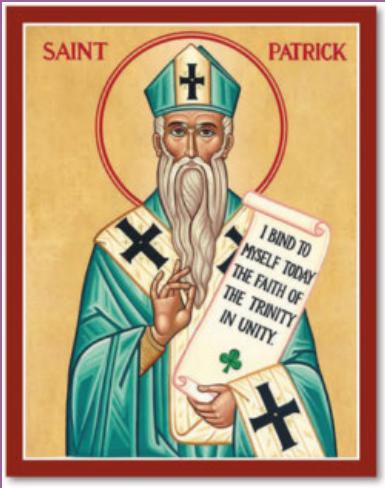




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## December 3, 2023 First Sunday of Advent

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#### MASSES / MISAS:

**Saturday / Sábado**      4:30 pm (English)  
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                                  11:00 am (English)  
                                  1:00 pm (Español)  
                                  5:00 pm (English)

**Monday** - 7:00 am & 8:00 am (English)  
**Tuesday** - 7:00 am & 8:00 am (English)  
**Wednesday** - 7:00 am & 8:00 am (English)  
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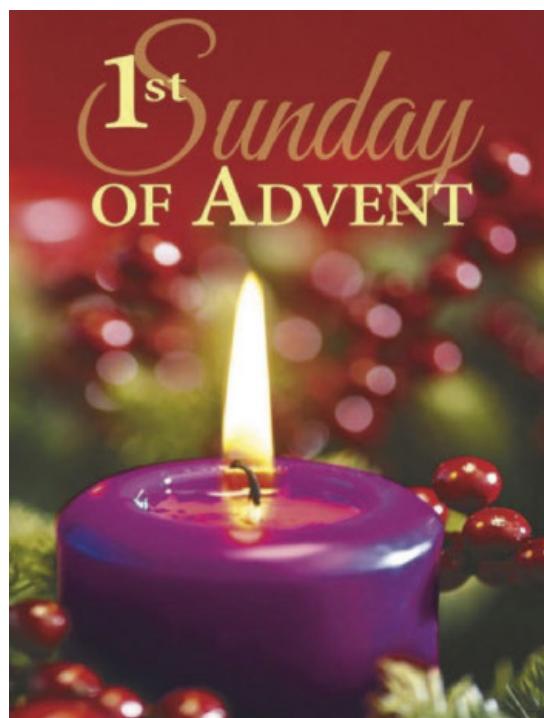
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#### **Rosary:**

Weekdays after 8:00am Mass & Saturdays at 4:00pm

#### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament/Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento**

Tuesdays/Martes from/de 2:00pm ~ 6:00 pm.  
First Friday/primer viernes del mes ~ 8:30am ~ 10:00am & 6:00pm ~ 10:00pm.




**Mass Intentions  
FOR THE WEEK**
**MONDAY - Dec. 4**

7:00 am - Steve Page (d)  
8:00 am - Michael Trotta (d)

**TUESDAY - Dec. 5**

7:00 am - Brenton Gilmore (d)  
8:00 am - John Christopher & Steven Houx (int)

**WEDNESDAY - Dec. 6**

7:00 am - Terry Sawner (d)  
8:00 am - E. Grace & Family (int)

**THURSDAY - Dec. 7**

7am - Steve Page (d)  
8am - Jim Paschall (d)

**FRIDAY - Dec. 8 (The Immaculate Conception)**

7:00 am - Ray Wallig (d)  
8:00 am - Hipolita Bernal (d)  
5:30 pm - Joan & Dave Redman (d)  
7:00 pm - Maria Concepcion Sedano (d)

**SATURDAY - Dec. 9**

8:00 am - Patricia Dambach (d)  
4:30 pm - Karen Martin (d)  
7:00 pm - Jose de Jesus Herrera (d)  
Celia Y Antonio Gonzalez (d)

**SUNDAY - Dec. 10**

7:30 am - Karen Martin (d)  
9:00 am - Frank & Rosie Alvarez 34th Wedding Anniv.  
11:00 am - Maria Elizabeth Toth (d)  
1:00 pm - Maria de Jesus Martin (d)  
Nidia Hernandez (d)  
5:00 pm - Phillip Charles Wendell (d)



### A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

Advent begins this Sunday. Before we dive into the hectic preparations for Christmas, let us take some time to observe Advent. In this way we prepare spiritually to celebrate the birthday of our Savior.

