

SAINT ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

NOVEMBER 27, 2022
1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

27 DE NOVIEMBRE DE 2022
1º DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

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Thank you for joining us today!
¡Gracias por acompañarnos!



Therefore, stay awake, be ready!

Velen, pues, y esten preparados!

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MASS SCHEDULE



Parishioners are invited to come
celebrate with us the real presence of
Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.



Monday-Friday 9:00 AM - Eng.
Friday 6:00 PM - Sp.

Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday 4:00 PM - Eng.
Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday 6:00 PM - Sp.
Sunday 8:00 AM - Eng. 10:00 AM - Eng.
12:00 PM - Sp. 6:00 PM - Sp.

Confessions:

Fridays 4:00-5:30 PM and Saturdays 2:00-3:30 PM,
or by appointment.

Call the Parish Office at (863) 422-4370.
Thank you.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 26, 2022

4:00 PM † Helen Shoosmith
6:00 PM (Sp.) Anniversary of Jairo & Lydia Rosario

Sunday, November 27, 2022

8:00 AM † Andres Gonzalez
10:00 AM † Sister Cecilia Beardslee
12:00 PM (Sp.) † Maximo Munoz
6:00 PM (Sp.) † David Colon

Monday, November 28, 2022

9:00 AM † Bienvenido Menendez

Tuesday, November 29, 2022

9:00 AM † Francisco David Hernandez

Wednesday, November 30, 2022

9:00 AM † Memorial Mass Association

Thursday, December 1, 2022

9:00 AM † Nereida Marrero

Friday, December 2, 2022

9:00 AM † Jesusa Montelongo
6:00 PM (Sp.) † Adelaida Sarria

Saturday, December 3, 2022

4:00 PM † Robert McKissick
6:00 PM (Sp.) † Laura Isabel Velez

Sunday, December 4, 2022

8:00 AM † Charette Longshaw
10:00 AM † Nereida Marrero
12:00 PM (Sp.) † Jose Anselmo Landeros
6:00 PM (Sp.) † Leodan Hernandez

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PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

November 19 & 20, 2022

Regular Offertory: \$14,082.50
Buildings & Grounds Collection: \$3,837
50/50: Winner has been notified - \$172.50
Faith Direct November 1-15: \$4,815.56
Miscellaneous: \$3,837

OCA Update

Goal: \$133,624.71
Pledged to Date: \$136,598.74
Paid to Date: \$122,950.47
Still Needed: \$10,674.24
Amount Over in Pledges: \$2,974.03



**Please consider supporting Our Catholic
Appeal as we continue to work to reach our
assessment.**



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will
take place all day on **Fridays** in the church
from 9:30 AM-5:00 PM.

FAITH DIRECT

If you haven't already, please
consider enrolling. You may
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or through our website
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enroll for regular Offertory
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We pray for your continued good health and safety in
this time of change, and always know you are in our
prayers.

God Bless You!

ST. ANDREW the APOSTLE



*Hail and blessed be the hour and
moment in which the Son of
God was born of the most pure
Virgin Mary, at midnight, in
Bethlehem, in the piercing cold.
In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech
Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer
and grant my desires, through
the merits of Our Savior
Jesus Christ, and of
His Blessed Mother. Amen.*

— St. Andrew Christmas Anticipation Prayer

NEW BEGINNINGS



Today is the First Sunday of Advent, and a new liturgical year has begun. Jesus himself tells us: "Stay awake." But why do we need to remain "awake"? This is a perfect time for new beginnings as we understand that the Lord, who came more than 2,000 years ago, is coming back, and we must be ready to receive him again in our lives.

In today's Gospel, St. Matthew makes a big statement about the certain or imminent coming of Jesus. As believers, we must prepare our world well to watch for him. His coming is not the destruction of the world like so many others without serious discernment or prayer. As good Catholics and mature people in faith, we are called to expect the second coming of Christ with serious preparation because any day, any moment, could be the final coming of the Lord for all of us. To watch for him is to constantly repent for all our sins, to receive the sacraments of reconciliation and Holy Eucharist frequently, and to make our emblem of life the most important of the commandments: "Love God with all our hearts and our neighbor as we love ourselves."

Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of the Lord. St. Paul tells us in the second reading that it is time to awaken from our sleep, for our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.

Advent is a time to reflect on what's truly important in our lives and prepare to meet Jesus and welcome him into our lives.

We should ask ourselves, "If I changed some of my habits or activities would this give me a bit more time to grow closer to God?" Only we know what we must change, what must restart again in our relationship with God and our brothers and sisters. Our minimal effort is a great gift to God and a new beginning that, in this Advent season, will help us grow in holiness. If we give up something wrong each week or correct a defect at the end of these four weeks of Advent, we will see great fruits of salvation in our lives.

Happy beginning of Advent!

The Lord is coming, and I would like to be ready!

Fr. Alfonso Cely
Pastor

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CONFESSION-A-THON!



Advent

begins on:

November 27, 2022

Monday, December 19, 2022

Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held in the Church
from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM & 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

PENANCE SERVICES IN OUR DEANERY

St. Joseph Church: December 20, 7:00 PM
532 Ave. M NW, Winter Haven, FL 33881

Holy Redeemer: December 14, 7:00 PM
1603 N. Thacker Ave., Kissimmee, FL 34741

St. Matthew: December 15, 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM
1991 Overlook Dr., Winter Haven, FL 33884

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

LIGHTS FOR CHRIST



December 6, 2022 @ 6PM

All Children in Religious Education are invited to join us as we light up our parish in anticipation of the arrival of Christ.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) announces Season 2 of "Our Faith in Action: Today's Society of St. Vincent de Paul," which premieres with a special one-week event on EWTN Global Catholic Network November 28-December 2, at 5:30 PM Eastern & 4:30 PM Central. The series follows Vincentians as they volunteer in their communities, helping neighbors in need, and sharing stories of Christ's love. Each episode features Vincentians across the country.




PRAYER FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



O God,
as light comes from this candle, may the blessing of Jesus Christ come to us, warming our hearts and brightening our way. May Christ our Saviour bring life into the darkness of this world, and to us, as we wait for his coming. Amen.

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE POSADAS



Las Posadas

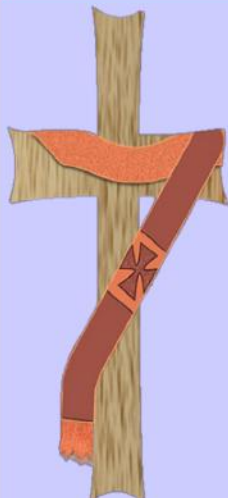
Las Posadas is a Christmas celebration in Mexico that lasts from December 16 to December 23 each year. The people of Mexico act out the story from the Bible when Mary and Joseph visited Bethlehem and Jesus was born.

In the tradition of Las Posadas, families visit different homes each of the nine nights. The people inside the homes will play the part of innkeepers. The people visiting will play the part of pregrinos or pilgrims. They are looking for a place to stay. The families share a feast of special Mexican foods prepared for the celebration. Some children are chosen to dress up as Joseph & Mary.

They also break piñatas and get candy and gifts. People go to church, say prayers, and sing Christmas songs in Spanish.

It is a Christmas celebration.

DEACONS AVAILABLE FOR ASSISTANCE



We would like to inform our parishioners that our Deacons will be available for assistance with the following:

- Spiritual Guidance*
- Marriage Accessory*
- Counseling*
- Special Blessing*

- Monday:** Deacon Steven Ramos
- Tuesday:** Deacon Frank Morano
- Wednesday:** Deacon Richard Demers
- Thursday:** Deacon Jairo Rosario

from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM in the Church Office

Please consider making an appointment.



