



Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception

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MASS TIMES

Tuesday 12:15 pm

Wednesday 12:15 pm

Thursday 12:15 pm

Friday 5:30 pm

Sunday Mass

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

7:00pm (Español)

Sunday 8:00 am

10:30 am

12:30 pm (Español)

CONFESSIONS

**Weekdays, 30 minutes before
Mass.**

Saturdays: 3:30-4:30 p.m.

CLERGY

Rev. Raphael Ezech, MSP - Pastor

Fr. Edwin Kagoo—Parochial Vicar

Deacon Steve Medina

Deacon Allen Prescott

Deacon John Pelletier

Deacon Brian McNaughton

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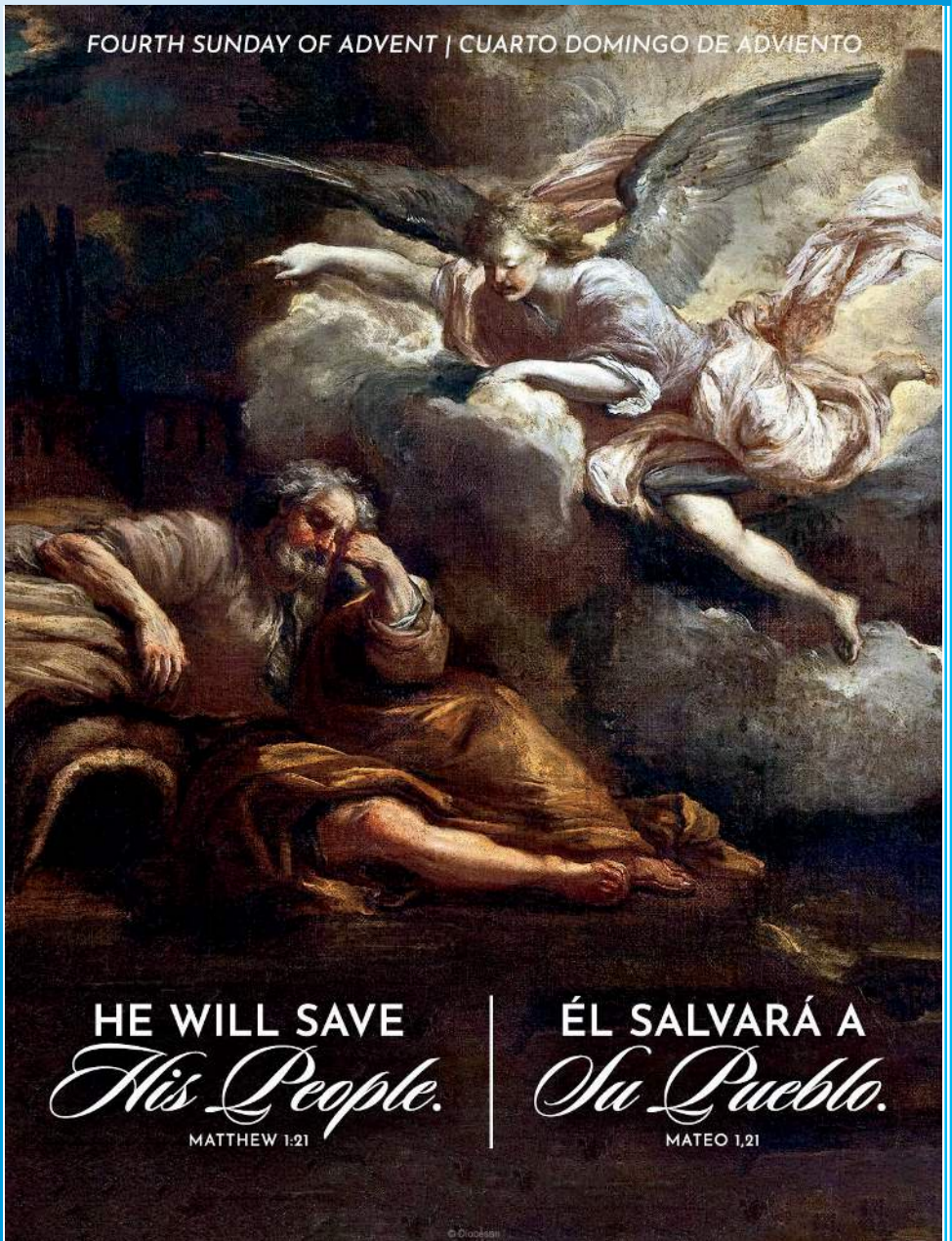
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT | CUARTO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO



HE WILL SAVE
His People.

