

**Monday, December 8 8AM**  
 †Sam & Catherine DeStefano  
**Monday, December 8 6:30PM**  
 †Mary Joyce Scamardo  
**Tuesday, December 9 8AM**  
 All Deceased Members of Altar Society  
**Wednesday, December 10 8AM**  
 †Mary Joyce Scamardo  
**Thursday, December 11 8AM**  
 †George B. Saenz  
**Friday, December 12 8AM**  
 †Mary Joyce Scamardo  
**Saturday, December 13 5PM**  
 †Evelyn Zeig †Leo Syzdek  
 †Gerald Eugene Syzdek  
**Sunday, December 14 9AM**  
 †Charlie & Louis Scarpinato  
 †Joe & Frances Reistino Family  
 †Joe Reistino Jr.  
**Sunday, November 14 11AM**  
 Parishioners of St. Mary's

***Readings for the Week***

**Monday, December 8:**

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  
 [Holyday of Obligation  
 Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/  
 Lk 1:26-38

**Tuesday, December 9:**

Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin  
 Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14

**Wednesday, December 10:**

Our Lady of Loreto  
 Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30

**Thursday, December 11:**

Saint Damasus I, Pope  
 Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:11-15

**Friday, December 12:**

Our Lady of Guadalupe  
 Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Lk 1:26-38

**Sat., December 13:**

Saint Lucy  
 Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

**Sunday, Dec. 14:**

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
 Is 35:1-6a, 10/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11



**We pray for our sick parishioner's!  
 Si usted desea que oremos por su familiar enfermo!**

Ken & Sandra Anthony Alan Mateo Piña  
 Romualdo Campos Adam Ruiz, Sr.  
 Victor & Carmen Cortez Johnny Ruiz  
 Francisco DeLeon Charles Fazzino  
 Tina Jacobusse Patty Syzdek  
 Leona Olexy Lozano Francisco Torres  
 David Martinez Margaret Vaca  
 Evangelina Ordoñez-Ledesma Peewee Espitia  
 Roy Lopez Lisa Yezak  
 Please contact the church office with questions.  
 Names will stay on the list for 2 months.  
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**Sanctuary Candle in Memory of †Joe Stratta From the Stratta Family**

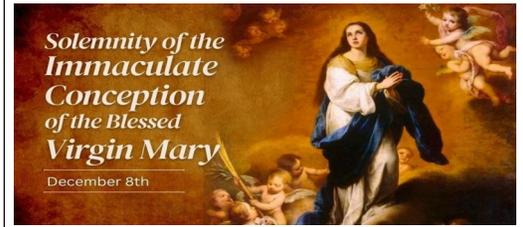
2nd Sunday of Advent  
**The Candle of Peace**  
 Heavenly Father, as we journey through this season of Advent, we pray for Your peace to fill our hearts and homes. Grant us the serenity to trust in Your timing, the strength to love one another, and the wisdom to seek unity in all things. May the light of Christ guide us in bringing peace to the world, starting with our own lives. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.



**Stewardship of Treasure Report  
 November 29-30, 2025**

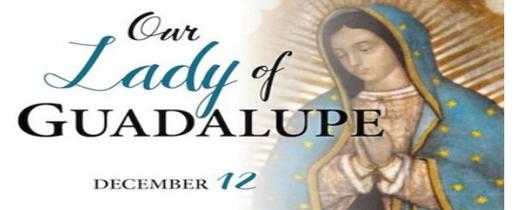
Amount Needed Weekly:	\$4,000.00
Online Giving:	\$35.10
Actual Collection:	\$4,318.35
<b>Above Weekly Collection:</b>	<b>\$318.35</b>

"Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." [Mt. 3:10]  
 Do you bear good fruit for Jesus? Do you spend time in prayer, or do you waste it with mindless activity? Do you use your talent to help others or are you too busy? Do you use your treasure to support the church, or do you buy more things that go unused? Our stewardship time, talent, and treasure are gifts from God. What we do with these gifts is our gift back to Him. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?  
**Thank you for your support and generosity!**



**The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary:**

**It is a Holy Day of Obligation:  
 Monday, Dec. 8 Mass Times:  
 8:00 AM English - 6:30PM Bilingual**



**DIA DE LA FIESTA DE NUESTRA SEÑORA DE GUADALUPE --**

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe (1531) María se le apareció a un campesino mexicano llamado Juan Diego. Se vistió como una mujer Mexicana y habló en el idioma local. María pidió se construyera una iglesia en su honor para el pueblo de México. Celebramos a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe el 12 de diciembre.

