



St. Ignatius of Loyola Catholic Church

PARROQUIA DE SAN IGNACIO DE LOYOLA

December 28, 2025
Feast of the Holy Family
January 4, 2026
Solemnity of the
Epiphany of the Lord

ALL ARE WELCOME!
TODOS SON BIENVENIDOS

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS
HORARIO DE OFICINA
PARROQUIAL

Monday- Thursday
(Lunes-Jueves): 9 AM-8:30 PM
Friday
(Viernes): 9 AM-4:30 PM
Saturday
(Sábado): 10 AM-1 PM

PASTOR'S COLUMN
COLUMNA DEL PASTOR

See inside as Fr. Norbert talks
about the Christmas Season.
Vea el interior donde el Padre
Norbert habla sobre la
temporada navideña.
Pg. 4 & 15 (Español)

Merry Christmas from Our
Early Childhood Center



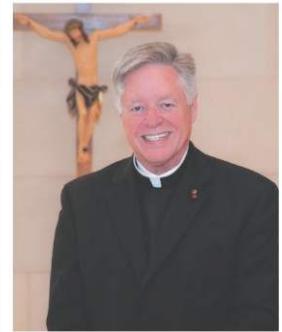
FEATURED ITEM (ARTÍCULO DESTACADO)

How do we speak truth with love when our children ask questions about same-sex attraction or gender identity—turn to page 13 for a compassionate, faith-centered guide.

¿Cómo hablar la verdad con amor cuando nuestros hijos hacen preguntas sobre la atracción hacia el mismo sexo o la identidad de género? Consulte la página 13 para una guía compasiva y basada en la fe.

WELCOME TO ST. IGNATIUS
OF LOYOLA

PEOPLE for others



VERY REV. NORBERT MADUZIA JR., E.V. D. MIN.
PASTOR

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PAROCHIAL VICAR

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EUCARISTIC CELEBRATIONS/ CELEBRACIONES EUCARÍSTICAS

Monday – Friday:

9 AM Daily Mass

Wednesday: 6:45 PM Mass

Saturday: 5:15 PM Mass

Sunday:

7:30 AM Mass

10 AM Mass

12:30 PM Misa

5:15 PM Life Teen Mass

RECONCILIATION/ RECONCILIACIÓN

Wednesday: 5:15 – 6:15 PM and

Saturday: 9:30 – 10:30 AM



LITURGY OF THE HOURS

Morning Prayer/ Oración de la Mañana:

Weekdays at 8:30 AM in Lady Chapel

Evening Prayer/ Oración de la Tarde:

First Fridays of every month, 6:15 PM

Reservation Chapel Hours/ Reserva Capilla:

6:30 AM – 9 PM

Please check our website for most recent schedule. See our live stream Masses via Facebook, YouTube, & Parish Website./ Consulte nuestro sitio web para ver el horario más reciente. Vea nuestras misas en vivo por Facebook, YouTube y el sitio web de la parroquia.

St. Ignatius Loyola Spring

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PRESIDER SCHEDULE / HORARIO DEL CELEBRANTE

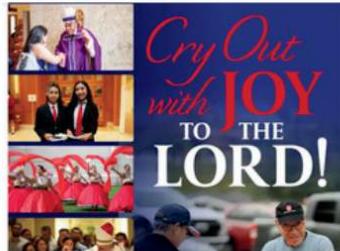


Mass Intentions / Intenciones de la Misa						
<u>Monday, December 29</u>						
9 AM Robert Whitley (+)						
<u>Tuesday, December 30</u>						
9 AM Rosario Annelli Rondolo (+)						
<u>Wednesday, December 31</u>						
9 AM St. Ignatius Staff						
4:15 PM Walter Guillot (+)						
<u>Thursday, January 1</u>						
9 AM Pro Populo						
11 AM Lee Scholl (+)						
<u>Friday, January 2</u>						
9 AM Members of the Harrison Family (+)						
<u>Saturday, January 3</u>						
5:15 PM Perpetual Mass						
<u>Sunday, January 4</u>						
7:30 AM Lillian Schmeling (+)						
10 AM Pro Populo						
12:30 PM Concepción Rodriguez and Amicia de la Fuente (+)						
5:15 PM Dr. Tom Gillespie (+)						
<u>Monday, January 5</u>						
9 AM Dorcenia Poullard (+)						
<u>Tuesday, January 6</u>						
9 AM Karen Page Sobol (+)						
<u>Wednesday, January 7</u>						
9 AM Megan Aldridge (+)						
6:45 PM Ann Marchie (+)						
<u>Thursday, January 8</u>						
9 AM Sandy Peterson (+)						
<u>Friday, January 9</u>						
9 AM Regina Poncio (+)						
<u>Saturday, January 10</u>						
5:15 PM Shirley Shah (+)						
<u>Sunday, January 11</u>						
7:30 AM Luis Fernando Torres (+)						
10 AM Pro Populo						
12:30 PM Zita Alejos Ortega & Manuela Trujillo (+)						
5:15 PM Ella Stivers (+)						
Second Collection:						
January 25th Fund for Latin America						

January 3-4th Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord	Saturday/ Sábado 5:15 PM:	Sunday / Domingo 7:30 AM:	Sunday / Domingo 10 AM:	Sunday / Domingo 12:30 PM: Español	Sunday / Domingo 5:15 PM: Life Teen
Presider: Fr. Luis	Fr. Norbert	Msgr. Chibuike	Fr. Norbert	Fr. Luis	
Homilist: Fr. Luis	Fr. Norbert	Msgr. Chibuike	Fr. Norbert	Fr. Luis	
Deacons: Glueck	Hunter	Wright	Chen	Olivier	

January 10-11th Feast of the Baptism of the Lord	Saturday/ Sábado 5:15 PM:	Sunday / Domingo 7:30 AM:	Sunday / Domingo 10 AM: (Reception into Full Communion)	Sunday / Domingo 12:30 PM: Español (with Rite of Infant Baptism)	Sunday / Domingo 5:15 PM: Life Teen (with Rite of Infant Baptism)
Presider: Fr. Luis	Fr. Luis	Fr. Norbert	Fr. Luis	Fr. Luis	Fr. Norbert
Homilist: Wright	Wright	Olivier	Glueck	Glueck	Olivier
Deacon: Wright	Wright	Olivier	Glueck	Glueck	Hunter

