

The Roman Catholic Parish of

# Holy Trinity Church

Hackensack~Teaneck, New Jersey



## Fourth Sunday of Advent 23 December 2018

Holy Trinity Church is a multiethnic community reflective of her Catholic tradition, united in one holy, catholic, and apostolic faith. Together we desire to adore the Triune God with the same reverence and devotion as do our Blessed Mother and all the saints. We invite all Catholics who have moved into the Hackensack~Teaneck area to join us in worship and register as members of our parish. We invite those interested in becoming Catholic to visit and join us in our faith, good works and devotion.

### The Lord's Day MASSES~MISAS

Saturday Evening (anticipated)  
5:00 PM  
Sunday  
7:00 AM; 8:15 AM (español)  
10:30 AM; 12:30 PM  
4 PM (Tagalog-2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday)  
6:30 PM (español)

Holy Days: 7 AM, 8 AM, 12:10  
7:30 PM – bilingual

Monday-Friday:  
7 AM, 8 AM, 12:10 PM

Saturday:  
8:00 AM, 12:10 PM

### Penance & Reconciliation

Saturdays: 4:00 – 4:45 PM  
or by appointment

### Baptism:

Please call to arrange for your child's baptism soon after birth.

Por favor llame para registrarse a su niño para el bautismo con anticipación.

### Sacraments of

#### Christian Initiation:

Adults and youngsters desiring to be baptized, confirmed or become a Catholic please speak to any priest or Mr. Julian Garcia.

#### Anointing of the Sick:

Please call for a priest to celebrate this Sacrament of healing and forgiveness for someone who is seriously ill or in danger of death. **Do not** wait until the sick person is unconscious.

#### Sacrament of Matrimony:

All Catholics should seek to have their marriage blessed by the Church so as to live in God's good grace & receive Eucharist. Contact a priest a year prior to the intended date of marriage to ensure proper preparation.

### PASTORAL STAFF

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### OFFICE HOURS

Monday & Thursday: 9:00 AM till 8:00 PM  
Tuesday & Wednesday: 9:00 AM till 5:00 PM  
Friday: 9:00 AM till 3:00 PM  
Saturday: 1:00 PM till 6:00 PM  
Sunday: 9:00 AM till 1:00 PM

### CEMETERY OFFICE: 201-342-2096

St. Joseph's Cemetery located on Hackensack Avenue offers graves, cremation niches, and mausoleums. Planning ahead saves the family much worry and anxiety and guarantees your desires.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 7:1-16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79  
Tuesday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89; Acts 13:16-25; Mt 1:1-25  
Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14  
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20  
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]  
Wednesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22  
Thursday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8  
Friday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18  
Saturday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35  
Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52

**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>SATURDAY ANTICIPATED MASS FOR SUNDAY</b>	
5:00 PM	Ron Pezzillo—7 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary ☩
6:30 PM	Novena Mass—Simbang Gabi
<b>SUNDAY December 23 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	
7:00 AM	People of the Parish
8:15 AM	Inés Ojeda
10:30 AM	Mary Anne DiNapoli Kwiatkowski
12:30 PM	D. Jose Bautista
5:00 PM	Novena Mass—Simbang Gabi
6:30 PM	Michael & James McGovern
<b>MONDAY December 24</b>	
7:00 AM	Charlotte Podesta
8:00 AM	George J. Semler
12:10 PM	NO MASS
<b>CHRISTMAS EVE—LA NOCHE BUENA</b>	
5:00 PM	Matthew Joseph Gallagher
7:00 PM	Michael Tambone
11:00 PM	Julio y Julia Martinez Ortiz y Maria Mendoza
<b>TUESDAY December 25 THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD</b>	
7:30 AM	The Kasper & Wellnitz Families
10:30 AM	Florence Adler
12:00 noon	The Trivisano Family
<b>WEDNESDAY December 26 Stephen, the first martyr</b>	
7:00 AM	Ian Alvarado
8:00 AM	Pacita Villanueva
12:10 PM	Deacon Vincent & Marie Messina
<b>THURSDAY December 27 John the Evangelist, apostle</b>	
7:00 AM	Charlotte Podesta
8:00 AM	Deceased members of the Podesta Family
12:10 PM	Matthew Joseph Gallagher
<b>FRIDAY December 28 The Holy Innocents, martyrs</b>	
7:00 AM	Juanita Walker
8:00 AM	Josefina Sarmiento
12:10 PM	Deceased members of the Podesta Family
<b>SATURDAY December 29 Thomas Becket, martyr</b>	
8:00 AM	Charlotte Podesta
12:10 PM	John, Josephine & Robert Mangini
<b>ANTICIPATED MASS FOR SUNDAY</b>	
5:00 PM	John Dugas
<b>SUNDAY December 30 SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY FAMILY</b>	
7:00 AM	Joseph & Anne Prevosto
8:15 AM	Venceslao & Lorenzo Contreras
10:30 AM	Carmelita Marcelo
12:30 PM	People of the Parish
6:30 PM	Gloria Campoverde

