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SATURDAY / SÁBADO, 31 DE DICIEMBRE ST. SYLVESTER

NEW YEAR'S EVE

7:30 A.M. SABATINA

4:00 P.M. MASS (ENGL)

+Leonard Levigne (7th Anniv)- Mirelle Levigne

+Oscar Cantu (5th Anniv)- Esposa e Hijos

+Betty Tapke- Jackie

+Amelia Moreno- Familia

+Dcn. Ricardo Ayala- Wife, Josie Ayala & Fam.

+Josefina Ayala- Family

+Constancia y Victor Moreno- Fam.

+Guadalupe Vela- Mauricio & Gracie Cantu

+Antonio, Jr. & Bobby Reyna- Familia Reyna

7:00 P.M. MASS (SPAN)

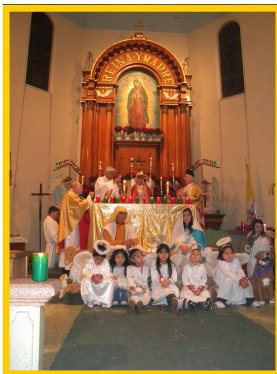
+Edelmiro Vela (10th Anniv)- Esposa & Fam.

+Hilda Guerra- Guerra Fam.

+Dora Guerra- Guerra Fam.

+Joe Rubio- Guerra Fam.

THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF GOD 1 DE ENERO DEL 2012



TUESDAY, MARTES, 3 DE ENERO

THE MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS

6:55 A.M. LITURGIA DE LA PALABRA Y COMUNION /
LITURGY OF THE WORD W/ COMMUNION

WEDNESDAY / MIERCOLES, 4 DE ENERO

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

6:55 A.M. MASS

+Ma. Rosa Moreno & Maria Rodriguez- Jose G. Moreno

THURSDAY / JUEVES, 5 DE ENERO

ST. JOHN NEUMANN

6:00 P.M. CONFESSIONS

7:00 P.M. MASS

+Ma. Rosa Moreno & Ma. Rodriguez- Jose G. Moreno, Sr.

+Guadalupe Rosas- Ramiro Rosas

For the health of Lula Sanchez- Marcia Ingram

FRIDAY / VIERNES, 6 DE ENERO

ST. ANDRÉ BESSETTE

6:55 A.M. MASS

+Jose Longoria- OLG

SATURDAY / SÁBADO, 7 DE ENERO

ST. RAYMOND OF PENYAFORT

7:30 A.M. SABATINA

4:00 P.M. MASS (ENGL)

+Elvira H. Avila (B-day)- Fam.

+Blanca Gonzalez- Ramon Lozano & Fam.

+Leticia Fonseca- Ramon Fonseca

+Arturo & Felicitas Lozano- Ramon Fonseca

+Derald Zimmer (Anniv)- Alice Zimmer

+Gilberto "Big Skeeter" Esqueda (2nd Anniv)- Fam.

+Pablo Elizondo- Esposa e Hijos

+Guillermo Compean- Jose Compean Fam.

+Rip Halverson- Mary Ann & Bob McElhron

5:30 P.M. MASS (ENGL)

+Tomas McKeown- Wife, Betty & Fam.

+Arcopaja Longoria (1st Anniv)- Fam. Rodriguez

+Rutilo Muñoz Valdez (3rd Anniv)- Esposa e Hijos

+Marge Nelson- Maxine Bauerenfeind

+Ray Nelson- Maxine Bauerenfeind

+Fidelis Lindner- Maxine Bauerenfiend

7:00 P.M. MASS (SPAN)

+Elva Yzaguirre Martinez- Fam.

+Baltazar Segovia- Emerardo & Ofelia Longoria & Fam.

SUNDAY/ DOMINGO, 1 DE ENERO

NEW YEAR'S DAY

7:30 A.M. MASS (SPAN)

+Maria Rosa Moreno- Jose G. Moreno

+Maria Rodriguez- Jose G. Moreno

Legion de Maria Vivos y Difuntos

9:00 A.M. MASS (ENGL)

+Genoveva Castillo (B-day)- Frank & Grace Castillo

+Billy Gauthreaux- M/M Billy Gauthreaux

+Belly Bellert- Husband, Richard Bellert

+Mark Davidson- OLG

+Arnulfo Canales- Esposa e Hijos

A/G 45th Wedding Anniversary of Neil & Betty Baier

Health of Cristina Perez Garcia

For Esther Hernandez & Family- Sr. Madonna

10:30 A.M. MASS (ENGL)

FOR THE PEOPLE/ POR EL PUEBLO

12:30 NOON MASS (TEX-MEX)

+Angie Garcia & Nancy Huerta (8th Anniv)- Garcia & Perez Fam.