- 5:00 AM – Las Mañanitas
- 6:00 AM – Misa en español
- 6:00 PM -- Santo Rosario y Convivio (Pan dulce y café serán compartidos para todos y son gratis)



**Altar Care for  
 December: Tracy Gomez**

**THIS CHRISTMAS WHEN CHRIST COMES, WILL HE FIND A WARM HEART?**  
 MARK THE  
*Season of Advent*  
 BY LOVING AND SERVING OTHERS WITH GOD'S OWN LOVE AND CONCERN.  
 -ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA

**Second Sunday of Advent**--“*Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!*” So proclaimed John the Baptist as he prepared the world for the coming of the Messiah. We may not be preparing for Jesus Christ’s arrival in the flesh or plunging into the Jordan River, but John’s words apply just as much today as they did then. We must recognize and repent of our sins in order to be prepared for the Lord’s arrival in our lives in any way. And the kingdom of heaven is still at hand, glimpsed when we are reconciled with God and our neighbor. May we hear John’s words as if they were directed to us here and now.

**Segundo Domingo de Adviento**--“*Conviértanse, porque ya está cerca el Reino de los cielos*”. Así lo proclamó Juan el Bautista mientras preparaba al mundo para la venida del Mesías. Nosotros no nos estamos preparando para la llegada de Jesucristo en carne y hueso ni para zambullirnos en el río Jordán; pero las palabras de Juan pueden aplicarse hoy día tanto como se aplicaron entonces. Debemos reconocer nuestros pecados y arrepentirnos para poder prepararnos para la llegada del Señor en nuestra vida de cualquier forma o manera. Y el Reino de Dios todavía está cerca, y podemos atisbarlo cuando nos reconciliamos con Dios y con nuestro prójimo. Que escuchemos las palabras de Juan como si fuesen dirigidas a nosotros aquí y ahora.

**The best prayer Catholics have is the Mass... which is the greatest gift of all.**

ADVENT A TIME FOR PREPARATION



**•Wednesday, December 24: Christmas Eve:**

**6PM Mass**-- Bilingual (Choir: Cindy Wallace, Toni & Randy Montgomery, Cindy & John Betik, Sharon Woods, organist)

**8:00 PM** Christmas Night Mass-- English

**•Thursday, December 25: Christmas Day**  
Mass/ Misa de Navidad

**•9:00 AM**-- Bilingual (Coro, el grupo de Lupita Dubey)

**•December 27–28 – Feast of the Holy Family Masses:**

**5:00 PM**, Saturday, English and **9:00 AM** – English,

**11:00 AM** – Spanish

**•Thursday, January 1, 2026 – New Year’s Day**

**9:00 AM Mass**-- English (Holy Day of Obligation)

**PREPARING FOR LENT/** PREPARÁNDONOS PARA EL ADVIENTO



**ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE: TUESDAY, DEC. 16 @ 6:30 PM –**  
“The best way to receive the Light.”



**Monthly Update:**

Thank you to all who have already supported the 2025–26 Catholic Services Appeal! As of Dec. 1, we’ve received 28 donors, totaling \$5, 325.00 of our \$13,000 goal or 41% of our goal. We still have a long way to go. With your continued generosity and prayers, we can reach our goal together! To donate to the 2025 - 2026 Catholic Services Appeal, please scan the QR code above or go to: [Catholic Services Appeal - Diocese of Austin - Austin, TX](#)  
Thank you for supporting the causes of the Diocese of Austin.



**A Message from Bishop Daniel Garcia:**

“I will not pretend to know what all the answers are to the injustices and problems in our society and Church regarding the consequences of racism, but I do believe that we are called to be more like Christ each and every day, and to recognize his image in all people. It is my hope that as chair of this new subcommittee, I can help draw our attention as to what still needs to be done to heal the pain caused by the sin of racism that still exists today. Reconciliation is still needed for those who are victims of racism, but also for those who have indirectly or directly hurt others.”

**Un mensaje del Obispo Daniel García:**

“No pretendo saber cuáles son todas las respuestas a las injusticias y a los problemas de nuestra sociedad y de la Iglesia respecto a las consecuencias del racismo, pero creo que estamos llamados a parecernos más a Cristo todos y cada uno de los días, y a reconocer su imagen en todas las personas. Es mi esperanza como presidente de este nuevo subcomité, poder atraer nuestra atención hacia lo que aún necesita hacerse para sanar el dolor causado por el pecado del racismo que todavía existe hoy. La reconciliación sigue siendo necesaria para aquellos que son víctimas del racismo, pero también para aquellos que han lastimado a otros de manera directa o indirecta.”