

December 10, 2023

10 de Diciembre de 2023

SAINT ANNE CATHOLIC CHURCH IGLESIA DE SANTA ANA

Berryville, AR

Mass Schedule/ Horario de misas

Wednesday/Miercoles 6pm

Saturday/Sabado 8:30am

Sunday/Domingo

Mass in English 11:00am

Misa en español 1:00pm

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2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



"Prepare the way
of the Lord."
- Mk 1:3

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THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/ EL SACRAMENTO DE LA RECONCILIACION

is offered at 9:00 am after the Saturday morning Mass and during the Holy Hour on Wednesday evenings from 5:00-5:45 pm /se ofrece a las 9:00 am después de la misa del sábado por la mañana y durante la Hora Santa los miércoles por la tarde de 5:00 a 5:45pm

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Second Sunday of Advent

December 10, 2023

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.
— Ps: 85

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE
& INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

11am: +Chris Clifford, +Dominick Matt, +Zachary March & +Marissa Freeland
1pm: +Ignacio Sergio Cervantes & +Guillermina Romero

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11

9:00pm: +Demetria De La Cruz & +Maximino Piñon

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

NO MASS—5pm Reconciliation Service

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

8:30am: +Margaret Havens

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

11am: +Walter & Susan Whitehead
1pm: +Elva Gil

Nursing Home Gifts

We will be bringing our presents to the nursing home on Thursday, December 21st at 4pm. All are welcome to come and join in the festivities!



Decorate the Church

We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Thursday, December 14th from 4pm-7pm. We need strong bodies to bring the trees up from the basement. Calling All Youth!! Come on over after school!



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Please Pray For:

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Our Seminarians for the month of December, 2023

Chase Feltner

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**Ryan
Carlson**



Complete schedule for Our Lady of Guadalupe on Page 13/
Horario completo de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe
en la página 13.

St. John of the Cross

"Let us rejoice, O my Beloved!" December 14th is the feast of mystic, poet, and reformer, St. John of the Cross. St. Teresa of Avila enlisted his assistance in reforming the Carmelite order. The proposed reforms didn't go over well, and John was imprisoned. Rather than become discouraged or defiant, John turned to prayer. His time in prison resulted in some of the greatest mystical poetry the Church has seen. After his escape, his efforts were recognized and honored by the Carmelites. While he was appointed to the highest office in his order, dissension forced him into solitude again. Following Christ isn't always easy, nor will it always be received well by everyone around us. John of the Cross teaches us that these challenges can be opportunities to unite ourselves closer to Jesus.



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Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of December 10, 2023

Sunday:

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14
(8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

Monday:

Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/
Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday:

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

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:

Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday:

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16,
18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday:

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54
(Is 61:10b)/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

We like to think we are totally free, but the bitter truth is we simply are not. Or better put, our freedom is limited on every side — by governments, corporate giants, physical and mental frailties, genetic shortcomings, and even the boundaries of time and space, and above all, the burden of our sins and pending deaths. In our day, we are perhaps particularly aware that we are not free to disconnect from the technocratic rulers of the air. If you doubt me, try not paying your internet bill and see what happens. We are not totally free.

It's nothing new, of course. In Jesus' day, everyone felt the crushing weight of the Roman Empire. You can say you're free all you want. But try not paying your taxes to Rome and see what happens.

Once we feel this burden in our own lives — however it comes — we are ready to hear the stunning announcement that commences Mark's gospel, **“The beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.”** It's not a simple perfunctory introduction, but a dramatic announcement of new freedom. The word “gospel” was a political, even military, term. It meant: a great victory has been won and a new king is in charge. This Jesus — not the Roman emperor — is God's son, and he has defeated all that crushes human freedom. It's time to follow him and be truly free. This week let's refuse to submit our freedom to false rulers — especially that of sin. And let's rejoice that Christ is coming to make us perfectly free from all our oppressors.

