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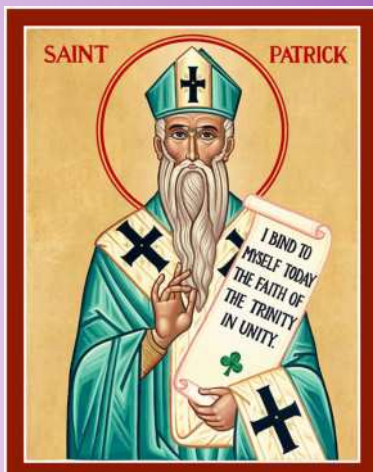
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November 30, 2025 1st Sunday of Advent

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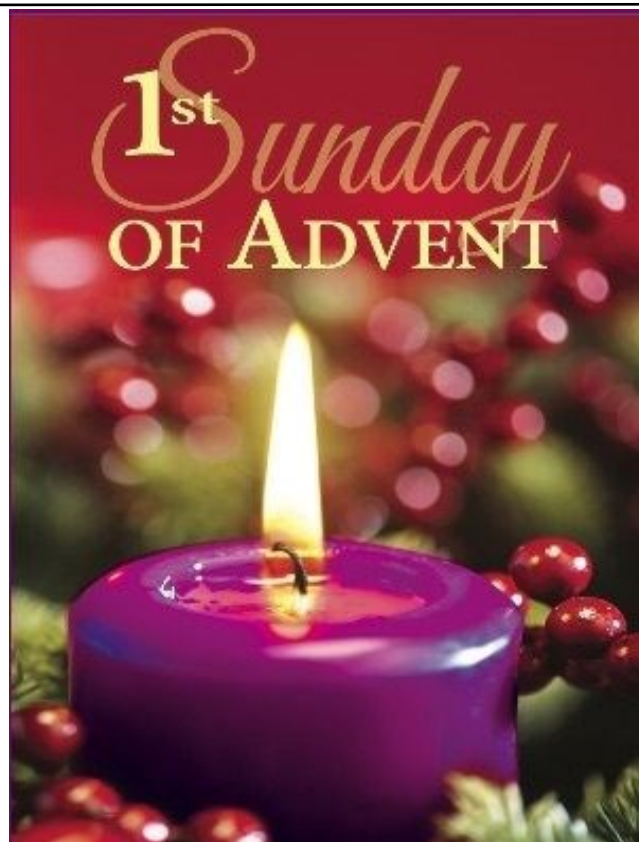
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First Friday/primer viernes del mes: 8:30am - 10:00am & 6:00pm –
10:00pm.



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY - Dec 1

7:00 am - Jesus Hernandez (d)
8:00 am - Dulce Santacruz (d)

TUESDAY - Dec 2

7:00 am - Polly Frazee (d)
8:00 am - Albert Manuel Jr. (d)

WEDNESDAY - Dec 3

7:00 am - Carlos Venegas (int)
8:00 am - Deceased members of Pastor Cadena Family

THURSDAY - Dec 4

7:00 am - Maria Betancourt (d)
8:00 am - Caroline Butler (d)

FRIDAY - Dec 5

7:00 am - Laura & Santiago Hernandez 14th Wedding Aniv.
8:00 am - Betty & Ricardo Leon (d)

SATURDAY - Dec 6

8:00 am - Terry Sawner (d)
4:30 pm - All Migrant Women Deported (int)
7:00 pm - Jose Cano (d)
Marcelina Mendieta (d)

SUNDAY - Dec 7

7:30 am - Keith Yelnick (d)
9:00 am - John Richard Macy (d)
11:00 am - Charles Schrope Sr. (d)
1:00 pm - Maria de Jesus Martin (d)
Hector Garcia (d)
5:00 pm - Tom Oehrline (d)



PASTOR'S NOTES -

Fr. George G. Perez, CSM - Pastor -
1st Sunday of Advent

“Stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.”

