Mass Intentions for the Week

December 16th
Sat. 5:30 p.m. +Ramiro Ponce, +Lenny & +Robert Diaz

December 17th
Sun 9:30 a.m. Parish Family
12:00 p.m. +Fernando Garcia, +Vicente Garcia, +Rumolo Garcia & +Guellermo Pacheco

Mon. No Mass on Mondays
December 19th
Tues 7;00 p.m. +Ramiro Ponce

December 20th
Wed 5:30 p.m. +Curtis Rogers & +Eugene Anderson

December 21st
Thursday 7:00 a.m. Aaron & Family

December 22nd
Fri. 8:30 a.m. +Israel Martinez, & +Lorraine Qualls

December 23rd
Sat. 5:30 p.m. +Louise Steffan, +Curtis Rogers, & +Eugene Anderson

December 24th
Sun 9:30 a.m. Michael Ebenkamp, Andy Huseman & family
12:00 p.m. Parish Family
Christmas Eve
5:30 p.m. +Ron Graves
Midnight Mass Special Intention

Amount needed each week for expenses 5500.00

Regular Collection 12498.25
Children's Collection 53.80

Religious Retirement 3171.32

Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." Luke 6:38

Good Sams needs: Any kind of canned goods, shampoo ,sheets, towels, toothpaste, tennis shoes for: Men, Women & Children (Any size), brown papers bags & plastic bags!!! Volunteers

December Collections
PEC December 24th

Scripture Insights

Today's readings continue the preparation theme we heard in the previous two weeks of Advent. But now the focus shifts somewhat to the joy that awaits us in God's coming Kingdom. This Sunday is Gaudete (Latin, "rejoice") Sunday or, as Pope Francis calls it, the Sunday of Joy.

In today's Frist Reading, the prophet writes about the mission conferred upon him by God-to bring glad tidings to the lowly and to heal the broken hearted-and about the joy he experiences in God who clothes him in justice and salvation. Early Christians appropriated this text to describe Jesus' mission (see Luke 4:18-19). By virtue of our Baptism in Christ, this ought to be our mission as well. As the prophet suggest, there is no grater joy than doing God's work.

The Gospel presents John the Baptist as the one who testifies or gives witness to the Light who is coming into the world (John 1:8). We can rejoice because hi is the Light that darkness cannot overcome! As the story unfolds, we see John testifying on Jesus' behalf before the priests and Levites of Jerusalem and declaring that Jesus is already among them, though they do not recognize him. John declares he is lower than the lowest household servant by comparison to Jesus, the revealer of God. This is cause for great joy!

On the theme of Joy, the church has wisely paired these two readings with a reading from Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians. Paul admonishes us to always live in joy, praying and giving thanks, because this is God's will for us. Everything we do and say should be inspired by this Spirit as we await the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

- Carefully read and reflect on today's First Reading. What makes the prophet's call to mission and the work it demands a source of joy? How does this reading relate to your own sense of mission?
- Where do you see Jesus already in our midst today? Describe the joy that his knowledge brings to you.
- What does it mean to you to always live in joy?

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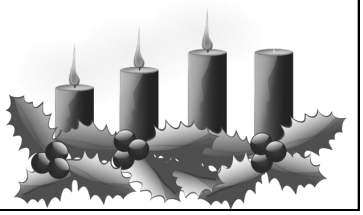
December 17th, 2017

3rd Sunday of Advent



We Believe In The Power Of Prayer

PLEASE PRAY FOR....those who are sick or suffering in any way, we especially remember at this time:

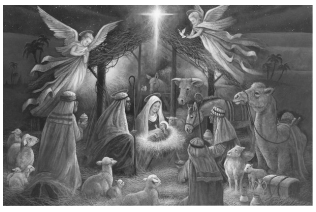
Jose Angel, Roscio Garcia, Jarrett Bray, Mary Sanchez, Mary Martinez, Maria Rodriguez, Sarah Stockman Rita Robinson, Miriam Moreno, Jim Lummus, Norma Beltran, Joanna Ruiz, Lincoln Dawes, Esteban Esparza Tejada, Oscar Avitia, Jesus Salazar, Jose Fuentes, Vincent & Toby Gerber, Gerardo Cruz Jr. Joel Izaquirre Fuentes, Bart Barton, Keri Strange, James Willard Murrill, Leondro Gonzales, Olivia Hernandez, Patty Mendoza, Virginia Castaneda, Jane Brown, Linda Jewell, Anabel Hernandez, Jerry Pope, Rebecca Casiber, Sonja Dodge, Anita Harp, Jim Eakin, Jean Ladd, Mary Ann Ebenkamp, Marsha Varner, Pat Wyatt, Daisy Garcia

Please note: When we receive a request to place on individual on the prayerline in the bulletin, we will do so for a time period of two weeks. After two weeks, if prayers are still needed for that person, we ask that you call the office and request that their names remain on the list. Thank you for your understating.

