

St. Lucy Parish eNews



A Note from our Pastor Father Mark Arnzen

"Gabriel greeted her: Good morning! You're beautiful with God's beauty, Beautiful inside and out! God be with you. She was thoroughly shaken, wondering what was behind a greeting like that. But the angel assured her, "Mary, you have nothing to fear. God has a surprise for you. You will become pregnant and give birth to a son and call his name Jesus."" (Lk 1:27-28 from The Message: Remix The Bible in Contemporary Language, by Eugene H. Peterson)



Words are very important and sometimes we become so used to words we hear that we need to hear them in a different way, with a different voice and a different cadence to bring life back into them and hear them as they truly are meant to be heard and understood. Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. It is a wonderful way to remember, as our Gospel for the day teaches, that Our Blessed Mother, Mary, was chosen to bear the Word of God, Jesus, in her womb as the Mother of God...

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Sunday Reading Preview:

December 10, 2017

Second Sunday of Advent

Gospel MK 1:1-8

"Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths."

John the Baptist appeared in the desert
proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of
sins.

People of the whole Judean countryside
and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem
were going out to him
and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River
as they acknowledged their sins.

John was clothed in camel's hair,
with a leather belt around his waist.

He fed on locusts and wild honey.
And this is what he proclaimed:

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"One mightier than I is coming after me.
I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals.
I have baptized you with water;
he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."



Read Sunday's and Daily Scriptures

Lee las Lecturas diarias y del proximo Domingo

Catholic Life, Parish Activites & Events

**Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebrations
December 11 & 12**

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- Fridays Bilingual Confessions
7-10 pm
- Saturdays Bilingual Confessions
3:30-5pm
- 12/8 Feast of Immaculate
Conception
- 12/11 Our Lady of Guadalupe Vigil
- 12/12 Feast of Our Lady of
Guadalupe
- 12/13 Feast of St. Lucy
- 12/14 Christmas Concert
- 12/16 Simbang Gabi Starts

Parish Bulletin

Sunday Homily Recordings

St. Lucy School Website

Feast of St. Lucy is next week...
Wednesday December 13

FEAST OF SAINT LUCY
Wednesday, December 13, 2017

Mass Schedule

- 8 am - English
- 11:30 am - English
- 6:30 pm - Bilingual

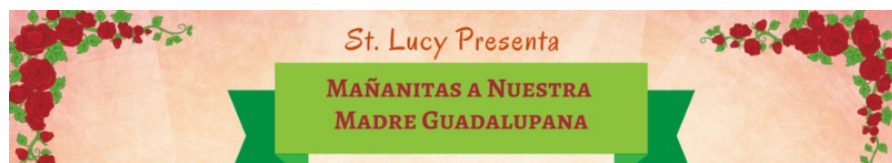


FIESTA DE SANTA LUCÍA
Miércoles 13 de diciembre, 2017

Horario de Misas

- 8 am - Inglés
- 11:30 am - Inglés
- 6:30 pm - Bilingüe

St. Lucy Parish Office Christmas Hours



El Ministerio de Musica de Santa Lucia
 los invita a un
Concierto Navideño Bilingüe
 el jueves, 14 de diciembre a las 7pm en la Iglesia

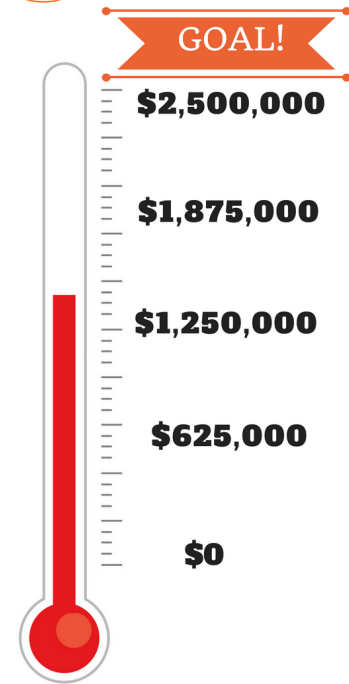


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Posadas Navideñas
 December 16



