

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church

Second Sunday of Advent Dec. 4-5, 2021

1st Reading: Bar 5: 1-9 Psalm 126; 2nd Reading: Phil 1: 4-6, 8-11; Gospel Lk 3:1-6

“Prepare the way of the Lord”



GOSPEL READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. Lk. 5:17-26
Tues. Mt. 18: 12-14
Wed. Lk. 1: 26-38
Thurs. Mt. 11:11-15
Fri. Mt. 11: 16-19
Sat. Mt. 17: 9a 10-13

The mystery of the encounter of God with humankind, that the Gospel narrates, is enfolded in a word and this divine-human Word is announced by John the Baptist. That this is a liberating, redeeming, salvific Word is demonstrated by the prophecy of Isaiah 40,3-5. Yahweh, the liberator, places himself at the head of his people and leads them, through the events of a new Exodus - a theme that is very dear to Luke - to the promised land. In order to express the arrival of the messianic times and the necessity of a personal conversion there was, perhaps, no better alternative than to choose a vocabulary inspired to recall the great figure of Yahweh-liberator and to evoke the facts of the Exodus. In this way not only is the continuity between the old and the new economy affirmed, but faith in the salvific presence of God in current times is expressed when his visit to the world came to be publicized by the ministry of John. The Baptist does not proclaim a religious and moral code; he does not speak of the Law and Moses; rather, John announces and proposes a baptism of penance, i.e., of forgiveness, of acknowledgment of fault, of a return to God, seeing as how all have sinned, all have abandoned God, all are subject to judgment. In this manner, John must be situated, squarely, within the best prophetic tradition through insistence upon attitudes of interior devotion rather than, merely, external acts of worship (cf. Isaiah 58,6-8). By Fr. Damien Dougherty, O.F.M 2003, OCP.

What is the Immaculate Conception?

In the Constitution *Ineffabilis Deus* of 8 December, 1854, Pius IX pronounced and defined that the Blessed Virgin Mary "in the first instance of her conception, by a singular privilege and grace granted by God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Saviour of the human race, was preserved exempt from all stain of original sin."

The Immaculate Conception is a Catholic dogma that states that Mary, whose conception was brought about the normal way, was conceived without original sin or its stain. That's what "immaculate" means: without stain.

It's important to understand what the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception is and what it is not. Some people think the term refers to Christ's conception in Mary's womb without the intervention of a human father; but that is the Virgin Birth. Others think the Immaculate Conception means Mary was conceived "by the power of the Holy Spirit," in the way Jesus was, but that, too, is incorrect. The essence of original sin consists in the deprivation of sanctifying grace, and its stain is a corrupt nature. Mary was preserved from these defects by God's grace; from the first instant of her existence she was in the state of sanctifying grace and was free from the corrupt nature original sin brings.

Wed. Dec 8th Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation



12 noon Mass, English
6 pm Mass Bilingual.

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Saint of the week: December 9th St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

(1474–1548) Baptized at about age 50, this Mexican Indian was walking to Mass on December 9, 1531, when Mary appeared to him on Tepeyac Hill, near Mexico City. Speaking in his native language of Náhuatl, she asked him to petition the bishop for a shrine to be built there. But the bishop asked for a sign. On December 12, Juan returned to Tepeyac; Mary told him to pick flowers blooming atop the hill and put them in his cloak to take to the bishop. When Juan opened the cloak, the flowers fell out and the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe adorned his garment. This miraculous image is preserved in the famous basilica in Mexico City. Juan lived out his days as a hermit near the first chapel built there; he was canonized in 2002. © 2021, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Washington, DC. All rights reserved



Santo de la semana: Diciembre 9 San Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin

(1474–1548) Este indígena mexicano fue bautizado cuando tenía alrededor de 50 años y, el 9 de diciembre de 1531 cuando se dirigía a Misa, se le apareció María en el cerro Tepeyac, cerca de la ciudad de México. Ella le habló en Náhuatl, la lengua nativa de Juan Diego y le pidió que él le solicitara al obispo que se construyera un santuario en ese lugar. Pero el obispo le dijo que le diera una señal. El 12 de diciembre, Juan Diego regresó a Tepeyac; María le dijo que recogiera en su manto las flores que estaban floreciendo en lo alto del cerro y que se las llevara al obispo. Cuando Juan Diego abrió su manto, las flores cayeron al suelo y la imagen de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe adornaba el manto. Esta imagen milagrosa se conserva en la famosa basílica de la ciudad de México. Juan Diego vivió el resto de su vida como un ermitaño cerca a la primera capilla construida allí; él fue canonizado en el 2002. Copyright © 2021, United States Conference of Catholic

Segundo Domingo de Adviento 'C'

1era. Lectura: Bar 5, 1-9; Salmo: 125; 2da.
Lectura: Flp 1, 4-6. 8-11; Evangelio: Lc 3, 1-6

“Preparen el camino del Señor”

mesianicos y la necesidad de una conversión personal, quizás no hubo mejor alternativa que elegir un vocabulario inspirado para recordar la gran figura de Yahvé-libertador y evocar los hechos del Éxodo. De esta manera no solo se afirma la continuidad entre la antigua y la nueva economía de salvación, sino que la fe en la presencia salvífica de Dios en los tiempos actuales se expresa en cuanto a su visita al mundo llega a ser anunciada por el ministerio de Juan. El Bautista no proclama un código moral y religioso; no habla de la Ley y de Moisés; más bien, Juan anuncia y propone un bautismo de penitencia, es decir, de perdón, de reconocimiento de la culpa, de regreso a Dios, ya que todos han pecado, todos han abandonado a Dios, todos están sujetos a juicio. De esta manera, Juan debe situarse, de lleno, dentro de la mejor tradición profética a través de la insistencia en actitudes de devoción interior en lugar de, meramente, actos externos de adoración (cf. Isaías 58,6-8). By Fr. Damien Dougherty, O.F.M 2003, OCP.