— *Father John Muir*

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

A voice cries out:
In the desert prepare the way of the LORD!
Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God!
(Is 40:3)

Psalm:

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your
salvation. (Ps 85)

Second Reading:

We await new heavens and a new earth
in which righteousness dwells. (1 Pt 1:13)

Gospel:

John the Baptist appeared in the desert
proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the
forgiveness of sins. (Mk 16:4)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Christ is making a journey into each of our hearts
this Advent. Clear away whatever blocks his way.
Make straight the path. Invite him in.

Observances for the week of December 10, 2023

- Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Advent
- Monday:** St. Damasus I, Pope
- Tuesday:** Our Lady of Guadalupe
- Wednesday:** St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr
- Thursday:** St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church
- Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday of Advent



Saint of the week

Venerable Bishop Fulton John Sheen was a prominent American Catholic bishop, theologian, and media personality. Considered one of the first televangelists, his charisma and defense of the faith made him a household name for American Catholic families.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, source of all holiness, You raise up within the Church in every age men and women who serve with heroic love and dedication. You have blessed Your Church through the life and ministry of Your faithful servant, Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen. He has written and spoken well of Your Divine Son, Jesus Christ, and was a true instrument of the Holy Spirit in touching the hearts of countless people.

If it be according to Your will, for the honor and glory of the Most Holy Trinity and for the salvation of souls, we ask You to move the Church to proclaim him a saint. We ask this prayer through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

(Prayer Source: <https://celebratesheen.com/prayers-2/>)

Liturgical Life

Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb."

- Lk 1:41b-42

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading

The prophet Isaiah offers comfort and hope to the Israelites who were captive in Babylon in proclaiming that the glory of the Lord is returning to Israel. Do you have family or friends who could use words of encouragement from you?

Second Reading

Peter speaks of being at peace while we wait for the promise of new heavens and a new earth when Christ returns. What gives you peace of mind these days?

Gospel Reading

Fulfilling the prophecies of Isaiah, John the Baptist proclaimed the arrival of Jesus, "one mightier than I...(who) will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." Where do you sense the Holy Spirit present in your life?



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“ TRUST SHOWS THE WAY. ”

-ST. HILDEGARD OF BINGEN

Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

The World Is Pregnant

There is a character, Rose of Sharon, in John Steinbeck's *Grapes of Wrath* who is pregnant with her first child. As her impoverished family migrates from their native Oklahoma to California, Rose of Sharon's all-consuming preoccupation is her unborn child. Everything she eats, every drink she lets pass her lips, every action she takes — none of it is done without thought for the child that is still so small as to make his mother's expectancy barely discernible to the naked eye.

"For Rose of Sharon was pregnant," wrote Steinbeck. "And the world was pregnant to her."

It is the same for us Christians in the Advent season. We can feel a change coming, and the hope of this change consumes us. It shapes our actions and our plans, we feel it in our hearts and in our souls and in our limbs. From the food we eat to the clothing we wear to the words we use, the unseen Child lives and breathes and works in every small part of this blessed season.

Even the commercial clamor that is the secular "Christmas holiday" cannot fully distract us from the holy sense of anticipation we have. We are baptized, and so it is inside of us, this voice that cries out in the desert. When we hear it, we cannot help but listen.

The Virgin is pregnant, and the world is pregnant to us.

"We await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells." — 2 Peter 3:13

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

The Bible says that Jesus condemned gambling, but I notice that so many parishes have them at festivals and other events. What's correct?

Answer:

Although Jesus speaks of our relationship with material wealth and the very human struggle with greed, the gospels do not include any specific instructions related to gambling. At the same time, the Church is very sensitive to the needs of those who might struggle with an addiction to gambling, and pastoral care should always be offered to those who struggle with this reality in their life.

While it is true that many parish or school communities include gambling or games of chance in festivals and fundraisers (e.g. bingo, roulette, ring tossing, dunking booths, etc.), there is nothing inherently wrong these sorts of events, given they are played fairly and within the limits of reason are not morally objectionable. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us: "Games of chance (card games, etc.) or wagers are not in themselves contrary to justice. They become morally unacceptable when they deprive someone of what is necessary to provide for his needs and those of others" (no. 2413).

As in all things, moderation and a sense of healthy limits should be applied to gambling and games of chance. For those who find themselves living with addiction to gambling, help is available in various 12-step and addiction recovery programs.