**The Bread & Wine offered at the Masses this week are donated in Memory of Theresa Palifrone & Mary Buonomo.**

**The Sanctuary Lamp this week is donated in Memory of Richard & Paul Palifrone.**

**Prayer for Our Troops**

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.



**Our Parish Community prays for the sick:**

Brenda Dembow, Fr. Hubba, Fr. John Salvias, Jeffrey Tisserand, Carol Yaner, Josephine Vitiello, /Nicholas Givas, Anthony Rodriguez, Angelina Edelman, Joshua Garcia//Ellen Wickersheim// /Elaine Greene, Hector Martinez, Jose Andrade, /// Graciela Moreno

**Please pray for our Faithful Departed & their loved ones  
Jorge Jimenez, Theresa DiDonato**

What are they teaching  
your children in school?  
Come on  
**January 15, 2019** to the  
Parish Hall and find out:  
**7:30 PM**

**Religious Freedom &  
Religious Values**

Sponsored by Trine: the Holy Trinity youth Group

**Charitable Gift Annuities**

Making a significant gift to your parish can increase your bottom line! By making a gift for a charitable gift annuity, you receive an income tax deduction and annuity payments for life. Plus, part of each payment is tax-free. Learn more about this wonderful opportunity by contacting Theresa Lynch, Planned Giving Manager, Archdiocese of Newark at (973) 497-4042 or by email at Theresa.lynch@rcan.org.

**MEETINGS**

Finance Council	Jan 09	7:30	Rectory
Knights of Columbus	Jan 15	8:00	Council Chambers
Spiritual Renewal	Jan 21	7:30	Rectory
Human Concerns	Jan 14	7:00	Convent
St. Vincent de Paul	TBA	7:00	Convent
Pastoral Council	Jan 16	7:30	Parish Hall
Amor de Dios	Lunes	7:00	Parish Hall
Rosario	Lunes	7:00	Chapel
CCC	Viernes	7:30	Parish Hall
HT Prayer Group	Friday	7:30	30 Maple
Fil-Am: Officers	Jan 05	6:00	30 Maple
Fil-Am Ministry	Jan 20	1:30	Parish Hall
Children's Choir	Thurs	5:45	Chapel
Adult Choir	Thurs	7:00	Chapel

**STEWARDSHIP**

Last Sunday's Collection/Colecta de Domingo Pasado: TBA

## *A Christmas Canticle*

*Christmas cheer,  
A world in fear,  
No more tears,  
A Life so dear.*

*The birth of Joy,  
The death of sin,  
A virgin of Light,  
A Morning so bright.*

*Children be gay  
As monsters take flight,  
The Angels of day  
Usurp the angels of night.*

*A new year approaches;  
The old has passed,  
Let's open our hearts  
To the Hope of ages past.*

*The Peace of Christ to All,  
Fr. Paul*

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The sign of Christmas has also been revealed to us: “a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes” (Lk 2:12). Like the Virgin Mary and Saint Joseph, like the shepherds of Bethlehem, may we welcome in the Baby Jesus the love of God made man for us. And may we commit ourselves, with the help of his grace, to making our world more human and more worthy for the children of today and of the future.

May the birth of Christ the Saviour renew hearts, awaken the desire to build a future of greater fraternity and solidarity, and bring joy and hope to everyone. Happy Christmas!

Pope Francis (25.12.17)

A medieval legend tells us that in the country we know today as Austria the Burkhard family – a man, a woman and a child – used to amuse people at Christmas parties by reciting poetry, singing ancient troubadour ballads, and juggling. Of course, there was never any money left over to buy presents, but the man always told his son:

“Do you know why Santa Claus’s bag never gets empty, although there are so many children in the world? Because it may be full of toys, but sometimes there are more important things to be delivered, what we call “invisible gifts”. In a broken home, he tries to bring harmony and peace on the holiest night in Christianity. Where love is lacking, he deposits a seed of faith in children’s hearts. Where the future seems black and uncertain, he brings hope. In our case, the day after Father Christmas comes to visit us, we are happy to be still alive and doing our work, which is to make people happy. Never forget that.”

