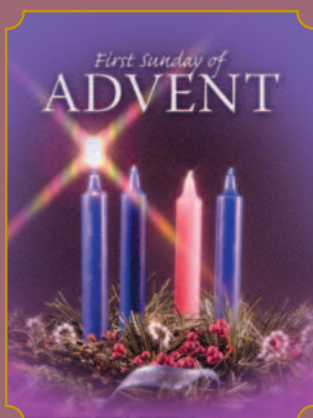




SUNDAY, November 30th, 2025



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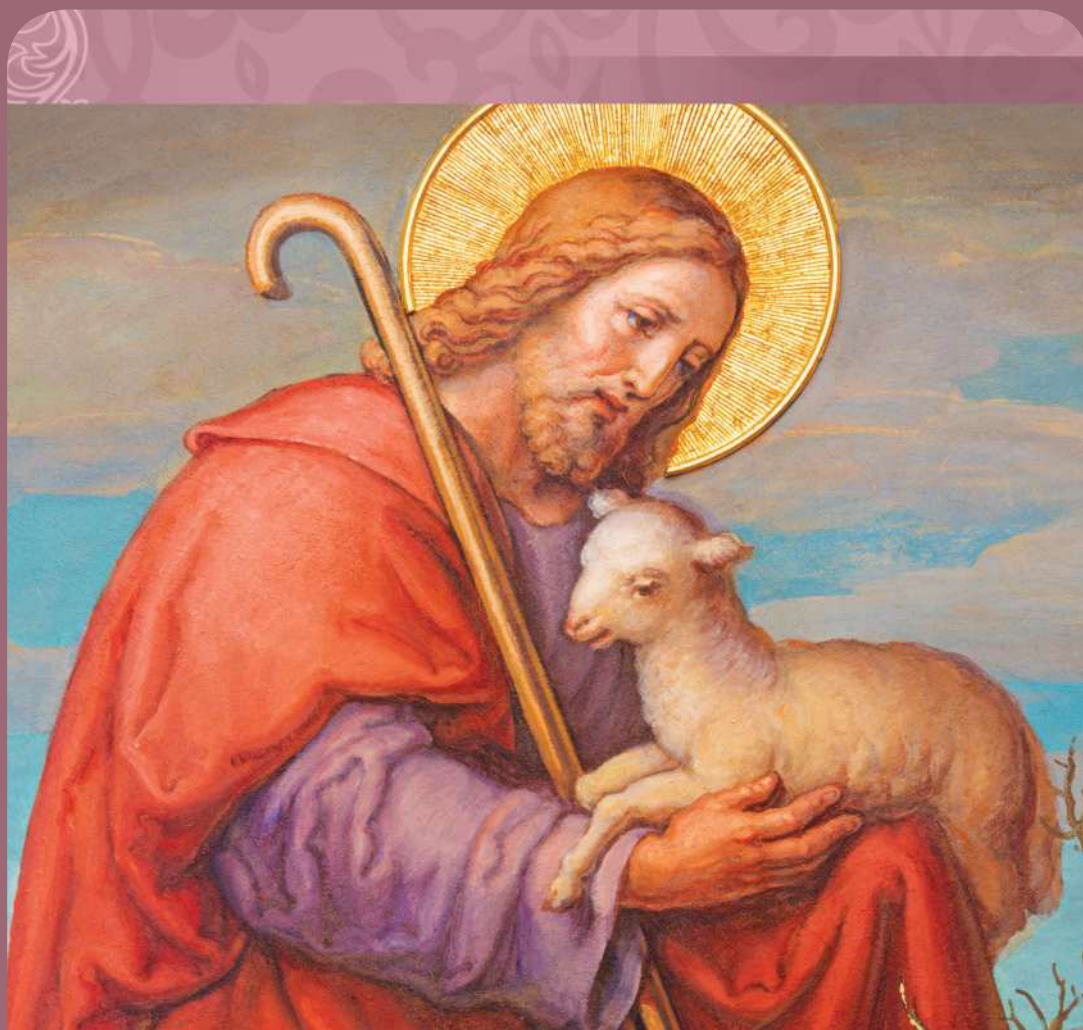
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1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour of night when the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake." - Mt 24:43