PRAYERS IN THE PEW™

National Eucharistic Revival Supplement – December 2023

Dear brothers and sisters, during this Advent Season we walk with the Holy Family on their way to Bethlehem, and we pray that our Bishops' National Eucharistic Revival will bear abundant fruit in a greater devotion to Christ in His most Blessed Sacrament.



THE HOLY FAMILY FORMED THE EUCHARISTIC CHRIST

Eucharistic Saint



Good St. Joseph (1st Century). Except for the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph was the person who dwelt the longest time in the sacred Presence of Jesus. Not even the Apostles were as close to Jesus for so long. The profound effect of Jesus' Eucharistic Presence on Joseph transformed him from a mere carpenter into an architect of grace for all who turn to him for assistance.

Back to Basics

EUCCHARISTIC SPECIES: The word species is normally used in biology to mean the "form" or "type" of something. In sacramental theology we use the same word to indicate the two elements of the Eucharist. Jesus is fully present to us "under the species of bread" as well as "under the species of wine."



This allows us to receive Holy Communion under one form only (Host or Cup) because each species contains the *full Christ*, whole and complete, in every particle and in every drop.

"In the august sacrament of the holy Eucharist, after the consecration...our Lord Jesus Christ, true God and man, is truly, really, and substantially contained under the species of [the bread and wine]." (*Inaestimabile Donum*, Congregation for the Sacraments and Divine Worship, 1980, 1.)

Calls to Action



Formation – Joseph and Mary were responsible for communicating the religious values and customs of Israel to the Child Jesus. So parents must take an active teaching role in forming the values of the Catholic faith in the souls of their children.

Time – All significant human actions, whether woodworking, baking bread, or forming a soul, need time. During Advent, make sure to give generous time to the formation of children so that they understand the true gift of the Eucharist.

"Jesus has made Himself the Bread of Life to give us life. Night and day, He is there. If you really want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist. ~ St. Teresa of Calcutta

National Eucharistic Revival Resources

Make sure to keep up to date on the National Eucharistic Revival at the Bishops' central website: www.EucharisticRevival.org. For news on the upcoming Eucharistic Congress, please see www.eucharisticcongress.org. You can also get the *Eucharistic Revival Edition Prayer Cards* at www.SitStandKneel.com for great evangelization resources to spread the Eucharistic fire!

DECEMBER 2023

PRAYERS IN THE PEW™ MONTHLY

FAITH IN ACTION CALENDAR / HIGHLIGHTS

SUNDAY DECEMBER 3	The Season of Advent Begins
TUESDAY DECEMBER 12	Our Lady of Guadalupe
THURSDAY DECEMBER 28	Holy Innocents, Martyrs

Faith Formation Companion to Prayers in the Pew™

→ MONTHLY SYNOPSIS ←

December 2023 – Advent is a special season of anticipation. It comes with a call to shift our pre-occupation with material things to embrace more deeply the spirit of giving. The primary figure in Advent is Our Lady who receives the message of an angel with joy and changes the world by her selfless “Yes” to God’s plan.

THE GUARDIAN ANGEL PRAYER

The Church has always encouraged the faithful to pray the Guardian Angel Prayer to strengthen our spiritual relationship with our personal angel. The traditional Guardian Angel Prayer dates back to the 11th century – nearly a thousand years ago! A companion of St. Anselm of Canterbury, a Benedictine monk named Reginald, composed the prayer *Angele Dei* and added it to the writings of St. Anselm.

GUARDIAN ANGEL PRAYER

Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God’s love commits me here; Ever this day be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.

Note that the prayer outlines four duties of angels on our behalf. First, they enlighten us. Angels are great teachers! We often fail in the moral or spiritual life through lack of understanding. We should often ask our guardian angel for light from God to help us know His will, particularly when we are facing a big decision.



Second, our angels guard us, which is obvious from their name. While they do protect us from physical harm and accidents at times, that is not their main mission. Every guardian angel’s primary duty is to protect us from the greater spiritual dangers of demons and sin.

