



# Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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**December 14, 2025**

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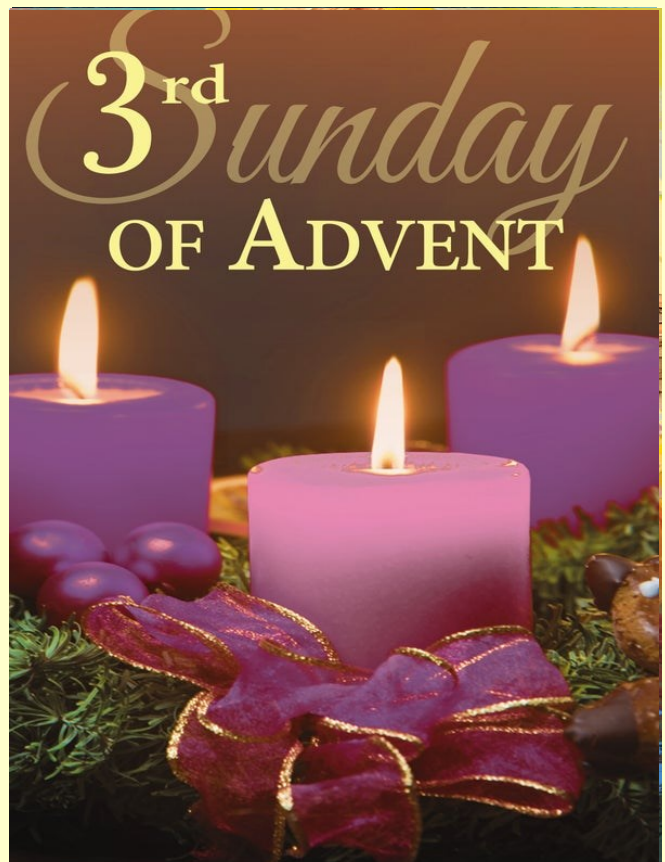
*Secretary/Receptionist:* Gina Agro  
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*Adm. Assist. (Spanish):* Patricia Mochizuki  
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## SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

*Principal:* Corinne King  
*Assistant Principal:* Kathy Romer

## MAINTENANCE

*Facilities:* Mario Lopez



## MASSES & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

8:30 AM Tammy Cunningham  
 11:00 AM Spiritual Welfare of Parish Community  
 1:30 PM Intentions from the Hispanic Community  
 5:00 PM William Clair

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 15

8:00 AM Toni Kennally

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

8:00 AM Clare Hutchinson Cochran

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17

8:00 AM Joyce Corbett

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18

8:00 AM Nora Jehn

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19

8:00 AM Robert Antoine Riols

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20

5:00 PM Toni Kennally

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21

8:30 AM Keith Jacumin  
 11:00 AM Lt. General Michael McGinty  
 1:30 PM Intentions from the Hispanic Community  
 5:00 PM Spiritual Welfare of Parish Community



## **WE WELCOME ALL NEWCOMERS AND VISITORS TO BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH.**

If you would like to register at Blessed Sacrament, registration forms are available at the back of the church, in the parish office, or you may register online at [blsac.org](http://blsac.org).

**BAPTISM:** Parents who wish to have their child/children baptized should contact the Parish Office. A preparatory class is mandatory for the proper formation of parents and godparents. You must be an active member at Blessed Sacrament Church (3 months minimum) in order to schedule a baptism.

**MARRIAGE:** Those wishing to enter into a sacramental marriage should contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to the intended date. You must be an active member at Blessed Sacrament Church (3 months minimum) in order to schedule a wedding.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION:** Preparations for the reception of these Sacraments are taken care of by the Office of Faith Formation. Please email [blsacfaithformation@gmail.com](mailto:blsacfaithformation@gmail.com).

**VISITING THE SICK:** Please inform the Parish Office should a relative/friend who is homebound/hospitalized need a pastoral visit or the Sacrament of Anointing. A priest will attend to the Sacrament.

Our Parish-established criteria is used to verify parishioner status for Weddings, Sacramental Preparation, Sponsor Certificates for Baptism and Confirmation, and to receive parishioner tuition rates at Catholic schools.



