



ST. FRANCIS of ASSISI
CATHOLIC CHURCH

UNITED IN OUR CATHOLIC FAITH, WE STRIVE
TO LOVE AND SERVE GOD AS JESUS DID.

December 11, 2022



3rd Sunday in Advent 3er Domingo de Adviento

Mass Schedule

Monday—Friday: 9:00am
Communion Service: Tuesday at 9:00am

Morning Rosary

Monday—Friday: 8:20am

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

6:00pm en Español

Sunday Mass: 8:00am & 10:00am

12:00pm en Español

4:00pm Kenyan (3rd or 4th Sunday)

Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 8:00am to 9:00am
9:30am to 2:00pm
Closed for lunch: 12:00pm to 12:30pm

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Mass Intentions / Intenciones de Misa

Mon, Dec. 12, 9am: Maria Carmen Tejeda Garcia+
Requested by Maria Rodriguez

7pm: Mary Hargaden+
Requested by the Staff

Tues, Dec .13, 9am: Communion Service

**Wed, Dec. 14, 9am: en accion de gracias Maria
Guadalupe Alvarado**
Requested by Angelica Alvarado

Thurs, Dec. 15, 9am: Pedro Vera+
Requested by Kethy Gonzalez

**Fri, Dec. 16, 9am: Por la conversion espiritual y la salud
corporal de Hilario Lopez**
Solicitado por Antonia Lopez

Sat, Dec. 17, 4pm: For the Parish Families

6 pm: Carmen Hernandez+
Solicitado por Alma Cisneros

Sun, Dec. 18, 8am: Ingrid Hankinson
Requested by Benita Reeves

10am: Zach Jones+
Requested by Jan Machovina

12pm: Octaviano Godoy+
Solicitado por Azucena Godoy

Adoration / Adoración

Thursday / Los Jueves
9:30 am to 7:00 pm

Confessions / Confesiones

Saturday/ *Sabados*.....3:00pm to 3:45pm or
by appointment / *por cita*

Counting our Blessings Nov 19th & 20th

OFFERTORY \$ 11,915.01
ONLINE GIVING \$ 3,483.00
CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT \$ 971.00

Counting our Blessings Nov 26th/27th & Dec 3rd/4th

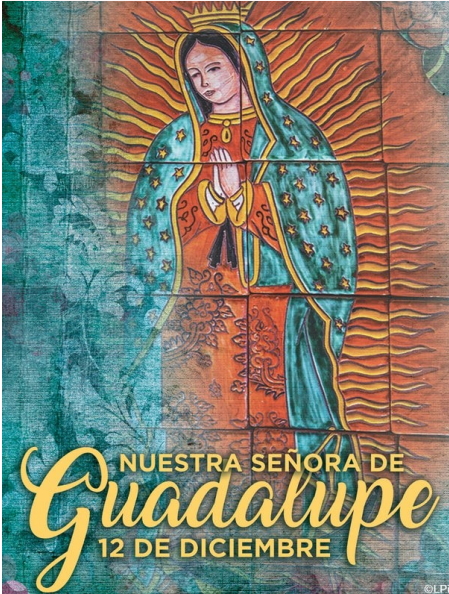
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Thank You



Parish Information / Informacion Parroquial



Festividades de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe **Our Lady of Guadalupe Festivities**

December 11

7:30pm Rosary Procession / *Rosario y Procesión*

9:30pm Hispanic Dancers / *Danzantes*

11:00pm Spanish Mass / *Misa Guadalupana*

December 12

12:00am *Mañanitas*

7:00pm Spanish Mass / *Misa Español*

The Knights of Columbus Christmas Fundraiser

Next weekend (12/17 & 12/18) after every Mass, we will be selling some Christmas goodies / stocking stuffers listed below. Funds raised will be used to help the Atlanta Seminarians and other parish projects.

Proximo fin de semana después de cada misa, venderán algunas golosinas navideñas.

Los fondos recaudados se utilizarán para ayudar a los seminaristas de la Arquidiócesis de Atlanta y otros proyectos parroquiales

Fruitcake 1lb.....	\$ 15.00
Fruitcake 2lb.....	\$ 29.00
Biscotti 4pk.....	\$ 12.00
Biscotti 8pk.....	\$ 22.00
Monks Coffee.....	\$ 12.00
Honey 16oz.....	\$ 9.00
Fudge 6oz.....	\$ 7.00
Fudge 12oz.....	\$ 12.00



(Fudge Flavors: Chocolate, Chocolate Walnut, Maple Walnut, Southern Touch)

Located in the Narthex after Mass - Cash or Check only

Ellos estaran Ubicados en el Nártex después de Misa - Solo se aceptara efectivo o cheques.

