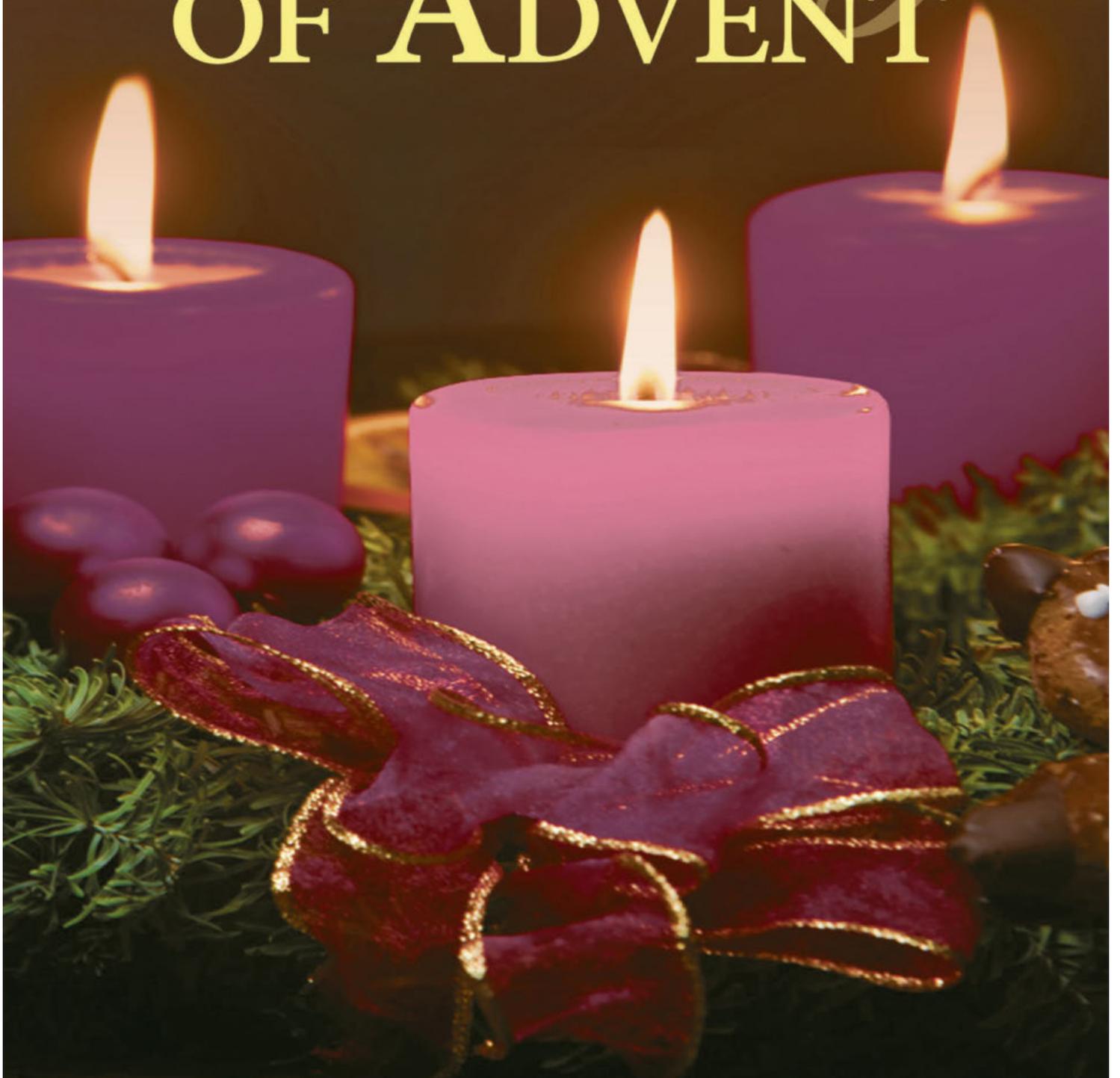


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WEEKLY CALENDAR | CALENDARIO SEMANAL

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12TH

**VISITING PRIEST FROM UNBOUND WILL JOIN US
FOR ALL WEEKEND MASSES**

**1:00 pm Rosary for Our Lady of Guadalupe in the
church**

After 1:15 Mass reception in Great Hall

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13TH

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14TH

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15TH

No 6:30 pm Mass

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16TH

No 7 pm Mass

Posada 7 pm en la Templo

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17TH

NO Mass nor Adoration

Posada 7 pm en la Templo

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18TH

Confession 3:00 pm

Posada 6:00 pm en la Templo

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY:

