

Third Sunday of Advent December 16th, 2012

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Vicar..... Rev. Scott Mansfield

Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 am

Holy Rosary

20 minutes before each mass.

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday..... 3:00-3:45 pm

Adoration

Wednesday 9:00 am-12:00 pm
Thursday..... 9:00 am-12:00 pm

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Friends in Christ Jesus,



The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed again this Friday evening beginning at 6 o'clock. Benediction at 8 o'clock will conclude adoration. And for the two hours of exposition, I will be in the confessional. Take advantage of the opportunity. Your soul will thank you.

Thanks to everyone who have been helping the Faford family erect the three-thousand plus crosses that now cover the desert on the north side of our property. It has taken many hours to accomplish. Thank you. May our Lord now use those crosses to bring conversion to the hearts and minds of those who fail to see human life for what it is--sacred

Finally, there is this item: Last Sunday I preached on the existence of God. After Mass, one young man asked where God came from. I told Him that God had no beginning. The youngster, with a puzzled look on his face said, "God had to come from somewhere." I then said that if God came from somewhere, if God was created, then God isn't God, and "that which created the being we call God is really God." I continued, "And if that which create the one we call God was created, then that which created Him is really God." The young man stared at me.

Have a blessed Advent.

Fr. Scott Mansfield.

Mass Intentions For This Week

Saturday 4:00PM

Andres Gonzales Happy Birthday by Francisco and Anita Gonzales

Sunday 8:00AM

For the homeless

Sunday 10:00AM

† *Ellie Edmonds by David and Mary Helen Shulte*

Upcoming Masses

December 24th..... 4PM
December 24th..... 7PM
December 25th.... 10AM
December 31st 7PM
January 1st 10AM



Rambling XXIX by Carl Beyer and Friends

For starters,we got all the apples taken care of, though the batch that was outside eyeballing me got introduced to the worms - that batch did NOT come inside. The batch brought inside were canned and have become apple pie filling. Mmm, now we need to put them into crusts and enjoy! Got the beets canned and the wife is greatly enjoying them. Canned some chicken soup with potatoes and carrots from our garden and next year we hope to have more contributions from our harvest. We have carrots galore. Note to self: plant fewer carrots next year. Need to harvest the onions which will then reside in our freezer.

What a great turnout at the last Potluck! We served over three hundred beverages, which either means we had a lot of parishioners at the potluck or everyone was really thirsty! I waited for everyone to go through the line and *still* was able to snag some *great* mac & cheese. Great job, chefs! And, **WOW**, all the people helping with setup and tear down was just a blessing to see!

Now, a favor: I am asking for someone with a greater gift for this than I have to step forward and offer to our parish their gift of photographic expertise. I have been the one taking the pictures at the potlucks up to this point, and, personally, I think I stink at it. Can someone **please** make that **his or her** mission? I would just need a copy on a disc so that I can put the photos on the SJV website. **PLEASE** email me, at carl@sjvnm.org if you feel even somewhat called to this ministry. On that subject, can anyone with any pictures of an SJV event send them to me or put a disc in my mailbox in the sacristy so that they can be posted? THANKS!

Another ministry opportunity: We have a very unique mission for a family in our parish. We need a *snacker family*. This family would set up and distribute the snacks at the 8AM or 10AM Masses. This is one of the few ministries in which the whole family can participate. Please let a fellow snacker know if you are interested! Or, Harlan Harrington is our Head Snacker and can be reached at 896-2740. This core ministry serves the very important function of reinforcing the Community Spirit of our parish - a Church community that slows down and talks amongst and gets to know one another, instead of just rushing to our cars and cutting each other off in the parking lot. Please consider being that shining example to our kids and showing them how to serve the Church, and their fellow parishioners.

We have a new webmaster coming our way - that means a "real website." I regret that I never have felt that I have had enough time to devote to doing my best on that.

I could not be more pleased with our continued progress on our "little" mission church. We are so blessed with such a talented bunch of volunteers. Our last step is to become our own Church, which should happen in the very near future. Wow, it seems like yesterday we were having Mass in Colinas School and were thrilled when one hundred people showed up! Some people seem to be a little confused, believing that we have to have a "Church Building" in order to become our own Parish. Not so. Once we become our own Church/parish we can move forward on a capital campaign to pay off the parish hall and then build OUR "Church Building".

Has anyone else been looking around and seeing the *community* being built around our Church? Homes are going up like mad. We hope some of the new homeowners will become part of our Church community. Like our Church community, it is always exciting to see a community rise from the desert floor and then to see the bustling activities of people going through their daily lives - kids playing, adults working, yards growing and developing, and families expanding.

