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MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY: 8:30 AM

SATURDAY VIGIL: *4:00 PM

SUNDAY: 9:00 AM, *11:00 AM AND *12:30 PM (SPANISH)

***LIVESTREAMED**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Baptisms are celebrated on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 12:00 PM. Registration is done at the Rectory. Please bring a copy of the baby's Birth Certificate, The Godparents names and a certificate of their full initiation into the Catholic Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions Saturdays at 3:30 PM. Confessions are also available at other reasonable times by making an appointment at the Rectory

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Arrangements must be made at least 6 months prior to the wedding date

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Contact the Rectory to make arrangements for the Sacrament of Anointing. Please contact the Parish Office to arrange home visitation and Communion

CHAPEL OF ADORATION: Open 6:00 AM - 9:00 PM daily. Enter on E. 4th St.

DEVOTIONS: After the 8:30 AM Mass Tuesdays *Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal & St. Anthony Novena* and the *Holy Rosary (Daily)* and 1:00 PM 1st Saturday of the Month. with *Divine Mercy Chaplet & Padre Pio Prayers*

DECEMBER 7, 2025 ADVENT WEEK 2

MASSES & READINGS FOR THE WEEK

12/7 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Isaiah 11 :1-10; Romans 15:4-9; Matthew 3:1-12

4:00 PM VIGIL Rose & Louis Panarella, Frank Mercurio,
Francesca Ursino, Salvatore Schiano, Santo Giardina
9:00 AM Jacqueline Pacifico Moller
11:00 AM Giuseppe Intogna
12:30 PM Spanish People of the Parish

12/8 Monday IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Genesis 3:9-15,20; Ephesians 1:3-6,11-12; Luke 1:26-38

8:30 AM Vivian Ferrari
11:00 AM Mary & Thomas Farranto
7:00 PM People of the Parish
8:00 PM Spanish

12/9 Tuesday Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin

Isaiah 40:1-11; Matthew 18:12-14

8:30 AM In Thanksgiving

12/10 Wednesday OL of Loreto

Isaiah 40:25-31; Matthew 11:28-30

8:30 AM Anthony Trani: Healing

12/11 Thursday Damasus I, Pope

Isaiah 41:13-20; Matthew 11:11-15

8:30 AM Special Intention
6:30 PM Spanish Exposition of Blessed Sacrament & Rosary
7:30 PM Spanish

12/12 Friday OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Revelation 11:19a;12:1-6a-10ab; Luke 1:39-47

8:30 AM Rudolph & Agatha Domin

12/13 Saturday Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

Sirach 48:1-4,9-11; Matthew 17:9a,10-13

8:30 AM Holy Name Society: Living & Deceased Members



The Bread & Wine
IN HONOR OF THE
PEOPLE OF THE PARISH



The Sanctuary Candle
In Memory of
CLAIRE DELGAUDIO
Requested by
MR. & MRS. LALLI



The American Flag
Flown In Honor of Our
VETERANS &
FIRST RESPONDERS

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Maria Palmieri, Patricia Holmes, Oliver Hughes, Grace Dolitrone, Isabelle Grenier, Danny Zappulla, Stephen Liell, Ericka Alivez, Gloria Isabella, Paula Borrero, Bonnie Schlegel, Anthony Barbaro, Margie Thomas, Simone Oliva, Marco Griffio, Jose Guevara, Valentina Lucia, Janet Sobolow, Luigi Mancino, Rosemarie Zappulla, Anthony D. Brasco, Joseph Salino, Patti Lanni, Mary DiDio, Frankie Davis, Bernadette Mamakas, Madelon Vittuci, Bi Ying Chen, RoRo Esposito, Debbie Lawson, Darren Gilbert, Amanda Oliva, Graziella Panora, Timothy Mulvey, Joyce & Barry Mione, Ed Caso, Gianna Bader, Michael Guadagnoli, Maryann Casalena, Jamie DiVenere, Craig Concepcion, Stephanie Martin, Frankie Melendez, Rosanne Paolillo, Annemarie Makowski, Gladys Cangelosi, Mary Ghiraldi, Lou Ann Giannotta, John Bonito, Sally Vitacco, James Connelly, Bridget Buono-Cipparullo, Maggie Avanzino, Nicole Pileggi, Vincent Simone, Michael Fiore, Louis Cacciottolo, Jo Ann Conenna, Shana Rivas, Louisa Manna, Thomas Foti, Ella Sclafani, Lauren Dugan, Maryann Monaco, Nikki Russo, Barbara Iomarini, Sofia Russo, Maria Malottzi, Danielle Minardo, Marie Infantolino, Serena Kindler, Gloria Silverman, Cracchiolo Family, Anthony Pacchiano, Grayson Danielki, Sylvia Algaze, Aida Yvette Rodriguez, Elijah Velazque, Robert Palmieri, Joseph Morrello, Amanda Lynn Bidetti, Leo Misiura, Alfonso Mercurio, Catherine D'Agostino, Angela Giacchino, Salvatore Funaro, Elvira Maynor, Warren Schueler, Serani Choe, Daniel Stracquadaine, Lucrezia Domicolo, Fr. Dominick Cutrone, Louis Caputo, Anthony Trani

