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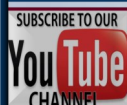
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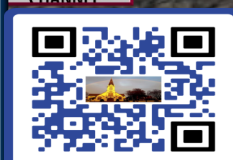
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Saint Ignatius of Loyola RC Church



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Continuing  
the Legacy of  
163 years



**WE BELIEVE**

*For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life. (Jn.3:16)*

**WE WELCOME**

*With joy we welcome all to worship God. Let us lift up our minds, hearts and spirits to our loving and merciful God, from whom all good things come, and thank and praise Him.*

**WE WORSHIP**

**Weekend Mass Schedule      Weekday Masses**

**Saturday: 5:00 PM (Live)      Monday - Friday**

**Sunday: 7:30 AM      7:00 AM**

**9:30 AM (Live)      9:00 AM (Live)**

**11 AM      Saturday**

**12:30 PM      9:00 AM (Live)**

**5:00 PM (Spanish) (Live)      5:00 PM (Live)**

**Adoration: Monday to Saturday 9:30 AM-3 PM**

**Every Monday, except in July and August:**

Adoration, Rosary & Scripture Study at 7:30 PM

**Every Friday:**

Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 PM. **(Live)**

**Every First Wednesday:**

Rosary to St. Joseph at 8:25 AM. **(Live)**

**Every First Friday:**

Holy Hour after 9:30 AM Mass. **(Live)**

**Every First Saturday:**

Rosary Meditation at 8:25 AM. **(Live)**

Holy Hour at 6 PM. To 7 PM

**December 4, 2022, Second Sunday of Advent**

**JUSTICE  
SHALL  
FLOURISH IN  
HIS TIME,  
AND  
FULLNESS OF  
PEACE FOR  
EVER.**

PSALM 72

*Responsorial Psalm*



**WE SERVE**

**Confessions: Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm (English)**  
**Every First Saturday: 6 pm to 6.30 pm (English)**  
**Every First Sunday of the month and Sundays of Lent : after the 9:30 am Mass till 10:55 am (English)**  
**Every First Sunday : 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm (Spanish) or by appointment**

**Baptism:** Celebrated twice monthly (usually on the second and fourth Sunday). Call the Rectory Office for dates to register. Baptism preparation for new parents is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month, following 12:30pm Mass, with confirmation from Rectory. Please plan well in advance.

**Marriage:** Arrangements for weddings should be made at least 6 months in advance, and prior to make reception arrangements. Pre-Cana Sessions are required for all couples planning to marry.

**Wedding times: Fridays 3:30 pm & 5:00 pm**  
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**ALL FOR THE GREATER GLORY OF GOD. *St. Ignatius of Loyola***

**Nourishment by Word of God and Body of Christ...**


<p><b>Sunday, December 4, 2022, Second Sunday of Advent</b>  <i>Readings: 4: Is 11:1-10, Rom 15:4-9, Mt 3:1-12</i>                  Fr. Jacob 7:30 AM Maureen Devlin                  Fr. Reid 9:30 AM Fr. Michael Reid (Living)                  Fr. Shibi 11 AM Dolores, John, Jean Pirozzi and Family                  Jim Mulligan (Living)                  Fr. Francis 12:30 PM Jack S. Szabo                  Fr. Cesar 5 PM Mass in Spanish</p>		
<p><b>Monday, December 5, 2022</b>  <i>Readings: 181: Is 35:1-10, Lk 5:17-26</i>                  7 AM Thresiomma John                  9 AM Ann Davis</p>		
<p><b>Tuesday, December 6, 2022; St. Nicholas, Bishop</b>  <i>Readings: 182: Is 40:1-11, Mt 18:12-14</i>                  7 AM *                  9 AM Robert George Byrnes</p>		
<p><b>Wednesday, December 7, 2022; St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</b>  <i>Readings: 183: Is 40:25-31, Mt 11:28-30</i>                  7 AM *                  9 AM Corrada Oliva                  7 PM * Vigil Mass</p>		
<p><b>Thursday, December 8, 2022; The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary</b>  <i>Readings: 689: Gn 3:9-15,20, Eph 1:3-6, 11-12, Lk 1:26-38</i>                  7 AM Esther DiPietra                  9 AM Rita Bergin –Remembrance in Heaven                  12:10PM Fr. Francis Samuel –In Honor of your 50th year as a priest.</p>		
<p><b>Friday, December 9, 2022; St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin</b>  <i>Readings: 185: Is 48:17-19, Mt 11:16-19</i>                  7 AM *                  9 AM Carol Kamen Diaz</p>		
<p><b>Saturday, December 10, 2022: Our Lady of Loreto</b>  <i>Readings: 186: Sir 48:1-4,9-11, Mt 17:9a,10-13</i>                  9 AM Fred Sebastiano                  Fr. Jacob 5 PM Jack S Szabo</p>		
<p><b>Sunday, December 11, 2022, Third Sunday of Advent</b>  <i>Readings: 7: Is 35:1-6a,10, Jas 5:7-10, Mt 11:2-11</i>                  Fr. Francis 7:30 AM Deceased Members of the Sebastiano and Della Ratta Families                  Fr. Shibi 9:30 AM Anne Corbett                  In Thanksgiving to St. Jude Emma A. Coogan                  Fr. Shibi 11 AM Parishioners of St. Ignatius Loyola                  Fr. Reid 12:30 PM Fr. Saul Londono –Living                  Fr. Cesar 5 PM Mass in Spanish</p>		
<p><i>* If you see a Mass listed in the bulletin with no intention and you wish to remember a loved one (living or deceased) for their Birthday, Wedding or Anniversary of their passing, please call the rectory office to secure that date and time.</i></p>		

**Jesus, The Bread of Life, nourish us. Amen.**



**The Bread and Wine this week are  
 In Loving Memory of  
 Luis Vega Trevisani  
 From  
 Michael Martino**

**Jesus, Light of the World, lead us to  
 eternity. Amen**




**The Candles this week are  
 offered in honor of  
 The Immaculate Conception.**

**Sacrificial Giving**

<i>Sunday, November 20,2022</i>	\$13,416
<i>*Goes directly to Diocesan</i>	
<i>Human Development</i>	\$ 1,886
<i>Sunday, November 21,2021</i>	\$ 8,644
<i>Sunday, November 27,2022</i>	\$ 8,386
<i>Maintenance</i>	\$ 2,212
<i>Thanksgiving</i>	\$ 3,383
<i>Sunday November 28,2021</i>	\$ 8,696