MATTHEW 1:21

ÉL SALVARÁ A
Su Pueblo.

MATEO 1,21

Let the Lord enter: he is king of glory. Psalm 24

Va a entrar el Señor: él es el Rey de la gloria. Salmo 24

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

HORARIO DE MISAS E INTENCIONES

December 23—December 28, 2025

Tuesday/martes—December 23, 12:15pm

† Clarence “Rock” Holder
† Florian Bolcerek (sent off)

Wednesday/miercoles—December 24

Christmas Eve

4:00pm—Children’s English Mass

† Antone Kubeczka
† Ricky Wellmann (sent off)

6:00pm—English Mass

† Florian Bolcerek

8:00pm—Spanish Mass

Irma Manzano on her birthday

11:45pm—Midnight English Mass

Pro Populo

Thursday/jueves - December 25

Christmas Day

10:30 am—English Mass

† Tammy Brauner
† Willie Kubeczka (sent off)
† Bill & Lucille Hindman (sent off)

12:30pm—Spanish Mass

† Martin Diaz Carranza

Friday/Viernes - December 26, 5:30pm

† Gale Kwiatkowski
† Florian Bolcerek (sent off)
† Theresa Jozwiak (sent off)
† Inmaculada Mejia (sent off)

Saturday/sábado—December 27, 5:00 pm

† Johnnie & Angie Kluck
† Leon & Curtis Konieczny (sent off)
† Ricky Wellmann (sent off)

7:00pm—En Español / In Spanish

† Clara Sofia Hernandez Chona

Sunday/Domingo—December 28, 8:00 am.

† Ricky Wellmann
† Florian Bolcerek (sent off)

10:30 a.m.

Pro Populo

† Willie Kubeczka (sent off)

12:30 p.m. - En Español/In Spanish

Well-being of the Romero-Guerra Family

COLLECTION/COLECTA

Electronic giving - if you prefer to give electronically, there is a link at www.brenhamcatholic.org

Donación electrónica—para hacer su contribución automáticamente visitar www.brenhamcatholic.org

December 13-14

Weekly budgeted expenses.....\$21,092.00

Weekend collection\$21,409.05

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Masses Collection \$2,219.95



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Para recibir ayuda llame al 979-525-0090.

Las llamadas se mantienen confidenciales.

“No siempre podemos hacer grandes cosas, pero sí podemos hacer cosas pequeñas con gran amor.”

- Santa Teresa de Calcutta

January Altar care ladies are:

Elizabeth Nutt*

Patsy Kasporowicz

Louise Kessel

Tammy Brauner

If you would like to help with the Altar Cleaning, please contact the church office.

Si le gustaria ayudar con la limpieza del altar, por favor llame a la oficina.



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Calendar

December 2025



24 Christmas Eve



25 Christmas Day



31 Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

December 24, 2025

Christmas Eve

December 25, 2025

Christmas Day

December 31, 2025

Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

January 1, 2026

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

January 3, 2026

Catechist Deanery Retreat

January 2026



1 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God



3 Catechist Deanery Retreat

This week on St. Mary's campus. December 22 thru December 28, 2025

12/22 Monday

8:00am Walk in the PAC, Gym
7:00pm Jesus, Maria y Jose community Meeting, Cornerstone RM 203

12/23 Tuesday

8:00am Walk in the PAC, Gym
10:30am Scripture Study, PAC small meeting room
11:00am St. Paul's PE, Gym
11:45am Confessions, Church
12:15pm Mass, Church
6:00pm Choir Practice, Church
7:00pm Seguidores de Jesus Community Meeting, CR Meeting Room

12/24 Wednesday

8:00am Walk in the PAC, Gym
4:00pm Children's English Christmas Eve Mass, Church
6:00pm English Christmas Eve Mass, Church
8:00pm Spanish Christmas Eve Mass, Church
11:45pm English Midnight Mass, Church

12/25 Thursday

10:30am English Christmas Day Mass, Church
12:30pm Spanish Christmas Day Mass, Church

12/26 Friday

12:10pm Rosary, Church
5:30pm Mass, Church
7:00pm Unidos en Cristo Community Meeting, Providence Room 102