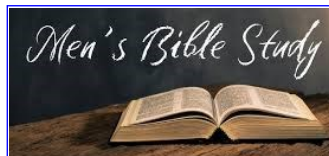
As we begin Advent and a new liturgical year, the Church invites us into a season of hope, expectation, and spiritual preparation. Advent is a time to awaken our hearts, to slow down, and to pay attention to the ways God is already present in our lives. It is a season that asks us to watch, pray, and prepare—not just for Christmas, but for Christ’s presence in our everyday lives and in the fullness of His coming.

The prophet Isaiah sets the tone with a message of hope: *“In days to come, the mountain of the Lord’s house shall be established as the highest mountain.”* In the midst of uncertainty, disappointment, or struggle, God promises restoration. Advent reminds us that God’s kingdom begins quietly, like a tender shoot that will grow and flourish. We may not see it immediately, but God is always at work, drawing us closer, shaping our lives, and preparing the world for His justice, peace, and love.

St. Paul encourages us to live as people of light: *“Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.”* Advent is a season for examining our hearts. It invites us to let go of habits or distractions that pull us away from God and to embrace practices that draw us closer: prayer, acts of kindness, reconciliation, and attentiveness to one another. It is not about doing more, but about opening ourselves more fully to God’s grace.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus calls us to *“stay awake”* and remain vigilant. He is not warning us out of fear, but inviting us to be attentive and hopeful. Staying awake means noticing Christ in our families, in our parish, in those who are poor, lonely, or in need, and even in the quiet moments of our day. It is about living with intentionality, ready to recognize the Lord at work in every part of our lives.

As we light the first candle of the Advent wreath, may it remind us that Christ’s light is already shining among us. This Advent, let us prepare our hearts with hope, watchfulness, and joy, so that when Christ comes, we may welcome Him fully and share His light with the world around us.



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(“In memory of...” or living (“In honor of...”) Place your envelope in the collection basket, mail it to the parish office or drop it off. If you use Online Giving, just put the names on a paper and put it in the collection. All the names will be listed in our parish bulletin and newsletter shortly after Christmas.



**NOTAS DEL PÁRRACO –
P. George G. Pérez, CJM - Párraco -
1º Domingo de Adviento**

“¡Manténganse despiertos! Porque no saben en qué día vendrá su Señor.”

Al comenzar el Adviento y un nuevo año litúrgico, la Iglesia nos invita a entrar en una temporada de esperanza, expectativa y preparación espiritual. El Adviento es un tiempo para despertar el corazón, para disminuir el ritmo y prestar atención a las formas en que Dios ya está presente en nuestra vida. No se trata solo de prepararnos para la Navidad, sino también para la presencia de Cristo en nuestra vida cotidiana y en la plenitud de su venida.

El profeta Isaías nos ofrece un mensaje de esperanza: *“En los días venideros, la montaña de la casa del Señor será establecida como la más alta de las montañas.”* En medio de la incertidumbre, la decepción o las dificultades, Dios nos promete restauración. El Adviento nos recuerda que el Reino de Dios comienza de manera silenciosa, como un tierno brote que crecerá y florecerá. Tal vez no lo veamos de inmediato, pero Dios siempre está actuando, acercándonos a Él, formando nuestra vida y preparando al mundo para su justicia, paz y amor.

San Pablo nos anima a vivir como personas de luz: *“Desechemos, pues, las obras de las tinieblas y revestidos de la armadura de la luz.”* El Adviento es un tiempo para examinar nuestro corazón. Nos invita a dejar de lado hábitos o distracciones que nos alejan de Dios y a abrazar prácticas que nos acercan más: la oración, los actos de bondad, la reconciliación y la atención a los demás. No se trata de hacer más cosas, sino de abrirnos más plenamente a la gracia de Dios.

En el Evangelio de hoy, Jesús nos llama a *“mantenernos despiertos”* y vigilantes. No nos advierte por miedo, sino nos invita a estar atentos y llenos de esperanza. Mantenerse despiertos significa reconocer a Cristo en nuestras familias, en nuestra parroquia, en los pobres, los solitarios o necesitados, e incluso en los momentos de silencio y oración de nuestro día. Es vivir con intención y estar preparados para ver al Señor en cada aspecto de nuestra vida.

