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### Office Hours

#### Horario de la Oficina

Monday – Thursday / Lunes a Jueves

9:00am - 2:00pm 401- 722-9054

### Weekend Masses

#### Misas de fin de semana

Saturday: 4:30pm English/Ingles

Sabado 6:00pm Español/Spanish

Sunday: 9:30am English/Ingles

Domingo 11:30am Español/Spanish

### Daily Masses

#### Misas durante la semana

Monday & Wednesday 8:00am English/Ingles

Martes y Viernes 7:00pm Español/Spanish

Bilingual Mass Saturday/Sabado at 8:00am

### Confessions

Saturday / Sabado 3:30pm & 5:30pm

### Baptism / Bautizo

Baptisms are celebrated on the second Sunday of every Month after the 11:30am Mass. Please call the rectory a month in advance to schedule.

Los Bautismos se celebran el segundo Domingo de cada mes después de la Misa de las 11:30am. Llame a la rectoría con un mes de anticipación.

### Matrimony / Matrimonio

Call one year in advance to begin preparation

Llamar un año con anticipación

### Anointing of the Sick

#### Unción de los enfermos

Please call the parish

Por favor llamar a la parroquia

### Eucharistic Adoration

#### Adoración Eucarística

Every Friday / Todos los Viernes

9:00am to 6:45pm in the Church/Iglesia

### Youth Group/Grupo Juvenil

Sunday/Domingo next meeting TBD

(Grades 7th to 12)

### Comunidad Evangelizadora (Cers)

Viernes a las 7:30pm en el sótano

### Food Bank / Banco de Comida

December/Diciembre

Mondays/Lunes 20 & 27

9:30am to 11:00am - 6:00pm to 7:00pm

Wednesday/Miercoles 22 & 29

9:30am to 11:00am

9:30am to 11:00am - 6:00pm to 7:00pm

### Hospitality House/Casa de Hospitalidad

Open every Tuesday/Martes at 10:30am

Hot lunch served/Almuerzo at 11:30am

Almuerzo Caliente para los necesitados

### New Parishioners/Nuevos Miembros

Please call the rectory to register

Llamar a la Rectoría para registrarse



# FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 19, 2021

Dear Parishioners,

As we prepare to celebrate the beautiful feast of **Christmas** at the end of this week, I would like to share with you the following meditation from the Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska. St. Faustina is the Polish Nun that Jesus appeared to in the 1930's with the Divine Mercy Image, as well as giving her numerous revelations and messages about His Divine Mercy. On Christmas Eve in 1937, St Faustina wrote of one such encounter with the Holy Child: *"When I arrived at Midnight Mass, from the very beginning I steeped myself in deep recollection, during which time I saw the stable of Bethlehem filled with great radiance. The Blessed Virgin, all lost in the deepest of love, was wrapping Jesus in swaddling clothes, but Saint Joseph was still asleep. Only after the Mother of God put Jesus in the manger did the light of God awaken Joseph, who also prayed. But after a while, I was left alone with the Infant Jesus who stretched out His little hands to me, and I understood that I was to take Him in my arms. Jesus pressed His head against my heart and gave me to know, by His profound gaze, how good He found it to be next to my heart"* (Diary of St Faustina, 1442). This beautiful experience that St. Faustina had with Jesus can also happen to us, as we take time to meditate and contemplate what Christmas is all about: that God Himself loves each one of us SO MUCH, that He became a little Child for us, to open up the way of salvation for us. Christmas is all about CHRIST'S MASS, and every time that we come to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and allow ourselves to truly enter into it, we can also experience a personal, loving relationship with Jesus Christ, like St. Faustina describes in her above reflection. God Bless and Merry Christmas!  
Fr. Sistare

## MASS INTENTIONS

<u>Saturday December 18</u>	<u>4:30pm</u>
+William Richardson by Tom & Marilyn Hartigan	
<u>Sunday December 19</u>	<u>9:30am</u>
<u>Monday December 20</u>	<u>8:00am</u>
+Everardo Mosquera & Eugenio Robles by Margarita	
<u>Wednesday December 22</u>	<u>8:00am</u>
In thanksgiving for Elizabeth Rivera by Margarita	
<u>Vigil Mass</u>	<u>4:30pm</u>
<u>Sunday December 19</u>	<u>9:30am</u>

