



IMMACULATE HEART OF *M*ARY

Parish Mission + Mision Parroquial

*With Mary, we seek to know Christ better and to make him better known through our words and actions.
Con María, deseamos conocer mejor a Cristo y darlo a conocer por medio de nuestras acciones y palabras.*

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT — DECEMBER 22, 2024



The Nativity of the Lord Jesus Christ
December 25 (Christmas)

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Dear families of the Immaculate Heart of Mary,
Throughout our lives, we retain the language and habits of our native region and family of origin. Should we return to our home after a long absence, we quickly revert to familiar speech and practices. Our deep memory is reflected in old stories and words and speech patterns. This familiarity runs like an underground river and accompanies us wherever we go. Not only do we remember, but we are also incorporated into and made part of a greater memory. In remembering and recollecting, we are in turn gathered up and re-collected.

Today we remember Mary, a small figure travelling the country roads to visit Elizabeth. All the great pronouncements and dreams of the prophets point to this time when the Lord's words to Mary would be gathered and fulfilled. The memories of her people are alive in her, and memories of her nourish our own living faith.

Our Advent time is ending, and, in a few days, we will be celebrating Christ's birth. This is a very joyous time in our faith and families. Please be sure to take a bulletin home with you to know the Mass schedules for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. The Parish Office will be closed from December 24-29. Also, the Chapel will be closed at the same time and there will be no Adoration on Thursday or Friday, December 26-27. Fr. Quang, Fr. Candelario, Fr. Huong, and the entire staff of IHM wish you a very blessed and Merry Christmas.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us.
Fr. Quang

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Queridas familias del Inmaculado Corazón de María,

En el curso de nuestra vida mantenemos el idioma y los hábitos de nuestra región nativa y familia de origen. Cuando retornamos a nuestro hogar tras una larga ausencia, rápidamente volvemos a su manera de hablar y a sus prácticas familiares. Nuestros profundos recuerdos se reflejan en viejas historias y palabras y en modos de conversar. Esta familiaridad corre como un río subterráneo y nos acompaña a donde sea que vayamos.

No solamente recordamos, sino que somos incorporados y formamos parte de una memoria más amplia. Cuando traemos recuerdos a la mente somos a la vez reunidos y recordados.

Hoy recordamos a María, una joven frágil, que recorre zonas rurales para visitar a Isabel. Todos los grandes pronunciamientos y sueños de los profetas apuntan a este tiempo en que deben cumplirse las palabras del Señor a María. Las memorias de su pueblo están vivas en ella, y esas memorias alimentan nuestra fe viva.

Nuestro tiempo de Adviento está terminando, y en pocos días estaremos celebrando el nacimiento de Cristo. Este es un tiempo muy alegre en nuestra fe y familias. Por favor asegúrense de llevar un boletín a casa para conocer los horarios de las Misas de Nochebuena y Navidad. La Oficina Parroquial estará cerrada del 24 al 29 de diciembre, la Capilla estará cerrada al mismo tiempo y no habrá Adoración el jueves ni el viernes, 26 y 27 de diciembre. El P. Quang, el P. Candelario, el P. Huong y todo el personal de IHM les desean una muy bendecida y Feliz Navidad.

Inmaculado Corazon de Maria , ruega por rnosotros.
Padre Quang

Weekday Masses/Misas Diarias

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:00AM (English) - Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 8:00AM (Bilingual)

Saturday Vigil Mass

5:00PM (English)

Sunday Mass/Domingo Misa

7:30AM (English) - 9:00AM (English) - 10:45AM (Español) - 12:30PM (English) - 2:00PM (Español)
5:00PM - Traditional Roman Rite (Latin)

Confessions

Tuesdays 6:00PM - 7:00PM & Saturdays 3:30PM - 4:30PM

**Regular
Mass
Schedule.
Holiday and
Feast Days
may be
different.**

Prayers & Weekly Scriptures/Oraciones y Lecturas de la Semana

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK INTENCIONES PARA MISAS DE LA SEMANA

Saturday, December 21st

6:00 am Legion de Maria - Special Intention
 8:00 am † Manuel Caldeira Noia
 5:00 pm Claire Murray and Family - Special Int.

