

1st Sunday of Advent—November 30, 2025

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To foster a harmonious, loving and prayerful atmosphere within the parish community that will project the love of Christ!



1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Therefore, stay awake!
For you do not know
on which day your
Lord will come."
- Mt 24:42

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Welcome to St. Didacus Church

Our warmest welcome to all! We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you here, celebrating with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the Parish. We invite

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

O house of Jacob, come,
let us walk in the light of the LORD! (Isa 2:5)

Psalm:

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord. (Ps 122)

Second Reading:

You know the time;
it is the hour now for you to awake from sleep.
For our salvation is nearer now than when
we first believed. (Rom 13:11)

Gospel:

"So too, you also must be prepared,
for at an hour you do not expect,
the Son of Man will come." (Mt 24:44)

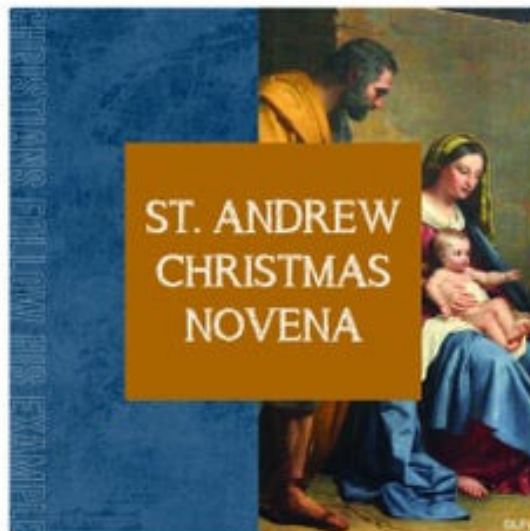
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"You do not know on which day your Lord will come," Jesus says. He is reminding us that we do not know the mind of God. But we do know the heart of God, and we know that it is filled with mercy for those who heed the warning: Stay awake!

Observances for the week of November 30, 2025

- Sunday:** 1st Sunday of Advent; Respect Life Sunday
Wednesday: St. Francis Xavier, Priest
Thursday: St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Saturday: St. Nicholas, Bishop
Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Advent



Devotions, *Explained!*

The St. Andrew Christmas novena is a prayer said from Nov. 30 through Christmas Eve. St. Andrew was the first disciple of Christ, and in saying this prayer Christians follow his example of prescient faithfulness throughout the days of Advent.

Prayer for Advent - Arise

Bless God's Holy Name!
Prepare our hearts for Your coming, Lord.
Awaken them from any places that have become sleepy or despondent.
Inspire us with new visions.
Be with us as we climb closer to You.
Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of November 30, 2025

Sunday:

Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/
Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

Monday:

Is 4:2-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/
Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday:

Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/
Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday:

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/
Mt 15:29-37

Thursday:

Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday:

Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday:

Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/
Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday:

Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 (see 7)/
Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A few years ago, my house was broken into on Super Bowl Sunday. Turns out, it's a great day for burglars. If the TV isn't on, people are probably watching the game somewhere else, so ... easy pickins'. I'll never forget walking into my bedroom and realizing someone had been there. My stuff was thrown all over the floor. The closet was torn apart. It was disorienting and disturbing — someone had invaded the space I thought was secure. After that, I bought an alarm system. And every Super Bowl Sunday since, I'm extra careful to lock the doors and keep the lights on. That experience made me more alert. Not scared. Just attentive.

That's much like the spiritual place Jesus wants us to be on this first Sunday of Advent. He doesn't start the season with soft candlelight and cozy manger scenes. He starts with two brutal images: a flood and a thief. In other words, chaos and violation.

Why? Because life will flood us. Chaos *will* come. And in the midst of it, Christ will come like a thief — not to steal from us, but to steal us back. He is the intruder we should want. The one who breaks in, not to ransack, but to rescue.

Christ presents himself as the thief but also the new Noah. He builds the ark of the Church to carry us through the flood. And he invites us to join him. How? By participating fully in our parishes. By making our homes places of prayer. By guarding our hearts with truth. By refusing to let spiritual complacency leave us exposed. By repentance.

This Advent, don't just stay vaguely "awake." Prepare. Build. Watch. The flood will come. But so will he.

