

Dec. 4-5, 2021 | Second Sunday of Advent

# AVE MARIA

## CATHOLIC CHURCH



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## Weekly Reflection



### Advent is here. What Is the Purpose of Advent?

Advent has a twofold purpose: 1. It is a time of preparation for Christmas when we remember Christ's first coming; 2. It is a time that directs our minds and hearts to await Christ's second coming at the end of time. Then, Advent is a period of devout and joyful expectation of the two comings of Jesus. There is a beautiful symbol that leads us in our preparation: **The Advent Wreath**. Each week, we light a new candle, and in this way, we are reminded that the Light of the World comes to us.

**The First Candle** (Purple) is the Candle of Faith. God has promised a Savior who would be born in Bethlehem. We believe in his promise, and we ask for the grace to be ready to welcome our Lord and God! (Luke 3: 4-6).

**The Second Candle** (Purple) is the Candle of Hope. We can have hope because God is faithful and will keep the promises made to us. Our hope comes from God, (Romans 15: 12-13).

**The Third Candle** (Pink) is the Candle of Joy. With the angels we also sing for joy! Our Savior brings peace on earth and glory in heaven! (Luke 2:7-15).

**The Fourth Candle** (Purple) is the Candle of Love. God sent his only Son to earth to save us because He loves us! (John 3: 16-17).

Let us prepare ourselves for the coming of Jesus! With the Church, let's pray: Grant us Almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at his coming, so that, gathered at his right hand, we may be worthy to possess the heavenly Kingdom. Amen

## Our Priests

### Pastor

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### Deacon

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### Deacon

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## Our Parish Staff

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### Dir. of IT

**Carlos Villegas**

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## Collection Summary

● 11/20 & 11/21 Total	\$22,402.30
● Weekly Budget*	<b>\$18,943.24</b>
Donations to CFA	\$83,421.50
CFA Goal	<b>\$210,000</b>
Campaign Victory Goal	<b>\$3,000,000</b>
Total Campaign Pledges	\$1,691,973.31
Pledges Collected to Date	\$1,228,984.86

\*Does not include the maintenance of the parish debt



# MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

Through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace

## Sat. December 4

- 9:00am *Simon & Rafael*
- ● ● 9:30-10:30am *Confessions*
- 5:00pm *Marlys Arnoldi*

## Sun. December 5

- 8:00am *Renee Figueroa*
- 10:00am *+ Albert Silui*
- 12:30pm (EF) *The Parish Community*
- 7:30pm *Dustin Dreifuerst*

## Mon. December 6

- 7:30am *+ Dennis Budzbanowski*
- 12:00pm *Prayer Box Intentions*
- ● 2:45-3:45pm *Confessions*
- 5:00pm *+ Frank Ludwing*

## Tues. December 7

- 7:30am *Special Intentions*
- 12:00pm *+ Ronald Bo*
- 5:00pm \* *Fr. David M. Vidal*

## Wed. December 8

- 7:30am \* *The Parish Community*
- 12:00pm \* *Bishop Frank Dewane*
- ● 2:45-3:45pm *Confessions*
- 5:00pm \* *Diocese of Venice*

## Thur. December 9

- 7:30am *+ Jack Totty*
- 12:00pm *+ David Lee Brennan*
- 5:00pm *+ Thomas J. Edwards*

## Fri. December 10

- 7:30am *+ Fernand Placide*
- 12:00pm *Chris Apang*
- ● 2:45-3:45pm *Confessions*
- 5:00pm *Colton Pointz*
- 6:30-7:30pm *Holy Hour & Confessions*

\* Holy Mass of Obligation - Immaculate Conception

## Color Key for Priests

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|------------------------|------------------------|
| ● Fr. David Vidal      | ● Fr. Joseph Lugalambi |
| ● Fr. John Andem       | ● Fr. Ignatius         |
| ● Fr. Piotr Paciorek   | ● Fr. Anbu             |
| ● Fr. Romanus Cessario | ● FSSP                 |
| ● Fr. Rick Martignetti | ● Fr. Bob Garrity      |
| ● Fr. Guy Mansini      |                        |

Contact the Parish Office to remember your own dearly departed loved ones in the Holy Mass.

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Contacte a la Oficina Parroquial por Intenciones de Misas.