El misterio del encuentro de Dios con la humanidad, que narra el Evangelio de Lucas, se encarna en una palabra y esta Palabra divino-humana es anunciada por Juan el Bautista. Esta Palabra es liberadora, redentora y salvífica lo demuestra la profecía de Isaías 40,3-5. Yahvé, el libertador, se coloca a la cabeza de su pueblo y lo conduce, a través de los acontecimientos de un nuevo Éxodo, tema muy querido por Lucas, hacia la tierra prometida. Para expresar la llegada de los tiempos

Mass Intentions – Dec. 4th – 10th

Sat. Dec. 4th: 4:30pm + Janie White

Sun. Dec. 5th: 9:00am + Jose Roque Morgadinho
11:15am - Joseph Ortman

5:00pm - Gente de la Parroquia.

22 Aniv. de Matrimonio de: Efen Cabrera & Lorena Gallegos

Wed. Dec. 8th Immaculate Conception:

12pm + Tim Nonford

6:00pm Bilingual Mass + Luis Nuñez

Thurs. Dec. 9th 12pm + Jill Taylor

Fri. Nov. 5th 12:00pm + Jeffrey Taylor.

Manna Ministry Christmas Dinners

Manna Ministry plans to deliver “25 Christmas Ham Dinners” to less fortunate families in our area, as has been an OLMC tradition for over a decade. If you can help, the cost is \$40 to sponsor a family, checks payable to OLMC. Or, it would be a great help if you could buy and deliver a 5-7 lb ham to the parish office Wednesday-Friday during office hours, through Dec. 17th. We plan to deliver these dinners the week before Christmas. Finally, there is a bin at the rear of the church to begin collecting non-perishable food items such as cereal, oatmeal, peanut butter, canned vegetables, fruit, soup, pasta, rice, chili, etc. Please help us get Manna going again!

Thank you & God Bless!



Santa Maria de Guadalupe
Sun. Dec. 12th

6:00 AM MAÑANITAS.
6:30 AM ROSARIO
& RELATO DE APARICIONES

5PM SANTA MISA
MARIACHIS & DANZA AZTECA
7:00 PM CONVIVIO

Weekly Offering Report- Nov. 20th/21st

General Fund + EFT TOTAL: \$2,419.55

Weekly Offering Report –Nov. 27th/28th

General Fund + EFT TOTAL: \$3,238.05

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Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

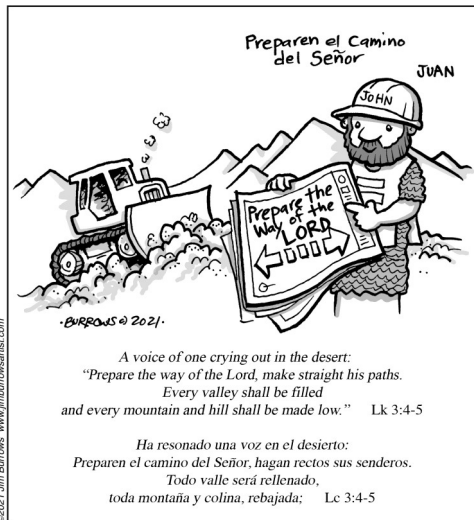


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Mass Schedule

Week Days:

Wed-Fri: 12 noon.

Weekend

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:15 am
5:00 pm Spanish

Reconciliation Schedule

Saturday: 3:30 pm and by Appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday-Friday
10 am – 12 pm; 2 – 4 pm

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Pastoral Council: Dede Woodhead, *Vice Chair*, Jeff Hawkins, *Secretary*, Tess Arthur, Concepción Jara, Alondra Klemek, Tom Rowland

Faith Formation:

First Communion:

Marilyn Margadinho. Supply Teacher: Pat Gray

Confirmation:

Alondra Klemek (2nd year)— Brisa Cabrera (1st year)
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PERSONAL PRAYER

The church is open Wednesday-Sunday 10am-400 pm.
At the heart of silence is prayer. At the heart of prayer is faith. At the heart of faith is life. At the heart of life is service. St. Teresa of Avila



Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church



Dec. 17th @ 2-6 pm

Christmas Open House Fr. Jhonnatan's Rectory House

Thu. Dec. 23rd @ 6:30pm

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Fri. Dec. 24th @ 4:30pm

Christmas Eve Bilingual Mass.

Sat. Dec. 25th @ 9 & 11:15

Christmas Day Masses

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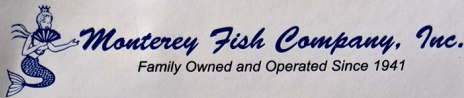
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