

The Season of Advent

HOPE

LET US GO REJOICING TO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD.
VAYAMOS ALEGRES A LA CASA DEL SEÑOR.

Psalm (Salmo) 122



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT • PRIMER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

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BULLETIN/WEBPAGE

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Welcome to St. Anthony of Padua

The Catholic Christian community of St. Anthony Padua welcomes all to our celebrations of God's love. Through prayer, education, sacraments, caring and stewardship, we strive to serve the needs of God's people and to gain a richer understanding of the Gospel message of love. We invite you to become a part of our "Parish Life." Your talents are welcome!

Rev. Msgr. Robert D. Wenzinger, Pastor

Please register at www.stanthonyfresno.org.

Thanks for joining us!

TODAY'S READINGS CAN BE FOUND IN THE GREEN HYMNAL #858

Mass Intentions

27 SUNDAY – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
8:00 a.m. † Amos Macias by Marlita Ferrier
9:30 a.m. Intentions of Jane Ferdinandi by Chris Shiveley
11:00 a.m. † Antoinette Marie Bianco by the Shiveley Family
1:00 p.m. † Elivier Vasquez por Rafael Prado
6:00 p.m. † Leo Lamattina by Angie Antognoli

28 MONDAY
NO MASS

29 TUESDAY
6:45 a.m. † Donald Wakida by Jeff & Maureen Abercrombie
8:00 a.m. † Alvarl Padilla Velasco by the Velasco Family

30 WEDNESDAY
6:45 a.m. † A. Tom Ferdinandi, Sr. by Phil & Dorothy Christensen
8:00 a.m. † Angelo Papagni by Renee Blasé Thorne

1 THURSDAY
6:45 a.m. Intentions of Richard Mendoza
8:00 a.m. † Mary Quintana by Hilda

2 FRIDAY – FIRST FRIDAY
6:45 a.m. † Harlan Eyre by the Frye Family
8:15 a.m. † Berton Belton by his Family

3 SATURDAY – FIRST SATURDAY
8:15 a.m. † Bernard Reynolds by his Family
4:00 p.m. Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)
5:30 p.m. † Jose Rosario Robles por Cecilia Robles & Family

4 SUNDAY – SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
8:00 a.m. † Deceased Sisters of Ovalle Family by Ann Marie Kausin
9:30 a.m. Pro Populo (For the intentions of the parish community)
11:00 a.m. † Bishop John T. Steinbock by Msgr. Rob Wenzinger
1:00 p.m. † Maria de Jesus Sandoval por Maria Prado
6:00 p.m. † Marlene Frasier by Linda Pickett

Mass intention Correction: Saturday, November 19 was for † Erik Shane Halverson by Shane Halverson

December 2 – First Friday

- 8:15 a.m. Mass, followed by Adoration/Benediction
- 6:30 p.m. Adoración Eucarística con Bendición



December 3 – First Saturday

- 8:15 a.m. Mass – OLG Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Confession



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3/ SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4 CATHOLIC CHARITIES TRUCK

Knights of Columbus volunteers will be available to accept your non-monetary donations of non-perishable food, clothing, household goods and more after each of the weekend Masses. In October, the parish donated 455 lbs. of food and ¾ of the truck in household goods. Together we can make a difference.



TUESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

6:30 p.m. in Room 22
Facilitator – Michael Danks-Ferguson
Join us for a study of the Gospel of Mark. We are blessed to have someone like Michael to lead this study from the book *Meeting St. Mark Today*. Everyone is welcome. NOTE: No class on November 29.



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

General Meeting
6:15 p.m. in the Social Hall
(Rosary, Dinner, & Meeting)

Knights of Columbus



THURSDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

10:00 a.m. in Room 21
Facilitators – Dina Shwiyhat/Nivia Cuellar
Next class is December 8th. Topic: 1 Corinthians 15: Resurrection (28.20)



SILVER ANGELS CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14,
11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

St. Agnes Mission Church Social Hall –
111 W. Birch Street, Pinedale

Due to weather concerns and for the health and safety of our guests, we are moving Silver Angels Luncheons back to 11:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Arrival/Check-in at 11:30 a.m.; Lunch at 11:45 a.m.; Fun & Games start around 12:30 p.m. Come share your holiday spirit and enjoy Turkey Breast Lunch delivered by Pardini's followed by Fun & Games. Cost \$20.00 per person, see page 9 for a registration form.