**Come,
LORD
JESUS!**

Friend of a Friend Gospel Study Group



Friend of a Friend Gospel discussion group will meet at 11:00am, following the 10:00am Mass in St Phillip's room. Join us for spiritual enrichment, ideas and encouragement from your friends in the parish. **All adults are welcome.**

Questions? Contact Merrell Holden at 678-264-7616 or staygolden@msn.com

*"Learn the heart of God from the word of God"
- Pope St. Gregory The Great*

Highlighting our Ministries / Nuestros Ministerios



December 13 is the day!

Ladies, join Council of Catholic Women for end of the year party. We will pack St Vincent de Paul hygiene bags, share snacks and exchange Christmas ornaments. Bring a friend, a snack or drink, a hygiene item and an ornament. See you there Tuesday December 13 at 6:30 pm in LaSalette Hall.

*For more information contact
Susan Sweet at 678-719-8419*

¿SABÍAS QUE TODAS LAS MUJERES DE LA PARROQUIA SON PARTE DEL CONSEJO DE MUJERES CATÓLICAS (CCW)? Aquí en San Francisco, nos reuniremos a las 6:30 pm el segundo Martes de cada mes. El 13 de Diciembre tendremos un intercambio de adornos. Si desea participar, por favor traiga uno. También puede traer un plato para compartir también. SOBRE TODO, POR FAVOR VEN!!!

Morning Coffee Ministry

Join us on **Wednesday after the 9:00 am Mass** in LaSalette Hall for Coffee and fellowship.



Morning Rosary Ministry

Join us to pray the Rosary each Morning, **Monday through Friday at 8:20 am** in the Sanctuary.

We will be asking for the intercessions of Our Mother Mary to help, guide and protect us.



Grupo de Estudio Biblico

En este Grupo nos reunimos cada Domingo de 9:00-11:00 am iniciando con el Santo Rosario para unirnos a las peticiones de la comunidad. Seguido con las lecturas del dia meditandolas y compartiendo nuestro entendimiento de lo que la palabra nos dice.

Tenemos difenentes temas relacionados a nuestra "Fe" Catolica.

Para mos informacion por favor comuniquese con Abelardo Diaz, 404-446-8565



ADORADORES NOCTURNOS

La Adoración Nocturna es una elección del Señor que no elige a los más capacitados, sino que capacita a los que él elige. Es recomendable asistir al menos una vez en la vida, porque el Señor nos llama a conocerle e intimar en esa noche, siguiendo su ejemplo de "Adorador del Padre".

Te invitamos a participar a nuestra Adoración Nocturna dirigida por el señor Porfirio Alvarado, 770-749-1959

***El día Sábado Diciembre 17 empezando a las 8:00 pm—6 am.
Y se llevará a cabo cada tercer Sábado del mes.***

Thursday Morning Men's Prayer and Study Group

We're fathers, husbands, sons, and brothers. Some are retired, some are still working. Some are in their thirties, and others are in their 60s. The common thread that brings us together is our wish to be more like Christ. We do this through different Bible studies, video series, prayer, and dialogue. So, come and enjoy some prayer, coffee, and fellowship and help us sharpen our iron for battle.

*For more information contact Zach Brown at 770-580-9074 or zmb2306@gmail.com
Next Meeting will be December 15, at 7:00 am in St. James Room*

Archdiocesan Information / Información de la Arquidiócesis

Segunda Colecta

Este fin de Semana (12/11)

Fondo de jubilación para los religiosos

Second Collection

This Weekend (12/11)

Retirement Fund for the Religious

"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good He has done for me?" - Psalm 116:12 During Advent as we are "making a way for the Lord," we reflect on our blessings. Please consider changing the beneficiary for your IRA account to include the parish endowment fund. Simply call your IRA custodian for a change of beneficiary form. For more information, contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation: jgreco@cfnga.org or 404.497.9440.



"¿Cómo devolveré al Señor todo el bien que ha hecho por mí?" - Salmo 116:12 Durante el Adviento, mientras estamos "caminando hacia el Señor", reflexionamos sobre nuestras bendiciones. Considere cambiar al beneficiario de su cuenta de retiro (IRA) para incluir al fondo de dotación parroquial. Simplemente llame a quien maneja su cuenta de IRA para obtener un formulario de cambio de beneficiario. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con Juliet Greco de la Fundación Católica en jgreco@cfnga.org o 404.497.9440.