**Thank you for your generosity.  
 God Bless you all!**

**Volunteer Not-for-Profit Organizations  
 For December**



**We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.**

**Parish Hymn - After Communion**

¶ Jesus ! my Lord, my God, my all !  
 How can I love Thee as I ought ?  
 And, how revere this wondrous gift,  
 So far surpassing hope or thought ?  
 { Sweet Sacrament! we Thee adore !  
 O,make us love Thee more and more! } \*2¶



**We Pray...**



**For our Sick**

Jennifer Lentini, Carolyn Fitzgerald, Antonio Esposito, Austin Contreras, Mary Ann Goldberg, Angelique Cudarr, Magdalen Cesare, James Keough, Maria Lucas, Jeff Clark, Marie Vesely, Robert Lambe, Cathy Stengl, Lorraine Mierzejewski,, Barbara Martucci, Pedro Janampa, Barbara Family, Lynn Schweitzer, Terry Jenkins, Don Glass, Gloria Viruet, Cathy Jansen, Thomas Gill (Tom Gill’s father), Kenneth Romeo, Greg Scavetta,,Aidan Lyons, Eleanor Sharp, Lou Ellen Klints, Robert Cheslock, Michael Pitonza, Johnny Martin, Angela Funef, Anne Way Yehl

*Heavenly Father, we lift up all who are going through various sickness. Have compassion on them, and lay Your healing hands on them. We pray that You would restore their health, soothe their pain and ease their worries. Give them Your peace and comfort them as they wait. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen*

**Get well soon...**

Names will be kept on the Prayer for the Sick List for three weeks, unless a family member calls to extend the time.



**For our Birthday Celebrants of December.  
May God bless you all.**



**For Our Dearly Departed**  
**Emma A. Coogan**  
*(Mother of Msgr. Thomas Coogan)*  
**Frank J. Adams**  
**Emil Valdes**  
**Viola Lips**  
**Msgr. Michael J. Cantley**



*Jesus died and has risen again, so through Jesus, God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep; and so also in Christ will all be brought to life. Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them.*

**May the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen .**

**We pray for their mourning families also.**  
*Merciful Father, comfort all those whose hearts overflow with grief, as they face this sense of loss. May they know the consolation of Your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord . Amen.*



**For our Military.**



*Almighty Father, give them courage and strength against all enemies, both spiritual and physical. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they do to protect this land and us. Keep them safe in Your loving hands .We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

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| CDR.. Jeanine A. Lang            | Pvt Ryan Blazo                             | SA Peter Cavallo, US Navy          |
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| M Sgt. Michael Marascia          | Tech Sgt. Peter F. Clark, USAF             | SSGT Michael J. Mc Ilwrath, USMC   |
| Sgt. Stephen L. Emlaw            | Adam Cespo—Air Force                       | Gunnery Sgt. Brian Moran, USMC     |
| Lt. David Jacobs                 | Airman First Class Gianinna Roldan (USAF)  | Pvt.Joseph Gergely,USMC            |
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What is the significance of the Christmas tree? What kind of biblical or religious significance has it got?

Well, the Christmas tree is used to symbolize Jesus. He is the shoot that springs from the stock of Jesse, the scion that trusts from Jesse's roots, as the prophet Isaiah said in the 1st reading of this weekend. When Israel was exiled into Babylon, King David's descendants became obscured. But the prophet Isaiah wrote of hope that one day a shoot would spring forth from the stump of Jesse and bring about Israel's glory.

Jesus was that shoot that sprang into a life-giving tree, a hope-giving tree. And that is why the Christmas tree is an appropriate symbol for the season.

We put a big star at the top of the Christmas tree. That star is a symbol of the star of Bethlehem that led the wise men to find the infant Jesus. As we put up the star, are we going to tell our children and our family members that we will have family prayers from now on and follow Jesus in His way of love?

As we put up the lights on the tree, are we also going to tell our family members and our children that we are going to make our home a place of warmth, joy, and peace?

And do the gifts we put beneath the Christmas tree symbolize the self-giving love of Jesus?

John the Baptist may be welding his axe and demanding that we show our repentance by bearing good fruits. Yet, that repentance can be a beautiful spiritual experience when we understand God's self-giving love in the beautiful mystery of the Incarnation at Christmas.

There is a lovely story written by Shel Silverstein that reflects the self-giving love of God at Christmas. In the story, the little boy visits the tree every day. He came to eat her apples, swing on her branches, rest, and sit on her trunk. The tree was pleased to have this boy, but one day he stopped coming because he "grew up." Whenever he did return, he only came to get things from the tree, and the tree happily continued to give, give, and give. The tree provides the boy with her apples to sell when he needs money, her branches to build with when he asks for a home, and her trunk to carve a boat out of when he wants to get away. And after a long time, the boy came back again. "I am sorry," sighed the tree. "I wish I could give you something .... but I have nothing left. I am just an old stump." "I don't need very much now," said the boy, "just a quiet place to sit and rest. I am drained." "Well," said the tree, straightening herself up as much as she could, "well, an old stump is good for sitting and resting. Come, Boy, sit down. *Sit down, rest, and share the joy.*" And the boy did, and he was happy. And the tree was delighted.

God gave us His only Son at Christmas out of love for us. On Good Friday, Jesus allowed Himself to be chopped down and reduced to a stump to save us. Yet out of this stump, Jesus rose, and He wants us to rise with Him. May our Christmas trees symbolize who Jesus is to us. May it also symbolize who we are to others, as we give of ourselves, just as Jesus gave Himself for us?

I congratulate "The Christmas Tree and Wreath Committee," chaired by Ed Sottile and Mike Tuzzolo, for planting a new Christmas tree in honor of Msgr. Bennett near the prayer garden. Thank you Jose Hernandez and Maria Hernandez, for sponsoring it and Juan Medrano for your initiative. It is a fitting tribute to Msgr. Bennett who gave everything for the spiritual nourishment of St. Ignatius parish.

May this Advent and Christmas season be an occasion to *"sit down, rest, and share"* the ultimate sacrifice of Jesus.