Silver Angels Ministry

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

General Meeting
6:15 p.m. in the Social Hall (Includes dinner)



For more information on parish groups, call the Ministry Office at 439-0124, ext 106.

Grupo de Oración JUEVES – GRUPO DE ORACIÓN ENCUENTRO CON DIOS.

Te invitamos al grupo de oración todos los jueves desde las 6:30 p.m. empezando con El Rosario, en la Iglesia de Santa Inés "Ven y llénate del Señor." 111 W Birch Street, Fresno, CA 93650

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday (Vigil Mass)

- 4:00 p.m. – English
- 5:30 p.m. – Español

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m.; 9:30 a.m.; 11:00 a.m. – English
- 1:00 p.m. – Español
- 6:00 p.m. – English

Livestream Mass Schedule

- 9:30 a.m. – English Mass
- 1:00 p.m. – Misa Español

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday-Thursday (OLG Chapel)

- 6:45 a.m. – Daily Mass
- 8:00 a.m. – Chapel open until 11:00 a.m.

Friday (OLG Chapel)

- 6:45 a.m. – Daily Mass
- 8:15 a.m. – Followed by Adoration

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Friday

- 9:00-11:00 a.m. – Guadalupe Chapel

RECONCILIATION

Tuesday

- 6:00 p.m. – Chapel Confessionals

Saturday

- 10:00 a.m. – Chapel Confessionals

JUEVES – ESTUDIO DE LA BIBLIA

7:00 p.m. en el salón #22

Acompáñenos para reflexionar en las lecturas de la biblia y el Evangelio Dominical. *“Tu Palabra es una lámpara a mis pies, es una luz en mi sendero.”* Salmo 119



ESTUDIO DE BIBLIA

“Tu palabra es una lámpara a mis pies; es una luz en mi sendero”.
SALMO 119

Jueves, en salón #22 de la escuela
7:00pm

Reflexionaremos las Lecturas y Evangelio Dominicales

INFORMES: HERMANA EDITH (559)439-0124 Ext. 122

STEWARDSHIP – MANAGING GOD’S GIFTS TO US

Sharing the Gifts We Have Been Given!


November 6, 2022	\$20,866.00
Last year’s Plate Income	\$19,148.00
Difference	\$1,718.00
Year-to-Date Plate Collection • Colectas Del Año Hasta La Fecha	
July 1, 2021-October 31, 2022	\$337,653.00
July 1, 2020-October 31, 2021	\$298,136.00
Difference	\$39,517.00

**WE GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY
GRACIAS POR SU CONTINUA GENEROSIDAD**



GIVE ONLINE – Easy, Safe, and Convenient: When you give to God, you discover that God gives to you. You can also drop your envelope in the mail slot located in the door on the south side of the parish office.

<p>THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM EXT. 102 Baptisms are celebrated at St. Anthony of Padua. Godparent class and Baptism registration must be completed prior to scheduling your Baptism. Everything you need to know and forms are online at www.stanthonyfresno.org.</p>	<p>THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY EXT. 118 Couples should contact our parish marriage coordinator to make an appointment at least six months in advance of your wedding date to begin preparations.</p>
<p>SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION High School teens – 10th-12th grades Confirmation 1 and 2 registration is online. More information can be found on our website at stanthonyfresno.org.</p>	<p>THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Confessions will be heard at St. Anthony of Padua on: Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. – Chapel Confessionals Saturday at 10:00 a.m. – Chapel Confessionals</p>



ST. AGNES MISSION CHURCH
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SHARING THE GIFTS WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN	
November 6, 2022	\$984.00
YTD Total	\$25,584.25
WE GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY! GRACIAS POR SU CONTINUA GENEROSIDAD	

Sunday 9:00 a.m. English – Mass Intention:
† John Rossi

Sunday 10:30 a.m. Español – Misa de Intención:
† Maria De Jesus Cazares

For the following Sacraments, please contact St. Anthony of Padua:
Anointing of the Sick • Baptisms • Confession • Funerals • Weddings

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For pastoral support, call St. Anthony of Padua Parish Office at (559) 439-0124.

