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December 7, 2025

2nd Sunday of Advent

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Thank you for joining us today!
¡Gracias por acompañarnos!

*“Justice shall flourish in his time,
and fullness of peace for ever.”*
(Psalm 72)



“Ven, Señor, rey de justicia y de paz”.
(Salmo 71)

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MASS SCHEDULE



*Parishioners are invited to come
celebrate with us the real presence of
Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.*



Monday-Friday 9:00 AM - Eng.

Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday 4:00 PM - Eng.

Saturday, Vigil Mass for Sunday 6:00 PM - Sp.

Sunday 8:00 AM - Eng. 10:00 AM - Eng.
12:00 PM - Sp. 6:00 PM - Sp.

Confessions:

*Saturdays 2:00-3:30 PM, English & Spanish,
or by appointment.*

*Call the Parish Office at (863) 422-4370.
Thank you!*

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 6, 2025

4:00 PM ☩ Audry E. Bea

6:00 PM ☩ Juan Tirado Olvera

Sunday, December 7, 2025

8:00 AM ☩ Lego Family

10:00 AM ☩ Leslie & Norman Madsen

12:00 PM (Sp.) ☩ Hilnolio Moreno

6:00 PM (Sp.) ☩ José Angel Ocasio

Monday, December 8, 2025

9:00 AM ☩ Conception Santiago

Tuesday, December 9, 2025

9:00 AM ☩ Sueanne Schodorf

Wednesday, December 10, 2025

9:00 AM ☩ Memorial Mass Association

Thursday, December 11, 2025

9:00 AM ☩ Foley Family

Friday, December 12, 2025

6:00 AM ☩ Joe López

9:00 AM ☩ Schodorf Family

5:00 PM ☩ Jaime Patiño

Saturday, December 13, 2025

4:00 PM ☩ Zaida Iglesias

6:00 PM ☩ Flora Vasquez

Sunday, December 14, 2025

8:00 AM ☩ Sueanne Schodorf

10:00 AM ☩ Luis Manuel Rivera

12:00 PM (Sp.) ☩ Esther Villasanta

6:00 PM (Sp.) ☩ Francisco David Hernández Chávez

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PARISH SACRIFICIAL GIVING

November 29 & 30, 2025

Regular Offertory: \$15,197.50

Buildings & Grounds Collection: \$2,965

50/50: Winner has been notified - \$208

Faith Direct November 15-30: \$6,139.45

Miscellaneous: \$2,965



November 22 & 23, 2025

Regular Offertory: \$14,926.50

Buildings & Grounds Collection: \$1,468

50/50: Winner has been notified - \$164.50

Faith Direct November 1-14: \$5,945.85

Miscellaneous: \$4,779

OCA 2025 Update:

Please consider supporting Our Catholic Appeal.

Goal: \$191,737.10

Pledged to Date: \$167,786.50

Cash received to Date: \$125,556.19

Still needed in Pledges: \$23,950.60

*While we have made a lot of progress in pledges,
there is an amount in pledges that needs to be covered.*

Thank you for helping to spread the good news of salvation!



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

will take place all day on **Fridays** in the church
from 9:30 AM-6:30 PM.

***Every first Friday of the month, the reposition
will be at 5:30 PM, followed by Mass in Spanish.**

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



To receive offertory envelopes, you must be a registered member of St. Ann Church. You may register by filling out a registration card at the desk in the Narthex. You can then drop it in the offertory basket or take it to the church office. Please be patient as you wait for your envelopes to arrive in the mail. They are sent out every 1-2 months, depending on the time of year.

OUR LEGACY CONTINUES

Parish Construction Project – Week 16 Update

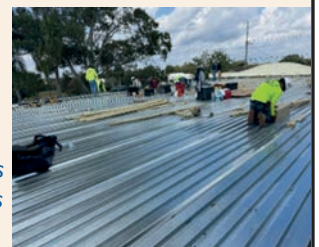
Progress on our renovation project is continuing to move forward!

Ceiling lights have been installed, and acoustical ceiling grid tiles have been delivered and stored in the “choir room” space in the old parish office.

Roof deck replacement at the Anderson Building is nearly complete. All interior work remains on hold until the roof work is finished.

We are grateful for your prayers, patience, and generosity as we advance with this important work for our parish community.

*“Built upon the foundation of the apostles
and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as
the cornerstone” (Ephesians 2:20).*



FROM HOPE TO PREPARATION



My brothers and sisters in Christ, today, on the Second Sunday of Advent, we shift our focus. We move from the theme of Hope to the theme of Preparation, often symbolized by John the Baptist.

In the Gospel, we hear his powerful and urgent cry: “A voice of one crying out in the desert: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.’”