Time passed, the boy grew up, and one day the family passed in front of the impressive Melk Abbey, which had just been built. The young Burkhard wanted to become a priest. The family understood and respected the boy’s wish. They knocked at the door of the monastery and were given generous welcome by the monks, who accepted the young Burkhard as a novice.

Christmas Eve came around. And precisely on that day, a special miracle happened in Melk: Our Lady, carrying the baby Jesus in her arms, decided to descend to Earth to visit the monastery.

All the priests lined up and each of them stood proudly before the Virgin trying to pay homage to the Madonna and her Son.

At the very end of the line, young Burkhard anxiously waited his turn. His parents were simple people, and all that they had taught him was to toss balls up in the air and do some juggling.

When it came his turn, the other priests wanted to put an end to all the homage that had been paid, since the ex-juggler had nothing important to add and might even mar the image of the abbey.

Nevertheless, deep in his heart he also felt a great need to give something of himself to Jesus and the Virgin. Feeling very ashamed before the reproachful gaze of his brothers, he took some oranges from his pocket and began to toss them in the air and catch them in his hands, creating a beautiful circle in the air.

At that instant, the baby Jesus, lying in Our Lady’s lap, began to clap his hands with joy. And it was to young Burkhard that the Virgin held out her arms to let him hold the smiling child for a few moments.

(based on a medieval story)

### **O COME, LONG FORETOLD**

O come, Desired of nations,  
Whom priest and prophet long foretold  
Will break the captive fetters,  
Redeem the long-lost fold.  
Dear Savior, haste; come, come to earth,  
Dispel the night and show your face,  
And bid us hail the dawn of grace.

—Simon J. Pellegrin (1663-1745), Tr. by Mary of St. Philip (1825-1904)

*Sanctity of Life*

**RACHEL’S VINEYARD**

For post-abortive healing, confidential help, & info call:  
Newark Respect Life Office (973) 497-4350 or via e-mail [rilevche@rean.org](mailto:rilevche@rean.org) or [www.Rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.Rachelsvineyard.org)

## SPIRITUAL LIFE LA VIDA ESPIRITUAL

### **COME, PRAY WITH US**

**Holy Trinity Prayer Group** - charismatic prayer every Thursday at 7:30 PM at 30 Maple  
**Adoration** - every first Friday from 12:30 to 10:00 PM

### **A Ministry to those Seeking an Annulment**

**Lynn Berhalter** is a **Pastoral Advocate** for those seeking a marriage annulment. Call Lynn on the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month from 2:00-4:00 PM at 201-343-5170.

### **Donald Hill Seton Hall Scholarship**

Any parishioner going to Seton Hall is eligible for a grant to attend Seton Hall University. If you are attending or plan to attend SHU please come to the rectory and get an application. Fr. Paul

## **Transfiguration Academy**

Are you looking for a quality education in a Catholic setting? Transfiguration Academy is a United States Department of Education 2018 Blue Ribbon School of Excellence and is accredited by the Middle States Association of Schools and Colleges. Please call the school, 201-384-3627 or email [principal@transfigurationacademy.org](mailto:principal@transfigurationacademy.org) for more information or to arrange a tour.

## **Men's Cornerstone**

Men of Holy Trinity Church, you are invited

- ◇ 26 hour retreat
- ◇ January 25th through January 26th
- ◇ Held at the Parish Center at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, Ridgewood

- Develop a greater understanding of your faith
- Find peace and balance in everyday life
- Good food and a meaningful experience
- Meet and make friendships with men of faith

- ◇ For more information or register, go to:  
[www.CorrnerstoneOLMC.com](http://www.CorrnerstoneOLMC.com) or contact Tim Freer at [Timothyafreer@gmail.com](mailto:Timothyafreer@gmail.com)

**Vocation Discernment Weekends for Women  
Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne**  
*"Servants of Relief for Incurable Cancer"*

## IN THE COMMUNITY EN LA COMUNIDAD

Caring for the poor afflicted with incurable cancer in our free Homes since 1900.

