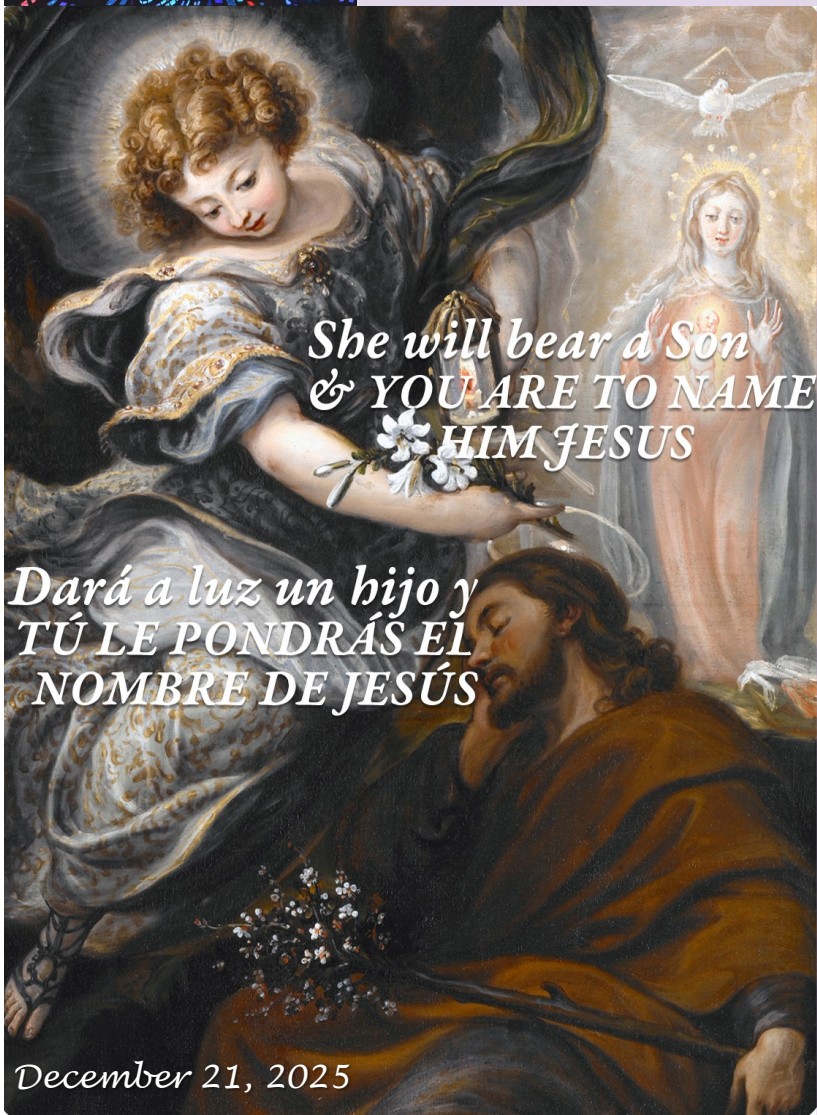


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*She will bear a Son
& YOU ARE TO NAME
HIM JESUS*

*Dará a luz un hijo y
TÚ LE PONDRÁS EL
NOMBRE DE JESÚS*

December 21, 2025

4th Sunday of Advent

"Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her."

- Matthew 1:20

IV Domingo de Adviento

"José, hijo de David, no dudes en recibir en tu casa a María, tu esposa, porque ella ha concebido por obra del Espíritu Santo."

- Mateo 1, 20

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Holy Masses:

Daily Mass: Monday to Saturday - 8:15 AM

Saturday - 5:30 PM (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday English Mass - 7:30 & 11:00 AM

Sunday Spanish Mass - 1:00 PM

The Holy Rosary is prayed before every Mass.

Confessions:

Saturday 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM (Anytime upon request)

Baptism: Second Saturday of every month.

Arrangements must be made at least one month in advance and complete Baptismal Class.

Marriage: Arrangements must be six months in advance.

Religious Education (C.C.D.)

Sundays - Sept. to May, 9:30 am to 10:45 am

December 21, 2025

On this last Sunday before Christmas, we see that Jesus' birth is the fulfillment of the promise of Emmanuel, meaning "God is with us." (Mt 1:23) The gospel refers to the first reading from Isaiah. There we see the king of Judah, Ahaz, is under attack by the kings of Aram and Israel. He wants to ask the Assyrians for help, instead of relying on God. That's why he says, "I will not tempt the Lord." (Is 7:12) He is afraid to admit his lack of faith. So the weakness of Ahaz gives us the wonderful prophecy of the birth of Jesus. Ahaz of course did not understand the full meaning of that prophecy. For him, the prophecy meant the destruction of Judah.