The first Posadas will be hosted by St. Ann Catholic Church!

Join us on Friday, December 16, at 7:00 PM for this celebration in the church.

There will be mariachis, piñatas, & food.

All are welcome!

SAINT OF THE WEEK: ANDREW



Andrew was St. Peter's brother, and both were called to be disciples of Jesus. "As [Jesus] was walking by the sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is now called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them, 'Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.' At once they left their nets and followed him" (Matthew 4:18-20).

John the Evangelist presents Andrew as a disciple of John the Baptist. When Jesus walked by one day, John said, "Behold, the Lamb of God." Andrew and another disciple followed Jesus. "Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi (which translated means Teacher), where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come, and you will see.' So they went and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day" (John 1:38-39a).

Little else is said about Andrew in the Gospels. Before the multiplication of the loaves, it was Andrew who spoke up about the boy who had the barley loaves and fishes. When the Gentiles went to see Jesus, they came to Philip, but Philip then had recourse to Andrew.

Legend has it that Andrew preached the Good News in what is now modern Greece and Turkey and was crucified at Patras on an X-shaped cross.

Reflection: As in the case of all the apostles except Peter and John, the Gospels give us little about the holiness of Andrew. He was an apostle. That is enough. He was called personally by Jesus to proclaim the Good News, to heal with Jesus' power, and to share his life and death. Holiness today is no different. It is a gift that includes a call to be concerned about the Kingdom, an outgoing attitude that wants nothing more than to share the riches of Christ with all people.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT SYMBOLISM & WREATH CANDLE



The word "**Advent**" comes from the Latin word *adventus*, which means "coming." In the 4th and 5th centuries, Advent was a time of preparation for the baptism of new Christians. Christians would spend 40 days in **prayer** and fasting to prepare for the celebration that accompanied the baptism of new believers.

Over time, Advent was connected to the coming of Christ. Originally, Christians used this term to reference Christ's second coming, but by the Middle Ages, Advent was connected to Christ's first coming that we celebrate at Christmas.

Today, we celebrate Advent over the four weeks leading up to Christmas each year. This year we begin Advent on November 27 and end this season of prayerful anticipation on December 24.

Advent season is an invitation to set your mind off of the stresses of the year. We can take our focus off of the crazy hustle that can be associated with the Christmas season, which often threatens to produce more hassle than delight. Advent is a chance to focus our thoughts on the gift God has given us in his son Jesus who stepped down from Heaven and took the form of a man so that we might believe.

The tradition for the first Sunday of Advent includes lighting the candle of hope.

This candle of hope symbolizes promises delivered through the prophets from God and the hope we have in Christ. God crafted a great rescue plan that he lays out in Scripture. This plan foretells years in advance the arrival of Christ. The Bible also gives us a glimpse of the future and promises that God will come down to create a new heaven and Earth.

This first Sunday of Advent, we read, pray, and reflect on the hope God's plan gives us (foretold by the prophets and fulfilled by the life and death of Christ), and we meditate on the promise of Christ's coming glory-filled return.

There are three suggested Scripture Readings for the First Sunday of Advent:

Isaiah 64:1-5

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down so that the mountains would quake at your presence—as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, and the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past, no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways.

Psalms 80:1-7

Please listen, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph's descendants like a flock. O God, enthroned above the cherubim, display your radiant glory to Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh. Show us your mighty power. Come to rescue us! Turn us again to yourself, O God. Make your face shine down upon us. Only then will we be saved. O LORD God of Heaven's Armies, how long will you be angry with our prayers? You have fed us with sorrow and made us drink tears by the bucketful. You have made us the scorn of neighboring nations. Our enemies treat us as a joke. Turn us again to yourself, O God of Heaven's Armies. Make your face shine down upon us. Only then will we be saved.

