



Holy Faith Catholic Church

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 10 2023



A voice cries out:
In the desert prepare
the way of the LORD!
Make straight in the
wasteland a highway
for our God!
Isaiah 40:3

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TRADITIONAL CELEBRATIONS

The miracle of Our Lady of Guadalupe is celebrated worldwide with many festivities that include food, music, dance, and of course Mass in her honor. Holy Faith has added an *evening Mass* to the schedule to celebrate the Feast, and *we invite all to join us* for an evening of prayer and thanksgiving to God at the **6pm Mass this Tuesday, December 12.**

Following the Mass we will pray our traditional Candlelight Rosary to Our Lady of Guadalupe with meditations and beautiful music. Come spend a quiet evening in prayer. Bring your intentions asking for the intercession of Our Lady. We will have a prayer box in the vestibule as you enter and offer it to her during the Rosary. May your prayers be answered.

We are holding a special give-a-way drawing for the beautiful blanket pictured here. To enter, fill out the entry form in the vestibule of the Church. We will collect them after the Rosary. Join us for a reception on the patio (weather permitting) where we will announce the winner.



The Filipino Community, in anticipation of Christmas celebrate with a devotional 9-day series of Novena Masses that runs from **Friday December 15 thru Saturday December 23.** Each night there is a 7pm Mass in the church followed by fellowship in the FJMP Parish Life Center (with some exceptions to Mass on December 19 and 21).

Holy Faith is hosting this traditional celebration.

Simbang Gabi began in 1669 with the celebration of Mass for the farmers in the early morning. This cherished Christmas custom eventually became a distinct feature of Philippine culture and became a symbol of sharing with a 9-day Novena and Eucharistic celebrations.

The Filipino Ministry of the Diocese of St Augustine (Gainesville) cordially invites everyone to come and share this time with them, preparing your hearts to rejoice with exceeding great Joy at the coming of the Savior the traditional Filipino way. All are welcomed!

You're Invited!
Christmas Masses
DECEMBER
24 & 25

24TH: VIGIL TIMES: 5PM; 7:30PM
NIGHT MASS: 10:30PM
4PM CHILDREN'S CHORAL MUSIC
9:30PM CHRISTMAS CORAL MUSIC

25TH: CHRISTMAS DAY CELEBRATIONS
9:30AM AND 11:15AM

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GROWING IN GOD'S KINGDOM!

CCF and Sacramental Class Schedule 2023-2024: 10:45am-Noon

December 10: CCF Classes for Grades Kinder thru 8th (10:45am)

December 10: First Reconciliation Class (11:00am)

December 10: Parent Gathering (Donuts included) 11:00am in CR #9

December 10: Christmas Play Rehearsal at 12 Noon in the main hall

December 10: CYM Youth Group Meeting (4:00pm) Youth Room

December 17: CCF Classes for Grades Kinder thru 8th (classrooms)

December 17: Luncheon for parents and CCF kids before the play (12 Noon)

December 17: The entire parish is invited to the Holy Faith Annual Cookie Exchange and Children's Christmas Play (12:30 PM) in the FJMP Parish Life Center

COOKIE EXCHANGE CHRISTMAS EVENT AT HOLY FAITH CHURCH

HOT COCOA ... HOT APPLE CIDER

LOTS OF COOKIES & JESUS

THE ENTIRE PARISH IS INVITED by
THE CCF CHILDREN TO COME AND ENJOY
"NO TIME FOR CHRISTMAS"
OUR 2023 CHRISTMAS PRESENTATION

SUNDAY DECEMBER 17 2023
12:30 PM IN THE FR. JOHN M PHILLIPS
PARISH LIFE CENTER
HOLY FAITH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Cookies can be dropped off to the Parish Life Center after 9:00am on the table as you enter. Please add a note if cookies contain nuts.

This event is hosted by the Welcome Committee of Holy Faith.
Thank you to all who support our young children by your attendance.