**March 8-10, 2019**

**July 26-28, 2019**

**November 15-17, 2019**

We invite women (19-45) who are discerning a religious vocation to join us for weekend of sharing in our life of prayer & apostolate. Reservations are required.

For info contact **Sister Catherine Marie** at 845-745-1319 or [vocationdirector@hawthorne-dominicans.org](mailto:vocationdirector@hawthorne-dominicans.org)

### **Young Adult Retreat February 8-10, 2019**

Marianist Family Retreat Center  
Cape May Point, NJ 08212

Come join other young people (22-35) married or single, to take a step back from your busy lives. It's a time to examine your personal faith and your relationship with God, your family and yourself.

**Cost: \$135 per person, double occupancy**

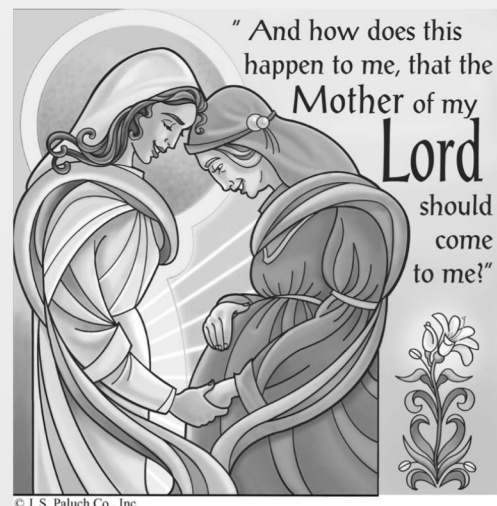
**Register at [capemaymarianists.org](http://capemaymarianists.org) or call 609-884-3892**

Financial assistance available.

### **Healing of Hearts Retreat January 19, 2019 - 9 AM to 6:30 PM**

**St. Philips the Apostle Church,  
488 Saddle River Rd. Saddle Brook**

the Healing of Hearts Retreat with Rev. Ernest Rush and brother priests. This Catholic retreat addresses the wounded hearts in the body of Christ, the Church. It is an excellent retreat for Christians of all ages, particularly for those who are suffering trials in life that have damaged their hearts and pulled them away from God, such as divorce, addictions, illnesses, destructive people and situations that have wreaked havoc in their lives, these are but only a few examples. The retreat gives hope and direction to those who feel lost. It is an opportunity to encounter God's love and healing which is necessary to flourish in life. The retreat will include Holy Mass, Adoration, Confession and Healing. Cost: \$20/pp or \$25/couples. -For more info and registration go to [www.Johnleaps.com](http://www.Johnleaps.com) or call 201-539-0345 or you can register at the parish office, but not on weekends.



"And how does this happen to me, that the Mother of my Lord should come to me?"

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In ancient pagan Rome, these days in mid-December were a time for general slacking off at work and far too much rejoicing. The period of leisure after the harvest and a whole cluster of pagan festivals were a force for the church to reckon with. The Saturnalia, breaking out on December 17, was a time of high living and loose morals. Christians were advised by their bishops to drop out of the mayhem and do some serious fasting. A famous church council at Saragossa in Spain made a season of fasting mandatory from December 17 to December 23, exactly coinciding with the Saturnalia. The bishops at that time were perhaps less concerned with preparing for Christmas than with resisting the kind of loose living going on.

Modern times have restored a bit of the Saturnalia spirit to our culture, so that a general period of partying with a vague connection to religion is now upon us. How does a Christian keep balance? The practice of charity by remembering the poor in our gift-giving, of hospitality in finding a place at our holiday tables for the poor and lonely, and of daily prayer in the home and at church are great helps. Although Advent is not a penitential season like Lent, it is a time for making room in our lives for what matters most.

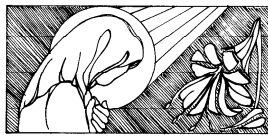
—James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

### Making Those Funeral Arrangements

Planning or even thinking about one's own funeral is unpleasant and therefore something we tend to push far out of our minds. When the time finally comes it leaves the family stressed and overwhelmed by all the decisions they must make. You can relieve some of this stress for your loved ones by planning your Funeral Liturgy (Mass of Christian Burial). Lynn Berhalter would like to assist you in choosing the Scriptures to be read at your funeral Mass according to the archdiocesan guidelines. She can also help you choose the hymns that will add to the solemnity of your Mass. This is simple to do and it helps fulfill your wishes and eases your family's burden.

