## DECEMBER 7, 2025

# 7 DICIEMBRE DE 2025

## 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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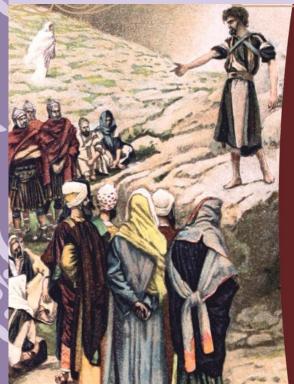
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 OF ADVENT

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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

# ADORACIÓN DEL SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO

is on every Wednesday at 5:00pm and every First Friday from 7pm to 8am the following morning. / es todos los miércoles a las 5:00 pm y el primer viernes de 7:00 pm a 8:00 am la mañana siguiente.

## SACRAMENTAL LIFE/VIDA SACRAMENTAL

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## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7

11am: +Chris Clifford, Edward & Violet Barrs
1pm: +Maximino Piñon

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 8

6pm: +Hal Hudgens

## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10

6pm: +Eric Grear

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11

9pm: +Demetria De La Cruz

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

8:30am: +Hal Hudgens

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

11am: +Frederick Becker Sr. & Margaret Havens
1pm: +Maria de Lourdes Murillo

## Gift of Giving

Please have you gifts for the nursing home turned in to the parish office by Friday, December 12th. We will be delivering the presents to the nursing home on Tuesday, December 16th at 4pm,Come and join us!





Sunday, December 7 Lector: Patty Clark Extraord. Ministers: Clarelyse Krajeski, Liz Clifford, Sommer Paine, Ron Eby

Sunday, December 8
Lector: Tim Dennis
Extraord. Ministers: Clarelyse Krajeski,
Ron Eby

Sunday, December 14
Lector: Connie Doss
Extraord. Ministers: Ron Eby, Sommer
Paine, Kathy Clark, Linda Roe



Our Parishioners: Ruben Rojas, Virginia Rojas, Regina Booth, Margaret Beltran, Isabel Rangel, Fred Becker, Adam Charles, Claudia Kerens, Ting Tuazon, Aurora Tuazon, Antonio Nino, Terry & Pat Dean, Roy Waller, Del Waller, Andrew Tovar, Mary Lou Fuller, Toni Meyers, Myrtle Tharp, Tiffany, Jesse, Bill & Faye McKee, Mataya and Rayland Winburn, Maya Tamayo, Maria Sandoval, Maria Welch, Cindy Mitchell, David, Jane & Monica Reuter, Denise Reuter, Rodriguez Family, Baldwin Family, Elver Morales, Sebastian Camarillo, Chris Jablonski, June Sawyer, David Ingram, Barbara Strain, Larry Miller, Kathy Owen, and Norma Miller.

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Christopher Elser

## **Decorate the Church**

We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Thursday, December 18th from 4pm -7pm. We need strong bodies to bring the trees up from the basement. Calling All Youth!! Come on over after school!

## **David Reuter's Recovery Journey**

As many of you may know, in October, David Reuter suffered a hemorrhagic stroke. He spent several days in Washington Regional in Fayetteville, then was transferred to Encompass Health Rehab where he worked on strength and mobility on his right side. David is now at home and going to Bentonville for PT twice a week and OT once a week. His recovery is expected to take 18 months to a year. Please pray for him, and if you would like to contribute to his "gofundme" account, use the following link Fundraiser for Jane Reuter by RACHAEL REUTER: Support David's Stroke Recovery





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Mass Schedule - Monday December 8th St. Elizabeth (Church): 8:30am St. Anne: 6pm



## **National Retirement Fund for Religious**

The Sunday, December 7th, the second collection is for the Retirement Fund for Re-



ligious to provide nursing care, medicine and other necessities to elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests in our country who have devoted their lives to helping others. In our diocese, the Benedictines of **Subiaco Abbey and the Discalced Car**melite Nuns of Little Rock receive

## **Weekly** Prayer

## **Sunday's Readings**

## **First Reading:**

The spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him:
a spirit of wisdom and of understanding,
a spirit of counsel and of strength,
a spirit of knowledge and of fear of the LORD. (Isa 11:2)

#### Psalm:

Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever. (Ps 72)

## **Second Reading:**

Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God. (Romans 15:7)

#### Gospel:

"I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I." (Mt 3:11)

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# Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The story of Advent is a story of repentance. John the Baptist held up a mirror to the chosen people. He urged them to look at what they saw there. This Advent, will we look in the mirror? Will we choose repentance?