Financials / Finanzas



Diocesan Services Fund 2025
Parish Goal \$343,000.00
Total Amount Paid
\$299,629.00
Total Number of Participants
557
Total Number of Households
4,802
Average Participant Pledge
\$498.72
Paid Over (Under) Goal
(\$43,371.00)
Percent Paid 87.00%
<i>Help provide hope and help for those among us who are most in need. To donate online, visit www.archgh.org/dsf</i>

IRA Charitable Distributions

1. Gifts from an IRA, Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD), are popular forms of end-of-year giving for those 70 1/2 or older. A donor can make a gift directly from their IRA to the parish which can result in a reduction in annual taxes owed. Gifts to the parish alone can be mailed directly to the parish.
2. Gifts of appreciated stock allow donors to make an impact to the mission of the church and avoid capital gains on the appreciated shares that are donated to a qualified charity. A donor must complete a stock letter of intent.
3. Make giving easy by publishing a link to your online giving site via a QR code in your bulletin. The Development Department at the Downtown Chancery is available to assist your parish and community with these transactions. The Letter of Intent forms, which are necessary to initiate a donation of stock or gift from an IRA, and to allow proper donor identification and gift designation, are available for download from the Archdiocesan-website: www.archgh.org/ways-to-give. For inquiries about gifts of stock or from an IRA to Cindi Garcia in the Finance Office at 713-652-8248.

Parish Financial Information

Aug Faith Direct: \$113,152.08
Dec 7thth: \$19,106.50
Dec 14th: \$ 30,159.50



PASTOR'S COLUMN

COLUMNA DEL PASTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

"The people who walk in darkness will see a great light; those who live in a dark land, the light will shine on them." With these ancient words from the prophet Isaiah, the Church sets before our eyes the radiant mystery we have celebrated throughout this sacred week: the Light who shines upon us, bringing salvation and peace. That Light is Christ Jesus our Lord. Merry Christmas to you all!



Christmas is not merely a commemoration of something long ago. It is the celebration of an event that continues to shape our identity and our mission. In the humility of Bethlehem, God entered human history and chose to dwell with us, not as a distant deity, but as a child whose light dispels fear and whose presence grants meaning to every human life. Because He has come, we no longer walk in darkness. Because He has entered our world, fear no longer needs to rule our hearts. By virtue of our baptism, we are not only recipients of His light; we become bearers of that light. Each of us shares in the mission of Christ, the Light to the nations. When we were baptized, a candle was placed in our hands with the charge to keep that flame burning brightly. In other words, we are entrusted with the responsibility to be instruments of God's peace in a world that desperately longs for it. The angels' proclamation on Christmas night was not merely poetic sentiment; it was a declaration of our vocation: "Glory to God in the highest. And on earth peace to people of good will." Through our collaboration with God—through the daily choices of kindness, mercy, forgiveness, and integrity—we help to establish a peace beyond all human understanding, a peace that only God can give.

This weekend, during the Christmas Octave, the Church turns our attention to the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. Their humble home in Nazareth reveals both the beauty and the challenge of family life. It is within the family—the Domestic Church—that the human heart first learns what compassion looks like, what understanding feels like, how forgiveness transforms the wounded spirit, and how peace is cultivated. Families can be places of laughter and joy; they can also experience strain, disagreement, or hurt. Yet God chose to sanctify the human family by entering into one. In doing so, He affirmed that even the imperfect and sometimes fragile bonds of family life can become the very place where grace takes root. Perhaps this is one of the most profound Christmas miracles: that God can use the brokenness of our lives, the fractures in our relationships, and the struggles we carry to manifest His plan for the salvation of the world. If peace is ever to take hold in our communities and cities, it must first be practiced within the small but vital circle of family. From there, it radiates outward—into workplaces, neighborhoods, and parish life. Peace does not emerge by accident; it is cultivated through deliberate acts of self-giving love, through daily choosing to be light rather than shadow, hope rather than despair, tenderness rather than hostility. As we honor the Holy Family, may we also recommit ourselves to nurturing the families God has placed in our care—whether they be families by blood, marriage, friendship, or community.

Next weekend, we will celebrate another great feast of the Christmas season: the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. The Magi—wise seekers from the East—remind us that Christ's coming is a universal gift. They traveled from the land of the rising sun, following a star that drew them beyond what was familiar. Their journey reflects the human longing for truth, beauty, and meaning, a longing that ultimately finds its fulfillment in the person of Jesus Christ. The gifts they offered hold deep significance. Gold acknowledges Christ as King—Lord not only of Israel but of all nations. Frankincense proclaims Him as God, worthy of worship and adoration. Myrrh, a burial ointment, foreshadows His passion and reveals that His kingship is expressed not in worldly power but in self-sacrificial love. Epiphany celebrates this manifestation of Christ to the world, a world still yearning for light. It challenges us to become like the Magi—courageous seekers of God, willing to rise and follow where He leads, and ready to offer our very best in response to His love.

As we continue to rejoice in this holy season, I want to extend heartfelt gratitude on behalf of the clergy and staff. Monsignor Chibuike, Father Luis, and I are deeply thankful for the many gifts, cards, prayers, and Christmas treats so generously shared with us. Each gesture of kindness reflects the warmth, goodness, and generosity of this extraordinary parish. Please know how sincerely we appreciate your thoughtfulness. To all our parish family, to visitors who are with us for the holidays, and to those traveling home or returning to us: a blessed and joy-filled Merry Christmas from the clergy and our dedicated lay ecclesial staff. May the light of Christ shine upon you in these days, strengthen your families, guide your steps, and fill your hearts with enduring peace.

With prayers for peace from God, our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fr. Robert".

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

EVENTOS DE ESTA SEMANA

Monday, December 29

Parish Office Hours: 9 AM - 8:30 PM
7 PM- Legion of Mary

Tuesday, December 30

Parish Office Hours: 9 AM - 8:30 PM
6 PM- Children's Choir Rehearsal
6 PM- AA Meeting
6 PM- In Verbo High School Bible Study
7 PM- Spanish Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, December 31

Parish Office Hours: 9 AM - 4 PM
4:15 PM- Mass for Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Thursday, January 1

Parish Office Hours: CLOSED

9 AM- Mass for Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
11 AM- Misa Solemnidad de María Santísima, Madre de Dios

Friday, January 2

Parish Office Hours: CLOSED
9 AM- Morning Mass
10 AM- First Friday Adoration

Saturday, January 3

Parish Office Hours: 10 AM - 1 PM
10:30 AM- ESOL Class Placement Test
11 AM- Altar Server Training