Parish Information

Regular Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00pm Vigil

Sunday: 9:00am – English,
2:00pm – Español

Monday/ Tuesday/ Thursday :
8:00am, *in the chapel*

Wednesday: 6:00pm – Español,
in the chapel

Friday: 6:00pm, *in the chapel*

Reconciliation

Saturday: 8:30am – 9:30am

Parish Office Hours

Monday – Thursday: 8:30am – 5:30pm
(closed 12:00pm–1:00pm)

Friday: 8:30am – 12:00pm

Gift Shop Hours

Saturdays: 3:00–4:00pm, 5:00–6:00pm

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1:00–2:00pm

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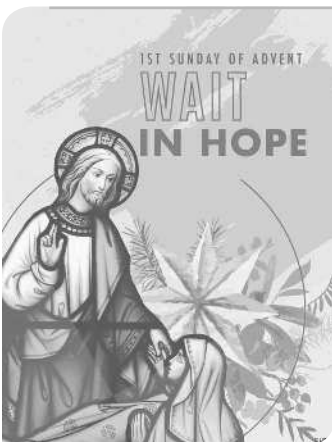
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We the people of St. Mary Roman Catholic Church, Called by God,
Approach the Father in Word and Sacrament, Live relationship with Jesus in Catholic
Community, Seek the Called in the Love of the Holy Spirit.

DAILY GOSPELS

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - November 30, 2025
Year A



Sat. November 29 Weekday; BVM	Lk 21:34-36	4:00pm	†	Joe Williams (Darleen Williams)
Sun. November 30 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Mt 24:37-44	9:00am 2:00pm (Español)	† †	Parishioners Jose Cardenas Juana Isaac (Lourdes Cardenas)
Mon. December 01 Advent Weekday	Mt 8:5-11	8:00am	†	Forgotten Souls of Purgatory (A friend)
Tues. November 02 Advent Weekday	Lk 10:21-24	8:00am	†	All deceased relatives (Cecelia Le)
Wed. November 03 Saint Francis Xavier, Priest	Mt 15:29-37	6:00pm (Español)	†	Rita Martin (St. Vincent de Paul, St. Mary Conference)
Thurs. November 04 Advent Weekday Saint John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church	Mt 7:21, 24-27	8:00am		Bob R. Conrath (Barbara Conrath)
Fri. November 05 Advent Weekday	Mt 9:27-31	6:00pm	†	Litot Family (Fran Baker)
Sat. November 06 Advent Weekday	Saint Nicholas, Bishop	4:00pm	†	Seigworth Family (Chirs Seigworth) Joe Farner (Donna Farner)
Sun. November 07 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Mt 3:1-12	9:00am 2:00pm (Español)	† †	Parishioners Felix Natividad Family (Lupe Natividad)

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Reflection for FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – November 30, 2025 : Year A

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – NOVEMBER 30, 2025

Tracy Earl Welliver

Readings: • Isaiah 2:1-5 • Psalm 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 • Romans 13:11-14
• Matthew 24:37-44 <https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/113025.cfm>

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP – RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Have No Fear!

“So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.”

This week we hear that ominous Gospel passage where Jesus tells us about people being taken from where they are and what they are doing when they least expect it, while others remain. This has been distorted by some for support into a spectacular idea of rapture, leading to many books and movies. A profitable genre has been created that sometimes preys on people's fears.

But in following Jesus Christ, there is no fear. What we are called to do is live each day as it were our last. Be mindful of all the opportunities around you to share love and the gifts God has given you. We will all be held accountable in the end, but it is not what we have done that will save us. Our salvation lies in the grace freely given to us by Jesus. When we choose to receive that gift and intentionally follow him, we are led to giving over our entire being totally to him.

This Advent, let's not allow ourselves to be caught up in all the craziness of the season, but instead give ourselves over to God to use for his glory. The Incarnation born in a manger is calling you. Have no fear!