4:30 pm (English)

SUNDAY:

8:45 am & 11:00 am (English)

1:15 pm (Spanish)

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 11th

4:30 pm.....The Kopor Family

Sunday, December 12th

8:45 am..... +Michael & Rita Bouell

11:00 am +Guadalupe Oritz de Montenegro

1:15 pm.....Missa Pro Populo

Wednesday, December 15th

6:30 pm..... No Mass

Thursday, December 16th

7:00 pm..... No Mass

Friday, December 17th

8:30 am..... No Mass

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DIocese of Fort Worth



DAILY PRAYER LIST FORT WORTH SEMINARIANS 2020-2021

A Prayer for a Seminarian

God our Father,
Thank you for calling [name] to prepare for the priesthood. Grant him the grace to grow closer to You through daily prayer. Help him form his personality as a credible witness to others. Bless him while he studies Your word and the teachings of the Church, and give him a generous heart to serve Your people. We ask this through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our great High Priest. Amen.

Day of the Month	Thank you for your support and generosity. Please pray for the following seminarians:
1	Deacon Joseph Moreno, Deacon Thomas Jones
2	Deacon Brett Metzler, Deacon Samuel Maul
3	Deacon Jason Allan, Deacon Linh Nguyen
4	David LaPointe
5	Ed Hopkins
6	Brandon LeClair
7	Austin Hoodenpyle
8	Eric Flores
9	Benjamin Grothouse
10	Jacob Daniell
11	Austin Evans
12	Isaac McCracken
13	Diego Soto Deniz
14	Joseph Hoffschwelle
15	Kyle Lange
16	Blake Thompson
17	Trent Barton
18	Bryar Ferguson
19	Miguel De La Torre
20	Paul Trinh
21	Brandon Woolums
22	Quang Nguyen
23	Michael Marincel
24	Javier Escutia
25	Isaac Acuña
26	Jesus Segura
27	Jacob Zimmerer
28	Leo Kaiser
29	Brogan Lane
30	Peter Nguyen
31	For an increase in vocations to the priesthood

CALLED TO BE COMMUNITY

A guide to living a spirituality of communion

How can we live our calling as Christians in the twenty-first century? Word of Life for December 2021

And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord. (LK 1:45)

Among the same hills of the Holy Land, in far more recent times, another mother who had deep faith taught her children the art of forgiveness and dialogue as she had learned from the Gospel. This was a small sign in this land, the cradle of civilization, which has always sought peace and stability, even among the followers of different religions.

“We children were offended and upset because the other children who were neighbors said that they did not want to mix with us,” remembers Margaret Karram, Focolare’s current president. “Our mother told us to invite these children to our house, and she gave them some bread that she had freshly baked and told them to take it home to their families. Since then, we have been able to build friendships with these people.”

Focolare founder Chiara Lubich also supports us in having this courageous faith. “After Jesus, Mary is the one who knew how to say ‘yes’ to God in the best and most perfect way. This is the source of her holiness and her greatness,” she wrote in a Gospel commentary in 1999.

“If Jesus is the Word, the incarnate Word, Mary, because of her faith in the Word, is the Word lived, but is also a creature like us, equal to us... Therefore, we can believe like Mary that all the promises contained in Jesus’ words will be fulfilled and, if necessary, like her, run the risk of facing the absurdity that his word sometimes brings. Great and small, but always wonderful things happen to those who believe in the Word. We could fill books with the facts that prove this... When, in our daily lives, in reading the Holy Scriptures we encounter the Word of God, let us open our hearts to listen, with the faith that what Jesus asks of us, and promises will come true. It will not be long before we discover... that he keeps his promises.”

Letizia Magri from the commentary on the Word of Life
The complete commentary can be found at <https://livingcitymagazine.com/content/wordoflife> or <https://www.focolare.org/en/>

Read more:

Lubich, Chiara: Mary, Transparency of God. New City Press: 2003, pp. 52–53.

Lubich, Chiara: “I want to see her in you,” Mary: Her identity, our identity. New City Press: 2018, pp. 51–69.