Sunday, December 22nd

6:00 am Jed Golden
 7:30 am IHM Parishioners
 9:00 am † Alan Victor Dela Vega
 10:45 am † Maria de la Luz Villarreal
 12:30 pm † Irene Vega
 2:00 pm † Carmen Moreno
 5:00 pm † Eulogio Oseguera

Monday, December 23rd

6:00 am † Josefina Del Real
 8:00 am Nick Rodriguez - Special Intention

Tuesday, December 24th

6:00 am † Ronillia Borrromeo Donor
 8:00 am † Angelita, Whitey & Carol Morris
 5:00 pm IHM Parishioners
 7:00 pm IHM Parishioners
 9:00 pm IHM Parishioners
 11:59 pm IHM Parishioners

Wednesday, December 25th

7:30 am IHM Parishioners
 9:00 am IHM Parishioners
 10:45 am IHM Parishioners
 12:30 pm IHM Parishioners
 2:00 pm IHM Parishioners
 5:00 pm IHM Parishioners

Thursday, December 26th

8:00 am † Mary Valenzuela

Friday, December 27th

8:00 am Juan Rojo - Birthday

Saturday, December 28th

8:00 am † Julie Halpin

Sick Relatives & Friends Parientes y Amigos Enfermos

Lyndsey Burrow, Ryan McLeod, Ramon Antonio Toledo, Giselle Honore, Dawn Lanphere, Nicole Patiño-Patroni, Sue Menez, Solange Patiño-Patroni, Perry Brown, Bill Alden, Janet and Juan Esquivel, Bobby Agular, Norelle Factor, *** Juanito Igasan, Rita Nahm, Jack McLean, Eric Fresquez, Anna LaFollette, Larry North, Billie Cole, Jill Vance, Jodi Waters, Barbara Gluck, Christian Paul Pahilanga, Vincent Heitzmann, Sally Ann Thomas, Chaz Decoteau, Theresa Martin, Naiee Ellis, Aurora Bean, Linda, Carmen Rogers, Armando Sosa, Nancy Cristian Berry, Armando Aguirre, Aaron Salazar, ** Terrie Lastimoza, John and Margaret Plate, Claire Murray, Noreen Pitta, Wha Soon Ju, Maya Lowen, Gloria Almeida, Baby Amelio, Julian Assange, Jesus Flores, Alberto Matias, Esperanza Alarcon, ** Ramon Hernandez, Norelle Factor, Bobby Rios, Rosa Chavez, Robert Ramos, Shannon Morton, ** Diana Cristal Ramirez, Ely Jingco, Editha Leon, Maria de la Luz Vargas, John Ah Lan, Paulette Smith, Leon Dominguez, Sylvia and Jesus Farias, Jacqueline Esquivel, Arlena Araujo, ** Joseph Patrick Mahoney, Carol Yates, Sandy Atilano, Amante Asuncion, Norma Castro, Maria Mercado, Princess Roberts, Fred Saavedra, Lisa Gonzales, Manuel Gonzales, Georgia Thompson, Elsie Smith, ** Steve Silver, Silvia Sotelo, Nicole Dupree, Pierre Aflatue, ** Jeffery and Melanie Anadon, Jim Huckstein, Freddy Pereira, Irma Padilla, Rosa Gonzalez, Jerry Rogers, Linda Garcia, Gracia Heitzmann, Virginia Santos, Marissa Magno, John Till, Antonio Igasan, George Zanarini, Linda Elston, Lilia Tirado ** Amaya Inciong, Fil Abad, Paul Calhoun, Carolyn Daddona, Marla Astudillo, ** Nancy Anaicama, Joaquin Chavez, Benjamin Castro, Jr., Chris Heuer, Mary Pelayo, Linda Garcia, Noel Jennings, Connie Vasquez, Steve Cragle, Tom Kane, Alfonso Dollente.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Monday: 199: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24 Ps 25:4-5b, 8-10, 14
Lk 1:57-66

Tuesday: 200: 2 Sm 7:1-5 8b-12, 14a, 16
Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29 Lk 1:67-79

Tuesday: Christmas Vigil
14: Is 9:1-6 Ps 96:1-3, 11-13
Ti 2:11-14 Jn 1:1-18

Wednesday: 16: Is 52:7-10 Ps 98:1-6
Heb 1:1-6 Jn 1:1-18

Thursday: 696: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59 Ps 31:3c-4, 6,
8a, 16b-17 Mt 10:17-22