December Celebrations

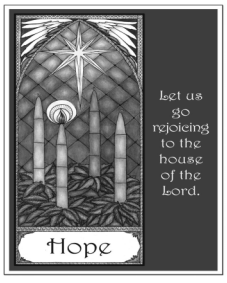
Advent Reconciliation Service
December 20th
6:30 p.m.

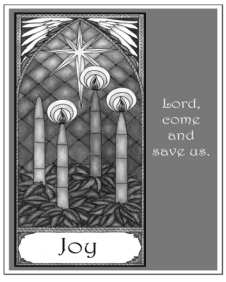
Christmas/Navidad
December 24th, Vigil 5:30 p.m.
Midnight Mass
Christmas Day December 25th
9:30 a.m. Mass
12:00 noon Mass Spanish

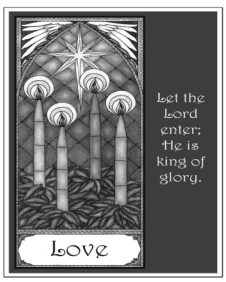


6:00—7:00 p.m. Adoration December 31st

Mary Mother of God
January 1st, 2018
9:30 a.m.
12:00 noon Mass Spanish







WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday Dec. 17th 9:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m. (Sp) Mass

10:30 am Adult Bible Study-conf. room
10:40 a.m. Faith Formation—PEC
1:15 p.m. . Decorating the Church

Monday December 18th, No Mass
7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus meeting—PEC
7:30 p.m. Spanish Choir Practice—Church

Tue. December 19th, 7:00 p.m. Spanish Mass
2:00 p.m. Rosary—conference room
7:30 p.m. Prayer service—church

Wednesday December 20th , 5:30 p.m. Mass & 6:30 p.m. Penance Service
5:30—8:00 p.m. NO Youth meets—PEC
7:00 p.m. RCIA—conference room
8:00 p.m. Adult choir practice—church

Thursday December 21st, 7:00 a.m. Mass
9:00 a.m. Via Cruces/ Stations of the Cross at the church
6:00 p.m. Cursillos– chapel

Friday December 22nd, 8:30 a.m. Mass
9-7 p.m. Adoration
7:30 p.m. Rafa Practice

Saturday December 23rd, 5:30 p.m. Mass
4:30 p.m. Confessions

Sunday December 24th, 9:30 a.m. Mass & 12:00 p.m. Sp. Mass

10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study—conf. room
10:40 a.m. NO Faith Formation

Christmas Eve 5:30 p.m. Mass & Midnight Mass

The next Men's ACTS Retreat # 79 ~ January 18 – 21, 2018, is already in formation. Director -Chris Canon ~ Co-Director-Kevin Rickwartz

Isaiah 41:10 – "Do not fear: I am with you: do not be anxious: I am your God" If you are interested in attending please call the parish office.

FAITH FORMATION

Hey Confirmation Teens

Make the Advent and Christmas seasons extra special by getting out there and serving your parish, you can start with helping to decorate our church on Dec 17th, after Spanish Mass
REMINDER All youth celebrating Confirmation This year need to have 10 hrs of their 20 community service done by the start of January.

No Faith Formation classes Sundays December 24th & 31st.
No Wednesday classes till January 3rd, 2017

Christmas Flower Donations

Donations are being accepted in memory and in honor of a loved one and for special intentions, which will go toward the Church Christmas Flower fund. We have envelopes available at all entrances of the church and the parish office. Thank You so much for all that you do for our parish.

God has truly blessed us in so many ways. As stewards, we are asked to give back, tithe, to the Lord in thanksgiving for all he has given us. We, your parish family, ask that you keep us in mind as you prepare your year-end charitable giving for 2017. Your accountant or financial advisor can provide you with more information specific to your needs.

In this third week of Advent we come closer to celebrating the Birth of Jesus who wants us to share His joy. This Sunday is called the Sunday of Joy. We pray that God will help us to imitate Jesus in all that we do this week.

Come, Lord Jesus, show us the way.
Change our hearts beginning today.

May these three candles on our Advent wreath remind us that
Jesus is with us, ever offering us a share in God's light and love.

Advent Thought for Week Three—Do something special with your children this week to give a lonely relative or neighbor a share of God's joy.

LOST AND FOUND
A pair of men's sunglasses and a water bottle were found at the church. Please come by the parish office, if you have lost these!

CHOSEN YOUTH GROUP

Our YOUTH ARE AWESOME!!!

RETROUVAILLE

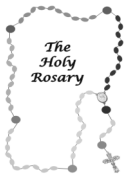
Thinking about Separation or Divorce? - Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend struggling or even heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage? Or do you feel helpless? Retrouvaille is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust, and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced. For confidential information about or to register for the January program beginning with a weekend on January 26-28 call Paul or Patty Miguel at 806-420-1520 or email us at retropairamarillo@gmail.com
Or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com

Schedule of Baptismal Classes

Classes at 6:00 p.m.
Please call Joe & Edie Mechelay at 665-5601
February 5th, 2018
April 2nd, 2018

We will continue with decorating our church, this Sunday right after noon Mass. All are welcome to help make our Church beautiful for the birth of our Lord Jesus.