Make an appointment to see Lynn at the rectory to get started.

Your plans will be kept on file at Holy Trinity Church and may be amended anytime you wish. Planning ahead ensures your family that the readings and music you desired are carried out and they need not worry. It is a beautiful final gesture, a gift to those who grieve. Call 201-343-5170 now and make your appointment.



## PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

Call 973-313-6190 or see one of the Priests.

## Women's Religious Life

Contact Sr. Theresia Maria at  
holtstcg@rcan.org

## Victim Compensation and Counseling Program Moving Toward Implementation

Cardinal Joseph Tobin, C.Ss.R., the Archbishop of Newark, has announced that representatives of the New Jersey Catholic Conference will meet with Kenneth Feinberg and Camille Biros on Tuesday, December 11 to plan the implementation of the Victim Compensation Program to be funded by the five Catholic dioceses of New Jersey.

Kenneth Feinberg served as the Special Master of the September 11 Victim Compensation Fund, and fulfilled a similar role – with his associate, Camille Biros – for the Archdiocese of New York and the Diocese of Brooklyn. They currently are in the process of developing such programs for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and the Diocese of Pittsburgh, among others.

The goal of the meeting with Mr. Feinberg and Ms. Biros is the development of a statewide protocol to enable the survivors of sexual abuse to relate their experiences to an independent auditor, and to obtain financial compensation for the harm that they have sustained. The results of the meeting with Mr. Feinberg and Ms. Biros will be presented to the New Jersey bishops on Wednesday, December 12. It is anticipated that the plan for implementation of the Program will be finalized by Friday, December 14.

Prior to adopting the plan to implement the victims' compensation fund, the bishops will seek comments and observations from independent individuals and institutions – including members of the legislature – so that the program will have input from all stakeholders.

### How to Report Abuse

The Archdiocese takes very seriously any and all allegations of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform us immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Individuals who wish to report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at (201) 407-3256.

## Christmas Schedule

<b>Christmas Eve</b>	December 24, 2018	
5:00 PM	Vigil Mass	Children's Choir
7:00 PM	Mass at Night	Choir
11:00 PM	<i>in Spanish</i>	Misa de Gallo
<b>Christmas Day</b>	December 25, 2018	
7:30 AM	Mass at Dawn	
10:30 AM	Mass at Day	
12:00 noon	Mass at Day	

### Donald Hill

### Seton Hall Scholarship

Any parishioner going to Seton Hall is eligible for a grant to attend Seton Hall University. If you are attending or plan to attend please come to the rectory and get an application.

Fr. Paul

# ¿QUE PASA?

Padres, ¿Qué se les enseña a sus hijos en la escuela?

Vengan el 15 de enero de 2019 a la Saló Parroquial y descubran:  
7:30 PM

Libertad religiosa &  
Valores religiosos

Patrocinado por Trine: el grupo juvenil de la Santísima Trinidad



Rosa Meléndez, el ganador de la rifa de la imagen de la Virgen de Guadalupe. Por la generosidad de un feligrés anónimo, quien donó la imagen, la parroquia ganó casi mil dólares.

## Vocaciones Sacerdotales

Llame 973-313-6190 o hable con el sacerdote.

## La Vida Religiosa para Mujeres

Contacta Hermana Theresia María a  
holtsetg@rcan.org

Por favor, no aparcarse en frente de la escuela. Es ilegal y causa mucha congestión, mientras que las clases de religión están en sesión. La anchura de la calle no puede dar cabida a los coches aparcados a ambos lados de la calle y los padres dejar o recoger a sus hijos. También en caso de una emergencia en la escuela, personal de emergencia no tendrá acceso fácil e inmediato. Por favor, no hay estacionamiento en frente de la escuela o la iglesia. Tenemos amplio estacionamiento de nuestro propio y hay varios estacionamientos disponibles alrededor o cerca de la iglesia.

### LOS SACRAMENTOS DE LA FE

**El Sacramento de Reconciliación:** El sábado a las 4-4:45 PM o por cita.

**El Sacramento del Bautismo:** Por favor llame para registrarse a su niño para el bautismo con anticipación.

**Los Sacramentos de Iniciación:** Adultos (aquellos tienen 12 años o más) que buscan el bautismo o confirmación debe preguntar acerca de RCIA o Catequesis de Adultos con el Padre.

