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SUNDAY 11 DECEMBER 2022

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

YEAR A

ST. PADRE PIO CHURCH PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday – Friday 8:30am – 3:30pm
Closed 12:00pm – 12:30pm

SUNDAY

8:00am Mass
10:00am Mass

MONDAY

No Mass and Office closed

TUESDAY TO FRIDAY

9:00am Mass

SATURDAY

9:00am Mass
Novena to St. Padre Pio
9:30am Sacrament of Penance
5:30pm Saturday Vigil Mass

BAPTISMS

11:30am 1st, 2nd, and 3rd
Sundays. Please contact the
Parish Office. Presentation and
Baptism Information morning
are held every 4th Sunday

FIRST FRIDAY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION

8:00pm – 9:00am Saturday
Mass 3:00am Divine Mercy
Chaplet

FRIDAY PLAYGROUP

9:30am – 11:30am 0-6 years
Bethany Catholic Primary
School Hall Contact Joanne
D'Agostino, via the Parish
Office.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

Please contact the Parish Office.

Dear Friends,

Please see the Mass and Preparation timing for Christmas. I request you to make use of these spiritual activities in order to welcome Baby Jesus in our lives.

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

Nine Day Christmas Novena – Rooster Masses

Friday 16 December 5:00am

Saturday 17 December 9:00am

Sunday 18 December 8:00am (Novena & Sunday Mass),
10am (Sunday Mass)

Monday 19 December – Friday 23 December 5:00am

Saturday 24 December 9:00am

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Children's Mass - Saturday 24 December

5:30pm Carols - 6:00pm Mass

The children are invited to dress as a nativity character for this Mass

Family Mass - Saturday 24 December

8:00pm Carols 8:30pm Mass

Solemn Mass - Sunday 25 December

11:30pm Carols 12:00am Mass

Christmas Day Mass - Sunday 25 December

7:30am Carols 8:00am Mass

9:30am Carols 10:00am Mass

God bless..

Kind Regards,

Fr. Suresh Kumar

Parish Priest

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE: 12 DECEMBER



Photo is from bing.com

The Below is from: Ewtn.com/catholicism/seasons-and-feast-days/our-lady-of-guadalupe-21357

What is the story behind Our Lady of Guadalupe?

On December 9, 1531, barely 10 years after the Spanish conquest of the Aztecs, Our Lady appeared to a native peasant named Juan Diego while he was crossing Tepeyac Hill, outside what is today Mexico City. After telling Juan that she was the “mother of the true God,” she told him that she wanted a church to be built there in her honor.

Juan Diego then approached the bishop of the new diocese of Mexico, Fray Juan de Zumárraga, asking for a church to be built. Without any proof, the bishop did not believe him. The Blessed Virgin then appeared again to Juan Diego, asking him to approach the bishop again. St. Juan obeyed her, and this time, the bishop requested a miraculous sign that would prove the story. When Our Lady appeared a third time to St. Juan on December 10, she said that she would provide a miracle the next day.

However, on December 11, Juan Diego’s uncle became seriously ill, and he took care of him instead of meeting the Blessed Virgin. When his uncle, Juan Bernardino, appeared to be in his final hours on the early morning of December 12, St. Juan left the house to find a priest.

Believing that he could avoid seeing the Blessed Virgin, he took another route. However, not to be outsmarted, she still appeared to him.

The Blessed Virgin asked where he was going, and he explained that his uncle was ill. In response to Juan’s lack of understanding of her great love for him, the Blessed Virgin asked him, “Am I not here, I who am your mother?” She then told him that his uncle had, in fact, recovered.

Then Our Lady asked Juan to collect some flowers from Tepeyac Hill, which is usually barren. He found Castilian roses, which are not native to Mexico, much less bloom in central Mexico in December.

The Blessed Mother arranged the roses in Juan Diego’s tilma, before he proceeded to the bishop yet again. Upon opening his tilma before the bishop and other witnesses, the miraculous image of Our Lady of Guadalupe was revealed as the roses fell to the ground.

The following day, St. Juan returned to his uncle and found him completely recovered, as the Virgin had said. Juan Bernardino reported that Mary had appeared to him and requested to be known under the title of “Guadalupe.”

Within seven years of this apparition, in which Our Lady manifested herself to the native peoples of Mexico as a sign of her maternal care, nine million accepted the Catholic faith. Remarkably, this amounts to an average of over 3000 people a day, every day for the next seven years. This is the number who were converted on Pentecost, as recorded in Acts 2:41.

What are the miracles of the tilma?

The tilma defies the efforts of science to explain its creation, its survival, or its details.

Regarding Its Creation:

No method of art or technology has been identified that could have produced the image.

Like the Shroud of Turin, it is most like a photograph.

Regarding Its Survival:

The tilma has survived for 500 years, despite being made of cactus fibre which typically disintegrates in 20-40 years. It is the only existing agave fabric from the 16th century. For much of that time it was exposed uncovered to the heat, humidity, and sunlight of the church where it was displayed, as well as the veneration of the people.

