Saint John Catholic Church Iglesia Católica San Juan

December 8, 2019 – Second Sunday of Advent 8 de diciembre de 2019–Segundo Domingo de Adviento



LITURGY SCHEDULE

 Saturday
 5:30 p.m

 Sunday
 9:00 a.m.

 Daily Masses:
 8:30 a.m

 ...Wednesday and Friday
 12 noon

 CONFESSIONS (Saturday)
 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

HORARIO DE OFICINAS

LUNES—JUEVES: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. VIERNES: 9:00 a.m. - 12 del medio dia

HORARIO LITURGICO

CONFESIONES (Sábado)...... 4:30 p.m. o por cita

OFFICE HOURS

Monday—Thursday: 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m.—12 NOON

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St John Parish CalendarSATURDAYDECEMBER 7, 20194:30 PMReconciliation5:30 PMMass soul Buenaventurada PaSUNDAYDECEMBER 8, 20199:00 AMMass souls of Dan & Elliot Hin10:00 AMRosary12:15 PMMisaWEDNESDAYDECEMBER 11, 201912:00 NOONMassTHURSDAYDECEMBER 12, 20198:30 AMMass7:00 PMMass Celebration for Our Lady of DECEMBER 13, 201912:00 NOONMassSATURDAYDECEMBER 14, 20194:30 PMReconciliation5:30 PMMass soul Sister Helen Ruth, CSUNDAYDECEMBER 15, 20199:00 AMMass parishioners St. John, StSUNDAYDECEMBER 15, 20199:00 AMRosary12:15 PMMisaST. PETER OFFERS MASS DAILY AT	tonReadings for the week of December 8, 2019Sunday: Is $11:1-10/$ Ps $72:1-2$, 7-8, $12-13$, 19 [cf. 7]/Rom $15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12$ Monday: Gn $3:9-15$, $20/$ Ps $98:1$, $2-3ab$, $3cd-4$ [1]/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 $10/Mt$ $11:28-30$ D.P Peter &. Peter &. Peter &
REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS/ RECUER ORACIONES: Keith Pinney, Rudy Calo'oy, ski, Ron Price, Jr., Red & Nancy Goodman, Ric Maxine DiMarino, Melanie Patterson, Lillan Artl Helen Sohaski, Sherry Wright, Otts Miskimon, Martha Livingston, Austin Okoli, Jr., Georgina G Elena Chavez, Doris Bartlett, Lynn Miskimon, J Virginia Saunders, Gerry Biartel, Fred Brown, E Jones Family, Beverly Burrow, Marie Ellett, Eve back, Dick Wassel, Bobby & Christie Osterloh, Young, Hallet and Frances Harrison, Maria Ter Carole & Bob Trent, Frances Martin, and John	John Kolako- hard Painter, nur, Mary Dan Mages, Gerhardt, eff Konschak, wing Family, elyn Clatter- Nathaniel esa Casas,
The item being collected for FISH for DEC RICE A RONI En el mes de DICIEMBRE necesitam Arroz instantáneo St. Peter Clothes Closet is now accepting used clothes, blankets, jackets and backpac are accepting can goods for their pantry. Th marked St Peter in the commons area.	CEMBER Weekly Year to Date Ioos Actual \$3,522.00 \$81,773.10 Budget \$4,827.00 \$101.366.00 (\$1,305.00) (\$19,592.90) clean, gently MASS ATTENDANCE ks. Also they 5.20 0.00 12.15

Happy Advent!!!

I hope your heart is being prepared for the coming of our Savior in just a few weeks! It is going to be amazing!!!

Remember, we have confessions 30 minutes before and after every Mass so PLEASE GO TO CONFESSION BEFORE CHRISTMAS!!!

I wanted to alert you of an act of kindness you can do this Advent to help you prepare.

We have begun our clothes closet again at St Peter where we collect gently used coats and blankets and other cloths to distribute to those in need. And we need your help!

As an act of kindness and something that is good for the soul, would you please consider going through your home and gathering coats and blankets and other gently used cloths and donate them to St Peter.

