

St. JOHN PAUL II CATHOLIC PARISH

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WELCOME to the family ~ BIENVENIDO a la familia

THIRD SUNDAY OF
ADVENT

Joy



Gaudete Sunday

*Prayer to Our Lady
of Guadalupe*
God of power and mercy,
you blessed the Americas
at Tepeyac with the
presence of the Virgin
Mary of Guadalupe. May
her prayers help all men
and women to accept
each other as brothers
and sisters. Through
your justice present in
our hearts, may your
peace reign in the world.
We ask this through our
Lord Jesus Christ, your
Son, who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy
Spirit, one God, for ever
and ever. Amen.

Third Sunday of Advent - December 15, 2024
III Domingo de Adviento - 15 de Diciembre, 2024



Oración a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe
Dios de poder y misericordia, que bendijiste a las Américas en el
Tepeyac con la presencia de la Virgen María de Guadalupe. Que sus
oraciones ayuden a todos los hombres y mujeres a aceptarse como
hermanos y hermanas. Por tu justicia presente en nuestros
corazones, que tu paz reine en el mundo. Te lo pedimos por nuestro
Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina contigo y el Espíritu
Santo, un solo Dios, por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This Sunday is different from the other Sundays of Advent. Today, the candle on the Advent wreath and the vestments of the priests and deacons take a break from purple, a color which symbolizes penitence and preparation, and are adorned in rose (or pink). None of the other Sundays in Advent have a name, but today is "Gaudete Sunday"—Gaudete is Latin for "Rejoice!" We take a break from the nighttime purple of Advent to rejoice with the color rose as the light of the Son of God begins to dawn. The coming of Christ on Christmas is near, and the feast of the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, which is the cause of our joy, is quickly approaching.

So what does this Sunday tell us about the rest of Advent? We need this Sunday because, practically, we need a glimpse of Christmas joy and a reminder that the reason for our preparation, the coming of our beloved Savior, will soon be here. It focuses us. Advent is not a mini and pre-emptive Christmas season. Rather, it is a season of preparation and waiting. Waiting is an act of hope by which we create and prepare a space to receive the one we expect, in this case Jesus Christ. As the church moves from being a somewhat silent space to being filled with decorations and instruments in celebration of the joyful feast of our Lord's Nativity, let us do the same. During this Advent, have we created that space to receive our Lord? Have we set aside time for prayer? Have we prepared our souls to receive Christ anew through the sacrament of penance and reconciliation? Have we stopped to reflect on the lights and evergreens as a reminder of the radiant coming of Christ, the author of life? The lights, trees, bows, presents, and parties are not the end, but they assist us in our celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. Let us receive Him anew! While the world is always being distracted by constant movement, chaos, and conflicts, it received its Creator and Savior in the silence and stillness of the night in the little town of Bethlehem. Let us continue to create that serene, quiet, and trusting place in our lives so that we may receive with great joy our Beloved Lord Jesus Christ: "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near" (Phil. 4:4-5).

In Christ,
Fr. Matt

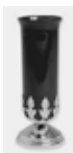


Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo:

Este domingo es diferente de los otros domingos de Adviento. Hoy, la vela en la corona de adviento y las vestiduras de los sacerdotes y diáconos descansan del morado, que simboliza la penitencia y la preparación, y se adornan en rosa. Ninguno de los otros domingos en Adviento tiene un nombre, pero hoy es el "Domingo Gaudete". Gaudete en latín significa "¡Alégrate!" Hacemos una pausa en la púrpura nocturna del Adviento para regocijarnos con el color rosa cuando comienza a amanecer la luz del Hijo de Dios. La venida de Cristo en Navidad está cerca, y la fiesta de la Natividad de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, que es la causa de nuestra alegría, se acerca rápidamente.