+SPC. Alex D. Gonzalez- Mom, Dad & Sisters

+Maria Elena Gutierrez (9th Anniv)- Fam.

+Marcelino Farias (40th Anniv)- Fam.

5:30 P.M. MASS (TEX-MEX)

+Pedro Marroquin- OLG

+Renato Chapa- OLG

+Teresa Fernandez-OLG

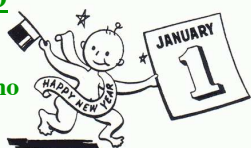
MONDAY / LUNES, 2 DE ENERO

ST. BASIL THE GREAT

ST. GREGORY NAZIANZEN

6:55 A.M. LITURGIA DE LA PALABRA Y COMUNION /

LITURGY OF THE WORD W/ COMMUNION



Happy New Year



2012

The office will be closed on Sunday, Mon-
day, & Tuesday. (January 1-3)

All phone calls will be answered, but
probably not by Fr. Roy!

AS CHRIST ENTERED THE TIMES OF LIVES BENEATH THE HEART OF MARY, SHE WAS FILLED WITH WONDER. SHE PRAYS WITH US
AND FOR US AS 2011 FADES AWAY WE FACE THE MYSTERY OF 2012 THAT WE "NEVER LOSE OUR SENSE OF WONDER!"

Mary, Mother of God

That may gave birth to Jesus helps us to reflect on two important facts: Jesus is truly God, and he is truly human.

Jesus is truly God. In the book of Revelation, all those qualities are ascribed to Jesus that in other places in the Bible are assigned to God.

He is described as having "hair... as white as snow-white wool," which indicates His eternity. "His eyes blaze like fire" indicates his ability to know all things. "His voice sounds like the roar of rushing waters" indicates His power over all things. He is the One who lives forever and ever.

In John's Gospel, the skeptic, Thomas, professes his faith in Jesus by declaring: "My Lord and my God!"

Jesus is truly human. Jesus is truly God, but he is also the Son of Mary. Therefore, Jesus is truly and completely human.

In the first letter of John, the evangelist says he speaks of Jesus, whom he has heard, seen, and touched. In the Gospel of John, the risen Christ asks doubtful Thomas to put his fingers in the nail-holes in Jesus' hands. He is truly human.

The Gospel tells us that Mary reflected upon all these things and treasured them in her heart. The greatest blessing for us would be a deeper realization for ourselves of what it means to say that Jesus is true God and true man. This realization comes to us only in reflection and prayer.



Maria, Madre de Dios

El hecho que Maria dio a luz a Jesús nos ayuda a reflexionar acerca de dos hechos importantes: Jesús es verdaderamente Dios y es verdaderamente humano.

Jesús es verdaderamente Dios. En el libro del Apocalipsis, todas las cualidades que en otros lugares en la Biblia se le atribuyen a Dios, aquí se le atribuyen a Jesús.

A Jesús se le describe como tiene "cabellos... blancos, como lana blanca como nieve," que indican su eternidad. "Sus ojos parecen llamas de fuego," que indican su habilidad para conocer todas las cosas. "Su voz es como estruendo de grandes olas," indica su poder sobre todas las cosas. El es el que vive por toda la eternidad.

En el Evangelio de San Juan, el escéptico, Tomás, profesa su fe en Jesús al declarar: "Tu eres mi Señor y mi Dios."

Jesús es verdaderamente humano. Jesús es verdaderamente Dios, pero El también es el Hijo de Maria. Por lo tanto, Jesús es verdaderamente y totalmente humano.

En la primera carta de Juan, el evangelista dice que él habla de Jesús, a quien ha escuchado, visto, y tocado. En el Evangelio de Juan, el Cristo resucitado le pide al incrédulo Tomás que meta sus dedos en donde estuvieron los clavos en sus manos. El es verdaderamente humano.

El Evangelio nos dice que Maria observaba cuidadosamente todos los acontecimientos y los guardaba en su corazón. La mejor bendición para nosotros sería una realización personal más profunda de la que significa decir que Jesús es verdadero Dios y verdadero Dios y verdadero hombre. Esta realización nos viene solamente por medio de la reflexión y la oración.

WELCOME HOME TO ALL OUR SONS, DAUGHTERS, NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS HOME FOR CHRISTMAS, NEW YEAR'S & THREE KINGS!
¡FELIZ AÑO NUEVO Y'ALL! HAPPY NEW YEAR! GOD BLESS US ALL!
QUE NUESTRO BUEN DIOS NOS BENDIGA EN EL AÑO 2012!