## Prayer of the Week

### The St. Andrew Chirstmas Novena

The St. Andrew Novena is a popular Advent devotion. Beginning on the Feast of St. Andrew, November 30, the prayer is said 15 times a day until Christmas. While it's called the St. Andrew Novena, the prayer is addressed to God and focuses our attention on the coming Nativity. For this reason, it's also called the Christmas Anticipation Novena.

**Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires, [here mention your request] through the merits of Our Saviour Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother. Amen.**

# PARISH SACRAMENTAL LIFE



## Baptism

### Welcome to the Church!

December 10, 2021

- Fernando Tlaloc Franco
- Alexa Aubrey Estrada
- Laura Isabella Estrada
- Levi Matteo Sandoval

\*Contact the parish office for information on scheduling a baptism and the required classes for parents and godparents.



## Holy Matrimony

By creating man and woman God called them to an intimate communion of life and of love: "So that they are no longer two, but one flesh," (Mt. 19:6).

\*Arrangements must be made at least 6 months prior. Must be registered parishioner & been attending Mass for 3 months.



## Anointing of the Sick

*The primary effect of this Sacrament is a spiritual healing by which the sick receive peace and courage to deal with the difficulties of illnesses or frailty.*

\*Contact the parish office for scheduling a visit to the sick. For an emergency, call 239.261.5555 and follow the instructions.



# PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

A renewed effort for our Parish to continue our Capital Campaign, ***Our House, His Home, Our Children's Future*** is beginning!

On Thanksgiving Day, we specially remembered the generous donors who have contributed to Ave Maria Parish. We are very grateful for your gifts! With your donations, you are supporting a beautiful Catholic Parish community that stands as a beacon of light in our society! There is much more to do, and we need your support.

Please join us in this effort! For more information, contact our Parish Office [Office@AveMariaParish.org](mailto:Office@AveMariaParish.org) or visit our website [www.AveMariaParish.org](http://www.AveMariaParish.org)

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# PARISH LIFE

## Events and Updates



**December 8**

**Immaculate Conception  
Rosary Walk**

6-7pm | Piazza-AMU



**December 12**

**Our Lady of Guadalupe  
Mass & Procession**

4:30-7pm | Church/School



**December 25**

**Christmas  
Special Masses in the Eve  
and the Day**

Ave Maria Church



**December 31**

**Holy Hour  
and Confessions**

9pm-Midnight | Church



## Ave Maria Parish Choir

The musicians of Ave Maria Parish strive to transform hearts and minds through the power and beauty of sacred music in the Roman Catholic Liturgy. They are guided by the belief that inspired liturgy leads to the awakening and deepening of one's faith. By the beautiful liturgy, the singing of the choir, and the sounds of the Marshall & Ogletree organ, they lead the congregation in prayer. If you like to be part of the **Adult Parish Choir**, contact **Marian Mandy** [Marian.M@AveMariaParish.org](mailto:Marian.M@AveMariaParish.org), and schedule an audition. *"We are urged to sing a new song to the Lord, as new men who have learned a new song. A song is a thing of joy; more profoundly, it is a thing of love,"* (St. Augustine).



## Ave Maria Parish Gala

Ave Maria Parish *Dare to Dream* Gala in honor of Tom Monaghan, founder of Ave Maria, for his inspired vision. Save the Date!

**Date:** February 12, 2022, from 5:00pm to 10:30pm

**Place:** Vineyards Country Club

Tickets \$175 - Sponsorships available.

For more information [Gala@AveMariaParish.org](mailto:Gala@AveMariaParish.org) or contact **Beatrice Sanford, (757) 707-0146**

## Mark Your Calendar!

**Christmas Masses** (Holy Day of Obligation)

Fri, Dec 24, 3:30pm and 5pm Vigil

Sat, Dec 25, 12am Midnight, 10am, and 12:30pm (EF)

**Holy Family Sunday Masses**

Sat, Dec. 25, 5pm Vigil

Sun, Dec 26, 8am, 10am, 12:30pm (EF)

# MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

From A to Z, Ways to Grow and Serve

## The Pilgrim Virgin Statue Our Most Blessed Mother Comes to You

This visitation offers families a beautiful way to draw closer to God through the prayers of Our Blessed Mother. Two members of the Legion of Mary will bring Our Lady of Fatima to your home at a prearranged time. At the end of the week, the same members will return to bring Our Lady to the next scheduled home.

