



St. Louise de Marillac Church

Serving God's people in Covina, Glendora, San Dimas and surrounding communities.

"Praise the Lord, for his is good; for his mercy endures forever." Psalm 136:1

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Monday – Friday
8:30 am

Saturday
8:30 am
& 4:30 pm *Vigil*

Sunday
6:30 am, 8:00 am
10:00 am, 12:00 pm,
& 5:00 pm

Confession Schedule

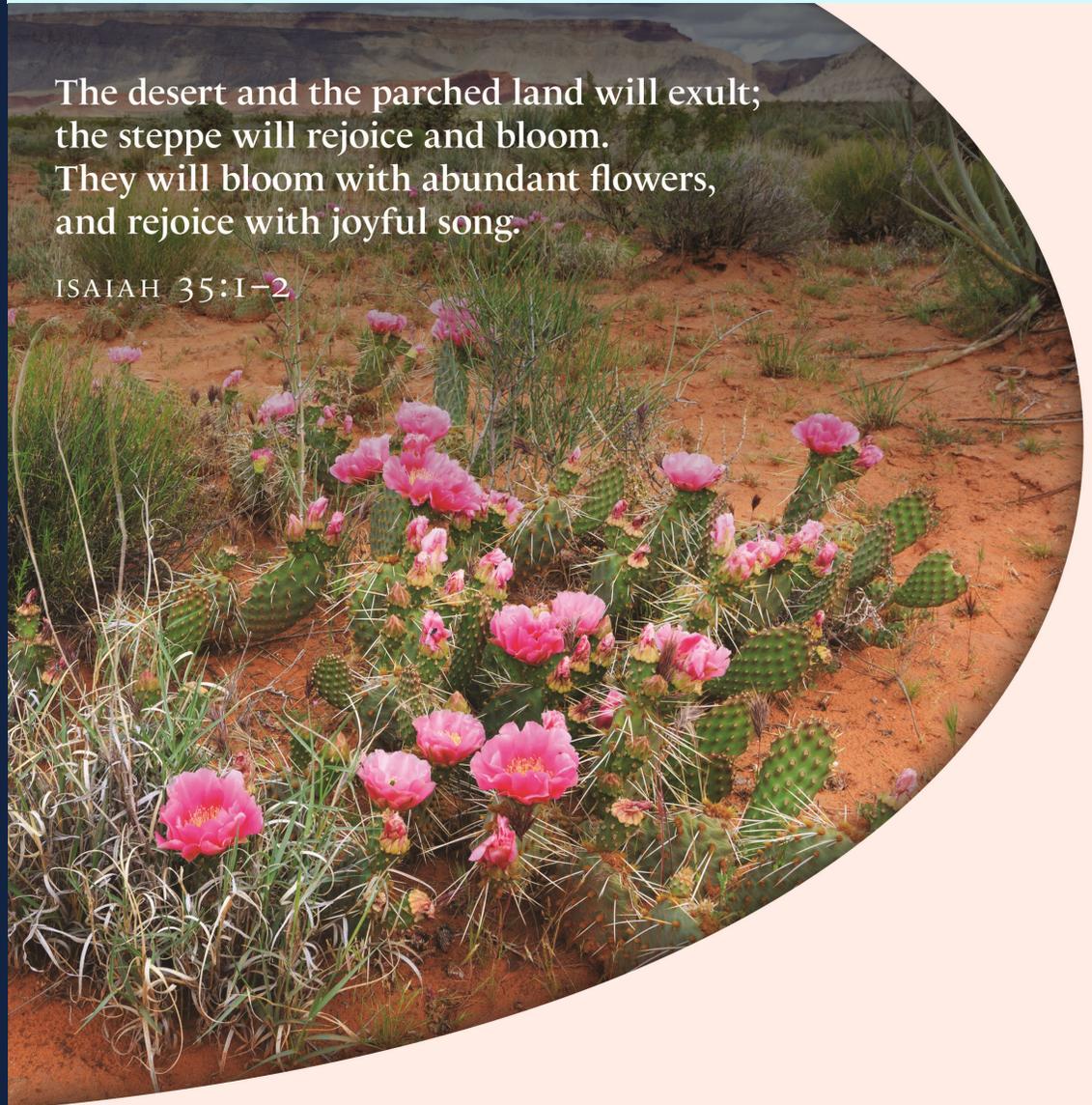
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4:00 pm to 5:15 pm

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3:15 pm to 4:15 pm

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The desert and the parched land will exult;
the steppe will rejoice and bloom.

