



*St. Theresa of the  
Child Jesus Church*  
2800 East Ramon Road, Palm  
Springs, CA 92264

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday OF ADVENT



## Mass Times:

**Mon.-Fri.— 7:30am (Daily Mass)**

### **Saturday**

5:00 pm English

7:00 pm Spanish

### **Sunday**

7:00 am English

8:30 am Spanish

10:30am English

12:30pm English

### **Monday—Friday**

7:30 am English

**Adoration—8:00am-3:00pm**

### **Saturday Confessions—**

3:30pm-4:30pm

## Our Parish Mission Statement:

St. Theresa is a welcoming multicultural, diverse Roman Catholic community; aspiring to make God the center of our lives, striving to proclaim Jesus' message of Hope, Forgiveness, Love and Compassion to all.

## Nuestra Misión Parroquial:

Santa Teresa es una Comunidad Católica Romana, con diversidad multicultural. Aspiramos a tener a Dios como centro de nuestras vidas. Proclamamos el mensaje de Jesús que es; Esperanza, Reconciliación, Amor y Compasión al Próximo.

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760-323-2669 Ex. 315

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**Rev. John Kavcak, M.S.C./ Pastor**

**Rev. David Foxen M.S.C. /Parochial Vicar**

**This parish is staffed by the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart (M.S.C.)**

**For more information visit the M.S.C.**

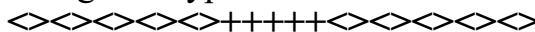
**website: <http://www.misacor-usa.org>**

**PASTOR'S COLUMN:**

All three readings today are classic Advent themed readings. They invite us to examine our lives and recognize the need to be real both externally and internally.

John the Baptist has especially strong words for the Scribes and Pharisees. They live lives of the external-observances. They also spend their days observing the conduct of their Jewish tribes strictly. They are not rotten to the heart, but they have no interior from which "good fruit" will grow. Externalism is a fake religion within which observing is a spectator sport; it is meant to be seen and admired. John announces that he is laying the ax at the roots of such pretensions.

In other words, do not be religious hypocrites!



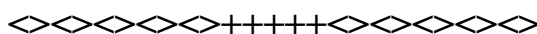
There is a lot happening in December.

December 8, Immaculate Conception Holy Day

December 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe

December 19 Parish Penance Service

The Mass schedule will be in next week's bulletin and on our web site.

**Gentle Thoughts; Words of Wisdom;**

The years have been good to me. It is the weekends that did the damage.

On a positive note, I am too old to have a mid-life crisis.

Always remember the good time in your life, like when your knees used to work.

One minute you're out tripping the light fantastic, the next you are struggling to stand because you have been sitting too long.

Visit our website to sign up to  
Online Giving and get started.  
<https://osvhub.com/st-theresa-ps/funds>

**October Contribution**

10/5/25- \$11,469.00  
10/12/25- \$10,408.00  
10/19/25- \$8,812.00  
10/26/25- \$12,782.02

Total = \$43,471.02

**On-Line Giving**  
\$6,232.00

**School Tuition Assistance**  
\$3,185.00

**World Mission**  
\$2,812.00

**Diocesan Development Fund (DDF2025)**

**Goal: 54,900**

We are \$7,432.00 away from meeting our diocesan goal of \$54,900. We will have second collection the 29th and 30th for the DDF, Many Thanks. To those that have pledged and donated, let's surpass our goal! Any donation after our goal stays in the parish for the parish building & grounds needs our deadline is December 30<sup>th</sup>.

**How to support the DDF:**

Make Pledge: Use a DDF envelope and send it to the Diocese or drop it into the collection basket at Mass (card, cash, or check) Make a Donation: Indicate on the check or envelop "DDF2025" Online Donation: visit our website and make a donation under the DDF 2025 tab.