*Fr. Shili*



December 4, 2022 | Second Sunday of Advent

Is 11:1-10 | Rom 15:4-9 | Mt 3:1-12

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THE  
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**GROW AS A DISCIPLE**

**PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE**

Harmony. It can seem so elusive in these times when our newsfeeds bombard us with reminders of what's wrong with our world: war, political conflicts, hunger, injustice, violence. We may also experience discord in our homes or within our hearts. Perhaps that is why the beautiful imagery in Isaiah's prophecy, where Isaiah envisions a world transformed by the coming of the Messiah, strikes a chord as we prepare for Christ's coming: We picture the wolf lying beside the lamb, and the calf with the lion. All will be right with the world. As we reflect on the areas in our lives that lack harmony, we are reminded to focus on Jesus and the Father, the source of all good. Through prayer and reflection on our Advent readings, we can "prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths."

**GO EVANGELIZE**

**PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT**

I have a "smart" alarm clock. To shut it off, I just have to say, "Alexa, turn off my alarm." Easy, right? Well, too easy, it turns out, because lately I've slept right through the one-sided conversation. But it's hard to miss John's wake-up call: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" Perhaps, though, we've become complacent; we've heard it so often that we skip right past it. That can happen during Advent, this season of preparation and, yes, repentance. I love our family traditions - candy every day, in the morning!; our well-worn Nativity set; lighting the Advent candles; Christmas concerts and gatherings. None of those are bad, of course, but in the blur of the season we must be challenged by John the Baptist's words to prepare not only our homes but our hearts for Christ's coming. During this season, we can examine our lives to separate the wheat from the chaff, focusing on those things that bring us closer to the Lord and one another. As St. Paul encourages the Romans, "Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God."

**PRAY** St. Paul's words above give us pretty clear instruction for how to live out our faith by welcoming others as Christ has welcomed us. Reflect on these words during daily Advent reflection this week: When have we welcomed others in our lives - and truly loved them? How can we do that for someone in the coming days?

**QR Code for our Parish Prayer Book, Bible Reading Plan & Weekend Readings .**



**Thought of the week**

*True repentance is seen,  
not just heard.*



**Saint quote ...**

*"God has promised  
forgiveness to your repentance,  
but He has not promised  
tomorrow to your procrastination."  
- St. Augustine*





# Growing in FAITH™

Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith.

December 2022

## One Minute Meditations

### Begin in His presence

Jesus came among us to be with us. When you first wake up in the morning, but before you get out of bed, place yourself in His presence. Take a few minutes to focus on a sacred picture or an image that will help you to "Be still, and know that I am God" (Psalm 46:10).

### Holiday advice

The holiday season is an exciting time but it can also be a time when money worries, family worries, and every kind of worry intrudes. Instead, try to follow this advice from St. Paul, "Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things," (Philippians 4:8).

"She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21).



## Encounter Christ this Christmas

God came to us in the most vulnerable human form possible so that He could draw us to Himself for all eternity.

This Christmas, answer His call and come close to Him:

**In song.** Listen to and ponder the words of your favorite Christmas hymns. Imagine the reality of heavens filled with angels and faraway kings answering the call to pay Him homage.

**In service.** The newborn Jesus is the physical sign of God's love for us. When we give of our time and resources in His service, we become an instrument of that love. Share His love in your parish, in your neighborhood, in your community.

**In mercy.** Experience God's mercy in Confession and His loving presence in the Eucharist.

Then, like Him, offer mercy to anyone who may have hurt you. "Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors" (Matthew 6:12).

**In prayer.** Jesus came to live among us so He could be intimate with us. He wants to connect on a deep level - more than rushed prayers or perfunctory devotions. During Advent, find quiet time to give Him your full attention and speak to His heart to heart.

**In watchfulness.** Live this Advent with a new awareness of the presence of God. Be awake to who He is and how precious you are to Him.



## Why Do Catholics Do That?

## Why do Catholics stand, sit, and kneel at Mass?

God gave us body and soul, so it makes sense actions that combine prayer and movement help us to most fully participate. During Mass, each posture means something. We stand to show respect when the priest (representing Christ) enters and



leaves, when the Gospel is read, and when we proclaim the Creed. We sit to focus on the homily, and kneel during the Consecration, showing adoration and humility. We genuflect to the tabernacle and altar to demonstrate ultimate respect.



# Spread the "Good news of great joy"

After the shepherds visited Jesus, they told others who didn't yet know about Him. Pope St. John Paul II urged us to do the same: "If we truly encounter Christ again and again, we cannot keep him to ourselves." As disciples, we are required to make disciples.

**Practice urgency.** Those who do not have a personal relationship with Christ suffer the misery of our fallen world. Worse, they cannot enter eternal life. Our Catholic Faith holds the key to



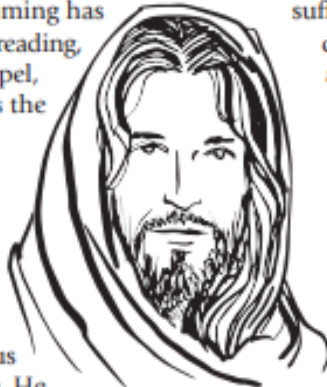
peace in this world and salvation in the next. Sharing our knowledge and love for Him is urgent. **Spend time in the Word.** The world desperately needs to know the Truth contained in the Word. Those who spend time with Scripture grow deeper in their relationship with God and can share that knowledge. **Actively listen.** It is through listening that we earn the right to be heard. Active listening helps us discern where our companion is in the faith journey. Then we learn how best to share the gospel message.

## from Scripture

### John 1:1-18, Who is Jesus Christ?

Our faith hinges on knowing Christ – who He is and what His coming has meant for us. This Scripture reading, the Prologue of John's Gospel, gives us the answer. Jesus is the divine Word who always existed, the Second Person of the Trinity, and the source of life. Grace and truth come to us through Christ. To know Jesus is to know God.

At the Annunciation, Jesus took on our human nature. He became like us in all things except sin. Yet even though He was God and perfect Man, He still suffered. He got tired, hungry, and thirsty. He worked,



wept, slept, and prayed. He suffered temptation in the desert, and was abandoned, rejected, and wounded by those He loved. God understands us.

Jesus Christ made a bold claim. He said that He is truly God and truly man, and that our salvation comes through Him.

Will we choose Him as our Messiah? Will we live our lives as children of God? If our answer is "yes," then Jesus is the one to whom we turn for enlightenment and grace.

## Q & A What does Our Lady of Guadalupe teach us about Christmas?

The feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe (December 12) occurs during Advent. Almost 500 years after Our Lady appeared to St. Juan Diego, we can still learn from her miraculous image on his tilma (cloak).