Friday: 697: 1 Jn 1:1-4 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6,
11-12 Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Saturday: 698: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2 Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8
Mt 2:13-18


Sunday: 17: Sir 3:2-6, 12-4 Ps 128:1-5
Col 3:12-21 Lk 2:41-52



Entrance Hymn

O Come, O Come Emmanuel
VENI VENI EMMANUEL

Verses



1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And
 2. O come, Thou Wis - dom from on high, Who
 3. O come, O come, Thou Lord of might, Who
 4. O come, Thou Rod of Jes - se's stem, From
 5. O come, Thou Key of Da - vid, come, And
 6. O come, Thou Day - spring from on high And
 7. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind In

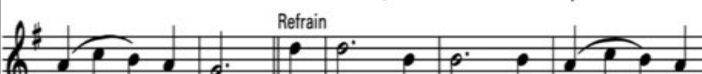


1. ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el, That mourns in
 2. or - d' rest all things might - i - ly; To us the
 3. to thy tribes on Si - nai's height In an - cient
 4. ev - 'ry foe de - liv - er them That trust thy
 5. o - pen wide our heav - 'nly home; Make safe the
 6. cheer us by thy draw - ing nigh; Dis - perse the
 7. one the hearts of all hu - man - kind; Bid thou our




1. lone - ly ex - ile here Un - til the Son of
 2. path of knowl - edge show, And teach us in her
 3. times didst give the law, In cloud and maj - es -
 4. might - y pow'r to save, And give them vic - t'ry
 5. way that leads on high, And close the path to
 6. gloom - y clouds of night, And death's dark shad - ow
 7. sad di - vi - sions cease, And be thy - self our

Refrain




1. God ap - pear. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em - man - u -
 2. ways to go.
 3. ty and awe.
 4. o'er the grave.
 5. mis - er - y.
 6. put to flight.
 7. Prince of Peace.



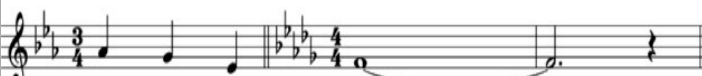
el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 80 • Marty Haugen



Lord, make us turn to you, show us your face, and



we shall be saved.

1. Shepherd of Israel, hearken from your throne and shine forth, Oh rouse your power, and come to save us.
2. We are your chosen vine, only by your care do we live, reach out your hand, Oh Lord, unto your people.
3. If you will dwell with us, we shall live a new in your love, Oh shine upon us, great Lord of life.

Gospel Acclamation

Mass of Wisdom



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord /
 be it done to me according to your word R.*



Preparation of the Gifts As a Star on Cloudless Evenings
 Skinner Chavez-Melo

As a star on cloudless evenings
 will with greater brilliance shine,
 so resplendent was the maiden
 chosen for the Lord's design:
 Fairest rose in all earth's garden,
 blooming on a thorny vine,
 Virgin Mother, pure of spirit,
 sprung from David's royal line.

When the angel spoke to Mary,
 his good news brought great delight
 He foretold the light's appearance
 when but half-spent was the night.

It was God's only begotten,
 the Creator's gift supreme:
 Jesus Christ, the Word Incarnate,
 sent to comfort and redeem.

From the stable to the hillside,
 Mary's faith would never dim,
 in her tears and in her laughter,
 she had pledged her life to Him.
 As we celebrate her gladness,
 we recall her deepest pain,
 tender and unselfish mother
 of the world's most precious gain.

To the Father, Son, and Spirit,
 glory, honor, thanks, and praise,
 as it was in the beginning
 and shall be for endless days.
 Let our prayers rise up like incense
 to the triune God adored,
 joining with the song of Mary
 as we magnify the Lord.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Mass of Wisdom

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of Hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

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Memorial Acclamation

Mass of Wisdom

We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection
until you come again.

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Great Amen

Mass of Wisdom

Amen, Amen, Amen.
Amen, Amen, Amen.

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Lamb of God

Mass of Wisdom

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

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have mercy on us.