They will bloom with abundant flowers,
and rejoice with joyful song.

ISAIAH 35:1-2

THIRD
SUNDAY OF
Advent
December 11, 2022

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St. Louise de Marillac is a Roman Catholic community called together as family to worship, to minister, and to evangelize. As true disciples of Jesus Christ, we are called to renew His love and spirit by sharing our time, talent and treasure.

St. Louise de Marillac Mission Statement



Preparing for Advent

There are two great Marian Feast Days we celebrate during Advent. The first, which happened this past week, is the Immaculate Conception on December 8th. The second, that we celebrate tomorrow, is the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. It feels appropriate that we honor Mary during this Advent season because her pregnancy is what gives us the earth-shattering event of the birth of Jesus!

The dogma of the Immaculate Conception asserts that, "from the first moment of her conception, the Blessed Virgin Mary was, by the singular grace and privilege of Almighty God, and in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, Savior of Mankind, kept free from all stain of original sin." Pope Pius IX defined the dogma of the Immaculate Conception, *INEFFABILIS DEUS*, on December 8, 1854.

In 1521, Spanish conquistadores invaded the lands that are now known as Mexico. The Spanish invasion was brutal and decimated the indigenous population. On December 12, 1531, ten years after the Spanish invasion, Juan Diego walked near Tepeyac. He heard a voice calling out his name.

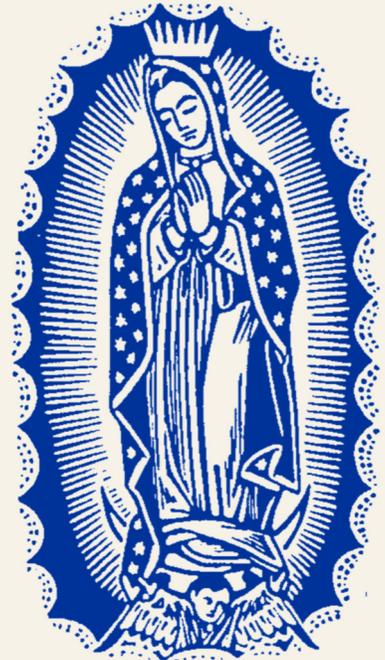
Juan climbed to the top of the hill and there met a beautiful young woman whose clothing shone with the radiance of the sun. The lady asked Juan Diego to travel to the Spanish Bishop and instruct him to rebuild her temple at Tepeyac, her sacred hillside. "There I will listen to the cries and lamentations of your people, in order to cure all their various pains, miseries, and sorrows," she said.

After two failed attempts to speak with the Bishop, Mary said to Juan Diego, "Am I not here, who am your Mother? Are you not under my shadow and protection? Am I not the fountain of life? Are you not in the folds of my mantle—in the crossing of my arms?"

She asked him to make one last trip to the Bishop and gave him an armful of roses miraculously growing in the dead of a dry winter. She instructed him to deliver the roses to the Bishop and to ask the Bishop to build her temple. Juan filled his tilma—or outer robe—with the roses.

Juan went back to the Bishop a third time and waited. He was finally granted an audience. When he entered the chambers, he dropped the roses at the Bishop's feet. As the roses fell to the ground, the Bishop dropped to his knees, as did all the other men in the Bishop's company. There, on Juan Diego's tilma, was the image of the Lady herself—just as she had looked when she was speaking to him.

