



**2nd Sunday of Advent  
December 8, 2024**

**Eucharistic Liturgy Schedule (Mass)**  
 Saturdays: 4:00 p.m.  
 Sundays: 7:30, 10:00 a.m.,  
 12:00p.m. (Spanish)  
 Weekdays:  
 Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m.  
 Thursday- 7:00 pm (Spanish)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)**  
 Thursdays: 5:30-6:30 p.m.  
 Other times: By appointment only

**Marriages:**  
 Arrangements must be made six months in advance.

**Baptisms:**  
 Required pre-baptismal classes for parents and godparents. Please call the office two months prior to anticipated baptism date.  
 Sponsors (Godparents) must be practicing Catholics.

**Matrimonios:**  
 Los arreglos deben hacerse con seis meses de antelación.

**Bautismos:**  
 Se requiere clases pre-bautismales para padres y padrinos. Por favor llame a la oficina dos meses antes de la fecha prevista para el bautismo.  
 Los padrinos (padrinos) deben ser católicos practicantes.

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**SUNDAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading:**

“For God will show all the earth your splendor:  
you will be named by God forever  
the peace of justice, the glory of God’s  
worship.” (Bar 5:3-4)

**Psalm:**

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled  
with joy. (Ps 126)

**Second Reading:**

So that you may be pure and blameless for the day  
of Christ,  
filled with the fruit of righteousness  
that comes through Jesus Christ. (Phil 1:10-11)

**Gospel:**

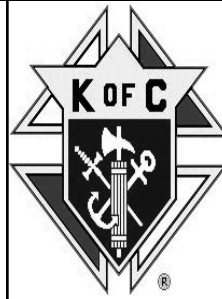
“The winding roads shall be made straight,  
and the rough ways made smooth,  
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.” (Lk  
3:5-6)

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**Readings for the week of December 8, 2024**

- Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/  
Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6
- Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/  
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
- Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-  
12, 13/Mt 18:12-14
- Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/  
Mt 11:28-30
- Thursday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a,  
10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/  
Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
- Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt  
11:16-19
- Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-  
16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13
- Next Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (6)/  
Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18



**Knights of Columbus Council  
9969 for the weekend of 12/7-12/8**

Why not join your Brother Knights  
for the December General Business  
Meeting on Thursday, December  
12th at the Chapel? We will recite  
the Rosary @ 6:45PM and our  
Worthy Warden will make sure  
there is a delicious pre-meeting

meal before the 7:30PM start time. There will be  
plenty of opportunities to get involved with the many  
charitable efforts your council supports. We need  
your help!

The annual Knights of Columbus Council 9969  
Christmas Party is set for Saturday, December 14th  
at the Holy Cross Cosgrove Center from 500PM to  
930PM. Check your email for your invitation and  
opportunities to help make this year’s event the best  
ever!

All are invited to join the Holy Cross Knights of  
Columbus Council 9969 as we recite our Scriptural  
Rosary on Wednesday, December 20th at 7:30PM at  
the Chapel. If you wish to attend the Scriptural  
Rosary via Zoom, please contact Leonard Cruz at  
(805) 889-1620 or E-mail  
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Please consider joining the 9969 Foundation (a 501  
(c)3 organization) GEM program. Signing up  
through your bank’s auto bill-pay service is simple  
and easy and offers a host of benefits to both you  
and the Foundation. You can choose a monthly  
amount that’s comfortable, and every dollar donated  
above your annual dues amount is tax deductible and  
benefits local Moorpark charities. And since the  
9969 Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization, your  
donations may be eligible for matching funds if your  
employer offers that benefit.

**Immaculate Conception B.V.M.**

**Monday / lunes**

**12/09/2024**

**8:00 AM & 6:00 PM – English**

**7:30 PM - español**

**Inmaculada Concepción S.V.M.**

# Pray for ...

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Mark Scharler	Erika Miller	Jerry Ault
Ata Bohaei	Peggy Eastham	Patty Perez
Karen Withers	Judy Buckley	Kelly Turner
Pilar Ramirez	Vanda Glaspey	Ramona Perez
Ramon Godinez	Shannon	The Grant Family
David Bowden	Noel Lisenbery	Harold Casten
Maria Hinojosa	Crystal Gomez	Brandon Castille
Shannon Ferraez	Silvia Coccozza	Maria Margolis
Patrick Withers	Joni Vasquez	John Argote
Michael Cosenza	Nina Betancourt	Alvaro Barrera Sr.
Juan Luna	Bill Little	Maria F. Barrera
Orlando Delnero	Mary Ann Valerio	
Perez Family	Cedric Carlin	
Boxley Family	Victor Fazio	
Steve Schuesler	Gail Flatt	



