

"The Jews solemnized a day called by them "*dies ignis*"—the day of fire—in memory of the fire with which Nehemias consumed the sacrifice upon his return with his countrymen from the captivity of Babylon. Even so, and with more reason, should Christmas Day be called the day of fire on which a God came as a little child to cast the fire of his love into the hearts of all."

Saint Alphonsus Liguori

December 25, 2022
The Nativity of The Lord



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Monday-Friday 8:15 - 2:30 pm

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Music Director: Michael Mozingo

Mass Schedule - Horario de Misas

Saturday- Sábado	6:00 PM	Español Clinton
Sunday - Domingo	10:00 AM	English Clinton
Sunday - Domingo	12:30 PM	Español Clinton
Sunday - Domingo	6:00 PM	Español Ingold

Reconciliation - Confesiones

Saturday -Sábado, 4:00—5:30 p.m.
Daily Mass— As published inside bulletin.

Faith Formation - Catequesis

Immaculate Conception, Clinton

First Communion:

Saturday, 4:30 PM- 5:45 PM
Sunday, 11:00 AM-12:15 PM

Confirmation:

Tuesday, 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Year II
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Year II
Wednesday, 6:00 PM—7:00 PM Year I

San Juan, Ingold

Primera Comunión: Sunday, 4:40 PM - 5:45 PM

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

5:00 PM (Ingold) People of the Parish
7:00 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish
10:00 PM (English) + Maxwell & Abner Families

Week of Sunday, December 25

Sunday, December 25 - Christmas

10:00 AM + Fred Schoenleber
12:30 PM + Delfina Santiago

Monday, December 26

8:00 AM + Lou Criscuolo

Wednesday, December 28

7:00 PM Jose Del Rio (birthday)

Thursday, December 29

8:00 AM + Juana Chavez, Perfecta Chavez

Friday, December 30

8:00 AM + Maria Josefina Valerio

Saturday, December 31

6:00 PM (Spanish) People of the Parish

Week of Sunday, January 1

Sunday, January 1 - New Year

10:00 AM + Bill Edwards
12:30 PM No intention requested
6:00 PM (Ingold) People of the Parish

Prayer Book of Life

Please pray for all the intentions written in our "Prayer Book of Life" located in the vestibule. Anyone with any need is invited to write prayer requests in the book.

"Let us pray for one another"



Please pray daily for our church community:

Elly Tsao, Theresa Williford, Travis Barcomb, Joan Pomnitz, Marta Melton - Dambeck, Evelyn Kornegay, Marie Stowers, Joseph Miller, Liz Wills, John Stiles, Levere C. Montgomery Jr., Warren Montgomery, Londyn Marie Gwinn, Kathy & Charles Pare & family, Beth Pare, Loretta Walker

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Please call the church office if you wish to add a name to this list.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

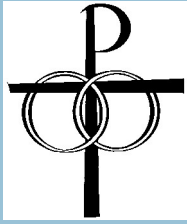
Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:36-40

Friday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 [12-17]; Ps 128:1-5; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18

Sunday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21



TALLER PRE- MATRIMONIAL

Viernes 13, 20 y 27 de enero y 11 de febrero de 2023

7:00 —9:00 p.m.

Centro Padre Price

Las parejas que desean contraer el Santo Matrimonio en el primer semestre de 2023 tienen que acercarse a Padre José para registrarse de antemano.

MUSIC

Greetings Church Family!

MERRY CHRISTMAS! Our Savior Is Born!

Themes found in today's readings: Jesus is the Light of the World!

Responsorial: "A light will shine on us this day: The Lord is born for us." Psalm 97



The Meaning of Jesus as our LIGHT:

Light is a rich symbol with many meanings. It can represent sacredness, sanctity, blessedness, or holiness. Light also depicts purity, innocence, goodness, and perfection. The light describes our Savior: glory, splendor, grandeur, majesty, magnificence, greatness, and wonder. ***Finally, may the light we seek find us seeking His truth in our spiritual journey.*** (archspm.org)

I am so grateful this Advent and Christmas season for the Message of Love we have spread as a body of faith. The music liturgy has been beautiful, and I am so proud of the choir for their dedication and hard work. We have also been blessed to have Wendy Cabral, Will Johnson, and Gloria Edwards to share music with us.

Have a joyful Christmas season as we continue to share a legacy of hope, love, and good will among all men and women.

In His Love, Michael



Senior luncheon

**January 16 at
noon**

Poinsettia given:

In Honor of:

Grandchildren
Romero/Otero Family
Sr. Maxine Trancraitor
Sr. Theresine Gildea
Bogusława Rabos Biała
David & Gussie
Underwood
Maxwell, DePrater &
Abner Families
Sr. Theresine Gildea
Sr. Maxine Trancraitor
Fr. Joseph Dionne
Johana Oertell
Sr. Maxine Tancraitor
Sr. Theresine Gildea
Fr. Joseph Dionne
Sr. Theresine Gildea
Sr. Maxine Trancraitor

In Memory of:

Tony Cabral
Dot Cabral
Zulma Marin Cortes
Zbigniew Urbanowicz
Henryk Adasiak
James & Betty Royals
Eunice & Wade Westbrook
Teresa Royals Jones
Mildred Royals Taylor
Michael Lee Underwood
George & Ruth Richards,
Mark Richards (Immediate Family) Randall G. Richards
Geraldine Hillger,
George & Inez Richards,
Tom Richards (Extended Family)
The Besaw Family
The Hunter Family
Father Phil Tighe