Al encender la primera vela de la corona de Adviento, que nos recuerde que la luz de Cristo ya brilla entre nosotros. Este Adviento, preparemos nuestro corazón con esperanza, vigilancia y alegría, para que cuando Cristo venga, podamos recibirlo plenamente y compartir su luz con el mundo que nos rodea.



Servicio de Penitencia de Adviento

Este próximo miércoles, tendremos nuestro servicio de penitencia parroquial anual de Adviento. Esta es una manera maravillosa de observar el Adviento como una preparación espiritual para la Navidad. Nos complace tener 15 sacerdotes disponibles para confesiones en inglés y español.

**Miércoles, 3 de diciembre 7:00 pm en la iglesia.
*Ese miércoles no habrá confesiones al las 6pm.***



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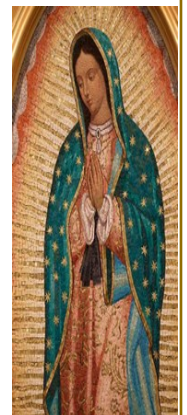
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NUESTRA SEÑORA DE GUADALUPE

- **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.
Mirar el horario en la Capilla o llamar a la oficina
- **Lunes 8 de diciembre:** ***Misa de la Inmaculada Concepción*** a las 7pm en la iglesia.
- **Jueves 11 de diciembre:** ***Vigilia para nuestra Señora Guadalupe***. ***Misa a las 7pm en la iglesia.***
Después 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.
- **Viernes 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 después de esa misa).
Misa a las 7pm.

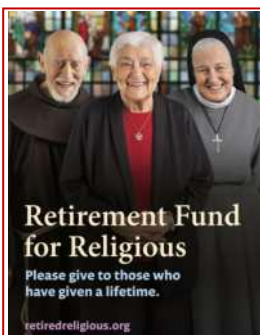
Después de las misas del este domingo, 30 de noviembre y 7 de diciembre, se aceptarán sus donativos para las celebraciones Guadalupanas. También puede pasar a la oficina parroquial para dejar su donación. ¡Muchas gracias!



EL GRUPO DE ORACIÓN

Cordialmente te invitamos a que vengas a reunirse con nosotros y tengas una experiencia personal con nuestro Señor Jesucristo por medio de la alabanza, oración, predicación y testimonios. Todos los miércoles de las 7:00pm a las 8:30pm en la iglesia.

Para más información, llama a Maricelia al 626-840-3135



Retirement Fund for Religious

Our collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will be *December 6-7*.

Thousands of elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests spent years working in ministries—such as Catholic schools, parishes, and

hospitals—often for little or no pay. Today, many religious communities do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs.

Your donation helps provide medications, nursing care, and more. Please give generously. An envelope is included in your bimonthly packet of envelopes.



Online Giving users please remember to login to your account and set up your Christmas gift.

Be sure to complete all gifts by **December 31, 2025** to qualify for tax savings on this year's tax return.

For guidance on making gifts of stock to benefit St. Patrick Catholic Community, visit <http://sdcatholic.org/giving/stock-donations/> or call **858-490-8294** for more information.

Gifts made from an IRA or similar retirement plan may result in little or no tax on those withdrawals. Check with your tax advisor for specifics regarding your situation. Wills and Trusts-Naming of St. Patrick Catholic Church, Carlsbad is an excellent way to leave a legacy for our Parish. If you sold securities this year and will owe capital gains tax, remember that gifts to St. Patrick Catholic Community of cash or other securities may reduce your gains. Please check with your tax advisor.

Tax donation letters will be mailed out at the end of January 2026.



THANK YOU to those who have already contributed

Time is running out! If you have not made a contribution to the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal, please consider doing so by December 31, 2025 Every donation makes a difference.

You can make your contribution online at www.sdcatholic.org or by picking up a brochure and response card at the doors of the church or in the parish office.

ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY'S 3RD ANNUAL SENIOR LUCHEON

Thursday, December 11th in the Parish Center. Doors will open at 11:30 with lunch at 12pm, this complementary luncheon is for seniors 55 and over and reservations are required. You can sign up at one of the tables after Mass or contact the office at 760-729-2866 or email:

stpatrickcarlsbad@gmail.com

*** Please RSVP no later than Dec. 5th ***



COMUNIDAD CATÓLICA DE SAN PABTRICIO PRESENTA EL 3º ALMUERZO NAVIDEÑO

El jueves 11 de diciembre 2025 a las 11:30am en el salón parroquial.

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Puede inscribirse después de las misas de la mañana el domingo o puede llame a la oficina parroquial al telefono

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*** Inscribese antes del 5 de diciembre ***

Due to technological difficulties, the livestream from our church will not be available for a few weeks. We are awaiting a new part for the system. Thank you for your patience.



Religious Education & Family Ministry (Prek - 8th grade)

Weekly Classes

Sunday classes: Nov 30; Dec 7 & 14

Monday classes: Dec 1, 8 & 15

Tuesday classes: Dec 2, 9 & 16

First Sunday of Advent

Jesus' teaching asks us to live in the present with an eye toward the future. We are not to be absorbed by the usual activities of life. Jesus reminds us that what we do today matters for tomorrow and, really, for all eternity.

Children: How can you prepare for the birth of Jesus?

Adults: Can you think of examples how your actions today will matter in the future?

Blessing of the Advent Wreath

Loving God, your Son, Jesus Christ, is the Light of the world. When he came into our world, he made it a brighter place. Bless our family as we light our advent wreath. May its candles remind us to share Christ's light. Help us each day to make happier the lives of the people we live, learn, play, and pray with. Amen.

Light the first purple candle on the advent wreath.

We offer faith formation for children in preschool through 8th grade, including sacramental preparation for students in public school. Please contact us at 760-729-8442 or mdornisch@stpatrickcarlsbad.com.

Blessings, *Margit Dornisch - Office for Religious Education and Family Ministry*



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Advent 2025 Penance Services:

Monday, December 1, - 7:00 pm at St. St. Mary Star of The Sea (Oceanside)

Tuesday, December 2, - 1pm and 6:30pm at Mission San Luis Rey (Oceanside)

Thursday, December 4, - 6:30pm at Church of The Nativity (Ranch Santa Fe)

Friday, December 5, - 10:30am and 6pm at St. Peter The Apostle (Fallbrook)

Tuesday December 9, - 7pm at St. Thomas More (Oceanside)

Wednesday December 10, - 7pm at St. Elizabeth Seton (Carlsbad)

December 17, - 12:30pm and 6:30pm at St. Francis Assisi (vista)

Friday December 19, - 6:30pm at St. Marks (San Marcos)

Monday December 22, - 6:30pm at St. Marks (San Marcos)

Individual Confessions at St. Patrick Church are on Wednesdays at 8:30 am and at 6:00 pm.

The last day is December 17

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE



This coming Wednesday, we will have our Annual **Advent Parish Penance Service.**

This is a wonderful way to observe Advent as a spiritual preparation for Christmas.

We are please to have **15 priests** available for confessions in English and Spanish.

Wednesday, December 3rd
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There are no 6pm confessions on this day

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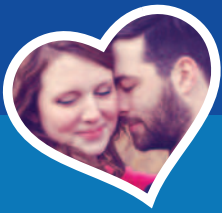
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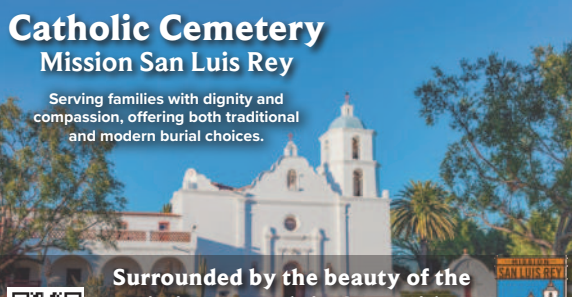





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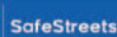
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First Sunday of Advent – Year A

First Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5

Isaiah describes his vision in which all nations are gathered together by God in peace.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 122:1-2,3-4,4-5,6-7,8-9

Rejoicing, let us enter the house of the Lord.