When we ask our guardian angels to “rule” us, we are asking them to help us form good habits in the moral and spiritual life so that we can live according to God’s law. Angels are often depicted as soldiers or warriors because they help us maintain a healthy spiritual discipline.

Finally, our Guardian Angels “guide” us on our journey of life, which reminds us of the way in which the Archangel Raphael guided Tobias on his journey in the Book of Tobit. Angels know the way to Heaven, and we should ask their help very day to get there!

SPIRITUAL CHALLENGE

This month’s challenge is to nurture devotion to your guardian angel and ask your angel for an increase of grace to live your Catholic faith more vitally, especially as we approach the holy feast days of Christmas. As we begin our new liturgical year, let us learn to trust our holy angel’s guidance in all things.

THE SCHOOL OF SAINTS



“Make friends with the angels, who though invisible are always with you. Often invoke them, constantly praise them, and make good use of their help and assistance in all your temporal and spiritual affairs.” ~ *Saint Francis de Sales*

“That God whom we desire to see and hold before us, is always ready to come to our assistance. Always faithful to his promises and seeing us fighting valiantly, he will send us his angels to sustain us in the trial.”

~ *St. Pio of Pietrelcina*

CATECHISM CONNECTION



336 From its beginning until death human life is surrounded by their watchful care and intercession. "Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life" (St. Basil). Already here on earth the Christian life shares by faith in the blessed company of angels and men united in God.

FAITH FUNDAMENTALS



Catechesis on God's Holy Angels

We live in an age of fascination with angels, but we must always remember that not all angels are good angels (2 Corinthians 11:14). So, to protect ourselves from false ideas and distortions about angels, we turn to the solid teaching of the Church:

They Are Pure Spirits

First of all, the Church recognizes that angels are purely spiritual beings, not composed of any material substance whatsoever, even though they can enter the material world and appear in human form. (It is said that St. John Bosco's guardian angel appeared to him as a large, grey dog!)

They Are Messengers

The name "angel" in both Hebrew and Greek means "messenger", which designates the primary function of angels. They communicate God's messages to humanity. We have only to think of the glorious Archangel, Gabriel, greeting the Blessed Virgin Mary at the Annunciation to see the most perfect example of an angel messenger.

They Are Missionaries

All angels are "sent" by God to perform some function or mission to human beings. In addition to being messengers, they are ambassadors, emissaries or actors in implementing God's will. In the Bible, angels free people from jail (Peter), direct the disciples to new missions (Paul), and even facilitate marriage (Tobias and Sarah), among other functions.

They Assist Us in Prayer

Finally, we must never forget that angels' primary task is to worship God. The Lord said that our angels "behold the face of God in heaven" (Matthew 18:10). Most powerfully, the Book of Revelation (8:3-4) shows an angel offering up the prayers of the faithful like incense that rises to God's throne.

CALENDAR OF FAITH | December

DEC 3 Sun	The Season of Advent Begins
DEC 4 Mon	St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor
DEC 7 Thu	St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor
DEC 8 Fri	SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY
DEC 9 Sat	St. Juan Diego, Confessor
DEC 11 Mon	St. Damasus I, Pope
DEC 12 Tue	Our Lady of Guadalupe
DEC 14 Thu	St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor
DEC 21 Thu	St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor
DEC 23 Sat	St. John Cantius, Priest
DEC 24 Sun	VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS
DEC 25 Mon	CHRISTMAS DAY
DEC 26 Tue	St. Stephen, First Martyr
DEC 27 Wed	St. John, Apostle and Evangelist
DEC 28 Thu	Holy Innocents, Martyrs
DEC 29 Fri	St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr
DEC 31 Sun	St. Sylvester, Pope
DEC 31 Sun	FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

BIBLE BASICS



Exodus 23:23.25 "My angel will go before you and... you shall serve the LORD, your God; then he will bless your food and drink, and I will remove sickness from your midst."

Matthew 18:10 "See that you do not look down on any of these little ones. For I tell you that their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father in heaven."

Praying with the National Eucharistic Revival

Act of Spiritual Communion – My Jesus, I believe that You are truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to possess You within my soul.

