

THIRD SUNDAY OF

Advent

DECEMBER 11, 2022

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Office hours ~ Horario de oficina
Monday - Friday ~ Lunes - Viernes
9:00AM - 5:00PM

Mass Times/Tiempos de misa

Monday - Friday ~ Lunes - Viernes
9:00AM

Saturday ~ Sábado
8:00AM

SATURDAY ~ SÁBADO POR LA NOCHE
English 5:00PM Español 6:30PM

SUNDAY MASSES~ MISAS DEL DOMINGO
English 7:30AM & 9:30AM
Español 11:30AM

“Go and tell John what you hear and see:
the blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed,
the deaf hear, the dead are raised,
and the poor have the good news proclaimed to them.”

MATTHEW 11:4-5

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION ~
SACRAMENTO DE LA RECONCILIACIÓN**

Saturdays 3:30PM - 4:30PM

**EXPOSITION AND ADORATION
EXPOSICIÓN Y ADORACIÓN**

Of the Blessed Sacrament ~
Del Santísimo Sacramento

Thursday/Friday ~ Jueves/Viernes 9:30AM-10:30PM

PRAYER LINE ~ LÍNEA DE ORACIÓN

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English: Dn. Phil Nelson
Spanish: Fr. Fernando Lopez OSA

FUNERALS ~ FUNERALES

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PRIVATE PRAYER ~ ORACIÓN PRIVADA

Church open Mon-Sat ~ Iglesia abierta de lunes a sábado
10AM-4PM

INTENTIONS/INTENCIONES

Monday: December 12	9:00AM	Eleanor Nelson † By Chuck Coscarelli
Tuesday: December 13	9:00AM	Larry Shields † By the Doran Family
Wednesday: December 14	9:00AM	Gary Orthuber † By John & Joan McNeil
Thursday: December 15	9:00AM	The People of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish ★
Friday: December 16	9:00AM	Milton Gonzalez-Espino † By Bereavement
Saturday: December 17	8:00AM 5:00PM	Bob Nelson † By Charles Coscarelli Paul Richard Hernandez ★ By Hernandez & Pizana families
Sunday December 18	9:30AM	Jacob-Javier Hernandez ★ By Hernandez & Pizana families

★ Represents a Special Request ★

Reconciliation

Advent Penance Service

Tuesday evening, December 13 at 7pm.



HOGAR INFANTIL, INC.

Casa Hogar La Gloria, an orphanage in Tijuana, Mexico that has been a ministry of the Augustinians for the past 43 years. This is a wonderful opportunity to make a real difference in the lives of abandoned and neglected children in Tijuana. Please visit www.hogar-infantil.org to learn more about our mission and to view a short documentary video.

Casa Hogar La Gloria, un orfanato en Tijuana, México que ha sido un ministerio de los agustinos durante los últimos 43 años. Esta maravillosa oportunidad de hacer una verdadera diferencia en las vidas de los niños abandonados y desatendidos en Tijuana. Por favor visite www.hogar-infantil.org para aprender más sobre nuestra misión y para ver un breve video documental.

Emmanuel

Refrain

Come, come, Emmanuel! Son of God, appear.
Heaven and earth, rejoice! Salvation is drawing near.

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Verse 3

O Come, O Rod of Jesse's stem; from
ev'ry foe deliver them.

That trust your mighty power to save and
give them victory over the grave.

Refrain

Verse 4

O come, Desire of nations, bind in one the
hearts of humankind.

Make all our sad divisions cease and be for us
the King of Peace.

Refrain

Verse 5

Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

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Refrain

Let the Valleys Be Raised

Refrain

Let the valleys be raised and the mountains made
low.

Ev'ry meadow and field overturn.

Make the pathway straight and the highway run
smooth

For the coming of God in our day.

Verse 2

You, little child, go before him like the prophets
of old,

Bringing news of his coming by the mercy of
God.