Entonces, ¿qué nos dice este domingo sobre el resto de Adviento? Necesitamos este domingo porque, prácticamente, necesitamos un vistazo de la alegría navideña y un recordatorio de que el propósito de nuestra preparación, la venida de nuestro Salvador, pronto estará aquí. Nos enfoca. El Adviento no es una temporada navideña pequeña y preventiva. Más bien, es una temporada de preparación y espera. Esperar es un acto de esperanza por el cual creamos y preparamos un espacio para recibir al que esperamos, en este caso Jesucristo. Mientras la iglesia pasa de ser un espacio un tanto silencioso a llenarse de adornos e instrumentos para celebrar la alegre fiesta de la Natividad de nuestro Señor, hagamos lo mismo. Durante este Adviento, ¿hemos creado espacio para recibir a nuestro Señor? ¿Hemos reservado tiempo para la oración? ¿Hemos preparado nuestras almas para recibir a Cristo nuevamente a través del sacramento de la penitencia y la reconciliación? ¿Nos hemos detenido a reflexionar sobre las luces y los pinos como recordatorios de la radiante venida de Cristo, el autor de la vida? Las luces, los árboles, los moños, los regalos y las fiestas no son el fin, pero nos ayudan en nuestra celebración del nacimiento de Jesucristo. ¡Recibámoslo nuevamente! Mientras que el mundo está siempre distraído con el movimiento constante, el caos y los conflictos, recibió a su Creador y Salvador en el silencio y la quietud de la noche en la pequeña ciudad de Belén. Sigamos creando en nuestras vidas ese lugar sereno, tranquilo y confiado para que podamos recibir con gran alegría a nuestro Amado Señor Jesucristo: "¡Alégrense siempre en el Señor; se los repito: ¡alégrense! El Señor está cerca". (Fil. 4: 4-5).

En Cristo,
Padre Mateo



The candle in the sanctuary
is burning in memory of

BETTY GRANT

By: Her Family

HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOME PARISHIONERS

ASBURY SUPPORTIVE LIVING:

BICKFORD: Barbara Ciaccio

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PRAYING WITH INTENTION FOR THE SICK

~ Adrien Raymond	~ Julia Moreno
~ Alan & Jackie LaRoche	~ Kathy Call
~ Alice Ramien	~ Kathy Dechenne
~ Arturo Barajas	~ Kelli Burson
~ Baby Wyatt & Parents	~ Magdalena Salazar
~ Betty Mulvihill	~ Margaret Bialas
~ Birdie Blanchette	~ Manuel Silva
~ Bob Crane	~ Maria de la Luz Patiño
~ Carol Gean Veranda	~ Maria Toledo
~ Carol Loiselle	~ Mia Martin
~ Charlene Russell	~ Naomi
~ Craig Robinson	~ Nicolasa Jaimes Albiter
~ Colleen Kilbride	~ Nicole & David
~ Daniel Wulffe	~ Pat Crane
~ Darby Thomas	~ Paul Gerth
~ Debbie Turner	~ Raquel Garcia
~ Desiree Grant	~ Robert & Kathy Lenzi
~ Elia López	~ Ron Talamantes
~ Eula Mae Goselin	~ Sharon Burton
~ Frances Powers	~ Sylvia Lane
~ Gloria Mendez	~ Ted & Phyllis Bergeron
~ Harry Carpenter	~ Tom Sauch
~ Jan Richley	~ Vito Scafiezzo
~ José Luis Delgadillo	~ Willis Buchholz
~ Jose de Jesus Isaac Solis	

*** The Intention of this list is to pray for the seriously ill. Please help us keep the list updated by calling us with any changes. Thank You!

La intención de esta lista es rezar por quienes están seriamente enfermos. Ayúdenos a mantenerla actualizada llamándonos. ¡Gracias!

PRAYER LINE INFORMATION: For your prayer requests, please call **Rita Kanosky** at 815-932-4974 or, email **Barb Jepson** at wbjepson69@gmail.com

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of December 14 - 22

Saturday, December 14

6:00 am † Ed Ray Pasel (*Betty Azzarelli*)
8:00 am † Byron Heldt (*Cheryl Heldt*)
4:30 pm † Norman Lee Grimsley (*Kristen Grant*)
6:00 pm † Gumecindo Rubio Sánchez (*José Jaime Rubio*)

Sunday, December 15

8:00 am † Patricia Marie Hansen (*Fran & Sandy Girard*)
9:30 am † Millie Blanchette
11:30 am † Betty Grant (*Her Family*)
1:00 pm † Evangelina Méndez & Luis Antonio Martínez (*Su Familia*)
† Jaime López (*José López*)
† Rosa & Marisol Varela (*Dany Varela*)
3:00 pm † Gerald Frechette (*Sandy & Francis Girard*)
5:00 pm † Veronica & Duff Carlson (*Kathy & Troy DeChenne*)