— Tracy Earl Welliver ©LPi



Pray for All Who are Sick or Infirm



Judith Funkhouser,
Steve Caris,
Jerry Carreiro,
Joey Matthews,
Maria Izaquirre,
Alexa Stefania Ibarra,

Poublon Family,
Aurthur Penfold,
Judith Venenga,
Mike Serrano,
Patricia Tellman,
Dan Tellman,

Andree Duncan,
Juan Acuña,
Phee Serrano,
Lulu Bañuelos,
Fernando Cardona,
Fr. Matthew Krempel,

Fr. Michael Berry,
Alan & Dale Rodberg,
Helena Hall,
Betty Myrick,
Carlos Valenzuela,
Marlene Tidwell,

Michael Page,
Linda Pinnick,
Carol Kreft,
Diane Schatz,
Ray Martin



CATECHISM STUDY

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Have you ever wanted to understand the Catechism of the Catholic Church?

Wondered What we believe, How we worship, How we Live or How we pray?

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WE are offering a down to earth course this Jubilee year of Hope. And by studying the Catechism this year of Hope, a special indulgence was declared by Pope Francis.

This awesome course will be offered on every other Tuesday morning at 10 am at the Parish Center beginning September 2nd.

If this interests you, please contact Grace McNair at grace.mcnair@gmail.com or catch her attention at the weekend Masses. She will help you to order your workbook from ascensionpress.com, or you may order it yourself.

Hope to see you there.

Parish Events This Week

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Dec. 01</u>	<u>Location</u>
Mass	8:00am	Chapel
JPC	6:00pm	Library
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Dec. 02</u>	<u>Location</u>
Mass	8:00am	Chapel
Catechism Study -	10:00am	Library
Foundations of Faith		
Women's Fellowship	5:45pm	Library
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Dec. 03</u>	<u>Location</u>
Rosary	10:00am	Rm. 5,6,7
Mass (Esp.)	6:00pm	Chapel
CERS	6:45pm	Rm. 1 & 3
CERS Youth	6:45pm	Rm. 4
JPC	6:45pm	Library
OCIA (NCYC w/ Pope)	7:00pm	Rms. 5,6, & 7
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Dec. 04</u>	<u>Location</u>
Mass	8:00am	Chapel
Eucharistic Adoration	9:00am	Chapel
<i>Text Kevin Davis to sign up:</i>	-5:00pm	
<i>(508) 699-6289</i>		
R.E. Class	5:30pm	Rms. 1-7 & Library
<u>Friday</u>	<u>Dec. 05</u>	<u>Location</u>
Mass	6:00pm	Chapel
CERS	6:45pm	Rm. 5,6,7, Kitchen & Library
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Dec. 06</u>	<u>Location</u>
Confessions	8:30am	Church
Mass	4:00pm	Church

Happy
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Please pray for all those who have died, especially:



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Guenther,
Louise
Robinson,

Simon
"Robby"
Robinson,
Mack
Delmonico

Patricia
(Trish) Cobb,
Sue
Weatherwax,

Wayne
Peterson,
Rita Martin

What We Gave Back to God

November 9th, 2025 Attendance: 699

Needed to meet weekly expenses	\$ 8,000.00
Plate Collection	\$ 7,208.58
Online Giving	\$ 1,501.16
Building Fund	\$ 8.00

October 2025

Monthly Operating Expense	\$ 42,520.68
Monthly Plate Collection	\$ 35,881.60
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Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

O house of Jacob, come,
let us walk in the light of the LORD! (Isa 2:5)

Psalm:

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord. (Ps 122)

Second Reading:

You know the time;
it is the hour now for you to awake from sleep.
For our salvation is nearer now than when
we first believed. (Rom 13:11)

Gospel:

"So too, you also must be prepared,
for at an hour you do not expect,
the Son of Man will come." (Mt 24:44)