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED

ANN REGGIO

UPDATE ON FR. CUTRONE

After 42 years of living at Grace Fr. Cutrone has moved out of the Parish to live at our Diocesan Home for Retired Priest at Immaculate Conception Center. You can write to him at:

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First Reading – Isaiah 11:1-10: The branch from Jesse brings justice and peace, uniting the world under God’s spirit. Nature is restored, and the earth is filled with the knowledge of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm – Psalms 72: The king will rule with justice and fairness, bringing lasting peace. He will help the poor and needy. His name will be blessed forever, and all nations will find joy in him

Second Reading – Romans 15:4-9: The Scriptures teach us endurance and hope. God helps us to live in harmony and glorify Him together. Christ serves Jews and Gentiles, confirming God’s promises and mercy

Gospel – Matthew 3:1-12: John the Baptist preached repentance in Judea. He baptized many in the Jordan, warning Pharisees and Sadducees to produce good fruit. He announced one mightier who will baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire

Our readings today present us with prophets. Isaiah, Paul and John the Baptist, who tell us about God’s Chosen One who comes with judgment and mercy. Isaiah expresses the longing of Israel for a Messiah as Savior and Eternal King. He returns us to Eden with his description of harmony and peace. The coming of the Messiah will reverse all of sin’s ill effects and restore the innocence and trust of the garden; wolf and lamb will dine together and “*the baby shall play by the cobra’s den*”. The Messiah will be a figure imbued with God’s spirit who will endow him with intellectual, “*spirit of wisdom and understanding*”, practical, “*spirit of counsel and strength*” and spiritual gifts, “*spirit of knowledge and fear of the Lord*”. This hero will be a descendant of David, the son of Jesse, from whose stump “*a bud shall blossom*”. The one John says will come after him who is “*mightier than I*”. So let us on our Advent journey of faith: “*Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.*” Let us prepare a place in our hearts and in our homes for the Lord, so that we may sing, like the psalmist, “*Justice shall flourish in his time and fullness of peace forever.*”

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
THIS MONDAY, DECEMBER 8TH A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION



Originating in the 7th Century as the Feast of the “*Conception of Mary by St. Anne*” it was established as a solemnity for the entire Church by Pope Clement XI in 1708. Under this title we honor Mary as Patroness of our Country and our Diocese. Chosen by God, Mary reverses the sin of Eve and because of her obedience God’s salvation is made known to the nations. Mary is a symbol of the Church, she represents all that we are called to be. Her willing response to God’s invitation is a model for us when, we, too are invited to acknowledge God as the center of our lives. As St. Paul tells us in the Letter to the Ephesians, in Christ we are “*blessed with every spiritual blessing in the heavens*”, in Christ we are “*destined for adoption*” as sons and daughters whose future is eternal life, endless joy, communion with the saints, reunion with one another in the Kingdom where sin is conquered and death and sorrow are no more. We pray for the grace to respond to God as willingly as Mary did.

Our first reading reminds us that the very first sin ruptured that perfect connection between God and humans. God had wanted us all “to be holy and without blemish,” as Paul put it to the Ephesians. But not until the Blessed Virgin Mary, who was chosen by God to bear God’s Son, was someone born without the stain of original sin. Filled with God’s grace, she chose to accept God’s will, impossible as it seemed at the time. May God’s word inspire us to do so as well

MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON MONDAY

8:30 & 11:00 AM & 7:00 PM & 8:00 PM SPANISH



**WE WILL WELCOME BACK TO THE PARISH THIS WEEK
DEACON PHIL WHO WILL COME TO VISIT WITH US
FROM DECEMBER 10TH - 20TH WELCOME HOME!**