Monday, December 16

7:30 am FOR THE SICK PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Tuesday, December 17

7:30 am † Bill Powers (*Frances Powers*)
6:00 pm Margarita Muñoz de Canales & Norberto Canales Muñoz (*Beatriz Canales*)

Wednesday, December 18

7:30 am FOR THE SICK PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
12:00 pm Mary C. Hemberger (*Bob & Barb Boudreau*)

Thursday, December 19

7:30 am † Gerald Frechette (*Kathy Yonke*)

Friday, December 20

7:30 am FOR THE SICK PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
12:00 pm † Edmund Boudreau (*Bob & Barb Boudreau*)

Saturday, December 21

8:00 am † Nicky Frey (*Greg & Julie Azzarelli*)
4:30 pm † Charles Birr (*Birr Family*)
6:00 pm POR TODA LA GENTE DE LA PARROQUIA

Sunday, December 22

8:00 am † Patricia Marie Hansen (*Dennis & Barb Schafer*)
9:30 am FOR THE SICK PEOPLE OF THE FAMILY
11:30 am Alan Nanos (*Faber Family*)
1:00 pm † Dagoberto Villagrán (*Lupita Méndez*)
3:00 pm † Barbara Azzarelli (*Betty Azzarelli*)
5:00 pm † David Decker (*Donna Decker & Family*)

BIBLE STUDY **UNVEILING THE TRUTH**

Every Tuesday

11:00 am to 12:00 pm

7:00 pm to 8:00 pm

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Call the parish office and PRESS the #
button In case of a death or a near death
emergency and you need a priest.

*Marque 815-933-7683 + Extensión.
Llame al número y presione la Tecla #
en caso de una emergencia de muerte y
necesita un sacerdote.*

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Hearts of Hope Youth Group: Michelle & Ken Barrie 815-382-8130

OFFERING/OFRENDAS

December 7 & 8
\$10,210.00

- 119 Envelopes/29 - On Line Donors (\$2,063) -

(This information is being provided to keep you updated)

Monthly School Subsidy to BMCS: \$6,592.92

Monthly Diocesan Assessment: \$3,211.00

Monthly Contribution Envelope Cost/

Sobres: \$435

Our goal each week is/Meta Semanal: \$11,058.00

THANK YOU GRACIAS

Please consider signing up for Online Giving...
it's easy and convenient:

Go to <https://jp2kankakee.weshareonline.org>

ONLINE giving

***Please email bulletin requests to the above
e-mail at least one week before the weekend
requested.

Time, Talent & Treasure

Fostering Stewardship as a way of life

In gratitude for organizing, participating and donating items for the festivity in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe, we recognize and gratefully acknowledge the Christmas Committee:

JPII Hispanic Ministry, donors and participants.

Tiempo, Talento & Tesoro

Fomentando la corresponsabilidad como estilo de vida
En agradecimiento por organizar, participar y donar artículos para la festividad en honor a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, reconocemos y agradecemos al Comité Navideño:

Ministerio Hispano de JPII, donadores y participantes.

*The family of St. John Paul II
Welcomes you!*

*Andrew Coffey &
Samuel Coffey*

Baptized on December 8, 2024



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, December 15

R1 - Zep 3:14-18a

R2 - Phil 4:4-7

G - Lk 3:10-18

Mon. December 16

R1 - Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a

G - Mt 21:23-27

Tues. December 17

R1 - Gn 49:2, 8-10

G - Mt 1:1-17

Weds. December 18

R1 - Jer 23:5-8

G - Mt 1:18-25

Thurs. December 19

R1 - Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a

G - Lk 1:5-25

Friday, December 20

R1 - Is 7:10-14

G - Lk 1:26-38

Saturday, December 21

R1 - Sg 2:8-14

G - Lk 1:39-45

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 22

R1 - Mi 5:1-4a

R2 - Heb 10:5-10

G - Lk 1:39-45



7THIS WEEK AT JPII

December 16 - 22

Monday, December 16

12:00-5:00 pm Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament / *Adoración*