**THE HOMEBOUND AND HOSPITALIZED:** Below are the names of persons who are in need of special prayer. If you know of someone who should be included in this list, please call the Parish Office and let us know. *Please let us know when the persons listed are well again, so their names can be removed from the list. Some of the names, having been on the list for over a year, have been removed. Please let us know if your loved one's name should be reinstated.* Travis Biernacki, Scott Boinest, Sarah Burn, Pate Chapman, Margaret Clair Conti, Barbara DeWitt, Amelia Finley, Jeffrey Gogol, Sandra Gorman, Sissy Hall, Patricia Hiott, Barbara Jiles, Kitty Kinard, William Luckie, Jane Masciola, Joseph Masucci, Crissey Miller, Nadine Miller, Miriam Moya, Virginia (Ginger) Nadeau, Francis Nolen, Bob Poyer, Karen Raines, Caroline & Perry Reardon, Dorothy Reaves, Margaret Robinson, Teresa Scaffa, Jane Tezza, Tim Torongeau, Kathleen Weatherford, Amelia Wilson and Damian Wofford.

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday** Numbers (Numeros) 24:2-7, 15-17  
 Matthew (Mateo) 21:23-27  
**Tuesday** Zephaniah (Sofonias) 3:1-13  
 Matthew (Mateo) 21:28-32  
**Wednesday** Genesis (Genesis) 49:2-10  
 Matthew (Mateo) 1:1-17  
**Thursday** Jeremiah (Jeremias) 23:5-8  
 Matthew (Mateo) 1:18-25  
**Friday** Judges (Jueces) 13:2-7, 24-25  
 Luke (Lucas) 1:5-25  
**Saturday** Isaiah (Isaias) 7:10-14  
 Luke (Lucas) 1:26-38  
**Sunday** Isaiah (Isaias) 7:10-14  
 Matthew (Mateo) 1:18-24

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**CHECKS FOR THE PARISH LIFE CENTER** should be made payable to "Blessed Sacrament School." This check should not include donation amounts for other purposes. Thank you for your help.

**SANCTUARY LIGHTS:** We are thankful to Mrs. Matuskovic who makes a monthly donation for the sanctuary lamp in loving memory of her son, Deputy Sheriff Joseph J. Matuskovic.

The **SECOND COLLECTION** this Sunday is for the Retired Religious of our Diocese.

The **BLESSED SACRAMENT ALTAR GUILD** will be hosting a special **CHRISTMAS CLEANING** of the Sanctuary on Saturday, December 20, starting at 10:30 a.m. as we prepare for the Christmas Masses. All members of the Parish 18 years old or older are invited to join in as we make our Church Home ready for the Birth of Christ. Cleaning supplies are furnished, and you are welcome to leave whenever you need. Lite refreshments, seasonal music and great fellowship are waiting just for YOU!



## PARISH CALENDAR

### SUNDAY:

9:45 AM

December 14

Faith Formation - School

### MONDAY:

6:00 PM

7:30 PM

December 15

Women's Guild - Parish Hall

Spanish Adult Group - Parish Hall

### TUES:

6:30 PM

December 16

Baptism Prep Class - Parish Hall

### WED:

5:00 PM

6:00 PM

6:30 PM

December 17

Spanish Choir Practice - Church

Advent Penance Service

Spanish Youth Group - Parish Hall

### THURS:

6:30 PM

December 18

Books Change Lives - School

Choir Practice - Church

### FRIDAY:

December 19

### SATURDAY:

10:30 AM

December 20

Altar Guild - Church

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 PM (English)

Sundays 1:00—1:30 PM (Spanish)

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 12472 (BLESSED SACRAMENT CHARLESTON)



December 13: Nativity set-up in front of the church at 8am

December 21: Pancake Social in the Hall - 9:30am

December 28: Family Rosary before the 8:30am Mass

January 4: Coffee & Donut Social in the Hall - 9:30am

January 6: Membership Meeting in the Hall - 7pm

January 10: Highway clean-up at 8am in the parking lot. All are welcome. Trash bags and pickers are available.

