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## OFFICE HOURS:

Monday- Wednesday:  
9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.  
Closed 12:00 p.m.- 1:00 p.m.  
Thursday & Friday:  
9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:

Monday-Friday: Mass 8:00 a.m.  
Saturday: Confessions 3:00 p.m.  
Mass at 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday Masses:  
8:00 a.m. (Spanish)  
10:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

## ADORATION TO

## THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Thursday 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.



## HORAS DE OFICINA:

*Lunes- Miércoles:*  
9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.  
*Cerrado 12:00 p.m.- 1:00 p.m.*  
*Jueves- Viernes:*  
9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.

## HORARIO LITÚRGICO:

*Lun.- Vie. Misa 8:00 a.m.*  
*Sáb. Confesiones 3:00 p.m.*  
*Misa 4:00 p.m.*  
*Misas de Domingo*  
8:00 a.m. (Español)  
10:30 a.m. y 12:00 p.m.

## ADORACIÓN AL

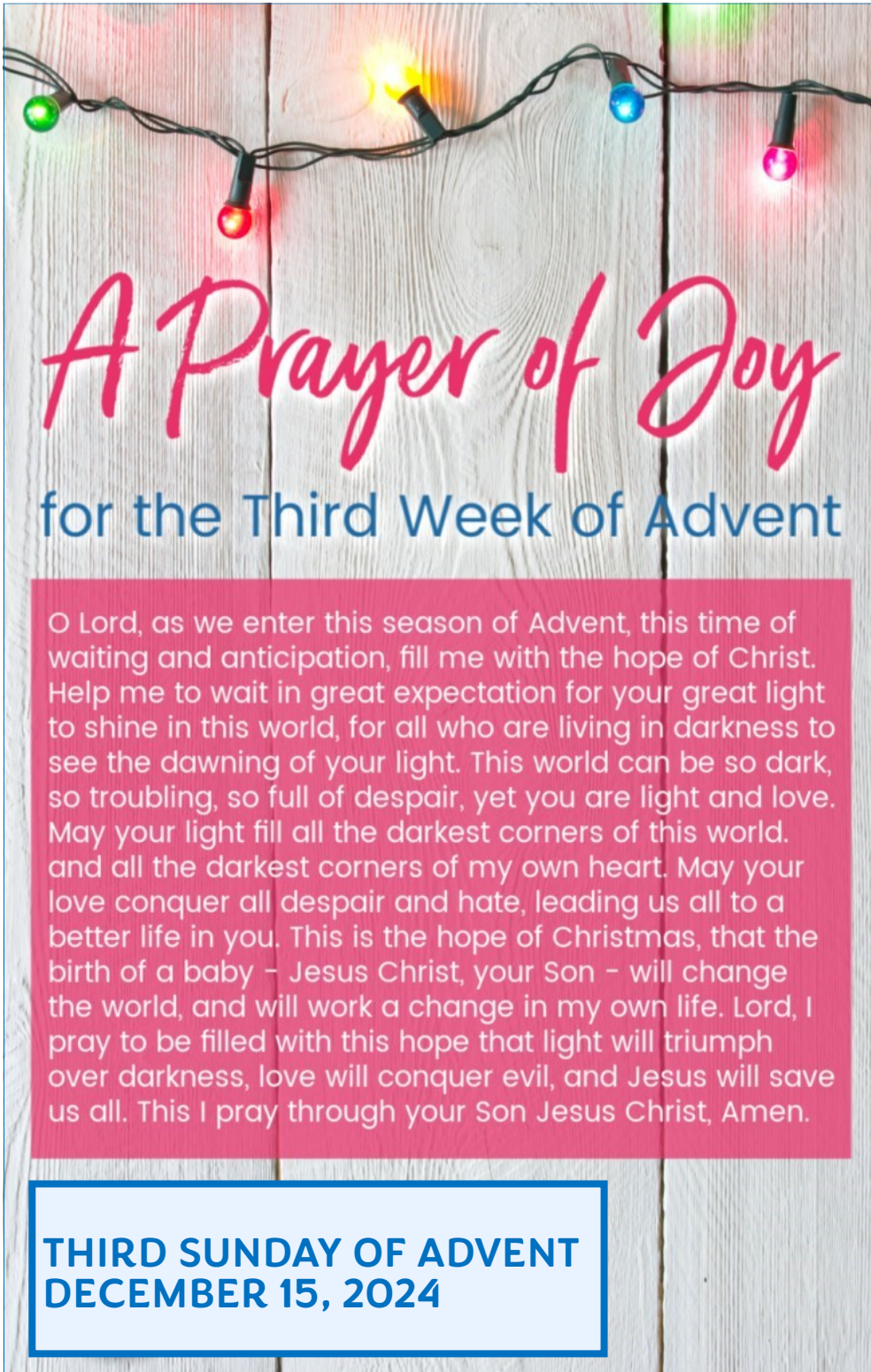
## SANTÍSIMO SACRAMENTO:

*Jueves 4:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m.*

## Sacred Heart Church is a Mission of Immaculate Conception Church

205 James Canyon Hwy  
Cloudcroft, NM 88317

Sunday Mass: 9:30 a.m.  
Confessions prior to Mass  
Wednesday Mass: 9:30 a.m.  
Exposition of the  
Blessed Sacrament and Rosary:  
Wednesday 9:00 a.m.  
Anointing of the sick:



# A Prayer of Joy

## for the Third Week of Advent

O Lord, as we enter this season of Advent, this time of waiting and anticipation, fill me with the hope of Christ. Help me to wait in great expectation for your great light to shine in this world, for all who are living in darkness to see the dawning of your light. This world can be so dark, so troubling, so full of despair, yet you are light and love. May your light fill all the darkest corners of this world, and all the darkest corners of my own heart. May your love conquer all despair and hate, leading us all to a better life in you. This is the hope of Christmas, that the birth of a baby – Jesus Christ, your Son – will change the world, and will work a change in my own life. Lord, I pray to be filled with this hope that light will triumph over darkness, love will conquer evil, and Jesus will save us all. This I pray through your Son Jesus Christ, Amen.

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
DECEMBER 15, 2024**

# PRAYER / DIVINE READING / MASS INTENTIONS

## Pope Francis's Special Intentions for the month of December:

### For pilgrims of hope

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.



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## PLEASE PRAY for

The recently departed, and for those about to die during this week. Receive their souls.

For the troubled youth in our community, may they find peace for their heart in the abundant love of our Savior.

This we pray in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## Readings for the Third Sunday of Advent

### First Reading *Zephaniah 3:14-18a*

A savior is promised to Israel.

### Responsorial Psalm *Isaiah 12:2-3,4,5-6*

A song of praise to God our savior

### Second Reading *Philippians 4:4-7*

Rejoice always because the Lord is near.

### Gospel Reading *Luke 3:10-18*

John the Baptist teaches the path of repentance and announces Christ.

This Sunday's Gospel continues last week's focus on John the Baptist and his role in preparing the way for Christ. Recall that last week's reading described John's appearance in the desert and established his connection with the prophetic tradition of Israel. If we were to read Luke's Gospel continuously, we would learn about John the Baptist challenging the crowds who came to him and calling upon them to show evidence of their repentance. John tells his listeners that they cannot rely on their lineage as Israelites because children of Abraham can be raised up from stones. Repentance, rather, must be observable in one's actions. Here, Luke is continuing to set up two important themes of his Gospel message: the Christian faith is expressed in one's actions, and the call to salvation is extended to everyone, Jews and Gentiles.

## The Sanctuary Candle

Burns to honor the presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament.

Tony Herrera  
(Health & well-being)



Saturday December 14,

*St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church*

4:00 p.m.- Euriah James (Birthday Blessings)

Joe & Martha Hernandez (Health & well-being)

In Thanksgiving to San Antonio

†Rusty Montoya

by Mary Sida

by Ray & Patsy Baca

Sunday, December 15, THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00 a.m.-†Adolfo Barbosa

by Family

†Gregorio Angel Garcia

†Ofelia Reyes

by Husband

†Altagracia Atez (7th Anniv. of death)

by Rosa Mir

†Cristina Gallegos (Con amor eterno en memoria de su cumpleaños)

In Thanksgiving to San Lorenzo

by Reyes Webb

10:30 a.m.- †Mary Bigas

by Family

12:00 p.m.- Joe & Martha Hernandez (Health & well-being)

Monday, December 16, Advent Weekday

8:00 a.m.- Joey & Stephanie Maples

†Lino Sanchez (Anniv. of death)

by Family

Tuesday, December 17, Advent Weekday

8:00 a.m.- †Desiree Duran (Birthday Memorial)

by Family

Wednesday, December 18, Advent Weekday

8:00 a.m.- †Consuelo Vasquez

Thursday, December 19, Advent Weekday

8:00 a.m.- †Maria Perez

Friday, December 20, Advent Weekday

8:00 a.m.- For victims of addiction



Hoy es el tercer domingo de Adviento popularmente conocido como "domingo de gaudete". El término Gaudete significa simplemente "regocijarse". Este Adviento, Estamos preparando a vivir una nueva experiencia de amor y fe en Dios.

Al acercarnos a la fiesta de la Navidad, la Iglesia nos anima a regocijarnos porque Dios está a punto de cumplir su promesa. Sin embargo, esto no significa que hemos llegado al final de nuestra preparación esta temporada de Adviento.

Al contrario, es una manera de instarnos a ser más enfocados y valientes. También es una manera de asegurarnos que nuestros preparativos pronto serán recompensados. Hoy, todas nuestras lecturas nos exaltan a gozar, y a ser alegres mientras esperamos la venida del Señor.