## Schedule for Christmas Masses

**Friday, December 24**

**\*No Eucharistic Adoration\***

Christmas Eve Mass

4:30pm English - 6:00pm Spanish

**Saturday December 25**

Christmas Day

9:30am English - 11:30am Spanish

**Sunday December 26**

Feast of the Holy Family

9:30am English - 11:30am Spanish

**Friday, December 31**

Eucharistic Adoration

9:00am to 6:45 pm

7:00 pm Bilingual Mass

## WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For all who are homebound or in nursing homes, and especially for the following parishioners:

**Jeanne Jugan Residence:** Florence Corneau, Jeannine Rondeau, Annette Tetreault, Lillianne Depot

**At Home:** Jovina de Barros **St. Antoine:** Georgette Smith **Elmhurst Nursing Home:** Cesar Zuleta Sr.

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<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection</u>	
December 19 Fuel & Maintenance	



# CHRISTMAS NOVENA



## Christmas Novena Bilingual

December 18 & 19 7:00pm

December 20, 21, 22 & 23

7:30pm

We will end Novena December 24<sup>th</sup> with the Christmas Eve Mass 4:30pm in English, 6:00pm in Spanish. All are welcome to attend. In the basement of the parish.

## Faith Formation Schedule

Class December 19

Time: 10:15 to 11:20am in the Church Hall, please enter thru Bullock Street.

No class Decmeber 26

## The Giving Tree

Helping Those in Need



During Advent you have the opportunity to help those most in need this Christmas, please take an ornament or two off the giving tree, and you can place the toiletries under it. (No wrapping needed).

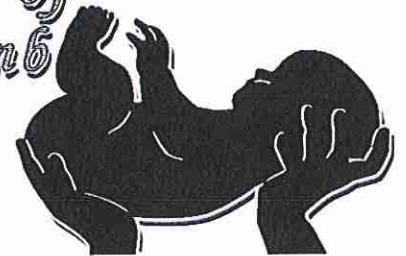
## Annual Respect for Life Bus Trip to the March for Life in Washington, DC

January 20- 22

Advance registration required, space is limited, first come, first served. Basic Itinerary: Thurs. evening, Jan. 20 - bus leaves RI to DC Fri., Jan. 21 - Mass, Rally and March in DC Early morning, Sat., Jan. 22

return to RI. Contact 401-278-2518, [LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org](mailto:LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org) to register and for all details. Groups are encouraged to register ASAP.

*Blessed is  
The Fruit of  
Thy Womb*



## Lullaby for the Unborn

On December 28th from 7:30pm to 8pm countless Rhode Island citizens will be gathering outside the State House to pray for and console the souls of the unborn babies who are murdered through abortion in Rhode Island every single day. The short vigil will begin with Rosary at 7:30 PM and will end with the singing of the Lully Lula Lulay by Philip Stopford at 7:50 PM. Join us and take an active part not only in changing our State for the better by witnessing to the truth, but also in caring for the souls of the poor innocent children who have died from abortion.



**LUKE 1:44. FOR INDEED, AS SOON AS THE VOICE OF YOUR GREETING SOUNDED IN MY EARS, THE BABE LEAPED IN MY WOMB FOR JOY.**



### **THE LONG-AWAITED ONE**

"Who am I that the mother of my Lord should come to me?" —Luke 1:43 During the days of the prophets Micah and Isaiah, things were bad and getting worse. The poor were oppressed, the threat of war overshadowed life, and God's people were not about to repent. In the midst of this darkness, the Lord gave His people hope by announcing through Micah that someday Someone would be born in Bethlehem Who would bring peace and be Peace (Mi 5:4). God's people waited over seven-hundred years for the Ruler-Shepherd of Bethlehem. He was named "Jesus," that is, "Savior," and He is our Peace (Eph 2:14). In fact, He is our Lord and God (see Jn 20:28). This Christmas, this Advent, today, isn't it time to give everything to Jesus — to live no longer for ourselves but for Him? (2 Cor 5:15; Gal 2:20) Right now, by God's grace, make the most important decision of your life. Holding nothing back, give your life to Jesus, your Ruler, Shepherd, Peace, Savior, Lord, and God.