Advent is a liturgical season in the Catholic Church that invites us to pause in silence and understand the presence of God in our lives. It is a time of waiting, conversion, and hope. During Advent, we prepare ourselves to celebrate the anniversary of the Lord's coming into the world as the incarnate God of love. The Church has arranged the Liturgy for this season to help us in our preparation. We will hear the call to adore "the Lord the King that is to come" as well as be reminded that "the Lord already near".

Advent is a time of joyful anticipation, as we await the birth of Christ and the establishment of His Kingdom of justice and peace. It is a season that renews our hope and reminds us that God keeps His promises. Through the celebration of Advent, we prepare ourselves to welcome with readiness and gratitude the great event of the Savior's birth and to contemplate His entry into the world with wonder. Advent is a time to reflect on the presence of God in our lives and to consider the whole of our life as a "visit" from Him. It is an opportunity to see the world with different eyes, guided by the certainty of His presence. By celebrating Advent, we make our souls fitting abodes for the Redeemer and prepare ourselves for His final coming as judge.

Advent will be short this year since the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent is December 24. It would be good for us as families or individuals to make a plan on how we observe Advent at home. Our parish has purchased some small books of **daily reflections for Advent and Christmas** – just a page a day. They will be available on the patio this weekend.

Our annual **Advent Penance Service** will be on Wednesday, **December 13** at 7:00 pm. Many priests will be available to hear confessions in both English and Spanish. The schedule of Penance Services at our neighboring parishes is included in this bulletin. Likewise, our full schedule of Christmas Masses is included.

I also remind you that we will resume offering the **Blood of Christ from the cup** as Holy Communion beginning this Sunday, the First Sunday of Advent at the **9:00 am and 11:00 am Masses**.

Let us observe this season of Advent with some time for reflection and prayer so that we may consciously and deliberately celebrate the joyful Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord.

In one Heart,

*Fr. Ron*



### *Un saludo de parte del Diácono Miguel*

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### *Celebración del Rito de Aceptación con los niños y sus familias.*

El Rito de Aceptación en el Orden de los Catecúmenos generalmente tiene lugar en una misa dominical. Entonces, los niños son presentados a la comunidad y se les pregunta si quieren ser cristianos. Después de que respondan en caso afirmativo, se les marcará con la señal de la cruz. Entonces el Sacerdote declarará que la Iglesia acepta a estos niños como catecúmenos.

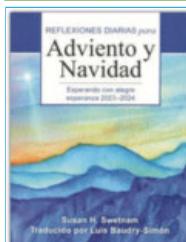
Este Domingo celebraremos durante la Misa, el Rito de Aceptación al Catecumenado de aquéllos que han iniciado el proceso de Iniciación Cristiana



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### *Esperando con gozosa esperanza: Reflexiones diarias para Adviento y Navidad 2023-2024*

Una vez más, nos complace poner gratuitamente a disposición de nuestros feligreses estos libritos. Estarán disponibles en el patio de la iglesia este sábado y domingo de Adviento (el 2 y el 3 de diciembre). *Uno por familia.*

### *NUESTRA SEÑORA DE GUADALUPE*

- ◆ **3 a 11 de diciembre:** Novena a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe. Rezo del santo rosario todas las noches en la capilla de las 6pm a las 7pm.
- ◆ **4 a 6 de diciembre:** Retiro de Adviento - "La Eucaristía en el milagro guadalupano" de las 7pm a las 9pm en la iglesia.
- ◆ **Viernes 8 de diciembre:** Misa de la Inmaculada Concepción a las 7pm en la iglesia.
- ◆ **Lunes 11 de diciembre:** Vigilia para nuestra Señora de Guadalupe. Misa a las 7pm en la iglesia. Despues de la misa habrá una procesion con la Virgen de Guadalupe. La iglesia estará abierta toda la noche, se rezará el rosario durante la noche y también habrá cantos, pan dulce y café.
- ◆ **Martes 12 de diciembre:** Mañanitas con mariachi de las 3:30am a las 4:30am . Misa a las 4:30am (Habra café y pan dulce en el salón parroquial despues de esa misa). Misa a las 7pm.