**Percent of Goal: 25 %**

**As of: July 31, 2025**

**Scan QR Code to give**



## Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

### Saturday, December 6

5:00pm

Guillermo P. Bauza +  
Maria Cruz Cardenas S/I-Healing  
David L:anderos S/I-Healing

### 7:00pm-Espanol

Florencio Valdez +  
Fernando Valdez S/I- In Thanksgiving  
Ana Abila S/I- In Thanksgiving

### Sunday, December 7

7:00am

Gilbert Lopez +

### 8:30am- Español

Calendaría De Anda +  
Ceturnino Villalobos +  
Francisca Morales  
Stefanie Munoz S/I-Birthday

### 10:30am

Thomas LaPorte Sr. +  
DFS Company- S/I  
Rory Putman +  
Dolores Galloway +

### 12:30pm

Anita Zaragoza +  
Felix Orasa +  
Magno Orasa +  
Bonifacio Salazar Jr. +

### Monday, December 8

Arturo Rodriguez +

### Tuesday, December 9

Gilbert Lopez +

### Wednesday, December 10

Marina Morataya +  
Alicia Garcia Carderon +

### Thursday, December 11

Francis "Buck" Cody +  
Reyes Garcia +  
Mr. & Mrs. Nick Oasay +

### Friday, December 12

Darvy Franco S/I-Birthday  
Emmanuel Jove +  
Greg Delector +

**We pray for the sick and for those who care for them:  
Oremos por las personas enfermas y por las personas  
que cuidan de ellos:**

John Salerno, Bryan Dinnoo, Chuck Stone,  
Catherine Dinnoo, Carolyn O'Linn, Alissa Dinnoo,  
Norma Cardova Chanman, Ynez Romo, Robin Dinnoo,  
Roger Newallo, Norbert Chanman, Laurie Mikolaycik,  
Christopher Navo, Nicolette Rusanberg,  
Nancy Holmes, Joyce Norvell, Keila David, Fernando Azael Serna,  
Aisling O'Connor, Ira Amon, Marie Irwin  
Agustin Oros, Yadira Molina, Richard Martanivick, Carmen Brown,  
Palmore Family, Leann Alvarez, Doug DeSale, Cam (Tommy's Son)  
Mahesh Sewnarain, Jose Alex Gonzalez, Carol Patney,  
Joseph Ibanez, Monica Newallo, Lloyd Forbes, Tony Chanman,  
Anilaine Gamba, Mary Ann Andrews, Joe Godinez, Karen Gunst,  
Carol Zachik, Mark MyBrick, Mario Pocasangce, Angela Brown,  
Remy Ruesenberg, Tiffany Moretti, Ken Zachik,  
Manuel & Sony Silverio, Esperanza Asejo, Henry McShane,  
Joseph Piscopo, Emma, Melinda Jennings & Family,  
Jackie Peters, Florence, Linda Francis,  
Angelito Rayos, John Paschal, Christina Ettedgui, Ernesto Cuabo,  
Sheila Sparling, Lisa Jarecki, Dennis Cook, Reggie Montoya,  
Butch Skillman, Val & Christopher, Luz Maria Matha,  
Joseph Godinez, Jerome Godinez, Lucille Godinez, John Griffiths III  
Marc Motzer, Ray, Kaiden Dinnoo, Terry Moretti,  
Ava Grace Golden, Ernie Mullins, Jaime Guzman,  
Roman Hernandez, Rae Wenzel, Pat Malon, Kathy Kuniej Cooper,  
Cristina Alverdez, Maria Cruz Cardenas, David Landeros,  
Jay Bednar, Becky Benedict, Dennis Cook, Susie Hoff, Selena Perez,  
Steven Pilgrim, Bob Blum, Pat Quinn

**(Names will be kept for 3 months. Please contact the  
Parish Office to remove a name from the list/**

**Los nombres permanecerán por 3 meses. Por favor  
de contactar a la Oficina Parroquial para remover un  
nombre de la lista.)**



### Readings for the week of December 7, 2025

Sunday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 (see 7)/Rom 15:4-9/  
Mt 3:1-12  
Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/  
Lk 1:26-38  
Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/Mt 18:12-14  
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30  
Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/Mt 11:11-15  
Friday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde,  
19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47  
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a,  
10-13  
Next Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (see Is 35:4)/Jas 5:7-10  
/Mt 11:2-11





**St. Theresa Church 2025/26**  
**Advent & Christmas Schedule/Horario de Adviento y Navidad**

*O Holy Night*

**December 8th-Immaculate Conception of Mary/ 8 de Diciembre-Inmaculada Concepción de Maria /Holy Day of Obligation.**

English Masses: 7:30 am, 9:00am (Hosted by St. T. School), 5:00pm

Espanol: 7:00pm

**December 12th-Our Lady of Guadalupe/ 12 de Diciembre-Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe**

Mananitas– 4:00am

Mass/Misa– 6:00am, 7:00pm Espanol

Procession- 8:15am, Mass following, hosted by St. Theresa School.