### Moorpark Pantry Plus Priority Items

We will accept and appreciate all food donations

Small jar of peanut butter	Pasta Sauce
Jelly / jam	Bagged beans 16oz.
Canned mixed vegetables	Jell-O
Canned fruit	Mac n Cheese
Pasta	

### The Advent Penance Services

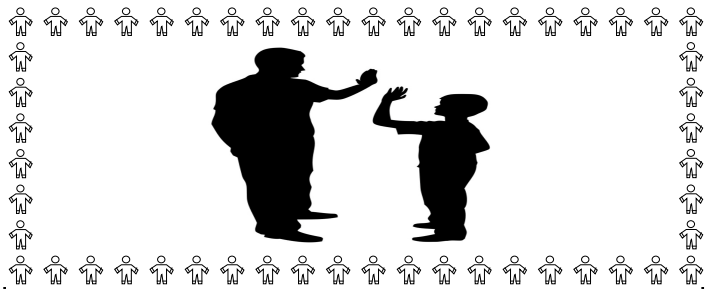
St. Paschal Baylon, Thousand Oaks  
 Tuesday December 10, 2024 @ 7:00 PM

Saint Peter Claver, Simi Valley  
 Wednesday, December 11, 2024 @ 7:00 PM

Holy Cross, Moorpark  
 Monday, December 16, 2024 @ 7:00 PM

Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Westlake Village  
 Tuesday, December 17, 2024 @ 7:00 PM

**Our Religious Gift Store is open after each Mass on the first and third Sundays of each month and for Special Sacraments.**



### Did You Know? December 7-8

#### Teaching your children boundaries

Communities thrive with appropriate boundaries in place. Without them, everyone is left vulnerable, especially children, in an “anything goes” culture. As safe adults, we can empower children by defining and strengthening our own boundaries. Children learn by watching the adults around them. Seeing us make and hold boundaries will teach them this incredibly important skill. To learn more about setting and upholding boundaries, read the VIRTUS® article “When Boundaries Abound, Our Lives Can Flourish” at [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).

#### Enseñe límites personales a sus hijos

Las comunidades prosperan con unos límites adecuados. Sin ellos, todos somos vulnerables, especialmente los niños, en una cultura de “todo vale”. Como adultos de confianza, podemos empoderar a los niños definiendo y reforzando nuestros propios límites. Los niños aprenden observando a los adultos que les rodean. Verlos poner y mantener límites personales les enseñará esta habilidad increíblemente importante. Para saber más sobre cómo establecer y mantener límites, lea el artículo en VIRTUS® “Cuando abundan los límites, nuestras vidas pueden florecer” en [lacatholics.org/did-you-know/](http://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/).

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**GOSPEL MEDITATION**

**December 8, 2024**  
**2nd Sunday of Advent**

In the year 1995, in the seventeenth year of my life, when Fife Symington was governor of Arizona, Bill Clinton was president of the United States, Chuck Keiffer was pastor of St. Theresa parish in Phoenix, Arizona, and Ron and Mary were my parents, the word of God came to my youth minister Eric and through him I started to see the salvation of God. Soon, Christ came into my life never to leave. I'm thankful beyond words.

Why am I being so specific, you ask? Because in the Gospel this week we hear the specific names of people holding civic and religious authority in first century Palestine when "the word of God came to John the Baptist:" Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate, Herod, Philip, Lysanias, Annas, Caiaphas, and Zechariah. All this is meant to help us see that God breaks into our history, into real human events. Jesus is no mere myth. He is the Word-which-breaks-in, in concrete moments, you might say. And now we anticipate his coming once again in our specific situations.

Advent challenge: Name as many civic and religious leaders who are in authority currently in your life. Now, name who the potential John the Baptists may be. A spouse? A friend? A podcaster? A work colleague who brings God's word to you? Spend a moment considering that this comprises the concrete, historical setting into which Christ wishes to come. Then, with these specifics in mind, pray: "Come, Lord Jesus. Come."

— Father John Muir

**QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK****First Reading:**

The prophet Baruch offers the Israelites in Babylonian exile a vision of hope in which their broken relationship with God will be fully restored. Is there a broken relationship you could help heal this Advent season?

**Second Reading:**

Paul prays with joy over the partnership he experiences with the believers in Phillipi. What relationships in your life bring you joy?