CALENDAR & PARISH INFORMATION: DECEMBER 10 2023

SUNDAY, December 10 2023

Second Sunday of Advent Mass Celebrations

- 8:00am; 9:30am; 11:15am; 6pm
- Women's Cursillo Small Group Mtg (10:30 AM): Conference Rm
- CCF Classes for grades Kinder-8th (10:45 AM): FJMP Learning Center
- First Reconciliation Class (11:00 AM): FJMP Parish Life Center C
- Coffee and Donut Parent Small Group Gathering (11:00 AM): Mtg Room 9

- Christmas Play Rehearsal (12:00 PM): FJMP Parish Life Center
- Catholic Youth Ministry Group (4:00 PM): Youth Room

MONDAY: December 11

- 7:00am, 9:30am Daily Mass: Church
- Cursillo - Men's Team Meeting (6:00 PM): Mtg Room 7
- Cursillo - Women's Team Mtg (6:00 PM): Mtg Room 8

TUESDAY: December 12

- 7:00am, 9:30am Daily Mass: Church
- Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass Celebration (6:00 PM) followed by Candlelight Rosary in Her Honor
- Clarinet Choir Rehearsal (6:30 PM): Ministry Center Music Room

WEDNESDAY, December 13

- 7:00am, 9:30am Daily Mass: Church
- Flame of Love Rosary Eucharistic Holy Hour (6:00 PM): Church
- Holy Faith Council of Catholic Women (6:00 PM): Parish Life Center Section C
- RCIA Inquiry Session (6:00 PM): Parish Life Ctr Mtg Room 9
- RCIA Study of the Catholic Faith (6:00 PM) Parish Life Ctr. Mtg Rm 7
- Centering Prayer Group(6:00 PM) Online via Zoom
- Cursillo - Men's Team Meeting (7:30 PM): Mtg Room 8

THURSDAY, December 14

- 7:00am, 9:30am Daily Mass: Church
- Adult Confirmation Class (6:30 PM): Conference Rm 2
- People of Praise Prayer Group (Praise and Worship) (7:00 PM): Church

FRIDAY, December 15

- 7:00am, 9:30am Daily Mass: Church
- Bulletin Deadline for Dec 31, 2023 Send email with details to bulletin@holylaithchurch.org
- Simbang Gabi Novena Mass (7:00 PM): Church
- Fellowship after the Novena (8:00 PM): FJMP Parish Life Center

SATURDAY, December 16

- 9am Saturday Morning Mass: Church
- Confessions: 9:30am & 3:00pm
- Saturday Vigil Mass Celebration (5:00 PM): Church
- Simbang Gabi Novena Mass (7:00 PM): Church
- Fellowship after the Novena (8:00 PM): FJMP Parish Life Ctr.

SUNDAY, December 17

Third Sunday of Advent Mass Celebrations

- 8:00am; 9:30am; 11:15am; 6pm
- Women's Cursillo Small Group Mtg (10:30 AM): Conference Rm
- CCF Classes for grades Kinder-8th (10:45 AM): FJMP Learning Center
- ALL PARISH Cookie Exchange and Children's Christmas Play (12:30 PM): FJMP Parish Life Ctr
- Simbang Gabi Novena Mass (7:00 PM): Church
- Fellowship after the Novena (8:00 PM): FJMP Parish Life Ctr.

Prepare
your
hearts for
the LORD
and receive
His
forgiveness

Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

This Advent, Catholics in the Diocese of St. Augustine, especially those who have been away from the church or the sacrament, are invited to experience God's mercy and forgiveness through the sacrament of reconciliation.

Holy Faith
Advent Reconciliation Service
Tuesday December 19 6:30pm

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Please call 352-376-5405 if you or a loved one are in the hospital in need of a priest for anointing of the sick. For after-hour emergency need for a priest, call the office and press 1 for the duty priest. For outreach Ministry, contact the office, Ext. 100.

Interested in becoming Catholic?

No obligation. Inquire about the journey. Weekly meetings on Wednesdays at 6pm in The FJMP Parish Life Center Mtg Rm#9 or contact the office, 376-5405.

