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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

PRIMER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO (A)

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Monday/Lunes: No mass
Tuesday/Martes: **6:30 AM** (English) - CHAPEL
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Thursday/Jueves: **6:00 PM** (Spanish) - CHAPEL
Friday/Viernes: **6:30 AM** (English) - CHAPEL

Saturday/Sábado: **4:30 PM** (English) CHURCH
6:00 PM (English) LOUNGE
Neocatechumenal Way

Sunday/Domingo: **7:00 AM** (English) CHURCH
9:00 AM (Spanish) CHURCH
11:00 AM (English) CHURCH

CONFESSIONS / CONFESIONES

SATURDAYS: 3:30 pm in the Church or any time by appointment.
SABADOS: A las 3:30 pm en la Iglesia o llame para una cita.

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Monday through Friday. Please contact the Parish Office.
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On the last Saturday of the month, at 3 pm. Please contact the Parish Office. - El ultimo sabado del mes, a las 3 pm. Favor de contactar la oficina parroquial.

MARRIAGE / MATRIMONIO

Please contact the priests at least 6 months before your wedding.
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From the Pastor's Pen



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Do you know that Mary is the Woman of Advent? I want to share with you these words of Cardinal Dolan from New York:

"[Mary] really towers over this magnificent Advent season. We celebrate her Immaculate Conception, her title of "Our Lady of Loretto," and the grand solemnity of "Our Lady of Guadalupe." In our Bible readings at Mass we often hear of her Annunciation, and her Visitation to her cousin, St. Elizabeth, pregnant with John the Baptist. At Christmas, after gazing upon the Holy Infant in the crib, we look with love upon her.

Well should Mary be the dominant person of Advent! If this season is about waiting—for the celebration of Our Lord's first coming at Bethlehem, and His second at the end of time—she is our model, as she literally waited as a pregnant mother for the promise of a Messiah to be fulfilled. As Mom used to say, "Nobody is more patient than a pregnant mother, because she knows there's no rushing the baby."

Actually, Mary stands not only at the center of Advent, but of history. At the fifty-yard line of time, we find a mother we call "blessed" and her baby we confess as our Savior. B.C. and A.D. pivot around Jesus and Mary.

No wonder we Catholics honor her so much. God our Father sure did, in choosing her to provide His Son with a human nature. He preserved her from sin from the first moment of her conception, and kept her from corruption in bringing her, body and soul, to heaven at her Assumption." (Cardinal Timothy M. Dolan)

Father Andrea



SOUP SALE



Tickets are now on sale for our Soup Sale on Saturday December 13! We need an accurate count to prepare the right amount of soup, so please buy your tickets after Mass from our volunteers. Your support helps the parish — and you'll get to enjoy some delicious soup!

HELP US DECORATE OUR CHURCH FOR ADVENT

We need help to decorate our Church for Advent! If you are able to help, please come Friday, December 5, at 3:00 pm. Thanks!



NOVEMBER 30 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



The first Sunday of Advent is the start of a new liturgical year. This holy season of Advent is a time to re-order our lives and our priorities. Notice how the readings invite us to orient ourselves: "Walk in the light of the Lord"; and "conduct ourselves properly". We are also reminded that there is no room for jealousy or rivalry or indecent behavior in our interactions with others. We must be prepared for the coming of Christ. Taking these words to heart, making a "fresh start" will have a positive affect not only yourself but it will also affect those around you.

THE FOUR MARIAN DOGMAS



Let us prepare for the birth of the Messiah with Mary, the Woman of Advent.

COME AND JOIN US ON EVERY
SUNDAY OF ADVENT FOR CATECHESIS,
ADORATION AND CONFESSION!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30 - 3 PM

ST. ANN - Rev. Fr. Robert

Mary, Mother of God

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7 - 3 PM

ST. JOSEPH - Rev. Fr. Rodrigue

Mary's Perpetual Virginity

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14 - 3 PM

HOLY CROSS - Rev. Fr. Andrea

The Assumption of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21 - 3 PM

ST. PATRICK - Rev. Fr. Dominic

The Immaculate Conception



MASS INTENTIONS / INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

Sat. 29	4:30 pm	+Peter, +Helena and +Maximinus Paul	req. by Jacinta Augustin.
	6:00 pm	For the good of the people of St. Joseph Church.	
Sun. 30	7:00 am	Birthday blessings for Vernie Jackson	req. by the family.
	9:00 am	Birthday blessings for Geraldino Figueroa	req. by Jovina Garcia.
	11:00 am	+Merle Seepersad, +William Cherubin and +Fr. John Mark	req. by Dolores Daniel.
Tue. 2	6:30 am	Birthday blessings for Angel Parrilla	req. by the Parrilla family.
Wed. 3	6:30 am	Birthday blessings for Shane, Sean and Zaly Welcome	req. by Mary Leonce.
Thu. 4	6:00 pm	Birthday blessings for Juanita Migueles Mitchel	req. by Juanita Migueles Mitchel.
Fri. 5	6:30 am	For the health of Amanda Vigilant	req. by Noreen Vigilant.
Sat. 6	7:00 am	Birthday blessings for their children	req. by Valencio and Vernie Jackson.