**Prayer:** Father, may I not just keep Christ in Christmas but put myself and Christmas in Christ.

**Promise:** "By this 'will,' we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all." —Heb 10:10

**Praise:** "O Key of David, O royal Power of Israel controlling at Your will the gate of heaven: come, break down the prison walls of death for those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death; and lead Your captive people into freedom." Presentation Ministries

# Porque para Dios no hay nada imposible.

### **EL ESPERADO ANSIADAMENTE**

"¿Quién soy yo, para que la madre de mi Señor venga a visitarme?" (Lucas 1:43). Durante los días de los profetas Miqueas e Isaías, las cosas estaban mal y cada vez peor. Los pobres eran oprimidos, la amenaza de guerra ensombrecía la vida y el pueblo de Dios no estaba dispuesto a arrepentirse. En medio de esta oscuridad, el Señor dio a su pueblo la esperanza al anunciar a través de Miqueas que algún día Alguien iba a nacer en Belén que traería la paz y sería la Paz (Miq 5:4). El pueblo de Dios esperó más de setecientos años por el Pastor Líder de Belén. Fue llamado "Jesús," es decir, "Salvador," y Él es nuestra Paz (Ef 2:14). De hecho, Él es nuestro Señor y Dios (ver Jn 20:28). Esta Navidad, este Adviento, hoy, ¿no es hora de dar todo a Jesús —a vivir no más para sí mismos, sino para Él? (2 Co 5:15; Gál 2:20) En este momento, por la gracia de Dios, toma la decisión más importante de tu vida. Sin ocultar nada, dale tu vida a Jesús, tu Líder, Pastor, Paz, Salvador, Señor y Dios.

**Oración:** Padre, que no sólo permanezca en Cristo esta Navidad, sino me ponga yo mismo y la Navidad en Cristo.

**Promesa:** "Y en virtud de esta voluntad quedamos santificados por la oblación del cuerpo de Jesucristo, hecha de una vez para siempre" (Heb 10:10).

**Alabanza:** "Oh Llave de David, Oh Poder real de Israel controlando a Tu voluntad la puerta del cielo: ven, derriba los muros de la prisión de la muerte para aquéllos que viven en tinieblas y en la sombra de la muerte; y lleva Tu pueblo cautivo a la libertad."



## TERCER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO DICIEMBRE 12, 2021

Queridos feligreses,

Mientras nos preparamos para celebrar la hermosa fiesta de **Navidad** en el final de esta semana, me gustaría compartir con ustedes la siguiente meditación del Diario de Santa María Faustina Kowalska. Santa Faustina es la Monja polaca a la que Jesús se apareció en la década de 1930 con la Imagen de la Divina Misericordia, además de darle numerosas revelaciones y mensajes sobre Su Divina Misericordia. En la víspera de Navidad de 1937, Santa Faustina escribió sobre uno de esos encuentros con el Santo Niño: *"Cuando llegué a la Misa de medianoche, desde el principio me sumergí en un profundo recuerdo, durante el cual vi el establo de Belén lleno de gran resplandor. La Santísima Virgen, toda perdida en lo más profundo del amor, envolvía a Jesús en pañales, pero San José seguía dormido. Solo después de que la Madre de Dios puso a Jesús en el pesebre, la luz de Dios despertó a José, quien también oró. Pero después de un tiempo, me quedé solo con el Niño Jesús que extendió sus pequeñas manos hacia mí, y entendí que debía tomarlo en mis brazos. Jesús presionó su cabeza contra mi corazón y me dio a conocer, por Su mirada profunda, lo bueno que se sentía estar al lado de mi corazón"*(Diario de Santa Faustina, 1442). Esta hermosa experiencia que Santa Faustina tuvo con Jesús también puede sucedernos, ya que nos tomamos el tiempo para meditar y contemplar qué Navidad se trata de que Dios mismo nos ama a cada uno de nosotros TANTO, que se convirtió en un niño pequeño para nosotros, para abrirnos el camino de salvación. La Navidad se trata de la MISA DE CRISTO, y cada vez que venimos al Santo Sacrificio de la Misa y nos permitimos entrar verdaderamente en ella, también podemos experimentar una relación personal y amorosa con Jesucristo, como Santa Faustina describe en su reflexión. Dios les bendiga y Feliz Navidad!  
Padre Sistare