# Observances for the week of December 7, 2025

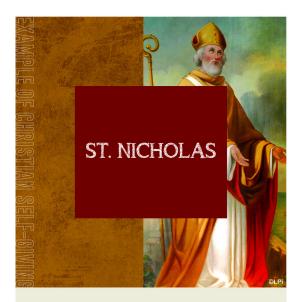
**Sunday:** 2nd Sunday of Advent

**Monday:** The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed

Virgin Mary

**Tuesday:** St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

Wednesday: Our Lady of Loreto
Thursday: St. Damasus I, Pope
Friday: Our Lady of Guadalupe
Saturday: St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr
Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent



## 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.

# 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.

## Worship & Meditation

# 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



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## **Gospel Meditation**

## **Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture**

This week we hear that John the Baptist is out in the wilderness eating "locusts and wild honey" (Mark 1:6). It's not just a strange historical detail. It's a symbolic expression of a healthy spiritual diet. The path to Christ includes both the hard and the beautiful, the gritty and the sweet. We have to learn to gulp the locusts and savor the honey.

I remember working with a young couple preparing for marriage. They were sincere, but raw — barely beginning to discover faith. Part of me wanted to rush them ahead, to fill in all the gaps, to bombard them with scripture and church documents. I swallowed that instinct. It was like eating locusts.

But I also recall them light up as they spoke about each other, about their first child, then their second. And they wanted to be close to God. Something innocent and beautiful was unfolding. That was the honey. I knew God was asking me to savor it.

This Advent, maybe we're each being invited to accept both locusts and honey. Maybe it's time to stop avoiding the difficult parts of faith — prayer that feels dry, the call to repentance, the patience with the troublesome. It's time to eat some locusts.

But we also need to notice the small gifts God gives us: a peaceful moment, a good conversation, the joy of serving someone else, new life, good intentions of our friends. That's the honey. Savor it!

John didn't avoid either. He took it all in. And so can we. What are your locusts? Your honey? If we let God feed us with both, we'll be ready — really ready — for the coming of Christ.

— Father John Muir

## **Liturgical** Life

John the Baptist appeared...saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" It was of him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said: A voice of one crying out in the desert, Prepare the way of the Lord.

- Mt 3:1a, 2-3b

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## **Questions of the Week**

**Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture** 

## First Reading:

Isaiah foresaw God's future when the world will be ruled by a new and ideal 'King David' ("a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse") and the earth will be filled with knowledge of the Lord. What do you hope for in your future?

## **Second Reading:**

Paul encouraged the community of believers in Rome to be in harmony with each other in thought and mind. Are there relationships in your life you consider to be harmonious?

## Gospel:

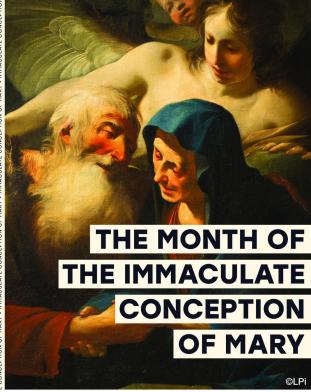
John the Baptist taught the people to prepare for the kingdom of heaven by repenting of sins and producing "good fruit." What could you do this second week of Advent to make a positive impact?



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## **Liturgical** Life

# CATHOLIC

**Mini Reflection:** It is so, so beautiful to be culturally Catholic. But actions, rituals, traditions, sentiments, nostalgia — none of it matters unless it bears the fruit of a transformed heart.

#### **Culturally Catholic**

Catholic culture is so thick, you could spread it on a scone. Or a baguette. Or a slice of ciabatta bread. Or naan (Wait, do you put butter on naan? I would, because I'm Midwestern, but I sense that this is, perhaps, incorrect).

Okay, maybe my comparison is imperfect, but what I'm saying is this: Catholic culture is delicious, it's versatile, and it's nourishing. It's the same everywhere, even though it also looks and feels totally unique in every place. The Day of the Dead in Mexico, Simbang Gabi in the Philippines, St. Patrick's Day in Ireland, Meskel in Ethiopia, Semana Santa processions in Spain: these are all touchstones of Catholic culture.

It is so, so beautiful to be culturally Catholic. But today, when I hear John the Baptist's words to the Pharisees and the Sadducees, I am reminded that Catholicism is so much more than just cultural expression.

The Pharisees and Sadducees were loyal sons of Abraham and scrupulous observers of the law of Moses. Their culture, you could say, was strong. But John the Baptist is telling them — and he's telling us — that culture isn't enough.

