



**St. John Nepomucene
Catholic Church**
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2nd Sunday of Advent, December 8, 2024

Reconciliation: 30 min before each Sunday Mass, or **Anytime by Request**

Adoration: Sundays after the 11:00am Mass from 12:00 till 4:00pm

Baptisms: Please call the Parish Office for information. Classes required before the baptism.

Marriage: Arrangements for marriages must be made at least six Months before wedding.

Mass Intentions: To request a specific date, please come by the parish office during office hours.

Parish Hall Availability: Please call the Parish Office, 361-933-1200.

Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday Vigil, Saturday @ 5PM, Sunday Mass, 9AM & 11AM

Sat	Dec	7	9:00 am	Special Intention
			5:00 pm	Parishioners of St. John Nepomucene
Sun	Dec	8	9:00 am	+ Ted, + Randy, + Michelle & + Will Charba; + Mario S. Garcia, Jr. (BD); + Dr. Glenn McCarty + Richard Pancoast, + Sr. Teresita; Cristian Gamboa, Birthday
Mon	Dec	9	11:00 am	Immaculate Conception
			7:00 am	Special Intention for Paul & Carla Guarnera
Tue	Dec	10	6:00 pm	For all Seminarians; Special Intention for Paul & Carla Guarnera
			8:00 am	
Wed	Dec	11	8:00 am	Holy Souls in Purgatory; Lisa & Scott Nolan Family
Thu	Dec	12	8:00 am	Myrna Rodriguez; For the Souls of Priests in Purgatory; Special Intention for Paul & Carla Guarnera
Fri	Dec	13	8:00 am	Special Intention for Paul & Carla Guarnera
Sat	Dec	14	9:00 am	Special Intention
			5:00 pm	+ Jose Maria & + Cruz Montalvo; Jose & Marina Cuellar 47th Anniversary; Jose Cuellar, Birthday
Sun	Dec	15	9:00 am	Parishioners of St. John Nepomucene
			11:00 am	Najvar & Barbee Family Living & Deceased; + Julian DeLeon, + Armando Garza, Sr.
Mon	Dec	16	6:00 pm	For all victims of abuse to become wounded healers; Special intention for Paul & Carla Guarnera
Tue	Dec	17	8:00 am	+ Emilia Betancourt; + Leonard Weese; Special Intention for Paul & Carla Guarnera
Wed	Dec	18	8:00 am	+ Lilia Marines; Intention of Carly Baldwin
Thu	Dec	19	8:00 am	Holy Souls in Purgatory; For all Priest falsely accused to become sacrificial victims of holy Love for Holy Mother Church
Fri	Dec	20	8:00 am	Greg & Sandy Smith
Sat	Dec	21	9:00 am	Special Intention
			5:00 pm	+ Nick Hill; + Patsy Holland; + Ramon Rosas
Sun	Dec	22	9:00 am	+ Dr. Julian McCarty; For al Priest to have a greater Love & Devotion to Our Blessed Mother
			11:00 am	Parishioners of St. John Nepomucene

Mass Intentions

MEDITATION OF THE DAY

Seeing the Salvation of God

Advent is not only a time of waiting Eternity—it is also in a very special sense a time of inner joy that cannot be driven out by suffering. This can perhaps be understood best if we look closely at the inner content and meaning of our *Advent* practices....The people of God have, as it were, translated Scripture into a visible form. In Psalm 96, for example, we read : *Then shall all the trees of the wood sing for joy before the Lord, for he comes.* In our *Advent* liturgy, these words have been joined to words from other psalms and the whole has been extended until we have: *Mountains and hills will sing praises before God and all the trees of the wood will clap their hands, for the Lord is coming, the ruler, to an eternal kingdom.* Our decorated Christmas trees are really nothing but an attempt to make these words visible. The Lord is there. Our ancestors believed this and the trees of the wood had therefore to go to meet him. Bend down before him, and be a song of praise to their Lord....

Even our Christmas fare has its roots in the Church's *Advent* liturgy, which echoes the wonderful words of the Old Testament: *On that day the mountains will drip sweetness and the rivers will bring down milk and honey.* It was in words such as these that men in the past expressed their hopes in a redemptive world....[God] as it were distributes honey and it must therefore be true that the earth flows with it. Where he is, there can, after all, be no bitterness. In his presence, heaven and earth are in harmony and God and man are at one. Honey and all the sweet thing of Christmas are the sign of this peace, concord, and joy. Christmas became the feast of giving, and in this we imitate the God who gives himself and also gives us life [and] that one Love which cannot be threatened by death or unfaithfulness or deceit.

All these elements come together in our joy that God became a Child who encourages us to trust as children trust, to give ourselves, and to let ourselves receive. It is perhaps quite difficult for us to accept this joy when we are troubled by questions and when physical illness and spiritual problems attach us and make us rebel against the God we cannot understand. But this Child is a sign of hope, and that sign is made on those who are in anyway distressed. We ought to celebrate *Advent* by allowing the signs of this special time to penetrate freely into our hearts...and then, full of trust, accept the immeasurable goodness of the Child who made the mountains and hills sing and transformed the trees of the wood into a song of praise.

Pope Benedict XVI

Pope Benedict XVI (+ 2022) reigned as pope from 2005 until 2013.