Since I am unable now to receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as being already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never, never permit me to be separated from You.

~ St. Alphonsus Liguori (1696-1787)

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**Horario Para la Fiesta de la Virgen de Guadalupe.
Diciembre 11 y 12 diciembre 2023**



12-11-2023

Maestra de ceremonias Imelda Niño/ Padre José
Las Mañanitas con Mariachi 07:00 pm – 08:00 pm

Reflexiones 08:00: pm – 8:30 pm

****Coro. 08:30 Pm – 08:50 pm ****

Misa y procesión 09:00 pm – 10:00 pm

DANZA 10:00 PM – 10: 30 Pm

Cena 10:00 pm 11:00 Pm

****Todos ayudamos a recoger. ****

DIA 12 -12 – 2023

ROSARIO 07: 00 Pm – 7:45 Pm

COMIDA 7:45 Pm – 9: 00 Pm

****Todos ayudamos a recoger. ****

Encargados de la Fiesta de la Virgen de Guadalupe 12-11-2023

Mañanitas con mariachi: Letty Hernández

Reflexiones: Miguel Y Marta preciado, José y Francisca Mangandi y Imelda Niño

Danza y procesión: y ofrendas: Humberto y Sonia Gómez

Misa: Padre José Archibong

Monaguillos: Noelia Moreno

Lectores: Maria del Carmen Trujillo

Ministros: Cecilia Pérez

Acomodadores: preparar el salón para la Misa y la cena: Lupe Uvieta

Cena: Silvia Campos

Día -12-12 -2023

Rosario: M Guadalupe Guerrero y Maria Arrizón

Comida para después del Rosario: Gema Rodríguez

Christmas Mass Schedule / Horario de Misas de Navidad



Fourth Sunday of Advent

(For Sunday Mass Obligation)

St. Elizabeth- 4pm @ Parish Center, Saturday 12/23

St. Anne- 8pm in English, Saturday 12/23

St. Anne-1pm Mass in Spanish, Sunday 12/24

Christmas Eve Vigil Masses- Sunday, 12/24

St. Elizabeth- 5pm @ Church

St. Anne- 7pm in English

Christmas Day- Monday, 12/25

St. Elizabeth- 8:30am @ Church

St. Anne- 11am in Spanish

Cuarto domingo de Adviento

(Para la obligación de misa dominical)

St. Elizabeth- 4pm en el Centro Parroquial, sábado 23/12

St. Anne- 8pm en inglés, sábado 23/12

Santa Ana-Misa de 1pm en español, domingo 24/12

Misas de Vigilia de Nochebuena - Domingo 24/12

Santa Isabel- 5pm @ Iglesia

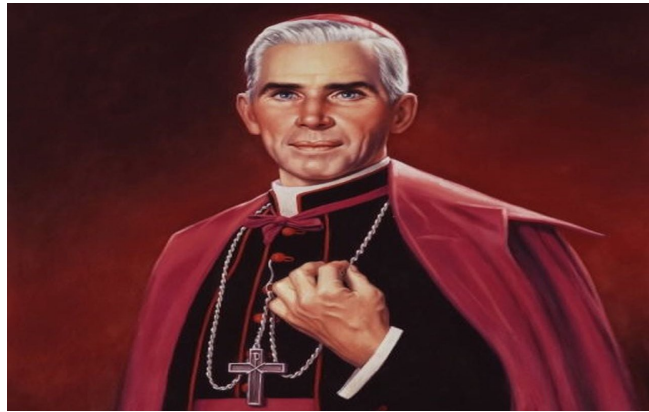
Santa Ana - 19:00 horas en inglés

Día de Navidad: lunes 25/12

Santa Isabel- 8:30 am @ Iglesia

Santa Ana- 11am en español

V. Fulton John Sheen



Venerable Bishop Fulton John Sheen was a prominent American Catholic bishop, theologian, and media personality. Considered one of the first televangelists, his charisma and defense of the faith made him a household name for American Catholic families.

Biography- Fulton John Sheen was born in El Paso, Illinois, on May 8, 1895. As a child, Sheen was known for his intelligence and his love of learning. He was also an active member of his church and embraced his faith at a young age.