% of Goal Met: 54.68%



Total # of Responses: 261

Total Pledges: \$1,366,987

Total Goal: \$2,500,000

Remaining Goal: \$1,133,013

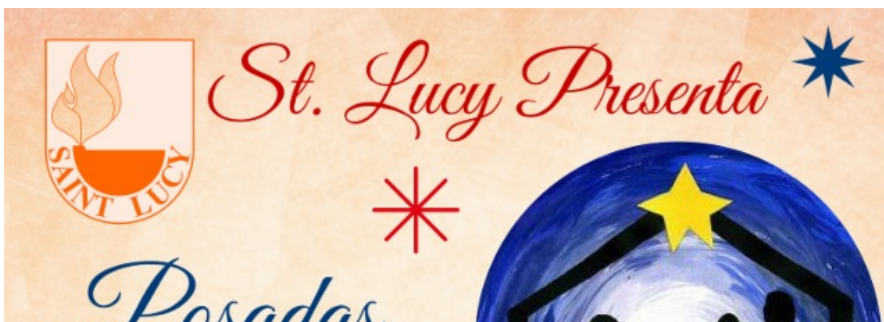
Attached is a visual update of our "Renewed in the Light" Capital Campaign progress report.

As you can see we have done remarkable work in the past 5 weeks with donations and pledges amounting to more than \$1.36 million. To all who have given and pledge at this point...thank you.

Pledge Today

Anexo encontraran una actualización visual de nuestro informe de progreso de la Campaña Capital "Renovado en la luz".

Como pueden ver hemos hecho un trabajo notable en las últimas 5 semanas con las donaciones y promesas que ascienden a más de \$ 1,36 millones. A todos los que han dado y se han comprometido hasta este momento... gracias.



Festivities Navideñas

COMIENZA A LAS
6:30 PM
SÁBADO, 16 DE
DICIEMBRE



FESTIVIDADES COMIENZAN FRENTE A LA
IGLESIA, SEGUIDO POR PASTORELA, COROS
CANTANDO Y PIÑATAS.

FESTIVITIES BEGIN IN FRONT OF THE
CHURCH, FOLLOWED BY A PASTORELA,
CHOIRS AND PIÑATAS.



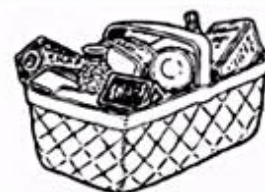
Evento es GRATIS

Festivities begin in front of the Church, followed by a Pastorela, Choirs and Piñatas.

[Read more](#)



CHRISTMAS BASKETS 2017
Thursday, Nov 23rd thru
Sunday, Dec 10th



We are called to help those who are less fortunate. It is with great joy in our hearts that we announce our St. Lucy Parish Christmas St. Vincent de Paul/Outreach Program.

The **Christmas Food Basket Program** provides food for a complete Christmas dinner. Families who receive Christmas Baskets are from our St. Lucy Parish community or who live within our parish boundaries.

All St. Lucy Parishioners are encouraged to bring non-perishable food to Mass and place them in the baskets at the exits to the Church. **Please check the expiration date before you donate. We cannot use any food that has been opened, spoiled, or damaged or is past its expiration date.** All food donated will be accepted, excluding any home-canned products i.e. preserves, etc. We try to make each basket identical except for quantities that are based on family size.

NON-PERISHABLES NEEDED:

Yams/Sweet Potatoes - 15 oz. can	Sugar – 4 or 5 lb. bag	Jello/Pudding - 6 oz. box (large size)
Cranberry sauce - 16 oz. can	Cake Mix - 18 oz. box	Stuffing – 6 oz. box
Vegetables - 15 oz. can	Frosting - 12 oz. can	Dried Mashed Potatoes – 12-16 oz. box
Fruit - 15 oz. can	Flour - 5 lb. bag	Dried Beans – 2 lb. bag
Hominy – 6 lb. can	Rice - 2 lb. bag	

Thanks to donations from the Knights of Columbus and the LDS Bishop's Storehouse most of the cost of our perishables this year have already been covered. To provide funds towards the purchase of the remaining perishables and other food items make checks payable to St. Lucy Conference, St. Vincent de Paul, and leave your check at the Parish Office, put it in a Sunday collection basket or leave it at the Outreach Office by Monday, December 11th.