**Gospel:**

Luke is careful to place the activities of John the Baptist in their proper historical and political context, showing how God acts in human history. Can you think of a time in your personal history when you felt God present?

**PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA****Primera Lectura:**

El profeta Baruc ofrece a los israelitas en el exilio babilónico una visión de esperanza en la que su relación rota con Dios será completamente restaurada. ¿Hay alguna relación rota que puedas ayudar a sanar en esta temporada de Adviento?

**Segunda Lectura:**

Pablo ora con gozo por la colaboración que experimenta con los creyentes en Filipo. ¿Qué relaciones en tu vida te traen alegría?

**Evangelio:**

Lucas tiene cuidado de situar las actividades de Juan el Bautista en su contexto histórico y político adecuado, mostrando cómo actúa Dios en la historia humana. ¿Puedes pensar en un momento de tu historia personal en el que hayas sentido a Dios presente?



**MEDITACIÓN EVANGÉLICO**

**8 de diciembre de 2024**  
**2º Domingo de Adviento**

Qué dicha tan hermosa en este día, celebrar el segundo Domingo de Adviento y a la vez a la Inmaculada Concepción de María. El Señor viene para salvar a todas las naciones, y vaya que sí lo necesitamos con tanta guerra y devastación de ciudades enteras. San Juan Bautista es un personaje protagonista del Adviento y nos invita a preparar el camino, a hacer rectos los senderos. A rellenar los baches de nuestra vida, a quitar lo áspero, lo que nos estorba para obtener la salvación. Nos invita a recibir a Cristo con las manos llenas de buenos frutos. Elegir lo mejor es un arte, y si sabemos escoger los mejores regalos para las personas que amamos, tendremos que saber que el mejor regalo es recibir a Jesús en nuestro corazón.

María nos enseña cómo escuchar a Dios y esperar con confianza y esperanza. El Papa San Juan Pablo II invitaba a todos a acudir al corazón inmaculado de María en todo momento. La antifona de entrada de hoy nos dice: “Me alegro en el Señor con toda el alma y me lleno de júbilo en mi Dios, porque me revestió con vestiduras de salvación y me cubrió con un manto de justicia, como la novia que se adorna con sus joyas” (Isaías 61:10). ¿Cómo te estás preparando para recibir a Jesús? ¿Qué lugar especial tienes en casa para hacer oración? El Adviento es un tiempo especial para un crecimiento espiritual, a ser sensibles a los detalles pequeños que Dios pone a nuestro alcance en este tiempo tan especial.

**LECTURAS DEL DOMINGO****Primera lectura:**

“Dios mostrará a toda la tierra tu esplendor: Dios te llamará eternamente “paz de la justicia, gloria de la adoración a Dios” (Bar 5:3-4)

**Salmo:**

El Señor ha hecho grandes cosas por nosotros; estamos llenos de alegría. (Sal 126)

**Segunda lectura:**

Para que seáis puros e irreprochables para el día de Cristo,

llenos del fruto de la justicia

que viene por medio de Jesucristo. (Fil 1:10-11)

**Evangelio:**

“Los caminos torcidos se harán rectos, y los senderos ásperos se allanarán, y toda carne verá la salvación de Dios” (Lc 3:5-6)

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**Las lecturas de la semana del 8 de diciembre de 2024**

- Domingo:** Bar 5, 1-9/Sal 125, 1-2. 2-3. 4-5. 6 (3)/Flp 1, 4-6. 8-11/Lc 3, 1-6
- Lunes:** Gn 3, 9-15. 20/Sal 97, 1. 2-3. 3-4/Ef 1, 3-6. 11-12/Lc 1, 26-38
- Martes:** Is 40, 1-11/Sal 95, 1-2. 3 y 10. 11-12. 13/Mt 18, 12-14
- Miércoles:** Is 40, 25-31/Sal 102, 1-2. 3-4. 8 y 10/Mt 11, 28-30
- Jueves:** Zac 2, 14-17 o Ap 11, 19; 12, 1-6. 10/Jdt 13, 18. 19/Lc 1, 26-38 o Lc 1, 39-47
- Viernes:** Is 48, 17-19/Sal 1, 1-2. 3. 4 y 6/Mt 11, 16-19
- Sábado:** Eclo 48, 1-4. 9-11/Sal 79, 2 y 3. 15-16. 18-19/Mt 17, 9. 10-13
- Domingo siguiente:** Sof 3, 14-18/Is 12, 2-3. 4. 5-6 (6)/Flp 4, 4-7/Lc 3, 10-18

**Faith Formation**

**Confirmation**

Confirmation Year 2 this Sunday at 5:30P.  
Please remember your donations for our Advent Service Project.