Actions, rituals, traditions, sentiments, nostalgia — none of it matters unless it bears the fruit of a transformed heart.

It's something to remember especially as we approach Christmas, a time when culture and cultural rituals become so (beautifully) prominent. In the cultural practice of Christmas, we are like the Wise Men approaching the manger, bearing our gifts. But how terrible would it have been if the wise men had hurried away, their culture expressed, their ritual complete, and gone back to the world unchanged by the gaze of the Infant?

So be culturally Catholic. Bring these gifts to the Christ Child — but linger there. Reflect. And then when you return to the world, you will bring Catholic culture with you.

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

# Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

#### Question:

I've heard people call Jesus' conception by the Holy Spirit being "immaculately conceived." Is that what the Immaculate Conception is?

#### **Answer:**

While these two events are often confused, they are not the same thing. We celebrated the conception of Jesus on March 25th, the feast of the Annunciation. While that was surely miraculous, it isn't what we refer to as the "immaculate conception." The Immaculate Conception is Mary's conception, and we typically celebrate it on December 8th. If the 8th happens to be a Sunday, the Church moves the feast to December 9th. It is a holy day of obligation. Why does the Church consider it so important to celebrate?

Mary's conception is immaculate because she was conceived without original sin. The angel Gabriel acknowledges this when he hails Mary as "full of grace" (Luke 1:28). Scripture scholars identify several theological ideas that confirm this. In the Old Testament, the sacred, pristine Ark of the Covenant held the presence of God. The presence of God is now held within a new "arc" — the womb of Mary. Genesis 3 also prophesies of a woman who would oppose the devil and whose child would crush the devil's head. Christ is the "New Adam." This passage sets up Mary, then, as the "New Eve." Jesus and Mary are the beginnings of a new creation, one we all can participate in through the grace of our baptism. After all, God's love is more "original" than our sin!

## Christmas Mass Schedule / Horario de Misas de Navidad



## Christmas Eve— Wednesday, 12/24

St. Elizabeth– 4pm @ the church St. Anne– 7pm, English

## Christmas Day— Thursday, 12/25

St. Elizabeth– 8:30am @ the church St. Anne– 11am, Spanish

## Mary Mother of God— Holy day of Obligation Wednesday, 12/31

St. Anne- 6pm

Thursday, 1/1

St. Elizabeth- 8:30am @ the church

## Nochebuena - Miercolés, 12/24

Santa Isabel- 4pm en la iglesia Santa Ana- 7pm, en inglés

## Día de Navidad— Jueves, 12/25

Santa Isabel- 8:30pm en la iglesia Santa Ana- 11am, en español

## María, Madre de Dios-Fiesta de Precepto

Miercolés, 12/31

Santa Ana- 6pm

Jueves, 1/1

Santa Isabel- 8:30am en la iglesia





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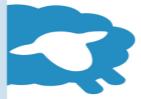
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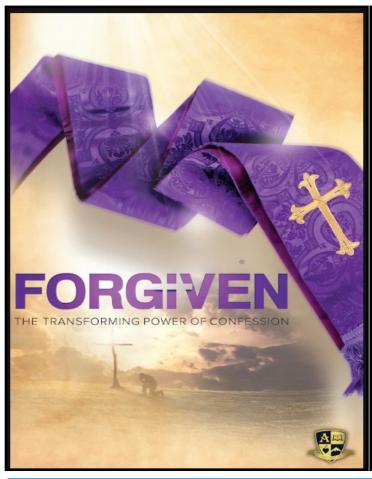


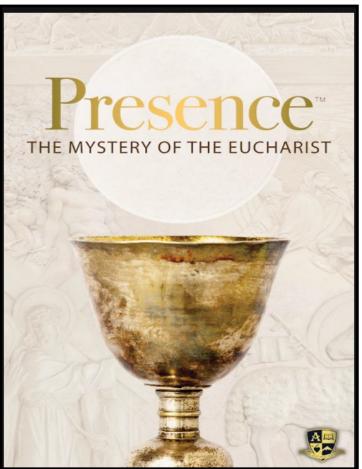


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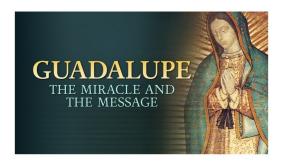
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Week of December 07, 2025



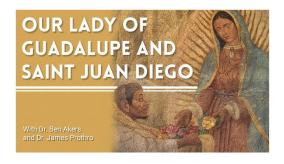
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