Psalms 80:17-19

But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand, the one whom you made strong for yourself. Then we will never turn back from you; give us life, and we will call on your name. Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

NUEVOS COMIENZOS



Hoy es el primer domingo de Adviento y ha comenzado un nuevo año litúrgico. Jesús mismo nos dice: "Manténganse despiertos". Pero, ¿por qué necesitamos permanecer "despiertos"? Este es un tiempo perfecto para nuevos comienzos ya que entendemos que el Señor, quien vino hace más de 2,000 años, está regresando y debemos estar listos para recibirlo nuevamente en nuestras vidas.

En el Evangelio de hoy, San Mateo hace una gran declaración sobre la venida segura o inminente de Jesús. Como creyentes, debemos preparar bien nuestro mundo para velar por él. Su venida no es la destrucción del mundo como tantos otros sin un serio discernimiento u oración. Como buenos católicos y personas maduras en la fe, estamos llamados a esperar la segunda venida de Cristo con

seria preparación porque cualquier día, cualquier momento, puede ser la venida final del Señor para todos nosotros. Velar por él es arrepentirnos constantemente de todos nuestros pecados, recibir con frecuencia los sacramentos de la reconciliación y la Sagrada Eucaristía, y hacer de nuestro emblema de vida el más importante de los mandamientos: "Amar a Dios con todo nuestro corazón y a nuestro prójimo como amarnos a nosotros mismos."

El Adviento es un tiempo de preparación para la venida del Señor. San Pablo nos dice en la segunda lectura que es hora de despertar de nuestro sueño, porque nuestra salvación está ahora más cerca que cuando creímos por primera vez.

El Adviento es un tiempo para reflexionar sobre lo que es verdaderamente importante en nuestras vidas y prepararnos para encontrarnos con Jesús y darle la bienvenida a nuestras vidas.

Deberíamos preguntarnos: "Si cambiara algunos de mis hábitos o actividades, ¿esto me daría un poco más de tiempo para acercarme más a Dios?" Solo nosotros sabemos lo que debemos cambiar, lo que debemos recomenzar en nuestra relación con Dios y con nuestros hermanos y hermanas. Nuestro mínimo esfuerzo es un gran regalo a Dios y un nuevo comienzo que, en este tiempo de Adviento, nos ayudará a crecer en santidad. Si renunciamos a algo mal cada semana o corregimos un defecto al final de estas cuatro semanas de Adviento, veremos grandes frutos de salvación en nuestra vida.

¡Feliz comienzo de Adviento!

¡El Señor viene y me gustaría estar listo!

Padre Alfonso Cely
Pastor

CONFESIÓN-A-THON!



El Adviento comienza el domingo 27 de noviembre de 2022

Lunes 19 de Diciembre de 2022 se llevará a cabo el sacramento de confesión desde 10:00 AM a 12:00 PM y 2:00 PM a 4:00 PM.

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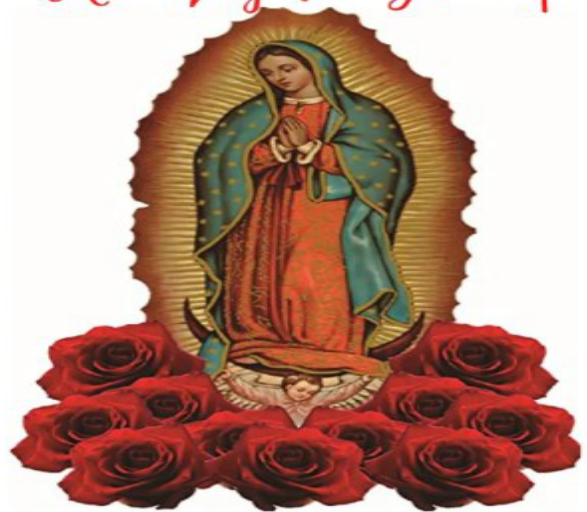
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Encendemos, Señor, esta luz, como aquél que enciende su lámpara para salir, en la noche, al encuentro del amigo que ya viene.