Simplicity of life is a blessing. And if you are like most people, you have too much. So would you please consider donating?

You can drop off your donations at St Peter (800 East Grace Street, Richmond) anytime Tuesday - Friday, 11am - 3pm. Please remember, "gently" used.

The people who receive these items are so excited to receive them!!! So thank you in advance for your kindness. It will bring you joy to do this. I guarantee it!

Fr Rossi

Saint John Advent Calendar

Sunday, December 8th

Baby Shower and Breakfast with St Nicholas All are invited at 10:15 AM (Social Hall)

Christmas Presentation and Concert 3:00 Pm—St John's Church

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Thursday, December 12th

Lady of Guadalupe Mass at 7:00 PM Bilingual Celebration after Mass—All Are Welcome

Tuesday December 24th—Christmas Eve Mass St Patrick Mass 4:30 PM (English) St Peter Mass 5:00 PM (English) St John Mass 6:15 PM (English) St John Mass 8:30 PM (Bilingual)

Wednesday December 25th—Christmas Day Mass

St John Mass 9:00 AM St Peter Mass 10:00 AM St Patrick Mass 10:45 AM

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God Tuesday December 31st St Patrick Mass 5:00 PM Wednesday January 1st St John Mass 10:00 AM St Peter Mass: 12:05 PM

Immaculate Conception



"Immaculate Mary, your praises we sing!" December 8th is one of our feasts celebrating Mary - the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. From the beginnings of the Church, spiritual writers and theologians have acknowledged the innocence and holiness of Mary. St. Irenaeus called her the "new Eve." Both faced with the

pure freedom to accept or reject God, Mary began with work of redemption with her yes to Christ! The Church began to celebrate the feast of Mary's conception in the early Middle Ages. In 1854, Pope Pius IX infallibly declared that Mary was free of original sin from the first moment of her conception. On this feast day, we celebrate the beauty and goodness of Our Lady!

Immaculate Mary pray for us and for the whole world!



Our Lady of Guadalupe is not just for Mexicans

Even among Hispanics there is the tendency to think of Our Lady of Guadalupe as a purely Mexican celebration. That belief is not accurate, however. Pope Benedict XIV, in the 1754 letter Non est equidem declared Our Lady of Guadalupe as the patron of what was then called "New Spain" meaning Central

Lupe as the patron of what was then called "New Spain," meaning Central and Northern America. Pope Pius XIII declared the Virgin of Guadalupe "Queen of Mexico and Empress of the Americas" in 1945, and "Patroness of the Americas" in 1946.

On the 25th of December we will celebrate once more the moment when God was born into our world as the infant Jesus. December is also a month in which we celebrate the unique role that our Blessed Virgin Mary played in the life of Jesus, and continues to play in the lives of all the followers of Jesus. Whether we call her Queen, Empress, Patroness, or simply Mother, we are reminded of the personal love she has for each of us, and of the love each of us should have for her. **CELEBRATING THE APPARITION OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE THE PATRONESS OF THE AMERICAS.** We will celebrate the apparition of Our Lady of Guadalupe to St Juan Diego on Thursday December 12th with a mass at 7:00 PM, follow by a celebration. Come and join us while we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

We are ordering offering envelopes for 2020. Remember there is an easy way to make your donations without having to remember to write a check. Use e-giving, it is easy, secure and convenient. Just visit our webpage at stjohnscatholicchurch.org, click the e-giving logo and follow the prompts or call the office.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF

If you wish to have flowers in memory of or in honor of a loved one and you do not use the boxed sets, there are Flower Offering envelopes on the counter in the Northax. Your loved ones name should be listed on the back of the envelope.

Appalachian Giving Tree: ALL GIFTS SHOUD BE RE-TURNED BY TODAY. Any questions please contact Eddie & Donna Baird at 804.986.2898. Many Thanks

THANK YOU

We have received a thank you note from Ann Campbell of the East End Pregnancy Center with their gratitude for our continued and faithful support.