Knight of the Month: Noel Young - Noel shows up for almost every event, most recently to help out with our Annual Charity Golf Tournament! He is a great example of putting others and our Council first. Thank you, Noel!

Family of the Month: Whitt Dunning Family - Whitt is a regular in the Adoration Chapel and the family is active with the School. Most recently, when one of our Brother Knights fell ill, Whitt and Kristin organized a "Meal Train" and helped with medical transportation. They are another great example for the Parish and our Council.

Charity of the Month: Abundantly More Children's Closet (\$500)

## **A "Registered and Active" family/individual is one who:**

1. Has been formally registered and is participating in the life of the Parish for at least 3 consecutive months.
2. Participates in Worship through **weekly attendance** at Weekend Masses.
3. Places **envelopes weekly** in the offertory, even if empty.

**An extended time with no activity will place a person or family on inactive status.**

- ~ If you give online, please turn in your empty envelopes weekly at Mass and check "I give online."
- ~ If you contribute periodically through the collection, please remember to put in envelopes weekly, even if empty.
- ~ Contributions in cash can only be considered when presented in the parish envelope.
- ~ Multiple envelopes put in at a weekend Mass will be considered participation for that one Mass.
- ~ Envelopes Dropped off or Mailed will not be considered participation at Mass.
- ~ Blank Green envelopes are available in the church if needed.

**Families must be Active Members for a child to be eligible to receive any Sacrament.**

**Families must be Active Members to receive reduced tuition rates at Blessed Sacrament School and Bishop England High School.**

*Active status must be maintained for families in the Schools and Sacramental Program.*

ONCE A CHILD FROM A PARISH FAMILY GRADUATES HIGH SCHOOL, WE ASK THAT HE/SHE  
REGISTERS INDIVIDUALLY AS AN ADULT MEMBER OF THE PARISH,  
AND WE ENCOURAGE HIM/HER  
TO PARTICIPATE AS FULLY ENGAGED STEWARDS OF THE PARISH.



## SILVER THREADS CORNER

(for our senior members)

### INSPIRING QUOTES FROM CATHOLIC SAINTS:

"The good Lord does not do things by halves; He always gives what we need. Let us then carry on bravely." (St. Rose Venerini)

"Lay all your cares about the future trustingly in God's hands, and let yourself be guided by the Lord just like a little child." (St. Edith Stein)



The Knights of Columbus will be making their **KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS CAR MAGNETS** available for a \$5 donation after Mass the last two weekends of Advent. All donations will go to local schools that work with the mentally challenged including St. John's Catholic School, Pattison's Academy and Bishop England H.S. Options Program. If you already have a magnet, please consider buying more or simply making a donation in support of this special ministry. Council 12472 greatly appreciates your generosity!



We are a multi-generational community of women supporting fellowship, charity and faith.

Meetings are held the third Monday of each Month at 6:00 pm in the Parish Hall

All are welcome!



## Peace and Joy



Blessed Sacrament Women's Guild is joining in the season of Advent to prepare for those in need. A tree is located in the church by the main doors with tags for gifts. Please consider taking a tag or two to help someone in need this Christmas. Please place wrapped gifts under the tree in the church by December 19<sup>th</sup>. For more information contact Arlene at 662-549-3825



**PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Our chapel is open Monday thru Friday from 7:30am to 3:30pm. If you can commit to giving one hour per week in our chapel, please call Patti at 843-901-9467 or Bob at 843-571-5941. **Current available hours are Monday:** 12 midnight-1am, 1am-2am; **Tuesday:** 2am-3am; **Wednesday:** 2am-3am, 3am-4am, 1pm-2pm, 11pm-12 midnight; **Friday:** 2am-3am, 3am-4am, 5am-6am, 4pm-5pm. If you would like to visit the chapel after hours, please call the parish office.(843-556-0801)



Registration is now open for **2026 CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER** weekends. All weekends are

at St. Mary Magdalene Church in Simpsonville, SC. The cost is \$160 per couple, and lodging is not provided. Please note: this year the weekends filled two months in advance. January 24-25 is a Spanish weekend, and all presentations will be in Spanish. English weekends are February 21-22, April 25-26, August 15-16, and November 14-15. Please go to our website to register for a weekend at [southcarolina.engagedencounter.com](http://southcarolina.engagedencounter.com). If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Bob & Mary Reimer at [southcarolinaregistration@engagedencounter.com](mailto:southcarolinaregistration@engagedencounter.com) or 864-420-2633.