— Father John Muir

Oracion de la Semana

Las lecturas de la semana del 30 de Noviembre de 2025

Domingo: Is 2, 1-5/Sal 121, 1-2. 3-4. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9/Rom 13, 11-14/Mt 24, 37-44

Lunes: Is 4, 2-6/Sal 121, 1-2. 3-4. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9/Mt 8, 5-11

Martes: Is 11, 1-10/Sal 71, 1-2. 7-8. 12-13. 17/Lc 10, 21-24

Miércoles: Is 25, 6-10/Sal 22, 1-3. 3-4. 5. 6/Mt 15, 29-37

Jueves: Is 26, 1-6/Sal 117, 1 y 8-9. 19-21. 25-27/Mt 7, 21. 24-27

Viernes: Is 29, 17-24/Sal 26, 1. 4. 13-14/Mt 9, 27-31

Sábado: Is 30, 19-21. 23-26/Sal 146, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6/Mt 9, 35—10, 1. 6-8

Domingo siguiente: Is 11, 1-10/Sal 71, 1-2. 7-8. 12-13. 17 (ver 7)/Rom 15, 4-9/Mt 3, 1-12

Las conmemoraciones de la semana del 30 de Noviembre de 2025

Domingo: 1er Domingo de Adviento

Lunes:

Martes:

Miércoles: San Francisco Javier, sacerdote

Jueves: San Juan Damasceno, sacerdote y doctor de la Iglesia

Viernes:

Sábado: San Nicolás, obispo

Domingo siguiente: 2º Domingo de Adviento

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INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

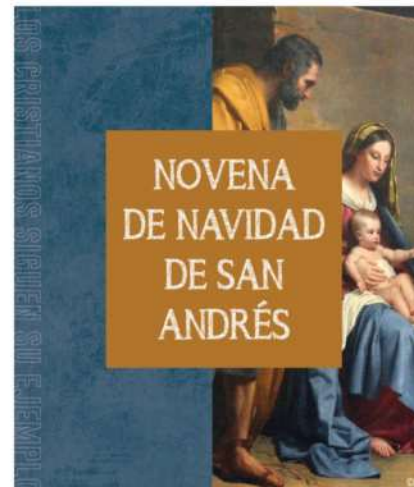
VIVIR LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA (Live the Liturgy)

"Vosotros no sabéis qué día vendrá vuestro Señor", dice Jesús.

Él nos está recordando que no conocemos la mente de Dios.

Pero sí conocemos el corazón de Dios, y sabemos que está lleno de misericordia para aquellos que prestan atención a la advertencia: ¡Mantente despierto!

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ANDRÉS

¡DEVOCIONES, EXPLICADAS!
— CONÉCTATE CON LA
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La novena de Navidad de San
Andrés es una oración que se
dice desde el 30 de noviembre
hasta la víspera de Navidad.

San Andrés fue el primer
discípulo de Cristo, y al decir
esta oración los cristianos
siguen su ejemplo de fidelidad
profética a lo largo de los días
de Adviento.

ORACIÓN - PARA TODOS
LOS DÍAS Y PARA TODO
Oración para el Adviento -
Levántate

¡Bendice el Santo Nombre de
Dios!

Prepara nuestros corazones para
Tu venida, Señor. Despiértalos
de cualquier lugar que se haya
vuelto somnoliento o abatido.
Inspíranos con nuevas visiones
Quédate con nosotros mientras
nos acercamos a Ti.

Amén.

Prayer

Dear God, help me to love you and to be ready for Jesus.

Mission for the Week

Make sure the movies, games, and music you choose help you grow closer to Jesus.

Sharing the Gospel

Remember that when God told Noah to build an ark, his neighbors laughed at him. Then one day God sent the flood. Only Noah's family was saved because they listened to God, and they were ready. Jesus has already told you that one day he will come back. He wants you to be saved. He wants you to be ready. When you read Bible stories, listen carefully. Love God like Noah did, and learn to do what God asks.

Now color the picture! →

Find and circle the words from today's Gospel:

NOAH
EATING
DRINKING

MARRIED
FLOOD
TOGETHER

TAKEN
LEFT
READY

S	T	B	F	L	O	O	D	E	O
N	O	A	H	N	Y	U	R	M	G
U	G	R	D	O	D	T	K	A	N
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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, November 29

5:00 p.m. Guadalupe Ponce, Rosalina Regala, Marietta Lavin & Sunday Lavin may they rest in peace. Intercessions to all Souls in Purgatory.

7:00 p.m. Para El Eterno Descanso de Judith Lopez e Elodia Lopez. Happy Birthday Jacky Salcedo & Jacky Salcedo. Intencion Especail para la Salude de Lucia Romero

Sunday, November 30

6:30 a.m. John Stephen Lee, Pedro Mejia Calderon & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace. Intercessions to all Souls in Purgatory

8:00 a.m. Para El Eterno Descanso de Enrique Contreras, Candida Diaz, Isidro Ceja, Jovita Ponce, Moica Contreras e Ignacio Pulido. Intencion especial de la Salud de Mario Aguilar

10:00 a.m. Jose Ruiz, Flora Santiago Enriguez & Juan Leonardo Munoz may they rest in peace. Happy 50th Anniversary to Brian & Felicitas Boyette. Special intentions of David Gonzalez

11:30a.m Maria Gamboa & Patty Ledesma may they rest in peace. Intercessions to all Souls in Purgatory

1:00 p.m. Para El Eterno Descanso de Roberto Ramos, Ana Arias, Antonia Castillo, Rafeal Perez, Nadia Arias.