“Christ has made my soul beautiful with jewels of grace and virtue. I belong to Him Whom the Angels serve.” – St. Agnes

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ADVENT/CHRISTMAS

- 2nd Sunday of Advent – December 4
- Immaculate Conception –
Wednesday, December 7, 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass
Thursday, December 8, 6:45 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:00 p.m. (Español)
- 3rd Sunday of Advent – December 11
- Our Lady of Guadalupe (Mananitas) –
Monday, December 12, 5:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m. (Español) In the Main Church
- 4th Sunday of Advent – December 18
- Advent Penance Service – Monday, December 19, 7:00 p.m. Main
- Christmas Eve – Saturday, December 24 (No morning Mass or Confessions)
4:00 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 9:00 p.m., Midnight
- Christmas Day – Sunday, December 25
8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. (Español)
- New Year's Eve – Saturday, December 31
4:00 p.m. (English), 5:30 p.m. (Español)
- New Year's Day – Sunday, January 1
8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. (Español), 6:00 p.m.

First Sunday of Advent – Theme is Hope

Jesus said to his disciples:
"Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour of night when the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and not let his house be broken into."

Jesús dijo a sus discípulos:
"Estad seguros de esto: si el dueño de la casa supiera a qué hora de la noche viene el ladrón, se hubiera quedado despierto y que su casa no sea allanada."



This first Sunday of Advent we pray for an alert spirit so that we recognize Jesus when He makes a new and surprising entrance into our lives. We pray that the daily routine of our lives doesn't dull us to His arrival, nor have us looking only in the spots we usually expect to find Him. Remember, Jesus is the "thief" who surprises us at Advent.

Este primer domingo de Adviento oramos por un espíritu alerta para que reconozcamos a Jesús cuando hace una nueva y sorprendente entrada en nuestras vidas. Oramos para que la rutina diaria de nuestras vidas no nos aburra ante su llegada, ni nos haga mirar solo en los lugares donde normalmente esperamos encontrarlo. Recuerda, Jesús es el "ladrón" que nos sorprende en Adviento.



- Has the practice of my faith become a predictable and uneventful routine?
- What can I do this Advent to be more alert to Jesus' coming into my life?
- ¿Se ha convertido la práctica de mi fe en una rutina predecible y sin incidentes?
- ¿Qué puedo hacer este Adviento para estar más alerta a la venida de Jesús a mi vida?

Parish Ministry Guide –

Christ said, "I have come to serve, not to be served."

The prayers during the Mass invite us to offer our prayers and gifts to the Lord. Liturgical Ministry calls the faithful to be part of the Mass. We all feel unworthy to serve, just as Christ's disciples, who were fishermen before Christ called them.

Is Christ calling you?

ALTAR SERVER

We invite parents of youth (4th grade and up, who have received their First Holy Communion) to prayerfully consider the unique opportunity for your child to grow closer to Our Lord and His Church as an Altar Server. You can register online at stanthonyfresno.org/ministries/, then click on Altar Servers or call the parish office at 439-0124 for more details.



SERVIDOR DE ALTAR

Invitamos a los padres de los jóvenes (de 4º grado en adelante, que hayan recibido su Primera Comunión) a considerar en oración la oportunidad única de que su hijo crezca más cerca de Nuestro Señor y de Su Iglesia como Monaguillo. Usted puede registrarse en línea en stanthonyfresno.org/ministries/, luego haga clic en Altar Servers o llame a la oficina de la parroquia en 439-0124 para más detalles.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Considered the unique honor to offer the "Body of Christ" to the faith community. Ministers are commissioned by our pastor to assist with the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass. Candidates should be 18 years of age and be in full communion with the church (all sacraments).



MINISTROS DE LA EUCARISTÍA

Se considera el honor único de ofrecer el "Cuerpo de Cristo" a la comunidad de fe. Los ministros son comisionados por nuestro párroco para asistir en la distribución de la Sagrada Comunión en la Misa. Los candidatos deben tener 18 años de edad y estar en plena comunión con la iglesia (todos los sacramentos).

LECTORS

Do you remember the joy of reading to your children before bed? If so, chances are you're a Lector candidate. Persons, 5th grade and older, who have made their First Holy Communion with good reading skills can serve as a Lector at Mass.



LECTORES

¿Recuerda la alegría de leer a sus hijos antes de dormir? Si es así, lo más probable es que usted sea un candidato a Lector. Las personas, de 5º grado en adelante, que han hecho su Primera Comunión con buenas habilidades de lectura pueden servir como Lector en la Misa.

