

PARISH

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12TH

6:00 pm — Mass
7:00 pm — procession to the Grotto
7:30 pm — dances by the Matachines
8:30 pm — personal devotions



People are encouraged to bring flowers to be presented to Our Lady of Guadalupe at the Grotto.

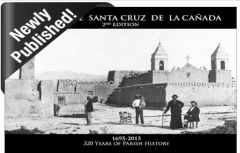
FAROLITO SALE: Contact a youth group member or stop by the parish office to purchase a farolito in memory of a loved one or for a special intention to be displayed for Christmas Eve. Farolitos are \$2.00. Thank you!



COLLECTION FOR	DECEMBER 2 & 3, 2023
Church Collection:	\$.....14,659.00
Building Fund:	\$.....999.00
School Fund:	\$.....500.00
Thanksgiving Collection:	\$.....35.00

LA IGLESIA DE SANTA CRUZ DE LA CAÑADA
2ND EDITION HISTORICAL BOOK

We are now making the historical books available at the church, school or parish office for any donation amount that you would like to give back to the church. A donation envelope is being provided for your convenience. All fundraisers currently being done by the church will all be going to support the cemetery project.



SANCTUARY & LINEN CLEANING

DECEMBER 2023

TEAM 10 — Josette Borrego - Olga Garcia
Jeannie Abeyta - Angela Sanchez
Evelia Gonzales - Griselda Garcia

PILGRIMAGES FOR VOCATIONS (MEN & WOMEN)

Registration is now open for the following:

May 11, 2024 and 100 mile
from June 2nd through 8th, 2024



Register at:

asfp4v.org by Tuesday, December 12, 2024

For more information, contact:

Vincent Trujillo at 505-927-0417, Carlos Trujillo at 505-927-1153 or Mary Cordova at 505-927-7434

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27TH

English at 6:30 pm in Church

Spanish at 6:30 pm in the Meeting Room

Call the office to pre-register.



MEETINGS FOR DECEMBER 2023



Altar & Rosary Society — Tuesday, December 19th
at 6:30 pm in Marian Hall

ACTS — Meeting on Wednesday, December 13th
at 6:30 pm in Marian Hall

Catholic Daughters — Monday, December 18th
6:00 pm Mass with Meeting at 6:45 pm in Meeting Room

St. Vincent de Paul — Thursdays, December 14th & 28th
at 6:00 pm in Meeting Room

POINT OF CONTACT FOR NEW MEMBERS
OF PARISH MINISTRIES

St. Vincent de Paul — Sylvia Williams at 692-9900

Homebound Ministry — Alice Lucero at 747-9176

Oasis of Peace Youth Group — Noelle Maestas at 901-1600

Altar & Rosary Society — Joyce Sandoval at 753-9418

Catholic Daughters — Robin Dominguez at 929-3844



Week of December 18th — 24th will be distributed on weekend of December 16th & 17th will be **transmitted on Monday 11th.**



The bulletin deadlines for the end of the year, is as follows:

Week of December 25th — 31st will be transmitted on Thursday, December 14th at 9:00 am

Week of January 1st — 7th, 2024 will be transmitted on Friday, December 15th at 9:00 am

Week of January 8th — 14th, 2024 will be transmitted on Thursday, December 21st at 10:00 am

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC SCHOOL — 753-4644

If you are interested or have any questions in regards to the School, contact Angela at the School Office.

Office hours Office hours are 8:00 am to 3:30 pm.

PRE—K TO 8TH GRADE: We continue to register and welcome new students to our school. 2023-2024 School Year.

The school is sponsoring a Christmas Fundraiser, with a variety of wooden (first or last name), Monograms. There is a 5.5" for \$10. and a 7.5" for \$15 in a choice of (birch, cherry, mahogany or walnut). All students are selling the ornaments. They may be placed on your Christmas tree, entry door to house, on a wreath or office. They are very attractive. To view more samples, you may stop by the school and parish office.



SchoolStore.com

ATTENTION ONLINE HOLIDAY SHOPPERS - Holy Cross Catholic School is **ONCE AGAIN PARTICIPATING** in a fundraiser through School Store. The school receives a percentage of your online purchases made through schoolstore.com. There are over four hundred vendors including Wal-Mart, Macy's, Tractor Supply and others to choose from. All you do is go online and type Schoolstore.com, enter the school's name "Holy Cross Catholic School", and click "Continue", choose merchants and start shopping.