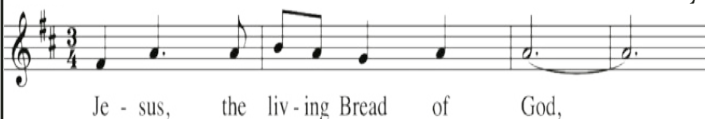
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

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Communion Hymn

The Living Bread of God

Kate Cuddy



1. You are the bread of life.
If we come to you, we will never be in need.
If we believe in you, we will never thirst, and we will live for ever.
2. You are the life of the world.
If we come to you, we will never know death.
If we eat of this bread, we will be renewed, and we will live for ever.
3. You are the living bread,
our bread from heaven, our food from above.
If we eat and drink, we will be like you, and we will live for ever.

Come Thou Redeemer of the Earth

VENI REDEMPTOR GENIUM

1. Come, thou, Redeemer of the earth,
and manifest thy virgin birth.
Let every age adoring fall;
such birth befits the God of all.
2. Begotten of no human will,
but of the Spirit, thou art still
the Word of God, in flesh arrayed,
the Savior now to man displayed.
3. From God the Father he proceeds,
to God the Father back he speeds,
runs out his course to death and hell,
returns on God's high throne to dwell.
4. O equal to the Father, thou!
Gird on thy fleshly mantle now;
the weakness of our mortal state
with deathless might invigorate.
5. Thy cradle here shall glitter bright,
and darkness glow with newborn light,
no more shall night extinguish day,
where love's bright beams their power display.
6. O Jesus, Virgin-born,
to thee eternal praise and glory be,
whom with the Father we adore,
and Holy Ghost, forevermore.

Text: St. Ambrose of Milan (c. 340-397), JM Neale (1818-1866)
Music: VENI REDEMPTOR GENIUM, Michael Praetorius 1571-1621.

Holy Mary, Revealing Your Son

Ricky Manalo, CSP

Recessional Hymn

Immaculate Mary

LOURDES HYMN



1. Im - mac - u - late Mar - y, your prais - es we sing;
2. Pre - des - tined for Christ by e - ter - nal de - cree,
3. To you by an an - gel, the Lord God made known
4. Most blest of all wom - en, you heard and be - lieved;
5. The an - gels re - joiced when you brought forth God's Son;



You reign now in splen - dor with Je - sus our King.
God willed you both vir - gin and moth - er to be.
The grace of the Spir - it, the gift of the Son.
Most blest is the fruit of your womb then con - ceived.
Your joy is the joy of all a - ges to come.



Entrada**Oh Ven, Oh Ven, Emmanuel**

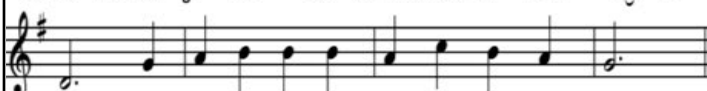
Tradicional de Francia



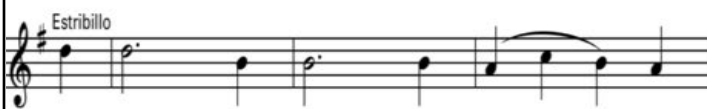
- Estrofas
1. Oh ven, oh ven, Em - ma - nu - el, Que das la ley y
 2. Oh ven, Sa - bi - du - rí - a de Dios, Sa - li - da de la
 3. Oh ven, Se - ñor del pue - blo de Is - ra - el, Que en zar - za ar - dien - te ha -
 4. Oh ven, Ra - iz del Tron - co de Je - sé, Al - za - do co - mo
 5. Oh ven, oh ven, oh Lla - ve de Da - vid Y ce - tro de la
 6. Oh ven, O - rien - te, luz y res - plan - dor, Sol de jus - ti - cia
 7. Oh ven, de las na - cio - nes tú e - res Rey, Y de la I - gle - sia,



1. e - res nues - tro Rey. Ven, Es - pe - ra - do, ven, Re - den -
2. bo - ca del Se - ñor, Que or - de - nas con fir - me - za y sua - vi -
3. blas - te con Moi - sés, Y en Si - na - í le dis - te la
4. sig - no sal - va - dor. A Ti los pue - blos cla - man, Se -
5. ca - sa de Is - ra - el. De las ti - nie - blas y es - cla - vi -
6. e - res tú, Se - ñor. Ven e j - lu - mi - na la os - cu - ri -
7. Pie - dra an - gu - lar. Del ba - rro nos for - mas - te u - na



1. tor, Ven a tu pue - blo, Dios y Sal - va - dor.
2. dad, Y con pru - den - cia guí - as nues - tro an - dar.
3. ley. Oh, ven y lí - bra - nos con tu pó - der.
4. ñor. Ven a li - brar - nos, ya no tar - des más.
5. tud Li - be - ra a los cau - ti - vos con tu luz.
6. dad. Li - bé - ra - nos de la som - bra mor - tal.
7. vez. Oh, ven a res - ca - tar la hu - ma - ni - dad.



