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Our Lady of the Rosary
Italian National Parish



1st Sunday of Advent Prayer

Heavenly father,
when we are weak we need hope and
when there is darkness, we pray for your light
and to bask in your glory. Give us hope to know
that all is right in the world, as you have planned,
and as you want it to be. Help us to live our lives
with and hope through your son Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Hope

All the peoples shall stream toward the Lord's house
Isaiah 2:1-5

We are called to reflect the light of God's love through the ways in which we live our lives.

Imagine the impact if each of us took this call to heart, every day, at home, work, or school, in our parish, in the world. "All nations shall stream toward it," toward the love that only comes from God. Yet, we must admit that much of the time we fail to be beacons of God's light. We fall asleep, complacent, preferring to go the easy route, which often leads to darkness rather than the radiance of Christ's light. As we begin the season of Advent,

Saint Paul admonishes us to throw off the works of darkness, to awaken to the call of light and love.

In today's Gospel, Jesus too tells us to stay awake, to be prepared to greet the Lord of light as people of the light.

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PREPARE



"So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

MATTHEW 24:44



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1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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Hail Holy Queen
of the Most Holy Rosary,
Mary Mother of God, , please
hear our supplication for the
sick. May Jesus Christ, your
Son, grant spiritual and
physical restoration and
good health to the sick and
comfort for the dying.

Amen.

Ave Maria ...

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Daily Mass
Monday to Saturday
7:30 am* & 12:00 pm

Saturday Vigil
5:30 pm

Sunday
7:30 am*, 9:00 am, 10:30 am*,
12:00 pm (Italian)
5:30 pm (Latin)
*(livestreamed)

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Gerardo Lopez, Jr. &
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December 31, 2025

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Jesus said to his disciples, "Therefore be on the alert, for you do not know which day your Lord is coming."
- Matthew 24:42

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EVERY GOOD
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GIFT HAS
CALLED UPON
US TO MIMIC
GODS GIVING.**

St. Nicholas of Myra

In Thee,
O Lord, have
I put my hope.
Let me never
be confounded.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

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Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and Let your Perpetual Light Shine upon them.

JESUS
is the reason for the season

Hope

Mass Intentions & Readings

Sunday, November 30

1st Sunday of Advent

7:30 am Rosalia D'Acquisto † Julie & Jerry Giacalone

9:00 am People of the Parish

10:30 am John Michael Agriesti † Gino & Maria Russo

Rosalia D'Acquisto † Joe & Tina Principato

12:00 pm Deceased of St. Anthony Prayer Group † Prayer Group

5:30 pm Charlie Kirk † Joseph La Costa

Judy Parente † Joseph La Costa

Readings - Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

Monday, December 1

7:30 am Susana Magurno † Barbara Calabria

Rolando De La Sierra (Int) Jose De La Sierra

12:00 pm Cristina Buslacchi † Enza Sanfilippo

Cynthia Johnson (Int) Ninita Diaz

Readings - Is 4:2-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday, December 2

7:30 am Almira Basan (Int) A. Basan

Vita Bosforo † Francesca Sanfilippo

12:00 pm Holy Face of Jesus G. Silverio

Bernadette Ondevilla † Ondevilla Family

Readings - Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday, December 3

St. Francis Xavier, Priest

7:30 am Rosalia D'Acquisto † Francesca & Andy Liska

Estela Valencia (Int) Jose De La Sierra

12:00 pm Terri Larkin (Int) M. Hemming

Readings - Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday, December 4

St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

7:30 am Carinda Vona † Tina, Daughter

Dick Colyar † William Swanson

12:00 pm Most Rev. Noriel Priela † Marian Penetrente

Lucila Ulstein † Carolina Sanchez

Readings - Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday, December 5

7:30 am Kyong Chong (Int) Veronica Chong

12:00 pm Joseph & Martha Cozzoli † Joseph La Costa

Joe & Teresa La Costa † Joseph La Costa

6:00 pm Alvaro Trejos † Alejandra Trejos

Readings - Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday, December 6

St. Nicholas, Bishop

7:30 am Perpetual Membership

12:00 pm Angelica Vasquez † Marian Penetrente

Kurt Jansen † William Swanson

5:30 pm Lori Campos † Jack & Chandra Pecoraro

Rosalia D'Acquisto † Mary McIlwee

Readings - Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Advent at Home



We wait in hope.

"It is the beautiful task of
Advent to awaken in all of us
memories of goodness and thus to
open doors of hope."

- Joseph Ratzinger (Pope Benedict xvi)

HAPPY LITURGICAL *New Year*

Happy Liturgical New Year! The first Sunday of Advent marks the new Catholic liturgical new year. The Church year is very distinctive in it does not align with the calendar's new year or even the fiscal new year on July first. The Liturgical new year for the church marks the change in cycles of readings.

