



## Second Sunday in Advent

December 10, 2006

“Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.”

Luke 3: 4

### PUT ON JOY

Today, Baruch speaks of the splendor that lies ahead for the city of Jerusalem and for all of us, regardless of where home is for us. Throw off strife, he tells us, and put on joy. Like a favorite old sweatshirt, joy fits, and how warm it keeps us, even when the winds blow cold.

Paul knows of this joy as he pens his letter to the Philippians, praying that they may grow in their ability to discern what is righteous and good. And Luke speaks to us of John, who was foretold by Isaiah and who sings a similar song—“Prepare the way of the Lord,” for salvation is at hand.

A man ahead of his time, Baruch spent his days joyfully awaiting a distant glory. On this Second Sunday of Advent, Paul and John know that this glory is upon us.

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### VÍSTETE DE GOZO

Hoy Baruc nos habla del esplendor que se acerca para la ciudad de Jerusalén y para todos nosotros, sea donde fuere nuestro hogar. Despójate de conflictos, nos dice, y vístete de gozo. Como una vieja cobija favorita, el gozo nos queda a la medida, y qué bien nos mantiene calientes, por muy frío que sople el viento.

Pablo sabe de ese gozo cuando escribe su carta a los filipenses, orando para que crezcan en su habilidad de discernir lo que es bueno y justo. Y Lucas nos habla de Juan, el que fue anunciado por Isaías y que canta una canción parecida: “Preparen el camino del Señor” pues la salvación está al llegar.

Hombre adelantado a su época, Baruc se pasó la vida alegremente esperando una gloria lejana. En este segundo Domingo de Adviento, Pablo y Juan saben que esta gloria se acer-

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## Notes from the Pastor

### Greetings in the Lord;

Welcome royal travelers on our journey through life. As we travel through this time of Advent, thank God for the many blessings he has given us. Do not let concern for material and worldly gifts overwhelm you. Consider giving bibles, religious books, prayers, mass intentions, spiritual devotional gifts for this Christmas Season. Be fishers of men, going out and sharing God’s word by our example.

Your response to the “Giving Tree”, “Jesse Tree” was wonderful, all of the stars have been claimed. Those of who missed the opportunity to share in this giving experience may share their treasures with St. Vincent de Paul.

Take stock of your spiritual inventory by referring to the advent examination of conscience! Remember this Advent goal: “Love God with your whole heart, soul, mind and strength,” so that you are ready when the Christ Child comes.

I would like to thank the 40 young boys and men who attended the “Fishers of Men” presentation with Archbishop Gomez on Monday, November 27, 2006. Archbishop Gomez expressed his gratitude and prayers for their interest. Feel free to contact Father Arturo Cepeda, Vocation Director of the Archdiocese of San Antonio at 210-735-0553.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Mike



# THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

## Monday, December 11

Demascus I, pope  
 Is 35: 1-10; Lk 5: 17-26  
 7:00 am †Raquel Vergara  
 Vergara Family

## Tuesday, December 12

Our Lady of Guadalupe  
 Zec 2: 14-17 or Rv 11: 19a, 12: 1-6a, 10a;  
 Lk 1: 26-38 or Lk 1: 39-47  
 6:00 am Mañanitas  
 12:00 pm †Loren Fergen  
 Dorene & Jerry Russell  
 †Maria Z. Torres  
 Becky Torres  
 6:00 pm †Fred Cervantes  
 Cervantes Family

## Wednesday, December 13

Lucy, virgin, martyr  
 Is 40: 25-31; Mk 11: 28-30  
 12:00 pm †Jaime Olivas  
 Family  
 In honor of Camille Eastham  
 Leo Eastham

## Thursday, December 14

John of the Cross, priest, doctor  
 Is 41: 13-20; Mt 11: 11-15  
 8:05 am †Michael Kline  
 Patricia & Larrie Knudsen

## Friday, December 15

Advent Weekday  
 Is 48: 17-19; Mt 11: 16-19  
 7:00 am †Ernest Emil Kapavik  
 Red & Mark Anderson

## Saturday, December 16

*Vigil: 3rd Sunday of Advent*  
 Zep 3: 14-18a; Phil 4: 4-7; Lk 3: 10-18  
 2:00 pm Gabriela Garcia and  
 Cecilia Rodriguez Quinceanera  
 5:00 pm †William Pickard  
 Yolanda Pickard

## Sunday, December 17

Third Sunday of Advent  
 Zep 3: 14-18a; Phil 4: 4-7; Lk 3: 10-18  
 8:00 am †Delfina Torres  
 Louis Romero  
 9:30 am People of the parish  
 11:00 am †Paul Richmond  
 Iris Hogan