**December 14th-Singbang Gabi/ 14 de Diciembre**

Mass– 7:00pm (Church)

Refreshments following (Parish Hall)

**December 19th-Advent Penance Service/ 19 de Diciembre-Servicio de Penitencia de Adviento**

7:00pm in Main Church/Iglesia principal

**December 24th/24 de Diciembre**

Christmas Carols– 4:30pm

Misa en Espanol-7:00pm

Christmas Vigil Mass: 5:00pm

Christmas Carols– 9:45pm

Midnight Mass (English)- 10:00pm

**December 25th/25 de Diciembre Holy Day of Obligation/ es un dia de Obligacion**

Masses– 8:30am, 10:30am (English)- Misa– 12:30pm (Espanol)

**December 31st– New Year's Eve/ 31 de Diciembre– Noche Buena**

English Mass– 5pm

Spanish Mass– 7pm

**January 1st– New Year's Day/ 1 de Enero-Ano Nuevo**

English Mass– 9:00am

Spanish Mass– 12:00pm

**THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!**

The Knights of Columbus and St. Theresa's Food Pantry what to thank all you purchased a Poinsettia this year. Your support donated \$1,500 to this very Important and needed ministry of our Parish.....God bless you.



Due to the government shutdown our Food Pantry has doubled with people needing food assistance. We will be having a Food Drive this month to serve our people in need. We are asking for non-perishable goods...canned foods, dry beans, rice etc...

You can drop off items in the parish Office, Mon-Fri. between 8:30am-3:00pm. Thank you all!



The replica of the Virgin of Guadalupe will visit our parish from December 1st through the 13th. The image of our Holy Virgin Mary, in it's original form, from the Basilica.

Join us for the Rosary in the evenings at 7pm.

**GOOD GRIEF MINISTRY**

Dates for meetings:

( 1:30pm in the Youth Room on the east side of the Church)

December 21, 2025

March 29, 2026

January 25, 2026

April 26, 2026

February 22, 2026

May 17, 2026

*St. Theresa Altar Society*



What is this Ministry about?

*A society of women over 18 years of age who contribute to the needs of the parish through various events and activities that foster a spirit of community and spiritual growth of its members.*

*Come and join us every first Wednesday of the month after daily mass in the St. Peter & St. Paul rooms.*



Gifted and Called  
LGBTQ Catholics Ministry  
Palm Springs  
Contact us at:

[GiftedandCalled@LGBTQCatholics.faith](mailto:GiftedandCalled@LGBTQCatholics.faith)

Palm Springs Knights of Columbus Council 3583 is sponsoring a recycle drive to support St. Theresa School. We urge all students, parents and parishioners to save their bottles and cans. We accept all glass bottles including beer and wine bottles, all plastic water and beverage bottles.



If in doubt, look for the recycle symbol. You may drop off items at the school or every Saturday from 10 to noon on the east side of the church.

**COLUMNA DEL PASTOR :**

Las tres lecturas de hoy son lecturas clásicas de Adviento. Nos invitan a examinar nuestras vidas y a reconocer la necesidad de ser auténticos tanto externa como internamente. Juan el Bautista tiene palabras especialmente fuertes para los escribas y fariseos. Viven vidas de observancias externas. También pasan sus días observando estrictamente la conducta de sus tribus judías. No son corruptos de corazón, pero carecen de un interior del que brotar buenos frutos. El externalismo es una religión falsa donde la observación es un espectáculo; está destinada a ser vista y admirada. Juan anuncia que está poniendo fin a tales pretensiones. En otras palabras, ¡no sean hipócritas religiosos!

