



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, December 19th, 2016 - POSADAS, Valencia.

6:30 p.m. †Ted Gonzalez by Maria Gonzalez & Family
Int. of Terry Laughlin (For Health & Wellness) by Esquibel Fam.

Tuesday, December 20th, 2016 POSADAS - Peralta.

6:30 p.m. Int. of Frank Sanchez (For Health) by Esquibel Fam.

Wednesday, December 21st, 2016 - POSADAS, Valencia.

6:30 p.m. †Larry Artiaga (6th Ann.) by Marta Artiaga & Fam.

Thursday, December 22nd, 2016 - POSADAS, Valencia.

6:30 p.m. †Dad & †Mom by Cindy Williams
†Jerry Perry by Mary Ann Perry

Friday, December 23rd, 2016 - POSADAS - VALENCIA.

8:00 a.m. NO Mass -

6:30 p.m. Communion Service - Posadas

Saturday, December 24th, 2016 - CHRISTMAS EVE.

4:00 p.m. Children's Mass - Peralta

†Katy Lucero by Ray Lucero & family

†Lucy Lucero by Ray Lucero & Family

†Johanna Duncan (Happy B-Day) by Gil & Lupe Duncan

6:00 p.m. †Ernie Gonzales by Rita Gonzales & Family

†Cuca Apodaca by Lorenzo & Sally Perea & Fam.

†Eugene Apodaca by Lorenzo & Sally Perea & Fam.

Sunday, December 25th, 2016.

8:00 a.m. Int. of Franco Children by Mary Ann Perry

†Joseph Duperron by Irene Perea

†John Dettelis by Family

9:30 a.m. †Angela Armijo Swain by Otero Family

†Pat Martinez (M0m) by Carlucci Family

†Herman Sanchez by Mary Sanchez & Family

11:15 a.m. †Tommy Martinez by Mom & Family

Int. of Sisters of St. Joseph by Emily Brito

Deceased Members of the †Arthur Savedra Fam. By Family

COLLECTION REPORT:

December 11th., 2016

Our Lady of Guadalupe - \$6,127.64 Sangre de Cristo - \$1,748.61

Religious Ret. - \$3,229.42 Holy Day - \$1,564.29

NEW PARISHIONERS

Are requested to register at the parish office.

CONFESSIONS - SATURDAY FROM 3:30 to 4:30 P.M. OR BY APPOINTMENT

MARRIAGES

Arrangements must be made with the parish priest at least 6 months prior to wedding date. For policy go to

www.archdiocesasantafe.org.

INFANT BAPTISMS

Parents must make arrangements for the Baptism of their child in advance at the parish office, and all necessary paperwork must be completed by the 1st week of the month. Parents and Sponsors must attend **ONE** instruction class in preparation for Baptism. Sponsors **MUST** be registered for (3) months prior to Baptism and active in the parish; married in the Catholic Church; and be baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church. Class instruction is on the **1ST SATURDAY** of every month - 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Baptisms take place on the 3rd Sunday of the month.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLUE ARMY: Rosary every Monday - 10:00 a.m. Any parishioner who would like to have the statue of the Blessed Mother in your home and join us in praying the rosary, you are asked to please call Rebecca Cordova - 869-2863.

LEGION OF MARY: Meets every Thursday, at 10:00 a.m., in the parish hall. We welcome new members.

3RD ORDER SERVANTS OF MARY: Meet on the last Sunday of the month to pray the rosary at 12:15 p.m. A meeting will take place following the rosary in the parish hall.

COLUMBIAN SQUIRES TRAVELING VOCATIONS

CHALICE: We invite all parishioners to sign up to take the chalice into their homes and to pray for vocations. Prayers are included with the chalice, but we encourage you to also include your own. If you have any questions, or are interested in having the chalice in your home, please call Elias Maez at 550-7817.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CANDLE FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER @ OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE PAID BY RAY LUCERO FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF †KATY & †LUCY LUCERO.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CANDLE FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, @ SANGRE DE CRISTO PAID BY FAMILY, FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF †CASTULO & †ERLINDA MOYA.

PLEASE NOTE - LOST AND FOUND: There are many items in the parish office, too numerous to mention, that have been turned into us, please come by if you feel that we may have something that belongs to you.



Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel, which means "God is with us." When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home. - Mt 1:23-24

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MISSION STATEMENT: In sharing with others our faith, experience, and earthly goods, we grow in faith and are living the missionary call by Our Lord Jesus Christ that goes out to all believers. Our pastor, Fr. Hoi Tran, our ministers, and all our parishioners extend our arms in welcome to all others not in our worshipping community to worship with us and to assist us with your prayers and charitable works as we walk our spiritual journey together.