Mary's instructions were followed by the bishop. The temple was built for her on the hillside of Tepeyac. Later, a larger basilica was built near Tepeyac. The original tilma worn by Juan Diego with the Lady's image, remains intact and on display at the Basilica. Let us remember to honor Mary during these Advent days. She is a vital piece of our Salvation history.



Fr. Robert Fulton

Pastor

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE MASS

Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day celebration is on Monday, **December 12th**. Please join us or the **5:45 AM Rosary in the Patio and 6:20 AM Holy Mass**.

The breakfast Reception after Mass in the Msgr. Pierce Hall. Mariachi’s will perform at both the Mass and the breakfast. Our regular daily Mass will be at 8:30 AM with Mariachis.

Each December 12th, the Catholic community celebrates the Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe. This celebration commemorates the appearance of Mary to the Mexican peasant, Juan Diego, in 1531. The feast day is an important holiday in Mexico. Please join us!



SIMBANG GABI

St. Louise is once again joining with local parishes in a Novena of Masses in preparation for the birth of our Savior.

St. Louise’s Simbang Gabi celebration will be held at the **4:30 PM Mass on Saturday, December 17th** with a reception following in the Msgr. Pierce Hall.

During this Christmas season, Filipinos continue to celebrate this annual Novena Mass, “Simbang Gabi,” a tradition they brought with them from the Philippines. Simbang Gabi was adapted from the Catholic Misa de Gallo, which literally means “Mass of the Rooster,” to indicate it is held when the rooster crows.

Simbang Gabi traces its roots to Mexico when, in 1587, Fray Diego de Soria, petitioned the Pope for permission to hold Christmastide Masses outdoors because the church could not accommodate the multitude that attended the dawn services. The tradition started in the Philippines in the 16th century. It gave the farmers a chance to hear Mass before setting out for the fields. Rural Filipinos were used to starting the day two hours before sunrise. Church bells rang to call the faithful to Simbang Gabi. In some provinces, brass bands played traditional Christmas music and parish priests would go as far as knocking on the doors of every home.

During this season, Filipinos create beautiful decorations called “parol”, paper lanterns to commemorate the Star of Bethlehem. These lanterns were used by the farmers to guide them in the dark to the Holy Mass. Choirs sang Tagalog songs such as Pasko na Naman” (It’s Christmas Again).

MEN’S & WOMEN’S RETREATS

Who is Jesus Christ? Who am I? Finding the divinity within.

We often try to discover the complex relationship between ourselves and Jesus Christ. We want to know what it should be, how deep it should be, what does Christ want of us, is Christ within us, and if so, where can we find the divine within us?

Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center provides a private room and bath, delicious meals, beautifully landscaped grounds and the guidance of the Passionist Retreat Team. The atmosphere of this silent, preached retreat will lay paths for this exploration. Mater Dolorosa Passionist Retreat Center invites the men and women of St. Louise de Marillac to join on the epic adventure to the interior of our souls.



The date for the Men’s Retreat is March 24-26 and the date for the Ladies’ Retreat is June 2-4. Reservations can be made by contacting our Parish Captain Brian Lee at 951-522-3769 or you may register directly at <https://materdolorosa.org/calendar/>.

Upcoming Meetings			
Our Lady of Guadalupe Rosary & Mass	Mon., Dec. 12th	5:45 AM	Church
Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Wed., Dec. 14th	6:45 PM	Church
RCIA	Wed., Dec. 14th	7 PM	Conference Room
CMF	Thurs., Dec. 15th	6:45 PM	Multi-Purpose Room
Family Storytime	Fri., Dec. 16th	10 AM	Faith Formation Office
Las Posadas	Fri., Dec. 16th	6 PM	Hall
Toastmasters	Fri., Dec. 16th	7 PM	Multi-Purpose Room
Simbang Gabi	Sat. Dec. 17th	4:30 PM	Church

Advent 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 12th **Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration**
 5:45 AM Rosary
 6:20 AM Mass
 Reception afterwards in Hall
 8:30 AM

December 17th **Simbang Gabi**
 4:30 PM Mass
 Reception afterwards in Hall

December 24th **Christmas Eve Vigil**
Children's Mass
 4:30 PM Church
 4:45 PM Mass in Hall
 6:30 PM &
 Midnight

December 25th **Christmas Day Masses**
 6:30 AM
 8:00 AM
 10:00 AM
 12:00 PM

There will be no evening Mass

McKINLEY GIVING TREE

For the abandoned and neglected children in the care of the McKinley Children's Center in San Dimas, most have never celebrated a holiday or know what it is like to receive a gift from someone who cares. All of us can be that someone!