Consider that image: making straight the paths. When a king or dignitary was about to arrive, a team would go ahead to fill in valleys, level mountains, and smooth rough roads. They literally cleared the way for the king’s arrival.

John the Baptist calls us to do the same, but this work isn’t for a physical highway; it’s for the road of our hearts.

The good news is that this preparation is not solely for our benefit; it is a task given to us so that, as the prophet Isaiah proclaimed, “all flesh shall see the salvation of God.” Our personal transformation is part of God’s plan for the entire world.

As we light the second candle of Advent—the candle of Peace or Preparation—let us pray for the courage to heed John’s voice. This week, let us commit to clearing the clutter and smoothing the rough edges in our hearts, creating a true, straight path for Jesus Christ to enter and reign.

Fr. Alfonso Cely
Pastor

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**ST. ANN'S
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM
ANNUAL NATIVITY PRESENTATION**
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2025
AT 2:00 PM
IN THE CHURCH**

ALL ARE WELCOME!



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CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS



We invite you to help us create a beautiful altar in preparation for the coming of Jesus into the world.

We are currently accepting donations of any amount to support the purchase of Christmas flowers.

Please pick up a flower fund envelope from the narthex, insert your donation, and place it in the offertory basket.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!



DECEMBER 7, 2025

PENANCE SERVICE



Thursday, December 18

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held in the Church from:

**10:00 AM to 12:30 PM
&
5:00-8:00 PM**

In case you can't attend a penance service at St. Ann's, here are other options:

PENANCE SERVICES IN OUR DEANERY:

Holy Spirit: December 9 - 7:00 PM
644 S. 9th St., Lake Wales, FL 33853

Corpus Christi: December 10, 11, & 12 - 7:00-8:00 PM
1050 Celebration Ave., Celebration, FL 34747-4867

St. Joseph Church: December 16 - 7:00 PM
532 Ave. M NW, Winter Haven, FL 33881

St. Rose of Lima: December 18 - 7:00 PM
3880 Pleasant Hill Rd., Kissimmee, FL 34746

JESSE TREE

The Jesse Tree helps us connect the custom of decorating Christmas trees to the events leading to Jesus' birth.

The Jesse Tree is named from Isaiah 11:1: "A shoot shall come out of the stock of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots." Jesse was the father of King David.



We adorn a Jesse Tree with illustrated ornaments that represent the people, prophecies, and events leading up to the birth of Jesus. The ornaments of the Jesse Tree tell the story of God in the Old Testament, connecting the Advent season to God's faithfulness across 4,000 years of history.

Join us as we follow the journey to Bethlehem while we place the ornaments on our Jesse Tree!

Monday-Friday: After the 9:00 AM Mass
Weekend: Saturdays - 4:00 PM Mass
Sundays - 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM Masses

SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT



**2nd Sunday of Advent
December 7, 2025**

Advent Candle Lighting Calendar:

- December 7 Music
- December 14 Ushers
- December 21 Altar Servers

SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT PRAYER



**A Prayer for
the Second Sunday of
ADVENT**

God of patience, show us your wisdom in time, that we may grow to expect your action on your time. Teach us to be gentle and patient with ourselves. Make us receptive to your timing in others. Help us see the long view when we are caught in the frustration of waiting. Amen.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

*Solemnity of our United
States of America
Patroness
Immaculate Conception
(Holy Day of Obligation)*

Monday, December 8, 2025

**9:00 AM - English
7:00 PM - Español**



NOVENA MASSES TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

We invite you to celebrate each Mass of this Novena with great devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe on
December 3-11

Location: St. Ann Church

Time: 7:00 PM (Except Saturday, December 6 and Sunday, December 7 at 6:00 PM)

The Rosary begins 30 minutes before each Mass

Te invitamos a celebrar cada Eucaristía de esta Novena con mucha devoción a Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe desde el **3 al 11 de Diciembre.**

Lugar: Nuestro Templo Parroquial

Horarios: 7:00 PM (Excepto Sábado 6 y Domingo 7 a las 6:00 PM)

El Rosario comienza 30 min antes de cada misa



MISAS DE AGUINALDO

**From December 15 to 23
5:00 AM at Church**

We encourage you to participate!

After each Mass, we will have a fraternal gathering led by the countries represented on the corresponding day of the novena.

The list of nations per day for each sharing will be announced soon

**Del 15 al 23 de Diciembre
5:00 AM en la iglesia**

Anímate a participar !!!

Después de cada misa tendremos un compartir fraternal a cargo de los países del día correspondiente de la novena

Próximamente se anunciará la lista de naciones por día para cada compartir

Prepared the way



Preparen el Camino

DE LA ESPERANZA A LA PREPARACIÓN



Mis hermanos y hermanas en Cristo, hoy, Segundo Domingo de Adviento, cambiamos nuestro enfoque. Pasamos del tema de la Esperanza al tema de la Preparación, a menudo simbolizado por Juan el Bautista.