You are asked to prepare a suitable location in your home where the Blessed Mother will be enshrined for the duration of the host period. Because of the size of the statue, many families use a side table in a sitting room or in the family dining room to display Our Lady and make it convenient to sit around while praying the Rosary. During the visitation, you pray the rosary in front of our Blessed Mother together with the family and for the family, and make a special effort to please her with a holy way of life.

The Legion of Mary in Ave Maria invites you to welcome the Pilgrim Virgin Statue in your homes. The 2022 Pilgrim Virgin Statue Home Visit calendar is now open for those families who would like to receive her at their homes for one week. The Legion of Mary is doing visits by neighborhoods with three Pilgrim Statues.

For questions or more information regarding the Pilgrim Virgin Statue in Ave Maria, please, contact **Lia Fry, [kenandlia@aol.com](mailto:kenandlia@aol.com)**



### DTS Youth Group

Sunday, December 5  
6:30-8pm | Parish Hall  
Dcn. Tom Kinnick  
[Thomas.K@AveMariaParish.org](mailto:Thomas.K@AveMariaParish.org)



### American Heritage Girls

Thursday, December 9  
4-6pm | Parish Hall  
Heather Thompson  
[charliesangel@snet.net](mailto:charliesangel@snet.net)



### AA Meeting

Thursday, December 9  
7-9pm | Parish Hall  
Dan Linton  
[dlinton58@gmail.com](mailto:dlinton58@gmail.com)



### Legion of Mary (Curia)

Saturday, December 11  
9am-3pm | Parish Hall  
Jim Daly  
[jcaffreydaly@gmail.com](mailto:jcaffreydaly@gmail.com)



## Donahue Academy

The students at Donahue Academy, our parish school, worked hard to take part in the Hometown Christmas celebration. From decorating the Donahue Academy float to putting on the Christmas play, students of all ages chipped in and took part in the festivities. We hope you enjoyed the evening.

On the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, Donahue Academy processed from the school to the parish carrying a statue of the Blessed Mother. Now, the parish has the opportunity to return the favor and process from the church to Donahue Academy in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Next Sunday, December, 12th, is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe and Donahue Academy is hosting a gathering in the school gym.

The event begins with Mass at 4:30pm in Spanish at the church. After Mass, we'll all process to the school where we will celebrate this great Feast Day with singing, dancing and traditional foods. Let us all look to Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, as St. Juan Diego did and call her "My very beloved Lady" that she may, in turn, call us, "My dear son."

We look forward to honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe with you next Sunday!

## The Sacrament of Reconciliation

In February 19, 2007, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI said, "The baptized need to rediscover the sacrament of reconciliation so that they can experience 'the boundless renewing power of divine love.'" And Benedict XVI continued: "Only God can realize this miracle of grace, and he does so through the words and gestures of the priest." Personal confession and absolution, according to the Catholic doctrine, remains the only ordinary method of Sacramental Penance.

In the *Introduction to the Rite of Penance* (n. 7), the Church teaches us: "Even for venial sins regular and frequent recourse to the Sacrament of Penance is very useful. It is not, indeed, a matter of a mere ritual repetition or of a kind of psychological exercise, but rather a constant and renewed commitment to refine the grace of Baptism so that, while we carry about in our bodies the dying of Christ Jesus, his life may be ever more revealed in us (2 Cor 4:10)."

Pope St. Paul VI reminds us, "frequent confession remains a privileged source of holiness, peace and joy," (Apostolic Exhortation, *Gaudete in Domino*, 1975). Let us prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus Christ at Christmas by receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this Advent Season.



# IGLESIA CATÓLICA DE AVE MARÍA

Información para nuestra comunidad hispana

## Reflexión Semanal



**El Adviento ha llegado. ¿Qué es lo que la Iglesia nos enseña durante este tiempo?** ¿Cuál es el propósito del Adviento? El Adviento tiene un doble propósito:

1. Este es un tiempo de preparación para la Navidad en el cual recordamos la primera venida de Cristo. 2. Este es un tiempo que dirige nuestras mentes y corazones a la espera de la segunda venida de Cristo al fin de los tiempos. Entonces, el Adviento es un periodo de expectación devota y gozosa de las dos venidas de Cristo. Hay un hermoso símbolo que nos guía en nuestra preparación: **La Corona de Navidad**. Cada semana encendemos una nueva candela, y de este modo, se nos recuerda que la Luz del Mundo viene a nosotros.