The school is still **collecting aluminum cans.** You may bring your aluminum cans to the school office, anytime during school hours.

On Sunday, December 10th, Posadas are scheduled for La Plaza de Santa Fe at 5:00 pm. Parishioners are asked to be there by 4:00 pm. There will not be transportation from Santa Cruz.



SCHEDULE OF POSADAS

December 15	6:00 pm Mass then Posadas	Faith Formation	Marian Hall
December 16	5:30 pm Mass then Posadas	Catholic Daughters	Marian Hall
December 17*	6:00 pm Posadas <u>ONLY</u>	Hermanos de La Santisima Trinidad	Morada de S.T.
December 18	6:00 pm Mass then Posadas	Priests & Acolytes	Marian Hall
December 19	6:00 pm Mass then Posadas	Mayordomos of La Puebla	La Puebla Chapel
December 20	6:00 pm Mass then Posadas	Oasis of Peace Youth Group	Marian Hall
December 21	6:00 pm Mass then Posadas	Mayordomos of La Mesilla	La Mesilla Chapel
December 22	6:00 pm Mass then Posadas	Spanish Community	Marian Hall
December 23	6:00 pm Mass then Posadas	Hermanos de Nuestro Padre Jesús	Morada de S.C.

*On Sunday, December 17th we will meet at Morada de La Santisima Trinidad, (we assume you have attended an earlier Mass).

All those who are hosting the Posadas are responsible to find youth (preferably) to represent Joseph and Mary. They should be dressed in appropriate outfits and prepared.

This tradition originated in Mexico and has been observed in our parish since the 1970's, Devoted parishioners and musicians from our faith community have made it their mission to play the music, year-after-year for this special Novena, performing for over 45years. **PLEASE COME AND JOIN US FOR THIS BEAUTIFUL NOVENA!**

Unfortunately, this year we will sorely miss Jerry Alarid. He passed away in May of this year. He was a talented musician and played the harmonica and guitar expertly. His steadfast faith and humble, but yet powerful role as a quiet leader, was notable! He participated in Las Posadas since 1986 or earlier, without fail. With prayerful remembrance, we dedicate this year's Novena to Jerry Alarid, a faithful servant of the Lord.

RCIA We continue celebrating Advent in RCIA on Wednesday at 7 pm. We meet in the Religious Education Center to help those adults who wish to be baptized learn the Catholic faith. We also teach and prepare those who want to complete their sacraments of Confirmation and/or First Communion. RCIC is our session for Children ages 8-13 whose parents wish them to be baptized. RCIC meets on the same evening as RCIA.

Our teaching, *Advent, repentance, Mary Most Holy,* reveals the prophetic message, “*The Virgin Shall be with child and give birth to a son and they shall call him Emmanuel*” (Is 7:14). In fulfillment of the prophesy, Mary is favored. But she is more than highly favored . . . she had to have been in a state of sanctifying grace from the first moment of her existence for the angel to have called her “*full of grace.*” (This is the Church’s teaching of the Immaculate Conception of Mary). She is raised up by the power of the Holy Spirit and because she responded “**yes.**” She remained open to all that God was calling her to in her life. Her response to the Angel Gabriel is one of the most beautiful prayers of all time:

*My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
My spirit rejoices in God my Savior.
For he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blessed: - - -
The Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his name.
He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation.
He has shown the strength of his arm,
He has scattered the proud in their conceit.
He has cast down the might from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things and the rich he has sent away empty.
He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy.*




Through a young girl’s trust in God, the promise of Jesus—Emmanuel-God with us-becomes a reality. His work takes on human life. We are now at the moment of celebrating God’s presence within the human family. God is really **with us** as we live our day by day life working together, supporting each other, going against each other, stepping on each other’s toes . . . God is **with us** as he witnesses our acts of love and our lack of love.

What an awesome responsibility we have of living in the **presence of God!** We can imitate Mary who obediently accepted God’s call to fulfill our salvation.

