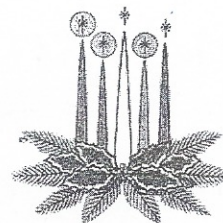


Third Sunday of Advent



Gaudete

Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

This Sunday, called Gaudete (Latin for "rejoice"), marks the halfway point of Advent. The rose candle is lit, and the second reading begins, "Rejoice always!" This upbeat mood can come to a full stop, however, when the requirement extends to giving thanks in all circumstances. I remember my friend, suffering blinding headaches after her third cesarean section, was also dealing with her crying newborn, the head lice her son brought home from kindergarten and sewage overflow in her house after a ball had been flushed down the toilet. She cried, "If I have one more circumstance, I will be giving thanks in an institution!"

I'm convinced the only thing that gets us through terrible times is "prayer without ceasing." This is not thanking God that this chaos is God's will, but that we are not in it alone. The One who came to be with us at Christmas is holding us in love. Gaudete!

Patricia Livingston



NOVENARIO

We want to thank every group and the community for their donations for our Novena for our Lady of Guadalupe. God Bless everyone and your families.



MASS INTENTIONS

5:30PM +Maria de la Luz Perez-3rd years

7:30AM +Rudy Lopez

11:00AM Jessica Loaiza-Birthday, Jimmy & Sarita Healey-9 Anni. +Guadalupe Reyes Flores, +Eliseo Arroyo, +Jose Guerrero

POSADAS

We are going to start with our Posadas on Dec. 16 at 6:30pm. Everyone is invited to come.

The African American Catholic Center for Evangelization is hosting 25th Annual Prayer Breakfast January 13th, 2018 to 11AM. Newly Remodeled Proud Bird Restaurant ..call Delia (310)420-2216. Celebrate Mass with Archbishop Jose Gomez honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Monday, January 15, 218 at 2:30pm.

MISSALS FOR THE YEAR ON SALE FOR \$4.00 EACH. BUY SOME FOR YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS.

The English Calendars are \$3.00 each. Buy some for your friends & family.

CALENDARS

We are sealing the big calendars for \$4.00 each and \$2.00 the small. Take some for your family & friends

Sunday, Dec. 24th we will have the same schedule of Masses. We will have another Mass at 12 midnight.

Monday, Dec. 25th we will have two Masses one at 11AM English and 1PM in Spanish.