Wow! What a Christmas! Why was it so beautiful? Because of all of you! If Fr. Jim, Fr. Phil, Chunkly, Newly, Bendito, Puebla, Girly and I had celebrated the Sacred Mysteries of Christmas all alone, it would not have been so beautiful at all! That's the mystery we celebrate; God with us! Really, the beauty of the Church and of Christmas is YOU! The burra, the angels, the shepherds, Mary, Joseph, and you, all of us, just amazed at the mystery of Christ in our imperfect but noble and beautiful human condition! Thanks to all of you who prepared, prayed, participated, and celebrated this great mystery of Christ with us, his people, with so much heart!

We sure did it up BIG! Thanks to everybody who attended and all our fine "con-celebrants" angels, shepherds, Mary, Joseph and their donkey, choirs, ushers, Altar men, readers, communion ministers, youth group leaders, directors, decorators and on and on and on! Thanks to God who is with us through it all Christ as we march bravely into the mystery of 2012. The new donkey ain't as cooperated as the retired one, but he'll get better!

iMuchisimas. Muchisimas gracias a todos que nos ayudaron tanto para celebrar la gran fiesta y Misa de Navidad en toda nuestra parroquia! Que guapos el coro, los pastores, María, José, ángeles, lectores, monaguillos, los que decoraron, cantaron, participaron en la ceremonia y el drama emocionante. Todo salió muy muy bonito. Si el Papa la hubiera visto, hubiera querido celebrar la Misa aquí en vez de Roma Italia! iQue buena familia parroquial tenemos aquí!

Speaking of folks "pitchin' in"... By now, you've probably heard of our Christmas Eve heartache, when **BENDITO**, Cantina's 8 month old puppy (and +Augie's heir apparent) suddenly **WENT MISSING** between the 10:30 P.M. and Midnight mass! Chihuahuas! was I worried and heart sick! The whole town was looking for him. Channel 5 news covered the story, our police and dog catchers, parks department and everybody was looking! He was spotted in the area of Bryan and 1st in his red jacket, but finally found back West of Conway close to home! iQue cosas! A Christmas heartache and a Christmas Miracle! Thanks to so many good neighbors who worried, prayed, and looked for **BENDITO**. I appreciate the parable of the lost sheep much more tenderly now!

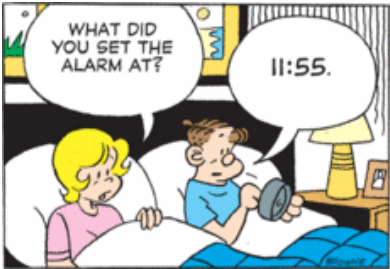


And... Speaking of lost best friends, Noah Gil (son of Delia & Roland Gil) lost his little old, faithful pal, Hopie, around Doherty St. (close to Subway) on December 18. Call 458-1018 or 867-1075 if you've seen him or have any leads.

If you're like me and Dennis the Menace, you hate to see Christmas go. Well, according to wise old Catholic tradition, we actually hang on to it and savor the flavor for quite a while. Next Sunday is the Feast of the Three Kings. We'll do that one up big too! Nacho, the OLG "camel" will do his annual duty. You'll be glad if you bring your cameras for that one! The tree and nativity scene in the church actually stay up till the Feast of the Presentation or Candle Mass (Feb. 2) we'll celebrate on Feb. 4th and 5th (Sat. & Sun.) when we can all be together with the blessing of the throats after each Mass. So, in a way, we'll be basking in the afterglow of the beautiful feast of Christmas for about another month! Ain't that sweet?

COME ON! LET'S CELEBRATE!

I HOPE
YOU
NEVER
LOSE...



...YOUR
SENSE
OF
WONDER!

With Christmas and New Year's on Sunday this year, we decided to forgo the New Year's Midnight Mass, figuring the regular schedule could cover our expression of wonder & gratitude as we continue the journey into the mystery of 2012.

Prayer: Lord God, it is you who have brought us to this New Year. As we look into the mystery that is 2012, we pray to You. Forgive us for the failures, omissions, and sins of 2011. As we march into 2012, help us be big hearted and brave. Give us courage for the great heartaches we will face and patience and generosity for the minor irritations. It is You we want to seek and serve. We want to be messengers and instruments of Your light as individuals, as families and as a parish. Lord Jesus Christ, we seek and pray for that light and strength that comes from your love. Amen.

You've probably become much more tenderly and profoundly aware of the love of your family as you are mystified by the passage of the times of your life. Speaking of the Presence of Christ in our families, our late great +Pope John Paul II said: "It has been said, in a beautiful and profound way, that our God in his innermost mystery is not a Solitary being, but a family, because he hears within himself fatherhood, sonship and the essence of the family, which is Love. This Love in the Holy family is the Holy Spirit. The subject of the family is not therefore, foreign to the subject of the Holy Spirit."