Please return your gift cards to the Parish Center by **Friday, December 16th**.

Because the gift cards are like cash, we ask that you return your gift to the Parish Center **ONLY**.

Each year we receive such an overwhelming response and an outpouring of generosity from the St. Louise community. Thank you in advance for your kindness.

POINSETTIA DONATIONS

Can you imagine a better way to celebrate the exhilarating joy and radiance of Christmas than with poinsettias?

These cheery, flowering, ornamental plants are celebrated during this special season for their brightly colored foliage. With their openness and flowers, they embrace life in all its blessed richness.

At St. Louise de Marillac, let us remember those nearest and dearest to us, whether living or deceased, with these brightest of all flowers in preparation of the birth of Jesus Christ, who is the reason for this season. Through the ages, poinsettias have been given as gifts, and in this season of giving, let us honor God's only begotten Son, the greatest gift of all.

So please join us and bring your poinsettias to the Msgr. Pierce Hall patio or Parish Center on Monday, December 5th through Sunday, December 18th in time for inclusion at our Christmas Masses.



St. Louise de Marillac presents



Las Posadas

An Advent & Christmas Celebration
Friday, December 16, 2022
6-8:30PM at the Hall & Patio
Doors open at 6PM
Rosary begins at 6:30PM
Fellowship immediately following

Join us as we travel to several locations looking for room at the inn. When we find room, we will celebrate with fellowship, food and piñatas with our St. Louise family!

Please bring your
flashlights!

Advent Penance Services

St. Dorothy's, Glendora
Tuesday, December 13th
7:00 PM

St. Christopher, West Covina
Wednesday, December 14th
7:00 PM

Sacred Heart, Covina
Tuesday, December 20th
7:00 PM

St. Louise de Marillac
Wednesday, December 21st
7:00 PM

Individual Confessions
Wednesdays 4:00 PM to 5:15 PM
Saturdays 3:15 PM to 4:15 PM

No individual confessions on Wednesday,
December 21st, Saturdays, December 24th & 31st

JOB OPENINGS

St Louise de Marillac Catholic Church in Covina is hiring for the position of Part-time **Social Media Coordinator** (20 hours per week).

The Social Media Coordinator will help support the mission of the church as seen in the Sunday services, through print media, our website, broadcast venues, social media (Facebook, Instagram, etc.), digital means, and other creative channels. The qualified candidate will have prime responsibility for the creative output of the Parish by developing video production, graphics, visual branding, and other creative elements. Skills and abilities include:

- A passion for engaging a community through creative media needs and faith oriented in his/her values
- Strong written and verbal communication skills
- Excellent work ethic and a positive, can-do attitude
- Availability to work on evenings and weekends as needed for events

St Louise de Marillac Catholic Church in Covina is also hiring for the position of **Ministry Coordinator** (Full-Time Exempt with Benefits).

The Ministry Coordinator role involves renewal and formation of the ministries within the parish and pioneering new ministries. We are actively seeking a dynamic "people person", with a gift in recruiting, working with, and managing lay volunteers.

The successful candidate must possess strong organizational, verbal and written communications skills; competency in envisioning, applying appropriate methods and basic program development; and the ability to mentor and support ministry leaders and lay volunteers in building and nurturing their relationship with God through faith-building opportunities.

The Ministry Coordinator must be a practicing Catholic with equivalent experience to three (3) years in Ministry Leadership at the Parish or Diocesan level. The ability to organize, work independently, prioritize tasks, and work with other staff and/or volunteers in a team setting is a must. Computer literacy and flexible schedule to include some evenings and weekends, as needed.