In 1913, Sheen enrolled at St. Viator College in Bourbonnais, Illinois, where he studied philosophy and theology. He was ordained a priest in 1919 and began his ministry in Peoria, Illinois. Sheen quickly gained a reputation as an eloquent speaker and an effective evangelist. He easily connected with those he served, and people were drawn to his charisma.

From 1927 until 1950, Sheen served as a professor of theology and philosophy at The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. He also became a popular Catholic radio personality, hosting a weekly program called "The Catholic Hour." Sheen used his platform to promote Catholic teachings, defend the faith, and encourage others on their faith journey.

He continued to use the media to spread his message and, in 1951 he expanded into the world of television with a TV show he hosted called "Life is Worth Living." The show was a hit and helped to make Sheen a household name. It ran until 1957 making him one of the first televangelists. He also authored more than 70 books. His most famous work is "Life of Christ," a bestselling book that has been translated into multiple languages.

In 1966, Sheen was appointed bishop of Rochester, New York and, in 1969 he was made the archbishop of the titular see of Newport, Wales. During his time as a bishop, he hosted "The Fulton Sheen Program," was featured on the cover of Time Magazine, and won two Emmy Awards for Most Outstanding Television Personality.

Bishop Sheen died in 1979 at the age of 84 after enduring some years of health issues and surgeries. He passed while in prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament.

In 2012, Bishop Sheen's cause for sainthood was opened by the Catholic Church. In 2019, Pope Francis approved a miracle attributed to Sheen's intercession and he was declared Venerable.

Archbishop Fulton Sheen's life and work continue to inspire people around the world. His emphasis on the power of the media to spread the Gospel and his unwavering commitment to Catholicism have made him a beloved figure in the Church. In addition to his media work and writing, Sheen was known for his humility and his devotion to prayer. He once said, "The greatest love story of all time is contained in a tiny white host."

Prayer

Heavenly Father, source of all holiness, You raise up within the Church in every age men and women who serve with heroic love and dedication. You have blessed Your Church through the life and ministry of Your faithful servant, Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen. He has written and spoken well of Your Divine Son, Jesus Christ, and was a true instrument of the Holy Spirit in touching the hearts of countless people.

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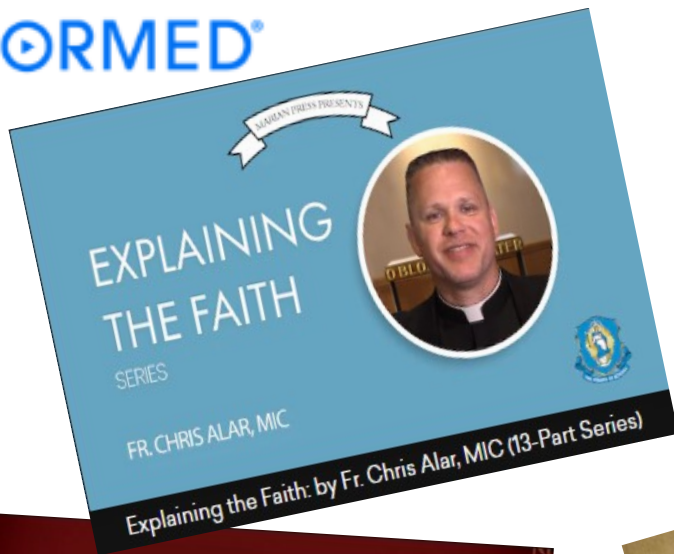
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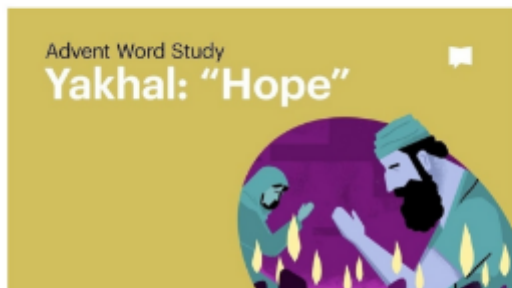
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