### INTENCIONES DE LAS MISAS

**Sábado 18 de Diciembre** **6:00pm**

+Eterno Descanso de José Cadavid en sus 42 años de fallecido, intención de su esposa e hijos

\*Por la pronta recuperación y regreso a su casa de Isabel Cadavid y demás familiares, intención de su familia en Estados Unidos y Colombia

+Eterno descanso de Jairo Gómez, intención de su esposa Luz Gómez e hijos

+Eterno descanso de Luis González Restrepo y Fredy Restrepo González, y en acción de gracias por la vida de María del Carmen González Restrepo, intención de la familia Restrepo-González

**Domingo 19 de Diciembre** **11:30am**

+Eterno descanso de Everardo Mosquera y Lucelly Suarez, intención de su familia

+Eterno descanso de Mónica María Londoño Torres, en su primer aniversario de fallecida, intención de Oscar Londoño

+Eterno descanso de Melissa Muñoz, intención su familia

**Martes 21 de Diciembre** **7:00pm**

**Domingo 26 de Diciembre** **11:30am**

### Horario Misas de Navidad

Viernes 24 de Diciembre

**\*No hay Adoración Eucarística\***

Misa de Nochebuena

4:30 Ingles - 6:00pm Español

Sabado 25 de Diciembre

Misa de Navidad

9:30am Ingles-11:30am Español

Domingo 26 de Diciembre

Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia

9:30am Ingles -11:30am Español

Viernes 31 de Diciembre

Adoración Eucarística

9:00am a 6:45pm

7:00pm Misa Bilingüe



## Calendario

### Formación de Fe

Si hay clases Diciembre 19

Hora: 10:15am a 11:20am

No hay Clases

Diciembre 26



## **CURSO BÍBLICO**

Nuestra Parroquia San Juan Bautista nos invita a participar de este curso Introducción a la Biblia. Nuestro objetivo es empezar un proceso de conocimiento, experiencias aprendizaje y enseñanza de la palabra de Dios. Puedes inscribirte después de las Misas con la Hermana Neri.

### Lámpara del Santuario en Diciembre

En acción de gracias a Jesús  
Sacramentado, intención de la Familia  
Lopez-Monzon

### PEDIMOS SUS ORACIONES

Por todos los que están confinados en su hogar o en acilo de ancianos, especialmente por nuestros feligreses:  
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Diciembre 19

Calefacción/Mantenimiento



### Novena de Navidad Bilingüe

**Diciembre 18 y 19**

**7:00pm**

**Diciembre 20, 21, 22 y 23**

**7:30 pm**

Terminaremos la Novena el 24 de Diciembre con la Misa de Nochebuena, 4:30pm (Inglés)  
6:00pm (Español)

Todos son bienvenidos.

En el sótano de la parroquia.

### Arrullo del Niño Jesús

EL 24 de Diciembre trae tu imagen del Niño Jesús a la Misa de Noche Buena (6:00pm). Después de la bendición cantaremos canciones. Adoremos a Jesús recién nacido.

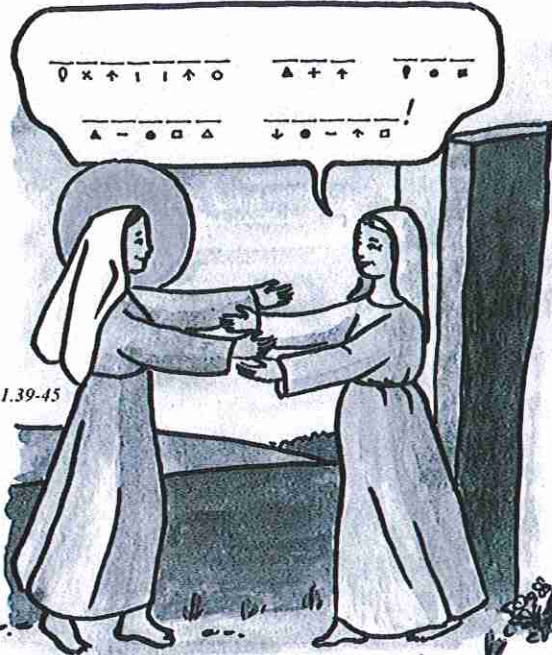
### Viaje anual en autobús a la Marcha por la Vida en Washington, DC 20-22 de Enero