FIRST FRIDAYS



Every First Friday of the month we will have 8:30 a.m. Mass and adoration to follow until 6:30 p.m. with Solemn Blessing of the Blessed Sacrament and Pro-Life Mass followed by the Rosary. This new Mass will give the faithful a chance to receive communion at either Mass in order to observe this devotion. The other Fridays of the month we will extend the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 7:00 p.m.
Reminder!!!
The Rosary will be prayed every First Weekend of the month, 25 minutes before Mass. If you are interested in praying the Rosary, please contact Mary Lane at 661-9281.

SECCION EN ESPAÑOL

Mes Dec	Ministros de Comunión-Misa de los Martes	Lectores - Misa de los Martes
5th	Tina Gonzalez-Javier Gonzalez	Maria Davila—Rosa Soto
12th	OLG	
19	Alma Guardado-Socorro Granillo	Marco Rizo-Jorge Brito
26	No Misa	

Preparación Para Bautismo
en Español

Las instrucciones para papas y padrinos serán el 6 de Enero a las 7:00 p.m. en la oficina de la parroquia. Los padrinos ya deben haber recibido los sacramentos de Confirmación y Primera Comunión, y si son casados deben serlo en el Sacramento de la Iglesia Católica. Este programa es obligatorio para quienes no lo hayan tomado antes. Seria muy bueno tomarlo durante el embarazo. Para reservaciones llamar a la oficina 665-8933.

Los niños no son admitidos a la clase porque distraen la sesion, por favor no los traiga.

2017 Posadas
Diciembre 7:00 p.m.

16 Raquel & Lacho Madrid—821 Murphy
17 Thomas & Erica Machado—720 E. Francis
18 Mireya Pacheco—800 N. Lefors
19 Maria Vincent—1016 S. Christy
20 Oscar y Marcela Castro—944 S. Sumner
21 Domingo y Nancy Madrid -1220 S. Sumner
22 Socorro y Francisco Granillo– 945 Barnard Ave.
23 Martin & Mayra Rodriguez—1001 Darby Ave
24 Javier y Maria Valentin—1020 Prairie Dr.

LECTURAS PARA LA SEMANA

17 diciembre al 24 diciembre

Domingo Is 61:1-2, 10-11; Lc 1:46-50, 53-54; 1T's 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28
Lunes: Jr 23:5-8; Sal 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25
Martes Jue 13:2-7, 24-25; Sal 71:3-4-6, 16-17; Lc 1:5-25
Miércole Is 7:10-14; Sal 24:1-6; Lc 1:26-38
Jueves Cnt 2:8-14; Sal 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lc 1:39-45
Viernes 1S 1:24-28; 1S 2:1, 4-8; Lc 1:46-56
Sábado Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Sal 25:4-5, 8-10, 14; Lc 1:57-66
Domingo 2S 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16; Sal 89:2-5, 27, 29; Ro 16:25-27; Lc 1:26-38

Saturday December 23rd, 5:30 p.m. Mass

Deacon Mark	Joe Mechelay	Mike Dunigan	Jude Lentz
Edie Mechelay	both readings	Henry Dawes	John Lentz
Marian Dawes			Joseph Lentz

Sunday December 24th, 9:30 a.m. Mass

Deacon Mark	Jim Lummus		Veronica Davis
Ginger McVay	both readings		Roscio Garcia
Julia Soto			

Sunday December 24th 12:00 p.m. Noon Spanish Mass

Javier Gonzalez	Sonia Solis	Arcadio Rivera	Christian Aguilar
Tina Gonzalez	Maria Davila	Thomas Short	Stacy Velo
Soco Granillo		Jesus Santacruz	Kimberly Velo
Lupita Machado		Benjamin Machado	Uriel Soto
Gerardo Davila			

Christmas Eve December 24th, 5:30 p.m. Mass

Marian Dawes	Jim Lummus	Felipe Balderrama
Jack Hilton	both readings	Misael Balderrama
Veronica Arreola		

Christmas Eve December 24th, Midnight Bilingual Mass

Graciela Germany	Rafael Bocanegra	Osmar Madrid	Myriam Moreno
Andrea Bocanegra	Mary Lane	Jaime Mejia	Melanie Ruiz
Deacon Mark			Lesslie Ruiz
Ginger McVay			Jaquelin Ruiz
Charlene Martinez			

Christmas Day December 25th , Monday 9:30 a.m. Mass

Deacon Mark	Sarah Stockman
Aloise Martin	Both readings
Mary Martinez	

Christmas Day December 25th, Monday 12:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Julia Soto	Rosario Martinez	Martin Rodriguez	Alexis Salazar
Armando Tarango	Perfecto Martinez	Juan Silva	Mario Resendiz
Abel Saucedo		Luis Silva	
Cecilia Losoya		Cristobal Madrid	
Ernestina Tarango			

Holy Days of Obligation

"Days of Invitation & Opportunity"

Mary, Mother of God
January 1

Feast of the Ascension
(Check with local Diocese)

Assumption of Mary
August 15

All Saints Day
November 1

Immaculate Conception
December 8

Christmas
December 25

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