas que compartieron fueron absolutamente maravillosas. También nos gustaría agradecer a todos los músicos que se tomaron el tiempo para tocar este año.

Thursday Dec 15: El Camino

Saturday Dec 17: Mendoza Family

Monday Dec 19: Kids Chior

Wednesday Dec 21: Mendoza, Rosas, Vanezuela & Johnson Families

Thursday Dec 22: Familia Saucedo

Friday Dec 16: Spanish Prayer Group

Sunday Dec 18: Altar Society

Tuesday Dec 20: Elementary CCD

Wednesday Dec 21: Mendoza, Rosas, Vanezuela & Johnson Families

Friday Dec 23: Knights of Columbus 7573



We would like to extend a huge **Thank You** to the English Prayer Group for their donation from their Raffle in the amount of \$1,085.00 and also the Vocation Prayer Group for their donation from their religious articles sale in the amount of \$423.00. We thank you for your hard work and dedication to our church may God bless you!

Nos gustaría **agradecer** al Grupo de Oración en Inglés por su donación de su Rifa por la cantidad de \$1,085.00 y también al Grupo de Oración Vocacional por su donación de su venta de artículos religiosos por la cantidad de \$423.00. Les agradecemos por su arduo trabajo y dedicación a nuestra iglesia que Dios los bendiga.

CHRISTMAS



Blessed Sacrament Church	Quota \$22,721	Old	New
Pledged by parishoners		\$13,603	\$14,535
Prometido por los feligreses			
Paid by parishoners		\$7,418	\$ 9,350
Pagado por los feligreses			
Amount needed to be pledged to meet quota		\$9,118	\$8,186
Falta por prometer para cumplir con la cuota			

Thank you to everyone who has pledged. We still have a ways to go. If you haven't pledged please grab a UCA envelope on the back tables and mail it in. Or you can stop by the office for more information.

Gracias a todos los que se han comprometido. Todavía tenemos un camino por recorrer. Si no se ha comprometido, tome un sobre UCA en las mesas traseras y envíelo por correo. O puede pasar por la oficina para obtener más información.

2nd annual Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship
 Knights of Columbus Council #4621 is sponsoring a Free Throw Championship
 Date: January 14, 2023
 Location: Holy Cross Catholic Academy Event Center at 4102 South Bonham
 The contest is open to all youth between the ages of nine and fourteen. Registration starts at 10am and competition to follow. For more information contact Nathan Flores 806-681-0094 Contestants do not have to be Catholic to take part, all public is welcome to join in a day of fun and fellowship.

Special Thanks to our 2022 Jamaica Sponsors

Please support all of our sponsors who helped make our Jamaica possible.
 Apoye a todos nuestros patrocinadores que ayudaron a hacer posible nuestra Jamaica.

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Walk Life

SAVE THE DATE
MASS AND WALK FOR LIFE JANUARY 21, 2023
 Mass and Walk for Life Sat, 1/21/23. Mass 10:00am at St. Mary's Cathedral, Walk for Life 11:30am Contact Family Life office at 806.414.1059, or familylife@dioama.org

MISA Y CAMINATA POR LA VIDA 21 DE ENERO DE 2023
 Reserve la fecha: Misa y Caminata por la Vida sábado 21/1/23. Misa 10:00 am en St. Mary's Cathedral, Walk for Life 11:30 am Comuníquese con la oficina de Family Life al 806.414.1059 o familylife@dioama.org

BE STILL LET GO AND LET GOD
 Psalm 46:10
 #DCYCAMARILLO
 SAVE THE DATE Reserve la Fecha
28-30 APRIL
 Amarillo Civic Center
DCYC
 Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference
 AMARILLODIOCESE.ORG/YOUTH
 806-383-2243 EXT. 118

Altar Society
 We are currently RECRUITING NEW MEMBERS
The Altar Society meets the first Monday of each month at 6:30pm in the conference room of the Parish Hall.
 We are a group of dedicated Catholic parishioners that provide service to the parish. We do this with love for our Parish Church, Pastor, fellow parishioners and above all for the praise and love of God. In addition to supporting one another in our faith through friendship we all work together to raise funds which enable us to provide all altar supplies necessary for our parish. For more information on membership please contact Mari Ruiz 806-231-8829

Sociedad del altar
 Actualmente estamos RECLUTANDO NUEVOS MIEMBROS
La Sociedad del Altar se reúne el primer lunes de cada mes a las 6:30 p. m. en la sala de conferencias del Salón Parroquial.
 Somos un grupo de feligreses católicos dedicados que brindan servicio a la parroquia. Hacemos esto con amor a nuestra Iglesia Parroquial, Pastor, compañeros feligreses y sobre todo para la alabanza y amor de Dios. Además de apoyarnos unos a otros en nuestra fe a través de la amistad, todos trabajamos juntos para recaudar fondos que nos permitan proporcionar todos los suministros necesarios para el altar de nuestra parroquia. Para obtener más información sobre la membresía, comuníquese con Mari Ruiz 806-231-8829

This years food drive was a great success. We were able to collect 265 lbs of food for those in need. Thank you to all who were able to donate.

Please continue to support and donate to the High Plains Food Bank.

La colecta de alimentos de este año fue un gran éxito. Pudimos recolectar 265 libras de alimentos para los necesitados. Gracias a todos los que pudieron donar. Continúe apoyando y donando al High Plains Food Bank.

The diocesan Totus Tuus team continue to look for college students seeking a fun, fulfilling, job next summer.

Those interested in applying to be a Totus Tuus missionary can find applications online at amarillovocations.org/totustuus. Additional information on Totus Tuus can be found on Instagram at totustuusamarillo.