Hay muchas actividades en diciembre.

8 de diciembre, Día de la Inmaculada Concepción

12 de diciembre, Día de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

19 de diciembre, Servicio Parroquial de Penitencia

El horario de misas estará disponible en el boletín de la próxima semana y en nuestro sitio web.

**Fondo de Desarrollo Diocesano (DDF2025)**

**Meta: 54,900**

Estamos a \$7432.00 de nuestra meta diocesana de \$54,900. Tendremos una segunda colecta el 28 y 29 para la campaña de desarrollo diocesano, se les agradece su apoyo continuo, pasemos la meta juntos!! Toda donación pasada la meta se queda en la parroquia para costos de mantenimiento y reparación, tenemos hasta fin de Diciembre.

**Donacion en linea**

**<https://osvhub.com/st-theresa-ps/funds>**



**Las lecturas de la semana del 7 de diciembre de 2025**

Domingo: Is 11, 1-10/Sal 71, 1-2. 7-8. 12-13. 17  
(ver 7)/Rom 15, 4-9/Mt 3, 1-12  
Lunes: Gn 3, 9-15. 20/Sal 97, 1. 2-3. 3-4/Ef 1, 3-6. 11-12/Lc 1, 26-38  
Martes: Is 40, 1-11/Sal 95, 1-2. 3 y 10. 11-12. 13/Mt 18, 12-14  
Miércoles: Is 40, 25-31/Sal 102, 1-2. 3-4. 8 y 10/Mt 11, 28-30  
Jueves: Is 41, 13-20/Sal 144, 1 y 9. 10-11. 12-13/Mt 11, 11-15  
Viernes: Eclo 24, 23-31/Gal 4, 4-7/Lc 1, 39-48  
Sábado: Eclo 48, 1-4. 9-11/Sal 79, 2 y 3. 15-16. 18-19/ Mt 17, 10-13  
Domingo siguiente: Is 35, 1-6. 10/Sal 145, 6-7. 8-9. 9-10 (ver Is 35, 4)/Sant 5, 7-10/Mt 11, 2-11





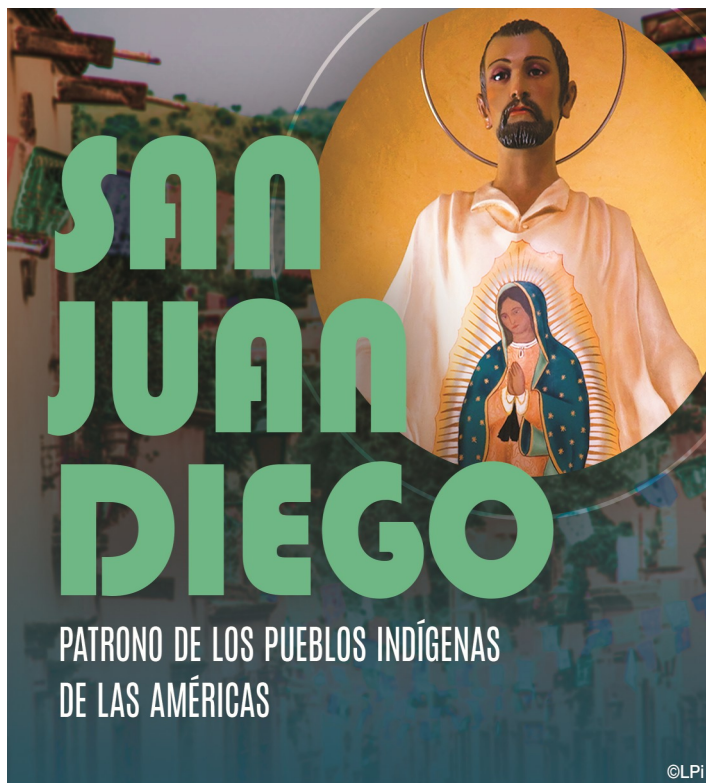
La replica de la Virgen de Guadalupe estara en nuestra parroquia Diciembre 1ro a el 13. La imagen de la Virgen de Guadalupe es una replica original de la Virgen de Virgen de Guadalupe es una replica original de la Basilica.