On to a new topic: If possible, please avoid the 4PM Christmas Eve Mass. From past years' experience the seats will be filled almost a half hour before Mass, and close to 200 people will need to stand. We also have a Mass at 7PM with plenty of room for everyone, along with the 10AM Mass on Christmas. So if you want to attend the 4PM Mass, it's best to be there 45 minutes early to have a seat. **AND**, for some reason, last year people starting leaving the Mass early....so let us faithful parishioners be sure and set a good example for our seasonal visitors. And, as always, the first one out of the Church is Father, and THEN everyone else.

Everyone please have a blessed season of Advent. **God Bless you All.**





FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS

On Friday, 12/28, 6:00 p.m., there will be a special memorial Mass for all aborted, miscarried, and stillborn children in the church. Families mourning the loss of their children through such sad, tragic circumstances are invited to participate. Naming their children and recording their existence often seems to be a necessary step in healing the natural grief of parents and families affected by this particular loss. A special parish **Book of the Innocents** will be provided at this Mass for this purpose, if family members wish to remember their children in this way.

Remember
A loved one, celebrates an Event, or have a special intention. An \$18.00 dollar gift per Poinsettia plant with your Name and your special intentions will be published in the bulletin at Christmas. Also Your intentions will be place on the altar through the Christmas season envelopes will be at the flower donation box in the lobby or call:
Toni Saiz 899-4211



Adoration with Benediction and Confessions to follow
December 14th, 21st

From 6PM-8PM

PRAYER CORNER



Let us join as a community in prayer for our fellow parishioners and/or their family members.

- Please pray for John Lombardo recovery from hand surgery
- Please pray for Bill McCarty recovery from knee surgery
- Please pray for the Margaret Greer "Peggy" Chaves who passed away November 2 Please pray for her family
- For the reposed soul of Celina C de Baca Strand
- **For** our brave men and women in the armed forces defending our freedom.
- **For** the end of abortions
- **For** those who are bedridden
- **For** those going through surgery
- **For** those who need help
- **For** the unemployed

Email prayer needs to: prayers@sjvnm.org or leave a written request with an usher. Prayers are kept on the list for a month then need to be resubmitted.

Thank you for your prayers.

Liturgical Roles	Sacristans	Ushers	EM of Holy Communion	Rosary Leader	Altar Servers	Lectors	Snackers
Sat Dec 15th 4:00PM	Donna M	Mike P Andrie H Karla DC James L	John R Jennfer C Jeremy M	April M	Alura M Victoria P Kaitlyn P Delicia G	Jeanette H Vicky H	
Sun Dec 16th 8:00AM	Julie B	Tom A John C Sergio G Shane H	Jose G	Julianna C	Chris S Dan S Vincent V	Andrew R Gloria R	David S Seveda S
Sun Dec 16th 10:00AM	Carrie J	James U Ed U Rocky P Savannah P	Brian P Loretta T Carrie J	Peggy R	Angela J Tyler P Danielle P Christopher P	Ana P Pinky B	Rico G
Sat Dec 22nd 4:00PM	Gloria B	Bill D Karla DC Scott H Scott H	Jeremy M Vera U Esther W	Judith C	Brandon V Calissa F Alura M Robert H	Vicky H April Karen M	
Sun Dec 23rd 8:00AM	Julie B	Vince V Michael O Sergio G James E D	Harlan H	Frances P	Elena T Chris S Dan S	Annette O Julie B	Harlan H Maria H
Sun Dec 23rd 10:00AM	Geri H	Tony Q Eddie C Gary (Jr) V Carl B	Ana Marie H John R Geri H	Rochelle Q	Christina T Angela J Ariana J Eden J	Michael T Amanda V	Carrie J John J
Mon Dec 24th 4:00PM	Gloria B	Avery M James L Tom A Ed U Shane H	Esther W Loretta T John L Jeremy M	April M	Vincent V Robert H James U Diego G Lukas G	Jeanette H Scott H	
Mon Dec 24th 7:00PM	Donna M	Karla DC Michael O Bill D Andrie H	Donna M Coz M Teresa M	Pinky B	Dan S Isaac P Chris S Kyle G Tyler P	Connie D Pinky B	
Tue Dec 25th 10:00AM	Geri H	Tony Q Gary (Jr) V James D Sergio G Eddie C	Janis C Geri H Vera U	Rebecca E	Delicia G Brandon V Emilio C Rachel C	Amanda V Rochelle Q	

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