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Desde la pluma del parroco

Queridos hermanos y hermanas,

¿Sabían que María es la Mujer del Adviento? Quiero compartir contigo estas palabras del Cardenal Dolan de Nueva York:

"[María] realmente se alza majestuosa en este magnífico tiempo de Adviento. Celebramos su Inmaculada Concepción, su título de "Nuestra Señora de Loreto" y la gran solemnidad de "Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe". En las lecturas bíblicas de la Misa, a menudo escuchamos sobre su Anunciación y su Visitación a su prima, Santa Isabel, embarazada de Juan el Bautista. En Navidad, después de contemplar al Santo Niño en el pesebre, la miramos con amor.

¡Y con razón María es la figura central del Adviento! Si este tiempo se trata de esperar —la celebración de la primera venida de Nuestro Señor en Belén y su segunda al final de los tiempos— ella es nuestro modelo, ya que esperó literalmente, como una madre embarazada, a que se cumpliera la promesa del Mesías. Como decía mi madre: "Nadie es más paciente que una madre embarazada, porque sabe que no se puede apresurar al bebé".

En realidad, María no solo ocupa un lugar central en el Adviento, sino en toda la historia. En el punto medio del tiempo, encontramos a una madre a la que llamamos «bendita» y a su niño, a quien confesamos como nuestro Salvador. El antes de Cristo y el después de Cristo giran en torno a Jesús y María.

No es de extrañar que los católicos la veneremos tanto. Dios nuestro Padre sin duda la veneró al elegirla para que su Hijo recibiera la naturaleza humana. La preservó del pecado desde el primer instante de su concepción y la mantuvo pura de la corrupción al llevarla, en cuerpo y alma, al cielo en su Asunción." (Cardenal Timothy M. Dolan)

Padre Andrea

SOLEMNIDAD DE LA INMACULADA CONCEPCIÓN

La Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción se celebra el lunes 8 de diciembre de 2025. Es **día de precepto** para los católicos. Este día conmemora la Inmaculada Concepción de la Santísima Virgen María, es decir, que fue concebida sin pecado original.

Lunes 8 de diciembre
a las 10:00 am
(Iglesia - bilingüe)



SALE!

VENTA DE SOPAS



¡Ya están a la venta los boletos para nuestra venta de sopa el sábado 13 de diciembre! Necesitamos saber con exactitud cuánta sopa se necesita para prepararla, así que por favor compren sus entradas después de la misa con nuestros voluntarios. Su apoyo ayuda a la parroquia, ¡y además podrán disfrutar de una deliciosa sopa!

AYÚDENOS A DECORAR A NUESTRA IGLESIA PARA EL ADVIENTO

Necesitamos ayuda para decorar nuestra iglesia para el Adviento. Si puedes ayudarnos, ven el Viernes, Diciembre 5, a las 3:00 pm. ¡Gracias!



30 DE NOVIEMBRE PRIMER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO



El primer domingo de Adviento marca el inicio de un nuevo año litúrgico. Este tiempo santo de Adviento es una oportunidad para reordenar nuestras vidas y prioridades. Observemos cómo las lecturas nos invitan a orientarnos: «Caminad en la luz del Señor» y «conducíos con decoro». También se nos recuerda que no hay lugar para los celos, la rivalidad ni la conducta indecente en nuestras relaciones con los demás. Debemos estar preparados para la venida de Cristo. Asimilar estas palabras y comenzar de nuevo tendrá un efecto positivo no solo en nosotros mismos, sino también en quienes nos rodean.

TRABAJO PASTORAL

Rosario Pro-Vida - Viernes @ 4:30 pm

Santo Niño - Primer Sábado @ 4:00 pm

Divina Misericordia - Cada otros Sábados @ 4:00 pm

Sagrado Corazon - Primer Domingo @ 8:30 am

Cursillo de Cristiandad - Domingos @ 10:00 am

Nuestra Señora de Fatima - Primer Sabado 7:00am

Camino Neocatecumenal - Miércoles @ 6:00 pm

Duelo y pérdida - Últimos martes @ 1:00 pm



LOS CUATRO DOGMAS MARIANOS



Preparémonos para el nacimiento del Mesías con María, la Mujer del Adviento.

JVEN Y ACOMPAÑANOS TODOS LOS DOMINGOS DE ADVIENTO PARA CATEQUESIS, ADORACIÓN Y CONFESIÓN!