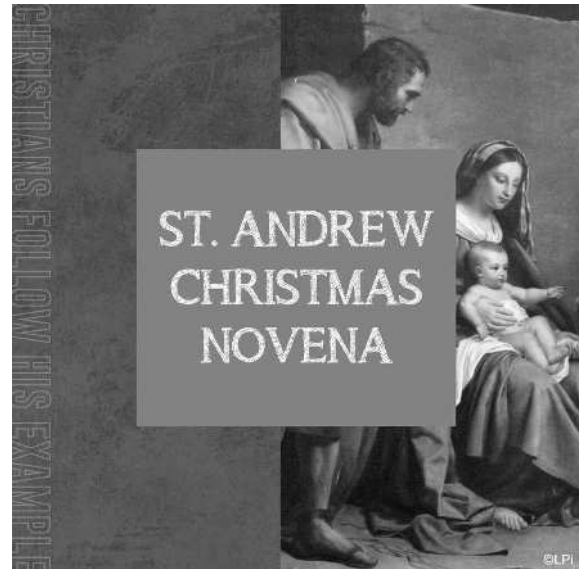
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

"You do not know on which day your Lord will come," Jesus says. He is reminding us that we do not know the mind of God. But we do know the heart of God, and we know that it is filled with mercy for those who heed the warning: Stay awake!

Observances for the week of November 30, 2025

- Sunday:** 1st Sunday of Advent; Respect Life Sunday
Wednesday: St. Francis Xavier, Priest
Thursday: St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Saturday: St. Nicholas, Bishop
Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday of Advent



Devotions, *Explained!*

The St. Andrew Christmas novena is a prayer said from Nov. 30 through Christmas Eve. St. Andrew was the first disciple of Christ, and in saying this prayer Christians follow his example of prescient faithfulness throughout the days of Advent.

Prayer for Advent - Arise

Bless God's Holy Name!
Prepare our hearts for Your coming, Lord.
Awaken them from any places that have become sleepy or despondent.
Inspire us with new visions.
Be with us as we climb closer to You.
Amen.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

Mini Reflection: Of course the world is ending. It has been ending forever. And the Son of Man is coming — but don't forget, he was already here, too. And His Spirit, even now, is renewing the face of the earth. "But how?" we ask. "And when? And where?"

Watershed Moments

In every life there are watershed moments.

I think of our time on this earth as resembling, in the beginning, a fine, firm sheet of metal, suspended with perfect balance in time and space. If a drop of water falls upon the sheet, it remains precisely where it lands.

But life goes on. We see things, we feel things, and in the seeing and the feeling, the flat, smooth metal sheet is nicked. The impacts created by those experiences are like BB pellets riddling armor; before long, the surface is pockmarked. A falling drop of water will drain or pool either in one way or the other, its action determined by the closest indentation.

A watershed has been created, a summit or valley that disrupts the smooth flatness of life. In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks about the end of the world. I'm no Biblical scholar, but I suspect the topic at hand is the Apocalypse (capital A). The big one. The explosion that upends the sheet itself and sends every drop of water crashing down. But I think, in a smaller way, it's also about all the indentations on the plane: those little apocalypses (lowercase a), the things that felt like the end of the world (or the beginning of a new one).

The loss of a job. The breakup of a relationship. The suffering of a loved one.

Of course the world is ending. It has been ending forever. And the Son of Man is coming — but don't forget, he was already here, too. And his Spirit, even now, is renewing the face of the earth.

"But how?" we ask. "And when? And where?"

Without the chinks in the armor — without the watershed moments — there is tremendous smoothness, certainly. But there is also no movement.

So look to the watershed moments, these little (and big) apocalypses. In these moments that change us, for better or worse, God is there, working, waiting.

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that?

Catholic Life Explained

Question:

When we say the Penitential Act at Mass, why do we strike our chest three times?

Answer:

Our rituals and liturgical celebrations are filled with a variety of symbols, some of which also relate to our gestures and physical postures (e.g. kneeling, sitting, processing, making the Sign of the Cross). The custom of striking our breast three times during the "I Confess" of the Penitential Act of the Mass is one of those gestures that is loaded with symbolism.

The tradition of Christian's striking the breast (above the heart) is rooted in the image of Sacred Scripture, especially texts like Psalm 51 which speak of a "humbled contrite heart" or how God heals broken hearts, binding up our wounds (see Psalm 147:3). Early Christian writers like Saint Augustine of Hippo and Saint Jerome also refer to this custom in their writings.