6:00 p.m. Para El Eterno Descanso de Petra Reynaga, Justin Contreras, Jose Andres Ramos e Elodia Lopez. Feliz Cumpleaños de Andres Jimenez.

Monday, December 1

7:30a.m. John Stephen Lee, Raul Melgoza, Rudulfo Rodriguez, Ariel Rodriguez & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace. Special intentions for Daniel Macia. Happy Birthday Feliz Guillermo

6:00PM Para El Eterno Descanso de Elodia Lopez e Armida Cajero. Intercessions to all Souls in Purgatory. Intencion Especial para Delfina Gonzalez y Familia

Tuesday, December 2

7:30 a.m. John Stephen Lee, Ral Melgoza, Lucercia Lalata, Micheal Rodriguez, Encarnacion & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace. Special Intentions of Danial Macias

6:00 p.m Para El Eterno Descanso de Jose Andres Flores, Lucercia Lalata. Intercessions to all Souls in Purgatory Intencion Especial para la salude de Alejandra Mendoza e para Delfina Gonzalez y Familia

Wednesday, December 3

7:30a.m. John Stephen Lee, Clemente Doria, Gaelberto Doria, Raul Melgoza & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace. Special Intentions of Danial Macias,

6:00 p.m Para El Eterno Descanso de Rosa Flores. Intencion Especial para Delfina Gonzalez y Familia. Intercession de toda las almas del purgatorio

Thursday, December 4

7:30a.m. John Stephen Lee, Raul Melgoza, Josefa Gubatan, Feliza Gubatan & Albert Dib, maty they rest in peace. Special Intentions of Daniel Macias

6:00 p.m Para El Eterno Descanso de Daniel Jesus Banuelos Intencion Especial para Delfina Gonzalez y Familia. Intercession de toda las almas del purgatorio

Friday, December 5

7:30a.m. John Stephen Lee, Rual Melgoza, Victoria Arios & Albert Dib may they rest in peace. Special Intentions of the Pelayo family

6:00 p.m. Para El Eterno Descanso de Jose Zalmora e Aleida Giraldo. Intencion Especial para la salude de Beatriz Gomez e para Delfina Gonzalez y Familia. Intercession para todas las almas de Purgatorio

Saturday, December 6

7:30a.m. John Stephen Lee, Raul Melgoza, Magdalena Prestoza, Pilar Gubatan & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace. Special Intentions of Palomera Rios family. Intercessions to all souls in Purgatory.

Feast and Special Celebrations

Rosary in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe:

December 3 through December 10, 2025 start at 5:15 p.m.,

following with the 6:00 p.m. daily Spanish Mass.

December 11, 2025

7:00p.m. Mass

11:00PM Mass

11:00 p.m. Mass Spanish

Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Mass

December 12, 2025

4:00 a.m. Mañanitas, 5:00 a.m. Spanish Mass

6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

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jamás.

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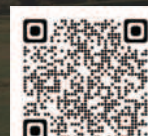
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Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 6:30 am, 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Daily Mass: (Monday –Saturday) 7:30 a.m.

Holy Days: 7 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Reconciliations :Wednesday & Fridays: 7:00 p.m.
8:30 p.m. Saturdays After 7:30 mass

Baptisms: Second and fourth Sunday of the month at
2:30 p.m.

Weddings: 6 months Advance notice.

Quinceaneras: Family must live in Sylmar, be registered in the parish and using the Sunday envelope, be registered and attending Confirmation Classes at St. Didacus. No Escorts allowed. Only the Chambelan de Honor will walk with the Quinceañera at the end of the Mass.

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Becky Faso

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Días de Obligación: 6:00 p.m.

Misa Diaria de Lunes a Viernes: 6:00 p.m.

Reconciliación (Confesiones):

Miércoles y Viernes:7:00 –8:30 p.m.,

Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento:

Primer Viernes del mes de 6:30 a 7:30 p.m.

Bautismos en español: El primer y el tercer domingo del mes a las 2:30 p.m. Papas y padrinos deberán tomar la clase Pre-Bautismal y llamar para hacer cita para fijar el día del bautismo. La clase es el primer miércoles del mes a las 7:00 p.m. en el salón parroquial.

Bodas: Deberán hacer cita con el sacerdote 6 meses antes de la fecha planeada, así es requerido por La Arquidiócesis de L. A.

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