Acompañenos al rosario todas las tardes a las 7PM El 6 y 8 de diciembre el rosario se hara antes de la misa.



## INMACULADA CONCEPCIÓN

**OH MARÍA,  
SIN PECADO  
CONCEBIDA,  
RUEGA POR  
NOSOTROS QUE  
RECURRIMOS  
A VOS.**



## SAN JUAN DIEGO

PATRONO DE LOS PUEBLOS INDÍGENAS  
DE LAS AMÉRICAS



## Adviento Semana 2

### Oración para el Adviento - Paz

¡Ven, Señor Jesús!

Trae tu paz a nuestro mundo. Inspira la reconciliación, sana las divisiones, venda las heridas, reescribe los guiones. Tú eres el Príncipe de la Paz, lleva esa luz a cada espacio. Amén.

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**Saint Theresa Parish  
Year to Date Statement of Income and Expenses  
For the Four Months Ended October 31, 2025**

The following page is the Statement of Operating Income and Expenses for the first four months of our fiscal year ending on June 30, 2026. We had a one-time income item of \$13,213 which was the Federal Employee Retention Credit payment for the employee positions maintained during the Covid Epidemic. Contributions and donations had an increase of \$25,257 compared to the budget for the four months. The final empty position in the Parish office was filled on October 23. The first nearly four months of this fiscal year were without this expense. We are now once again fully staffed for the upcoming winter season. Beginning in December we will be producing a monthly accounting of the restricted revenue received from the activities of the 135 Ministry and the Columbarium Niche sales. We will also report monthly major repair and replacement expenditures paid for with these restricted revenues. We will also be reporting anticipated future major repairs and replacements. We know that we have over two million dollars in anticipated major repairs and replacements in the next three to ten years. We need the Columbarium to start producing a steady cash flow, augmented by the 135 Ministry's efforts, in order to have the funds to cover these anticipated expenditures. Please refer to these new financial information pages in the weekly Parish Bulletins for updates on this activity.

**Qualified Charitable Distributions / IRA Rollover**

You can make a donation to the Parish directly from your IRA. This type of donation is known as a "qualified charitable distribution". This allows individuals age 70 and ½ or older to authorize their IRA administrator to directly transfer up to \$100,000 annually from their IRA to the Parish, tax free. If you are age 73 or older, the amount you transfer can satisfy all or part of your required minimum distribution. Please contact your income tax professional.

**Gifts in a Will or Trust**

Making a legacy gift in your will or trust is one of the easiest ways to make a lasting impact for the Parish. Once you have provided for your loved ones, we hope you will consider making a gift to the Parish. Please contact your attorney concerning this in your will or trust.



**Saint Theresa Parish  
Operation Income and Expenses  
For the 4 Months Ending October 31, 2025**

	<u><b>Actual</b></u>	<u><b>Budget</b></u>
<b><u>Operation Revenue</u></b>		
Contributions and Donations	\$239,325	\$214,068
Fees and Fundraising	31,253	77,494
Investment Income	6,267	6,099
Federal Employee Retention Center	13,213	0
Other Income	3,078	2,000
Total Revenue	<u>293,136</u>	<u>299,661</u>
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>		
Salaries, Payroll Taxes and Benefits	124,876	168,217
Professional Fees	6,720	7,084
Program Expenses	7,779	5,000
Liturgical Expenses	10,935	5,806
General Aid	19,761	19,351
General and Administrative	13,445	12,890
Electricity	43,376	39,900
Property and Earthquake Insurance	0	0
Facilities Expense	46,434	52,431
Fundraising Expenses	7,218	300
Assessment Expense-Diocese	42,168	42,168
Total Expenses	<u>322,712</u>	<u>364,547</u>
Net Operating Income (loss)	<u>(\$29,576)</u>	<u>(\$54,866)</u>



### Prayer for Advent - Peace

Come, Lord Jesus!

Bring your peace to our world.

Inspire reconciliation, heal divisions,  
bind wounds, rewrite scripts.

You are the Prince of Peace,  
bring that light into every space.

Amen.