Given by:

Donna & Fran Leerkes
Rocio & Jesus Otero
Dr. & Mrs. Henry Tsao
Dr. & Mrs. Henry Tsao
Kuśmierczuk Family

Gussie & David Underwood

Mac & Lila Maxwell
Will & Cita Carter
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Franceine & John Castellucci
Brian & Sally DeMay
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Brian & Sally DeMay
Georgina Zeng
Georgina Zeng

Given by:

Kenny Cabral
Kenny Cabral
Carlos Marin & Zulma Cortes
Adasiak Family
Adasiak Family
Sue Royals
Sue Royals
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Sue Royals
Sue Royals

Randall G. Richards
Rosemary Hunter
Rosemary Hunter
Rosemary Hunter



Poinsettia given:

In Memory of:

Gildea Family
Tancraitor Family
Chinh Pham
Deceased members of the
Tsao & Gerencser Families
Vanessa Underwood
Mr. & Mrs. James S. Howard
Mr. & Mrs. William F. Underwood
Aunt Hedwig Ochsner
Aunt Josephine Ochsner
Mary Frances Wills
Maria Kuśmierczuk
John Patterson
Bill Edwards
Tom Wright
Thomas & Vivian Gallagher
Tommy Gallagher
Lonnie & Azile Hobbs
Fred Schoenleber
Eloy & Milagnos Vitug
Debbie Register Grady
Cathy Verrilli Bauer
Maxwell, DePrater &
Abner Families
Clementine Marshall
Wilbert Carter, Sr.
Estel Carter
Isidra Dojillo
Frank & Carmela Castellucci
Bradley Cooper
Wentworth James Parker, Sr. &
Sallie B. Parker
Julius & Gertrude DeMay
Wentworth James Parker, Jr.
Fred Schoenleber
Kim Huang
Gina Huang

Given by:

Sr. Theresine Gildea, CDP
Sr. Maxine Tancraitor, CDP
Thien Pham

Dr. & Mrs. Henry Tsao
Gussie & David Underwood
Gussie & David Underwood
Gussie & David Underwood
Phil Wills
Phil Wills
Phil Wills
Kuśmierczuk Family
Theresa Patterson
Cherlyn Edwards
Cherlyn Edwards
Debby Autry
Debby Autry
Debby Autry
Schoenleber Family
Tess Hare
Albert & Ellen Verrilli
Albert & Ellen Verrilli

Mac & Lila Maxwell
Homer Marshall
Will & Cita Carter
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Francine & John Castellucci
Brian & Sally DeMay

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*Thank you to all that purchased a poinsettia or donated.
May the Lord bless you. The Ladies Altar Society*



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Navidad 2022

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

Meditando, pensaba como Dios realizó su plan de salvación y en qué forma lo realizó. En su infinita sabiduría, lo hace a través de la creación misma.

Lo más extraordinario de ese plan es que Dios buscó el consentimiento – el “sí” de María. La invitación a participar en el plan de salvación se manifiesta en el saludo y en la llamada al proyecto de ser Madre de Dios – no lo impone; Dios espera ese “sí”, la participación libre de María.

¡Qué gran lección encontramos al meditar en esos momentos de la vida de María! El Señor nos invita también a cada uno de nosotros a participar en su plan de salvación y a participar en Su mismo Ser. Él espera nuestro “sí,” como lo hizo con María.

Ese “sí” implica abrir nuestro corazón – todo nuestro ser – para que, fecundados con el Amor de Dios, cada uno seamos gestores – administradores – de vida, de la verdadera vida, y seamos beneficiarios de la misericordia de aquel que se hizo Hombre para hablar nuestro lenguaje y hacernos partícipes de su reino: ¡Jesús!

Que en estas Navidades experimentemos en nuestras celebraciones ese llamado al Amor de Jesús y al compartir tiempo juntos sepamos también compartir lo que recibimos: Vida y Amor – la verdadera Vida y el Verdadero Amor de Jesús.

Que el Niño Jesús transforme e ilumine el pesebre de nuestro corazón para que, acogiéndolo, podamos acoger y Amar a nuestro prójimo.

En el Amor de Jesús.

† Luis Rafael Zarama, J.C.L.
Obispo de Raleigh



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Christmas 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Meditating on God's plan of salvation, I pondered how He carried it out and the means He used to do it. In His infinite wisdom, God does it through creation itself.

The most extraordinary thing about His plan is that God sought consent - the "yes" of Mary. His invitation to participate in the plan of salvation was manifested in the greeting and the call to become the Mother of God - He does not impose it; God awaits her "yes," the free participation of Mary.

What a great lesson we find in meditating on those moments in the life of Mary! The Lord also invites us to participate in His plan of salvation and in His very Being. He awaits our "yes," as He did with Mary.

That "yes" implies opening our hearts - our whole being - so that, fed with the Love of God, each of us may become managers of life, of true life, and the beneficiaries of the mercy of He who became Man to speak our language and make us partakers of His kingdom: Jesus!

May we experience the call to the Love of Jesus in our Christmas celebrations and, as we come together with family and friends, may we share what we receive: Life and Love - the true Life and True Love of Jesus.

May the Child Jesus transform and bring light to the manger that is our heart so that, by welcoming Him, we may welcome and Love our neighbor.

In the Love of Jesus,

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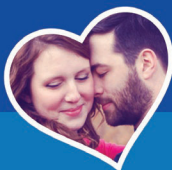
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