## MINISTRIES / CALENDAR



**December 23,**  
the Food Pantry  
will be open from  
12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### **Youth Group**

Friday, December 27 **No Youth Group Christmas Holiday**



Contact ICC Office to schedule the choir for Special Occasions such as weddings, XV Años, etc., and to check the fee amount. Please give a minimum of two weeks' notice for these special events and for any other special Mass.

*Ministry of Comfort provides Music for funerals free of charge.*

Special Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Candles can be ordered by phone or in person at the office. There is a \$10 stipend. To be included in the next bulletin, submissions must be made by Monday noon.

*Intenciones especiales para Misa y Cirio del Santuario se pueden ordenar por teléfono o en persona en la oficina. El estipendio es de \$10.  
La fecha límite para poder incluirlas en el boletín del domingo es el lunes al mediodía.*

### **Monday, December 16**

8:00 a.m. Mass (Rosary before Mass)  
Estudio Bíblico en español tomará descanso de invierno.

### **Tuesday, December 17**

8:00 a.m. Mass (Rosary before Mass)  
5:00 p.m. Bible Study  
6:30 p.m. Práctica del Coro en español

### **Wednesday, December 18**

8:00 a.m. Mass (Rosary before Mass)  
6:30 p.m. Practice for the Choir

### **Thursday, December 19**

8:00 a.m. Mass (Rosary before Mass)  
4:00 p.m. Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament

### **Friday, December 20**

8:00 a.m. Mass (Rosary before Mass)

### **Saturday, December 21**

3:00 p.m. Confessions  
4:00 p.m. Mass

### **December 8, 2024**



**REGULAR COLLECTION \$3,466.89**  
**Retirement Fund for Religious \$ 655.52**

Next week's Second Collection goes to our Building Fund.  
Please be generous.

### **OUR PARISH MISSION:**

As a united family of faith, Immaculate Conception Parish welcomes everyone to encounter Jesus Christ through word, worship, community, and service. Guided by the Holy Spirit, all are invited in faith, to live by Divine truth and love, generously serving others, teaching by word and example.

## DIRECTORY

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### **CLERGY**

Very Rev. Fr. Martin Cornejo, Pastor/Administrator  
Fr. Emmanuel Okoye, Vicar

### **EVANGELIZATION AND FORMATION**

Sr. Marylynn Weke, Director of Religious Education  
Sr. Marylynn Weke, Head of Liturgical Ministries  
Irma Gallegos, Religious Education Assistant  
Connie Garcia, Youth Ministry Director  
Dave & Trish Lozano, RCIA  
Fr. Emmanuel Okoye, Baptismal Preparation  
Leo Vasquez, Marriage Preparation  
Fr. Emmanuel Okoye, Bible Study Instructor  
Lorena Rivera, Estudio Bíblico en español  
Mary Sanchez, Altar Servers Ministry  
Steve Matta, Sacristans Ministry  
Chester Sheffield, Eucharistic Ministers Ministry  
Rosie Garcia, Lectors Ministry

### **MISSION SUPPORT TEAM**

Maria Vasquez, Business Manager  
Leo Vasquez, Maintenance Manager  
Leo Vasquez, Cemetery and Funerals Director  
Lilly Smith, Parish Office Assistant  
Isabel Sariñana, Parish Office Assistant  
Merci Epperson, Parish Office Volunteer  
Ana Gines and Irma Cardiel, Altar & Church Environment  
Terry Davis, Church Environment  
Joaquin Silva, Music Ministry  
Irma Gallegos, Eucharistic Adoration  
Martha Bustillos, Los Guadalupanos Ministry

Leo Vasquez, Fiesta Manager  
Martha Velasco, Food Pantry Ministry  
Fr. Martin & Jacob Chavez, Facebook page  
Gerardo Rodriguez-S., Website Manager  
Sr. Marylyn, Gift Shop Volunteer  
Angie Telles, Sunday Collections Stewards

## EVENTS / ANNOUNCEMENTS



This year the Giving Tree is intended for the elderly in our community. The office is now taking names of senior citizens who may enjoy receiving a Christmas gift. Call (575)437-3291 if you have a name or names for our Giving Tree.



Las Posadas, religious festival celebrated in Mexico and some parts of the United States between December 16 and 24. Las Posadas commemorates the journey that Joseph and Mary made from Nazareth to Bethlehem in search of a safe refuge where Mary could give birth to the baby Jesus. If you wish to organize one or more Posadas, call the office and sign up. Ministries are especially called to participate in this beautiful Christmas activity.

Llame o pase a la oficina para registrarse si desea organizar una o más Posadas. Los diferentes Ministerios están especialmente llamados a participar en esta bella actividad navideña.

### CORDIAL INVITATION

To ALL Sacristans,  
Ushers, Lectors,  
Communion Ministers, Altar Servers,  
Choir Members, Gift Shop volunteers,  
Church Environment volunteers,  
Sunday Collection Stewards, and Catechists:



Friday, December 27 at 6:00 p.m.  
Christmas Gathering at the Parish hall.  
*Please bring a dish to share.*

*For more information contact Sister Marylynn.*