Among other benefits, this is a full-time position with medical, dental and vision insurance coverage, as well as time off for holidays, vacation and sick days.

If you are interested in either position, please send letter of interest and resume to employment@stlouisedm.org.



YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR 2022/2023

High School & Jr. High

St. Louise de Marillac

All High School aged teenagers (*Private & Public Schools*) are invited to join us for Thursday night Youth group from 6:00-7:30pm. Youth Nights are specifically for High school teens, to make new friends, learn about their faith, socialize with other teens and pray with each other. This is so that they are part of an awesome experience. They can bring a friend. The format will include: Bible Study, fun nights, prayer/meditation/adoration, open topics, all within a safe environment.

FUN-FOOD-FELLOWSHIP

All supervising Adult Leaders are Vetrins and Fingerprinted.

***** IMPORTANT: Any Special events or nights that have a fee associated will be noted under it.**

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS MEET IN YOUTH ROOM
JR. HIGH STUDENTS IN FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

DECEMBER 15, 2022

6 pm-7:30 pm Christmas Caroling-to the homebound

DECEMBER 17, 2022

10 AM -4 pm CHURCH DECORATING LUNCH
PROVIDED **BY YM**

DECEMBER 22, 2022

6 pm-7:30 pm (Youth room)
CHRISTMAS PARTY
BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH FOR
10 PEOPLE

For more information contact

Faith Formation Office: Ivonne Melendrez 626-332-5822 email: Ivonnem@stlouisedm.org

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CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Catholic Men's Fellowship of St. Louise (CMF) is a lay apostolate that reaches out to all men. Our next meeting will be on **Thursday, December 15, 2022**. Our brother Bruce Beaumont will be our speaker. Topic will be "Winter is Coming." Please join us for Fellowship, Prayer and Reflection. Rosary begins at 6:45 PM in the Multi-Purpose Room.

Our Purpose is to encourage men to become daily Disciples of Christ. *Lk. 9:23*. Our Mission is to help men renew their minds and transform their hearts and lives for Jesus Christ. *Rom. 12:22*. For more information contact Faith Formation at (626) 332-5822 or Miguel Ruiz (626) 419-2637 or email at: CMF@stlouisedm.org.

Follow us now on Instagram

@catholicmensfellowship and

Facebook Catholic Men's Fellowship St. Louise De Marillac and catholicmen.org.



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

GOOD NEWS

Good news is good news is . . . Today's messages from Isaiah (prophetic ancestor of John the Baptist and Jesus of Nazareth) and James (spiritual offspring of John and Jesus) both have messages that resonate across the five centuries that separate them: hope in the coming power and presence of God. Isaiah was attempting to comfort and encourage the people of Israel in geographic and spiritual exile. Their exile will end, Isaiah says, with God's presence shown forth through spectacular occurrences in nature. James likewise has a community in need of encouragement and hope, since they despair over the delayed parousia, the final coming of God in glory. In the meantime, James urges patient endurance. Until Jesus returns, they ought to persist without complaint, with the lives of the prophets as their guide. Then will come the time of sight, and healing, and life and ... Good News for the poor!

PATIENCE . . . NOW!

A friend walked me through his newly planted garden to help me see how it would look in spring. He finally stopped and said, "You can't picture any of this, can you?" I couldn't until I saw it in full bloom the following springtime. Then I could understand why he planted the seeds where he had. Then I saw the beauty and bounty that his planting represented. "Tell John what you hear and see," Jesus says to John's disciples. The signs of the Messiah proclaimed by the prophets are beginning to bloom. Look and see! Hear the singing of those once mute and the rejoicing of the crowds who witness these works. The beauty and the bounty of our generous God are all around.