Sunday, January 4

Parish Office Closed

Nursery at 10 AM & 5:15 PM Mass
9:15 AM- Choir Warm Up
12 PM- Spanish Choir Warm Up
12:30 PM- St. Joseph Dough Making
4 PM- Life Teen Band Warm Up

Monday, January 5

Parish Office Hours: 9 AM - 8:30 PM
10 AM- Lay Missionaries of Charity Adoration
10:30 AM- ESOL Class Placement Test
11 AM- Lay Missionaries of Charity Meeting
5:45 PM- AHG Mid Year Badge Prep & Girl Social
6:30 PM- ESOL Class Placement Test
6:30 PM- ACTS W14
7 PM- Legion of Mary
7:30 PM- Small Group Bible Study

Building

Faber-6

Choir Room

Faber-5

Gonzaga

Choir Room

Faber-5

Gonzaga

Sanctuary

Sanctuary

Sanctuary

Lady Chapel
Reservation Chapel

Xavier-12
Sanctuary

Christus Center
Nursery
Choir Room
Choir Room
Christus Kitchen
Choir Room

Reservation Chapel

Xavier-16
Faber-3

Sexton Hall
Xavier-16
McGivney Hall
Faber-6
Faber-3

Tuesday, January 6th

Parish Office Hours: 9 AM - 8:30 PM
9:30 AM- St. Joseph Altar Cookie Baking
10:30 AM- ESOL Class Placement Test

1 PM- Senior Friends Board Meeting

1 PM- Women's Club Board Meeting

6 PM- EDGE Mixtape

6 PM- Children's Choir Rehearsal

6 PM- AA Meeting

6 PM- In Verbo High School Bible Study

6 PM- Prayer Shawl & Mat making ministry

6:30 PM- ESOL Class Placement Test

7 PM- Spanish Choir Rehearsal

7 PM- Knights of Columbus Officer & Director Meeting

7 PM- Becoming Catholic- Candidate Session

7 PM- Becoming Catholic- Catechumen Session

Building

Christus Kitchen
Xavier-11

Xavier-16

Xavier-13

Upper Room

Choir Room

Faber-5

Gonzaga

Xavier- Crafts

Xavier-16

Choir Room

Xavier-11

Faber-8

Faber-6

Wednesday, January 7

Parish Office Hours: 9 AM - 8:30 PM

9 AM- Early Childhood Center
7:30 PM- LifeTeen Band Rehearsal
7:30 PM- Youth Confirmation Sacrament Class

Gonzaga

Choir Room

Gonzaga

Thursday, January 8

Parish Office Hours: 9 AM - 8:30 PM
9 AM- Early Childhood Center
9:30 AM- St. Joseph Altar Cookie Baking
9:30 AM- Women's Thursday Book Club
10:30 AM- Walking with Moms & Dads
6 PM- Bell Choir Rehearsal
6:30 PM- Grief Support
7 PM- Choir Rehearsal

Gonzaga

Christus Kitchen

Faber-3

Xavier- Nursery

Choir Room

Faber-5

Choir Room

Xavier-3

Friday, January 9

Parish Office Hours: 9 AM - 12:30 PM
9 AM- Early Childhood Center
7 PM- Parent Survival Kit Truth in Love

Gonzaga

Christus Center

Saturday, January 10

Parish Office Hours: 10 AM - 1 PM

8 AM- Knights of Columbus Bible Study
9 AM- Leadership Discernment

Xavier-16

McGivney Hall

Xavier-12

Faber-5

Xavier-15

Sexton Hall

Reservation Chapel

Sanctuary

9 AM- Infant Baptism Class English

9 AM- Infant Baptism Class Spanish

9 AM- SOS Mission Orientation MTG New members

9:15 AM- AHG Troop Mid Year Award Ceremony

12:30 PM- Second Saturday Rosary for Life

6:30 PM- Lead Bowl & Lead Cup Training

3:30 PM- Middle School- Edge Formation

3:30 PM- EC/ Elementary Faith Formation

4 PM- Life Teen Band Warm Up

6:30 PM- Life Teen- High School Formation

Christus Center

Nursery

Christus Céntrico

Choir Room

Sanctuary

Choir Room

Sanctuary

Gonzaga

Gonzaga

Choir Room

Gonzaga

WEEK READINGS

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

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Sunday, Dec 28, 2025

Take notice of the poor among us

On the walls of the North American headquarters of the Divine Word Missionaries there is a painting from China that depicts the Holy Family living as Chinese peasants. What's especially interesting is that the painting shows them to be poor. In their small hut some paint is peeling from the walls, clothes are patched, and the table has seen better days. While Saint Joseph was probably not desperately poor, he and his family belonged to the vast majority of people who were outside the small elite who controlled most of the wealth and pulled the strings in ancient Palestine. So when Jesus talked about bringing Good News to the poor, he was talking about a whole lot of people, including his own family. What can you do to uplift the poor in your own family and beyond?

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14; Colossians 3:12-21 or 3:12-17; Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23 (17). "Whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus."

Monday, Dec 29, 2025

Boundaries will set us free

The Russian composer Igor Stravinsky once wrote, "The more constraints one imposes, the more one frees one's self." It may sound paradoxical, but boundaries are necessary in life as well as in art. They provide a structure, a space in which we can most fully explore what it means to live and work and create. Far from restricting our freedom, limits actually give us our freedom. How is this so? Recall a time when you gave yourself unlimited time to finish a project. Did you? Our loving creator gave us commandments for this very reason. They are the constraints that allow us to learn fully who we are—and who God is.

FIFTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

1 John 2:3-11; Luke 2:22-35 (202). "The way we may be sure that we know Jesus is to keep his commandments."

Tuesday, Dec 30, 2025

A matter of importance

"The world and its enticement are passing away." These words from scripture evoke the dualism so much favored by certain New Testament writers, reflecting a mode of thought in which there continues a never-ending battle between good and evil, the world of darkness and the world of light. Christians believe that the battle is won, the world is redeemed. Yet anyone who has lived long enough knows that redeemed as "the world" may be, it is foolish to expect that worldly things provide us with all we need. This is what Saint Paul means when he speaks of the "things that really matter." We, too, in moments of clarity—after a close call with illness or death—come to recognize what is most important to us. And they are rarely the things that occupy most of our time, energy, or worry. Take time today to reflect on what truly matters in your life.

SIXTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

1 John 2:12-17; Luke 2:36-40 (203). "Do not love the world or the things of the world. ... the world and its enticement are passing away."