Advent makes up the first four weeks of the liturgical new year leading up to Christmas. The term "Advent" is derived from the Latin word *adventus* which means "coming," and it focuses not only on the past coming of Jesus on the first Christmas; but also on the present coming of Jesus in the gospels, the sacraments, other people, prayer, love, truth, and personal experience; and the future coming of Jesus at the Second or Final Coming at the end of the world, the Parousia or the Last Judgment.

Advent is not Lent or a miniature version of Lent. In fact, the two seasons are extremely different. Advent stresses hope and joy, Lent stresses penance and sorrow; Advent emphasizes what we need to add to our lives (i.e., grace, light, joy), while Lent emphasizes what we need to remove (i.e., sin); Advent lasts for four Sundays and 28 days, Lent lasts for six Sundays and forty days; Advent is a liturgical season, Lent is an ascetical season (i.e., fasting, almsgiving, prayer, acts of charity); Advent stresses preparation with festivity, Lent stresses preparation with sackcloth and ashes; Advent features the prophet Isaiah, Lent features the prophet Jeremiah.

The main saint of Advent is John the Baptist. He is "the prophet of the Most High" (Lk 1:76), the immediate forerunner of Jesus, and the link between the Old Testament prophets and Jesus himself. His story is recounted on the Second and Third Sundays of Advent. The Baptist was the voice crying out in the desert, "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths" (Is 40:3; Mt 3:3), which is what we are called to do during this holy season. He also directed peoples' attention from himself to Jesus and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God" (Jn 1:29,36), and made one of the momentous statements in the gospels as he declared, "He [Jesus] must increase; I must decrease" (Jn 3:30). If we hope to have a spiritually profitable Advent, we, like the Baptist, must diminish, while Jesus increases in power and brilliance in our lives. - Rev. Michael A. Van Sloun

Heavenly Father, your son,
Jesus, is your greatest gift to
us, a great sign of your love.
Guide us as we strive to walk
in that love together as a
family this Advent. As we
prepare our hearts for
Christmas, bring us closer to
each other and to your son.
Give us the grace and strength
we need every day. Help us to
always trust in you. Come,
Lord Jesus, lead all people
closer to you. Come and dispel
the darkness of our world with
the light of your love. Amen



"Mark the season of Advent
by loving and serving
others with God's
own love and concern."

—St. Teresa of Calcutta



First Sunday of Advent

Gospel Summary

The emphasis of today's Gospel is on the second coming of Jesus. Matthew refers to three events that show we do not know when Jesus will return, but the message is clear: we are to be ready! The first reference Matthew makes is to Noah and the flood. People were occupied with their daily lives—eating, drinking, and marrying. In the second example, men were working in the field and women were grinding at the mill. Some were taken and some remained. In the final example, the master of the house could have prevented the robbery if only he had known when the thief would come. This Gospel is a stern caution for each of us to live in preparation for Jesus' return.

Reflection for Families

There is more work for parents to do in a day than will ever get done. Some of us work outside our homes while some stay at home. In either case there are always bills to pay, laundry to wash, meals to prepare, errands to run and things to fix. Unless we deliberately set aside time to prepare ourselves and our families for Jesus' return, we will continue with the busyness of everyday life like the people of Noah's time and the workers in the field and at the mill. Especially at this time of year, it is easy to get caught up in the demands centered upon Jesus' birth rather than his return.

Bringing the Gospel Into Your Family

Make an Advent wreath this season with your family. You can make it from natural materials or construction paper, but basically you will need a green wreath (the green wreath represents God's unending love). A green ribbon wrapped around a grapevine or straw or styrofoam wreath works, too. Three purple candles represent forgiveness and one pink candle represents joy and is usually lit on the third week of Advent. Each week as you light a new candle, encourage each member of the family to tell one thing s/he will do during the week to prepare for Jesus' return.

Discussion Questions

- If today were the last day of life on earth I would . . .
- In order to help my family see the light of Christ this Advent season, one distraction I plan to eliminate is . . .
- The joy I have in my heart this season is because . . .

Prayer

Sit for a moment in silence.

Jesus Christ our Hope,
as we light the firsts candle of advent, the candle of hope,
illuminate our hearts with your grace.
Enlarge our vision so that we recognize
our kinship with all of the people of the world.
May no one every fall into despair, but look to you with hope.
Help us to give to others in ways that meet their deepest needs
and point them to you, Jesus in whom we put all our hope.
We await your coming with gratitude.
Amen

Advent Wreath Blessing

The use of the Advent Wreath is a traditional practice which has found its place in the Church as well as in the home. The blessing of an Advent Wreath takes place on the First Sunday of Advent or on the evening before the First Sunday of Advent. When the blessing of the Advent Wreath is celebrated in the home, it is appropriate that it be blessed by a parent or another member of the family.