¡A - lé - gra - te, oh Is - ra -



el! ¡Ven - drá, ven - drá Em - ma - nu - el!

Salmo Responsorial

Salmo 80 • Tony Alonso



Oh Dios, res - táu - ra - nos, que bri - lle tu ros - tro y nos sal - ve.

Pastor de Israel, escucha,
tú que te sientas sobre querubines,
resplandece.
Despierta tu poder y ven a salvarnos. R.

Que tu mano proteja a tu escogido,
al hombre que tú fortaleciste.
No nos alejemos de ti;
danos vida, para que invoquemos tu
nombre. R.

Dios de los ejércitos, vuélvete:
mira desde el cielo, fíjate,
ven a visitar tu viña,
la cepa que tu diestra plantó,
y que tú hiciste vigorosa. R.

Aclamación del Evangelio

Misa Reunidos en Su Nombre



A - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya, a - le - lu - ya.

*Yo soy la esclava del Señor /
que se cumple en mí lo que me has dicho R.*

Preparación de las Ofrendas**La Virgen Sueña Caminos**

Carmelo Erdozain



- Estrofas
1. La Vir - gen sue - ña ca - mi - nos, es - tá a la es - pe - ra; la
 2. En es - tos dí - as del a - ño el pue - blo es - pe - ra que
 3. La tar - de ya lo sos - pe - cha: es - tá a - ler - ta. El



1. Vir - gen sa - be que el Ni - ño es - tá muy cer - ca.
2. ven - ga pron - to el Me - sí - as a nues - tra tie - rra.
3. sol le di - ce a la lu - na que no se duer - ma.



1. De Na - za - ret a Be - lén hay u - na sen - da; por
2. En la ciu - dad de Be - lén lla - ma a las puer - tas, pre -
3. A la ciu - dad de Be - lén ven - drá u - na es - tre - lla, ven -



1. e - lla van los que cre - en en las pro - me - sas.
2. gun - ta en las po - sa - das y no hay res - pue - ta.
3. drá con to - do el que quie - ra cru - zar fron - te - ras.



Los que sue - ñan y es - pe - ran la bue - na nue - va,



a - bran las puer - tas al Ni - ño que es - tá muy cer - ca.



El Se - ñor cer - ca es - tá; Él vie - ne con la paz.



El Se - ñor cer - ca es - tá; Él tra - e la ver - dad.

Santo

Misa Reunidos en Su Nombre

Santo, Santo, Santo
Santo es el Señor, Dios del universo.
Llenos están el cielo y la tierra de tu gloria.
Hosanna en el cielo.
Bendito el que viene en nombre del Señor,
Hosanna en el cielo.

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Aclamación Conmemorativa Misa Reunidos en Su Nombre

Anunciamos tu muerte, proclamamos tu resurrección.
Ven, Señor Jesús.

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Gran Amén

Misa Reunidos en Su Nombre

Amén, Amén, Amén.

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Cordero de Dios

Misa Reunidos en Su Nombre

Cordero de Dios, que quitas el pecado del mundo,
ten piedad de nosotros.

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ten piedad de nosotros.

Cordero de Dios, que quitas el pecado del mundo,
danos la paz, danos la paz.

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Comunión

Emmanuel, Oh Rey de Gloria

Juan Sosa

1. Pastor de la casa de Israel,
oh Sol, resplandor, Luz de lo Alto,
oh Llave de David,
oh Rey de las Naciones,
Renuevo del Tronco de Jesé.

Estribillo

Emmanuel, oh Rey de Gloria,
ven a salvarnos, no tardes más.
Emmanuel, oh Rey de Gloria,
ven a salvarnos, no tardes más.