"The future of humanity depends in great part on parents and on the family life that they build in their homes. The family is the true measure of the greatness of a nation, just as the dignity of man is the true measure of civilization. To maintain a joyful family requires much from both the parents and the children. Each member of the family has to become, in a special way, the servant of the others and share their burdens (cf. Galatians 6:3, Philippians 2:2). Each one must show concern, not only for his or her own life, but also for the lives of the members of the family – their needs, their hopes, their ideas."

Speaking of our parish family. Fr. Rov. Fr. Jim, Fr. Phil, Sr. Lupita, Sr. Cindv. and Deacon Castañeda (as well as Chunkly, Newly, Bendito, Girly, Puebla, etc.) thank you all for all your cards, cookies, tamales, and hugs, kisses and expressions of love and goodwill. Your friendship and love is the greatest gift there is. It's been a great year in the neighborhood and we're looking forward to a wonder-full 2012!! God Bless us All!

MAYBE YOU ALREADY REMEMBER, BUT YOU COULD PUT IT ON YOUR ICEBOX OR CALENDAR IF YOU'RE INTERESTED; **ON SATURDAY, JAN. 7, 2012 WE'LL START WITH OUR 5:30 P.M. MASS. IF IT IS WELL ATTENDED, IT ALWAYS IS, WE'LL KEEP IT THROUGH MARCH 31st.**

You can pick up your new Sunday envelopes today or anytime this week. If you see that the computer has mixed up your name or number or something, let us know please! Don't worry! It still has all your records straight past and present. I hope that doesn't irritate you as much as it does me!! When it comes to understanding the office equipment, I just take care of the aquarium!! (Fr. Roy)

Christmas Weekend Collection: \$17,745.18

We will tenderly and lovingly remember all our sick friends and parishioners at all our week-end masses. Also please remember in your prayers, +Pedro Marroquin, +Renato V. Chapa, +Teresa Fernandez, +Jose Longoria (husband, dad, granddaddy, scoutmaster, builder of Guadalupe school), +Guadalupe Rosas, +Mark Davidson & +Charles Pfeifer (Fr. Jim's little brother, died in Pittsburgh on New Year's Eve) who died last week, and their families in their great sorrow. Que brille para ellos la luz perpetua.

The Quest Renewed: Once a year, in the season when spirits and the sun are at their lowest, nature presents us with a clean slate. So what if the previous 12 months were studded with sins, nonfeasance and miscalculations. On January 1st, we get to start all over again, and this time to do it right. Of course we're going to hope for a better world. But it's the little things we wish for ourselves – and resolve to work for – that give New Year's Day its special cachet. We wish for a few less pounds or in the unlikely event that we need them, a few more. We decide that we must get more exercise, and that, yes, this is the year which we will, once and for all give up smoking. We tell ourselves that come spring, we'll repair the roof and plant the garden and by Heaven, we're going to go through all the stuff lying around and give away what we don't need. Why do we make these promises to ourselves? We do it because a long possibility of perfection is the most enduring of all illusions and its pursuit the most enduring of all quests. Perfection, of course, is not within: unflawed is inhuman. But perhaps we are after all, perfectible. We can come close, we tell ourselves. Maybe next year. Maybe this year. (New York Times)

As 2011 slips into the past with sweet and painful memories, we look forward with Faith, Hope & Love to the mystery of 2012. According to our traditions, we honor Mary, the Mother of the family, of the Church, who prays with and for us on the great journey. She prays that, like her, we will have an exhilarating sense of wonder on our journey through time into eternity.

Lee Ann Womack sings a fine song that could be an expression of the of the Blessed Mother's, and all our mothers', prayers for us.

"I Hope You Dance"

I hope you never lose your sense of wonder
You get your fill to eat but always keep that hunger
May you never take one single breath for granted
God forbid love ever leave you empty handed
I hope you still feel small when you stand beside the ocean
Whenever one door closes I hope one more opens
Promise me that you'll give faith a fighting chance
And when you get the choice to sit it out or dance

I hope you dance
I hope you dance

I hope you never fear those mountains in the distance
Never settle for the path of least resistance

Livin' might mean takin' chances, but they're worth takin'
Lovin' might be a mistake, but it's worth makin'
Don't let some Hellbent heart leave you bitter
When you come close to sellin' out, reconsider
Give the heavens above more than just a passing glance
And when you get the choice to sit it out or dance

I hope you dance
I hope you dance
(Time is a wheel in constant motion always rolling us along)
I hope you dance
I hope you dance
(Tell me who wants to look back on their years and wonder,
where those years have gone?)

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