NEW OFFICE HOURS The parish office will be open from **9:00 am until 4:00 pm.**

Confessions:
Saturdays 4:00 pm and by appointment

 **PRAYER LIST** — Small miracles born to addicts, the end to abortion, all persons suffering from any virus and all struggling with addictions. The Homebound, Elderly and their Caregivers. First Responders and Essential Workers. **Fr. Ron Carrillo, Fr. Luis Picazo, Sr. Thomas Estelle, Maria Plans,** Ronnie Lucero, Genaro Martinez, Penny Salazar, Charles Stover, Natividad Manzanares, Anna Verley, Louie, Helen, Pete & Lydia Fresquez, Treah Jaramillo, Gonzalo Medina, Paul Redman, Max Martinez, Diego, Michael & Judy Salazar, Angela, Steven & David Montoya, Gertrude Calvert, Eloy, Isaac & Noelle, Tracy Thomas, Elisa Valdez, Nelson Cournoyer, Emma Rose Valdez, Sherry, R. Baca, Divina Torres, Loretto Garcia, Zachary & Matthew Salazar, Patricia & Joshua Garduño, Yvonne, James & Antonio Salazar, Zulema Martinez, Thomas Martinez & Family, Debbie Montoya, Tim & Theodora Valdez, Ernie Medina, Marek Trujillo, Matthew Maestas, Kohen Roybal & Family, Debbie Gurule, Elmer Lucero Jr., Teofilo & Amelia Martinez, Matthew Montoya, Debbie Vigil, Leonard Chavez, Ryan Maestas, Maria Carmen Sandoval, Rita Porras, Jeanette Ramos, Isabel Torres, Judy Perez, Amy & son, Tony Sanchez, Silviano Quintana, Manuel Quintana, Alice Martinez, Carmela Martinez, Dawn Gallegos, Dollie, Sherry, Peggy Valdez, Nicholas J. Lopez, Armando Montoya, Fidel Duarte, Bryant Romero, Amiel Elizio, Daisy, Gladys, Nora Archuleta, Jacqueline Montoya, Anita Olivas, Andrea, Terrance Padilla, Terry Martinez, Tonita Chacon, Margie Martinez’ Family, Suzie Coriz, Charlotte Garcia, Fredrick Trujillo, Amanda Salazar-Gallegos, Armando (Hack) Lucero, John Arriola, D. Herrera, Carla Montoya, Kat Fishmen, Anthony Bustos, Eddie Pacheco, Judy Perez, Amy Sanchez, Stacia, Lillian Lucero-Montoya, Angela P. Trujillo, Mabel Jaramillo, Frances Hoover, Cynthia Martinez, Esther Velasquez, Dolores Martinez, Gary Archuleta, Estrella C., Celine Maestas, Gracelyn Danielle, Harold & Vangie Archuleta, John & Jordan Foster, Robert Olguin, Nichole Paña, Doris, Robert Griego, David Maestas & Suzan Roybal.

We pray for physical and spiritual healing and safety.

Saturday, December 16, 2023 Feast of Saint Joseph Manyanet
5:30 P.M. **Mass (church) — Live streamed followed by Posadas at Marian Hall — Catholic Daughters**
50th Wedding Anniversary for David & Joyce Deck
†Joseph, Roland & †Brandon Garcia by Mark, Angela & Girls
†Bernie Martinez (2yrs) by Pauline Martinez
†Paul Almanza & †Jesus Chavez by Anaya Family
†Remigio, †Diana & †Randy Martinez by Ofelia & Sons
†Carlos Roybal by Dennis & Karen Duran