Is your marriage going down the right road . . . or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage.

Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? **Retrouvaille** can help and offers hope for a better relationship. **Retrouvaille** is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. **Retrouvaille** is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. **Retrouvaille** can help get your relationship back on track. For more information about our upcoming **Retrouvaille** Weekend program, February 3-5, 2023, contact: Andy & Lilly @ 770.912.4743 or visit our website: HelpOurMarriage.org



Married Couples and Priests: "Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you." This Advent make the decision to grow in your marriage by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on **Feb 24-26** or **Apr 14-16**. You can also look for virtual experiences and get more information and apply online at wwme.org/apply or by calling **678-242-WWME**.



Por Encuentro Matrimonio Mundial: wwme.org/?lang=es

Come Let Us

Adore

An Evening of Carols and Scripture For The Season

PRESENTED BY

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF ATLANTA

December 16 - 8 p.m.

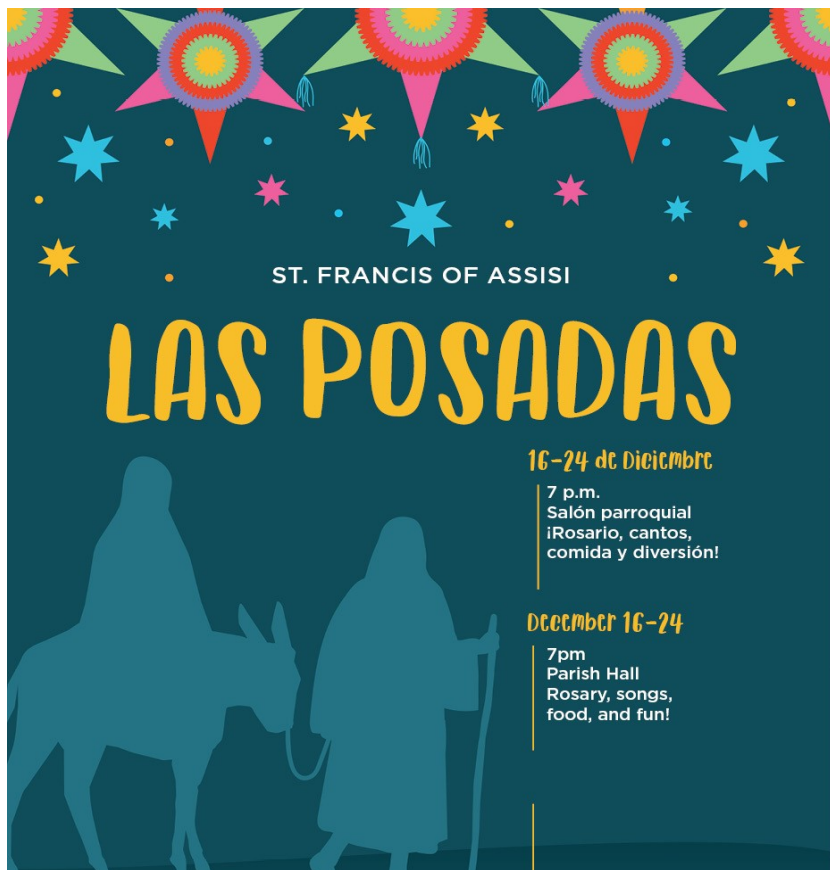
Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church



Archbishop of Atlanta
Most Reverend Gregory J. Hartmayer OFM, Conv., Presider

Lead by *The Archdiocesan Choir*
Mr. Dónal P. Noonan, conductor

Parish Information / Informacion Parroquial



This Sunday: CLOW

December 11
at the 10:00am
Mass. For all chil-
dren ages 4 to 10.

Children's Liturgy
of the **Word**

*We are looking
for volunteers*

Kenyan Mass



Christmas Holiday Schedule / *Calendario de Navidad*

Parish Offices will be closed Friday 12/23—Friday 12/30 and no Confession on 12/24.
*Las oficinas parroquiales estarán cerradas el Viernes 12/23 hasta el Viernes 12/30
y no Habra confesion 12/24*

Christmas Mass Schedule *Horario de la Misa de Navidad*

Dec 24 Vigil / *Vigilia*

4pm English Children's Mass / *Misa de niños en inglés*
7pm Spanish Mass / *Misa en Español*
8pm Christmas Dinner / *Cena Navideña*

Dec 25

12am Midnight Mass / *Misa de gallo*
10am Mass / *Misa*

Weekly Mass Schedule will stay the same. There will be
Adoration on Thursday, Dec 29.