**BISHOP ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL IS CURRENTLY ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS** for the 2026-2027 school year. If you would like your child to be considered in our first pool of applicants, please complete and submit the online application by 10am on December 19th. First pool testing for rising 9th and 10th grade students takes place on January 10, 2026. The link to register for the testing is active as well with the same deadline. For details, visit [www.behs.com](http://www.behs.com)>ADMISSIONS



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**Thank you Blessed Sacrament Founding Families  
for a wonderful event, *An Evening of Gratitude*,  
November 13<sup>th</sup> 2025**



## SAINT OF THE WEEK

### St. John of the Cross

Given Name:	Juan de Yepes y Álvarez
Chosen Names:	John of Matthias, & John of the Cross
Place of Birth:	Fontiveros, Old Castile, Spain
Period:	24 June 1542 – 14 December 1591
Place of Birth:	Fontiveros, Old Castile, Spain
Parents:	Gonzalo & Catalina
Beatification:	25 January 1675
Canonization:	27 December 1726
Doctor of the Church:	1926
Feast Day:	August 14
Patron of:	Spanish poets, mystics and contemplatives, etc.
Major Works:	Spiritual Canticle Dark Night of the Soul Ascent of Mount Carmel



John of the Cross is a Spanish Carmelite saint, mystic and doctor of the Church. He is also one of the best Spanish poets. He, along with St. Mother Teresa of Avila (a mystic poet and doctor of the Church), was responsible for the renovation of Carmelite monastic life. Their efforts to go back to the original Carmelite spirituality of penance, meditation, and prayer created tension with the powerful in their congregations, who wanted to lead a more comfortable life.

John was born into a 'New Christian Family' (a family that accepted the Catholic faith in the recent past). His father was rejected by his family for marrying an orphan. After their marriage in 1529, they had to work as weavers to survive. John's father died in 1545, when John was just three years old. In two years, he lost his elder brother, Luis. Catalina moved to Arévalo in 1548 and to Medina del Campo in 1551, in her search to find a job to protect John and his elder brother, Francisco.

In Medina, John started his schooling among poor children and orphans. During those days, he served as an Altar server. From 1559 to 1563, he studied humanities at a Jesuit school and worked at a hospital. In 1563, he joined the Carmelite Order and accepted the name John of St. Matthias. John got ordained in 1567, after successfully completing his Philosophical and Theological studies from the Salamanca University.

In a short while, John considered joining the Carthusian Order, in search of a more austere life, a solitary life that would help him pursue silent contemplation and a hard life. But his meeting with Teresa of Avila, a Carmelite nun, who was trying to reestablish the original Carmelite rule of 1209, changed everything. She was in Medina to establish the second of her new convents that followed the 'Primitive Carmelite Rule'. At Teresa's request, John put his plan on hold and started working with Teresa in August of 1568. Together with another friar, he started a monastery following the principles of Teresa. They started it in a derelict house donated to Teresa. On 28 November 1568, the monastery was established, and John assumed the new name: 'John of the Cross.' Within the next four years, he established two more monasteries that followed the original Carmelite Charism.



At the invitation of Teresa, John came to Avila in 1572 to become the confessor and spiritual director of Teresa and the other 130 nuns in the convent there, as well as a multitude of lay people in the town. The drawing of the crucifixion by John of the Cross was an image from a vision he had somewhere between 1574 and 1577.



The attempts at renovation created a lot of tension among the Spanish Carmelites. The Pope appointed Canonical Visitors from the Dominican Order to supervise the congregation and arrive at an amicable solution. The new dispensation was called Discalced Carmelites, as they went barefoot, or with open shoes, as they opted for a more austere life. Tension grew between the two factions, and in January 1576, John was detained in Medina del Campo by the traditional Carmelite friars. Although he was released at the intervention of the nuncio, things changed at the death of the nuncio on 18 June 1577.