Ultimately, this practice is an expression of our sorrow for those times when we have been guilty of faults and a sign that we are willing to take responsibility for our sins and failings. That we all perform this gesture together is also an act of solidarity, recognizing that none of us, regardless of where we are on our journey of faith, is without fault and the need for grace and forgiveness.



Parish News and Events

Hello St. Mary's,

Happy Thanksgiving! I hope you all had a wonderful day as you celebrated with family and friends the good works of God and the joy of fellowship. Gratitude and giving thanks is a powerful tool in our spiritual life because it helps us (and sometimes forces us) to keep our eyes focused on God and rejoice in His good works. Look at the parable of the 10 lepers; the one that returns and gives thanks is praised by the Lord and we are told that his faith saved him. Because he approached God in humility his heart was open to receiving God's gifts. In that instance we see Christ wanting to give this leper more than just a physical cure, He sought the lepers heart and found a willing recipient. That is the true power of gratitude; to allow our hearts to be open to God who wants to give us more than we ask for. Let us then give thanks to God so that our hearts may truly be filled with the joy of Christ's indwelling presence.

Our Lady, queen of Heaven and Earth, pray for us!

God bless you,
Fr. Chris

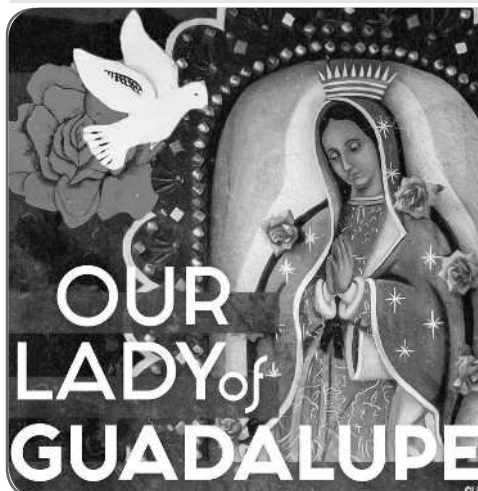


Hola, St. Mary's:

¡Feliz Día de Acción de Gracias! Espero que todos hayan tenido un día maravilloso mientras celebrando con sus familiares y amigos las buenas obras de Dios y la alegría de la comunión. La gratitud y el agradecimiento son herramientas poderosas en nuestra vida espiritual porque nos ayudan (y a veces nos obligan) a mantener nuestros ojos fijos en Dios y a regocijarnos en Sus buenas obras. Fíjense en la parábola de los diez leprosos: el que regresa y da gracias es alabado por el Señor y se nos dice que su fe lo salvó. Como se acercó a Dios con humildad, su corazón estaba abierto a recibir los dones de Dios. En ese caso, vemos que Cristo quería dar a este leproso algo más que una curación física, buscó el corazón del leproso y encontró un receptor dispuesto. Ese es el verdadero poder de la gratitud: permitir que nuestros corazones se abran a Dios, que quiere darnos más de lo que pedimos. Demos gracias a Dios para que nuestros corazones se llenen verdaderamente del gozo de la presencia de Cristo en nosotros.

Nuestra Señora, reina del cielo y de la tierra, ¡ruega por nosotros!

Que Dios los bendiga,
Padre Cristóbal



Novena de la Virgen de Guadalupe

12/03, Weds. - 6:45pm

12/04, Thurs. - 6:00pm

12/05, Fri. - 5:00pm

12/06, Sat. - 6:00pm

12/07, Sun. - 3:00pm

12/08, Mon. - 7:00pm

12/09, Tues. - 6:00pm

12/10, Weds. - 6:45pm

12/11, Thurs. -
6:00pm

**Tendremos las mañanitas
alabanzas ala Virgen**



The Hispanic community is having a raffle on Dec. 12th.
Raffle tickets are being sold from now till Dec. 7th.