Es necesario registrarse con anticipación, el espacio es limitado. Itinerario básico: Jueves noche, 20 de enero - el autobús sale de RI a DC, Viernes 21 de Enero - Misa, reunión y marcha en DC Temprano en la mañana, Sábado 22 de Enero - regreso a RI. Comuníquese con 401-278-2518, LCooley@dioceseofprovidence.org para registrarse y para obtener todos los detalles. Se anima a los grupos a registrarse lo antes posible



# The Kids' Bulletin

Fourth Sunday of Advent  
December 19, 2021



Luke 1.39-45

Elizabeth knew that Mary was the mother of the Messiah. What did she say to Mary when she came to visit her? Use the code to find out!

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## Christmas is Almost Here!



Now it's only a week until Jesus' birthday! Are you all ready for it? If you have an Advent wreath then this is the week that all the candles will be lit. Jesus is coming soon, so the light should be getting very bright!

Do you have a Christmas tree? Do you know what it represents? A long time ago people used to have plays at Christmas time about how Adam and Eve sinned when they ate the fruit from the tree, and how Jesus was born to save us from that sin. So a Christmas tree is there to remind us of why Jesus came.



Does your family have a nativity scene? It should be all ready for Christmas, but the Baby Jesus doesn't get put in the manger until Christmas Eve.



Answer to front page puzzle: Blessed are you among women! Answer to True or False: 1.true, 2.false, 3.false, 4.true, 5.true, 6.false, 7.true.

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## Saints Adela and Irmina December 24

ST. DAGOBERT WAS THE KING OF AUSTRASIA IN THE EARLY 700'S. HE AND HIS WIFE HAD FIVE CHILDREN, TWO OF WHOM BECAME SAINTS AS WELL.

IRMINA WAS ENGAGED BUT HER FIANCE DIED, SO SHE STARTED A CONVENT.

Requiescat in pacem.

ONCE THE NUNS WERE THREATENED BY A PLAGUE, BUT SAINT WILLIBROD HELPED THEM.

I will pray for you all!

WHEN THE PLAGUE HAD PASSED SHE GAVE ST. WILLIBROD LAND FOR HIS ABBEY.

ADELA MARRIED A NOBLEMAN AND HAD A SON, BUT SOON HER HUSBAND DIED.

AFTER HER HUSBAND'S DEATH MANY SUITORS CAME AND ASKED HER TO MARRY THEM.

HOWEVER, ADELA CHOSE TO CONSECRATE THE REST OF HER LIFE TO GOD. SHE ALSO FOUNDED A CONVENT AND BECAME ITS FIRST ABBESS.

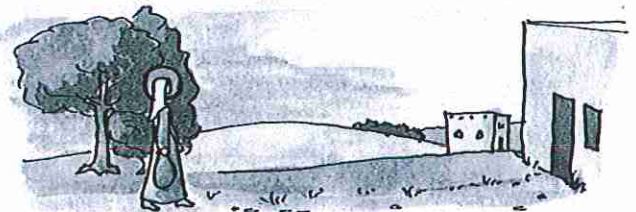
IRMINA AND ADELA WERE BOTH PRINCESSES, BUT THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT THEY WERE SPOILED AND SELFISH. THEIR GOOD PARENTS RAISED THEM TO LOVE GOD. WE CAN LEARN FROM THEIR EXAMPLE THAT FAMILIES CAN HELP EACH OTHER TO BECOME HOLY PEOPLE. HOW CAN YOU HELP YOUR FAMILY?

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## Mary Visits Elizabeth True or False?

How well do you know the story of the Visitation?  
See if you can figure out which are true and which are false!

1. Mary was expecting baby Jesus when she went to visit her cousin Elizabeth. True or False?
2. Elizabeth was married to Jeremiah. True or False?
3. Elizabeth was a bit sad when she saw Mary. True or False?
4. When Elizabeth heard Mary, her baby inside her jumped. True or False?
5. Elizabeth's baby was Saint John the Baptist. True or False?
6. Mary had to tell Elizabeth that she was going to have a baby because Elizabeth didn't know. True or False?
7. Elizabeth knew that Mary's baby was the Messiah. True or False?







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Es dueño o conoce a alguien que tenga su propio negocio? Obtenga más información sobre publicidad en el boletín parroquial.  
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