7:00 pm Parish Council Meeting

7:00 pm NO - Reunión del Grupo Carismático

7:00 pm Posada Navideña

Tuesday, December 17

9:00 am Lisieux-Clothing Closet

10:00 am **Fatima Rosary Group**

11:00 am Bible Study

5:00 pm Confessions/Confesiones

5:15 pm Fit'n Healthy - Lisieux Center

6:00 pm FFP - Class

7:00 pm Bible Study

7:00 pm Posada Navideña

7:30 pm OCIA

Wednesday, December 18

6:00 pm FFP - Class

7:00 pm Baptism Class - English

7:00 pm Posada Navideña

Thursday, December 19

5:00 pm Confessions/Confesiones

5:15 pm Fit'n Healthy - Lisieux Center

6:30 pm Adult Choir Practice - Church

7:00 pm Posada Navideña

7:00 pm Perseverancia - Encuentros Juveniles

Friday, December 20

9:00 am Food Pantry - East Campus

9:00 am Clothing Closet - Lisieux Center

9:30 am Homeschoolers Gathering

10:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry

7:00 pm Posada Navideña

Saturday, December 21

6:00 am Men of St. Joseph - Study Group

11:00 am Baptism - English (If needed)

12:00 pm Young on Fire Rosary - Live Stream

3:30 pm Confessions/Confesiones

7:00 pm Posada Navideña

Sunday, December 22

9:00 am Estudio Bíblico - Hombres

6:30 pm Advent Antiphon with Vespers & Benediction

7:00 pm Posada Navideña

FUTURE EVENTS - DATES

Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Mass

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Classes are the 3rd Wednesday of the month in the church, please call to register; Baptisms are on the 3rd Saturday of the month or after Mass.

Weddings: Marriage Preparation begins at least 6 months in advance; please schedule a meeting with Fr. Matt for details (before finalizing other wedding plans).

SACRAMENTOS

Bautismo: Llame a la oficina parroquial y regístrese para las pláticas Pre-Bautismales; los bautismos son el 4o sábado del mes, después de misa o en otra fecha disponible.

Bodas: La preparación comienza por lo menos 6 meses antes; Programe una cita con el Padre Matt para más detalles (antes de finalizar otros planes de su boda).

**CHRISTMAS
MASS SCHEDULE**
HORARIO DE MISAS NAVIDEÑAS
December 24 (Christmas Eve / Noche Buena)
4:00 pm • 6:00 pm en español • 8:00 pm
December 25 (Christmas Day / Navidad)
12:00 am Midnight (Prelude beginning at 11:30 pm)
8:00 am Latin Low Mass with Organ
10:00 am • 12:00 pm en Español

**St. JOHN PAUL II
CATHOLIC PARISH**
En nuestra Parroquia de San Juan Pablo II
se celebraran:
Bodas Comunitarias
El día sábado, 12 de abril, 2025
¡Te invitamos a que recibas este sacramento!
Tendremos una **Reunión Informativa** el **Jueves, 19 de diciembre a las 6:00 pm** en el **Salón de Conferencias** donde se darán mas detalles.
Para mayores informes contacta a la Oficina Parroquial.

OPENING OF THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025

 JUBILEE 2025
PILGRIMS OF HOPE

On Sunday, December 29, throughout the world Catholics will gather at their Cathedral Churches to celebrate the opening of the Jubilee Year 2025.

The Diocese of Joliet will celebrate the opening of this Jubilee Year at the 10:30 am Mass on December 29, at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet. Everyone is invited to this very special Mass as a worldwide celebration of the Jubilee Year 2025 begins. This will be a very special time for the Church and plans have been made to celebrate this Jubilee Year throughout the Diocese. In the coming weeks, we will be sharing with you these important days, times and places where we will gather to continue our celebration of the Jubilee Year.

**OUR SHEPHERD'S
CLOTHING CLOSET**

Winter Coat Drive
Adult Used or new
winter Jackets for
those in need

Drop off: Tuesdays from 9-11 am
371 N. St. Joseph Ave., Kankakee

Let's celebrate together!

**ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH
ARE CORDIALLY INVITED**

**KANKAKEE DEANERY COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN
JOY IN JANUARY
SATURDAY, JANUARY 4, 2025**

**11:00 A.M. REGISTRATION
12:00 P.M. LUNCHEON**

**KANKAKEE COUNTRY CLUB
2011 COBB BLVD
KANKAKEE, IL 60901**

PLEASE RSVP ON SIGN UP SHEET IN BACK OF CHURCH
BY DECEMBER 15TH
PAYMENT IS REQUIRED AT TIME OF SIGN UP

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: ST JOHN PAUL II CCW
\$38 A PERSON

**CHICKEN CHAMPAGNE,
MASHED POTATOES,
CORN SOUFFLE,
HOUSE SALAD
ROLLS
& DESSERT**

We have been advised that drinks from the bar will have must be made with a charge card.

YOUNG ON FIRE
ANNUAL HOLIDAY SERVICE PROJECT
Hats, Mittens, Gloves & Scarves

**Please donate items
throughout December.**
*They will be distributed at
the Good Shepard Clothing
Closet on January 3rd.*
**Favor de donarlos
durante diciembre.**
*Serán distribuidos en el
Armario de Ropa el 3 de enero.*

**Collection containers will be located at the entrance of
church, at the hall counter, and in our parish office.**
*Habrà contenedores en la entrada de la iglesia, en el mostrador
del pasillo y en la oficina parroquial.*

***Sizes are not only needed for children, but also for adults.**
**No sólo se necesitan tallas para
niños, sino también para adultos.*

Thank you so much!
**Muchas Gracias!*

YOF

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE / CALENDARIO LITÚRGICO

MINISTRY	Saturday, December 21 Sábado, 21 de Diciembre		Sunday, December 22 Domingo, 22 de Diciembre				
	4:30 pm	6:00 pm Español	8:00 am	9:30 am	11:30 am	1:00 pm Español	5:00 pm
LECTOR	Cynthia McBarnes	Karina Toledo Marcela Andrade	Thomas Lamie	Virginia Marsick	Stephen Kelley	Silvia Esparza Trinidad García	Ian Quezada
USHERS UJIERES	Mary Causer Richard McBarnes	Juana M. Lugo Luis E. Ayala Marcela Andrade Vicente Andrade	Kathy Bessette Brenda Lystila (sub req.) David Lystila (sub req.) Christopher Ryan	Sharon Jackson Sandy Kuntz Janice Shenk <i>Need Volunteer</i>	Rosa Gonzalez Pedro Gonzalez	Lucy Canales Ricardo Esparza Marichuy García Octavio García	Ian Quezada
SACRISTAN	Mary Causer	Patricia Martínez	Kathy Bessette	Sharon Jackson	Pedro Gonzalez	Daniel Varela	<i>Need Volunteer</i>
COMMUNION MINISTERS			Julie Yarno <i>Catherine Langlois</i>	Diane Devine <i>Mickey Kreissler</i>		Silvia Esparza Celene Valtierra <i>Fidel Villagran</i>	
GREETER				Alberta Blanchette			
ALTAR SERVERS	<i>Need Volunteers</i>	Miguel Sánchez Michelle Tetlalmatzi	<i>Need Volunteers</i>	Sofia & Mia Moreno-Rosas Elliot Powers	Damian Ramirez Isabelle Ramirez Aaron Ramirez	Emily Canchola Cynthia Canchola Alexander Gaytan	Alexander Tapp

This Ministry Schedule is subject to change. Please consult MSP for the most accurate schedule.