Nitric acid was spilled on the tilma in 1791, and it repaired miraculously with no external aid.

Unprotected, it survived unscathed a bomb attack in 1921, which damaged the altar and bent a brass crucifix upon it.

Regarding Its Details:

The position of the stars on the image conform to the constellations as they were on December 12th, 1521, when the image was created.

Recent investigations have shown that when the tilma is enlarged 2,500 times, the Virgin Mary’s eye has the reflection of all of the people who were present when the tilma was revealed to the archbishop. These are just some of the unbelievable discoveries that have been made about the image. *Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us.*

ST. PADRE PIO PARISH INFORMATION

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

This year we help the orphans and mentally disabled children in India. Please take a star and kindly bring back a donation of \$50. This will provide them with Christmas lunch and new clothes. The donation can be given to Fr Suresh or via the parish website. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS FLYERS LETTER BOX DROP

You are invited to take the flyers from the table at the back of the Church and do a letterbox drop around Glenmore Park. Please mark the streets that you will be covering from the list of street names provided. Each pile has 50 flyers. Thank you.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE & RECONCILIATION 2023

The Parent Info Letter & Enrolment Form are now available on the Parish Website & Welcome Table.

Sunday 11 December: Third Sunday of Advent Yr A

Monday 12 December: Our Lady of Guadalupe

Tuesday 13 December: St Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

Date	Event	Information
13 December	ROSARY PRAYER GROUP	Mother Mary's Statue will be at the home of Evelyn & Virgilio Cobol, 11 Dara Cres, GP
16 December	ADVENT PARISH MISSION	Theme: Bethlehem - House of Bread. Preacher: Fr. John Rizzo, 7pm. Come and receive the Grace of God from Adoration, Mass and Preaching. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available, please make use of this opportunity as preparation for Christmas. Please share this info with others so that others can benefit. FB event: https://fb.me/e/2itSOhcKf
16 December	ROOSTER MASSES START (16 to 24 December) *	5am Mass. NO 9AM MASS when Rooster Mass is on. *Except Saturdays & Sundays: Masses are at the usual times.
17 December	SECOND WORKING BEE	Church Cleaning. After 9am Mass.
17 December	CHILDREN YOUTH GROUP	For children: Yr. 1 to Yr. 8. Every 1st & 3rd Saturday, 4.30pm-5.30pm in the school hall. The Sign-up sheet is found on the Welcome Table.
17 December	ADVENT PARISH MISSION	Day 2 of the Advent Parish Mission, 5.30pm Vigil Mass
20 December	ROSARY PRAYER GROUP	Mother Mary's Statue will be at the home of Brad & Natalie Wilkinson, 9 Dungara Cres GP
CHRISTMAS EVE 24/12	CHILDREN'S MASS	5.30pm: Carols, 6pm Mass Children are invited to dress up as a nativity character for this Mass.
	FAMILY MASS	8.00pm Carols, 8.30pm Mass
CHRISTMAS DAY 25/12	SOLEMN MASS	11.30pm Carols, 12am Midnight Mass
	MORNING MASS	7.30am Carols, 8am Mass
	MORNING MASS	9.30am Carols, 10am Mass

ST. PADRE PIO PARISH ROSTERS WEEK THREE – THIRD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH 17/18 DECEMBER 2022

MASS TIME	5:30PM	8:00AM	10:00AM
COORDINATOR	Trudi Almeida	Lynn Young	Regina Rossetto
ACOLYTE	Joe Badrov	Khalid Younan	help needed Manny Medel
SENIOR SERVER	Kylie Sultana	help needed	help needed
READER	1. Rolaine Vibar 2. Angelina Badrov	1. help needed 2. Ajumol Alexander	1. Regina Rossetto 2. help needed
MUSIC	Our Daily Bread		
HOSPITALITY	help needed	Sue Guy	Connie Hyland
CLEANING TEAM	Mel Gaudoin, Susan Guy, Anna Roberts, Aiman & Maria Jajo, Johan		

MASS/PRAYERS OFFERED FOR THESE INTENTIONS: Deceased: Ana Ivic, Eddy Borovnjak, Mario Caruana, Bernadette Tuaimau. **Prayers for the Sick:** Farley Bartholomeusz, Rita Farrugia, Lucy Marie Ciappara, Carey Weber, Georgina Rastegorac, Waled Hana, Maryrose Vella, John Vella, Catherine Vella, Lolyn Velayo, Normie Santos. *Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass offered for Recently Deceased, Death Anniversary, Prayers for the Sick, Thanksgiving.*



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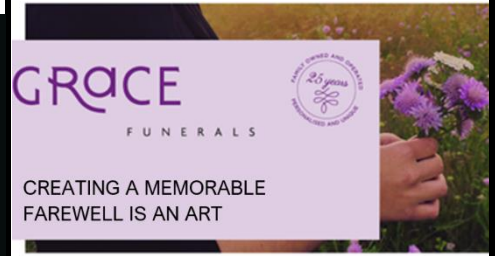
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