Vigilia de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Lunes, 11 de diciembre

7:00 pm Danzantes Aztecas
7:40 pm Obra de la Virgen
9:00 pm Rosario y Adoración al Santísimo
10:30 pm Misa con Mariachi
12:00 am Mañanitas con música de Banda

Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe Martes, 12 de diciembre

5:30 pm Danzantes Aztecas
6:30 pm Obra de la Virgen
8:00 pm Misa con Coros Unidos de Santa Lucia
9:30 pm Serenata a la Virgen con Mariachi

Posadas Sábado 16 de diciembre,

6:30 pm en frente de la Iglesia

Our Lady of Guadalupe Vigil

Monday, December 11th

7:00 pm Aztec Dancers
7:40 pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Play (Spanish)
9:00 pm Rosary (Spanish) & Adoration
10:30 pm Vigil Mass with Mariachi (Spanish)
12:00 am Mañanitas (Spanish) (Morning Songs to Our Lady)

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Tuesday, December 12th

5:30 pm Aztec Dancers
6:30 pm Our Lady of Guadalupe Play (Spanish)
8:00 pm Mass with St Lucy Parish Choirs
9:30 pm Serenade to Our Lady of Guadalupe with Mariachi (Spanish)

Posadas Saturday, December 16

6:30 pm (Spanish) begins in front of the Church



Advent 2017 Family Devotional

A Journey Preparing for Christ's Coming

St Lucy Advent Family Calendar

Discover the meaning of Advent and how we are invited to prepare for the Lord's coming in the most real and earnest manner this Advent in preparation for the Christmas.