LITURGY FOR THE WEEK

of December 10 2023 Mass Times:
Sat December 9 5pm Vigil
Sunday 8am, 9:30*, 11:15am, 6pm
***9:30am Mass Livestreamed TBD**

Monday-Friday 7 & 9:30am
Tuesday December 12: 7am, 9:30, 6pm
Saturday 9:00am Morning Mass
Saturday Confessions:
9:30am-10:45am & 3-4:30pm



The Holy Rosary is
prayed every Weekday at
9am & 10am and at
9:30am Saturdays. All are
invited to come and pray
with us and Mother Mary



Lord, hear our prayers
for the sick of our
parish and for all those
in need of our prayers:
We pray for Fr. Julien,
Fr. Emmanuel, Agnes

G, Alice C, Alice W, Alisa G, Amelia H,
Andrew S, Amy Sue B, Andrea B, Andres V,
Angela G, Angela R, Angie C, Angie K, Annie
J, Annie L, Barbara S, Barry J, Bavoo K, Bella R,
Beth F, Betty H, Bev M, Brandon B, Brian S,
Brielle R, Carl H, Carrol, Carol H, Chavel B,
Chenoa H, Crystal S, Delia A, Diane C, Diane
M, Dick G, Doris B, Dulce V, Dyron R, Frances
J, Gail W, Gary G, Gloria E, Baby Grace,
Harvey M, Helene L, Ignacio A, Janet S,
Jayden P, Jaylina F, Jenn Z, Jennifer M, Jim D,
Jim S, Joan K, Joan P, Joe R Jr., Joe and Sue S,
Joey R, Josefina R, Jodie P, John B, John C, John
M, Jordan T, Jose S, Juan Carlos D, Judy R,
Kaylee R, Kelsey F, Kristin E, Kyra H, Lindsay
W, Lou G, Luca A, Lula W, Margaret Rose H,
Maribel C, Mariel, Mark B, Martin and Lorena
A, Manuel L, Marty M, Mary S, Max Q,
Miguel B, Milagros D, Millie R, Myriam Z,
Nell A, Neville R, Nicky A, Oliver A, Pam Z,
Paula T, Pearse H, Phil B, Raven W, Rebecca B,
Regina M, Richard P, Robert K, Roger W, Ron Q,
Ronald D, Rosa F & Grandkids, Rosalea B, Rose
G, Santiago P, Sara, Sharon D, Sheila B, Sheila I,
Shelby D & Amelia H, Sheryl M, Sid M, Skip O,
Susan S, Tara P, Teresa N, Tim G, Tom L, Tomasa
V, Tony A, Tressa M, Vincente M, Viola B, and
William P



In Memoriam, RIP

Ana Louisa Rodriguez
(1920 - 2012)

MASS INTENTIONS December 11 to December 17 2023

MONDAY, December 11

7:00am Jorge and Sila Lodeiro
Special Intentions, by Jorge
and Sila Lodeiro
9:30am Lobiondo Family, Special
Intentions, by Lobiondo Family
TUESDAY, December 12
7:00am Waldemar F. Kissel III,
RIP, by Waldemar F Kissel Jr
9:30am Brian Iwata, RIP, by
Alice Schwartz
6:00pm Special Intentions to Our
Lady of Guadalupe

WEDNESDAY, December 13

7:00am Peter and Rose Messmer
RIP, by John and Martha Woeste
9:30am Josephine Botler, RIP,
by Maureen and Jim NesSmith

THURSDAY, December 14

7:00am James Bigler, RIP, by
Sandra Bigler
9:30am Willard G. Bryant III,
RIP, by Mark and Elisa Beachy

FRIDAY, December 15

7:00am Charles Bryan, RIP, by
Joan and Santiago Prado
9:30am Professor Renzo Titone,
RIP, by Diane Roberts

SATURDAY, December 16

9:00am Robert V. Phillips, RIP,
by Dawn Lee Phillips
5:00pm Celina Hackett, Spiritual
Birthday Bouquet, by Wayne
and Jennifer Hackett

SUNDAY, December 17

9:30am Sr. Adell, Spiritual Bou-
quet for Feast day (12/16), by
Wayne & Jennifer Hackett
11:15am Georges and Noel
Maroun, RIP, by Youri and
Ramza Maroun

Please submit Christmas
Season Flower envelopes
with names for insert by
December 15.