Refrain

Verse 3

God, you come like the morning on the darkness
of night

As a light to the people, like the breaking of day

Bread of Angels

Verse 1

Bread of angels, we receive you;
with us now abide

Precious Jesus, manna of ages,
with us now reside

Panis angelicus fit panis hominum

Dat panis caelicus figuris terminum

Verse 2

Cup of Mercy overflowing,
fill us with your grace

Wine of passion, O Son begotten,
we flee to your embrace

O res mirabilis manducat Dominum

Pauper, Pauper, servus, et humilis

Verse 3

Word incarnate, dwell within us;
pierce our hardened hearts

Tender Jesus, Love so gentle, never let us part

Te, trina Deitas unaque, poscimus

Sic nos tu visita, sicut te colimus



Youth Choir

Come Sing with Us

We are forming a Youth Choir to sing at the
Christmas Eve mass at 5:00pm

Students in Grade 3 and up, including High
School

are welcome!

*There will be 3 rehearsals in the choir area of the
church*

Sunday, December 11, from 1pm to 2pm

Sunday, December 18, from 1pm to 2pm

Friday, December 23, from 3pm to 4:30 pm

Contact Lisa Boyd by calling the church office

Or Speak to her after any 9:30am Sunday Mass

Message from Fr. Kirk

As we wait for the coming of our Lord this Advent Season we have several extra opportunities to come together as a community. Tomorrow (Monday 12/12) we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady Of Guadalupe with Mañanitas & Mass at 5AM, Mass at 9AM, and Rosary & Mass at 6PM. Our Advent Penance Service is at 7PM Tuesday 12/13.

Finally our religious education kids and their families will be presenting a Pastorela, or Nativity Play for us on Wednesday evening 12/14 at 6PM in the Aquinas Center. Please try to join us!

My prayers are with you all as we continue to prepare the way of the Lord!

Blessings,
Fr. Kirk

Un Mensaje de Padre Kirk

Mientras esperamos la venida de nuestro Señor en esta temporada de Adviento, tenemos varias oportunidades adicionales para unirnos como comunidad. Mañana (lunes 12/12) celebramos la Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe con Mananitas y Misa a las 5AM, Misa a las 9AM, y Rosario y Misa a las 6PM. Nuestro Servicio de Penitencia de Adviento es a las 7PM el martes 13/12. Finalmente, nuestros niños de educación religiosa y sus familias presentarán una Pastorela para nosotros el miércoles por la noche 12/14 a las 6PM en el Centro Aquinas. ¡Intenta unirte a nosotros! ¡Mis oraciones están con todos ustedes mientras continuamos preparando el camino del Señor!

Bendiciones,
P. Kirk

SECOND
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DECEMBER 4, 2022

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John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying,
“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!”

MATTHEW 3:1

Celebrate the Season



Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe

A novena begins at 6pm on Sunday, December 4, & continues through the evening of the 12th

For the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Las Mañanitas will begin at 5am on the 12th

Mass at 6:30am, 9am, and 6:30 pm



Villanova Middle School

Villanova Prep is planning to open a middle school serving students in 6th—8th grades.

Opening in the 2023—2024 school year.

More Information at <https://www.villanovaprep.org/site/default.aspx?DomainID=201>

Or contact admissions@villanovaprep.org

December 13, and every 2nd Tues of the month

Join us for Coffee, Tea, and Friendship after the 9am mass in the Club House

Please feel free to bring any goodies to share, but your presence is enough

For more information call Mary Wood (805) 640-5243 or Greg Sinicrope (805) 455-4619

Pastorela Nativity Play



Wednesday, December 14

6pm

The Aquinas Center

our young people enrolled in religious education & their catechists

Come Support Our Youth

BI-LINGUAL ADVENT VESPERS AT THE MISSION BASILICA



SOLEMN VESPERS WITH ADORATION
AND BENEDICTION

SUNDAYS OF ADVENT
DOMINGOS DE ADVIENTO
7:00 PM

NOVEMBER 27, DECEMBER 4, 11, 18
MISSION BASILICA SAN BUENAVENTURA

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The barren deserts will rejoice and flower. Tired bodies will receive strength. Aching hearts will be made glad (Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10).

Psalm — The Lord saves us when he comes (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — Be patient, for the coming of the Lord is as sure as the rain (James 5:7-10).

