



Prayer Requests

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 Brenda Larsen  
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 Cindy Kinkaid  
 Rosann Kinkaid  
 Mayra Anguiano  
 Patti Sikors Garrett  
 Angel Gabriel Godinez  
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**New Year's Day**

On January 1<sup>st</sup> the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God.

**From the Church Office**



The Church offices will be closed *Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>* in observance of New Year's.

**Holy Hour**



We will have Eucharistic Adoration on *Friday, January 6<sup>th</sup>* from 8:30-9:30am. Everyone is invited to come.

**Ministry Schedule for the Weekend of January 7/8**

**Lectors:**

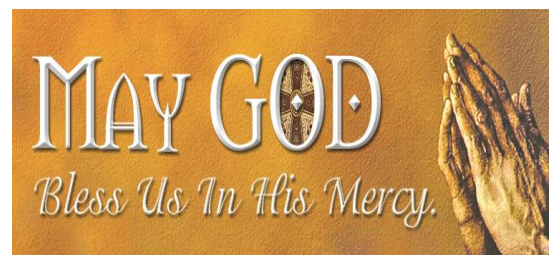
Sat. 4:00pm Michael Gumler/Rod Kinkaid  
 Sun. 8:00am Chris Probst/Dan Probst  
 Sun. 10:30am Lou Roberts/Donna Roberts

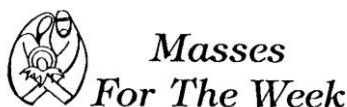
**Ushers:**

Sat. 4:00pm Debbie Patterson\*/Sherry G./Paul M./Volunteer  
 Sun. 8:00am Robert Brown\*/Wayne M./David B./Rachel H.  
 Sun. 10:30am Dennis Connolly\*/Kevin P./Richard Jr./Erik A.

**Extraordinary Ministers**

Sat. 4:00pm Debbie Patterson/Cathy Burton  
 Sun. 8:00am Seth Jungman/Linda F. Johnston  
 Sun. 10:30am Bill Bedrick/Karie Hammond





**Sunday, January 1**

9:15 AM NO R.E. classes

**Monday, January 2**

8:00 AM Daily Mass

1:00 PM NO Crochet Ministry @ Casa St. John

**Tuesday, January 3**

8:00 AM Daily Mass

6:30 PM R.E. evening classes

6:30 PM Clases Bíblicas

**Wednesday, January 4**

6:30 PM R.E. evening classes

6:30 PM Hora Santa

**Thursday, January 5**

8:00 AM Daily Mass

7:00 PM RCIA classes

**Friday, January 6**

8:00 AM Daily Mass

8:30-9:30 AM Holy Hour

**Saturday, December 31 (New Year's Vigil Mass)**

4:00 PM In Thanksgiving for God's Blessing during this past year

**Sunday, January 1 (New Year's Day)**

8:00 AM In Honor of Mary, the Mother of God

10:30 AM Pro Populo

12:15 PM En Honor de la Virgen Maria

**Monday, January 2**

8:00 AM †Vickie de la Cruz by Flor & Jr. Aramil

**Tuesday, January 3**

8:00 AM Special Intention by Fr. Orosco

**Thursday, January 5**

8:00 AM †Kay Bedrick by Bud McClure

**Friday, January 6**

8:00 AM In Honor of the Sacred Heart

**Saturday, January 7**

4:00 PM †TJ Blankenship by Frank & Elaine Kasper

**Sunday, January 8**

8:00 AM Pro Populo

10:30 AM †Jerry Lain by Donna Lain

12:15 PM †Gonzalo Muro by Consuelo Rodriguez

*Sound Catholic practice encourages us to offer the Mass for the departed and for those in any need. To request a Mass to be offered, please visit the parish office or return to the office a completed Mass intention card. Available cards are located in the foyer of the church.*

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**Blessed Art Thou Among Women**

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**The Memorare**

*Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To you I come; before you I stand sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate! Despise not my petitions, but in your mercy hear and answer me. Amen.*

**Anointing of the Sick**



*Because of the Privacy Act, hospitals and nursing homes are no longer able to provide a list of the Catholic patients/residents for the Churches use in order to visit and administer the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick. Therefore, I need your assistance when you have a family member who is hospitalized or in a nursing home. Please call Fr. Orosco at the Church Office at (972) 563-3643 so that I may be of assistance.*

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## Religious Education News

## The Second Week of Christmas

### January Class Schedule

- ❖ **Sunday Classes:** 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ **Tuesday Classes:** 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup>.
- ❖ **Wednesday Classes:** 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>.

### Happy New Year!



Every New Year we have the opportunity to look at the year ahead as a clean canvas or slate. Traditionally we make resolutions to save money, lose weight, or improve our health. All of these are good resolutions, but this year, try putting a twist on your New Year's resolutions and include new habits that will improve your spiritual life. For example, spend more time in prayer, read scripture at least 10 minutes a day, attend First Friday Mass and stay for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation more often, spend more time with family and friends, initiate a family service project, or volunteer to help others. You will notice a significant transformation in yourself.