All make the sign of the cross as the **Leader says:**

Our help is in the name of the Lord.
Response (R/.) Who made heaven & earth

Then the Scripture, Isaiah 9: (lines 1-2 and 5-6) or Isaiah 63 (lines 16-17 & 19) or Isaiah 64 (lines 2-7) is read:

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
R/. Thanks be to God.

With hands joined, the leader says:

Lord our God,
we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ: he is Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples, he is the wisdom that teaches and guides us, he is the Savior of every nation.

Lord God,
let your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this wreath.
May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation. May he come quickly and not delay.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

R/. Amen.

The blessing may conclude with a verse from

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel":

O come, desire of nations, bind
in one the hearts of humankind;
bid ev'ry sad division cease
and be thyself our Prince of peace.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.

—From Catholic Household
Blessings & Prayers

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH & UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, December 1

6:00 pm Knights of Columbus
in the Youth Room



Tuesday, December 2

6:00 pm Perpetual Help

7:00 pm OCIA

Wednesday, December 3

11:00 am Confession

6:20 pm Young Adult Rosary

Friday, December 5

11:00 am Confession

6:00 Young Adult Sacred Heart Devotion

7:00 pm Mass

Saturday, December 6

9:00 am Men's Rosary Crusade
in Balboa Park

11:00 am Confession

11:00 am Our Lady of Monoag

Wednesday, December 10

6:20 pm Rosary

6:45 to 7:45 pm

READING THE BIBLE
A Literary Guide to Scripture
with author & guest speaker
Dr. Bill Creasy
in the Upper Hall

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Foreword by Regina Dorey



Photos with
Santa
9 - 12

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Breakfast with
Santa

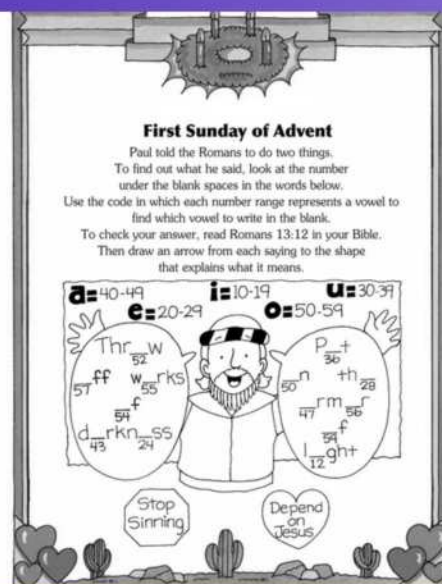
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Living Nativity

CASTING CALL

Children of all ages are invited to
dress up (costume provided) &
perform the scene of Christ's birth
(no lines to memorize).

CHRISTMAS EVE, WED. 12/24 | AT 5 PM

Costume Fitting Sunday,
December 14th at 11 am.



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Pope Leo XIV

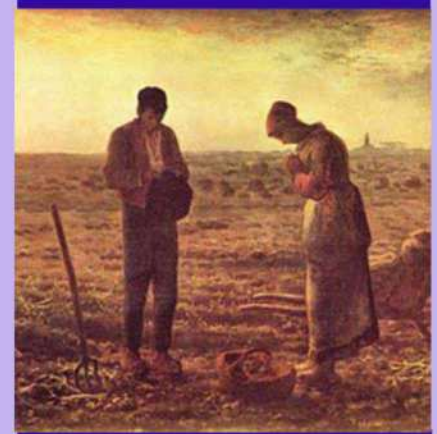


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The Angelus Prayer

V. The Angel of the Lord
declared to Mary:

R. And she conceived the power
of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord
is with thee; blessed art thou
among women and blessed is the
fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy
Mary, Mother of God, pray for us
sinners, now and at the hour of
our death. Amen.

V. Behold the handmaid of the
Lord:

R. Be it done unto me according
to Thy word.

Hail Mary...

V. And the Word was made
Flesh: (Kneel)

R. And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary...

V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of
God,

R. that we may be made worthy
of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech Thee,
O Lord, Thy grace into our
hearts; that we, to whom the
incarnation of Christ, Thy
Son, was made known by the
message of an angel, may by
His Passion and Cross be
brought to the glory of His
Resurrection, through the
same Christ Our Lord.

Amen.



Giving Tree

This year the tags will be hung on the tree in the
church and the complete wish list from
Father Joe's Village will also be posted online.
Chose the items you would like to donate from
the tags on the tree or the list online and follow
the instructions below.

Thank You for your generosity & God Bless

Instructions

- Select from tags on the tree or from the list online. All items are new and unused.
- Wrap the Gifts
- Label the package with the contents. (make sure the label is securely attached to the package)
- Deliver to the Church or office at 1629 Columbia St.

Delivery

- Items need to be to the church by Sunday, December 14th, to ensure they are to Father Joe's Village in time for Christmas.

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