Wednesday, Dec 31, 2025

In with the new

Just before midnight most people will be awake and anticipating the end of one year and the beginning of a new one. But when scripture talks about endings and beginnings, it means more than putting up a

new calendar. The last hour means a new world is about to begin. God has done something new in Jesus. We are reborn to new life through him. "Consider all the past as nothing," says Saint Francis de Sales, "and say, like David; 'Now I begin to love my God.'" How will you begin to love your God tonight, tomorrow, and every day?

SEVENTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

1 John 2:18-21; John 1:1-18 (204). "It is the last hour."

Thursday, Jan 01, 2026

Peace offering

In a world torn by hateful discourse, violence, and war, we have been given the Prince of Peace to show us how to live in harmony. God's peace begins within us and then extends to our families, workplaces, schools, churches, marketplaces, and halls of government. We can begin spreading peace with a simple prayer, like the one found in the Book of Numbers: "The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace!" With our hearts set on God's peace we can begin to take steps to resolve the small and large conflicts in our lives. What a welcome gift that would be at the start of this new year.

OCTAVE DAY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD; SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

Numbers 6:22-27; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:16-21 (18). "When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son,"

Friday, Jan 02, 2026

Divine revelations

In sin we reject part of our humanity—the humanity of the Garden of Eden, where there is no shame or guilt but an open acceptance of God's love. Fortunately for us, God meets our rejection by continually offering to restore our humanity and share in his divinity. As Saint Basil the Great points out, "It did not suffice God merely to call us back to life, but he has also granted us the dignity of His Godhead." The love God holds for us is so unchangeable it not only brings us back from death and sin but also shows us a path to sharing in God's divinity. That is a truth worth remembering.

MEMORIAL OF BASIL THE GREAT AND GREGORY NAZIANZEN, BISHOPS, DOCTORS OF THE CHURCH

1 John 2:22-28; John 1:19-28 (205). "Let what you heard from the beginning remain in you."

Saturday, Jan 03, 2026

What's in a name?

In the gospels the name of Jesus carries lots of weight. God gave Jesus his name, which means "salvation," before Jesus was conceived. People healed in the name of Jesus. Jesus was present to those who gathered in his name. For his disciples their mission was to proclaim his name to all nations and bring the love of Christ to the world. Thus, living in the name said who you were, what you believed, and what you were to do. "Jesus is the way that you must walk, and the truth that you must believe, and the life that you must live," says Saint John Eudes. Consider what you can do each day to live more fully in the name of Jesus.

MEMORIAL OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS

1 John 2:29-3:6; John 1:29-34 (206). "Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God."

Readings for January 4th - January 10th are on page 14.

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Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Wednesday, December 31

4:15 PM Mass in English

NO 5:15 PM Confessions or 6:45 PM Mass

**Holy Day of
Obligation**

Thursday, January 1

9 AM Mass in English with incense

11 AM Misa en español con incienso

**Día de
Obligación**

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Exposición y Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento

- Fri., Jan. 2 following **9 AM Mass**
el vie., 2 de enero después de la misa a las 9 AM
- Continuing through the day in the **Reservation Chapel**
Continuará durante todo el día en la Capilla de la Reservación
- Concluding with **Evening Prayer & Benediction at 6:15 PM**
Concluirá con la Oración Vespertina y la Bendición a las 6:15 PM

Sign up at the Welcome Center in the Narthex.
Inscríbase en el Centro de Bienvenida, en el Nártex.

Altar Server Training

Saturday, January 3

11 AM - 12:30 PM in the Church



Youth 4th grade
and older who
have received
1st Communion
are invited to join
this ministry.

This training is for those wanting to serve AND our current altar servers. We will cover updates to current procedures and important reminders.

Please email servers@silcc.org to RSVP.

Anointing of the Sick

We invite those who are seriously ill,
suffering from infirmities of age,
or undergoing surgery for a serious condition
to receive the Sacrament.

Thurs., Jan. 8 at 9 AM Mass

Please come early to register.

**SATURDAY,
JANUARY 10**

NO CONFESSIONS AT 9:30AM

*due to Leadership Discernment.
Reconciliation times will resume on
Wednesday, January 14 at 5:15 PM.*

SECOND SATURDAY ROSARY AND HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

**Sat., Jan. 10 from 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM
in the Reservation Chapel**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANUNCIOS



Looking to Volunteer or become a part of a Ministry in the Parish?
¿Buscas ser voluntario o formar parte de un ministerio parroquial?

All participants in the Archdiocese of Galveston- Houston are required to be Safe Environment Trained. Register to take the online 1.5 hour course for FREE.

Todos los participantes de la Arquidiócesis de Galveston-Houston deben estar capacitados en entornos seguros. Regístrate para tomar el curso en línea de 1.5 horas GRATIS.
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Welcome Newly Baptized

Theodore Allen Lewis
Andel Grayson Garrido Iman
Jude Elliot Garrido Iman
Noelle Riley Garrido Iman
Sophia Gabrielle Dumadag
Nguyen
Cecilia Anahí Rodriguez
Sophia Renteria
Aisha Charlotte Alberto
Esquivel
Anthony Alvarez



Last Will & Testament



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In Memoriam

Othello Gibson, son of Jeff & Kiki Carroll

Jesus Gamboa Castillo, grandfather of Viri Gamboa

Patricia Johnson, mother of Sando & Sandi Johnson

Priscille Curayag, mother of Anna Fenwell

Robert Benz



Mass Intentions/ Intenciones para la Misa

Perpetual Intentions/ Intenciones Perpetuas

Offered monthly at the 5:15 PM Mass on the first Saturday. Names are recorded in a special book but not announced or printed. These intentions have no end date.

Se ofrecen el primer sábado del mes a las 5:15 PM. El nombre se registra en un libro especial pero no se anuncia ni publica. No tienen fecha de finalización.

Daily Intentions/ Intenciones Diarias

You choose the date and time. Names appear in the bulletin and may be mentioned at Mass. One intention per Mass.

Usted elige la fecha y hora. El nombre aparece en el boletín y puede mencionarse en Misa. Una intención por Misa.

Non-Specified Date/ Sin Fecha Específica

Mass offered privately by a priest (e.g., on retreat or pilgrimage). You won't be notified of date/time.

La Misa se ofrece en privado (ej. en retiro o peregrinación). No se notificará la fecha ni la hora.