JUST IMAGINE

James wrote to a community experiencing hardship, like the exiled Israelites in today's first reading. Isaiah and James exhort people to trust that they will see God's presence in their midst once again, so be patient. That's easier said than done, isn't it? Saint Francis de Sales says to be patient with everyone, and most of all with ourselves. Patience means accepting suffering and delay without becoming angry or upset. Easier said than done. Praying for this virtue each day, sometimes often throughout the day, does help. Breathe in the Spirit of God and say, "Give me patience, Lord." Then exhale anger, upset, and impatience. Staring at a garden won't make a shoot spring up any faster; however, giving thanks for the seed, the water, the soil, and the Giver of all life can deepen our trust that the garden will grow. So be patient. Rejoice always. See and be the signs of God's beauty and bounty in our world today.

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GUADETE SUNDAY

What is special about the Third Sunday of Advent? For much of the Church's history, this Sunday has a special name: "Gaudete" Sunday. The traditions surrounding this Sunday go back as far as the fourth or fifth century, as does the season of Advent itself. Advent, our preparation for Christmas, was Originally a forty-day penitential season like Lent. In fact, November 12 (just after the Memorial of St. Martin of Tours), it was called "St. Martin's Lent." "Gaudete Sunday" was the Advent counterpart to "Laetare Sunday," which marks the midpoint in Lent.

On Gaudete Sunday, the season of Advent shifts its focus. For the first two weeks of Advent, the focus can be summed up in the phrase, "The Lord is coming." But beginning with Gaudete Sunday, the summary might be, "The Lord is near." This shift is marked by a lighter mood and a heightened sense of joyous anticipation.

Liturgically, the colors lighten as well. The priest usually wears rose-colored vestments, a hue seen only on Gaudete Sunday and Laetare Sunday. On this day, we light the third candle of the Advent wreath, which is also rose-colored, or if you prefer, pink.

The word "Gaudete" is Latin for "Rejoice." In times, when the focus of our anticipation is often the negative and fearful, this celebration is a reminder that God who loves us is still in charge and that we await his coming not with fear, but with tremendous joy.

<https://catholiccurrent.org/fact-of-faith/gaudete-sunday/>

THE ONE FOR WHOM OUR HEARTS LONG

Put yourself in the scene of today's Gospel passage. John the Baptist is in prison. He has heard stories of what Jesus is doing, and wants reassurance that Jesus is the long-awaited Messiah. John's disciples and those who surrounded Jesus were faithful Jews who would have known Isaiah's prophecies by heart. God would send One who would bring sight to the blind, healing to those who were ill, salvation to all who longed to know God's mercy and peace. Jesus' response to the disciples' question rings as powerfully in our ears today as it surely did for the people who were with him that day. His actions are precisely those that the people had been told to expect. Jesus is the One for whom the people have been patiently yet anxiously waiting, like the farmer who waits for the fruits of his labor. Jesus is the One for whom our hearts long.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The barren deserts will rejoice and flower. Tired bodies will receive strength. Aching hearts will be made glad (Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10).

Psalm — The Lord saves us when he comes (Psalm 146).

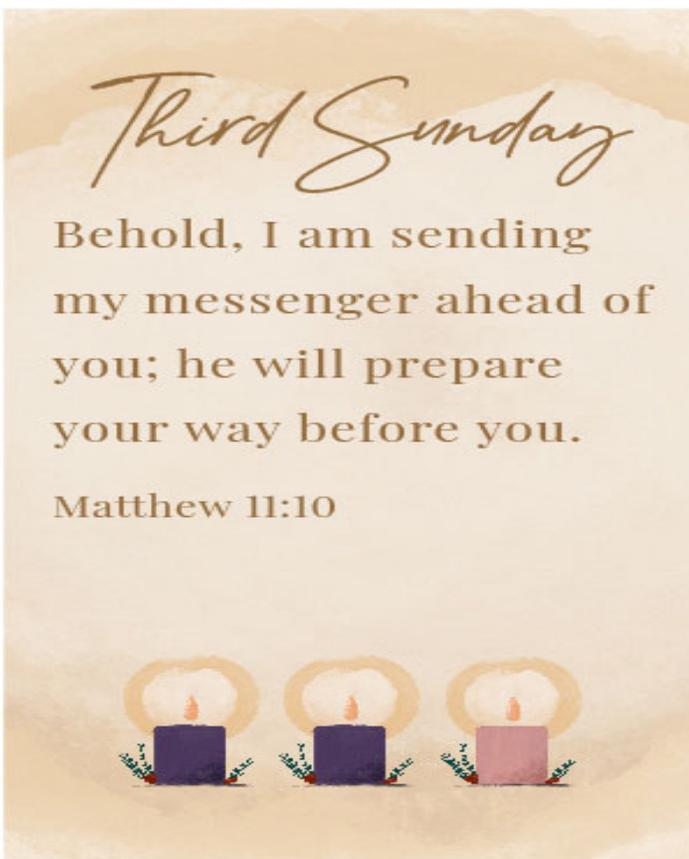
Second Reading — Be patient, for the coming of the Lord is as sure as the rain (James 5:7-10).