2. Brotaste de los labios del Altísimo.
Brillaste con tu luz entre las sombras.
Ven, salva al que formaste de la tierra.
Libera a los que viven en tinieblas.
3. Buscando posada te encontramos
en rostros que esperan tu llegada.
No son extranjeros, sino hermanos,
que buscan en ti, Señor, la paz.
4. En cada corazón hay esperanza
cuando Dios renace entre nosotros.
Y acoge entre sus brazos a un mundo dividido,
uniéndolo en su amor, justicia y paz.

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Ven con Nosotros, Emmanuel

Alberto Taulé



Ven con no - so - tros, Em - ma - nu - el. En las ti - nie - blas



bri - lle tu luz. Sá - va - nos, so - mos dé - bi - les:



es - pe - ra - mos tu re - den - ción. re - den - ción.

1. Somos tierra reseca,
lluevan las nubes al Salvador.
Cesen los odios y las violencias.
Venga tu Reino de Amor.
2. Hay tantos pueblos en guerra,
hambre, dolor, destrucción.
Que se transforme el viejo mundo.
Venga tu Reino de Amor.
3. Prosperidad para todos:
casa, trabajo, amistad.
Mundo global, compartido.
Venga tu Reino de Amor.

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Dios Te Salve, María

Juan Sosa

Salida

Del Cielo Ha Bajado

Tradicional de Francia



1. Del cie - lo ha ba - ja - do la Ma - dre de Dios. Can -
2. Del ver - bo di - vi - no, de Cris - to Je - sús, San -
3. Oh Vir - gen sin man - cha, oh Ma - dre de a - mor, El
4. Tú e - res el or - gu - llo de Dios cre - a - dor, Y el
5. Las gra - cias e - ma - nan del tro - no de Dios, Y
6. La lu - na hu - mi - lla - da tus plan - tas be - só, Y el
7. Pues so - mos tus hi - jos, o - ye nues - tra voz; De -



1. te - mos el A - ve a su con - cep - ción. A - ve, a -
2. tí - si - ma Ma - dre, Ma - rí - a, e - res tú.
3. án - gel te o - frez - ca mi sa - lu - ta - ción.
4. fru - to más dig - no de la re - den - ción.
5. to - das con - flu - yen en tu co - ra - zón.
6. mun - do te a - do - ra ves - ti - da del sol.
7. fién - de - nos siem - pre en la ten - ta - ción.



ve, a - ve Ma - rí - a. A - ve, a - ve, a - ve Ma - rí - a.



December 22, 2024

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mi 5:1-4a | Heb 10:5-10 | Lk 1:39-45

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Ask a child, “Where is God?” and you’ll likely receive a variety of responses: “in heaven,” “in church,” “everywhere” and “in my heart” are all conceivable answers from a child’s lips. But the one we most easily write off as silly or sentimental is one that the saints would urge us to revisit more seriously: God is indeed “in my heart” – that is, he is present in our souls! This is true not only when we receive him in Holy Communion, and not only because he is “everywhere,” but because we possess *sanctifying grace*. Grace is *divine life* – God’s life – and if we are “in a state of grace” (that is, we have brought any mortal sins to confession), we have this life within us! Our model for becoming aware of this wonderful gift is our Blessed Mother, whose example in today’s Gospel teaches us to love, reverence, and obey God within us. Setting out “in haste” to serve her aged cousin, Mary carried God in her womb. We can imagine the love and joy with which she carried him. At every moment, God is present in us, too (not physically, but by grace) and we should strive to recognize and love him who has made our hearts his dwelling place.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

The events of today’s Gospel suggest that Jesus’ presence in Mary is not *for* Mary alone. Prompted by love, she made the arduous journey to visit Elizabeth – itself an act of charity. But Mary brought more than her services and support to Elizabeth during a potentially difficult pregnancy; she brought God himself! Mary was so conscious of God within her that even her words, flowing from a heart burning with his love, carried a special power; at Mary’s greeting, Elizabeth was “filled with the Holy Spirit” and John the Baptist “leaped for joy.” As we become increasingly aware of God dwelling in our souls, we, too, become “Christ-bearers” to others. By being lovingly attentive to our Divine Guest, our words and actions become means by which he can act on the hearts of those we encounter each day.

