

Mission San José y San Miguel de Aguayo

701 E. Pyron Ave. San Antonio, Tx 78214

*A Franciscan Mission Founded February 20, 1720 * Established September 23, 1932.*

Third Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 17, 2023

My soul rejoices in my God.

Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54



Parish Office Hours

Monday—Friday 8am—4:30pm

(CLOSED for lunch 12pm—1pm)

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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5pm,

Sunday 9am & 12pm (Spanish)

Daily Mass: Monday, Wednesday, Friday

9am in the San Juan Diego Chapel

Confessions

Saturday 3:30pm—4:30pm

In the San Juan Diego Chapel

Gift Shop Hours

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 10am—3pm

Friday, Saturday, Sunday 9:30am—3:30pm

CLOSED on Tuesdays



Mission Statement

Mission San Jose Catholic Church was founded and established to proclaim the Gospel mission of Jesus for our time and place by becoming a faith community of God's people. Through a commitment to prayer, study, fellowship and ministry, we strive to become a community of hope to all around us and a living mission to the many who choose to come to Mission San Jose.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 16

5:00 pm †Deacon Chip Perry, †Martin & Stella Sada, †Martin Sada Jr., †Carolina Sada, healing for Sherron Bodine, & Michael Doughty

Sunday, December 17

9:00 am Healing of Sherron Bodine & Karla Gonzalez

12:00 pm †Elvira Casas, †Nicholas Casas, †Caesar Charles Castro, †Gloria Maravilla, †Armando Arredondo, †Alcario Soliz y sanacion para Sr. Leovardo y Adela Abella

Monday, December 18

9:00 am Birthday blessings for Pat Plaza

Wednesday, December 20

9:00 am

Friday, December 22

9:00 am

Please Pray for :

Dorthy Narendorf	Dora Huit
Susie Huizar	Jesus Guia
Aurora Castro	Willie Acuna
Noelia & Deacon Santiago Rodriguez	Debora Talamantez
Frances Bustos	Jefferey Payne
Mary Molina	Mary J. McPhillips
Barbara Winn	Rosemary Encina
Mattie Winn	Debbie Morantez
Carmen Martinez	Jacob Ford, James Ford, and Avery Ford
Kerwin McClain	Michael Doughty
Emma Ortiz	Robert Gomez
Evelyn Meyer	Eloy Martinez
Newton Meyer	Joe Palma Sr.
Pat Humphry	Rudy Alvarez Jr.
Ronald Sova	Daniel Alvarez
Dorothy Mireles	Sherron Bodine
Daniela Rivas	David Zaiontz
Carmen Classy	Juan Vega
Frances Zapata	Karla Gonzalez
Fr. Herb Jones, ofm	

Administration

Pastor

Fr. Dennis Schafer, ofm

Deacon

Joe Vidaurri
Santiago Rodriguez (retired)

Parish Administrator

Bro. Kevin Lenihan, ofm

Bookkeeper/ Secretary

Angela Garcia

Receptionist

Beatrice Basaldua

Maintenance

Manuel Garcia

Gift Shop

Lydia Muriel

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS

Immaculate Conception \$92.00

1st Collection: \$ 3,830.75

2nd Collection: \$ 468.00

Retired Men & Women Religious

This weekend 2nd Collection is:

Church Grounds

Next week 2nd Collection is: Church Grounds

Here are three (3) other ways to donate:

1.) MSJ website

(Missionsanjosechurch.org): Click on donate button, and use your bank card. The name on your card will identify you ;

2.) “Bill Pay” option through your bank to schedule payments to Mission San Jose; or

3.) Use the QR code below If you have any questions, please contact the office. Thank you for supporting Mission San Jose Church!



Calendar of Events

Saturday, December 16

9:00 am Coffee w/ Saints (SFC)

11:00 am Baptism Spanish (MSJ)

3:30pm– 4:30pm

Confessions (Ch)

5:00 pm Mass -English

Sunday, December 17

9:00 am Mass -English

12:00 pm– 5:00 pm

Secular Franciscans (SFC)

12:00 pm Mass -Spanish

Mariachi Choir

Monday, December 18

9:00 am Daily Mass (CH)

Tuesday, December 19

9:00 am– 12:00 pm

Altar Society prep for posadas (SFC)

6:30 pm–9:00 pm

Mariachi Choir Practice (CH)

Wednesday, December 20

9:00 am Daily Mass (CH)

6:30 pm Grand Posada

Thursday, December 21

No Activities

Friday, December 22

9:00 am Mass—English (CH)

Saturday, December 23

3:30–4:30 pm Confessions (CH)

5:00 pm Mass English

St. Francis Community Center (Parish Hall)	SFC
St. Clare Building—(Side building by parish hall)	SCB
San Juan Diego Chapel	CH
Mission San Jose Church	MSJ
Parish Office	OF

The celebration of the Christmas Manger

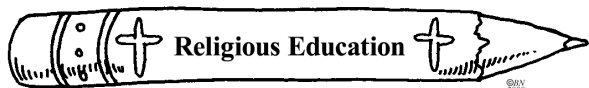
In 1223, in the tiny town of Greccio in central Italy, St. Francis decided to celebrate the birth of Jesus with a living representation. He asked local farmers to bring their animals and he created a crib in a cave on the side of a mountain. At Midnight Mass, he read the Gospel with great fervor, seeming to dance and to baa like the sheep. So great was his devotion and love of Jesus, that when he picked up the doll representing Jesus it seemed to come alive. The faith of the people increased because of this experience, and since that night the popularity of the Christmas Manger has grown.