John was once again caught and imprisoned in 1577. John was brought before a court of friars, accused of disobeying the ordinances of Piacenza. Despite his argument that he had not disobeyed the ordinances, he was sentenced to a term of imprisonment. He was jailed in a monastery where he was kept under a brutal regime that included public lashings before the community at least weekly, and severe isolation in a tiny, stifling cell measuring barely 10 by 6 feet. Except when rarely permitted an oil lamp, he had to stand on a bench to read his breviary by the light through the hole into the adjoining room. He had no change of clothing and a penitential diet of water, bread and scraps of salt fish. During his imprisonment, he composed a great part of his most famous poem, *Spiritual Canticle*, as well as a few shorter poems. The paper was passed to him by the friar who guarded his cell. He managed to escape eight months later, on 15 August 1578.

After being nursed back to health, first by Teresa's nuns in Toledo, and then during six weeks at the Hospital of Santa Cruz, John continued with the reforms. In October 1578 he joined a meeting at Almodóvar del Campo of reform supporters, better known as the Discalced Carmelites. There, in part as a result of the opposition faced from other Carmelites, they decided to request from the Pope their formal separation from the rest of the Carmelite order.

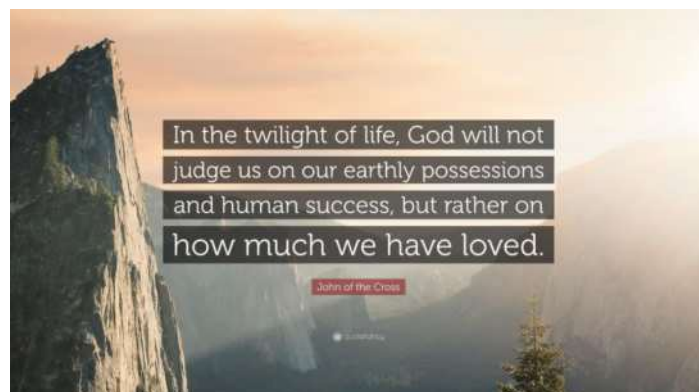
At that meeting, John was appointed superior of El Calvario, an isolated monastery of around thirty friars in the mountains about 6 miles away from Beas in Andalusia. During that time, he befriended the nun Ana de Jesús, superior of the Discalced nuns at Beas, through his visits to the town every Saturday. While at El Calvario, he composed the first version of his commentary on his poem *The Spiritual Canticle*, possibly at the request of the nuns in Beas.

In 1579, he moved to Baeza, a town of around 50,000 people, to serve as rector of a new college, the Colegio de San Basilio, for Discalced friars in Andalusia. It opened on 13 June 1579. He remained in post until 1582, spending much of his time as a spiritual director to the friars and townspeople.

1580 was a significant year in the resolution of disputes between the Carmelites. On 22 June, Pope Gregory XIII signed a decree, entitled *Pia Consideratione*, which authorized the separation of the old and the newly reformed, "Discalced" Carmelites. At the first General Chapter of the Discalced Carmelites, John of the Cross was elected one of the "Definitors" of the community and wrote a constitution for them.

In the following years, he helped found more convents and monasteries for the new Discalced Carmelites, meanwhile serving as the Councilor for the Vicar General of the congregation. Following some differences of opinion, he was removed from the post and was sent to a remote small monastery in La Peñuela in Andalusia. He fell ill there, and was taken to Úbeda for treatment. He passed away on 14 December 1591. He is considered one of the foremost poets in Spanish.

Courtesy: Wikipedia





#### OFICINA PARROQUIAL MINISTERIO HISPANO

Lunes, miércoles y jueves

9 a. m. - 12 p.m. y de 1 a 2 p. m.

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**Horario de Misas dominicales:** (Vigilia) Sábados : 5 p. m.

Domingos: Español: 1:30 p. m.

Inglés: sept.- mayo: 8:30am (9 a. m. en verano), 11 a. m. y 5 p.m.