Tabella

Download our Parish App Tabella text Spring to 844-799-0148

Descargue nuestra aplicación parroquial y envíe un mensaje de texto con la palabra Spring al 844-799-0148

Request at the parish office or online:

Solicite en la oficina parroquial o en línea:

silcc.org/mass-intention-request



Ascención Amado
Director of Outreach



email (correo electronico): outreach@silcc.org

call/text (llamar o enviar un mensaje de texto): 281-290-4606

OUTREACH SERVICIOS SOCIALES

What to do when you don't know what to do?
ST. IGNATIUS PARISH, OUTREACH COMMUNITY CARE TRAINING

PSYCHOLOGICAL FIRST AID

- 5-SESSIONS ONLINE CERTIFICATION PROGRAM
- STARTING SATURDAY FEBRUARY 7, 2026 8:30 - 11 AM
- COST \$125, REGISTRATION OPENS JANUARY 5TH
(LIMITED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE)

SAVE
THE DATE

The PFA class lays the foundation for Community Care by developing essential skills. Participants will strengthen their ability to observe and make meaningful connections within their communities, building mutual trust. Deep listening practices will be introduced to promote self-care & resilience and ensuring that those engaged in missionary discipleship have the tools to sustain their own well-being while accompanying others.

For more information text/call Ascención **281-290-4606**

GARAGE SALE

January 25-31 2026

St. Ignatius Christus Center

Donations accepted SUN & MON, Jan. 25-26
(9AM - 5PM)

Sale open to public THU Jan 29 - SAT Jan 31
(9AM - 5PM, Saturday 9AM - 3PM)

Early Bird Pre-sale WED Jan 28, 1-7 PM
(\$25 admission per person)



IMPORTANT NOTICE:
Please note, we are not able to receive donations of items over 50 pounds or any items with dimensions over 4 feet. We appreciate your consideration in this matter.

Gabriel Project Baby Shower

JANUARY 17-18

CURRENT NEEDS:

- Baby rattles/teethers, car seat toys, board books
- Sleepers (all seasons, boys & girls 0-12 months)
- New Pacifiers
- New Bottles
- Baby Wash & Lotion
- 0-3 Month Boy & Girl Winter Clothing
- Baby Wipes
- Breast Pumps & Parts (new & gently used)

FOR MORE INFORMATION: GABRIEL@SILCC.ORG

PLEASE BRING DONATIONS TO THE NARTHEX

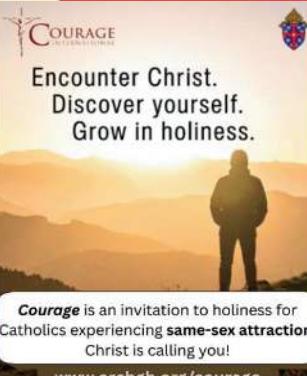
You can also shop online for direct delivery to our ministry!



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Courage offers spiritual support and fellowship for men and women 18+ who experience **same-sex attractions** and are striving to live chaste lives. The Church has a place for you! The Houston chapter meets once a week.



Courage is an invitation to holiness for Catholics experiencing **same-sex attraction**. Christ is calling you!

www.archgh.org/courage

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Serving individuals with special needs and their friends & family!

TALENT SHOW
Join Us for Food, Fun, and Friendship!
SATURDAY JANUARY 24, 2026
CHRISTUS CENTER
3 - 7 PM

Outreach Grace Ministry



grace@silcc.org

Treasures of Joy

281-732-7549

RALLY FOR LIFE

Rally for Life 2026 will take place in Austin, TX on Saturday, January 24th. The Knights of Columbus at St. Ignatius of Loyola are generously sponsoring a charter bus for all who wish to attend. To learn more and reserve your spot, simply scan the QR code.



HELPLINES & RESOURCES		PHONE #	WEBSITE - INFO
Suicide Hotline	Lifeline 24 Hours	Dial 9-8-8	988LifeLine.org
Alcoholics Anonymous	Call Jay	713-501-7638	Meets Tuesdays 6 PM, Faber 5
Citizenship Eucation	Bonding Against Adversity	281-799-9076	BaaTexas.org
Counseling, Individual/Youth/Family	Rejoice Counseling	844-295-3167	MyParishCounseling.com/silcc
Food, Clothing, Rent/Utilities Assistance	Northwest Assistance Ministry	281-583-5600	NamOnline.org
Job Search	Work Faith	713-936-9052	WorkFaith.org
Mental Health & Recovery Referrals	Mosaics of Mercy	346-703-0051	MosaicsTX.org
Mental Health Support for Families	National Alliance on Mental Illness	833-983-1919	NamiGreaterHouston.org
Rental/Utilities Assistance and More	United Way	Dial 2-1-1	UnitedWayHouston.org

FAITH FORMATION

FORMACIÓN DE FE

Early Childhood Center, Early Childhood, Elementary, Junior High, High School, Young Adults, & Adult Formation ~ Centro de Educación Infantil, Educación Infantil, Primaria, Secundaria, Preparatoria, Jóvenes Adultos y Formación de Adultos

St. Ignatius of Loyola Early Childhood Center Kindergarten Information Session



Date: January 23, 2026
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Sexton Hall

STEPS FOR STUDENTS 5K RUN/WALK • VALENTINE'S DAY 2026 •

Play and Grow Fundraiser

We will take part in Steps for Students 5K again this year to support our Play and Grow Project – our goal is to improve our outdoor space with enhancements and a garden for our students to learn, play, and grow.

TO SUPPORT US:

SCAN ME!



Middle School/EDGE MIXTAPE & BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays 6-7:30 PM

All middle schoolers welcome! Enjoy time with friends & dive into a mini-Bible study. Make sure and bring a friend! Join us in the Upper Room. See you there!

For information contact: Matt Zelinsky at 281-290-4639
or mzelinsky@silcc.org



Please join us for our Youth Ministries Parent Meeting on Sunday, January 18!
Junior High Parents 3:30-5 PM in Sexton Hall.
High School Parents 6:30-8:30 PM in Sexton Hall.

Spring Ministry overview, Summer Ministry preview, Parent Formation workshop! See you there!

High School/Life Teen IN VERBO BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays 6-7:30 PM

All high schoolers are welcome!
Join us as we meet upstairs in the Gonzaga Building for our weekly bible study. See you there!

For information contact: Matt Zelinsky at 281-290-4639
or mzelinsky@silcc.org

FIRST COMMUNION INTERVIEWS

First Communion is a two-year process. Children/teens must have completed last year's Faith Formation and be enrolled this year to attend a 20-minute interview for immediate sacrament preparation.



<http://bit.ly/45S6R70>

Questions? Please contact children@silcc.org or 281-290-4618.



Save the Date!