**THIS SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13TH
ANNUAL TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY AFTER 4:00 MASS
WITH CHRISTMAS CAROLING AND CHRISTMAS PAGEANT
AND WINTER FESTIVAL**

**ENJOY HOT COCOA, COOKIES, MUSIC, GAMES & MORE
FESTIVE FUN AND A SPECIAL APPEARANCE FROM SANTA**
For all children who are interested in participating in the
Caroling and the Pageant there will be a rehearsal this coming
Friday at 3:00 in the Church



**FAITH SHARING FOR THE SEASON OF ADVENT 4 SUNDAYS VELTRI HALL
KITCHEN THIS MONDAY, DECEMBER 8TH 10:30 AM**

THIS TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9TH 7:30 PM

We will be praying and discussing the Scripture Readings for the 3RD Sunday of Advent

What can we see with eyes of faith? Isaiah saw a field of abundant flowers where others saw a parched desert. James saw an urgency to prepare for the coming of the Lord where others focused on its delay. John the Baptist could no longer see what he'd seen in the desert and needed Jesus to remind him of what his disciples were seeing all along: the poor fed, the dead raised, the deaf hearing, and yes, the blind seeing. With eyes of faith, we see past the bleak onset of winter. We see the coming of the Lord on the horizon.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE IN ONE OF THESE GROUPS!

**MEMORIALS AS A GIFT FOR CHRISTMAS ARE
AVAILABLE IN & AROUND THE CHURCH**

- Sanctuary Ceiling — Flowers of Grace**
- Blessed Mother Grotto — Plaques & Pavers**
- St. Anthony Garden — Plaques & Bricks**
- Plaques by All Saints**
- Band of Gold with Name**

at any Candle Stand in the Church

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OUR WEEKLY COLLECTION

NOVEMBER 23RD

1ST COLLECTION	\$1,707.00
2ND COLLECTION	\$667.00
ON LINE GIVING	\$485.00
THANKSGIVING	\$1,190.00

NOVEMBER 30TH

1ST COLLECTION	\$1,719.00
2ND COLLECTION	\$656.00
ON LINE GIVING	\$478.00

Family Name: _____

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In Memory of: _____

Other Message: _____

Tree Selection: _____ \$150 _____ \$250 _____ \$350 _____ \$400

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Classes in Religious Education for September

SUNDAY 9:30 — 10:45 AM
IN THE ACADEMY
FOLLOWED BY THE 11:00 MASS

It is a faith-filled learning experience about Jesus and who we are as Christ followers.

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE FOR ALL INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER

SUNDAYS THRIFT SHOP (CELEBRATING 5TH ANNIVERSARY) OPEN 9:00 AM—1:30 PM
DUE TO LACK OF SPACE NO DONATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED. PLEASE DON'T LEAVE ITEMS ON THE PARISH GROUNDS

TUESDAYS GOLDEN AGE CLUB MEETING 12:00—3:00 PM VELTRI HALL
BINGO, COFFEE, TEA, CAKE, MUSIC & DANCING 50/50 NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

THURSDAYS 10:30 AM — 12:00 PM ITALIAN LESSONS VELTRI HALL LEARN ABOUT ITALY:
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FRIDAYS ROSARY SOCIETY 1:00 PM RECTORY MEETING ROOM PRAYER & ITALIAN BINGO



THIS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7TH
PARISH BLOOD DRIVE

9:00 AM—3:00 PM
VELTRI HALL

Remember to eat, drink and bring your donor ID card

CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING



Envelopes are available for any offering you wish to make for the Christmas Poinsettias that will decorate the Sanctuary. This memorial is an external symbol of the love you have in your heart for those whom you wish to remember at Christmas. If you do not receive the Parish Offering Envelopes, Flower Envelopes are available at the entrances of the Church.