**God is the source of life.** Viewed upside down, the flowers on Our Lady's dress take the shape of hearts with arteries coming out, representing life which originates from God. He sustains us with His grace, especially through the Sacraments.

**God draws near.** A four-petaled flower on Mary's dress symbolizes the Aztecs' highest deity, perceived as distant and unmoved by their concerns. The flower's placement over Mary's womb shows that the Almighty God draws close in love and humility, even becoming one of us.

**Humility and joy.** Aztec gods were painted looking up and ahead, yet Our Lady's head is bowed in humility and prayer. She is from Heaven, but is not God. She is a messenger of His love, modeling a humble, joyful response to Him and ready to bring His love to others.

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## Feasts & Celebrations

**December 9 – St. Juan Diego (1548).** St. Juan Diego was visited by the Blessed Mother at Tepeyac Hill in Mexico. She asked that a chapel be built and sent him with roses as a sign. When St. Juan emptied the roses before the bishop, his cloak retained the image of the Blessed Mother.

**December 16 – St. Adelaide of Burgundy (999).** A Burgundian princess, St. Adelaide escaped from a murderous plot for the throne. She married King Otto I, the Holy Roman Emperor. As Queen of Germany, she was

known for charitable works, including founding and restoring monasteries.

**December 20 – St. Dominic of Silos (1073).** St. Dominic was a Benedictine monk, born around 1000 AD in Navarre, Spain. Recognized for his leadership abilities, he was appointed abbot of St. Sebastian's monastery at Silos.

**December 28 – Feast of the Holy Innocents (1st century).** On this day, we remember the infants massacred by King Herod's soldiers (Matthew 2:16-18). We also pray for the safety of unborn children.



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ALL FOR THE GREATER GLORY OF GOD. *St. Ignatius of Loyola*  
**We invite...**

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**



*Please tune in to our YouTube Channel and subscribe for notifications of live streamed events*

<p>December 4                  Sunday                  to                  December 11                  Sunday</p>		<p><i>In joyful anticipation of Christmas, we will pray the St. Andrews Christmas Novena at the 9 am Mass (Live) on weekdays, and at the 9:30 am Mass (Live) on Sundays. ( Page 170 of our Parish Prayer book )</i></p>
<p>December 4  <i>First Sunday</i></p>	<p><b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>  <i>Special Blessings to all the Birthday and Wedding Anniversary Celebrants for the month of November at the 9:30 am Mass (Live)</i>                  Sacrament of Reconciliation after the 9:30 am Mass till 10:55 am (English)</p>	
<p>December 5                  Monday</p>	<p><i>An hour of praying the Rosary in the Adoration Chapel at 7:30 pm and Gospel Reflections for the coming Sunday</i></p>	
<p>December 6                  Tuesday</p>	<p>Rosary Making meeting in Room B of the Old School Building from 3pm to 5pm</p>	
<p>December 8                  Thursday</p>	<p><b>HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION</b>                    Page 155 of our Parish Prayer book</p>	
<p>December 9                  Friday</p>	<p><i>Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 pm (Live)</i>                  ( Page 15 of our Parish Prayer book )</p>	
<p>December 11                  Sunday</p>		<p><b>Third Sunday of Advent</b>                  Anointing of the sick after the 9:30 am Mass.</p>

**Important Feast Days of the week**

<p><i>"The giver of every good and perfect gift has called upon us to mimic God's giving, by grace, through faith, and this is not</i></p>  <p><b>St. Nicholas Day                  On December 6</b></p> <p><i>Saint Nicholas of Myra                  Pray for us</i></p>	 <p>MEMORIAL OF  <b>SAINT AMBROSE</b>  <i>Bishop and Doctor</i>                  FEAST DAY - 7TH DECEMBER</p>	<p>St. Juan Diego pray for us  <b>9th Dec                  Optional Memorial</b></p> 	 <p><b>Our Lady of Loreto                  pray for us</b></p>
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# The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SOLEMNITY: DECEMBER 8

## What it is

- It is the **conception of Mary**. Through a special grace from God, she was kept free from Original Sin and lived her whole life free from sin in order to carry out her mission as the Mother of Jesus.
- It is an **ancient Church teaching**. While it was defined as dogma by Pope Pius IX in 1854, the Church has held it as point of faith for centuries before.

## What it is not

- It is **not a virgin birth**. Mary was conceived like any other person.
- It is **not the conception of Jesus**. We remember the conception of Jesus on the Feast of the Annunciation, which is celebrated on March 25.

The Miraculous Medal also known as the Medal of the Immaculate Conception

has this prayer inscribed:

*“O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee.”*



The Miraculous Medal

## Why we celebrate

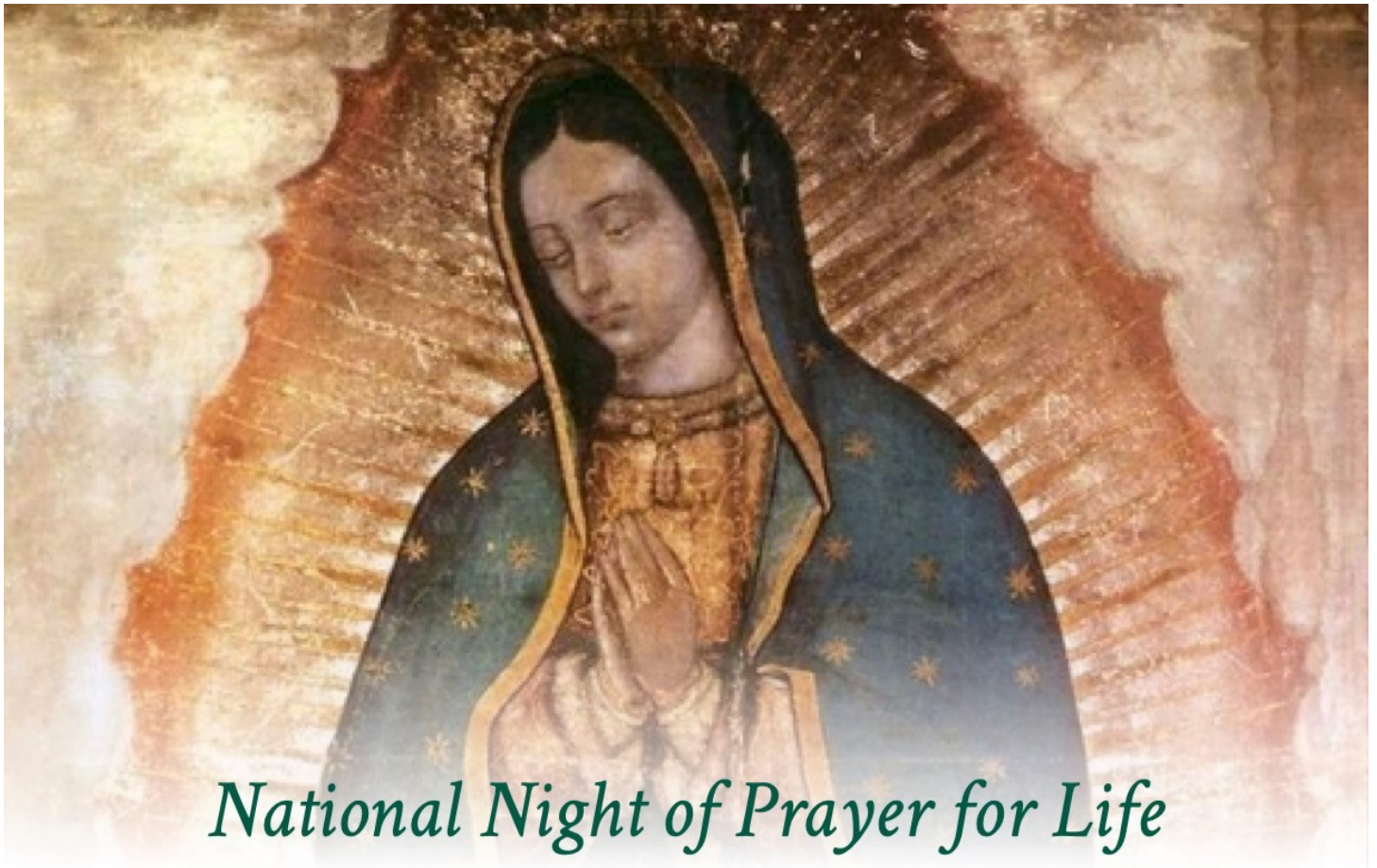
Because it is a **gift** that Mary said **“yes”** to God and bore his Son, Jesus!

**O Mary, Immaculate Conception, Patroness of the United States of America, pray for us.**



Christopher Columbus, in 1492, named one of his ships the Santa Maria de Concepcion after Mary under this title, and he afterwards named an island *La Concepcion*. On May 13, 1846, the USCCB overwhelmingly opted for the Immaculate Conception to be the patroness of the United States of America, which was approved shortly thereafter by Pope Pius IX.





## *National Night of Prayer for Life*

Diocese of Rockville Centre

*Thursday December 8th*

*9:00 PM - 1:00 AM*



WE ASK EACH PARISH TO JOIN IN PRAYING ON THIS HOLY OCCASION.

*We understand that not every parish is equipped to host prayer during those late hours thus you may modify your prayer schedule to be united in prayer at a time that works best for your parish that evening. Please consider having a Holy Hour for life that evening.*

**Hour of Unity 12:00 AM - 1:00 AM EST**

We will be united in prayer with churches across the country.

### **Brief History**

On the Feast of the Immaculate Conception (then celebrated on December 9th), our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Unborn and of the Americas, first appeared to Juan Diego. The National Night of Prayer for Life bridges these two feasts to honor Our Blessed Mother and to pray for the Lord's mercy and restore life, liberty, faith, and peace.

**Sign up: [www.nationalnightofprayerforlife.org](http://www.nationalnightofprayerforlife.org)**

# St. Ignatius Loyola **AROUND THE PARISH** Happenings



## Congratulations Winners

**November 2022 Drawing**

**First Prize \$100 – Mr. & Mrs. James Martillo**

**Second Prize \$75 – Jerome Sauer**

**Third Prize \$50 – Linda Chicarella**

For information please call **Diane (917) 923-1541**



### Food Pantry

Human Services extends a heart-felt "Thank You!" to all the Parishioners who have been donating food to the pantry over the past weeks. Demand for food remains high. We are still in need and always appreciate donations of **black beans (!!)**, **spaghetti sauce**, **canned tuna**, **cereal**, **Mac & Cheese (!!)**, **jelly**, and **soup**. Donations can be left in the baskets located in the vestibules of the church or brought directly to us at Human Services on Mondays, Tuesdays or Thursdays between 9:30 am and 5 pm (we are closed for lunch from 12 noon to 1 pm on those days).

It is always surprising how fast time passes. Christmas is once again approaching and we are asking that parishioners who want to help our needy neighbors this Christmas do so by donating Target Gift Cards to Human Services. They can be put in the Sunday collection baskets or brought directly to our offices by Monday, December 19th. We truly appreciate your generosity at this wonderful time of year!

*Deacon Jose*



### Angel Tree Program

## Stewardship

### Second Sunday of Advent

**Bulletin Reflection:** In today's Gospel, St. John the Baptist reminds us that to be a follower of God requires action on our part.

**Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Service:** : As Christians, we are called to put our faith into action— this means many things, including to be at the service of others. This week, try to perform at least one additional work of mercy.



The Saint Ignatius Parish is having its

### **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS**

### **WREATH AND BLANKET SALE**

after each Mass outside by the Priests' garage this weekend and again on December 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>.





It's the time of year we come together with our family and friends to celebrate Christmas and the birth of Christ. It's also time for the St. Ignatius Loyola Church Christmas Raffle!

The prizes are as follows:

- A **\$50 daily prize** from Monday to Saturday, for the **entire** month of December,
- A **\$125** prize for **each Sunday**,
- **SPECIAL PRIZES** of **\$150** prize for
  - the **Feast of the Immaculate Conception** and
  - the **Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe**,
- A **\$500** prize for **Christmas Day**, and
- A **\$250** prize for **New Year's Eve**.

In order to enter, just fill out the ticket below and return it to the Church. Keep in mind that when a winning ticket is drawn, it will be put back with all the remaining tickets so you could win multiple times. Winning tickets will be drawn each Monday. Winners will be shown in the weekly bulletin and checks will be mailed promptly. Each ticket has **31** chances to win a prize. The cost is **\$10 for one ticket** and **\$20 for three tickets**.