**Observances for the week of December 8, 2024**

Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Advent  
Monday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Tuesday: Our Lady of Loreto  
Wednesday: St. Damasus I, Pope  
Thursday: Our Lady of Guadalupe  
Friday: St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr  
Saturday: St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church  
Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent

**Las conmemoraciones de la semana del 8 de diciembre de 2024**

Domingo: 2º Domingo de Adviento  
Lunes: La Inmaculada Concepción de la Santísima Virgen María  
Martes: Nuestra Señora de Loreto  
Miércoles: San Dámaso I, papa  
Jueves: Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe  
Viernes: Santa Lucía, virgen y mártir  
Sábado: San Juan de la Cruz, sacerdote y doctor de la Iglesia  
Domingo siguiente: 3er Domingo de Adviento

**Prayer for the second week of Advent  
Prayer of Preparation**

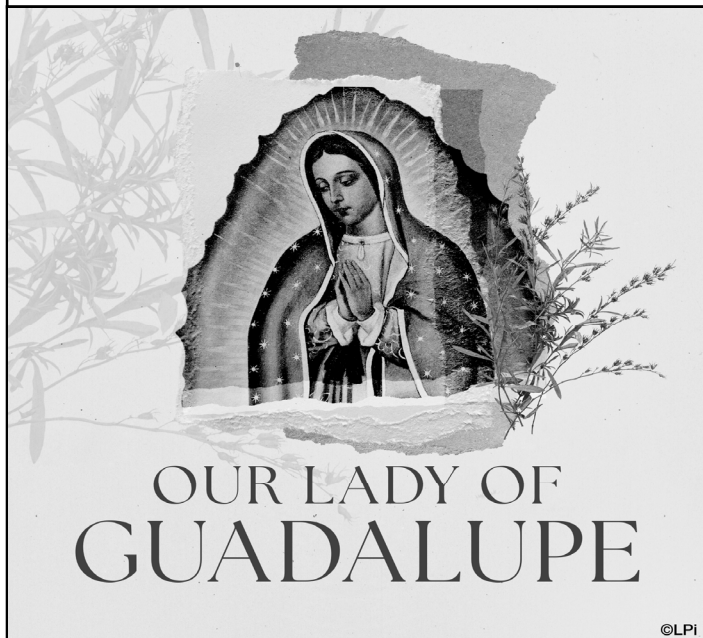
With abiding hope as we look forward to Jesus' arrival —  
Make straight the paths, Lord!  
Fill us with holy excitement, in Your name.  
Amen.

**Holy Cross Parishioners!**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is offered the First Friday of every month. Adoration begins after the 8:00 am mass & continues until 6:00pm.  
From 6:00pm -7:00pm, there is a Holy Hour in Spanish with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.  
We are currently in need of volunteers to commit to an hour of time with Our Lord. If you are available please contact: Kathy Johnston at 805-402-7856

Thank you !

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**Oración para la segunda semana de Adviento  
Oración de Preparación**

Con una esperanza perdurable mientras esperamos la llegada de Jesús,  
¡Endereza los caminos, Señor!  
Llénanos de santa emoción, en Tu nombre.  
Amén.

**Feligreses de la Santa Cruz!**

La Exposición de El Santísimo Sacramento es ofrecida el primer viernes de cada mes. La Adoración comienza después de la misa de las 8:00am y continúa asta las 6:00pm.  
De las 6:00pm - 7:00pm, hay una Hora Santa en español con La Exposición de El Santísimo Sacramento.  
Estamos necesitando voluntarios que se comprometan y enlisten para acompañar por una hora a Nuestro Señor. Si tú estás disponible y deseas hacerlo por favor contacta a:  
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We always welcome new members to our Ministries

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**Mass Intentions for the week 12/8**

**Sunday** 7:30 am Michael Williams (RIP)  
10:00 am Gary Verna Hoelker (RIP)  
12:00 pm Gudino Hernandez Family (Int)

**Monday** 8:00 am All Souls

**Tuesday** 8:00 am Edward & Helen Kondzielski (RIP)

**Wednesday** 8:00 am Victoria & Manuel Jimenez (RIP)

**Thursday** 8:00 am Maria Barrera Nunez (RIP)  
7:00 pm Reynaldo Anaya (RIP)

**Friday** 8:00 am Ryan Morris (RIP)

**Saturday** 4:00 pm Mary Francis Bush (RIP)

*Prayer Request*