**Misa Diaria:** Lunes a viernes 8 a.m. (inglés)

**Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento:** de lunes 5 a.m. a viernes 11:59p.m. (excepto Jueves y Viernes Santo)

**Sacramento de la Reconciliación**

Inglés: sábados, 3:30 - 4:30 p. m.

Español: domingos, 1:00- 1:15 p. m. *Excepto el último domingo de mes.*

**Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos**

Llamar a la oficina parroquial

#### **Conmemoraciones de la semana**

Domingo 14: **3.º Domingo de Adviento**

Lunes 15

Martes 16

Miércoles 17

Jueves 18

Viernes 19

Sábado 20

Domingo 21: **4.º Domingo de Adviento**

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#### **Meditación del Evangelio.** 14 de diciembre de 2025.

III Domingo de Adviento

¿Dónde está nuestra esperanza en este tercer domingo de Adviento?

¿En qué se basa nuestra alegría? Este domingo es llamado el domingo

de la alegría, porque ya estamos acercándonos a la Navidad. En latín

se conoce como Gaudete, que significa "alegría" o "regocíjense". El verdadero gozo consiste

en el nacimiento del Salvador, siendo este nacimiento la causa profunda de nuestra alegría. A

veces perdemos mucho tiempo en las tiendas, comprando regalos, sin siquiera darnos cuenta

de que el tiempo pasa y se va sin provecho alguno para nuestra alma. Miremos al cielo, de

donde nos llega la esperanza y la gracia. Ahí es donde está Dios.

El Evangelio nos narra que Juan estaba en la cárcel y quería saber si era verdad lo que había escuchado sobre Jesús. La respuesta para Juan fue la siguiente: "Vayan y cuéntenle a Juan lo que ustedes están viendo y oyendo: los ciegos ven, los cojos andan, los leprosos quedan limpios, los sordos oyen, los muertos resucitan, y una Buena Nueva llega a los pobres" (Mateo 11:5). Con esta respuesta, Juan quedó lleno de esperanza, seguro de que el Reino de Dios ya estaba presente.

Juan predicaba la conversión, un cambio de mentalidad radical, válido tanto entonces como ahora. Para nosotros, la venida del Salvador es un hecho seguro y esperanzador. Sin embargo, solo los pobres de espíritu logran visualizarlo en el horizonte de la Navidad.

Aguardemos con paciencia los regalos de la gracia de Dios: la paz y el amor entre nosotros, que tanto necesitamos. ¡Ven, Señor Jesús!

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## Adviento y Navidad en Blessed Sacrament

### Adviento

**CONFESIONES INDIVIDUALES (español): Domingos, 7, 14 y 21 de diciembre, 1 – 1:20 p. m.**

**CELEBRACIÓN COMUNITARIA DE LA PENITENCIA EN ADVIENTO: Miércoles, 17 de diciembre, 6.00 p.m.**  
(Sacerdotes invitados ayudarán en las confesiones individuales - español e inglés)

### Navidad

**La Natividad del Señor (día de precepto)**

**MISAS: Miércoles, 24 de diciembre, Noche de Navidad (vigilia)**

4:00 p. m., 6:30 p. m. (inglés). 8:30 P. M. (español)

**Jueves, 25 de diciembre, Día de Navidad**

10:00 a.m. (inglés)



**Solemnidad de Santa María Madre de Dios (día de precepto)**

**Jueves, 1.º de enero, MISA: 9.00 a.m. (inglés)**



### **Calendario 2025-2026**

Clases 1º – 8.º grado y de sacramentos

9:45 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.