12/27 Saturday

6:00am Spanish Men's Prayer Group, Church
7:00am Women's Spanish Prayer Meeting, Cornerstone Meeting Room
3:30pm Confessions, Church
5:00pm English Vigil Mass, Church
5:00pm Comunidad Unidos en un Corazón, Cornerstone Meeting Room
5:00pm CRHP Meeting, Cornerstone Room 202
7:00pm Spanish Vigil Mass, Church

12/28 Sunday

8:00am English Mass, Church
10:30am English Mass, Church
10:30am Spanish RCIA, RE AV Room
12:30pm Spanish Mass, Church



The possible presiding priest for this Sunday's masses is:

Saturday Vigil	5:00pm	Fr. Edwin
	7:00pm	Fr. Edwin
Sunday	8:00am	Fr. Edwin
	10:30am	Fr. Edwin
	12:30pm	Fr. Edwin

Women Formation 2026

“Be who God meant you to be, and you will set the world on fire.”

Join Bella Brigata, St. Catherine of Siena’s beautiful brigade

New Location: KC Hall, Thursdays, 10-11:45 am
(round table discussions, summary sheets)

Interior Castle, St. Teresa of Avila.
(Seven stages of prayer toward union with God)
Jan. 8- Feb. 12
(6 weeks) (Amazon \$12.50)



St. Mary’s Prayer Line

If you or a loved one needs prayers, call, text, or email:

Shirley Rowan at 979-421-3332 or

Shirley.rowan@att.net

If you would like to become a Prayer Warrior please contact Shirley Rowan.

Linea de Oración de St. Mary’s

Si usted o un ser querido necesita oraciones, llame, mande un mensaje de texto o correo electrónico: **Shirley Rowan**

al 979-421-3332 ó Shirley.rowan@att.net

Si usted gusta ser un Guerrero de oración Por favor contacte a Shirley Rowan.



Come pray the Rosary with us every Friday at 12:10 pm in the Church.

Acompañenos a rezar el Rosario en inglés todos los viernes a las 12:10 pm en la Iglesia.

Holy Days & Christmas

Christmas Eve / Noche Buena

Dec. 24

4:00 pm - Kids English
6:00 pm - English
8:00 pm - Spanish
11:45 pm - Midnight Mass

Christmas Day / Navidad

Dec. 25

10:30 am - English
12:30 pm - Spanish

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God / Solemnidad de Maria, Madre de Dios

Dec. 31

5:00 pm - English
7:00 pm - Spanish

Jan. 1

10:30 am - English
12:30 pm - Spanish

Parishioner Registration

Welcome to St. Mary’s. We are so happy that you have chosen St. Mary, Immaculate Conception Parish as your faith community and spiritual home.

To become a registered parishioner, please complete a registration form on our website or in person in the Parish Office. Please inform the parish office of any changes to your contact Information.





Perpetual Adoration

Spend time with the Blessed Sacrament 24/7

"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with him and make your soul everlasting more glorious and beautiful in Heaven, and will help bring about everlasting peace on earth.

"Blessed Teresa of Calcutta"

For more information or to sign up please contact the office at 979-836-4441

Adoración Perpetua

Pasa tiempo con el Santísimo Sacramento 24/7

El tiempo que pasas con Jesús en el Santísimo Sacramento es el mejor tiempo que pasarás en la tierra. Cada momento que pases con Jesús profundizará tu unión con él y hará que tu alma sea eternamente más gloriosa y hermosa en el Cielo, y ayudará a lograr la paz eterna en la tierra.

"Santa Teresa de Calcutta"

Para mas información o para registrarse por favor comuníquese con la oficina al 979-836-4441



The staff and parishioners offer their deepest and heartfelt condolences to the families of

Charles Rybarski & Janeth Gonzalez. May they rest in eternal peace in the arms of God.

El personal y los feligreses ofrecen sus más sinceras condolencias a las familias de Charles Rybarski y Janeth

Gonzalez. Que descansen en paz eterna en los brazos de Dios.