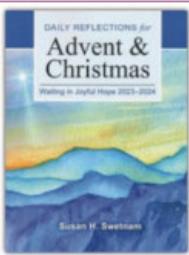


***Christmas Flowers for Our Church***

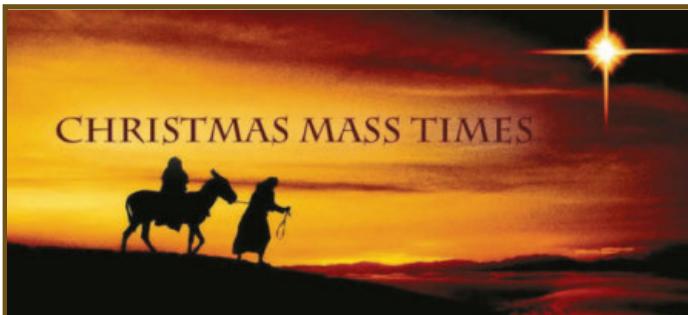
Once again, we give our parishioners the opportunity to contribute to the beautiful flowers that will adorn our church for the Christmas season. There is an envelope in your packet of envelopes that is marked "Christmas Flower Offering." On the front of the envelope there are spaces in which you can write the names of loved ones you would like remembered at our Christmas Masses.

You may also use an ordinary envelope to write down the names. Simply put your envelope in any collection or send it to the parish office.

The names will be published after Christmas.

***Waiting in Joyful Hope: Daily Reflections for Advent and Christmas 2023-2024***

Once again, we are pleased to make these small booklets available for free to our parishioners. They will be available on the church patio this weekend First Sunday of Advent (December 2-3). One per family.

***Christmas Eve - La Vigilia de Navidad***

4:00 pm Mass in the church (English)  
4:00 pm Family Mass in the Parish Center  
6:00 pm Mass in the church (English)  
8:00 pm Misa en la iglesia (español)  
10:00 pm Mass in the Night (church in English)

***Christmas Day - La Navidad***

7:30 am Dawn Mass (church in English)  
9:00 am Mass in the church (English)  
11:00 am Mass in the church (English)  
1:00 pm Misa en la iglesia (español)

No Mass at 5:00 pm on Christmas Day

**Immaculate Conception**

December 8 is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. As such, it is a holy day of obligation. Masses on Friday, December 8 will be at 7:00 am, 8:00 am, 9:00 am (school), 5:30 pm (English) & 7:00 pm (Spanish).

**Last Week's Collection (Nov. 18 / Nov. 19, 2023)**

Envelope Collection:	\$ 9,691.00
Plate Collection:	\$10,121.00
Online Giving:	\$15,543.51
Total :	\$35,355.51

**We are grateful for the generosity of all of our parishioners and visitors.**



On the weekend of December 9-10, **Shoes to the World** will be at the church patio, fundraising to provide new shoes benefiting children and homeless adults.

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Gift matching applies to donations between \$50 to \$1,000, and up to a total of \$4,000. A 100% of your donation will purchase NEW shoes to be distributed by volunteers to impoverished children and adults. Many of these poor currently wear bacteria filled worn-out hand-me-down shoes. Additionally, this event will also support our project with Fr. Azam to bring shoes to persecuted Christian children in Pakistan.

Please visit [www.ShoestotheWorld.Org](http://www.ShoestotheWorld.Org) to see donations at work; this 501-c-3 non-profit works as a volunteer only organization.

**Soup Suppers Are Delicious!****Dear parishioners & friends:**

Join us for delicious homemade soup & dessert in the parish hall starting at **4:30 - 6pm every Thursday**.

This Week **Thursday December 7th** We will feature delicious Pumpkin Soup with bread & dessert. No cost to join us for food, conversation & music!

**Be watchful! Be alert!  
You do not know when the time will come.**

— Mark 13:33



## Religious Education & Family Ministry (PreK – 8<sup>th</sup> grade)

### Weekly Classes

Sunday Classes: Dec 3, 10 & 17

Monday classes: Dec 4, 11 & 18

Tuesday classes: Dec 5, 12 & 19

### *Reflection:* First Sunday of Advent

Advent calls us to ready our hearts for Christmas.

Advent practices help us to watchfully prepare for Christ's coming.

Lighting candles is a way to show that we are waiting for Jesus.

The light of the candle reminds us that Jesus wants to bring his light to us.

Jesus wants to help us when things are hard or difficult.

Jesus wants to help us act kindly and caringly.

### *Light the first candle on the advent wreath and pray together:*

Parent: Dear God, the church gives us the season of Advent to get ready for the birth of your Son.

All: *Help us to get our hearts ready, Lord.*

Parent: Thank you for giving us your Son, Jesus, the light of the world.

All: *Help us to get our hearts ready, Lord.*

Parent: Lord, sometimes we get busy. Help us find time for you every day.

All: *Help us to get our hearts ready, Lord. Amen.*

*Blessings.* Margit Dornisch  
Religious Education and Family Ministry

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### *St. Paul Street Evangelization*

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### **Knights of Columbus news...**

Congratulations to Craig Ryall as our Knight of the Month for October of 2023. You may see Craig serving at one of our Knights dinners or working in the kitchen or serving at Mass as a Eucharistic Minister. He may also be seen as we start up our Catholic Charities food distribution network.

