


# First Sunday of Advent

November 29, 2026




Dear Friends in Christ,

Today the Church begins her new liturgical year with the Season of Advent, which has four Sundays. Today is the first Sunday of Advent.

During the Advent Season, the Church reminds us of the long period of time in the past that the chosen people had to wait for the Messiah to come; the Messiah, who God promised, would deliver them from the bondages of sin and death.

During Advent we now prepare for the celebration of the first coming of the Son of God at Christmas, yet the Church also asks us to prepare ourselves for the second coming of our Lord in glory to judge the living and the dead.

What are your spiritual intentions during this Advent?

- Do you plan to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Christmas, so Jesus can come and stay "joyfully" in your soul?
- Do you plan to invite the non-practicing Catholics whom you know back to the Church?
- Do you plan to reach out more to those in need (even to the Church)?
- Do you plan to spend more time in prayer, or with Jesus in the Eucharist in the Tabernacle? We have 24-hour Adoration the first Friday of every month until 8:45 a.m. on Saturday and every other Friday after Mass until 11:30 a.m. Plan now to spend time before the Blessed Sacrament.

These are some suggestions for each of us to pay more attention to our spiritual preparation for the joyful event of Christmas. By these and other plans, we are preparing a "warm and cozy" manger for the Baby Jesus. Don't you think so?



Lord, come and deliver us! Amen.

Peace in Christ, Fr. Tien

## Christmas Mass Schedule




**Christmas Eve – Sunday, December 24th**
**6:00 P.M. in English**
**9:00 P.M. in Spanish**

**Christmas Day – Monday, December 25th**
**9:00 A.M.**

The Christmas season is approaching. Here are some great "hassle free" ideas for you to get a gift that will have so much meaning!

Have a Mass offered for your loved one! Who wouldn't love that? Our 2027 book is available for Masses to be scheduled. A stipend of your choice is appreciated.





We have beautiful handmade rosaries, many colors and styles to choose from, and the prices vary. Come and see our selection! Fr. Tien will bless the rosary too!

Donations made easy! Here is our QR Code that you can scan with your phone.

Catholic Adult Education on Monday night Nov. 30th at 7 PM is The Communion of Saints; Katharine Drexel/Therese of Lisieux/Edith Stein/Teresa of Calcutta. Examples of individuals transfigured by love into the divine life. They are members of that great cloud of heavenly witnesses. Come join your fellow parishioners in the spirit of fellowship. Snacks provided. We meet in the Family Life Center downstairs. Deacon David & The Education team

The Women's Guild will sell Homemade Christmas Cookie Plates after masses the weekend of December 12 and 13. Money raised will go to parish needs. Anyone who would like to donate cookies (homemade or store-bought) to the project can bring them to the Family Life Center between 10 and 11 a.m. on Friday, December 11.



Our Knights of Columbus monthly meeting this Tuesday, December 1st from 6:00-7:00 P.M. All Knights are encouraged to attend.

There will be a Second Collection next weekend (Dec 5-6) for Capital Improvements.



Rosary is prayed ½ hour before every Mass.
Adoration every Friday after our 9:00 a.m. Mass and benediction at 11:00am.
Reconciliation ½ hour before Vigil Mass; Wednesday at 6:15 p.m.



Please remember to keep Saint Francis Parish in your will.






Pray for healing: Donna Barbaro, Dolores Botti, Chad Cook, William Crunkleton, Susan Darby, Lillianne Duong Davis, Tony Frede, Dariel Hellerer, Wayne Hirsch, Guyla Ivers, Anette ML Jiglau, Sandra Kanter, Georgette Lee, Terry McConnell, Michelle Mercer, Dee Moffitt, Delphine Moss, Monica Moya, John Ontiveros, Freeman Robinson, Josette Roisin, Kathleen Rogers, Mike Scarborough, Roxanne Lumia Smith, Wanda Stamey, Irene Tisdale, Art Todesco, Alan Tucker, Ruby Christina Tucker, Joe and Charlene Youdell, Rosalie Perreault, David Ramsey, Susie Lopez Pineda, Kamri Peck, Kathy Tallent, Denise Burkart, Connie Blackburn, Sharon Beals, Josephine Jennings, Dominga Feria Lopez, Bill Garbinski, Nick Birchard, Mary Ann Janda, Josiah Mihok, Robert Horgan, Wayne Smith

Please pray for our parishioners and all men and women in the armed forces:
Angel Avila, Stephen Fox, Lauren Richards, Christopher Richards, Jesus Rodriquez, Elizabeth Scoon and Stephanie Ortiz-Ruiz



## Mass Schedule and Intentions

### Saturday, November 28

4:00 P.M. ✝Min Galbrecht by Charlene
✝Eugenio Chang
✝Lynne Balk & ✝Colleen Snowden
By Mary Murphy

### Sunday, November 29
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9:00 A.M. ✝Sipriano Ramos, ✝Catalina Diaz
Art & Niell Keener

11:30 A.M. ✝David Ruiz, ✝Modesta Ordaz,
✝David Colmenares
✝Antonio Cruz Arango

### Monday, November 30
**Saint Andrew, Apostle**

9:00 A.M. ✝Francisco Ortiz, ✝Raquel Merlin
✝Holy Souls in Purgatory by Basilia

### Tuesday, December 1
**NO MASS**

### Wednesday, December 2

5:30 P.M. ✝Isidro Ordaz ✝Serafina, ✝Holy Souls

### Thursday, December 3
**Saint Francis Xavier, Priest**

9:00 A.M. ✝David Ruiz Ordaz,
✝Holy Souls in Purgatory by Basilia

### Friday, December 4
**Saint John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the church**

9:00 A.M. Josette, Wanda, Joe, Charlene by Charlene

### Saturday, December 5

9:00 A.M. Fr. Tien's Intentions

4:00 P.M. ✝Holy Souls in Purgatory by Basilia

### Sunday, December 6
**Second Sunday of Advent**

9:00 A.M. ✝Sipriano Ramos, ✝Catalina Diaz
✝Dennis Fisher

11:30 A.M. ✝Marciano Diaz Ordaz,
✝Antonina Arango Diaz,
✝Marciano Diaz Acevedo
✝Alan Daniel de Leon-Lopez by Lopez Family