

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES CATHOLIC
CHURCH BULLETIN

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NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Christmas Vigil Mass Readings

*1st Reading: Is 62:1-5 *Ps 89:4-5,16-17,27,29

*2nd Reading: ACTS 13:16-17,22-25 *Gospel: MT 1:1-25/1:18-25

Christmas Day Mass Readings

*1st Reading: Is 52:7-10 *Ps 98:1-6

*2nd Reading: Heb 1:1-6 *Gospel: Jn 1:1-18/1:1-5,9-14



NATIVIDAD DEL SEÑOR

Lecturas de la misa de la vigilia de Navidad

*Primera lectura: Is 9:1-6 *Sal 96:1-3, 11-13

*Segunda lectura: Ti 2:11-14 *Evangelio: Lk 2:1-14

Lecturas de la misa del día de Navidad

*Primera lectura: Is 52:7-10 *Sal 98:1-6

*Segunda lectura: Heb 1:1-6 *Evangelio: Jn 1:1-18/1:1-5,9-14

LITURGY OF THE WEEKEND

24 FRI: Mass: 5:00 pm (+Deceased Family Members of Jason Malinsky)

Misa 7:30 pm (+Miembros Difuntos para la Familia de Eladio y Maria Flores)

25 SAT: Mass 9:30 am: (+Deceased family Members of Eveland Wooten)

Misa 11:30 am: (+Difuntos Miembros para la Familia de Lydia Capote)

Christmas Mass Schedule/ Horario de la misa de Navidad

Friday Dec 24 - 4 pm - Family Christmas Program

5:00 pm - English Vigil Mass

7:30 pm - Misa de Vigilia Española

Saturday Dec 25 -

9:30 am - English Mass

11:30 am - Misa en Española



PRAYER REQUESTS

Your prayers are requested for the following parishioner prayer list /

Se solicitan sus oraciones para la siguiente lista de oración de feligreses:

Tony Blackwell, Jose Ramires Castrejon, Sandra Rodriguez, Alane Walters, Lydia Yarborough, Juanita Mishoe, Carolyn Onorato, Richard Onorato, David & Rhonda Martin, Noelia Powell, Richard Geibert, Dr. Jerry Devine, Renete Cortez, Lupita Flores Castellano, Joe Younge, Fabien, Mary Hammonds, Therese Morel, Maryland Chance, Lorene Sinclair, Janet Hester, Mitchell Pittman

Recently Departed/Recientemente Fallecido:

Mary Caliendo; Marina Rojo Labra

Remember also in your prayers all those affected by the Coronavirus around the world.

Church Gift Shop

Looking for a special gift for ANY occasion? Check out all the new merchandise in our Church Gift Shop! High Quality, Affordable, and Beautiful! Be sure to stop by!

Tienda de regalos de la iglesia

¿Buscas un regalo especial para CUALQUIER ocasión? ¡Vea toda la mercancía nueva en nuestra tienda de regalos de la iglesia! ¡Alta calidad, asequible y hermosa! ¡Asegúrate de pasar por aquí!



Happy Birthday to all celebrating birthdays this weekend/ Feliz Cumpleaños a todos los que celebran cumpleaños en esta semana! 12/24 - 12/25th

Jim Riddell, Alma Stantan, Patricia Gaughan, Mary Hammonds, Kim Powers, David Sozanski

Christmas Countdown

We hope you are enjoying the Advent Story Time with SFDS with various parishioners who are reading to you! If you haven't seen any, you can catch up by clicking on the links below...all are less than 5 min long, so feel free to sit as a family & enjoy! (*Don't forget to Subscribe to SFDSLumbertonNC Youtube channel*)



Cuenta regresiva de Navidad

¡Esperamos que esté disfrutando de la Hora de Cuentos de Adviento con SFDS con varios feligreses que le están leyendo! Si no ha visto ninguno, puede ponerse al día haciendo clic en los enlaces a continuación ... ¡todos duran menos de 5 minutos, así que siéntense libres de sentarse en familia y disfrutar! (* No olvide suscribirse al canal de YouTube SFDSLumbertonNC *)

- [Day 1 - Narrated by Chris Germaine](#)
- [Day 2 - Narrated by Terri Riddell](#)
- [Day 3 - Narrated by Paula Bass](#)
- [Day 4 - Narrated by Winston & Pennie Arokiasamy](#)
- [Day 5 - Narrated by Jason Malinsky](#)
- [Day 6 - Narrated by the Dana Family](#)
- [Day 7 - Narrated by Laura Walters](#)
- [Day 8 - Narrated by Mitchell & Chris Pittman](#)
- [Day 9 - Narrated by Stephen & Joy Bukowy](#)
- [Day 10 - Narrated by Hannah Oxendine](#)
- [Day 11 - Narrated by Gloria Lucenta](#)
- [Day 12 - Narrated by Patrick & Sheila Ebri](#)
- [Day 13 - Narrated by Veronica Rich](#)
- [Day 14 - Narrated by Lee & April Pittman](#)
- [Day 15 - Narrated by Jonathan Bullock](#)
- [Day 16 - Narrated by Magally Ortiz-Rojas](#)
- [Day 17 - Narrated by Margarita Miranda](#)
- [Day 18 - Narrated by Frank McNair, Maria Gomez & Christian Carranza](#)
- [Day 19 - Narrated by Mary Lee Wadrose](#)
- [Day 20 - Narrated by Theresa Shultz](#)
- [Day 21 - Narrated by Zach & Summer Pittman](#)
- [Day 22 - Narrated by Leah Byrd](#)
- [Day 23 - Narrated by David Rich](#)
- [Day 24 - Narrated by Mikayla Rich](#)



SFDS Bell Ringers THANK YOU!