En esta primera semana del Adviento queremos levantarnos para esperarte preparados, para recibirte con alegría.

Muchas sombras nos envuelven.
Muchos halagos nos adormecen.

Queremos estar despiertos y vigilantes, porque tú nos traes la luz más clara, la paz más profunda y la alegría más verdadera.
¡Ven, Señor Jesús. Ven, Señor Jesús!

Amén

CIRCULO DE ORACIÓN SAN JOSÉ



Les invitamos a participar los miércoles de oración y meditación en comunidad.

Sera todos los miercoles de el mes de Noviembre a las 7:30 PM, en el hogar de la familia:

Sra. Nilda Mercado
3000 Hwy 17-92 West
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Lot #600

ACOMPAÑENOS EN LAS POSADAS



St. Ann Catholic Church será Anfitrión de la primera posada Año 2022

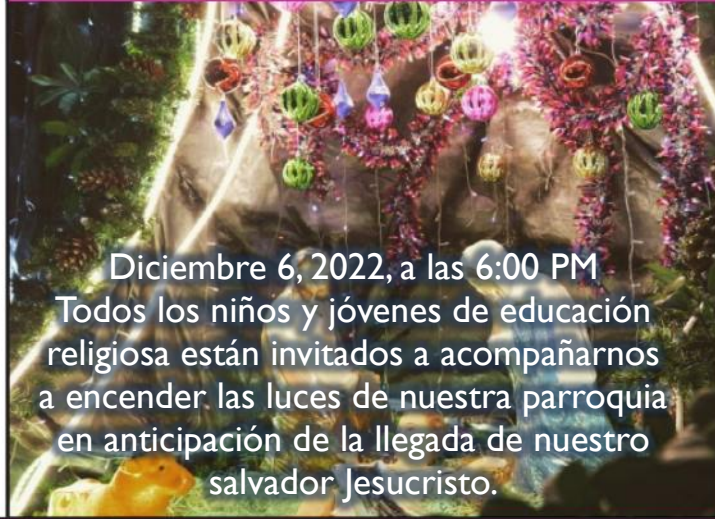


Acompañenos el viernes Diciembre 16 a las 7:00 PM para esta celebración.

Tendremos mariachis, villancicos, piñatas y un compartir.
Todos Invitados!



LUCES PARA CRISTO



Diciembre 6, 2022, a las 6:00 PM
Todos los niños y jóvenes de educación religiosa están invitados a acompañarnos a encender las luces de nuestra parroquia en anticipación de la llegada de nuestro salvador Jesucristo.

HORARIO PARA LA NOVENA DE LA VIRGEN DE GUADALUPE

Novena a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe
"¿Bajo la sombra de Maria"



Día	Hora	Dirección	Anfitrión
Sábado, 3 de Diciembre	7:30 PM	406 Ray Keen Rd. Haines City, FL.	Margarito y Maria Reyes
Domingo, 4 de Diciembre	7:30 PM	2112 B Park Ave. Haines City, FL.	Erik Gabriel
Lunes, 5 de Diciembre	7:00 PM	1607 Lowery Ave. Haines City, FL.	Eliamar Benites
Martes, 6 de Diciembre	7:00 PM	2105 Norma Ave. Haines City, FL.	Francisco Hernandez y Plácida Chavez
Miércoles, 7 de Diciembre	7:00 PM	827 Neal Rd. Davenport, FL.	Guadalupe Vásquez
Jueves, 8 de Diciembre	7:00 PM	303 S. 14th Haines City, FL.	Maria Sandoval
Viernes, 9 de Diciembre	7:30 PM	117 US 17/92 Highway Apt.8 Haines City, FL.	Araceli Segura
Sábado, 10 de Diciembre	7:30 PM	203 North 12 st. Haines City, FL.	Familia Espinoza Romero
Domingo, 11 de Diciembre	7:30 PM	1311 Roberson Dr. Haines City, FL.	Iglesia Santa Ana

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