Also available are envelopes for your Christmas gift to the Church

NEXT WEEKEND SPECIAL COLLECTION
RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS (RFR)

Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests have offered their lives in service to others—educating the young, comforting the sick, seeking justice for the oppressed. Today, many are frail, elderly and in need of assistance. Your gift to the RFR helps to furnish medications, nursing care and other necessities. Please give generously to this collection

I invite you to take advantage of the Christmas present I presented to you last year and hope you will subscribe to FORMED. There are many books, audio talks, movies, documentaries and studies along with prayers, novenas, the rosary and reflections on the lives of the saints. Programs for adults and children to help you grow closer to Christ and his Church, For Advent:

- Daily Advent reflection on the Reading for Mass
- ADVENTUS: A SPIRITUAL PILGRIMAGE — journey to the Holy Land to uncover the beauty of the place where Christ was born, preparing your heart for Christ's coming so you can enter more deeply into this season
- ADVENT THROUGH THE CENTURIES — an exciting and thorough presentation on the celebration of Advent throughout the centuries
- MAKING ADVENT GREAT FOR KIDS — Advent is a time where we seek to grow in intimacy and relationship with the Lord. But this does not have to be only for adults! This program discusses different ways you can make Advent great for your kids

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FOR YOUR CHARITY IN THIS SEASON OF THANKSGIVING



ADVENT GIVING TREE PROGRAM

Gifts will go to the families of our Parish Food Pantry Program. They are asking for toys & games & winter clothes, coats & gift cards We ask you to buy a **NEW GIFT OR NEW CLOTHES AND BRING UNWRAPPED**

Bring the gifts to Mass or the Parish Office during office hours

Please bring all gifts by MONDAY, DECEMBER 15TH



JESSE TREE

Gifts for the Life Center of NY: New born, infant & children clothes up to 6 years old, baby gloves, baby powder, ointments, pacifiers, baby wipes, children's toys, umbrella strollers, gifts for expectant & new mothers

Homeless in Coney Island: lap blankets, men's socks, men's underwear, hats (no scarves), tooth brushes & paste, disposable razors

Please bring all gifts by MONDAY, DECEMBER 15TH



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE DECEMBER 12TH:

Recalls the apparitions of Mary at the hill of Tepeyac (Mexico City) from December 9th-11th in 1531 to the native convert, Juan Diego. Known to the Aztecs as *Tecoatlaxope* (*de Guadalupe* in Spanish), meaning "she will crush the serpent of stone". Declared Patroness of the Americas by Pope Pius XII and raised to the rank of Feast, for all the countries of the Americas by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments on March 25, 1999. A woman clothed with the sun, daughter of the Most High God, proclaims the greatness of the Lord, the One who comes to dwell with us. She is the servant of the Lord. As we celebrate this Feast in Advent we are mindful that just as Jesus came among the poor and lowly, our Blessed Mother visited the peasant St. Juan Diego, reminding us that God is a God of justice who always remembers those who are bowed down. We rejoice in Mary's care and concern for all God's people.

El 12 de diciembre tendrá lugar la tradicional fiesta de **Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe**, Patrona de México. Es un programa festivo y copioso el que se anuncia para este gran día con los fieles mexicanos de nuestra parroquia. Después de recibir y rezar a la Virgen en las diferentes casas, los preparativos terminarán con las Las Mañanitas del Jueves 11 de diciembre en el sótano de nuestra parroquia de las 12 a las 2 de la noche.

Como Patrona de las Américas, Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe nos da un modelo para que también nosotros podamos encontrar y acoger a aquellos que buscan mejores vidas aquí en los Estados Unidos.

Además, La Fiesta de Nuestra Virgen de Guadalupe se celebra durante el Adviento, cuando recordamos cómo María viajó a Belén con José y dio a luz a Jesús en un pesebre. A lo largo del Adviento, y especialmente en la Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, pedimos la intercesión de María por la seguridad y el bienestar de sus compañeros de viaje -especialmente los migrantes y los refugiados- y rezamos para que su testimonio nos inspire a ser más solidarios con ellos. Nuestra parroquia se prepara para celebrar la fiesta con gran pompa el 12 de diciembre. Invitamos a todos los hispanos amantes de la Virgen María a venir a celebrar y rezar con nosotros en la misa solemne que se celebrará el Viernes 12 de diciembre a las 7:30 de la noche seguida de la tradicional comida festiva en el sótano de la Iglesia. Unámonos en esta celebración y recordemos a las familias de refugiados y migrantes alrededor del mundo.

Oración

Santa María de Guadalupe, Mística Rosa, intercede por la Iglesia, protege al Soberano Pontífice, oye a todos los que te invocan en sus necesidades. Así como pudiste aparecer en el Tepeyac y decirnos: "Soy la siempre Virgen María, Madre del verdadero Dios", alcánzanos de tu Divino Hijo la conservación de la Fe. Tú eres nuestra dulce esperanza en las amargas de esta vida. Danos un amor ardiente y la gracia de la perseverancia final. Amén

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