SING

*O come, divine Messiah!
The world in silence waits the day
When hope shall sing its triumph
And sadness flee away*

O Antiphons

Over the last seven days of Advent, in the Liturgy of the Hours for Evening Prayer (Vespers), come what is known as the O Antiphons. These antiphons precede the Magnificat. Each day beginning on December 17, the antiphons begin with 'O' and name a title of Christ. They are best known in hymn form in *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*.

The antiphons are theologically rich in using ancient biblical imagery drawn from the Old Testament's messianic hope to proclaim the coming Christ. All the antiphons contain the imperative, come, proclaiming our longing for Christ.

December 17: O Wisdom, O holy Word of God, you govern all creation with your strong yet tender care. Come and show your people the way to salvation.

December 18: O sacred Lord of ancient Israel, who showed yourself to Moses in the burning bush, who gave him the holy law on Sinai Mountain; come. Stretch out your mighty hand to set us free.

December 19: O Flower of Jesse's stem, you have been raised up as a sign for all peoples; kings stand silent in your presence; the nations bow down in worship before you. Come, let nothing keep you from coming to our aid.

December 20: O Key of David, O royal Power of Israel controlling at your will the gate of heaven; come, break down the prison walls of death for those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death; and lead your captive people into freedom.

December 21: O Radiant Dawn, splendor of eternal light, sun of justice: come, shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.

December 22: O King of all the nations, the only joy of every human heart; O Keystone of the mighty arch of man, come and save the creature you fashioned from the dust.

December 23: O Emmanuel, king and lawgiver, desire of the nations, Savior of all people, come and set us free, Lord our God.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us!

Antífonas O

Durante los últimos siete días de Adviento, en la Liturgia de las Horas para la Oración Vespertina (Vísperas), vienen lo que se conoce como las Antífonas O. Estas antífonas preceden al Magnificat. Cada día, a partir del 17 de diciembre, las antífonas comienzan por «O» y nombran un título de Cristo. Son más conocidas en forma de himno en *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*.

Las antífonas son teológicamente ricas al utilizar antiguas imágenes bíblicas extraídas de la esperanza mesiánica del Antiguo Testamento para proclamar la venida de Cristo. Todas las antífonas contienen el imperativo, ven, proclamando nuestro anhelo de Cristo.

17 de diciembre: Oh Sabiduría, santa Palabra de Dios, que gobiernas toda la creación con tu cuidado fuerte y tierno a la vez. Ven y muestra a tu pueblo el camino de la salvación.

18 de diciembre: Oh Señor sagrado del antiguo Israel, que te mostraste a Moisés en la zarza ardiente, que le diste la santa ley en el monte Siná; ven. Extiende tu mano poderosa para liberarnos.

19 de diciembre: Oh Flor del tronco de Jesé, has sido levantado como signo para todos los pueblos; los reyes callan en tu presencia; las naciones se postran en adoración ante ti. Ven, que nada te impida venir en nuestra ayuda.

20 de diciembre: Oh Llave de David, oh Poder real de Israel que controlas a tu voluntad la puerta del cielo; ven, derriba los muros de la prisión de la muerte para los que habitan en tinieblas y sombra de muerte; y conduce a tu pueblo cautivo a la libertad.

21 de diciembre: Oh Aurora Radiante, esplendor de luz eterna, sol de justicia: ven, brilla sobre los que habitan en tinieblas y sombra de muerte.

22 de diciembre: Oh Rey de todas las naciones, única alegría de todo corazón humano; oh Piedra angular del poderoso arco del hombre, ven y salva a la criatura que formaste del polvo.

23 de diciembre: Oh Emmanuel, rey y legislador, deseo de las naciones, Salvador de todos los pueblos, ven y libéranos, Señor Dios nuestro.

Inmaculado Corazón de María, ruega por nosotros.

Information/Información

St. Vincent de Paul for Friday's Food Pantry

For the weekend of December 29, please bring canned fruits. THANK YOU!

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Para el fin de semana del 29 de diciembre, por favor traigan frutas enlatadas. GRACIAS!

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The office of the parish as well as the Chapel will be closed December 24, 25, 26, 27, as well as December 31 and January 1.

We will not have confessions on Tuesday, December 24 or Tuesday, December 31.

We will not have adoration on December 26 and 27.