Please join us for our upcoming
Catechist Gathering

on January 17, 2026 from 9 AM to 11 AM in Sexton Hall.
Let's come together to meet, learn, share, and grow in
our ministry. Your presence is important!



PLEASE
RSVP -->



<http://bit.ly/4acCr1Q>

(All Elementary Catechists,
Youth Ministry Small
Group Leaders, and Adult
Formators are invited!)

WWW.SILCC.ORG/FORMATION

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www.silcc.org/formation

FEBRUARY 2026 ADULT CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Classes begin the first wednesday
of February.

Additional information will be
provided upon registration.



www.silcc.org/confirmation-as-an-adult

For more information contact
Edgar Barroso at
281-290-4608 or
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OUR ADULT CONFIRMATION
JOURNEY WILL BEGIN FEBRUARY
2026

WE NEED EXTRA HANDS AND
HEARTS TO SUPPORT THE
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THIS MINISTRY IS ALL ABOUT
WALKING WITH ADULTS WHO ARE
RETURNING TO THEIR FAITH OR
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WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU ON
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Sacraments

INFANT BAPTISM

Parents must register for the required baptism class. Godparents are encouraged to attend.

Register at: silcc.org/infant-baptism

FIRST COMMUNION

For Elementary children please contact: children@silcc.org or 281-290-4618.

For Junior High & High school teens please contact: Deacon Joe Wright at jwright@silcc.org or 281-290-4613.

CONFIRMATION

High School:

Is your teen in High School? Has your teen attended 2 full years of High School Formation? Would your teen like to be confirmed? For additional information please contact Deacon Joe Wright at jwright@silcc.org or 281-290-4613.

Adults:

For information please contact: Edgar Barroso at edbarroso@silcc.org or 281-290-4608.

MARRIAGE

The first step is to attend a Marriage Orientation Session, held in English on the fourth Sunday of the month in the Faber Building. To reserve your spot, call 346-290-7610 or visit silcc.org/matrimony.

BECOMING CATHOLIC

For more information on becoming Catholic:
Ages 7 - 17 years old:

Please contact children@silcc.org or 281-290-4618.

Ages 18 and older:

Please contact Edgar Barroso at edbarroso@silcc.org or 281-290-4608.

You may also visit: silcc.org/becoming-catholic

VOCATIONS

For information about upcoming programs for those discerning religious vocations as a priest, deacon, or religious sister, please contact vocations@silcc.org

It's not too late!
Register for
Formation below:
Elementary

Age 4 - 5th Grade



For information please
contact: 281-290-4618
or children@silcc.org

Middle School & High School

6th - 12th Grade



For information please
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at 281-290-4639 or
mzelinsky@silcc.org

Volunteer with us

Are you interested in being a Catechist for
Elementary Formation or helping in our office?

Please scan the QR Code



For information contact:
children@silcc.org
281-290-4618



COMMUNITY



Monthly Council Meeting:

Third Tuesday of each month.

Join your Brother Knights for a light dinner at 6:15 PM; meeting starts at 7 PM.

COR Meeting: Saturday, January 10, 17, 24 and 31, 8 AM in Xavier Hall

Room 16. Learn more about our Catholic faith with Deacon Mike Higgins and Ed Masson.

Online Updates: At www.kofc10861.org and

www.facebook.com/knights10861.

Prayer List: Email PrayerList@kofc10861.org to be added to our prayer list.



Christmas Flowers Donation:

As we are in Christmas Season, please don't forget to use your "Christmas Flower Donation" envelopes to assist us in providing a beautiful display of flowers through the Christmas Season. If you can't find your Christmas Flower envelope, or are visiting, or new, you may use the form below to make your donation. If paying with check, please write in the memo "Christmas Flowers." Please clearly print your request below.

Name: _____

Flowers in memory/honoring:

Envelope #: _____

1. _____

Check # or

2. _____

Cash: _____

3. _____

4. _____



Our Parish Office will be closed from Wednesday, December 24th - Saturday, December 27th and will reopen Monday, December 29th at 9 AM.

Our Parish Office will be closing Wednesday, December 31st at 4 PM and will be closed through Friday, January 2nd. Our Office will reopen Saturday, January 3rd at 10 AM.



Save the Date

Women's ACTS W14 Retreat
February 19-22, 2026
Circle Lake Retreat Center

Registration after all Masses
January 10/11 & 17/18, 2026
\$50 deposit, \$250 per person
financial aid available
more information - email acts@slcc.org

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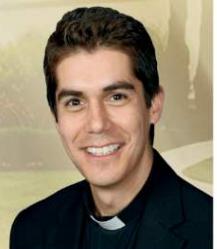
Location
Mother of Perpetual Help
Retreat Center
3417 W. Little York
Houston, TX 77091

Time
5pm (Friday)
to 11am (Sunday)

« SAVE THE DATE »
FEB. 27-MARCH 1, 2026

**SILENT
IGNATIAN
RETREAT**

with
Fr. Richard McNeillie



PARENT SURVIVAL KIT

January 9th
7 PM

Feeling overwhelmed as a parent in today's world? You're not alone and you don't have to figure it out alone either.

TOPIC: TRUTH IN LOVE: GUIDING YOUR CHILDREN THROUGH SAME-SEX ATTRACTION & TRANSGENDER QUESTIONS

7 PM IN ENGLISH AT CHRIST THE GOOD SHEPHERD

7 PM IN SPANISH HERE AT ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

Join us after for our small group Break out sessions
Dates & Times:

- January 14th- 7PM at St. Ignatius of Loyola
 - In English in Christus Center
 - In Spanish in Sexton Hall
 - For Youth in Upper Room

**FREE Infant - 5th Grade Childcare available on Jan. 9th & 14th
(No Registration required)**



School Choice has come to Texas



Your child deserves an exceptional Catholic education – one that opens doors of opportunity. The new **Texas Education Freedom Accounts** could make that a reality, providing funds for tuition, uniforms, and more.

Stay informed and be ready to apply in early 2026.



Signup to receive updates at
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www.silcc.org/upcoming-events



WINE TASTING DINNER

FEATURING AMERICAN WINES
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 10861

SATURDAY JAN. 17, 2026, 6:30 PM
ST. IGNATIUS CHRISTUS CENTER



<https://kofc10861.square.site/wine-event-2026>



WEEK READINGS

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

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Sunday, Jan 04, 2026

Give a warm welcome

America was once renowned as the land where people could come to breathe freely. The country was less settled then—but can feel quite crowded now, depending on where you're living. The planet's resources are scarcer and the natural environment more endangered. Still, Isaiah's prophecy and the gospel both remind us of the considerable gift that migrant people bring with them. Whether king or commoner, each person offers what they have to make the dynamic community that is the United States. Let's welcome the newcomer and remember that the infant Jesus was once a migrant, too.