Interested Lector and Eucharistic Minister candidates should contact Martha in the parish office at 439-0124, ext. 114 or by email. Los candidatos Ministerio Eucarístico y lectores interesados deben contactar a Martha en la oficina parroquial al 439-0124, ext. 114 o por correo electrónico.

USHER & GREETER MINISTRY

Are you the type to get to church early? Why not join the Usher Ministry and greet your fellow parishioners as they enter the church? Ushers assist with the collection and act as Eucharistic Guards during Communion. Join the team and serve when you can. Call the parish office at 439-0124, ext. 106 for more details or complete the Volunteer Registration at www.stanthonyfresno.org/ministries.



MINISTERIO DE UJIERES Y SALUDADORES

¿Eres de los que llegan temprano a la iglesia? ¿Por qué no te unes al Ministerio de Ujieres y saludas a tus feligreses cuando entran en la iglesia? Los ujieres ayudan con la colecta y actúan como guardias eucarísticos durante la comunión. Únase al equipo y sirva cuando pueda. Llame a la oficina parroquial al 439-0124, ext. 106 para obtener más detalles o complete el registro de voluntarios en www.stanthonyfresno.org/ministries.

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

Are you a Eucharistic Minister who is being called to serve the members of our parish who are unable to come to Mass on Sunday due to illness or other limitation? We are looking for Eucharistic Ministers who are willing to take Holy Communion after Mass to the members of the parish who are Homebound. If you are interested, please contact the Office of Ministry at 439-0124, ext. 106.



MINISTERIO DE LOS CONFINADOS EN CASA

¿Es usted un Ministro Eucarístico que está siendo llamado a servir a los miembros de nuestra parroquia que no pueden asistir a Misa el domingo debido a una enfermedad u otra limitación? Estamos buscando un Ministro Eucarístico que esté dispuesto a llevar la Sagrada Comunión después de la Misa a los miembros de la parroquia que están en sus hogares. Si está interesado, comuníquese con la Oficina del Ministerio al 439-0124, ext. 106.



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
(GRADES K-6)**

Director, Mary Briseno, ext. 113
mbriseno@stanthonyfresno.org

Sundays at 3:00 p.m. (plus one Thursday per month at 6:30 p.m. for second year students and parent(s)).

The GIFT Religious Education & First Communion program for grades K-6th is preparing to return to IN-PERSON classes. Please visit our website for more information and to register online. Space is limited, so please register soon!

If you like working with children and want to share your faith in this ministry, please contact Mary Briseno.



**MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY
(GRADES 6 TO 8)**

Director, Sharon Christison, ext. 117
schristison@stanthonyfresno.org

Room 21, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Registration is online at www.stanthonyfresno.org, click on Faith Formation then scroll down to Edge. EDGE, Middle School Ministry provides a safe place for youth (Grades 6-8) to explore their faith in a fun, faith building program as well as sacrament preparation for youth exploring Baptism, Holy Communion, and Confirmation.



**HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY
(HIGH SCHOOL TEENS)**

Director, Sharon Christison, ext. 117
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Registration is online now and can be found at www.stanthonyfresno.org on the drop-down menu Sacraments under Confirmation. Come be a part.

What is Life Teen? Life Teen is a movement within the Roman Catholic Church. Life Teen leads teenagers and their families into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church.



Educación Religiosa (Catecismo)

El programa de Educación Religiosa y Primera Comunión de GIFT para los grados K-6 se está preparando para regresar a las clases EN PERSONA que se llevarán a cabo los domingos a las 3:30 p.m. (más un jueves por mes a las 6:30 p.m. para estudiantes de segundo año y padres). Visite nuestro sitio web para obtener más información y registrarse en línea. ¡El espacio es limitado, así que por favor regístrese pronto!

Si le gusta trabajar con niños y quiere compartir su fe en este ministerio, comuníquese con Mary Briseno.



**CONFIRMACIÓN EN
ESPAÑOL**

Para Jóvenes Bilingües
en High School

¡INSCRIPCIONES!

Las inscripciones para la confirmación en español ya están abiertas. Visite nuestra pagina de web a stanthonyfresno.org o escanee el QR Code al lado para registrarse.



**LAS CLASES COMIENZAN EN EL
MES DE AGOSTO, 2022.**

Para más información comuníquese con el Diacono Edgar al 439-0124, ext. 111 o ebriseno@stanthonyfresno.org.