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PLEASE DETACH, PRINT CLEARLY AND SEND BACK TO ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA WITH YOUR PAYMENT. IF YOU WISH TO ENTER SEVERAL TICKETS THEN JUST COPY THE FORM BELOW AND INCLUDE A COPY WITH YOUR PAYMENT. PLEASE SEND THE TICKETS BACK BY NOVEMBER 30, 2022.

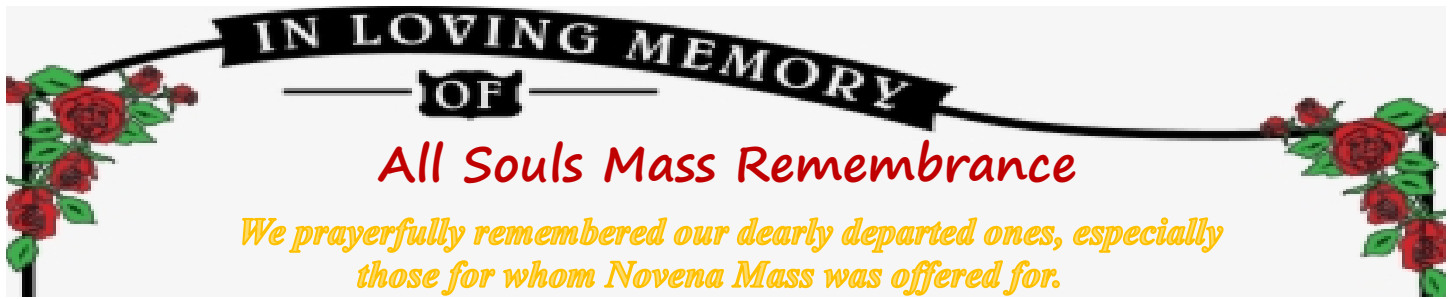
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


























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










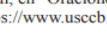
















# 2022 Advent Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>27 November</b> Buy or make an Advent wreath. Light the first violet candle for Hope. 	<b>28</b> Decide how to prepare for Jesus' birth during Advent: deeper prayer, acts of charity, fasting. 	<b>29</b> Make a playlist of music appropriate for Advent that anticipates Christ's birth. Listen and meditate to it until Christmas. 	<b>30 St. Andrew the Apostle</b> St. Andrew answered Jesus' call and led others to Him. Pray for those discerning the priesthood or religious life. 	<b>1 December</b> Ask God to reveal what's keeping you from fully experiencing His love. Resolve to deal with it by Christmas. 	<b>2 First Friday Devotion</b> Attend Mass or visit Jesus in the Eucharist in church (find the red candle). Give thanks for His blessings. 	<b>3</b> Set up a nativity. Leave it empty and add the figures slowly through the weeks. 
<b>4</b> Read <i>Matthew 3:1-12</i> . Tonight, light one violet candle and a second one for Faith. 	<b>5</b> Pray the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary. Ask Mary, who received Christ perfectly, to help you welcome Him. 	<b>6 St. Nicholas of Myra</b> Perform a simple act of kindness in honor of this generous saint. 	<b>7</b> Singing is praying twice. Play some Advent hymns to get into the season and sing along. 	<b>8 The Immaculate Conception of Mary</b> To honor the Blessed Virgin Mary, attend Mass and pray for the Church in the United States. 	<b>9</b> Contact Catholic Relief Services (877-HELP-CRS or www.catholicrelief.org) to see how you can help. 	<b>10</b> Attend Confession and experience God's mercy. Find an examination of conscience here, under "Prayers": <a href="https://www.usccb.org">https://www.usccb.org</a> 
<b>11 Gaudete Sunday</b> Read <i>Matthew 11:2-11</i> . Light two violet candles and the rose one for Joy. 	<b>12 Our Lady of Guadalupe</b> Display flowers at home to honor Mary. Pray for expectant mothers and their babies. 	<b>13</b> At the half-way point of Advent, renew your resolutions for change. 	<b>14</b> Set out an empty box. Add gently used clothes, starting today. When it's full, bring it to a clothing drive. 	<b>15</b> Christmas is a busy time for parishes. Stop by your parish office and offer your services. 	<b>16</b> Eat a simple, meatless meal and donate the money you saved to the poor box at church. 	<b>17</b> Pray one of the seven "O Antiphons" daily, found in the hymn, "O Come, O Come Emmanuel." 
<b>18</b> Read <i>Matthew 1:18-24</i> . Light all the candles and the last one for Peace. 	<b>19</b> Visit your parish and light a candle for anyone traveling this week. 	<b>20</b> Write down all your worries and entrust them to God, "Jesus, I trust in You." 	<b>21</b> Straighten up the house and make any final preparations. The King is coming! 	<b>22</b> Read <i>Luke 2:1-7</i> and place yourself in the scene. Imagine how you'd react if you were there. 	<b>23</b> Think of the Advent resolutions you want to keep year-round. 	<b>24 Christmas Eve!</b> Tonight, place Jesus in the manger and rejoice! Offer thanks to God for sending His Son for us. 