## Monday, December 11

Morning Prayer -6:30 am- Church  
 Perpetual Adoration- 7:30 am- Cry Room  
 Bible Study-10:30 am - Family Life Center  
 Notre Dame basketball vs. St. Leo-4:30 pm- Gymnasium  
 Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena - 5:00 pm - Church  
 Men's ACTS- 6:00 pm-Kemper Hall Rm 205  
 Boys Scouts- 6:30 pm - Gymnasium  
 Cub Scouts -6:30 pm - Gymnasium  
 Cursillos- 7:00 pm - Fireplace Room

## Tuesday, December 12

Good Shepherd-8:30 am- Kemper Hall -Atrium  
 PTC Board- 5:30 pm- School Library  
 Lector Practice - 6:00 pm - Church  
 Reception-Our Lady of Guadalupe-Social Center-7:00pm

## Wednesday, December 13

Women of Notre Dame -12:30 pm- Fireplace Room  
 Good Shepherd-5:00 pm- Kemper Hall -Atrium  
 Children's Faith Formation-5:15 pm- Social Center  
 School Council Meeting-5:30 pm- School Library  
 Jr. High Teen Ministry- 6:00 pm- Social Center

## Thursday, December 14

Notre Dame School Music Prog.-6:00 pm-Social Center  
 Apologetics -7:00 pm- Family Life Center

## Friday, December 15

Morning Prayer-6:30 pm- Church  
 Faith Sharing -12:00 pm -Family Life Center

## Saturday, December 16

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament- 11:30 am  
 Reconciliations - 4:15 pm - Church  
 Child Care- 4:45 pm- Nursery-Kemper Hall

## Sunday, December 17

Good Shepherd 9:00 am- Kemper Hall Atrium  
 Child Care- 7:45 am -Nursery- Kemper Hall  
 Teen ACTS- 12:00 pm- Kemper Hall Rm 205  
 High School Teen Ministry- 5:00 pm- Social Center



*The Sanctuary Lamp will  
 burn this week in  
 memory of  
 Loren Fergen  
 By  
 Dorene & Jerry Russell*

### What is the Majella Society?

To learn more about the Majella Society, sanctity of Life and how to help Teenagers, refer to the internet sites at [teenbreaks.com](http://teenbreaks.com) and [majellasociety.org](http://majellasociety.org).

### WHAT IS IN BACK OF THE BULLETIN?

Please refer to the back of your bulletin for any help in town regarding places, people and most of all some of your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ who can assist you in your needs!!



Altar Servers



Lectors



Extraordinary Mins.



Greeters



Bread Bakers

<b>Saturday, Dec 16</b>	MC-Angie Garza	Mark Hoffmann	D	C	Jan Gutierrez
<b>5:00 pm.</b>	C-Mitchell Schumann	Anne Dommert			
	CB-Ginny Laborde				
	CB-Danielle Snow				
<b>Sunday, Dec 17</b>	MC-Stephen Schwarz	Stan Albus	B	C	Mary Muehlstein
<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	C-David Schroeder	Rose Petmecky			
	CB-Fred Tally-Foos				
	CB-Kate Tally-Foos				
<b>Sunday, Dec 17</b>	MC-Andrea Wahrmund	Sabrina Solis	B	D	Maria Zavala
<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	C-Candace Rodroquez	Alicia Falcon			
	CB-Elise Rodriguez				
	CB-Allen Southern-Garcia				
<b>Sunday, Dec 17</b>	MC-Matt Hensley	Eric Perry	B-Y	A	Marlene Grothues
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	C-Emily Ashley	Gail Sears			
	CB-Ali Mosser				
	CB-Nic Mosser				

Pray for ...

Mary Jane Viebag, Harry Winslow, Jim Wren, Grace Kieberger, Benita Garcia, Frances Vlasek, Irene Peters, Desmond Jones, Gregoria Jureczki, Sharon Schieffen, Maria Murphy, Maria Nowak, Lupe Gonzales, San Juanita San Miguel, Michelle Mann, Mary Tinch, Irene Trevino, Erasto Ayala, John Aleman, Donnie Couch, Jeanette Bell, Jean Michel Duval, Henrietta and James Bennet, Dorothy Fitzsimmons, Veronica Jansen, Irwin Schilhab, Guadalupe Pena, Lillian Dworaczyk, Robert L. Brantley, Ricardo Chapa, Susie Fenner, Matilda Newsom, Jesse Avila, Wilmer Carroll, Joanne Park, Carmen Pena, Pedro Rangel, Benito Perez, Victoria Tyburski, Coleman Nelson, Chris Dionne, Catalina Piedra, Denise Wright, Alice Ferguson, Arturo Pruneda, Emilio Zamora, Lilia Castillo, Mary Ann Vlasek, Richard Flores, Dr. Edward Prejean, Martha Shankle, Carolyn Huerta, Norman Jackson, Concepcion Gonzales, Isabel Lopez, John L Rico, Rita Currier, Faye Gibson, Josephine Fritz, Arnulfo Valenzuela, Terry Trauth, Walter Schattel, Jlonia Fritz, Maria Stout, Robert Chesi, Barbara Watson, Alonzo Wahrmund, Alice Stone, Sigrid Lathrop, Stephanie Neill, Marge Nickelson, Mary Jane Van Dunker, Rachel Rothermel, Cliff Estes, Patricia Keller, Elvira Sanchez, Catherine Herzog, Cherry Weaver, Beatrice Robles, Bonnie Ochs, Charles Dugosh, Heather Stradinger, Edward Ayala, Tommy Gonzalez, Jim Green, Delfina Sarabia, John Miedema, Lena Treiber, Raetta Doppler and all the sick of our parish family and friends.