*Happy New Year!*

### RE Team Meeting



The Religious Education Team will meet on **Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup>**, 2017, in the Parish Hall at 7:00pm. Maury Buford will present a program on the growing problem of sex trafficking in north Texas. Maury is a parishioner at St. John the Apostle and he works with the Department of Public Safety (DPS). This will be an opportunity for all volunteers to renew their Safe Environment annual training for the coming year. Please try to attend. We are trying to get every volunteer's annual renewal due in January; this meeting will help accomplish that goal. If the hall is still being used for Mass at the time of this meeting, refreshments will not be served.



Sunday, January 1st this year, New Year's Day, is the **Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God**. In addition, it is a celebration of the **World Day of Prayer for Peace**.

Monday is the **Memorial of Saint Basil the Great and Saint Gregory Nazianzen, bishops and doctors of the Church**. Wednesday is the **Memorial of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton**. Thursday is the **Memorial of Saint John Neumann**.



The Epiphany of the Lord is celebrated on January 6th in most of the world. It is celebrated on Sunday, the 8th in the U.S. The light has come into the darkness of the world and our salvation was made known to the Gentiles. **Matthew's Gospel** brings us the story of the Magi and their encounter with Herod on the way to "do homage" to the newborn King of the Jews.

The first reading during the week continues from the **First Letter of John**, encouraging us to make our home in the one who makes his home in us. In Jesus, we have eternal life and we are called to love one another.

The Gospels for this week show Jesus manifesting himself in his life on earth, following **John's Gospel**, from the testimony of John to the calling of Jesus' disciples from their everyday lives.

## Una Meditación



### Encontraron a María, a José y al Niño.

En el encuentro con el recién nacido los pastores de Belén encuentran también a María, mencionada por san Lucas en primer lugar, casi como para subrayar el papel de la Virgen en todos los tiempos de la Iglesia: <<ad Jesum per Mariam>>. Enseguida el evangelista pone en confrontación el asombro, la admiración y el alegre inquietarse de los pastores por difundir en el afortunado caserío de Belén la sorprendente noticia y experiencia, con el recogimiento de María que <<por su parte conservaba todas estas cosas en su corazón>>. Esta observación la sentiremos más adelante, cuando Lucas nos dirá ((2, 51) que la Virgen, de regreso de Jerusalén a Nazaret, después de haber encontrado al Perdido en el templo: <<conservaba estas cosas en su corazón>>. Por lo que podemos decir que María ya desde que Gabriel le anunció la divina maternidad, se muestra respetuosa del misterio y, al mismo tiempo, abierta a la luz, atenta a cada palabra y acontecimiento que podían instruirle en su tarea de generosa colaboradora en la obra de su Hijo. Todo se desarrollaba en el secreto del corazón, es decir, en lo profundo de su inteligencia, de la voluntad y de los sentimientos.



El 1° de enero la Iglesia celebra la Solemnidad de María, Madre de Dios.

## Anoten:

Las oficinas de la Iglesia estarán cerradas el lunes, 2 de enero, 2017.

## Hora Santa

Todos están invitados a la Hora Santa cada miércoles a las 6:30pm. Nos reunimos en la Iglesia para darle honra a Jesús Sacramentado.



## Unción de los Enfermos

Si usted o alguien que usted conozca está necesitado en recibir comunión o el Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos favor de llamar al Padre Orosco en la oficina de la Iglesia al número 972-563-3643.



## Noticias de la Doctrina

### Calendario de Enero

Clases de domingos: 8, 15, 22, 29

Clases de martes: 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Clases de miércoles: 4, 11, 18, 25

### Junta para todo el Equipo de Educación Religiosa

Vamos a tener una junta para todo el Equipo de Educación Religiosa el lunes, 9 de enero en el Salón Parroquial a las 7:00pm. El Sr. Maury Buford presentará un programa en el crecimiento de problema de traficante de sexo. Esta será una buena oportunidad para que todos los voluntarios renuevan su entrenamiento de medio ambiente para el siguiente año.

## El Memorare

Acuérdate, oh misericordiosísima Virgen de Guadalupe, que ninguno de los que han acudido a tu protección, implorando tu asistencia y reclamando tu socorro ha sido abandonado por tí. Animado con esta confianza a tí acudo, ¡Oh Virgen Madre! Y aunque gimiendo bajo el peso de mis pecados, me atrevo a comparecer ante tu presencia soberana.

¡No deseches Oh Madre de Dios!  
Mis humildes súplicas, antes bien  
inclina a ellas tus oídos  
y dignate atenderlas favorablemente.

Amén.