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12 (20). “Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you.”

Monday, Jan 05, 2026

Surrender to God's will

At St. Alphonsus Church in downtown Baltimore you can visit the parish where Saint John Neumann served before he became a bishop. You can even step into his austere bedroom where a bed, tiny desk, kneeler, and picture of the Madonna make up his belongings. Simplicity was his obsession; becoming the bishop of Philadelphia certainly didn't fit into that plan. Yet he embraced his office and took on the task of serving the burgeoning immigrant church by learning 10 languages and doing what was best for the people he served and loved. When God speaks to you, try the gentle path of surrender.

MEMORIAL OF JOHN NEUMANN, BISHOP

1 John 3:22-4:6; Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25 (212). “We receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him.”

Tuesday, Jan 06, 2026

Love begets love

A prayer to André Bessette, a brother of the Holy Cross order who spent a lifetime counseling and praying for people from his desk at the entrance to his community's residence in Montreal, says: “Grant us the grace to imitate his piety and charity so that, with him, we may share the reward promised to all those who care for their neighbor because of their love for you.” Love comes from God, and we love others because we love God and find God's love in our love for others. Speaking of poor people, but in words that describe all Christian love, Catholic Worker cofounder Dorothy Day once said we start by loving the poor for Jesus but we soon love them for themselves and see each one to be special. Today, find God in others and others in God.

MEMORIAL OF ANDRÉ BESSETTE, RELIGIOUS

1 John 4:7-10; Mark 6:34-44 (213). “Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God.”

Wednesday, Jan 07, 2026

Soften your heart

How often have you walked down a street, looking down at the sidewalk or your phone, and not noticed a tree, or a sign, or even an entire building? When you finally notice it, you wonder how you could have missed it all this time. This phenomenon of not seeing what is right in front of us is not uncommon, nor is it limited to the physical realm. We are often blind to spiritual

realities as well. When this happens, we know our hearts are “hardened.” What does it take to soften our hearts so that we can perceive the love that surrounds and permeates us every moment of every day? It begins with desire, which forms an intention, which evolves into practice, which turns into prayer, which relies on God. Consider this prayer from Sister Marianne Cope, O.S.F. for inspiration: “Let us make best use of the fleeting moments. They will not return.”

1 John 4:11-18; Mark 6:45-52 (214). “They had not understood the incident of the loaves. On the contrary, their hearts were hardened.”

Thursday, Jan 08, 2026

The ABCs of the human heart

Did Jesus know how to read? You may think that a strange question—various scripture passages say he did, and how could he not be able to do something that most schoolchildren in the United States today have learned by the age of 6 or 7? But for most of recorded history, being able to read and write was reserved to a small, elite segment of society. In the Roman Empire at the time Jesus lived, estimates say that only 3-10 percent of the population was literate. Judaism has always emphasized reading and study of the Torah, however, so it should not surprise us that Jesus likely could read—he certainly read the human heart with complete understanding. What does he find written on your heart?

1 John 4:19-5:4; Luke 4:14-22 (215). “He stood up to read and was handed a scroll of the prophet Isaiah.”

Friday, Jan 09, 2026

Some rules are meant to be broken

Why, when Jesus heals a leper, does he always tell the person not to say anything to anybody? Perhaps it is because the Lord broke a rule there. You see, according to the law of Moses, he wasn't supposed to touch the leper. But he did. Jesus broke a lot of rules. That's why he got into so much trouble. But Jesus was concerned with following God's laws, not humanity's, and such obedience, as Saint Philip Neri says, “is a shortcut to perfection.” Jesus pointed out that the law was made for the sake of people, not the other way around. Mercy and compassion always manage to break a few rules.

1 John 5:5-13; Luke 5:12-16 (216). “He ordered him not to tell anyone.”

Saturday, Jan 10, 2026

Do your groundwork

If you came to Earth from outer space, the sheer amount of teaching on chastity—the virtue of expressing sexuality appropriately—would convince you that it's the one non-negotiable item on your spiritual checklist. While chastity is essential, humility is the fundamental virtue upon which a holy life is based. Humility comes from the word *humus*, earth or ground. It reminds us that we're dust—or “not the Christ,” as John the Baptist famously put it. As we decrease in centrality, God and others increase. Start from this “ground” and work your way up.

1 John 5:14-21; John 3:22-30 (217). “John answered ... ‘So this joy of mine has been made complete. He must increase; I must decrease.’”



Queridos hermanos,

“El pueblo que caminaba en las tinieblas ha visto una gran luz: sobre los que habitaban en el país de la oscuridad ha brillado una luz” Con estas antiguas palabras del profeta Isaías, la Iglesia nos presenta el radiante misterio que hemos celebrado a lo largo de esta semana santa: la Luz que brilla sobre nosotros, trayéndonos salvación y paz. Esa Luz es Jesucristo, nuestro Señor. ¡Feliz Navidad a todos!

La Navidad no es simplemente la conmemoración de un acontecimiento del pasado. Es la celebración de un evento que continúa dando forma a nuestra identidad y a nuestra misión. En la humildad de Belén, Dios entró en la historia humana y eligió habitar entre nosotros, no como una deidad distante, sino como un niño cuya luz disipa el miedo y cuya presencia da sentido a toda vida humana. Gracias a su venida, ya no caminamos en la oscuridad. Gracias a que ha entrado en nuestro mundo, el miedo ya no necesita dominar nuestros corazones. En virtud de nuestro bautismo, no solo somos receptores de su luz, sino que nos convertimos en portadores de esa luz. Cada uno de nosotros comparte la misión de Cristo, la Luz de las naciones. Cuando fuimos bautizados, se nos entregó una vela con la encomienda de mantener viva esa llama. En otras palabras, se nos confía la responsabilidad de ser instrumentos de la paz de Dios en un mundo que la anhela desesperadamente. La proclamación de los ángeles en la noche de Navidad no fue un simple sentimiento poético; fue una declaración de nuestra vocación: «Gloria a Dios en las alturas, y en la tierra paz a los hombres de buena voluntad». Mediante nuestra colaboración con Dios —a través de las decisiones diarias de bondad, misericordia, perdón e integridad— contribuimos a establecer una paz que trasciende toda comprensión humana, una paz que solo Dios puede dar.

