

December 1, 2024

I will raise up for David a just shoot; he shall do what is right and just in the land.— *Jeremiah 33:15*



THE PROMISE OF JUSTICE

We are in fairly good company when we ask God for justice. Often enough we hear and agree with the lament of the people of Israel asking God why the wicked prosper. However, when we call out for justice, we usually want someone to get his or her comeuppance. God's justice is something other than this, of course. God's justice comprises a wonderful rightness between God and humankind. Today, Jeremiah looks ahead to a time when a just one will sprout from the shorn-off stump of Jesse of the house and family of David. Life was not fair in Jeremiah's time. Israel's kings held the promise of God's fidelity, but it was difficult to see how God's promise could be realized through them. Nevertheless, Jeremiah lifts his voice and announces that the Promised One will come. Luke's Gospel echoes that announcement, and Paul is filled with sturdy encouragement. And so Advent begins with a promise.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The days are coming when the LORD will fulfill the promise made to Israel and Judah (Jeremiah 33:14-16).

Psalms — To you, O Lord, I lift my soul (Psalm 25).

Second Reading — Abound in love for one another and for all (1 Thessalonians 3:12 — 4:2).

Gospel — Stand erect and raise your heads; your redemption is at hand (Luke 21:25-28, 34-36).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

MASSES FOR THE WEEK † MISAS DE LA SEMANA

Nov. 29–Dec. 6

Saturday/4:30pm/All Souls †

6:30pm/All Souls †

Sunday/8:00am/Senon & Maria Franco †,

Alicia Andes †, Senon Franco Jr. †

Allan Wallace †, John Melhaff †

10:00am/ Maria Rosa Silveira †

Tony Mello †, Mary Gomez †

11:30am/All Souls †

Monday/9:00am/All Souls †

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Wednesday/9:00am/All Souls †

Thursday 9:00am/All Souls †

Friday/9:00am/All Souls †

SOLEMNITY IMMACULATE CONCEPTION/ INMACULADA CONCEPCIÓN

MONDAY/LUNES - DEC. 9
9AM & 5:45PM ENGLISH
7PM ESPAÑOL



We are excited to invite the children of the parish to participate in the celebration of the Feast of St. Nick at all weekend masses on **December 7th & 8th**. This advent custom will be offered by our Grandmas' Guild Ministry. The children who attend mass on that weekend will be asked to take off one of their shoes when they enter the church. And if they have been good this year, they will find their shoe filled with sweet surprises after mass! The story of St. Nicholas will be read aloud during mass to the children. St. Nicholas was full of goodness and kind deeds and expressed his care for those in need. He helps us remember Christmas is a feast of love, hope, kindness and generosity. All of us are invited to imitate his good deeds and may his example make us always mindful of the needs of others.



Please join us on Saturday, Dec. 7, for our First Saturday devotion starting with **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** at 8am, followed by recitation of the Holy Rosary at 9:00 am, room 4.

St. Christopher Parish

Budgeted Offertory Collection

Week 10/19/2024

Budget	\$ 6,259.35
Actual	4,819.00
Over/(Under) Weekly Goal	(1,440.35)
YTD Budget	87,630.97
YTD Actual	85,472.35
YTD Difference	(2,158.62)

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 refreshment 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 please contact Grandmas Guild member, Rhonda Smith at 209-471-2631.



1 de diciembre de 2024

Yo haré nacer del tronco de David un vástago santo, que ejercerá la justicia y el derecho en la tierra.—
Jeremías 33:15



LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Se acercan los días cuando el Señor cumplirá su promesa que hizo a Israel y a Judá (*Jeremías 33:14-16*).

Salmo — Descúbrenos, Señor, tus caminos (*Salmo 25 [24]*).

Segunda lectura — Que el Señor los llene y los haga rebosar de amor para que sean irreprochables en santidad (*1 Tesalonicenses 3:12 — 4:2*).

Evangelio — Habrá señales y verán al Hijo del Hombre venir con gran poder y majestad (*Lucas 21:25-28, 34-36*).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Is 2:1-5; Sal 122 (121):1-9; Mt 8:5-11
Martes: Is 11:1-10; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lc 10:21-24
Miércoles: Is 25:6-10a; Sal 23 (22):1-6; Mt 15:29-37
Jueves: Is 26:1-6; Sal 118 (117):1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Viernes: Is 29:17-24; Sal 27 (26):1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
Sábado: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Sal 98 (97):1-4; Ef 1:3-6, 11-12; Lc 1:26-38
Domingo: Bar 5:1-9; Sal 126 (125):1-6; Fil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lc 3:1-6



Bienaventurada Virgen Maria De Guadalupe

Jueves, Diciembre 12, 2024

5:00 a.m. Las Mañanitas

6:00 a.m. Misa en Español

9:00 a.m. English Mass

2:00 p.m. Las Mañanitas

3:00 p.m. Misa en Español

Acompáñanos el Primer Sábado del Mes, 7 de diciembre.

Adoración al Santísimo

Sacramento empezará at las 8 de la mañana y a las 9, se recitará el Santo Rosario. El Rosario será bilingüe. Cuarto número.