Gospel — Tell of what you hear and see: The blind regain their vision, the crippled their movement, the deaf their hearing (Matthew 11:2-11).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712
- Tuesday:** Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-19, 23; Mt 21:28-32
- Wednesday:** Is 45: 6b-8, 18, 21b-25; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 7:18b-23
- Thursday:** Is 54:1-10; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b; Lk 7:24-30
- Friday:** Is 56:1-3a, 6-8; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Jn 5:33-36
- Saturday:** Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17
- Sunday:** Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24



ST. LOUISE DE MARILLAC CHURCH

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 11th

- 6:30 am** St. Louise Parish Families (SI)
8:00 am: Hal Hopkins (SI); Vivian Carillo (RIP); Lolina Berman (RIP)
10:00 am: Josh Diosomito & Family (SI); Marian Hopkins (SI); Henry Spennato & Family (SI); Arturo Aquino (RIP); Carmela Dolor (RIP); Jose Refugio Rubio (RIP); Iluminosa C. Domingo (RIP); Jon Gasienica (RIP)
12:00 pm: Lexuan Koss (SI); Grady Hopkins (SI); Erika Vega (SI); The Russo Family (SI); Maria Cristina Shields (RIP); Sofia Aquinaldo (RIP); Mita Dolor (RIP); Albert Escalera (RIP); Marilyn Nuckles (RIP)
5:00 pm: Alvaro Granada (RIP)

Monday, December 12th

- 8:30 am:** Edwin Espiritu (RIP); Iluminosa C. Domingo (RIP); Jess Panlilio (RIP); Emigdio & Maria Marquez (RIP)

Tuesday, December 13th

- 8:30 am:** Miguel Garcia (SI); Hector Duenas, Jr. (SI)

Wednesday, December 14th

- 8:30 am:** Christopher Gonzalez (SI)

Thursday, December 15th

- 8:30 am:** Consuelo Cordero (RIP)

Friday, December 16th

- 8:30 am:** Rosario C. Flores (RIP)

Saturday, December 17th

- 8:30 am:** Israel Matthew Romo (RIP); Ashley Grios (RIP); Maria Otilia Puzon Ko (RIP)
4:30 pm: Basil Balian & Bedrosian Family (RIP)

CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

Saint Teresa's Bookmark

Let nothing disturb you,
 Let nothing frighten you,
 All things are passing;
 God only is changeless.
 Patience gains all things.
 Who has God wants nothing.
 God alone suffices.

Saint Teresa of Avila

What does love look like?
 It has feet to go to the poor and needy.
 It has eyes to see misery and want.
 It has ears to hear
 the sighs and sorrows of others.