Este fin de semana, durante la Octava de Navidad, la Iglesia nos invita a reflexionar sobre la Sagrada Familia de Jesús, María y José. Su humilde hogar en Nazaret nos revela tanto la belleza como los desafíos de la vida familiar. Es en la familia —la Iglesia doméstica— donde el corazón humano aprende por primera vez lo qué es la compasión, qué se siente al comprender al otro, cómo el perdón transforma el espíritu herido y cómo se cultiva la paz. Las familias pueden ser lugares de risas y alegría; también pueden experimentar tensiones, desacuerdos o dolor. Sin embargo, Dios eligió santificar la familia humana al formar parte de una. Al hacerlo, afirmó que incluso los lazos imperfectos y a veces frágiles de la vida familiar pueden convertirse en el lugar donde la gracia echa raíces. Quizás este sea uno de los milagros más profundos de la Navidad: que Dios puede usar las imperfecciones de nuestras vidas, las rupturas en nuestras relaciones y las dificultades que afrontamos para manifestar su plan de salvación para el mundo. Si la paz ha de arraigarse en nuestras comunidades y ciudades, primero debe practicarse en el pequeño pero vital círculo de la familia. Desde allí, se irradia hacia afuera: a los lugares de trabajo, los barrios y la vida parroquial. La paz no surge por casualidad; se cultiva a través de actos deliberados de amor generoso, eligiendo cada día ser luz en lugar de sombra, esperanza en lugar de desesperación, ternura en lugar de hostilidad. Al honrar a la Sagrada Familia, renovemos también nuestro compromiso de cuidar a las familias que Dios ha puesto bajo nuestro cuidado, ya sean familias de sangre, por matrimonio, por amistad o por comunidad.

El próximo fin de semana celebraremos otra gran fiesta del tiempo de Navidad: la Solemnidad de la Epifanía del Señor. Los Reyes Magos, sabios buscadores del Oriente, nos recuerdan que la venida de Cristo es un don universal. Viajaron desde la tierra del sol naciente, siguiendo una estrella que los guio más allá de lo conocido. Su viaje refleja el anhelo humano de verdad, belleza y sentido, un anhelo que finalmente encuentra su plenitud en la persona de Jesucristo. Los dones que ofrecieron tienen un profundo significado. El oro reconoce a Cristo como Rey, Señor no solo de Israel, sino de todas las naciones. El incienso lo proclama como Dios, digno de adoración y veneración. La mirra, ungüento funerario, prefigura su pasión y revela que su reinado no se expresa en el poder terrenal, sino en el amor que se entrega a sí mismo. La Epifanía celebra esta manifestación de Cristo al mundo, un mundo que aún anhela la luz. Nos desafía a ser como los Reyes Magos: buscadores valientes de Dios, dispuestos a levantarnos y seguirlo a dondequiera que nos guíe, y listos para ofrecer lo mejor de nosotros mismos en respuesta a su amor.

Mientras seguimos celebrando esta santa temporada, quiero expresarles mi más sincero agradecimiento en nombre del clero y del personal de la parroquia. Monseñor Chibuike, el Padre Luis y yo estamos profundamente agradecidos por los numerosos regalos, tarjetas, oraciones y dulces navideños que tan generosamente han compartido con nosotros. Cada gesto de bondad refleja la calidez, la bondad y la generosidad de esta extraordinaria comunidad parroquial. Sepan que apreciamos de corazón su consideración. A toda nuestra familia parroquial, a los visitantes que nos acompañan durante estas fiestas y a quienes viajan a casa o regresan a nuestra comunidad: les deseamos una Feliz Navidad llena de bendiciones y alegría, de parte del clero y de nuestro dedicado personal laico. Que la luz de Cristo brille sobre ustedes en estos días, fortalezca a sus familias, guíe sus pasos y llene sus corazones de una paz duradera.

Con mis oraciones por la paz de Dios, nuestro Padre, y del Señor Jesucristo,

Fr. Robert

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Solemnidad de Santa María, Madre de Dios

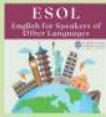
Wednesday, December 31st
4:15 P.M. Vigil Mass

Thursday, January 1st
9 AM Mass
11 AM Misa en Español

No 5:15 PM Confessions & No 6:45 PM Mass on Wed. Dec. 31



ENGLISH LANGUAGE CLASSES



Classes begin January 26, 2026.
AM & PM availability.
Registration fee is \$50.
Last day to register is January 3rd.

forms.office.com/r/VP5GtRbEfi



CLASES DE INGLÉS
Las clases comienzan el 26 de enero del 2026.
Disponibilidad AM y PM.
El costo es de \$50. Último día para registrarse es el 3 de enero.

Volunteer with our teaching team!

Training available & you do not need to be bilingual.

• We need teachers and assistants.

• Time commitment is 2-hour classes, 2 days per week.

Contact Martina: esol@silcc.org

Práctica de Matachines

Te invitamos a unirte a nuestro grupo de baile de Matachines, nos reunimos los viernes a las 7 PM en el McGivney Hall.

PROTEGE A TU FAMILIA. HONRA TU FE.



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SOLEMNIDAD DE LA EPIFANÍA DEL SEÑOR

Isaías 60:1-6; Efesios 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mateo 2:1-12 (20).

“Levanta los ojos y mira alrededor: todos se reúnen y vienen a ti.”

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Domingo, Dec 28, 2025**Toma nota de los pobres entre nosotros**

En las paredes de las oficinas centrales norteamericanas de los Misioneros de la Divina Palabra hay una pintura de China que representa a la Santa Familia viviendo como campesinos chinos. Lo que es especialmente interesante es que la pintura los muestra siendo pobres. En su pequeña cabaña la pintura se está descarapando de las paredes, la ropa está remendada en partes, la mesa ya usada. Aunque Santo José probablemente no era desesperadamente pobre, él y su familia pertenecían a la inmensa mayoría de gente que estaba fuera de la pequeña élite que controlaba la mayoría de la riqueza y decidía en la antigua Palestina. Así que cuando Jesús habló sobre traer buenas nuevas a los pobres, hablaba de muchísima gente, incluyendo su propia familia. ¿Qué puedes hacer para darle ánimo a los pobres en tu propia familia y a los demás?

FIESTA DE LA SAGRADA FAMILIA DE JESÚS, MARÍA Y JOSÉ

Sirácida 3:3-7, 14-17a; Colosenses 3:12-21 o 3:12-17; Mateo 2:13-15, 19-23 (17). “Todo lo que digan y todo lo que hagan, háganlo en el nombre del Señor Jesús.”

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