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### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

The Environment Committee are asking for volunteers to help decorate the church for Christmas. If you can help, please be in the church on Tuesday, Dec. 23rd from 9:00am until finished.

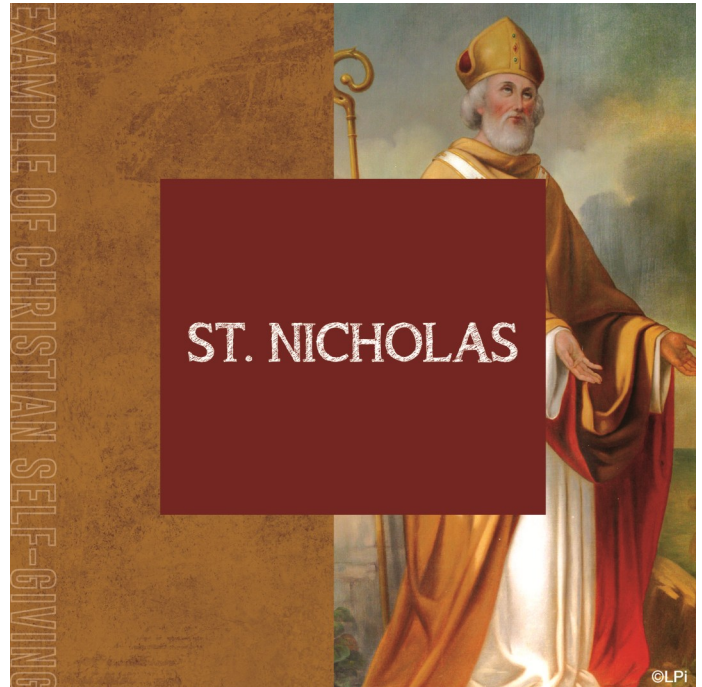
Thank you !!



### ¡¡SE NECESITAN VOLUNTARIOS!!

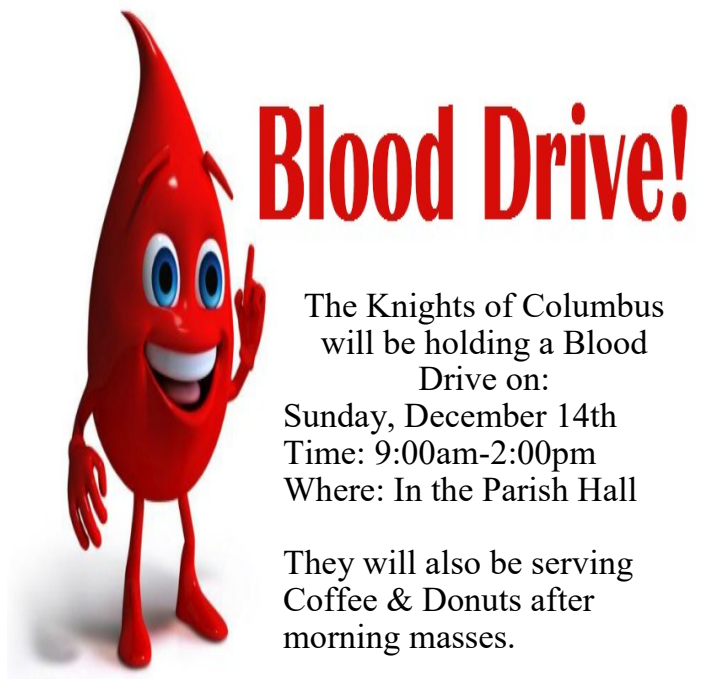
El Comité de Medio Ambiente está pidiendo voluntarios para ayudar a decorar la iglesia para Navidad. Si puede ayudar, por favor esté en la iglesia el Martes 23 de diciembre desde las 9:00 a. m. hasta que termine.

¡¡Gracias!!



### Devotions, Explained

St. Nicholas is sometimes merged with the modern figure of Santa Claus in the Collective imagination, But St. Nicholas was a real-life bishop, a follower of Jesus whose example of Christian self-giving endures hundreds of years after his death.





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**IS RETURNING!!!!**

**SAVE THE DATE....  
Friday, Jan. 9th**

**More details coming!**