St. Augustine

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Sunday / 9 am - 2pm

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please pray for those listed below:

Virginia Aparicio	Michalle Montalvo
Tony Atienza	Lucy Montoya
Ofelia Ayala	Julie Moore
Darlene Bertelsen	Baby Girl Nava
Ruth Brambila	Sandra Neas
Lesia Brown	Tracie Neria
Geoff Cady and Family	C.J. Oddo
Brandie Cuevas	Gregory Olmos
Mary H. Dubrowa	Hector Perez
Danny Ebner	Maria Quinones
Dolores Ericson	Bladimiro Ramirez
Joe Escalera, Jr.	David Thomas Robertson
Emily Espindola	Maria Robertson
Aileen Fallis	Natalie Robertson
Carolina Gil	Sylvia Robles
Wendy Joyner Gomez	Marcella Rodarte
Elva Gonzalez	Elvira Cordero Rodriguez
Carmen Gonzalez	Rosa Romero & Family
Suzanne Hanson	Shelly Ruiz
David Ibanez Jr.	Lucy Moreno Saenz
Richard Janicki	Susan Schmaltz
Arlene Jenkins	Ryan Soldridge
Jazzelle Kakuk	Keith Michael Summers
Teddy Kakuk	Vivian Vasquez
Nancy LaMascus	Leonardo Victoria Jr.
Candy Lopez	Jan White
Elva Maldonado	James Wicker
Kay Manning	Tanya Winkelhake
Soledad Mendoza	Josie Yates

DID YOU KNOW?

Garden of healing for victim-survivors of sexual abuse

Archbishop José H. Gomez recently blessed the inaugural garden of healing dedicated to victim-survivors of sexual abuse at Saint Camillus Center for Spiritual Care in Los Angeles. Gardens of healing, which are being planned in the five pastoral regions of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, are a manifestation of our ongoing care for and support of those impacted by sexual abuse in all its forms. The Archdiocese encourages anyone with information regarding sexual abuse to please make a report to law enforcement and/or the Office of Victims Assistance Ministry at (800) 355-2545 or protect@la-archdiocese.org. For more information on the abuse prevention and protection efforts of the Archdiocese, please visit <https://lacatholics.org/protect/>. For more information about the Gardens of Healing, please visit lacatholics.org/healing-gardens/, and read the article in Angelus News, <https://angelusnews.com/local/la-catholics/la-garden-of-healing-for-abuse/>.

For more information on other ways to keep kids safe, contact Linda Filkins, the Parish Safeguard Committee Chairperson at the Parish Office at (626) 915-7873 or the Archdiocesan Safeguard the Children Office at (213) 637-7227. For particular help, call the Victims Assistance Office at (213) 637-7650.

Attention St. Louise de Marillac Families



Christmas is around the corner and the Children's Liturgy Team is getting ready to plan the glorious celebration of Christmas Eve Mass.

Come join us in celebrating the St. Louise Children's Christmas Eve Mass Saturday, December 24, 2022 at 4:30PM

Below are the parts available for the mass. Please indicate your role preferences within the body of your emailed response.

*Shepherds (Boys - Grades TK and up)

*Angels (Girls - Grades TK and up)

*Gift Bearers (All - Grades 1 and up)

*Readers (All - Grades 2 and up)

*Actors (All - Grades 5 and up)

*Ushers (All - Grades 3 and up)

All requests must be in by Thursday, December 13th.

A mandatory rehearsal will take place on Saturday, December 17th,
1:00 - 3:30PM in the Church.

Each participant will be contacted and given their parts and rehearsal time slot.

Please email the response below to: faithformation@stlouisedm.org

My child(ren) is(are) interested in participating in the Christmas Program on December 24th at the 4:30PM Mass. I understand these are only preferences and are not guaranteed.

(Repeat for each child participating)

Child's Name: _____

Grade: _____ Preference#1: _____ Preference#2: _____

Child's Name: _____

Grade: _____ Preference#1: _____ Preference#2: _____

Child's Name: _____

Grade: _____ Preference#1: _____ Preference#2: _____

Parent's Name(s): _____

Cell Phone No(s): _____

Parent Email: _____

Parents, HELP is needed. Please indicate if you will be available.

____ YES! I am available to help

____ NO! I am not available to help

St. Louise de Marillac Faith Formation

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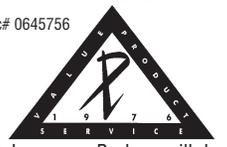
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