Queen Comforter- 4 tickets/ \$10
Princess House set of plates - 4 tickets/ \$10
The Last Supper (framed) - 3 tickets/\$10



First Friday Devotion

December 5, 2025
5:00pm
In the Chapel

First Saturday Devotion

December 6, 2025
2:30pm to 3:30pm In the Chapel



Rosary Group

Wednesdays at 10:00am
in Parish Center: Rm. 5,6,7

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Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration

In preparation for the festivities of our Lady of Guadalupe of Dec 12th, the Hispanic community is doing different activities of fundraisers after each Mass to bring a Mariachi band on that day.

Monetary donations are accepted if you do not wish to purchase any raffle tickets for the items displayed in the back of the church.

All parishioners are invited to come on Dec 12th to the Rosary and bilingual mass. Please see the bulletin for more information.

We appreciate your support and generosity."



St. Nick & Santa Meet & Greet

The Belles will be hosting a meet & greet with
St. Nick & Santa on

**Sunday, December 7th
from 10-11:30am.**

Come listen to the story of St. Nick,
and bring your camera for a photo opportunity!



Ways to Support Your Parish



St. Vincent de Paul

Our sincere thanks to the Knights of Columbus for sharing the proceeds from the Fall Festival. It enabled us to add to our dwindling pantry.

We are not doing a food drive as such this year, but ask that you deposit your food donations in one of the boxes in the foyer of the Church, or bring them to our location at 218 E Beale St. The need for food has doubled and we are trying to keep up, With the holidays fast approaching, all donations are greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your continued support.



WINTER COAT DRIVE & FOOD DRIVE



The Knights of Columbus will be holding a Coat Drive and Food Drive through December 28th. Boxes will be labeled in the vestibule. Thank you.

Our Daily Bread

Our next gathering will be on Dec. 1st.



Our Daily Bread is in need of bread, jelly, and peanut butter donations.

Altar Flower Donations

11/29/2025

In loving memory of Virginia Dwyer Fleck

12/25/2025

In loving memory of the Dwyer Family

Donated by Cheryl M. Smith

12/06/2025

In loving memory of Joe Farner

Donated by Donna Farner

To donate altar flowers in memory / in honor of a loved one, please contact the parish office.

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Classes are held on Thursdays from 5:30-7:00pm at the St. Mary's Parish Center.

No payments will be accepted at class times. Payments can be made at the Parish Office during business hours, or online at this QR code →



We look forward to a great year with our St. Mary's families!



OCIA Class

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CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Thursdays: 5:30-7:00pm



Early Childhood (ages 4-6):

No sacramental preparation

Elementary Catechism, Year 1 (ages 7+):

1st Reconciliation (if baptized)

**Unbaptized children complete two years of catechism, with Baptism being received in the second year, along with Confirmation and 1st Holy Communion*

Elementary Catechism, Year 2 (ages 8-12):

1st Holy Communion, Confirmation, Baptism (if unbaptized)

Catecismo en Español, año 1 (7+ años):

1a Reconciliación (si está bautizado)

**Los niños no bautizados completan dos años de catecismo, recibiendo el bautismo en el segundo año, junto con la Confirmación y la Primera Comunión.*

Catecismo en Español, año 2 (8-12 años):

1a Santa Comunión, Confirmación, Bautismo (si no está bautizado)



BAPTISM INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS



Baptism Information

(children ages 6 and younger)



REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BAPTISM OF YOUR CHILD

To have your child baptized in our parish, a parent of the child to be baptized must come to the Parish Office to obtain an outline describing the required forms.

After submitting these required forms to the office, the parents and godparents will be scheduled to attend a pre-baptism class. Only after all requirements have been met can the baptism of your child be scheduled.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please call the Parish Office: (928) 377-3435.



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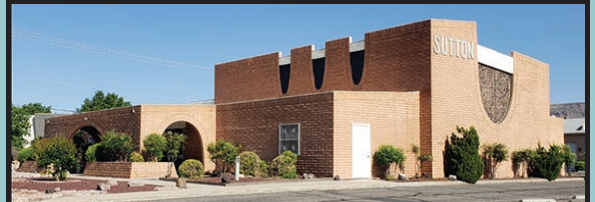


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