

Dec. 11-12, 2021 | Third Sunday of Advent

AVE MARIA

CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Weekly Reflection



Every Advent, the call to conversion is renewed. Every Advent, we receive the challenge to live a life of holiness. Every Advent, we hear that holiness is not idealism, that it is not a theory, but the “natural” (or supernatural, we would say) consequence of being a follower of Christ.

Can a person habitually forget God, and be a holy person? Every Advent season, we are called to reaffirm that we belong to God. That we are in the world, but that we belong to God.

Every Advent, we are challenged: “You must be the light of the world,” (Mt 5:14).

Light is needed “to illumine the whole house,” (Mt 5:13). God does not want this light to be hidden “under a bushel.” If you are a follower of Christ, you must shine “so that men may see your good works” and follow Jesus. You must shine so that “they may give glory to your Father who is in heaven,” (Mt 5:16).

Every Advent, we receive the call to conversion, which is a call to live a life of sanctity. Every Advent, we are reminded that our vocation is as luminous as the life of Jesus who is the Light of the World. This Advent, let us return to Jesus and let us profess that we belong to Him.

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Collection Summary

● 11/27 & 11/28 Total	\$18,881.80
● Weekly Budget*	\$18,943.24
Donations to CFA	\$83,421.50
CFA Goal	\$210,000
Campaign Victory Goal	\$3,000,000
Total Campaign Pledges	\$1,692,488.31
Pledges Collected to Date	\$1,235,737.36

*Does not include the maintenance of the parish debt



MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

Through the Mercy of God, Rest in Peace

Sat. December 11

- 9:00am + Wayne Wycoff
- ● ● 9:30-10:30am Confessions
- 5:00pm + James W. Daley

Sun. December 12

- 8:00am Debra Tipton & Family
- 10:00am + Karen Apang
- 12:30pm (EF) The Parish Community
- 7:30pm Carol Battaglia & Family

Mon. December 13

- 7:30am + Joseph F. Lancellot
- 12:00pm Lisa Rochefort
- ● 2:45-3:45pm Confessions
- 5:00pm + Teresa Granahan

Tues. December 14

- 7:30am + Ralph Di Brino
- 12:00pm + Michael P. Fischetta
- 5:00pm Colton Stone Pointz

Wed. December 15

- 7:30am + Terry Cote
- 12:00pm Helen Gibson
- ● 2:45-3:45pm Confessions
- 5:00pm Emily Rae Daub

Thur. December 16

- 7:30am Luisa & Intention to Mary of Guadalupe
- 12:00pm + Andree Placide
- 5:00pm Frank Apang

Fri. December 17

- 7:30am George & Intention to Mary of Guadalupe
- 12:00pm Mary Mitchell
- ● 2:45-3:45pm Confessions
- 5:00pm + Karen Apang
- 6:30-7:30pm Holy Hour & Confessions

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 Christmas 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 17, 2021

- John Paul Lanham

*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 or visit our website www.AveMariaParish.org

\$3,000,000

\$2,000,000

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Sept. '21

Oct. '21

Nov. '21

PARISH LIFE

Events and Updates



December 25

Christmas
Special Masses in the Eve
and the Day
Ave Maria Church



December 31

Holy Hour
and Confessions
9pm-Midnight| Church



January 15

Parish
Men's Retreat
8am-3pm| AMU Ballroom



January 29

The Steak Cook-Off
Donahue Academy
Fundraising
10am| Piazza



NEW Ave Maria Parish Hearing System Instructions

Ave Maria Parish has installed a two-part hearing assistance system. The first part is a **T-Coil Induction Loop system** that is compatible with almost all hearing aids and loop receivers (an around the neck hearing device). This part requires no user set up, however, your hearing aid must be set to the telephone setting. It will work when you are seated in the church.

The second part is a **Wireless System** that will work with most mobile devices and their paired ear buds or with blue tooth enabled hearing aids. Prior to coming to the church, the user will need to download the **"AudioFetch"** app from the Android or Apply app stores. Once in the church, the user will need to use their mobile device to connect to the church Wi-Fi signal will appear as **"Ave Maria Parish AudioFetch"** in the list of available wireless Networks. There is NO PASSWORD for this network. See cards at the back of the Church for additional instructions.



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
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

Live Nativity Play Ave Maria Parish Players Club!

Ave Maria Parish Players (a working title for the newly-founded parish drama club) is rehearsing now for the parish Nativity Play, which will feature live animals, music, and a glorious angel choir.

The club will perform the nativity play twice: once, on the stage at **Cambier Park in Naples on Saturday, December 18th, at 3:30pm** in the afternoon, as part of Maria Vision's "Arise Night of Worship" there. The second, main performance, for our parish and visitors, will take place **on Sunday, December 26th, at 3:30pm, in front of Ave Maria Church**. Petting of the animals will be allowed from 3:00 to 3:30, before the play. Children of all ages are invited to come and be part of this celebration of the birth of Jesus!