Domingo, Noviembre 30 - 3 PM

ST. ANN - Rev. Fr. Robert
María, Madre de Dios

Domingo, DICIEMBRE 7 - 3 PM

ST. JOSEPH - Rev. Fr. Rodrigue
La virginidad perpetua de María

Domingo, DICIEMBRE 14 - 3 PM

HOLY CROSS - Rev. Fr. Andrea
La Asunción de la Santísima Virgen María

Domingo, DICIEMBRE 21 - 3 PM

ST. PATRICK - Rev. Fr. Dominic
La Inmaculada Concepción



PARISH PASTORAL WORK

Pro-Life Rosary - Fridays @ 4:30 pm

Santo Niño - First Saturday @ 4:00 pm

Divine Mercy - Every Other Saturdays @ 4:00 pm

Sacred Heart Society - First Sunday @ 8:30 am

Cursillo de Cristiandad - Sundays @ 10:00 am

Our Lady of Fatima - First Saturday @ 7:00 am

Neocatechumenal Way - Wednesdays @ 6:00 pm

Grief and Loss Seminar - Last Tuesdays @ 1:00 pm



SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is on Monday, December 8, 2025. It is a **Holy Day of Obligation** for Catholics. This day celebrates the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, meaning she was conceived without original sin.

Monday, December 8th
at 10:00 am
(Bilingual - Church)

Immaculate
Conception



ANGEL TREE



This year we will extend again our Christmas spirit of giving to the homeless. There are gift angels tags on the angel tree which indicate the items to be purchased. Please put the angel tag on the wrapped gifts to indicate the gift for distribution. The gifts will be placed under the tree. Last day to bring the gifts is December 20th. Thank you.

READINGS FOR THE 1st WEEK OF ADVENT (A)

Mon. Dec. 1

Is 4:2-6

Mt 8:5-11

Tue. Dec. 2

Is 11:1-10

Lk 10:21-24

Wed. Dec. 3

St. Francis Xavier

Is 25:6-10a

Mt 15:29-37

Thur. Dec. 4

Is 26:1-6

Mt 7:21, 24-27

Fri. Dec. 5

Is 29:17-24

Mt 9:27-31



Sat. Dec. 6

Saint Nicholas

Is 30:19-21, 23-26
Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sun. Dec. 7
**SECOND SUNDAY
OF ADVENT**

Is 11:1-10

Rom 15:4-9

Mt 3:1-12

St. Joseph's Gem

WISDOM ON OUR SPIRITUAL FATHER



Inspired by the Gospel, the Fathers of the Church from the earliest centuries stressed that just as St. Joseph took loving care of Mary and gladly dedicated himself to Jesus Christ's upbringing, he likewise watches over and protects Christ's Mystical Body, that is, the Church, of which the Virgin Mary is the exemplar and model.

- St. John Paul II

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A PRAYER TO INSPIRE

A PRAYER OF THANKS

Gracious and Loving Creator, thank You for the gift of life, the strength that sustains me, and the healing that renews my body, mind, and spirit. Thank You for guiding me through weakness and uncertainty, and for the wisdom, care, and love that support my health. May I use this wellness to serve others, live with joy, and honor the life You've given me. Amen.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS/ANUNCIOS

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Tuesday from 7:00 a.m. until 5:00 pm, in Saint Michael's Chapel.

ADORACION DEL SANTISIMO SACRAMENTO - Martes, de 7:00 am hasta las 5:00 pm en la capilla de San Miguel.

ADVENT MISSION - Every Sunday of Advent a 3 pm in a different Catholic Church of the Island. This Sunday it will be in Saint Ann's! We will listen to a beautiful catechesis on Mary, Mother of God, one of the four Marian Dogmas; we will have a time of adoration and the possibility to access the Sacrament of Reconciliation! Don't miss out!

MISIÓN DE ADVIENTO - Todos los domingos de Adviento a las 3:00 pm en una iglesia católica diferente de la isla. ¡El próximo domingo será en Santa Ana! Escucharemos una hermosa catequesis sobre Maria, Madre de Dios, uno de los cuatro dogmas mariano; tendremos un tiempo de adoración y la posibilidad de recibir el Sacramento de la Reconciliación. ¡No te lo pierdas!

ANGEL TREE - This year we will extend again our Christmas spirit of giving to the homeless. Please put the angel tag on the wrapped gifts to indicate the gift for distribution. Last day to bring the gifts is December 20th. Thank you.

ARBOL DE ANGELES - Este año extenderemos nuevamente nuestro espíritu navideño de dar a las personas sin hogar. Coloque la etiqueta del ángel en los regalos envueltos para indicar el regalo para distribuir. El último día para traer los regalos es el 20 de diciembre.

THE FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH MASS - Next Saturday, December 6th at 7:00 a.m. in the chapel. Theme: *The Blessed Virgin Mary, Chosen Daughter of Israel*. Come to Mass on Saturday at 7 am and you will know what this title means!

MISA DEL PRIMER SÁBADO DE MES - Próximo sábado 6 de diciembre a las 7:00 a. m. en la capilla. Tema: *La Santísima Virgen María, Hija Elegida de Israel*. ¡Ven a misa el sábado a las 7:00 a. m. y sabrás lo que significa este título!



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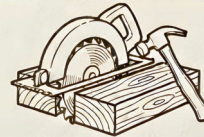


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tongues with songs of
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