800 years later, as we friars and our parish celebrates the birth of Jesus, the Vatican has granted us the possibility of receiving a plenary indulgence by visiting a Manger in church, going to confession, receiving communion and praying for the intentions of the pope.

May this Advent Season help us receive Jesus in our hearts and share him with the world! Peace and all good,

Fr. Dennis





From Our staff and Catechist, to ALL the parents, guardians & students of our Religious Education Program:

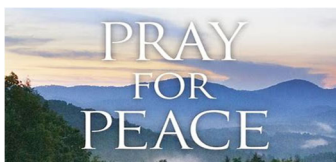
THANK YOU.

Wishing you & your family a very Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year.

Heavenly Father, we give you thanks for the GIFTS of the Past, Present, & Future. Jesus, thank you, you are the Ultimate Gift. Holy Spirit, you are the giver of Gift. Mary Most Holy, you are the first Tabernacle of the Ultimate Gift.

Peace and All good,

Angela Garcia,
Coordinator of Religious Education



Up Coming Liturgical Events

Grand Posada

Wednesday, December 20, 2023

at 6:30pm, Church grounds

Christmas Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 24, 2023

at 10:pm in the MSJ Church

Christmas Mass

Monday, December 25, 2023

at 9am in the MSJ Church



Honoring 800 years of Tradition

On Christmas Eve in 1223 in Italy, St. Francis organized the first Nativity scene, a tradition that has since spread across the world, and has become a common sight at Christmas time.



MSJ would like to invite our families attending Las Posadas on Wednesday, December 20, 2023, to bring their Nativity scenes from home to display in the St. Francis Center by 4:00 pm.

Las Posadas Pinata

Las Posadas ends with the traditional pinata which has 7 points. Those 7 points represent the Seven Deadly Sins. The beating of the pinata symbolizes the mortification that Christians exercise in overcoming personal sin. The candy within each pinata characterizes the sweetness of God's grace made available to us through the birth of Jesus.

Come and join in the pinata singing...

Dale, dale, dale

No pierdas el tino; ...



Christmas Flowers



We will be decorating the Church for Advent and Christmas soon. If you would like to donate for our flower fund, envelopes are available at the back of the church and in the pews

Your donations are greatly appreciated!



GAUDETE SUNDAY

The Rose candle is lit on the Third Sunday, Gaudete Sunday, when the priest also wears Rose vestments at Mass; Gaudete Sunday is the Sunday of rejoicing, because the faithful have arrived at the midpoint of Advent, when their preparation is now half over, and they are close to Christmas. The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and also to the anniversary of the Lord's birth on Christmas.



Please help make this Christmas special for the children in our neighborhood. Our parish will be collecting toys, games, and stuffed animals to give to St. Vincent De Paul who will then distribute them. Please drop your donation off at the office or call the office for a pickup.

Thank you for your generosity!

Altar Servers

Calling the youth of the parish to serve at the table of the Lord Assisting the Priest and Deacon During mass.

1st Holy Communion is a requirement

Call the office

210-922-0543



Weekly Bulletin

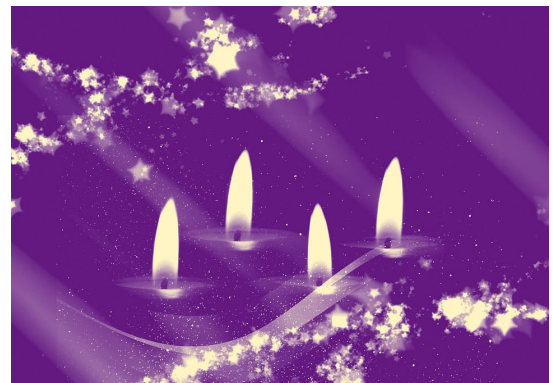
Any group or ministry wishing to place an article in our parish bulletin please submit it by Tuesday. Any article received after Tuesday will be placed in next week's bulletin.

Thank You!!

Advent Family Prayer

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe. You sent your Son to be the Light of the world and to spread his light of love to all. As we light the candles of this wreath. May its growing brightness remind us of the approaching nearness of your Son so that the day of His coming may find us prepared and filled with joy. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen



Thursday, January 11th at 6pm we will have our annual Group/Ministry Leaders meeting in our parish center. Please mark your calendar!

Third Sunday of Advent

First Reading

Isaiah 61:1-2a,10-11

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

Responsorial Psalm

Luke 1:46-50,53-54

Mary sings praise to God.

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Paul encourages the Thessalonians to rejoice and pray always.

Gospel Reading

John 1:6-8,19-28

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

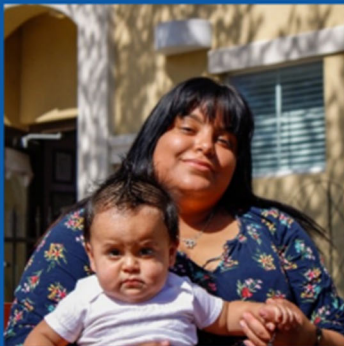
IN RECEIVING THE
Eucharist,
WE ARE CALLED TO SERVE.

EL RECIBIR LA
Eucaristía,
NOS LANZA A SERVIR.

ARCHBISHOP'S
Appeal
for MINISTRIES
CAMPAÑA DEL ARZOBISPO PARA LOS MINISTERIOS

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

John 6:51



**Your
Gift
Protects
Life**

**Your Gift
helps form
Catholic
Leadership**



**Your Gift
funds
ministries
that help the
poor and sick**

**Your Gift
helps
spread the
Gospel**



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