**SACRAMENTOS PARA
ADULTOS**

Adultos mayores de 18 años interesados en los Sacramentos de Primera Comunión, Confirmación o Bautismo hablar con Hermana Edith, ext. 122 o sisteredith@stanthonyfresno.org.

RCIA: RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Tuesdays: 6:30-8:00 p.m.

In-person, St. Anthony Conference Room (aka Donut Room)



Director, Martha Danks-Ferguson
439-0124, ext. 114
mdanksferg@stanthonyfresno.org

See our website to register:
www.stanthonyfresno.org

Click on Faith Formation or scroll down to the RCIA icon.

We welcome adults seeking any of the Sacraments of Initiation: **Baptism, Confirmation or Eucharist**

*New folks are welcome to join us any time during the year.
If you have any questions, please contact Martha by phone or email.*

LECTIONARY STUDY – (Rowdies' - Women's Bible Study) with Martha – Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the Conference Room. We will delve into the readings for the upcoming weekend and prepare our hearts to receive the Good News anew.

BE ALERT

Reflection on Mt 24:37-44

The beginning of a new year, this first Sunday of Advent, always feels to me like God has blessed us with another chance for realizing God’s presence and purpose in our lives and in our world. It all can begin again! There are new possibilities, another chance to change, and right the wrongs of this past year.

And here is Matthew, who will be our tour guide through this new year, starting us out with a warning and an admonition. We are warned that it all could end at any minute, that we cannot know the day or the hour, that the Son of Man will come at a time we least expect. So we really only have now – this moment – to get it right. This hints at the great wisdom in the 12-step recovery process: Live one day at a time.

The admonition, the encouragement for how to live vitally and fully in the day, in the moment, is simple: Pay Attention! Jesus wants our attention for a very specific reason and message. He wants us to pay attention so that we do not miss the most important event of our lives: The coming of God into our lives, which happens daily, moment by moment. The call to alertness, with our whole being poised and focused, listening and alert, waiting actively for God’s coming, is our Advent.

~ Fr. Jay

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE

Sunday, November 27, 2022

1st Sunday of Advent
 Is 2:1-5
 Ps 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
 Rom 13:11-14
 Mt 24:37-44

Monday, November 28, 2022

Weekday
 Is 4:2-6
 Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9
 Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday, November 29, 2022

Weekday
 Is 11:1-10
 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17
 Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday, November 30, 2022

Saint Andrew, Apostle
 Rom 10:9-18
 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11
 Mt 4:18-22

Thursday, December 1, 2022

Weekday
 Is 26:1-6
 Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a
 Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday, December 2, 2022

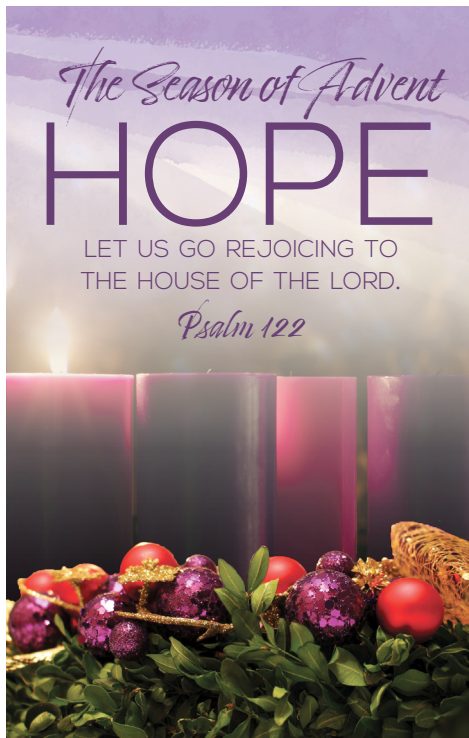
Weekday
 Is 29:17-24
 Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14
 Mt 9:27-31

Saturday, December 3, 2022

Saint Francis Xavier, Priest
 Is 30:19-21, 23-26
 Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
 Mt 9:35–10:1, 5a, 6-8

Access Daily Readings from the New American Bible, Revised Edition (NABRE) online at <https://bible.usccb.org>

AN ADVENT PRAYER OF HOPE



*My ever-present Lord,
 You constantly come to me
 at an unexpected hour
 to pour forth Your grace and
 mercy into my life.
 Help me to form within me a
 permanent habit of preparedness
 by which I continually open
 myself to You and to Your
 perfect will for my life.
 May this Advent be a true time
 in which my readiness to meet
 You increases a hundredfold.
 Jesus, I trust in You.*

