

Third Sunday of Advent

December 14, 2025



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The barren deserts will rejoice and flower (Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10).

Psalm — Lord, come and save us (Psalm 146).

Second Reading — Be patient, for the coming of the Lord is as sure as the rain (James 5:7-10).

Gospel — Tell of what you hear and see: The blind regain their vision, the crippled their movement, the deaf their hearing (Matthew 11:2-11).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

Wednesday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

Thursday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25

Friday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38

Saturday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45

Sunday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

MASSES FOR THE WEEK †

MISAS DE LA SEMANA

December 13- December 19

Saturday/4:30pm/ John Melhaff+

6:30pm/ Maria Concepcion Pimentel+

Sunday/8:00am/ Alicia Andes+

10:00am/ John Kardash+, Deann Kardash+

12:00pm/ Veronica Aurora Angulo Hdz+

Monday/9am/ All Souls +

Tuesday/9am/ All Souls+

Wednesday/9am/ All Souls+

Thursday/9am/ All Souls+

Friday/9am/ Bud Jardine+, Jesus Altamirano+

There will be no Penance & Reconciliation until after the new year. Thank you -Father Miguel

Our second collection this weekend is for The Retirement Fund for the Religious. We thank you in advance for your generous donations.

Posadas will be held:

Monday December 15th @ 5pm for Religious Education and @ 7pm

Tuesday December 16th @ 6pm

Wednesday December 17th @ 6pm

Thursday December 18th @ 6pm

Friday December 19th @ 6pm

CHILDREN'S NATIVITY PLAY



Children of the parish are invited to participate in an impromptu Nativity mini play on Tuesday, Dec. 24th, Christmas Eve at the 4:30pm Mass at St. Christopher's Church. You can be an angel, a

shepherd, a sheep or a star! All children attending Mass will be invited to participate. Props will be provided. No rehearsals are needed. Children will be asked what part they would like when they come into the church for mass. A very simple production. There will be light refreshments served after the Mass. Come and enjoy the story of this most special time of the church season! If you would like to participate or help. Rhonda Smith @ 209-471-2631.

Poinsettias:

We are accepting poinsettias to beautify our sanctuary during the Christmas Season. When purchasing the Poinsettias, please see that the foil on the bottom is either gold or red.

This will better us to decorate the church. Please drop off Poinsettias in the parish office or inside of church, the week of December 15.

Thank you to Rick and Kathy Yount for the very beautiful St. Christopher Nativity plaque in our vestibule.

A jolly thank you, to everyone who helped make our *Feast of St. Nick* weekend a wonderful example of the Advent season. Over 70 children of our parish



enjoyed the story of St. Nick read aloud by our St. Nick impersonators, Dan Aguiar, Ben White and Joe Schaffhausen. They were so excited to see if their shoe had a special treat inside after mass! We hope everyone enjoyed the event and will remember the kindness and generosity of St. Nick during the rest of the Advent Season. A special thanks to our storytellers, Grandmas

Guild members and elves who coordinated this event; Suzanne Souigny, Laura Johnson, Rhonda Smith, Ana Mathews, Marisela Suarez, Teresa Schmidt, and Edie Schaffhausen. A big thank you to everyone who donated candy and tangerines. If you are interested in helping with our Grandmas Guild please contact Rhonda Smith, 209-471-2631. Our next event will be the Christmas Eve Mini Play at the 4:30pm Mass on December 24.

Christmas Mass SCHEDULE

December 24th

4:30pm- Christmas Play

followed by Mass @ 5pm in English

7:00pm Mass in Spanish

Midnight Mass 12am in English

December 25th

9:00am Mass in English

10:15am Mass in Spanish



No habrá confesiones hasta después de Año Nuevo. Gracias.
-Padre Miguel

Tercer Domingo de Adviento

14 de Diciembre de 2025



LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura: Los desiertos áridos se regocijarán y florecerán (Isaías 35:1-6a, 10).

Salmo: Señor, ven y sálvanos (Salmo 146).

Segunda lectura: Tengan paciencia, porque la venida del Señor es tan segura como la lluvia (Santiago 5:7-10).

Evangelio: Cuenten lo que oyen y ven: Los ciegos recuperan la vista, los cojos caminan, los sordos oyen (Mateo 11:2-11).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Sal 25 (24):4-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mt 21:23-27

Martes: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Sal 72 (71):1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

Miércoles: Jer 23:5-8; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

Jueves: Jue 13:2-7, 24-25a; Sal 71 (70):3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lc 1:5-25

Viernes: Is 7:10-14; Sal 24 (23):1-4ab, 5-6; Lc 1:26-38

Sábado: Cant 2:8-14 o Sof 3:14-18a; Sal 33 (32) 2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lc 1:39-45

Domingo: Is 7:10-14; Sal 24 (23):1-6; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24

Las Posadas se celebrarán en las siguientes fechas y horarios:

Lunes 15 de diciembre @ 5pm (para catequesis) y @ 7pm

Martes 16 de diciembre @ 6pm

Miércoles 17 de diciembre @ 6pm

Jueves 18 de diciembre @ 6pm

Viernes 19 de diciembre @ 6pm

Nuestra segunda colecta de este fin de semana es para el Fondo de Jubilación para Religiosos. Les agradecemos de antemano sus generosas donaciones.