*El horario de misas semanales seguirá siendo el mismo.
Habrá Adoración el Jueves 29 de Diciembre.*



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

3rd Sunday of Advent

Life can leave us feeling dark and desolate. Sandy was just twenty-eight when her husband, Rob, died, leaving her to raise their two young children. She was without paid employment. Rob went to work one morning and never returned home. Sandy, though, had faith and trusted that somehow God would help her through, even though most days brought deafening, piercing loneliness. She persevered, and the darkness gave way to light. Remarking one day to a friend hesitant to commit to a relationship, Sandy shared her wisdom. Even if she knew the outcome would be the same, she would marry Rob again. She assured her friend that she would even do this if eight years could only be eight minutes. We are being led by God and God transforms the darkness into light.

“Be strong, fear not!” Those are easy words to say. Putting them into practice is the challenge. When our paths are dark and life’s roads become treacherous, we can easily complain about life’s unfinished nature. When will the pain go away? Will the loneliness ever cease? Will I experience happiness again? As the farmer needs to exercise patience with the soil, we need to do the same with our lives. We have to wait for the early and late rains to come, properly tend to our gardens, and ensure that the rich nutrients of God’s merciful and tender presence continue to enrich us. God is not done. God has only just begun his work in us.

We cannot allow life to hold us captive. The systems, agendas, protocols, regulations, expectations, and unfinished business can distract us from what it means to be God’s child. Life can leave us feeling cheated, negative, and parched. All times and seasons of our spiritual and liturgical lives lead us to three virtues: faith, hope and love. Stop complaining about what is wrong and look to what God can make right! Joy that flows from the Baptist’s message: in Jesus, the one mightier than he, are found healing, reconciliation, and freedom. Christ will save us from life’s distortions, illusions, and disappointments. Do you believe this?

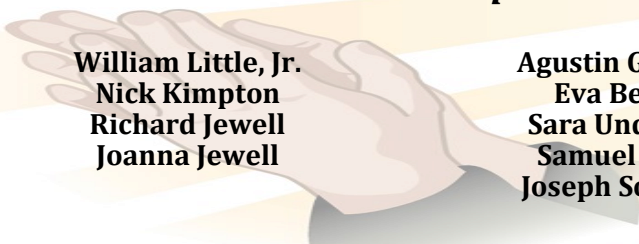
MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO – ALENTAR UN ENTENDIMIENTO MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA

3er Domingo de Adviento

“Entonces los ojos de los ciegos se despejarán, y los oídos de los sordos se abrirán, los cojos saltarán como cabritos y la lengua de los mudos gritará de alegría (Isaías 35,5-6). Que se acabe la sequedad de nuestra vida, que nos alegremos por toda la bondad de nuestro Dios. ¡Qué maravilla! hemos llegado al III Domingo de Adviento, llamado domingo de gaudete, es decir alegría. Y, ¿por qué debemos estar alegres? ¿por qué lo piensa usted? Será porque ya tiene todos sus regalos debajo de su árbol de Navidad. Será porque ya está todo preparado para la cena y sus invitados. Bueno, eso no lo sé, pero lo que sí le aseguro que este domingo de la alegría debemos regocijarnos con la infinita misericordia de Dios al enviar a su Hijo a salvarnos.

Así debe ser la Navidad, una experiencia plena en Dios como nos lo hace ver y sentir la paciencia y el amor con que María aguarda al Salvador del mundo. *“Esto es lo que sucede con Jesús: los ciegos ven, y los cojos andan, los leprosos quedan limpios y los sordos oyen, los muertos resucitan y se anuncia a los pobres la Buena Nueva. Esta descripción nos muestra que la salvación envuelve al hombre entero y lo regenera” (Papa Francisco).* Continuemos, pues, ansiando la venida de Jesús al mundo. Roguemos que la misericordia baje del cielo a este mundo quebrantado por la guerra y el poder. Pidamos fervientemente que nuestro corazón se llene de la ternura de Dios.

Remembering those that need our prayers / *Recordando a los que necesitan nuestras oraciones*



William Little, Jr.
Nick Kimpton
Richard Jewell
Joanna Jewell

Agustin Gonzalez
Eva Belman
Sara Undeutsch
Samuel Carter
Joseph Sommers

Jerry Smith
Tom Bullock
Barbara Bullock
Glenn Williams

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please visit our website stfac.org.
Si desea agregar un nombre a nuestra lista de oración, visite nuestro sitio web stfac.org.