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"Religious are blessed to serve," says Dominican Father Bertrand Ebben, age 90. Please donate to the

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### Ustedes pueden ayudar

"Los religiosos somos dichosos por poder servir", dice el padre dominico Bertrand Ebben de 90 años. Les rogamos que donen al **Fondo para la Jubilación de Religiosos** la próxima semana. Su

regalo proporcionará cuidados esenciales para casi 25,000 hermanas, hermanos y sacerdotes de órdenes religiosas, ancianos que han dedicado su vida al servicio de los demás. Mostremos nuestra gratitud a estas abnegadas personas con un generoso donativo. Los sobres están disponibles en las puertas de la iglesia.





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- \* December 5 at 1:00 pm – Mission San Luis Rey, Oceanside
- \* December 5 at 6:30 pm – Mission San Luis Rey, Oceanside
- \* December 6 at 7:00 pm – St. Elizabeth Seton, Carlsbad
- \* December 7 at 6:30 pm – Nativity Parish, Rancho Santa Fe
- \* December 13 at 7:00 pm – St. Patrick, Carlsbad
- \* December 14 at 7:00pm - St. Mary Star of the Sea, Oceanside

- \* December 18 at 6:30pm (English) - St. Mark, San Marcos
- \* December 19 at 7:00 pm – St. Thomas More, Oceanside
- \* December 20 at 6:30 pm (Spanish) – St. Mark, San Marcos
- \* December 21 at 6:00 pm - St. Peter, Fallbrook
- \* December 21 at 12:30 pm – St. Peter, Fallbrook
- \* December 22 at 12:30 pm – St. Francis of Assisi, Vista
- \* December 22 at 6:30 pm – St. Francis of Assisi, Vista

In addition, confessions are heard at St. Patrick's on **Wednesdays at 8:30 am and 6:00 pm**. However, there will be no evening Confessions on **December 13 (but Penance Service at 7:00 pm)** nor in the evening of **December 20, (school Christmas program in the church)**.

## First Sunday of Advent – Year B

### First Reading

*Isaiah 63:16b-17,19b;64:2-7*

Isaiah prays for the Lord's forgiveness of the people.

### Responsorial Psalm

*Psalm 80:2-3,15-16,18-19*

A prayer for the Lord's protection

### Second Reading

*1 Corinthians 1:3-9*

Paul gives thanks to God for the faith of the Corinthians.

### Gospel Reading

*Mark 13:33-37*

Jesus warns his disciples to be watchful so that they will be ready when the Son of Man comes.

### Background on the Gospel Reading

Today we begin the season of Advent, which marks the start of a new liturgical year for the Church. The readings for Sunday Mass are arranged on a three-year cycle. Each year features a different Gospel—Matthew, Mark, or Luke. Readings from the Gospel of John are interspersed throughout all three years. With this year's first Sunday of Advent, we begin Cycle B of the Lectionary, which focuses our attention on the Gospel of Mark. This week and next week, our readings from Mark's Gospel present two important Advent themes: the Lord's return at the end of time and John the Baptist's preparation for Jesus.

Today's Gospel is taken from the end of Mark's Gospel, the chapter that immediately precedes Mark's account of Jesus' Passion. Having been questioned repeatedly by the scribes and the Pharisees, Jesus is now questioned by his disciples—Peter, James, John, and Andrew—who want details about his prediction of the destruction of the Temple. Jesus answers with many warnings about the difficulties that the disciples will face.

Today's passage comes at the conclusion of Jesus' warnings to his disciples. Jesus emphasizes the need for watchfulness. The Son of Man will come without warning; only the Father knows the exact hour. The disciples must not be caught unprepared when this time comes.

Scholars believe that Mark's Gospel was written around the time of the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in A.D. 70. Mark's audience consisted of Christians who were living in difficult social and political times, times of conflict. They were likely beginning to face persecution as followers of Jesus. In this difficult time, it helped to recall that Jesus had foretold of such difficulties. Early Christian communities took courage from Jesus' warning to remain alert and watchful, and they found in his words a way to persevere through suffering.

Today's Gospel reminds us that Advent is about more than our preparation for the Church's celebration of Christ's birth at Christmas. Advent is also about preparing ourselves for Christ's return in glory at the end of time. Like the disciples and the faithful in Mark's community, we must also stay alert and watchful. Our faithfulness to God, through the good times as well as the difficult times, shows us to be ready for the coming of the Son of Man.



**First Sunday of Advent**