Huge thank you to all the parishioners that came last Saturday to hear the SFDS Handbell Ringers perform "O Come O Come Emmanuel" and "On Jordan's Bank" before the 5:00 pm Mass. If you were unable to attend but would like to view the recording, please look for it on the church Facebook Group Page.

THANK YOU!

Timbres de SFDS ¡GRACIAS!

Muchísimas gracias a todos los feligreses que vinieron el sábado pasado para escuchar a los timbres de SFDS Handbell tocar "O Come O Come Emmanuel" y "On Jordan's Bank" antes de la misa de las 5:00 pm. Si no pudiste asistir pero te gustaría ver la grabación, búscala en la página del grupo de Facebook de la iglesia.

Writing Christmas Cards?



If you attended the Virtual Vocation Awareness Week back in November and/or would like to send a note of encouragement, appreciation, and/or prayer for support & Merry Christmas greetings to those that generously donated their time and attended, their addresses are below. Thanks to all that participated and continue to pray for an increase in Religious Vocations.

† Sr. Michaela Serpa
School of Pharmacy
One University Parkway
High Point NC 27268

† Sr. Maria Sanchez, HSMG
St. Gabriel Parish
3250 Dickenson Ave
Greenville NC 27834

† Sr. Rosemary McNamara
The Newman Center
(UNCW Catholic Campus Ministry)
4802 College Acres Drive
Wilmington NC 28402

† Seminarian John Lewis
St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church
725 Magdala Pl
Apex, NC 27502

† Friar Michael T Martin
Duke Catholic Center
PO Box 90976
Durham NC 27708

† Fr. Gaston Baswekundola
St. Gabriel Parish
3250 Dickinson Ave
Greenville NC 27834

† Monsignor Chris Schreck
St. William Catholic Church
2300 Frederica Road
St. Simons Island, GA 31522

† Fr. Frank (Mac) Raffo
135 Love Thirty Drive
Pinehurst NC 28374

† Deacon Vince Mescall
St. Patrick Catholic Church
2844 Village Drive
Fayetteville NC 28304

† Deacon Ramon Ferrer
St. Julia Catholic Church
210 Harold Hart Road
Siler City NC 27344

† Deacon Pat Snyder
St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church
2000 E Elizabethtown Road
Lumberton NC 28358

† Fr. Zacharie Tati
St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church
2000 E Elizabethtown Road
Lumberton NC 28358

MINISTRY MESSAGES



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

"For a child is born to us, a son is given to us; upon his shoulder dominion rests. They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-hero, Father-Forever, Prince of Peace."

Brothers and Sisters, as we celebrate the nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ let us see this season as a time to remember the humility of our Lord and his Incarnation. Christ Jesus, though he was the King of glory, though he was the second person of the Holy Trinity, though he was in the form of God, humbled himself and took upon himself the role of a servant for the salvation of the world. It was God the Word who came to us born in a stable and laid in a manger; he emptied himself in order to serve others. Brothers and Sisters let this same mind that was Christ be also in us, Christmas is a season of giving, a time to open our hearts in imitation of our Lord who gave himself for us. This Christmas there are many who are struggling, many of whom who are without, by God's grace let us learn to see Christ in those who are sick, those who are without, let us learn to see each other the way Christ sees us. From the Adult Faith Formation group, we wish you all a merry Christmas, and may God bless you all this holiday season.

To all who have volunteered for the Adult Faith Formation activities I wish to extend a heartfelt and sincere thank you for your services and wish you and your families a Merry Christmas. Those who have attended the faith formation programs I extend my gratitude and sincere Christmas greetings to you and your family. ~ Adult Faith Formation Team

BEREAVEMENT

To all the women who provided food for funeral luncheons, and helped set up and clean up, I offer my sincere gratitude. May your Christmas season offer peace and joy. ~Penny Arokiasamy

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

As another Christmas with Covid approaches, I would like to express my utmost appreciation, love, and well wishes to all the parents, children, parishioners, and catechists. Parents - thank you for your support and devotion in bringing your children to faith formation & reinforcing our Catholic faith in your homes. Children - for always going with the flow, without your curiosity, energy, and presence we surely wouldn't be here. Parishioners - for all your prayers of support. Catechists - for your steadfast faith and unending service and love you so graciously give to the children of St. Francis de Sales. As Covid continues to exist, I share Joshua 1:9, "I've commanded you to be strong and brave. Don't ever be afraid or discouraged! I am the LORD your God, and I will be there to help you wherever you go." Merry Christmas & Blessing to you all in 2022! ~ Melissa Edwards

RCIA

Merry Christmas to everyone from the St Francis De Sales RCIA team!!! May God continue to bless us all and may he continue to lead more and more souls to His Son Jesus Christ and His Holy Catholic Church. Please continue to keep all those in prayer who are seeking God and his church. Please keep our catechumen, Mr. Adolfo Duran, in your prayers as he continues his journey to the Easter Sacraments! Joy to the World! ~ Jason Malinksy

SOCIAL MINISTRY

We wish all parishioners a very festive season during this time of Jesus' birth! A Sincerest THANK YOU for your generosity and contributions to those in need throughout this past challenging year.

"Christ has no body on earth but ours, no hands, but ours, no feet, but ours. Ours are the eyes through which the compassion of Christ looks out upon the world. Ours are the feet with which He goes about doing good. Ours are the hands with which He blesses His people."

St. Teresa of Avila

~David Rich