SCRIPTURE READINGS as of Monday, December 11

Monday:	Wednesday:	Friday:	Sunday
Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab & 10, 11-12, 13-14; Lk 5:17-26	Is 40-25-31; Ps 103: 1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10; Mt 11:28-30	Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Mt 11:16-19	Third Sunday of Advent
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Tuesday: Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Zec 2:14-17; Judith 13: 18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47	Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab; Mt 11:11-15	Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9- 11; Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13	Lk 1:46-48, 49 -50, 53-54; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

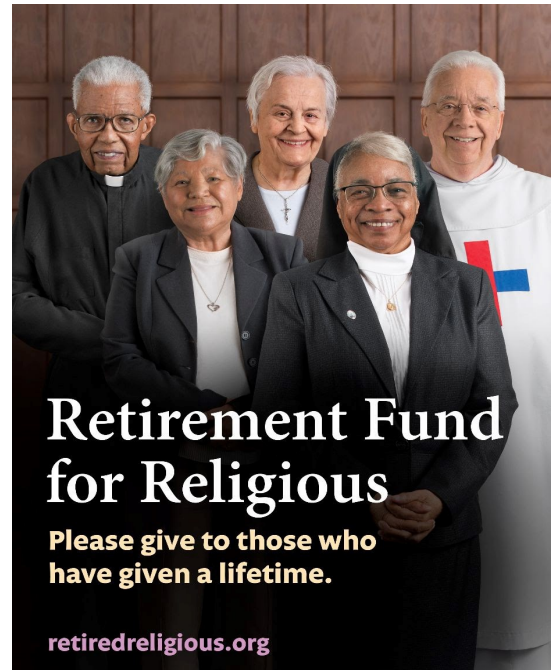
*Christmas Season Flowers Envelopes
should be submitted no later than December 15 for
the names of your deceased loved ones to be included
in the Christmas Season Flower Memoriam Flyer.*

*In lieu of a special flower envelope, include check or
cash in any envelope with your name on it and the
names for the flyer on a piece of paper inside.*

PARISH GIVING ... Thank you for your continuing support of our Ministries.

Weekly Contribution Goal	\$ 26,453
Actual Offertory as of: November 12	\$26,746
Above offertory amount includes online donations of \$5000/week	

You can help. "Support a lifetime of service. Women and men religious have spent their lives serving others in prayer, ministry, education and care for those in need—usually for little or no pay. Today, their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings. As they age, they require essential care and medications. Please support them by giving to the Retirement Fund for Religious. Your donation makes a difference for nearly 25,000 senior men and women religious. Please give generously and Thank you.



STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

John the Baptist's call to repentance is echoed in the U.S. bishops' pastoral letter on stewardship: "Christians must beg God for the grace of conversion: the grace to know how they are, to whom they belong, how they are to live – the grace to repent and change and grow, the grace to become good disciples and stewards."



SUPPORTING MIGRANT FAMILIES FOR CHRISTMAS

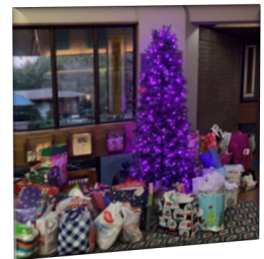
Here's a way to share your gifts.

Angel Tree

Pick up an angel tag from our Angel Tree in the vestibule of the church and return your unwrapped gift by December 15.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMPASSION
FOR OUR MIGRANT FAMILIES

The gifts will be matched to a child in need and delivered by Migrant Education.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES Holy Faith FOOD DRIVE

December 16-17 Drive-up/Drop-off

Sat: 4:45pm to 6pm; Sun: 9:15am to 12:30pm

Your donations to this extra monthly food drive helps to keep the Catholic Charities' food pantry filled at the end of the month when supply dwindles but demand remains. Help make the season of Christmas special for those in need and lets, together, overfill the Catholic Charities Pantry this month. Thank you Holy Faith!