**La Primera Candela** (Violeta) es la Candela de la Fe. Dios ha prometido un Salvador que nacería en Belén. Nosotros creemos en su promesa, y pedimos la gracia de estar listos para darle la bienvenida a quien es nuestro Señor y Dios, (Lucas 3: 4-6). **La Segunda Candela** (Violeta) es la Candela de la Esperanza. Podemos tener esperanza porque Dios es fiel y mantendrá las promesas que nos ha hecho. Nuestra esperanza viene de Dios, (Romanos 15: 12-13). **La Tercera Candela** (Rosada) es la Candela del Gozo. ¡Con los ángeles, también nosotros cantamos de alegría! ¡Nuestro Salvador trae paz en la tierra y gloria en el Cielo! (Lc. 2: 7-15). **La Cuarta Candela** (Violeta) es la Candela del Amor. ¡Dios envió a su Hijo al mundo para salvarnos porque Él nos ama! (Jn. 3: 16-17).

## Sacramentos, Preparación, Quinceañera, y RCIA

El **bautismo**, nos introduce a las aguas salvadoras que nos trae el Espíritu Santo y nos hace miembros de la Iglesia.

La **confesión**, nos hace vivir la misericordia de Dios, ejercida a través del ministerio de los sacerdotes.

**Primera Comunió**n, nos hace participar de la vida de Jesús, recibiendo su Cuerpo, Sangre, Alma y Divinidad bajo la apariencia de pan y vino.

**Confirmación**, nos sella por medio de los dones del Espíritu Santo para ser testigos vivos de Cristo.

**Unción de los enfermos**, nos da la fortaleza espiritual e incluso física en tiempos de enfermedad o en peligro de muerte.

Las **quinceañeras** son celebraciones que tradicionalmente las familias hispanas hacen para dar gracias a Dios por el don de la vida de quien cumple los 15 años y para pedir las bendiciones de Dios.

**¿Cómo me hago católico?** Tal vez has asistido a misa con nosotros por un tiempo, o tal vez acabas de conocer a un católico y estabas intrigado por su fe. Quizás fuiste bautizado cuando eras niño, asististe a algunas clases de catecismo, pero realmente no has estado practicando la fe estos últimos años. Entonces, **¿por dónde empiezas?**

Para más información, contacta a Martha Baca, [Martha.B@avemariaparish.org](mailto:Martha.B@avemariaparish.org)



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## Our Lady of Guadalupe

**On Sunday, December 12**, we will celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe. We will have the Holy Mass at the Church at 4:30pm in Spanish. Then, we will have a procession with the Image of our Blessed Mother from the Church to the Parish School. A group of Mariachis will accompany us during the procession and the celebration at the School. There will be songs, dances, and typical food. The event is open to all and free! Please, go to our website or call **Martha Baca** at **(239) 261-5555** and RSVP.

## Misa en Español en Ave Maria

Desde el sábado 1 de enero 2022, se ofrecerá la Santa **Misa en español los sábados a las 7:00pm** (Vigilia de Domingo). Aquellos que estén interesados en participar como lectores, ministros de la eucaristía, ujieres, o coro, por favor, manden un mensaje al **Fr.David@AveMariaParish.org**

On Saturday January 1, 2022, Ave Maria Parish will start offering the Holy Mass in Spanish. We will have a weekly Saturday 7:00pm Vigil Mass.

## Oración de la Semana

### Novena de Navidad de San Andrés

Para ser rezada del 30 de noviembre al 24 de diciembre durante el Tiempo de Adviento. También puede hacerse en novena tradicional del 30 de noviembre al 8 de diciembre. Se sugiere repetirla diariamente quince veces.

**Alabada y bendita sean la hora y el momento en el que el Hijo de Dios nació de la más pura Virgen María, a medianoche en Belén, en el frío penetrante. En esa hora, dignate, Dios mío, de escuchar mi oración y conceder mis deseos por los méritos de Nuestro Salvador Jesucristo y de su Santísima Madre. Amen.**

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Email [memorials@avemariaparish.org](mailto:memorials@avemariaparish.org)  
for more info!



## It's time for the Giving Tree!

Please help Ave Maria families in need this Christmas.

The Giving tree will be in the Narthex near the front doors of the church from **November 26-December 10**.

On the Giving Tree you will find envelopes with a store name and amount of the gift card requested. Please take an envelope (or two!) and purchase the requested gift card, then put it inside the envelope and seal it. Return the sealed envelope to the Donation Box near the front doors of the church by December 10. Your kindness will help another Ave Maria family have a blessed Christmas! Thank you!

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