Gospel — Tell of what you hear and see: The blind regain their vision, the crippled their movement, the deaf their hearing (Matthew 11:2-11).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712
Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-19, 23; Mt 21:28-32
Wednesday: Is 45: 6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 7:18b-23
Thursday: Is 54:1-10; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b; Lk 7:24-30
Friday: Is 56:1-3a, 6-8; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Jn 5:33-36
Saturday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent
Monday: Our Lady of Guadalupe
Tuesday: St. Lucy
Wednesday: St. John of the Cross
Friday: *Las Posadas* begins

Garden of healing for victim-survivors of sexual abuse

Archbishop José H. Gomez recently blessed the inaugural [garden](#) of healing dedicated to victim-survivors of sexual abuse at Saint Camillus Center for Spiritual Care in Los Angeles. Gardens of healing, which are being planned in the five pastoral regions of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, are a manifestation of our ongoing care for and support of those impacted by sexual abuse in all its forms. The Archdiocese encourages anyone with information regarding sexual abuse to please make a report to law enforcement and/or the Office of Victims Assistance Ministry at (800) 355-2545 or protect@la-archdiocese.org. For more information on the abuse prevention and protection efforts of the Archdiocese, please visit <https://lacatholics.org/protect/>. For more information about the Gardens of Healing, please visit lacatholics.org/healing-gardens, and read the article in Angelus News, <https://angelusnews.com/local/la-catholics/la-garden-of-healing-for-abuse/>.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — ¡Estén fuertes, no teman! Su Dios viene a salvarlos. Los redimidos del Señor serán corona-dos con alegría eterna (Isaías 35:1-6a, 10).

Salmo — El Señor nos salva cuando viene (Salmo 146 [145])

Segunda lectura — Sean también pacientes y valientes porque la venida del Señor está cerca (Santiago 5:7-10).

Evangelio — “¿Eres tú el que debe venir o tenemos que esperar a otro?” Jesús les contestó, “Vayan y cuéntenle a Juan lo que han visto y oído” (Mateo 11:2-11).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Zac 2:14-17 o Apo 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lc 1:26-38 o Lc 1:39-47, o cualquier lectura del Común de Santa María Virgen.
Martes: Sof 3:1-2, 9-13; Sal 34 (33):2-3, 6-7, 17-19, 23; Mt 21:28-32
Miércoles: Is 45: 6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Sal 85 (84):9ab, 10-14; Lc 7:18b-23
Jueves: Is 54:1-10; Sal 30 (29):2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b; Lc 7:24-30
Viernes: Is 56:1-3a, 6-8; Sal 67 (66):2-3, 5, 7-8; Jn 5:33-36
Sábado: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Sal 72 (71):1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17
Domingo: Is 7:10-14; Sal 24 (23):1-6; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

Domingo: Tercer Domingo de Adviento
Lunes: Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe
Martes: Santa Lucía
Miércoles: San Juan de la Cruz
Viernes: Primer día de las Posadas

Jardín de sanación para víctimas-sobrevivientes de abuso sexual

El Arzobispo José H. Gomez bendijo recientemente el jardín inaugural de sanación inaugural dedicado a las víctimas-sobrevivientes de abuso sexual en el Centro de Cuidado Espiritual San Camilo (Saint Camillus Center for Spiritual Care) en Los Ángeles. Los jardines de sanación que se están planeando en las cinco regiones pastorales de la Arquidiócesis de Los Ángeles, son una manifestación de nuestro continuo cuidado y apoyo a las personas afectadas por el abuso sexual en todas sus formas. La Arquidiócesis alienta a cualquier persona que tenga información sobre abuso sexual a que informe a las autoridades policiales y/o al Ministerio de Asistencia a las Víctimas al (800) 355-2545 o escriba a protect@la-archdiocese.org. Para obtener más información sobre los esfuerzos de protección y prevención del abuso de la Arquidiócesis, visite <https://lacatholics.org/protect/>. Para obtener más información sobre los Jardines de Sanación, visite lacatholics.org/healing-gardens y lea el artículo en inglés en Angelus News, <https://angelusnews.com/local/la-catholics/la-garden-of-healing-for-abuse/>.

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