Readings for the Week of December 18, 2016

Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

Monday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71/Lk 1:5-25

Tuesday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24/Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33/Lk 1:39-45

Thursday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2/Lk 1:46-56

Friday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25/Lk 1:57-66

Saturday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89/Lk 1:67-79

Next Sunday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

PARISH NEWS

YOUTH MINISTRY ANNUAL COAT & BLANKET DRIVE

AND ANGEL GIFTS: Will be distributed tomorrow December 19th. For more information please call Bernadette 859-0557. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

ASF - RELIGIOUS RETIRED COLLECTION: Thank you for supporting senior religious. A sister from Indiana writes, "Because of your kindness, our elderly sisters will have the comfort, security, and joy of living out their remaining years here in their home. You truly honor them and their many years of service by your generosity." Religious across the United States offer sincere thanks for your generosity to last week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious



POSADAS - NINE DAY NOVENA MASSES: TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER

Saturday, December 17th: 5:00 p.m. - Our Lady of Guadalupe: Hosted by Phillip & Amelia Garcia.
 Sunday, December 18th: 9:30 a.m. - Sangre de Cristo: Hosted by Ray Lucero Family.
 Monday, December 19th: 6:30 p.m. - Sangre de Cristo: Hosted by Mike and Joyce Chavez.
 Tuesday, December 20th: 6:30 p.m. - Our Lady of Guadalupe: Hosted by Faith Formation.
 Wednesday, December 21st: 6:30 p.m. - Sangre de Cristo: Hosted by OLOG Youth Ministry.
 Thursday, December 22nd: 6:30 p.m. - Sangre de Cristo: Hosted by (Still available to host).
 Friday, December 23rd: 6:30 p.m. - Communion Service; Sangre de Cristo: Hosted by Michael & Katilyn Padilla

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Children's Mass - 4:00 p.m., Saturday, December 24th in Peralta; 6:00 p.m. Mass in Valencia. (Posadas Mass).
 Sunday, December 25th - Regular Sunday Mass schedule 8:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m., in Peralta.; 9:30 a.m. in Valencia.
ADVANCE NOTICE: The parish office will be closed to business from Monday, December 26th, and will reopen on Tuesday, January 3rd, 2017.

PLEASE NOTE: It is that time of year again when there are individuals looking to take your valuables from your car. We remind you to leave your valuables at home and lock your car. Thank you!

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL - NOVEMBER UPDATE: 102% of the parish goal - \$30,600.00 has been pledged; (96% of goal); has been paid - \$28,710.00; unpaid pledges - \$1,890.00; Thank you for your continued support to ACA. When the \$1,290 is paid, any extra monies received will be returned to the parish in the form of a rebate. Again thank you for your support.

Q Why do the Gospels differ in their details? I was surprised to learn that not all of the Gospels tell the same stories, for example, the Nativity. Doesn't this take away from their credibility?

A Take any event that happens, from family trips to national politics and ask two or three different people to explain what happened. You will get a different version of the same story. People tend to tell the story from their perspective and past experience shades what we recall and how we recall it. Our choice of words and what details we leave in or out is also influenced by the audience who is listening to our tales.

The Gospel writers are no different. Each one tells the story of Jesus from their own perspective. Versions differ in some details, not because one is true and the other is not, but because each Gospel writer, or Evangelist, has a different theological point to communicate as well as a different audience for whom he is writing. He picks and chooses the details of his Gospel based on what message he is preaching, what his audience may already know, and what message they need to hear. The various details of the Gospels point more to their authenticity as a record of the church's experience and understanding of Jesus. In a good study Bible, the background notes for each Gospel contain a lot of information that helps us better understand each Evangelist and his message.

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4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT: "They shall name him Emmanuel, which means 'God is with us.'" No other religion makes such a radical claim. To be Christian is to believe that God is truly with us, in the most personal, intimate way imaginable; he is one of us! What a remarkable reality. Through the Incarnation, God became human and lived among us to love us, to guide us, to heal us, and to strengthen us. Three days from now, we will celebrate this extraordinary gift that came to us on the first Christmas Day. All other Christmas gifts, no matter how exquisite or precious, pale in comparison to the gift of Jesus Christ. All the joys and festivities of the season, all the love and generosity that go into our beautiful holiday traditions, can be all the more meaningful when we keep this in mind. Although secular celebrations of Christmas ignore the significance of the holy day, the church gives us Advent to help us keep our focus. In these weeks of yuletide preparation, we stop to remind ourselves what it means to be Christian, in case we have begun taking it for granted. We reorient our hearts and minds to recall, once again, the mysterious glory of the Incarnation. We have been praying throughout this season of anticipation, "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel." The real magic of Christmas is that we get exactly what we prayed for! Jesus has come. God has answered our prayers and given us what we truly desire in the depths of our hearts: himself, Emmanuel, God with us.