

**DECEMBER 4, 2022**  
**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**WORDS OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE TO JUAN DIEGO**

“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.”

**Today’s Readings**

**First Reading** — He shall bring justice for the afflicted; the earth shall overflow with the knowledge of the LORD (Isaiah 11:1-10).

**Psalm** — Peace and justice will come in the day of the Lord (Psalm 72).

**Second Reading** — Glorify God by living in harmony with one another, welcoming each other as Christ welcomed you (Romans 15:4-9).

**Gospel** — Produce good fruit worthy of your baptism; repent, for the reign of God is near (Matthew 3:1-12).

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 5:17-26
- Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14
- Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
- Thursday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
- Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
- Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
- Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

**Please pray for our parishioners & extended family:  
Rest in Peace:**

Judy Laxen, Dorle & Paul Gross, Josephine Small, Martha Araj Ayoub, David Desch, Cathe Cornello Pat Hoffman,

Charlie & Dodie Vaszko, Tina Reinke, Jane Sacher, Mary Chris Vallario, David Takeuchi, Betty Ihle, June Rachel Tayag

**For Healing:**

Edith Bucoy, Tom Johnson, Maureen Francis, , Susan Fox, Joe Humphreys, Bob Gajewksi, Mike Marty, Patrick Lee, Teresa Hyatt, Estela Becerra, Lynette Castiglione, Roberta McLaughlin, Kevin McGuire, Mark Reedy, George Yavorski & all our parishioners that are sick...and a special reminder to pray for those we know now living in care facilities.

**Mass Intentions**

DECEMBER 2, 2022– DECEMBER 8, 2022 (Fri. thru Thurs.)

Fri.	(RIP+) 12:10p.m.
Sat	(RIP+) 4:15 p.m.
Sun.	(RIP+) 9:30a.m.
Sun.	(RIP+) 11:30 a.m.
Mon.	(RIP+) 12:10 p.m.
Tues.	(RIP+) 12:10 p.m.
Weds	(RIP+) 12:10 p.m.
Thurs.	(RIP+) 12:10 p.m.

*Give the gift of a Mass Intention. Intention for Birthdays, Memorials, RIP, Blessings, Marriage, and Get Well.*

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday: Second Sunday of Advent
- Tuesday: St. Nicholas
- Wednesday: St. Ambrose;  
Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
- Thursday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Friday: St. Juan Diego
- Saturday: Our Lady of Loreto  
International Human Rights Day

**HARMONY**

Have you ever known a moment when, just for a brief instant, you felt that all was right with the world? It is just such a moment, stretched into eternity, that the writer of Isaiah describes in today’s first reading: the perfection of everything, centered in God’s spirit, where knowledge, justice, and awe in God’s presence reign. In such a paradise, everyone sees eye to eye and thinks in harmony with each other, as Saint Paul describes in his letter to the Romans. Even animals with a natural animosity toward one another coexist peacefully. John the Baptist understood that such harmonious relationships do not simply happen. They are the fruit of living in right relationship with God and others.

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**SECOND COLLECTION**

**HOSPITAL MINISTRY.**



Please join us for coffee, tea, hot chocolate and pastries after the 9:30 Mass on Sundays. St. John of God and friends welcome you with love and fellowship. Also Join the 11:30 Mass for their Coffee Hour with Coffee, Tea & Snacks. **Also be sure to Give Donation in the Tins marked Donation because this money helps pay for your Refreshments.**

### Worry Not

#### Today's Verse:

Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. - Philippians 4:6-7

We all worry, we can't seem to help ourselves. No matter how much we say we trust in God's provision, there are always things we tend to get anxious about. Whether they are big things like medical diagnoses, career changes, the death of loved ones, or little everyday things like being late, broken or spilled things, finding time to study God's Word, there are plenty of things to fret over. But worrying defies faith. God is telling us in this verse to not worry about anything. He knows all that we are facing. His Son, Jesus, dealt with a lot of the same problems and emotions we do, and He is there to comfort us. Give all your worries to our Loving Father and trust He will help you deal with them. You'll be amazed at the peace it will give you. - Commentary by Colleen Mallette

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Quiet Prayer

**Fr. Kabipi and the Liturgy Committee invite you to participate in the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Quiet Prayer after the 12:10 p.m. Mass every first Friday of the Month. All are welcome!**

#### The Saint John of God Prayer

Dear God, through the intercession of St. John of God, patron of the poor and the sick, grant me the grace this day to greet every person that I meet with understanding and compassion. Reveal to me their needs and give me the means to inspire in my heart the humility and generosity of St. John so that I might be to them a revelation of God's Love. Amen.

### OUR FASCINATING FAITH

#### The Immaculate Conception (December 8)

December 8 we celebrate the patronal solemnity of the United States and the greatest of Mary's Advent festivals. On that day we remember Mary's conception in the womb of her mother (and nine months later, on September 8, we celebrate Mary's birth). In this liturgy, we affirm our belief that God prepared Mary to be the mother of the son of God by allowing her a share, from the moment of her conception, in the salvation that would be won for all by Christ.

Five mothers make their presence felt on December 8. The first is Eve, the mother of all the living. The second is Mary's mother, who conceived, brought to birth, and nurtured an "immaculate" daughter who would become the mother of the Word made Flesh. The third is Elizabeth, who conceived her son John "in her old age." The fourth, of course, is Mary herself. Finally, the letter to the Ephesians and the texts of the Mass for this feast remind us that the Church has been "chosen" to be a spiritual mother. We pray: "The image of the Virgin is found in your Church . . . Trace in our actions the lines of her love, in our hearts her readiness of faith."

In this Advent time, we are called, as Mary was, to make room for Christ in our hearts. What will it take, what will be the cost for us to become, as Mary became, real "bearers of the Word?" Let us be open to the intercession of Mary on our behalf, that we may become more and more like her beloved Son.

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### THE CHOIR AT SAINT JOHN OF GOD

**St. John of God invites you to join the choir. Try and find your hidden talent by joining in with our Music Liturgy Group. The next Choir practice will be December 19th at 7:30 p.m. in the church. Covid Safety practices will be followed. We welcome singers of all ages /levels of experience. For more information, please contact Paul Rioski at (415) 517-4647. All are welcome!!**

**PLEASE NOTE: No choir practice on Dec 5th or 12th**

### Greetings from the Center for Education and Spirituality

CES has a wonderful Advent Retreat opportunity being offered on Zoom! Entitled Advent Journey to YES, the retreat afternoon will take place on Sunday, December 11, 2022 from 1-4 p.m. The retreat is facilitated by S.

Celeste Arbuckle, a Sister of Social Service who currently serves as the Director of the Office of Faith Formation in the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Join us in deepening our YES to Christ during this Holy Season. To receive more information on this and other programs offered and to register, go to <http://ces-event.myshopify.com>