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD / LA NATIVIDAD DEL SEÑOR

MINISTRY	Tuesday, December 24 / Martes, 24 de Diciembre			Wednesday, December 25 / Miércoles, 25 de Diciembre		
	4:00 pm	6:00 pm Español	8:00 pm	12:00 am	10:00 am	12:00 pm Español
LECTOR	Jose Nambo	Israel Lira Karina Toledo	Cynthia McBarnes	<i>Need Volunteers</i>	Thomas Martin	Elizabeth Suarez Jorge Flores
USHERS UJIERES	Laura Carter Ryan Carter Mary Causer	Marina Reza, Eulalio Valadez, Sanjuana Valadez	Richard McBarnes <i>Need Volunteer</i>	Kathryn Griffiths Sandy Kuntz <i>Need Volunteers</i>	Sharon Jackson	Lucy Canales, Ricardo Esparza Marichuy García, Octavio García
SACRISTAN	Mary Causer	Flor Rojas Daniel Varela	<i>Need Volunteer</i>	<i>Need Volunteer</i>	<i>Need Volunteer</i>	Lupita Méndez Gabriel Méndez
COMMUNION MINISTERS	Brenda Lystila <i>David Lystila</i>	<i>Se Necesitan Voluntarios</i>			Irma Tinajero <i>Diane Devine</i>	<i>Se Necesitan Voluntarios</i>
ALTAR SERVERS	Mia & Sofia Moreno-Rosas <i>Need Volunteer</i>	<i>Se Necesitan Voluntarios</i>	<i>Need Volunteers</i>	Michael Garcia Ethan Garcia <i>Need Volunteer</i>	Mia & Sofia Moreno-Rosas <i>Need Volunteer</i>	<i>Se Necesitan Voluntarios</i>

WEEKDAY MINISTERS /MINISTROS DE LA SEMANA

DATES	LECTOR	SACRISTAN
Dec. 16–21	Jacob Levy	Kenneth Klipp
Martes 17	Teresa López	Flor Rojas

Linens/Lienzos: Weeks of Dec. 15 & 22: Dolores Pizano;
weeks of Dec. 29 & Jan. 5: Mickey Kreissler

WEEKDAY MINISTERS /MINISTROS DE LA SEMANA

DATES	LECTOR	SACRISTAN
Dec. 23–28	John Akai	Sharon Jackson

(No 7:30 am Mass on December 25)

Linens/Lienzos: Week of Dec. 22: Dolores Pizano; weeks of Dec. 29 & Jan. 5: Mickey Kreissler



RORATE MASS

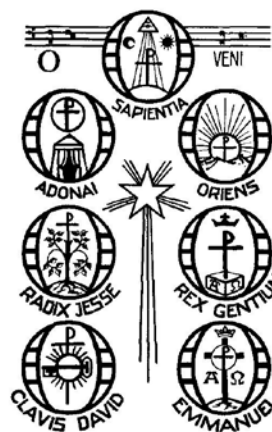
Saturday, December 14, 6:00 am

The Rorate Mass will be celebrated according to the Missal of 1962 (Traditional Latin Mass). It is a Votive Mass in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary for the season of Advent. The Mass traditionally begins at dawn while it is still dark, and the church is illumined only by candlelight and the rising sun. We join the Blessed Virgin Mary in looking toward the coming of Christ, the Light of the world, who is really and truly present in the Holy Eucharist.

ADVENT ANTIPHONS

WITH VESPERS AND BENEDICTION

Sunday, December 15, 2024, at 6:30pm—7:30pm



Adoration; Brief Meditations on the Antiphon Titles, each followed by a verse of *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*; Vespers (Evening Prayer); Benediction

To focus on Jesus as Christmas draws near, we will meditate on Christ and His 7 titles: Wisdom • Lord • Root of Jesse • Key of David • Dayspring • King of the Nations • Emmanuel

FAITH FORMATION

Sunday Vespers & Benediction - Every Sunday - 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm: Vespers (Evening Prayer) consisting of praying with psalms and scripture. It ends with Benediction with the Blessed



Every Monday/Cada Lunes
12:00 - 5:00 pm
First Friday / Primer Viernes
8:00 am- 6:00 pm
Nocturnal Adoration/Adoración Nocturna
First Saturday / Primer Sábado
8:00 pm-2:00 am

Devociones Mensuales en Español

- † 1er Viernes: Devociones al Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, después de misa de 7:00 pm
- † 1er Sábado: Rosario, después de misa de 6:00 pm
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Prayer for Vocations by Pope Francis

VOCATION PRAYER CALENDAR

Week of December 15

For the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mercy Parish in Aurora, the Parishioners of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish in Ashkum, the Parishioners of St. Philip Parish in Addison, and the Parishioners of St. Joseph Parish in Addison, that abundant blessings will be bestowed upon them during this our Diocesan Anniversary Year. Let us pray to the Lord.

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