Please remember those who have gone before us marked with the sign of

faith: †Lillie Dornak, †Richard Pancoast, †Patsy Holland, †Henrietta Vrana, †Raul Perez,
† Carmen Marin, † Glenn McCarty

Remember in your prayers those who are sick in our parish: Erwin Dornak, Nina Curran, Olivia Rosas, Ashley Marie Jimenez, Evelyn Bluntzer, Mike Hellums, Laura Garza, Larry Bryant, Maria Elena Reyna, Michael Marin, Mable Ginn, Joe Lopez

Saturday Rosary:

A "Scriptural" Rosary is



Said Saturday morning for **Pro Life** intentions at **8:30 am** before the 9 a.m. Mass. A Rosary will be said before the 5 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass, and on Sunday @ **8:30 a.m.**, and 10:30a.m.



Dec 8, 2024—2nd Sunday of Advent

Sat. 5:00 pm—Dr. Julio Rangel

Sun. 9:00 am—Claire Charba

11:00 am—Ray Saenz

Dec 15, 2024—3rd Sunday of Advent

Sat. 5:00 pm—Mark Heatherton

Sun. 9:00 am—Laurie Luciani

11:00 am—Eric Gamboa



The Sanctuary Candle is perpetually lit for :

**Church; Ted & Randy Charba Family
By: Jo Billings**

Chapel;

The Sanctuary Candle is perpetually lit in the Church or Chapel in memory of a loved one, for a Special Intention. Please call the parish Office @ 361-933-1200 if you would like to schedule a Saturday to Friday week.

Religious Education classes will resume December 8th.

Key Reading

Sat—[Is 30:19-21, 23-26](#), [Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6](#), [Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8](#)

Sun—[Bar 5:1-9](#), [Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6](#), [Lk 3:1-6](#)

Immaculate Conception

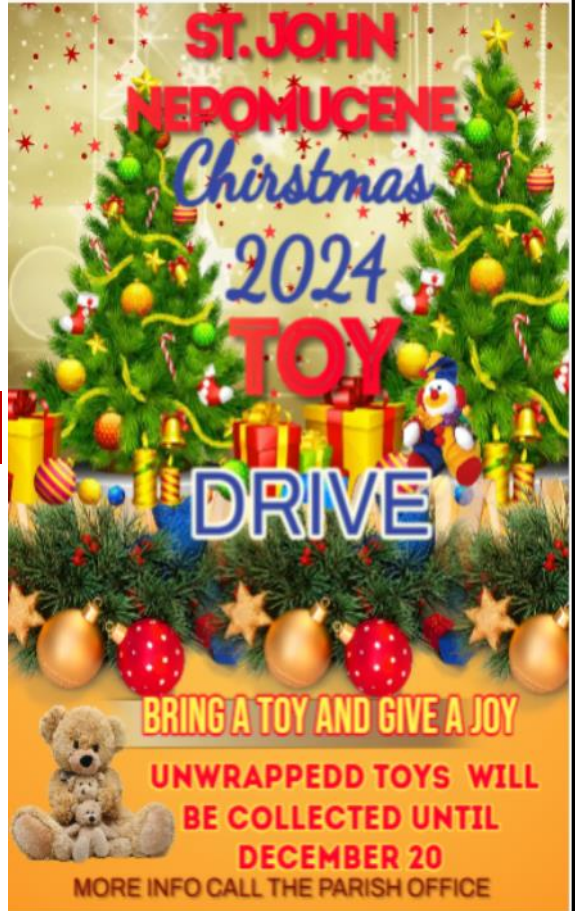
Mon—[Gn 3:9-15, 20](#), [PS 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4](#), [Lk 1:26-38](#)

Tue—[Is 40:1-11](#), [Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13](#), [Mt 18:12-14](#)

Wed—[Is 40:25-31](#), [Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10](#), [Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10](#)

Thu—[ZEC 2:14-17](#), [JUDITH 13:18BCDE, 19](#), [LK 1:26-38](#)

Fri—[Is 48:17-19](#), [Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6](#), [Mt 11:16-19](#)



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SAT: 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
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Blessings upon your Sunday Offering

December 1, 2024

Thank YOU!

Envelope: **\$1,261.00**

Loose: **\$1,165.00**

\$2,426.00

Building Fund—**\$2,375.00**

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& Regular Office Hours

Monday: 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Tuesday: 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

Thursday: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Friday: 9:00 am-4:30 pm

Sermon in a Sentence

A Treasury of Quotations on the Spiritual Life

Courage for the truth and the good are stronger than error and evil

(P84 246)

The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen

Many people make the mistake of aiming directly at pleasure; they forget that pleasure comes only from the fulfillment of a duty or obedience to a law— for man is made to obey the laws of his own nature as inescapably as he must obey the laws of gravity. A boy has pleasure eating ice-cream because he is fulfilling one of the “ought’s” of human nature: eating. If he eats more ice cream than the laws of his body sanction, he will no longer get the pleasure he seeks, but the pain of a stomachache. To seek pleasure, regardless of law, is to miss it.

Saints of the Week

12/11—St. Damasus I, Pope

12/13—St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

12/14—St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church

Our Lady of Guadalupe Diocese Celebration

Thursday, Dec 12, 2024. A Procession with Matachines will begin at 5:30pm from Sacred Heart Parish, 1322 Comanche St. Please bring your Rosary and a rose to present to Our Lady at the 6:00pm Cathedral Mass with Bishop Mulvey. A reception will follow downstairs in St. Joseph Hall. Please invite Family & Friends!!



The Dec 22nd Christmas Celebration Dinner Sign-Up sheet is at the church front door entrance table.

Please Join Us to Pray the Rosary Every Tuesday in the Chapel at 5:00 PM. Everyone is welcome!

Adult Faith Formation— Classes have resumed @ 6:30 PM on Wednesday,