ESCRITURA SEMANAL

Domingo 27 de noviembre de 2022

Primer domingo de Adviento

Is 2:1-5

Sal 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

Rom 13:11-14

Mt 24:37-44

Lunes, 28 de noviembre de 2022

Día de la semana

Is 4:2-6

Sal 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9

Mt 8:5-11

Martes, 29 de noviembre de 2022

Día de la semana

Is 11:1-10

Sal 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17

Lc 10:21-24

Miércoles, 30 de noviembre de 2022

San Andrés, Apóstol

Rom 10:9-18

Sal 19:8, 9, 10, 11

Mt 4:18-22

Jueves, 1 de diciembre de 2022

Día de la semana

Is 26:1-6

Sal 118:1 y 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a

Mt 7:21, 24-27

Viernes, 2 de diciembre de 2022

Día de la semana

Is 29:17-24

Sal 27:1, 4, 13-14

Mt 9:27-31

Sábado, 3 de diciembre de 2022

San Francisco Javier, Sacerdote

Is 30:19-21, 23-26

Sal 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6

Mt 9:35-10,1, 5a, 6-8

Acceda a las lecturas diarias de la Nueva Biblia Americana, Edición Revisada (NABRE) en línea en <https://bible.usccb.org>

ESTAR ALERTA

Reflexión sobre Mt 24,37-44

El comienzo de un nuevo año, este primer domingo de Adviento, siempre me parece que Dios nos ha bendecido con otra oportunidad para realizar la presencia y el propósito de Dios en nuestras vidas y en nuestro mundo. Todo puede comenzar de nuevo. Hay nuevas posibilidades, otra oportunidad para cambiar y corregir los errores de este año pasado.

Y aquí está Mateo, que será nuestro guía en este nuevo año, comenzando con una advertencia y una amonestación. Se nos advierte que todo puede terminar en cualquier momento, que no podemos saber el día ni la hora, que el Hijo del Hombre vendrá en el momento que menos esperemos. Por lo tanto, sólo tenemos ahora -este momento- para hacerlo bien. Esto nos indica la gran sabiduría del proceso de recuperación de los 12 pasos: Vive un día a la vez.

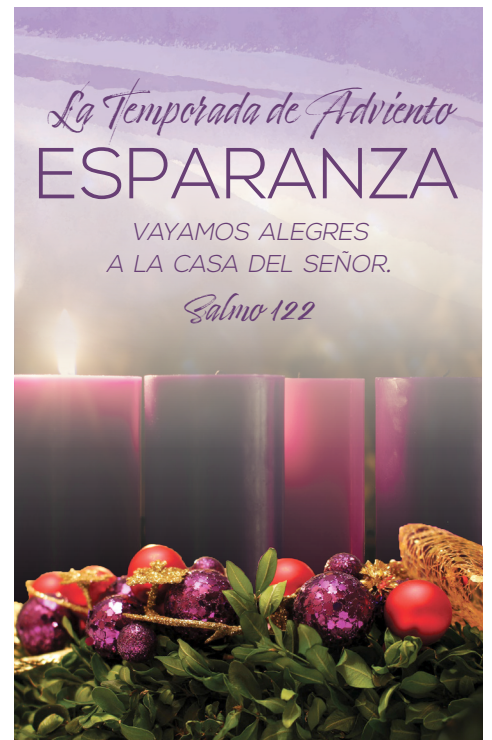
La advertencia, el estímulo de cómo vivir vital y plenamente en el día, en el momento, es simple: Presta atención. Jesús quiere nuestra atención por una razón y un mensaje muy específicos. Quiere que prestemos atención para que no nos perdamos el acontecimiento más importante de nuestras vidas: La venida de Dios a nuestras vidas, que ocurre diariamente, momento a momento. La llamada a la alerta, con todo nuestro ser preparado y concentrado, escuchando y alerta, esperando activamente la venida de Dios, es nuestro Adviento.

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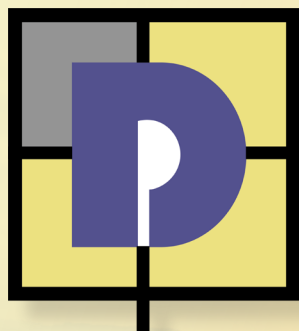
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