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ANUNCIOS IMPORTANTES

La oficina de la parroquia y la capilla estaran cerradas el 24, 25, 26 y 27 de Diciembre y Tambien el 31 de diciembre y el primero de enero.

No tendremos confesiones el martes 24 de diciembre ni el martes, 31 de diciembre.

No tendremos Adoracion el 26 y 27 de diciembre.



Giving Shouldn't Stop on Christmas!

The 2nd collection on Sunday, December 28th and 29th will go to St. Vincent de Paul Conference here at IHM.

The need in our community doesn't stop on Christmas, so we ask that you be generous so we can continue the work we do into next year. We not only fund a food pantry every Friday, but also do our best to help Neighbors in our community when they have hardships and need financial support.

The task of helping the poor never ends. From the members of St. Vincent de Paul at Immaculate Heart of Mary we wish you all a **Blessed Christmas** and a **Healthy and Happy New Year.**

SCHEDULE OF SECOND COLLECTIONS

December 25 - Christmas

December 29 - St. Vincent de Paul

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FECHAS DE SEGUNDAS COLECTAS

25 de diciembre - Para la Navidad

29 de diciembre - San Vicente de Paul

ADVENT 2024 PARISH EVENTS

Dec. 16-24 — Simbang Gabi
6am Daily Novena Masses

Dec. 16-23 — Posadas
Evening Advent Celebration

Youth Ministry Invites You!!

We welcome all teens grades 6-12 to join our Edge Middle School Ministry, Tuesdays 4:15-5:15pm, or our High School Youth Ministry program, Thursdays 6:30-8pm. Enrollment is taken year around for these groups! We participate in Bible studies, faith talks, prayer experiences, games, retreats, snacks and social events. Please email Julie Figueroa at ihmyouthbrentwood@gmail.com for more information. All are welcome!

* Please note enrollment for our Confirmation program for teens in grades 9 and up is now closed and will re-open for online registration in June of 2025.*

CHRISTMAS 2024 MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH

Tuesday of the 4th Week of Advent: 6:00am Mass (Simbàng Gabî)
8:00am Mass (Bilingual)

Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord: 5:00pm Family Mass (English)
7:00pm Mass (English)
9:00pm Mass (Spanish)
12:00am Midnight Mass (Bilingual)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

The Nativity of the Lord: 7:30am Mass (English)
9:00am Mass (English)
10:45am Mass (Spanish)
12:30pm Mass (English)
2:00pm Mass (Spanish)
5:00pm Mass (Latin)



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Devotions/Devociones

Monday to Friday/Lunes a Viernes
7:30AM

Holy Rosary/Santo Rosario

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Wednesday/Miércoles
8:00AM Mass then 8:30AM

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena Novena Madre del Perpetuo Socorro

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Thursday/Jueves and Friday/Viernes
8:00AM Mass then 8:30AM

Divine Mercy Chaplet Novena Coronilla a la Divina Misericordia

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Weekly Calendar/Calendario Semanal

Mon. Dec. 23rd

8:45am	Men's Fellowship Group	Library
5:00pm	Legion of Mary/Eng.	Library

Tues. Dec. 24th

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12:00pm	Food Bank	Parking Lot
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Wed. Dec. 25th

CHRISTMAS DAY

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Thurs. Dec. 26th

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Fri. Dec. 27th

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Sat. Dec. 28th

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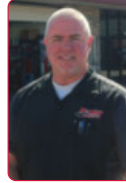


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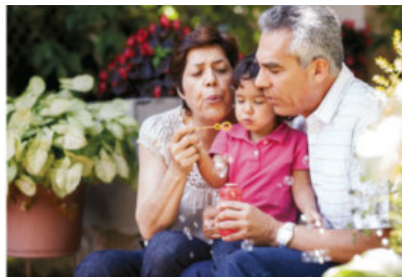
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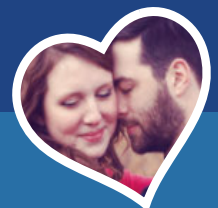
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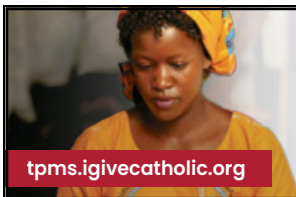
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