In the gospel, Joseph also does not understand how Mary was pregnant. But unlike Ahaz, Joseph did have faith in God and the message of the angel. He took Mary as his wife and helped her through her pregnancy and afterwards in raising Jesus. His faith in God kept Jesus from being murdered by Herod after the Magi's visit.

So now we have to choose who we rely on: Do I act like Ahaz, relying on the worldly powers, or like Joseph who trusted the Lord? I would like to say that I trust in the Lord only. But if I look at my actions and priorities, I might be more like Ahaz than I want to admit.

How much time do I spend watching television (especially now that it's in HD) compared to time in prayer? How much time do I spend reading the scriptures compared to the newspaper or magazines? How much do I spend on Christmas decorations or gifts for my family, compared to what I give to the Church? If I really believe that "God is with us," which is what Christmas is all about, how much of God can people see in my actions? Maybe if we kept in mind that promise that God IS with us, in the Baptism we received and the sacraments of the Church, and the love of our spouse or parents—we could see how close God really is and let others see in our actions, that Jesus is Emmanuel.

21 de diciembre de 2025

En este último domingo antes de Navidad, vemos que el nacimiento de Jesús es el cumplimiento de la promesa de Emmanuel, que significa "Dios con nosotros" (Mt 1,23). El Evangelio se refiere a la primera lectura de Isaías. Allí vemos que Ajaz, el rey de Judá, está siendo atacado por los reyes de Siria e Israel. Quiere pedir ayuda a los asirios, en lugar de confiar en Dios. Por eso dice: "No tentaré al Señor" (Is 7,12). Teme admitir su falta de fe. Así que, la debilidad de Ajaz nos da la maravillosa profecía del nacimiento de Jesús. Ajaz, por supuesto, no comprendió el significado completo de esa profecía. Para él, la profecía significaba la destrucción de Judá.

En el Evangelio, José tampoco entiende cómo María estaba embarazada. Pero a diferencia de Ajaz, José sí tenía fe en Dios y en el mensaje del ángel. Tomó a María por esposa y la ayudó durante su embarazo y después en la crianza de Jesús. Su fe en Dios evitó que Herodes asesinara a Jesús tras la visita de los Magos.

Así que ahora debemos elegir en quién confiamos: ¿Actúo como Ajaz, confiando en los poderes mundanos, o como José, que confió en el Señor? Me gustaría decir que confío solo en el Señor. Pero si analizo mis acciones y prioridades, podría parecerme más a Ajaz de lo que quiero admitir.

¿Cuánto tiempo dedico a ver la televisión (sobre todo ahora que está en HD) en comparación con el tiempo que dedico a la oración? ¿Cuánto tiempo dedico a leer las Escrituras en comparación con el periódico o las revistas? ¿Cuánto gasto en adornos o regalos navideños para mi familia en comparación con lo que doy a la Iglesia? Si realmente creo que "Dios está con nosotros", que es lo que realmente importa de la Navidad, ¿la gente puede ver a Dios en mis acciones?

Tal vez si tuviéramos presente esa promesa de que Dios ESTÁ con nosotros, en el Bautismo que recibimos y en los sacramentos de la Iglesia, y en el amor de nuestro esposo o nuestros padres, podríamos ver cuán cerca está Dios realmente y dejar que los demás vean en nuestras acciones que Jesús es Emmanuel.



DAY OF REFLECTION

JANUARY 10, 2026

9:00 AM—4:00PM

PARISH HALL

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

BRING A BROWN-BAG LUNCH

GUEST SPEAKER

DEACON MICHEL DuCHAUSSEE

Come and invite a friend

A NEW YEAR A NEW YOU

Christmas
Mass Schedule

Christmas Vigil Mass
12/24 | 5:30 PM English

Midnight Mass / Misa de Gallo
11:30 PM Christmas Carols
12:00 AM Bilingual Mass (English/Spanish)

Christmas Day
7:30 AM English
11:00 AM English
1:00 PM Español

New Year's
Mass Schedule

12/31 | 5:30 PM English
12/31 | 11:30 PM Adoration
12:00 AM Bilingual Mass
1/1/2026 7:30 AM English
11:00 AM English
1:00 PM Spanish