Sunday, December 17, 2023 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
7:00 A.M. †Trinidad Vigil by Michael & Lucille Garcia
†Viola Roybal (6yrs) by the Family
†Evangeline Gallegos (birthday remembrance) & †Sherry Martinez by Liz
†Randy David Branch (birthday remembrance) by the Family
†Manuel Gomez by Edmund & Elena Gomez
8:30 A.M. **Transmisión en vivo**
†Lucas Randall intención Mama, Papa y Ana
†Emilio, †Rita Valdez intención Fred y Roberta Velarde
†Guadalupe Parra y †Josefina Estrada intención La Familia
†Valentine Montoya (recuerdo de cumpleaños), †Amy Vigil y †Matt Sisneros, Jr. intención Rose Montoya
†Phyllis Olivas, †Michelle Cota y †Florentina Olivas intención Richard Olivas
10:30 A.M. **Live streamed**
For the People of the Parish
Healing of the People & Land of our Community
†Flavio, †Nakita & †Reuel Garcia by Loretto Garcia & Family
†Nickolasa, †Domasio Espinoza & †Tomasita Martinez by Lovato Family
†Adela, †Ruben & †Celedonio Martinez by Lovato Family
†Jake Lucero by Johnny & Carol Alarid
†Verna Trujillo by Eluid Martinez
12:30 P.M. †Modesto Orlando Montoya (1yr) by the Family
†Fidel Alberico by the Family
†Solomon & †Kenny Jaramillo by the Family
†Verna Trujillo by Pres & Marie Garcia
†Jose D. Apodaca (birthday remembrance) & Wedding Anniv blessing to Jose D. & Connie Apodaca by the Family
6:00 P.M. **Posadas ONLY at Morada de La Santisima Trinidad — Hermanos**
7:00 P.M. Birthday blessing to Thomas (Tom) Sr., †Dolores & †Derick Velarde by Brian, Danette & Family
†Jose Espinoza & †Carmen Quintana by the Family
†Betty Espinoza (birthday remembrance) & †Joshua Chavez by Rosina Lopez & Family
†Fred & †Ann Salazar by Yolanda & Deanna Salazar
†Joy & †Cruz Salazar by Yolanda & Deanna Salazar



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT: Today’s second reading begins with a keen insight: “With the Lord one day is like a thousand years and a thousand years like one day” (2 Peter 3:8). Time is different for God. Seeing but a single day in every person’s life would take us a thousand years, but not God. Considering that the universe is billions of years old, for God the two thousand years since Jesus’ birth may seem like a day or two. As we prepare for the Lord’s coming, we ought to remember that God’s timetable is not our timetable. We should be patient. Israel had already been in exile for two long generations when Isaiah proclaimed that the glory of the Lord would be revealed. Be patient! Peter’s letter addressed people who thought that Christ’s return was delayed. Be patient! John promised “One mightier than I is coming” (Mark 1:7). Be patient! Two thousand years later, we may look around and also see depressing wastelands, imposing mountains, and rugged ways. But be patient! God’s time is not our time. Meanwhile, heed Isaiah’s and John’s command: Prepare the Lord’s way. Repent. Make straight his path. Their centuries-old words still ring true, as if it’s been only a couple of days.

How can you grow in patience as you await the Lord’s coming?





Monday, December 11, 2023 Saint Damasus I, Pope

7:00 A.M. †Cecilia Quintana-Olivas (anniv) by Naomi & Floyd
5:00 P.M. **Patriotic Rosary**
6:00 P.M. **Live streamed**
†Rosina Zarecor (6yrs), †Alfie Martinez & †Anita Aragon by the Family
†Nativida Montoya (birthday remembrance) by Randall Family
†Donovan Atencio by Alfred & Barbara Trujillo
†Vicentita (anniv), †James & †Paul by Victoria
†Frank Serrano, III



Tuesday, December 12, 2023 Our Lady of Guadalupe

7:00 A.M. Birthday blessing to Estevan Trujillo by Mom
In honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe by Liz
5:00 P.M. **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**
6:00 P.M. **Transmisión en vivo**
Familia, Padientes y Amigos, vivos y difuntos de Manuel y Erlinda Quintana
†Alice (recuerdo de cumpleaños) y †Lolo Maestas intención La Familia
†Elvira, †Henry y †Enrique Martinez intención Familia Martinez
†Hennie Cassel, †Flossie Ellington y †Elviria Gallegos intención Joe y Helen Martinez
†John David McVicker (3años) intención Leo Wink y Audrey Hargrove-Wink

Wednesday, December 13, 2023 Saint Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

7:00 A.M. Birthday blessing to Lori Nuanes by Cindy Lucier
5:15 P.M. **Latin Rosary**
6:00 P.M. **Live streamed**
Birthday blessing to Lori Nuanes by Cindy Lucier
†Ernie Maestas (3yrs) by Mary K. Maestas
†Alfonso Martinez by Irene Martinez
†David Velasquez by Darrell, Pam Vigil & Family
†Donovan Atencio by Iola Esquibel



Thursday, December 14, 2023 Saint John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church

7:00 A.M. Peace in the Middle East
6:00 P.M. **Live streamed**
†Izella (Pete) Bryant (birthday remembrance) by Leo Wink y Audrey Hargrove-Wink
†Donovan Atencio by Mary Esquibel