Ave Maria Parish Players is a member-run club, with advisors from the parish. "Everyone is working hard to make the play a beautiful gift for the Baby Jesus, and for our parish" says Candelaria Forero, director of this year's play. Assistant directors Scholastica Niewald and Mita Boivin, and Musical Director, Anne Patterson, agree.

Please come and experience this joyful beginning of the Christmas season! Lawn chairs are encouraged. For questions regarding Ave Maria Parish Players, or the Nativity Play, please contact the parish office, or email vero.abandano@gmail.com



DTS Youth Group

Sunday, December 12
6:30-8pm | Parish Hall
Dcn. Tom Kinnick
Thomas.K@AveMariaParish.org



Respect Life Ministry

Wednesday, December 15
6:30-8pm | Parish Office
Sharon Levesque
sal_11010@yahoo.com



AA Meeting

Thursday, December 16
7-9pm | Parish Hall
Dan Linton
dlinton58@gmail.com



Fraternus (First Frat Night)

Saturday, January 4
6:30-8:30pm | Donahue Academy
Tom Nuttle
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Religious Education

Happy Gaudete Sunday! “Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I say rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near.” The Third Sunday of Advent is called Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday. On this day, we celebrate that Christmas is very near. Rose is a liturgical color that is used to signify joy, so we light the rose candle on the third Sunday of Advent.

When Advent Wreaths are decorated the materials often have symbolic meanings. The use of evergreens reminds us of our eternal life with Christ, holly represents the crown of thorns from the Passion of Jesus, and pinecones symbolize Christ’s Resurrection. The students and catechists from our Faith Formation classes will be having an Advent Celebration on our last class before the Christmas break. We will have Advent crafts, video stories, and music to celebrate Gaudete Sunday. Enjoy Brother Francis: The Days of Advent - FORMED with your family.

Please continue to pray for our Faith Formation programs, catechists, and students and have a “Joyful” rest of your Advent.

Altar Servers Program

Serving at the altar is a privileged way to draw closer to Jesus! Altar Servers must understand their role and be part of the liturgy with knowledge and reverence.

Ave Maria Parish offers training and formation sessions for both forms of the Mass: Novus Ordo sessions are conducted on Saturdays at 10:30am and Extraordinary Form on Sundays at 11:30am.

If your son has received First Communion and has interest in becoming an altar server, please contact **Faith Jarvis, fejarvis88@gmail.com**

Donahue Academy

Happy Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe!

Donahue Academy is happy to host the festivities tonight in our gym. Everything will begin with Mass at the Parish Church at 4:30pm, after which we’ll process over to the Parish School. It will be a great opportunity to complete the procession our students made from the school to the parish on the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.

Once we all arrive at the school, head to the gym where there will be singing, dancing and delicious, traditional food. If this will be your first time in the building, welcome. You’re always free to visit again for daily Mass Monday-Friday at 9:45am when school is in session.

May we all bear in mind her greeting to St. Juan Diego at their fourth meeting:

“Hear me and understand well, my little son, that nothing should frighten or grieve you. Let not your heart be disturbed. Do not fear that sickness, nor any other sickness or anguish. Am I not here, who is your Mother? Are you not under my protection? Am I not your health? Are you not happily within my fold? What else do you wish? Do not grieve nor be disturbed by anything.”



IGLESIA CATÓLICA DE AVE MARÍA

Información para nuestra comunidad hispana

Reflexión Semanal



Cada Adviento, el llamado a la conversión se renueva. Cada Adviento, recibimos el desafío de vivir una vida de santidad. Cada Adviento, escuchamos que la santidad no es una simple idea, que no es una teoría, si no la consecuencia natural (o sobrenatural, deberíamos decir) de ser un discípulo de Cristo.

¿Puede una persona habitualmente olvidarse de Dios y ser una persona santa? Cada Adviento, somos llamados a reafirmar que somos de Dios. Que estamos en el mundo, pero que pertenecemos a Dios.

Cada Adviento, recibimos el desafío: “Ustedes son la luz del mundo,” (Mt. 5:14). La luz se necesita “para iluminar toda la casa,” (Mt. 5:13). Dios no quiere que esta luz se esconda “debajo de la cama.” Si tu eres un seguidor de Cristo, debes brillar “para que los hombres vean tus buenas obras” y sigan a Jesús. Tu debes brillar para que “ellos den gloria a tu Padre que esta en los cielos,” (Mt. 5:16).

Cada Adviento, recibimos el llamado a la conversión, que es un llamado a vivir la vida de la santidad. Cada Adviento, se nos recuerda que nuestra vocación es tan luminosa como la vida de Jesús, quien es la Luz del mundo. Este Adviento, volvamos a Jesús y confesemos que a El pertenecemos.

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 Comunión, 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

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Our Lady of Guadalupe

This 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!

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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