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 22 - 8:15 AM

+ Eliseo Meza Gutierrez - Family

Tuesday, December 23 - 8:15 AM

+ Eliseo Meza Gonzalez - Family

Wednesday, December 24 - 8:15 AM

+ Deacon Mitch - Abdallah Family

Wednesday, December 24 - 5:30 PM

- Blessings for Cheryl Knapp - Friends

Thursday, December 25 - 12:00 AM (Bilingual)

+ Kurt Knapp - Friends

7:30 AM

+ Paul LeGrande - Family

+ Ken Miller

- Laura & Harry Bloise

11:00 AM

+ Deceased Members of the Pais Family

- Thanksgiving from Lanny Pierre

- Blessings for Maniela Jean & Family

1:00 PM (Spanish)

+ Orquidia E. Cinta - Family

Friday, December 26 - 8:15 AM

- Adolfo Ayala & Sara Meza

Saturday, December 27 - 8:15 AM

+ Por the Soul of Mother Angelica

Saturday, December 27 - 5:30 PM

+ For the Soul of Salud Meza Gonzalez

Sunday, December 28

7:30 AM

+ Paul LeGrande - Family

11:00 AM

+ Val Pais

+ Claude Eligon - Family

- Thanksgiving from Larryssa Pierre

1:00 PM

+ Por el alma de Liliana Menéndez en su primer mes de fallecimiento

*** WEEKLY SCHEDULE ***

Monday:

*Spanish Legion of Mary at 7:00 pm, Chapel.

Wednesday:

*English Legion of Mary at 5:00 pm, Chapel

*Spanish Bible Study at 7:30 pm, Chapel.

Thursday:

*Living Water Charismatic Prayer Group 7:00 pm, Music Room

*Cenáculo a la Virgen Maria 7:00 pm delante de la Iglesia

*Cursillos de Cristiandad 8:00 pm, Capilla

*English Bible Study (zoom only) at 7:30 pm.

Saturday: (Third Saturday only)

*Novena to our Lady of Peñafrancia 9:30 am.

Please Pray For The Sick

Tom Mosley	Fr. Quilligan	Gina Whelan
Ann Sullivan	Beckie Walsh Almondovar	Lester Pais
Larry Sweeney	Chris Romanik	Nikki Williams
Socra Antenor	Carmel Edourd	Annette Fanning
John Fernandez	Mary Ann Torelli	Martha Montalvan
Alexander Godinez	Mary De Crane	Janemarie Moore
Kayode Aremu	Henry Gochenbach	Cira Debenedetti
Antonia Rodriguez	Gladys Venturi	Carlos Puentes
Juan Carlos Frias Lizama	Adolfo Ayala	Martha Fanning-O'Connor
Nuria Finch	Patty Velasco	Ligia Sciarrillo
Alejandro Balma	Mimi Garcia Prieto	Carmen Mejia
Roger Cino	Debbie Starnes	Nick Tisi
Liana Cortada	Frida & Ken Ellis	Claudette Morison
Maria Yazmin Rodriguez	Chantal Virgille	Fernando Zavaleta
Dorothy Velasco		

Dear Parishioners,

As we celebrate Christmas, let us do so with hope in His second coming as we pray for peace in the world. May every child experience joy and feel the love of God this Christmas. May you, my dear parishioners, enjoy this festive season with your loved ones.

I sincerely hope that this Christmas is filled with true joy and love. Please be assured of my prayers in gratitude for all of your gifts to Annunciation Church this Christmas.

Thank you, Jesus, for coming to be born in our hearts this Christmas. Stay with us and fill us with Your love and joy.

May the Lord bless us in the New Year 2026.

Queridos feligreses:

Al celebrar la Navidad, hagámoslo con esperanza en su segunda venida y en oración por la paz en el mundo. Que cada niño experimente alegría y sienta el amor de Dios esta Navidad. Que ustedes, mis queridos feligreses, disfruten esta temporada festiva junto a sus seres queridos.

Espero sinceramente que esta Navidad esté llena de verdadera alegría y amor. Les aseguro mis oraciones en gratitud por todos sus regalos a la Iglesia de la Anunciación esta Navidad.

Gracias, Jesús, por venir a nacer en nuestros corazones esta Navidad. Quédate con nosotros y llénanos con Tu amor y alegría.

Que el Señor nos bendiga en el nuevo año 2026.

Merry Christmas, Feliz Navidad,

Fr. John Juszczak

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Our weekly goal - \$5,000

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