Second Reading

Romans 13:11-14

Be prepared, salvation is near.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 24:37-44

Jesus tells his disciples that the coming of the Son of Man will catch many people unprepared. Jesus tells his disciples that they are to always be ready for the day of the Lord.



Background on the Gospel Reading

Today is the first Sunday of Advent, which is also the first Sunday of a new liturgical year for the Church. The Advent season includes the four Sundays that precede Christmas. It is a time of preparation for the coming of the Lord. In this season, we recall two central elements of our faith: the final coming of the Lord in glory and the incarnation of the Lord in the birth of Jesus. Key themes of the Advent season are watchful waiting, preparation, and justice.

In this new liturgical year, the Gospel of Matthew will be the primary Gospel proclaimed (Lectionary Cycle A). In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus speak about the need for wakefulness, for watchful waiting, for the coming of the Son of Man.

Matthew's Gospel is dated by most scholars after 70 A.D. Most believe that Matthew wrote for a primarily Jewish community, but one that was no longer centered on the Temple in Jerusalem. These were Jewish Christians trying to come to terms with their relationship to Judaism in a new situation: Judaism after the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem. There may have been Christians who believed that the events of the world around them gave evidence of the imminent return of the Lord in glory.

The passage from Matthew we read today is rather straightforward. No one knows the precise time of the coming of the Lord in glory, so watchful waiting and vigilance are required. The passage speaks to the uselessness of looking for signs; there will be none. As a thief sneaks in during the night, so will the Lord's coming in glory be.

The question for us as members of the Christian community, then, is how do we prepare for this? Today's passage speaks more about the manner of waiting, rather than the details of the preparation. Jesus compares the vigilance required of Christians to the vigilance of a homeowner who knows the plans of the thief. If one knows that the thief's action is imminent, one remains watchful. As Christians, we know *that* our Lord is coming even if we cannot know the precise timing. Jesus calls us to be watchful and vigilant, like the homeowner. If we become lax in our Christian living, we may be caught unprepared.

What Is Advent?

Advent is the liturgical season that marks a period of joyful anticipation and spiritual preparation for the coming of Christ, encompassing his birth at Christmas, his presence in the Eucharist, and his final return at the end of time. Spanning approximately four weeks, it begins four Sundays before Christmas and invites us to reflect on themes of hope, repentance, and readiness through prayer, fasting, and acts of charity. The word Advent derives from the Latin *advenio*, meaning "to come to," and refers to the Church's annual commemoration of Christ's incarnation while also directing attention to his eschatological return.

The primary purpose of Advent is to invite us to prepare worthily for Christ's threefold coming: 1) as the incarnate God at Bethlehem, 2) in grace through the sacraments (especially the Eucharist), and 3) as judge at the end of time. It renews the ancient expectancy of the Messiah, echoing the longing of Israel and fulfilling Old Testament prophecies, while fostering a deep hope that touches personal and communal life. As Pope John Paul II emphasized, Advent proclaims that "the kingdom of God is at hand," keeping alive the certainty that God fulfills his promises of justice and peace. This season highlights humanity's journey of waiting—enlivened for Christians by the assurance that Christ accompanies us through life's trials and will ultimately wipe away every tear.

Advent urges a concrete response from us: examining our consciences, frequenting the sacraments (as seen in crowded Penance Services during this season), and embracing peace through Gospel renewal. It counters fear with Isaiah's assurance: "Be strong, fear not! Behold, your God... will come and save you," preparing our hearts to relive the shepherds' wonder at Bethlehem and contemplate the Word made flesh. For the Church, celebrating Advent unites the faithful with John the Baptist's humility—"He must increase, but I must decrease"—renewing an ardent desire for Christ's second coming. In a world of fleeting hopes (youthful growth, adult success, elder rest), Advent reveals that true fulfillment lies in the Kingdom of justice and peace, where Christ is Emmanuel, "God-with-us."