# Weekly Collections

**December 2 & 3, 2006**

Envelopes/Loose Checks	\$22,262.00
Loose Cash	<u>1,604.40</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$22,866.00</b>
Average this month	\$22,890.00
<b>Avg. Needed Each Week</b>	<b>\$18,400.00</b>
School	\$487.00
Imm. Con/Solemnity	\$19.00
Christmas	\$5.00
Campaign for Human Dev.	\$1,642.17

Note Balance as of  
November 30, 2006 **\$398,608.27**

**NOTRE DAME**

**CASH CARDS!!!**

**Notre Dame School Cash Cards**

**With the holidays just around the corner, remember to stock up on the perfect gift. Cash Cards are something for everyone. We have Cash Cards for Toys, Cosmetics, Sporting Goods, Plants, Clothing, Furniture, Books, CD's...Give a wonderful gift & accomplish your civic duty all at once!**

**The Cash Cards are available at:**

**School Office - Monday thru Friday 7:30 am -3:30 pm  
(During School Year)**

**After each Mass on the weekends!**

**Cash Corner**

**Total Sales Last Week \$9,710.00**

**Total profit for the Week \$547.05**

**School year profit to date \*7,842.93**

**School Year is 07/01/06 through 06/30/07**

**Thank you so much for your support of our young scholars!**

**Muchas Gracias!! Thank You!!**

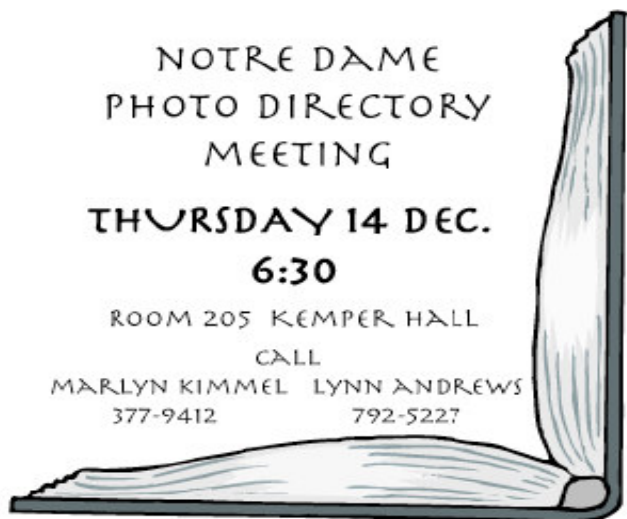
On behalf of Notre Dame parish and all of my family we would like to thank each and everyone of you who helped with the Thanksgiving Meal. When we talked about the meal we were ready to purchase all that we needed, but because of you we only had to use our time. We even had money left over which was used for Edwin Vigil's ordination reception. May God bless each and everyone of you!!

God's Blessings,  
Lisa Calderon

NOTRE DAME  
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MEETING

THURSDAY 14 DEC.  
6:30

ROOM 205 KEMPER HALL  
CALL  
MARLYN KIMMEL LYNN ANDREWS  
377-9412 792-5227



## The Sacrament of Baptism & your Child



The following is a list of Baptismal Preparation sessions for the first half of 2007: Parents and Godparents are asked to attend two of the sessions provided in one month. Registrations start at 6:00 pm followed by class 6:15 pm to 8:00 pm.

1. **Thursdays, January 11 & 18, 2007**
2. **Thursdays, February 8 & 15, 2007**
3. **Thursdays, March 1 & 8, 2007**
4. **Thursdays, April 12 & 19, 2007**
5. **Thursdays, May 10 & 17, 2007**
6. **Thursdays, June 14 & 21, 2007**

For more information call Rosie Garcia at 830-896-4233 or Ileana Schneegans at the Pastoral Center, 830-257-5961 ext. 225!