BLOOD DRIVE

St. Mary's Catholic Church - Brenham

**Sunday, January 4
8:00 am - 12:30 pm
Parish Activity Center**

Contact Larry Alexander (281) 948-9117
sponsor code: 2592

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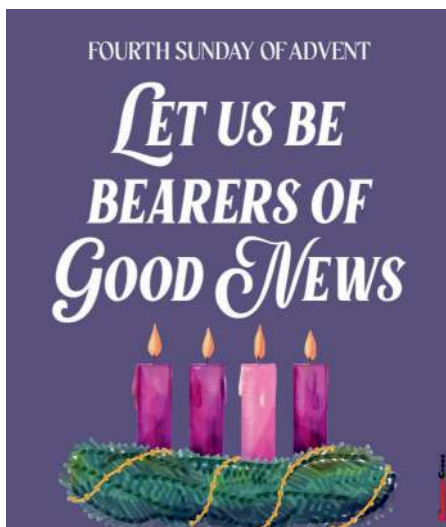
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We all know the story so well. Joseph was about to marry a beautiful young girl. Then he learned that she was pregnant. He was devastated. He must have been heart broken. His life must have appeared to be shattered. Now Jewish Law would come to the aid of a man in his situation. The offending woman would be tried, and most probably killed, stoned to death. Joseph was a just man. Joseph was a compassionate man.

He would not expose Mary to the law. He was certain that God couldn't possibly want that to happen. He would send her away to a distant relative where she could live somewhat of a normal life with the child. Treating Mary with kindness was more important than his rights before the Law. There is a great deal that we need to learn from St. Joseph. So many times, we invoke the law of the land rather than consider how God is calling us to behave. The basic problem is that there are many Americans who place the laws of the country before God. What we need to do as Catholics is work hard that our country's laws reflect the law of the Kingdom. What we should never do is invoke the law of the land over the law of God.

Joseph was exposed to ridicule. Some people had to have known that Mary was pregnant and that Joseph was not the father. Joseph had the law on his side. But Joseph was just. He was compassionate. He asked himself, "What would God want me to do?" Then he made the decision to protect Mary, even though at that point in his mind, it appeared that she had offended him. He would send her away where she could be safe. It was after Joseph made the decision to do what God would want him to do, that the angel appeared to him in the dream. He was not only to care for Mary and the child. This child would really, perhaps not physically, but really be Joseph's. The Church recognizes that by becoming the father of the Holy Family, Joseph became the father of the Universal Church. Joseph is one of our greatest saints. His greatness flows from the fact that Joseph was righteous. Joseph was just. Joseph was compassionate. Today we pray to St. Joseph to give us the courage to be righteous. *Give us the courage, St. Joseph, to choose the way of the Kingdom of Love over the ways of the kingdoms of man.*

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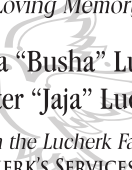
RINCON DEL DIACONO

Todos conocemos bien la historia. José estaba a punto de casarse con una hermosa joven. Entonces se enteró de que estaba embarazada. Quedó devastado. Debíó tener el corazón roto. Su vida debíó parecerle destrozada. La ley judía habríá amparado a un hombre en su situación. La mujer culpable seríá juzgada y, muy probablemente, condenada a muerte a pedradas. José era un hombre justo. José era un hombre compasivo. No expondríá a María a la ley. Estaba seguro de que Dios no podíá querer que eso sucediera. La enviaríá con un pariente lejano donde pudiera llevar una vida relativamente normal con el niño. Tratar a María con bondad era más importante que sus derechos ante la ley. Hay mucho que aprender de San José. Muchas veces, invocamos la ley terrenal en lugar de considerar cómo Dios nos llama a comportarnos. El problema fundamental es que muchos estadounidenses anteponen las leyes del país a Dios. Como católicos, debemos esforzarnos para que las leyes de nuestro país reflejen la ley del Reino. Lo que nunca debemos hacer es invocar la ley terrenal por encima de la ley de Dios.

José fue objeto de burlas. Algunas personas debieron saber que María estaba embarazada y que José no era el padre. José tenía la ley de su lado. Pero José era justo. Era compasivo. Se preguntó: "¿Qué querría Dios que hiciera?". Entonces tomó la decisión de proteger a María, aunque en ese momento, en su mente, parecía que ella lo había ofendido. La enviaríá a un lugar seguro. Fue después de que José tomara la decisión de hacer lo que Dios quería que hiciera, que el ángel se le apareció en sueños. No solo debíá cuidar de María y del niño. Este niño seríá realmente, quizás no físicamente, pero sí espiritualmente, hijo de José. La Iglesia reconoce que, al convertirse en padre de la Sagrada Familia, José se convirtió en padre de la Iglesia Universal. José es uno de nuestros santos más grandes. Su grandeza proviene del hecho de que José era justo. José era recto. José era compasivo. Hoy oramos a San José para que nos dé el valor de ser justos. Danos el valor, San José, para elegir el camino del Reino del Amor por encima de los caminos de los reinos de los hombres.

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