# 2022 Calendario de Adviento

Domingo	Lunes	Martes	Miércoles	Jueves	Viernes	Sábado
<b>27 Noviembre</b> Compra o haz una Corona de Adviento. Enciende la primera vela violeta de la Esperanza. 	<b>28</b> Decida cómo prepararse para el nacimiento de Jesús durante el Adviento: oración más profunda, actos de caridad, ayuno. 	<b>29</b> Haga una lista de reproducción de música apropiada para el Adviento que anticipe el nacimiento de Cristo. Escúchalo y medita hasta Navidad. 	<b>30 El Apóstol Andrés</b> San Andrés respondió al llamado de Jesús y llevó a otros a Él. Ore por los que discernen el sacerdocio o la vida religiosa. 	<b>1 Diciembre</b> Pídele a Dios que te revele lo que te impide experimentar plenamente Su amor. Resuelve lidiar con eso para Navidad. 	<b>2 Devoción del primer viernes</b> Asistir a Misa o visitar a Jesús en la Eucaristía en la iglesia (buscar la vela roja). Da gracias por Sus bendiciones. 	<b>3</b> Exhibición de un Nacimiento. Comienza a agregar personajes durante el Adviento. 
<b>4</b> Lea <i>Mateo 3:1-12</i> . Esta noche, enciende una vela violeta y otra del mismo color por la Fe. 	<b>5</b> Rezar los Misterios Gozosos del Rosario. Pídele a María, que recibió perfectamente a Cristo, que te ayude a acogerlo. 	<b>6 San Nicolás de Myra</b> Realice un simple acto de bondad en honor a este generoso santo. 	<b>7</b> Cantar es rezar dos veces. Pon música de Adviento para entrar en la temporada y cantar. 	<b>8 Inmaculada Concepción</b> Para honrar a la Santísima Virgen María, asistir a Misa y orar por la Iglesia en los Estados Unidos. 	<b>9</b> Comuníquese con CRS (877-HELP-CRS o www.catholicrelief.org) para ver cómo puede ayudar. 	<b>10</b> Asistir a la confesión y experimentar la misericordia de Dios. Puede encontrar un examen de conciencia aquí, en "Oraciones": <a href="https://www.usccb.org">https://www.usccb.org</a> . 
<b>11 Domingo de Gaudete</b> Leer <i>Mateo 11:2-11</i> . Enciende dos velas violetas y la rosa para la Alegría. 	<b>12 Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe</b> Muestra flores en casa para honrar a María. Ore por las madres embarazadas y sus bebés. 	<b>13</b> A la mitad del Adviento, renueve sus propósitos de cambio. 	<b>14</b> Coloque una caja vacía. Agregue ropa usada en buen estado, a partir de hoy. Cuando esté lleno, llévalo a una colecta de ropa. 	<b>15</b> La Navidad es una época muy ocupada para las parroquias. Pase por la oficina de su parroquia y ofrezca sus servicios. 	<b>16</b> Coma una comida sencilla sin carne y done el dinero que ahorró a la caja de pobres de la iglesia. 	<b>17</b> Reza una de las siete "O Antifonas" diarias, que se encuentran en el himno, "O Ven, O Ven Emmanuel." 
<b>18</b> Lea <i>Mateo 1:18-24</i> . Encender todas las velas anteriores y la última por la Paz. 	<b>19</b> Visite su parroquia y encienda una vela de oración para cualquiera que viaje esta semana. 	<b>20</b> Anota todas tus preocupaciones y encomiéndalas a Dios: "Jesús, en Ti confío". 	<b>21</b> Arreglar la casa y hacer los preparativos finales. ¡Viene el Rey! 	<b>22</b> Lea <i>Lucas 2:1-7</i> y colóquese en la escena. Imagina cómo reaccionarías si estuvieras allí. 	<b>23</b> Piense en las resoluciones de Adviento que desea mantener durante todo el año. 	<b>24 ¡Nochebuena!</b> ¡Esta noche, coloca a Jesús en el pesebre y regocíjate! Ofrezca gracias a Dios por enviar a su Hijo por nosotros. 

## Rincón de Clero



¿Cuál es el significado del árbol de Navidad? ¿Qué tipo de significado bíblico o religioso tiene?

Bueno, el árbol de Navidad se usa para simbolizar a Jesús. Es el retoño que brota del tronco de Jesé, el vástago que confía en las raíces de Jesé, como decía el profeta Isaías en la 1a lectura de este fin de semana.

Cuando Israel fue exiliado a Babilonia, los descendientes del rey David quedaron oscurecidos. Pero el profeta Isaías escribió sobre la esperanza de que un día brotaría un retoño del tronco de Isaí y traería la gloria de Israel. Jesús fue ese retoño que brotó en un árbol que da vida, un árbol que da esperanza. Y es por eso que el árbol de Navidad es un símbolo apropiado para la temporada. Ponemos una gran estrella en la parte superior del árbol de Navidad. Esa estrella es un símbolo de la estrella de Belén que llevó a los magos a encontrar al niño Jesús. Mientras ponemos la estrella, ¿vamos a decirles a nuestros hijos y a nuestros familiares que de ahora en adelante tendremos oraciones familiares y seguiremos a Jesús en su camino de amor? Mientras colocamos las luces en el árbol, ¿les vamos a decir también a nuestros familiares y a nuestros hijos que vamos a hacer de nuestro hogar un lugar de calidez, alegría y paz?

¿Y los regalos que ponemos debajo del árbol de Navidad simbolizan el amor abnegado de Jesús?

Juan el Bautista puede estar soldando su hacha y exigiendo que mostremos nuestro arrepentimiento dando buenos frutos. Sin embargo, ese arrepentimiento puede ser una hermosa experiencia espiritual cuando comprendemos el amor abnegado de Dios en el hermoso misterio de la Encarnación en Navidad. Hay una hermosa historia escrita por Shel Silverstein que refleja el amor desinteresado de Dios en Navidad.

En la historia, el niño pequeño visita el árbol todos los días. Vino a comer sus manzanas, columpiarse en sus ramas, descansar y sentarse en su tronco. El árbol se alegró de tener a este niño, pero un día dejó de venir porque "creció".

Cada vez que regresaba, solo venía a buscar cosas del árbol, y el árbol felizmente continuaba dando, dando y dando. El árbol le proporciona al niño sus manzanas para vender cuando necesita dinero, sus ramas para construir cuando pide un hogar y su tronco para tallar un bote cuando quiere escapar.

Y después de mucho tiempo, el niño volvió de nuevo. "Lo siento", suspiró el árbol. "Ojalá pudiera darte algo... pero no me queda nada. Solo soy un viejo tocón". "No necesito mucho ahora", dijo el niño, "solo un lugar tranquilo para sentarme y descansar. Estoy agotado". "Bueno", dijo el árbol, enderezándose lo más que pudo, "bueno, un tocón viejo es bueno para sentarse y descansar. Ven, niño, siéntate. "descansa, comparte la alegría". Y el niño lo hizo, y estaba feliz, y el árbol estaba encantado.

Dios nos dio a Su único Hijo en Navidad por amor a nosotros. El Viernes Santo, Jesús se dejó cortar y reducir a un tronco para salvarnos. Sin embargo, de este tronco, Jesús resucitó, y Él quiere que nosotros resucitemos con Él. Que nuestros árboles de Navidad simbolicen quién es Jesús para nosotros. ¿Puede también simbolizar

quiénes somos para los demás, al darnos a nosotros mismos, tal como Jesús se entregó por nosotros?

Felicito al Comité del Árbol de Navidad y la Corona", presidido por Ed Sottile y Mike Tuzzolo, por plantar un nuevo árbol de Navidad en honor a Mons. Bennet cerca del jardín de oración. Gracias Jose Hernandez y Maria Hernandez, por patrocinarlo y Juan Medrano por tu iniciativa. Es un merecido homenaje a Mons. Bennet quien dio todo por el alimento espiritual de la parroquia de San Ignacio.