En el Evangelio, escuchamos su grito poderoso y urgente: «Voz del que clama en el desierto: ‘Preparad el camino del Señor, enderezad sus sendas’».

Consideren esa imagen: enderezar los caminos. Cuando un rey o dignatario estaba a punto de llegar, un equipo se adelantaba para rellenar valles, nivelar montañas y allanar caminos ásperos. Literalmente, despejaban el camino para la llegada del rey.

Juan el Bautista nos llama a hacer lo mismo, pero esta obra no es para una carretera física; es para el camino de nuestros corazones.

La buena noticia es que esta preparación no es solo para nuestro beneficio; es una tarea que se nos encomienda para que, como proclamó el profeta Isaías, «toda carne vea la salvación de Dios». Nuestra transformación personal es parte del plan de Dios para el mundo entero.

Al encender la segunda vela de Adviento —la vela de la Paz o Preparación—, oremos por la valentía de escuchar la voz de Juan. Esta semana, comprometámonos a limpiar el desorden y suavizar las asperezas de nuestros corazones, creando un camino recto y verdadero para que Jesucristo entre y reine.

P. Alfonso Cely
Pastor

EDUCACION RELIGIOSA

PARROQUIA DE ST. ANN PROGRAMA DE EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

PRESENTACIÓN ANUAL DE NATIVIDAD

**DOMINGO, 14 DE DICIEMBRE DE 2025
A LAS 2:00 PM
EN LA IGLESIA**

¡TODOS SON BIENVENIDOS!



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DONACIONES DE FLORES DE NAVIDAD



Te invitamos a ayudarnos a hacer que el altar sea verdaderamente glorioso para la venida de Jesús al mundo.

Ahora estamos aceptando donaciones de cualquier monto para ayudar con las flores de Navidad.

Simplemente toma un sobre del fondo de flores en el nártex, inserta tu donación y colócalo en la canasta de la ofrenda.

¡Gracias de antemano por tu generosidad!



DICIEMBRE 7, 2025

SERVICIO DE RECONCILIACIÓN



Jueves 18 de Diciembre

El Sacramento de Reconciliación se llevara a cabo desde:

**10:00 AM to 12:30 PM
&
5:00-8:00 PM**

En caso de no poder asistir a continuación otras opciones en nuestro dicasterio:

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INMACULADA CONCEPCIÓN

*Solemnidad de Nuestra
Patrona de Estados
Unidos de America
Inmaculada
Concepción
(Día de Precepto)*

Lunes Diciembre 8, 2025

**9:00 AM - English
7:00 PM - Español**



SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

**2do Domingo de Adviento
Diciembre 7, 2025**

Calendario de encendido de las velas de Adviento:

Diciembre 7	Coro
Diciembre 14	Ujieres
Diciembre 21	Servidores del Altar

ÁRBOL DE JESÉ



El árbol de Jesé nos ayuda a conectar la costumbre de decorar árboles de Navidad con los eventos que condujeron al nacimiento de Jesús.

El árbol de Jesé recibe su nombre de Isaías 11:1: «Un retoño brotará del tronco de Jesé, y un vástago retoñará de sus raíces». Jesé fue el padre del rey David.

Adornamos un árbol de Jesé con adornos ilustrados que representan a las personas, las profecías y los eventos que condujeron al nacimiento de Jesús. Los adornos del árbol de Jesé cuentan la historia de Dios en el Antiguo Testamento, conectando el Adviento con la fidelidad de Dios a lo largo de cuatro mil años de historia.

Acompañenos a seguir el camino a Belén mientras colocamos los adornos en nuestro árbol de Jesé.

Todos los días: Después de la misa de las 9:00 AM
 Fines de semana: Sábados a las 4:00 PM
 Domingos a las 8:00 AM y a las 10:00 AM

ORACIÓN SEGUNDA SEMANA DE ADVIENTO

Los profetas mantenían encendida la esperanza de Israel.
 Nosotros, como un símbolo, encendemos estas dos velas.
 El viejo tronco está rebrotando, florece el desierto.
 La humanidad entera se estremece porque Dios se ha sembrado en nuestra carne.
 Que cada uno de nosotros, Señor, te abra su vida para que brotes, para que florezcas, para que nazcas y mantengas en nuestro corazón encendida la esperanza.
 ¡Ven pronto, Señor. Ven, Salvador!
 Amén.

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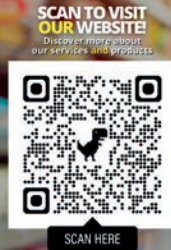
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