**El Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos:** Por favor llame a sacerdote a celebrar este sacramento de sanación y perdón para alguien que está enfermo gravemente. Favor de no esperar hasta que el enfermo este inconsciente.

**El Sacramento del Matrimonio:** Las parejas deben contactar a un sacerdote con un año de anterioridad a la fecha deseada del matrimonio. Es un pecado grave no casarse sin el Sacramento del Matrimonio; Ud. no puede recibir los otros Sacramentos y no puede ser un padrino o una madrina.

## Mensaje de Navidad del Padre Octavio

Nuestro Padre Celestial, en su infinito amor hacia los hombres, le ha delegado a su Iglesia la misión de ir por el mundo llevando la Buena Noticia del Evangelio. También, ha querido dedicar un tiempo oportuno para llevarnos a la contemplación del Misterio del Nacimiento del Hijo de Dios en Belén; a este maravilloso tiempo lo conocemos como la Navidad. La Iglesia con la sabiduría y el discernimiento que Dios le ha dado, ella ha querido Cristianizar estos momentos que para los judíos era fiesta de las luces y para los paganos era el día del sol o el solsticio de invierno. Digo, cristianizar, ya que la Iglesia se ha valido de algo establecido para darle su verdadero significado. Por ejemplo, en los templos paganos donde había estatuas de sus dioses, la Iglesia ha puesto imágenes de los santos. Para nosotros, Cristo es el único Sol de Justicia que viene a iluminar a todos los hombres que durante siglos han vivido sumergidos en las tinieblas del pecado y de la muerte.

Cada año la Iglesia nos viene a recordar la importancia del Nacimiento de Jesucristo, Dios y hombre verdadero, y también nos enseña cómo podemos vivir este tiempo tan especial y de muchas bendiciones para todos los hombres de buena voluntad.

El Señor nos invita a preparar un corazón bien dispuesto, para que se dé un verdadero nacimiento de Cristo en cada uno de nosotros, y que este hombre nuevo se vaya revelando a aquellos que no conocen a Dios y que jamás se han encontrado con su amor. No vivamos estas fiestas como ateos, dándole más importancia a la comida y la bebida, a los regalos y a las cosas materiales, a los adornos y las luces, a los afectos y la familia, etc., ya que todas estas cosas vienen por añadidura. *“Buscad el Reino de Dios y todo vendrá por añadidura.”*

No olvidemos a Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, a quien estamos festejando, no sea que pasen rápidamente estas fiestas de Navidad, y nos olvidemos totalmente del cumple años del Señor. En otras palabras, vivamos cristianamente este tiempo de Navidad, como nuestra Madre la Iglesia nos ha enseñado, donde celebramos con mucho amor y fervor el Nacimiento del Hijo de Dios

Ánimo hermanos, que la fiesta de Navidad es un tiempo de alegría, de gozo, y de esperanza; ya que es el Nacimiento de Nuestro Salvador, aquel que viene a disipar las tinieblas de nuestra obscuridad, el que viene a redimirnos de nuestros pecados, aquel que viene a mostrarnos el amor de Dios Sempiterno, el que intercederá eternamente delante del Padre, y el que preparará una estancia para nosotros en el cielo, la cual es la esperanza y meta de todo cristiano. Que el Nuestro Señor Jesucristo nos conceda un tiempo de Navidad lleno de bendiciones y un Feliz Año Nuevo.

Feliz Navidad

## Ven y Ora con Nosotros

**Hora Santa** - Todos los viernes a las 6:30 PM en la iglesia  
**Adoración** - El primer viernes de la mes desde las 12:30 hasta las 10:00 PM en la capilla

**CCC** - Una hora de reflexión de la Biblia cada viernes a las 7:30 PM en el Convento.

**Amor de Dios** - Grupo de Oración todos los lunes a las 7:00 PM en Saló Parroquial de Sor Emily Walsh

**El Rosario** - Todos los lunes a las 7:00 PM en la capilla.

## REGISTRARSE COMO FELIGRÉS

Ventajas del Registro

1. Elegibilidad para ser un padrino o madrina
2. Las tarifas de feligrés para bodas y escuelas
3. Prueba de residencia para la inmigración y una recomendación positiva del párroco que Ud. contribuye a la sociedad y la iglesia.
4. Recibir los sobres para que pueda contribuir al bienestar de su parroquia.

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