Que este tiempo de Adviento y Navidad sea una ocasión para "sentarse, descansar y compartir" el último sacrificio de Jesús.

*P. Shibi*



# COMUNIDAD HISPANA

## Evangelio según San Mateo (Mt. 3, 1-12)



En aquel tiempo, comenzó Juan el Bautista a predicar en el desierto de Judea, diciendo: Arrepiéntanse, porque el Reino de los cielos está cerca". Juan es aquel de quien el profeta Isaías hablaba, cuando dijo: *Una voz clama en el de-*

*sierto: Preparan el camino del Señor, enderecen sus senderos.* Juan usaba una túnica de pelo de camello, ceñida con un cinturón de cuero, y se alimentaba de saltamontes y de miel silvestre. Acudían a oírlo los habitantes de Jerusalén, de toda Judea y de toda la región cercana al Jordán; confesaban sus pecados y él los bautizaba en el río. Al ver que muchos fariseos y saduceos iban a que los bautizara, les dijo: "Raza de víboras, ¿quién les ha dicho que podrán escapar al castigo que les aguarda? Hagan ver con obras su conversión y no se hagan ilusiones pensando que tienen por padre a Abraham, porque yo les aseguro que hasta de estas piedras puede Dios sacar hijos de Abraham. Ya el hacha está puesta a la raíz de los árboles, y todo árbol que no dé fruto, será cortado y arrojado al fuego. Yo los bautizo con agua, en señal de que ustedes se han convertido; pero el que viene después de mí, es más fuerte que yo, y yo ni siquiera soy digno de quitarle las sandalias. Él los bautizará en el Espíritu Santo y su fuego. Él tiene el bieldo en su mano para separar el trigo de la paja. Guardará el trigo en su granero y quemará la paja en un fuego que no se extingue".

**Palabra del Señor/ Gloria a ti Señor Jesús.**

### Oración Segundo Domingo de Adviento



*Padre bueno, concédenos poder preparar el camino del Señor y enderezar las sendas de nuestras vidas. Permítenos ser tierra buena, por la que pueda caminar a sus anchas tu Hijo amado. Danos un*

*corazón que escuche tu Palabra para poder convertirnos. No somos dignos de que Jesús nos habite, pero Tú puedes convertirnos en un hogar cálido y limpio para Él. Te lo pedimos en el nombre de Nuestro Señor Jesús, en el poder del Espíritu Santo. Amén.*

## MISA EN ESPAÑOL

**CADA DOMINGO 5:00PM**

Invita un amigo, un familiar, un vecino.

**¡Dios te bendice y te espera!**

### SERVIMOS A DIOS

**PASTOR:** Rev. Shibi Pappan OIC

**PASTOR ASOCIADO:** Jacob Varughese, OIC

(Orden de la Imitación de Cristo)

**DIACONADO:**

Mario y Dora Gómez / José y Judith Contreras.

## CONFESIONES

PRIMER DOMINGO DE CADA

MES en la Iglesia.

**DE 4:00 PM**

**A 4:45 PM**



## BAUTIZOS

Las charlas serán impartidas los segundos y terceros Jueves de cada mes, a partir de las 7:00pm

Favor de contactar a

**Roberto y Rosa Romero (516) 749-5135**



**Cada Domingo antes de la Santa Misa**

**Empezando a las 4:45pm**

**Jesús, en ti Confío!**

La liturgia dominical está disponible en nuestro sitio web:  
[www.stignatiushicksville.org/](http://www.stignatiushicksville.org/)



**MISA Y ADORACION EN HONOR AL  
SAGRADO CORAZON DE JESUS**

**Viernes 6 de Enero a las 7:00PM**

Iniciamos con el Santo Rosario a las 6:30PM

*"Venid a mí todos los que estáis fatigados y sobrecargados, y yo os daré descanso." Mt. 11, 28*



**8 de Diciembre**  
*Fiesta Inmaculada*  
*Concepción*

*Bendita sea tu pureza, y eternamente lo sea, pues todo un Dios se recrea en tu graciosa belleza.*

*A ti, celestial princesa, Virgen sagrada, María, te ofrezco desde este día mi alma, vida y corazón. Mírame con compasión, no me olvides, Madre mía. Amén.*



**Youth Group**  
**SACRED HEART OF**  
**JESUS**

**Join us every Friday at 7:00PM**  
**HAVE FUN WHILE GROWING IN FAITH**  
**We meet in the art room of the**  
**old school building.**

All youth between 13 and 18 years old are welcome



**El Apostolado de la**  
**Divina Misericordia**

te invita este

**21 de Diciembre, 2022**

**7:00 PM**

*A la Santa Misa y Cenáculo Eucarístico*  
iniciando a las **6:30PM** con el rezo del  
Santo Rosario.

*Oh Sangre y agua que brotaste del Corazon de Jesus*  
*como una fuente de misericordia para nosotros,*  
*en ti confío.*

**EL GRUPO DE ORACION**  
**SAN IGNACIO DE LOYOLA**

Les invita a tener un encuentro de amor con Dios a través de oraciones, alabanzas y enseñanzas que nos alientan y fortalecen en medio de las luchas de cada día. **Te esperamos!**



**Día: Todos los Viernes**  
(excepto primer viernes del mes)  
**Lugar: Sótano de la Escuela**  
**Hora: 6:30PM**



**CONECTATE CADA DIA**

A LA LINEA DE ORACION PARA QUE JUNTOS OREMOS POR LA PAZ, POR LOS ENFERMOS Y POR TODAS LAS NECESIDADES DE NUESTRA COMUNIDAD. TODOS LOS DIAS DE LUNES A SABADO REZAMOS A LAS **3:00PM** LA CORONILLA A LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA Y EL SANTO ROSARIO PARA CONECTARTE SOLO DEBES

**MARCAR (425) 436-6301 PIN 736657#.**

**LA ORACION CON FE TODO LO PUEDE!!**



Intenciones del  
Papa Francisco para  
el mes de

**Diciembre 2022**

**Por organizaciones**  
**de voluntariado.**



SI VIVISTE LA EXPERIENCIA DEL RETIRO DE EMAUS, NO TE PIERDAS DE REUNIRTE CON NOSOTROS EL SEGUNDO Y CUARTO LUNES DE CADA MES A LAS 7:00PM EN EL SOTANO DE LA ESCUELA.

*¡Jesucristo ha resucitado!*