## El Sacramento de Bautismo para sus niños!!



Lo siguiente es una lista de sesiones para la preparación del Bautismo, para la primera parte del año 2007. Los padres y padrinos deben de asistir a dos sesiones en un mes. Las registraciones empezaran a las 6:00 pm siguiendo con la clase a las 6:15 pm

1. **Jueves, 11 & 18 de Enero del año 2007**
2. **Jueves, 8 & 15 de Febrero del año 2007**
3. **Jueves, 1 & 8 de Marzo del año 2007**
4. **Jueves, 12 & 19 de Abril del año 2007**
5. **Jueves, 10 & 17 de Mayo del año 2007**
6. **Jueves, 14 & 21 de Junio del año 2007**

Para mas información por favor llame a Rosie Garcia al numero 896-4233 o a Ileana Schneegans al numero 830-257-5961.



ANNOUNCES A NEW SERIES  
FOR 2007

Catholic Adult Faith Enrichment (CAFÉ) begins a new series that focuses on basic Catholic teachings and how they relate to adult faith. Adult faith is grounded in absolute truth while living with the challenges, doubts and questions of everyday life. We will use Scripture and the Catechism of the Catholic Church as our guide.

Topics for 2007 include: Faith, Jesus the Christ, the Trinity, the Creed, Church history, the Sacraments, Morality, Catholic interpretation of Scripture, Overview of the Bible, Spirituality and Prayer, Catholic Social teaching and Ecumenism.

## Sunday Jan. 4

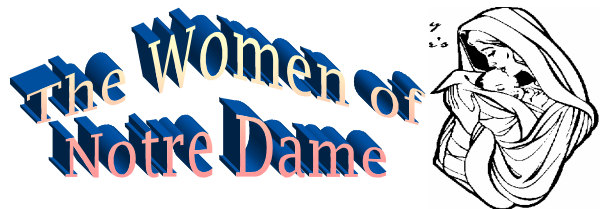
### 9:30 - 10:45 am

School Library Kemper Hall

Jan 4: Faith, the ultimate invitation. Someone once said that faith is an inside job. From deep within our being come the truth of God's existence and the invitation from God to life and love. All we need to do is RSVP.

The outline for the discussion on Faith is available in the Narthex.

For more information call Carol Aceti at 257-1432



The Women of Notre Dame are accepting Christmas Memorials. Masses will be for your intentions. Envelopes are available in the Narthex. What a great way this is to remember someone during the Christmas season.

## La Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe



El día 12 de diciembre estaremos celebrando con gran alegría el día de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe. Ella es la Emperatriz de las Américas. El día comenzará a las 6 de la mañana en la iglesia con el saludo de las “Mañanitas.” Después habrá chocolate y café. La misa de nuestra Señora de Guadalupe será muy bendecida y proclamada por el Diacono Edwin Vigil a las 6:00 de la noche el martes, 12 de diciembre. Después de la Misa habrá tamales en el Centro Social dado por las Sociedad Guadalupeana. Todos están invitados a esta gran fiesta.



### **Masses for the 4th Week of Advent.**

( These do not fulfill our  
Obligation for Christmas)

Masses are at 5:00 pm on Saturday, December 23  
and 8:00am and 10:00 am (Bilingual)  
on Sunday, December 24th!

### **MORNING PRAYER**

Morning Prayer will continue this Monday  
and Friday one-half hour before Mass begins.  
You are welcome to join others in  
praying the official public prayer of the  
Church. Prayer sheets will be provided.

### **Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Mass Schedule**

Masses on **December 24th** are at  
**5:00 pm with children.**

We will celebrate **Midnight Mass**, preceded  
by Christmas Caroling at 11:30 pm.

On **Christmas Day**, Mass will be  
at 10:00 am. (Bilingual)



In addition to the regularly scheduled times,  
the sacrament of reconciliation will be available  
on **Monday, December 18, 2006** at  
10:30 am –Noon and 4:30 pm– 6:00pm.



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Acompáñenos a perenigrar durante  
la nueve noches de POSADAS  
a las 7:00 pm



Las posadas empiezan el día:

<b>16 de diciembre</b>	Sra. Norma Sánchez	1408 Park Street	792-5234
<b>17 de diciembre</b>	Sra. Marisol Castillo	2105 Singing Wind #801	895-8573
<b>18 de diciembre</b>	Sra. Alma Elizarraras	2924 Nichols Street	896-8167
<b>19 de diciembre</b>	Sra. Eva Venegas	413 Gilmer Street	896-2049
<b>20 de diciembre</b>	Sra. Cecilia Clements	121 Loop 13	792-5448
<b>21 de diciembre</b>	Sra. Amparo Ramirez	433 Lytle Street	377-8347
<b>22 de diciembre</b>	Sra. Maria Dorado	Westwood Ranch off Wilson Rd	995-4033
<b>23 de diciembre</b>	Sra. Carolina Arriaga	433 Mesquite Street	257-2108
<b>24 de diciembre</b>	Iglesia de Notre Dame	Water Street, Kerrville	