#### Fechas del 14 de diciembre al 22 de marzo

**Diciembre 14** Clases

**Diciembre 21** *Lección en casa (no hay clases en la parroquia).*

**Diciembre 28** *No hay clases: Vacaciones por Navidad*

**Enero 4** Clases

**Enero 11** Clases

**Enero 18** *Lección en casa (no hay clases en la parroquia).*

**Enero 25** Clases

**Febrero 1.º** Clases

**Febrero 8** Clases

**Febrero 15** *Lección en casa (no hay clases en la parroquia).*

**Febrero 22** Clases

**Marzo 1** Clases

**Marzo 2** *Reunión de Padres: Primera Comunión, 6 pm – salón parroquial (inglés)*

**Marzo 8** *Reunión de Padres: Primera Comunión, 9:45 am – salón parroquial (español)*

**Marzo 15** Clases

**Marzo 22** *Lección en casa (no hay clases en la parroquia).*

## BLESSED SACRAMENT LES DA LA BIENVENIDA A TODAS LAS NUEVAS FAMILIAS Y VISITANTES

¿Le gustaría inscribirse en la Parroquia Católica Blessed Sacrament? El formulario para registrarse en la parroquia se encuentra en la entrada principal de la iglesia, en la oficina parroquial y también en el sitio de internet, [blsac.org](http://blsac.org).

### Celebración de Sacramentos

**Bautismo.** Los padres que deseen bautizar a sus hijos deben comunicarse con la oficina parroquial por lo menos 3 meses antes de la fecha estimada para informarse del proceso. Una sesión preparatoria es obligatoria para los padres y padrinos. A partir de 5 años, los niños deben prepararse en el programa de Formación en la Fe y los adultos a través del programa de Orden de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos. Interesados contactar la oficina parroquial.

**Matrimonio.** Aquellos con deseos de unirse en el Sacramento del Matrimonio deben llamar o venir a la oficina parroquial al menos seis meses antes de la fecha estimada de la ceremonia para comenzar los arreglos. Si ha estado casado anteriormente, le sugerimos iniciar más de un año antes si no ha obtenido una declaración de nulidad.

**Visita a los Enfermos.** Por favor, informe a la oficina parroquial si un familiar o amigo, que se encuentra hospitalizado o confinado en su casa, necesita una visita pastoral o el Sacramento de la Unción. Un sacerdote lo visitará para el sacramento y, en caso de ser necesario, dispondrá que se le lleve la Santa Comunión a su ser querido.

**Sagrada Primera Comunión y Confirmación.** La preparación para la recepción de estos sacramentos se lleva a cabo por el ministerio de la Formación en la Fe. La clase para adultos se ofrece a través del programa Orden de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos. Interesados contactar la oficina parroquial.

*Los sacramentos deben celebrarse en la parroquia donde se está inscrito. Aquellos que desean ser padrinos o desean recibir un sacramento deben solicitar una declaración que testifica el estado de Miembro Activo. No podemos emitir tal declaración si usted no es un miembro inscrito y activo de Blessed Sacrament. (Ver "Definición de Miembro Activo").*

## DEFINICIÓN DE MIEMBRO ACTIVO

**Una familia o un individuo son considerados "miembros inscritos y activos" cuando:**

1. Han estado inscritos formalmente en la parroquia por, al menos, tres meses.
2. Participan en el culto mediante la asistencia semanal a las Misas dominicales.
3. Colocan los sobres semanalmente en la cesta de la colecta en la Misa, aunque estén vacíos.

**Una familia sin actividad por un tiempo prolongado se interpreta como que la familia ha dejado de pertenecer a nuestra parroquia. Si está de vacaciones por un tiempo prolongado, por favor, notifíquenos, para mantener su estado activo; igualmente si es por enfermedad, y así, además, lo incluiremos en nuestras oraciones.**

- Si usted da su ofrenda en línea, por favor, en la Misa, entregue su sobre vacío. Asegúrese de haber marcado la casilla «I give online», previamente.
- Si usted contribuye ocasionalmente por medio de la colecta de la Misa, por favor, recuerde entregar su sobre semanalmente, aunque sea vacío, y marque la casilla «I attended Mass» que indica que asistió a Misa.
- Las contribuciones en efectivo solo se pueden tomar en cuenta cuando se colocan en la colecta dentro del sobre personalizado de la parroquia.
- Si coloca varios sobres en una Misa, estos se consideran como participación en esa única Misa, independientemente de las fechas que indiquen los sobres.
- Los sobres enviados a la oficina no se consideran como participación en la Misa.
- En la iglesia hay sobres disponibles para su uso, en caso de ser necesario. Estos tienen un borde verde.

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