Each month the Focolare chooses a Scripture passage as a guide and inspiration for daily living. The commentary on it was originally written by founder, Chiara Lubich (1920–2008). Today this Word of Life, written by an international commission and translated into 96 different languages, reaches several million people worldwide.

For information, questions, etc. please feel free to contact Coletta Maksimik 817-294-0625

FINANCIAL INFORMATION MONTH OF OCTOBER

Monthly Collection Giving	\$83,602
Monthly Budgeted Need	\$98,975
Monthly Surplus (Deficit)	(\$15,915)
World Mission Sunday	\$2,083
Pay it Forward.....	\$525

FYTD Income & Expenses July 1, 2021 - October 31, 2021

Actual Income.....	\$329,770
Building Maintenance Donations.....	\$8,619
Actual Ordinary Expenses.....	\$378,701

Attendance month of October 4,495

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The first and second readings convey a sense of hope and anticipation. We are invited to “Rejoice in the Lord.” The “Lord is in our midst.” Jesus specifically asks that we remain peaceful—depending on prayer and petition along with thanksgiving. The key to having “the peace of God that surpasses all understanding,” is to be kind to others and trust in God’s providence. In the Gospel John the Baptist challenges the soldiers being baptized to act differently—to be honest—to never extort the people—not accuse people falsely.

After almost two years of living with constant anxiety due to the pandemic and with unrest and division in our nation it might be difficult to be hopeful or in a mood to rejoice. It is hard to find a reason to rejoice. People are worn down—tired—even angry. As we approach Christmas our secular society tells us that it is “the most wonderful time of the year” but what if you don’t feel that way. For many the “holiday season” is difficult. It is improbable that adults can experience the joy and excitement of children on Christmas morning, although we tend to cling to the illusion.

The Advent season is a time for reflection and anticipation of the good things that God has in store for us. The second reading reminds us that when “prayer and petition with thanksgiving” are present in our day-to-day lives we can experience “the peace of God that surpasses all understanding.” God’s providential love guards us—let us be joyful.

TERCER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

La primera y segunda lectura de hoy nos da un sentido de esperanza y anticipación. Las lecturas nos invitan a “Regocijarse con el Señor.” El “Señor” esta entre nosotros. Jesús específicamente nos dice que estemos en paz, y dependiendo de la oración y en dar gracias. La clave para tener “la paz de Dios que sobrepasa todo entendimiento” es ser amable con los demás y confiar en la providencia de Dios. En el Evangelio, Juan el Bautista desafía a los soldados que se bautizan a actuar de manera diferente, a ser honestos, a nunca extorsionar a la gente, a no acusar a la gente falsamente.

Después de casi dos años de vivir con una ansiedad constante debido a la pandemia y con los disturbios sociales y la división en nuestra nación, puede ser difícil tener esperanza o estar de humor para regocijarse. Es difícil encontrar una razón para regocijarse. La gente está agotada, cansada, incluso enojada. A medida que nos acercamos a la Navidad, nuestra sociedad secular nos dice que es “la época más maravillosa del año”, pero ¿qué pasa si no te sientes así? Para muchos, la “temporada navideña” es difícil. Es poco probable que los adultos puedan experimentar la alegría y la emoción de los niños en la mañana de Navidad, aunque tendemos a aferrarnos a la ilusión.

La temporada de Adviento es un tiempo para la reflexión y la anticipación de las cosas buenas que Dios tiene reservadas para nosotros. La segunda lectura nos recuerda que cuando “la oración y la petición con acción de gracias” están presentes en nuestro día a día podemos experimentar “la paz de Dios que sobrepasa todo entendimiento”. El amor providencial de Dios nos protege, seamos gozosos.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 12, 2021

Sunday 12th Third Sunday of Advent

Zep 3:14-18a; Ps Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Phil 4:4-7;
Lk 3:10-18

Monday 13th Memorial of Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 & 7bc, 8-9;
Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday 14th Memorial of Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3 6-7, 17-18, 19 & 23;
Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday 15th

Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25; Ps 85:9ab & 10, 11-12, 13-14;
Lk 7:18b-23

Thursday 16th

Is 54:1-10; Ps 30:2 & 4, 5-6, 11-12a & 13b; Lk 7:24-30

Friday 17th

Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

Saturday 18th

Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25



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