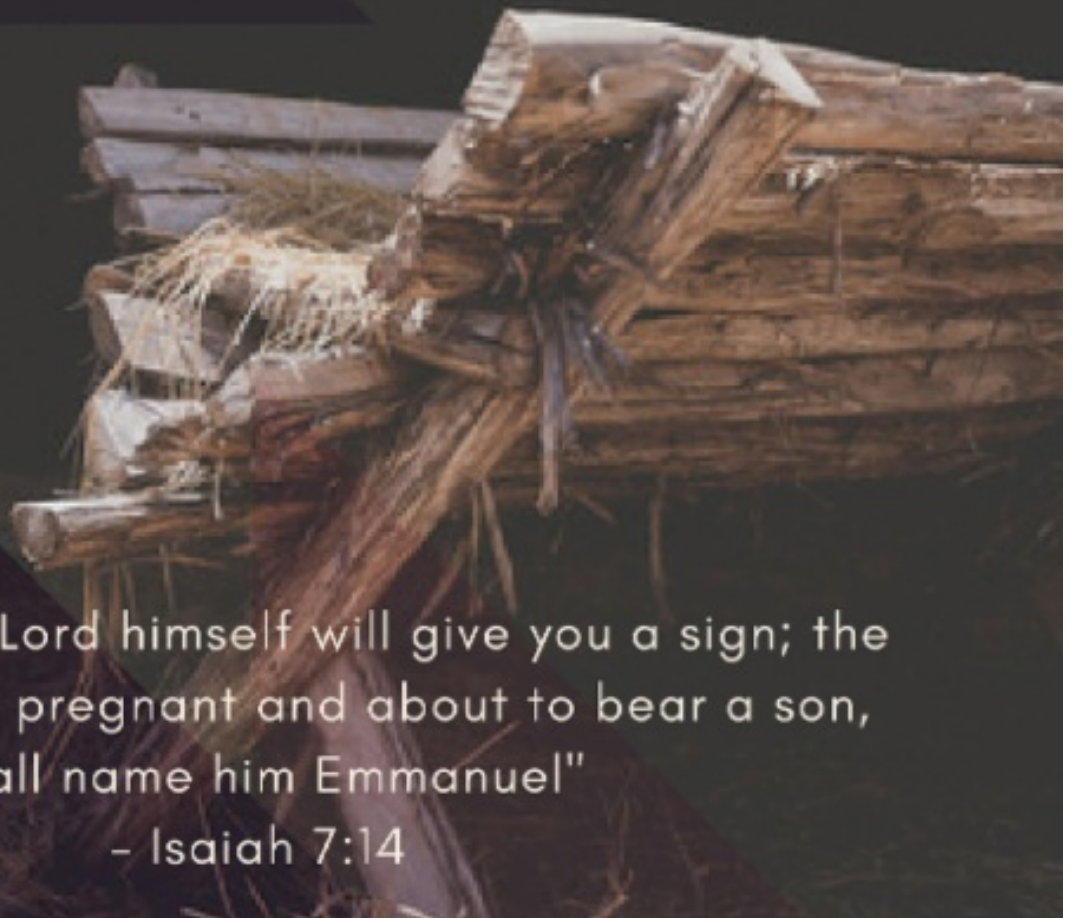
We invite you to

- 1) Visit our **Website** to print out the descriptions
- 2) View our PowerPoint Slides at the beginning of each Mass &
- 3) See the "back wall" as each week of Advent a new calendar will be posted for you to practice your faith.

ST LUCY PARISH- ADVENT 2017 FAMILY DEVOTIONAL

ADVENTUS

a journey preparing for Christ's coming



"Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign; the young woman, pregnant and about to bear a son, shall name him Emmanuel"

- Isaiah 7:14

December 3 - December 24

ADVENT:
comes from
the Latin
word
"ADVENTUS"
which means
"coming".



the First week
of Advent

12/3 - 12/9

What do I most pay attention to? Sports? Politics? Stock market? Work? What is Jesus asking me to be on watch for?



the Second
week of Advent

It is associated with the four weeks of preparation for Christmas. Advent always contains four Sundays, beginning on the Sunday nearest the feast of St. Andrew the Apostle, (November 30) and continuing until December 24. It blends together a penitential spirit, very similar to Lent, a liturgical theme of preparation for the Second and Final Coming of the Lord, called the Parousia, and a joyful theme of getting ready for the Bethlehem event.

Since when?

Since the 900s Advent has been considered the beginning of the Church year. This does not mean that Advent is the most important time of the year, Easter has always had this honor.

Why Purple?

The traditional color of Advent is purple or violet which symbolizes the penitential spirit. Religious traditions associated with Advent express all these themes. It is considered a 'mini-Lent' in this respect as it calls us to repentance.



Week of Advent

12/10 - 12/16

Who are some people who have prepared me in my faith? How have they pointed out Jesus to me? What in my life is preparing me to meet Jesus?

the Third week of Advent

12/17 - 12/23

Does my life testify to a life of goodness and love? If no one ever read the Gospels would they believe in Jesus because of my actions and words?

the Fourth week of Advent

12/23 - 12/24 & Christmas

In what ways do my family treasure one another? How do we behold each other in good times and in bad? Are we ever present to one another with no agenda or task?

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the First week of Advent

12/3 - 12/9

Sunday Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

December

watch

What do I most pay attention to?
Sports? Politics? Stock market?
Work? What is Jesus asking me to
be on watch for?

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Bless your Advent wreath. Light one of the violet candles marking the season's first week as you

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Go to www.formed.org and watch "ADVENT: Session 1- Prepare the Way". There are two parts to the videos.

kids: Go to



season's first week as you sing a verse of "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel."

kids: Go to www.formed.org and watch:



5 Visit www.formed.org & listen to this talk in preparation for the Immaculate Conception.



6 On this feast of St Nicholas, place your shoes outside the front door and take turns putting in love notes to family members shoes.

kids: Watch "Nicholas" on formed.org

7 Go to www.formed.org and listen to Bishop's Barron's Talk titled , "A Journey Through Advent", his reflections on the Sunday Gospel, Time 0:00 - 14:20.

8 *Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
Holy day of obligation.
Mass times:
8am, 11:30am, 6:30pm,
8:00pm (Espanol)


9 Today, we remember St. Juan Diego, to whom Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared in the 16th century in what is now Mexico. Pray to him today for the protection of migrants.

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