Friday, December 15, 2023

7:00 A.M. †Ida J. Neusch (birthday remembrance) by Leo Wink y Audrey Hargrove-Wink
†Monica Love (23yrs) by Chiello Family
†Julia Garcia by R.J. Pereyra
9:00 A.M. **Holy Cross Catholic School — Children’s Mass**
6:00 P.M. **Mass (church) — Live streamed followed by Posadas at Marian Hall — Faith Formation**
†Donovan Atencio by Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Trujillo & Family
†Fred Lovato (5yrs) by the Family
7:00 P.M. **Vespers/Visperas — La Puebla Chapel**

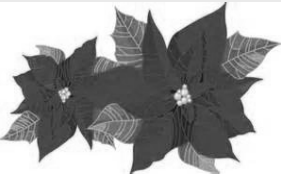


Saturday, December 16, 2023 Feast of Saint Joseph Manyanet

10:00 A.M. **Función — La Puebla Chapel**

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE — IGLESIA DE SANTA CRUZ DE LA CAÑADA

1st prize: Black Angus Steer 600 pounds all natural grass fed donated by Salazar Ranching
2nd prize: “Ray of Light” Quilt - (Queen) by Naomi Archuleta
3rd prize: Celebrating with Family & Friends donated by Chito & Geri
4th prize: Holy Cross Church Oil Painting by Juanito Roybal
5th prize: Taste of New Mexico donated by Chito & Geri
6th prize: Flaming Heart of Mary Staff made of cedar wood by Mark Chavez
7th prize: Cooking with Temp-tation donated by Chito & Geri
8th prize: Pottery Vase donated by Trujillo’s Weaving
9th prize: Pendleton Blanket & Décor donated by Chito & Geri
10th prize: Hand Carved Framed Mirror by Juanito Roybal
11th prize: My Little Red Truck donated by Chito & Geri
12th prize: Afghan by Rose Quintana
13th prize: 2nd Edition Historical Book of La Iglesia de Santa Cruz de La Cañada



\$5.00 donation — Drawing on Monday, December 18, 2023 after Posadas at Marian Hall

Tickets may be picked up at the Parish Office or on the bookshelf in the Church.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE: When the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to Juan Diego Cuauhtlatatzin on this date in 1531, she did more than ask him to build a church. She herself effectively built a bridge from the Old World to the New. Juan Diego was part of the Nahuatl, the indigenous people who lived in at part of the Aztec Empire. Only ten years earlier, the native people of Mexico had been conquered and subjugated by the Spanish, just as Native Americans farther north would be in the following century by other Europeans. But the Spanish also brought Christianity, and Juan Diego and his wife, Maria Lucia, were among the first natives to be baptized. When Mary appeared to him, she could have looked European. But she did not. Her complexion and her dress made her look like an Aztec princess. She could have spoken to Juan Diego in Spanish. But she did not. She spoke in his native Nahuatl language. Significantly, she appeared as a pregnant mother, ready to give birth to Christ in the New World in millennium and a half after she had given birth to Jesus in the old. Indeed, she is the Patroness of the Americas, for her appearance nearly five hundred years ago led to the birth of the Christian faith in a whole new world. **What does Mary’s embrace of other cultures and traditions in her first appearance in the Western Hemisphere mean to you?**



THE SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE

“In strengthening the priest you strengthen the whole Church . . . Strengthen the priest and you strengthen the whole foundation, you strengthen everything in the Church.” — Fr. Gerald Fitzgerald, S.P.

Would you like to pray one holy hour a week for Father Gabriel or Father Juan? “The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of a specific priest or bishop—a” holy wasting” (cf. Mt. 26:10) or lavishing of prayer for his deeper conformity to Christ.”

My name is Erika Pavon, I am a new parish member but have been part of the SSA for over 8 years. Please contact me at 952-240-5213 with questions and to join the Seven Sister Apostolate.



ANNUAL APPEAL FOR RETIRED RELIGIOUS

This weekend, December 9th & 10th we had the collection for Retired Religious Fund. The Retirement Fund for Retired Religious distributes basic, supplemental and special assistance retirement grants from the fund to religious institutes based on a formula and criteria approved by the conference of major superiors and bishops.



Thank you for being generous to those who have given a lifetime.