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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm.

Closed daily 12:00 – 1:00 pm for lunch.

MASS TIMES

Monday – Friday 8:00 am

First Friday of the Month 7:00 pm

Saturday 8:30 am

5:00 pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday 8:00 am

9:30 am (Italian)

11:00 am

12:30 pm

4:30 pm

CONFESSION TIMES

Saturday 3:50 pm – 4:50 pm

And by appointment through the Parish office.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Friday 8:30 am – 9:30 am

DEVOTIONS

Rosary - After morning Mass

Divine Mercy Chaplet - Friday at 3:00 pm

Sacred Heart - Friday 7:50 am

(10 mins before Mass)

Perpetual Help - Saturday 8:20 am

(10 mins before Mass)

Two Hearts Rosary Prayer Group –

Last Wednesday of the month 5:30 -6:30 pm

BAPTISM

Contact the Parish office to register.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Contact the Parish office to register.

MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Priest one year in advance

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Contact the Parish Office to schedule.

Please remember St. Mary Immaculate Parish in your will. Thank you!

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Let us light the candle of Joy:

The third candle of Advent symbolizes Joy. As we continue to approach Christmas Day, our joy grows more and more.

The third candle takes us back to the joyful anticipation of the shepherds who journeyed to see Jesus in Bethlehem, even before the wise men. Let us share the Joy that comes through Jesus' arrival, and through the salvation He has gifted us.

Accendiamo la candela della Gioia:

La terza candela dell'Avvento simboleggia la Gioia. Man mano che ci avviciniamo al giorno di Natale, la nostra gioia cresce sempre di più. La terza candela ci riporta all'attesa gioiosa dei pastori che si misero in cammino per vedere Gesù a Betlemme, prima ancora dei magi. Condividiamo la gioia che viene dall'arrivo di Gesù e dalla salvezza che ci ha donato.

READINGS THIS WEEK

- 15 Zephaniah 3.14-18a; Philippians 4.4-7; Luke 3.10-18
- 16 Numbers 24.2-7, 15-17a; Matthew 21.23-27
- 17 Genesis 49.2, 8-10; Matthew 1.1-17
- 18 Jeremiah 23.5-8; Matthew 1.18-24
- 19 Judges 13.2-7, 24-25a; Luke 1.5-25
- 20 Isaiah 7.10-14; 8.10d; Luke 1.26-38
- 21 Zephaniah 3.14-18a Or: Song of Songs 2.8-14; Luke 1.39-45

ADVENT LOVE LETTER TO JESUS

Dearest Baby Jesus.....

Please make people to be a better person and make them to be kind and to each other.

Spread kindness

With all my love.....

Milae Manuel

(Name)



3rd Sunday of Advent

December 14, 2025

Make your gift to ShareLife

NEW: Your gift will double in value! From November 3 until year end, your contribution to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor up to a total of \$500,000.

The ShareLife Parish Campaign brings our Catholic faith and Gospel values to life, uniting us as a strong and compassionate Catholic community. With your loving support, ShareLife-funded agencies are helping the most vulnerable in our community and around the world. Thank you for living the Gospel this Christmas by providing for those in need.

Our goal this year is **\$163,000**. To date we have achieved **\$144,275.49 (88.5%)**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

2026 OFFERTORY ENVELOPE BOXES

The 2026 offertory envelope boxes are available for pick up and are located at the back of the Church. **Envelopes are organized by the first letter of your surname.** Your envelope number may have changed due to reshuffling of the numbers. Please do not use previous years' envelopes. If you are new to the Parish and would like envelopes or need assistance, please contact the parish office.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SALES

The Knights of Columbus Council 5957 will continue its annual Christmas sales this weekend, **December 13-14, 2025**. Items for sale will include Panettone, 2026 Calendars, and Christmas cards in various languages, including English, Italian, Polish, and Tagalog. Please note: sales will be conducted on a **cash-only basis**. Christmas button donations will be used to purchase wheelchairs, while funds from other items will support charitable programs, such as Coats for Kids. Your support is greatly appreciated!

BAMBINELLI SUNDAY (BLESSING OF BABY JESUS STATUES)

Pope John Paul II began the tradition of Baminelli Sunday on the Third Sunday of Advent to remind families about the joyous event of Baby Jesus' arrival in the manger. A special blessing will take place at all the Masses **this weekend, December 13/14**.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR SING ALONG

Children are invited to participate in the children's choir at the **Christmas Eve Mass, Wednesday, December 24 at 5:00 pm** and **Christmas Day Mass, Thursday, December 25 at 11:00 am**. If your child is interested in participating, please complete the permission form available on the tables at all the entrances to the Church. There will be 4 choir rehearsals on Sunday, Nov 30, Dec 7, 14 and 21 from 10:25 am to 10:55 am in the Parish hall.

POINSETTIA PLANTS FOR THE CHURCH

We are accepting donations of poinsettia plants to decorate the Church for Christmas. Kindly drop off at the parish office no later than **Friday, December 19**. Thank you for your generosity.



The Parish has once again purchased FORMED, a catholic platform with thousands of catholic movies, audio books, talks, documentaries and much more.

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Once you have registered under the Parish name, simply go to formed.org and click on **SIGN IN** (top right hand corner). Great resources available for Advent to help you prepare for Christmas.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, the multi-language rosary and procession. Thank you to Mother's Group for organizing refreshments and a big thank you to the teachers and Choir of St. Theresa of Lisieux high school for a wonderful performance.

DECEMBER 14, 2025

ADVENT DAY OF CONFESSION

Saturday, December 20

9:30 am – 11:00 am (4 priests available)

3:30 pm – 5:00 pm (4 Priests available)

CHRISTMAS-THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Wednesday, December 24

8:00 am Mass

Christmas Eve

5:00 pm Mass (children's sing along)

10:00 pm Mass (bilingual)

11:30 pm mini concert of Christmas carols

12:00 pm Midnight Mass

Thursday, December 25

Christmas Day

8:00 am Mass

9:30 am Mass (Italian)

11:00 am Mass (children's sing along)

12:30 pm Mass

4:30 pm Mass

THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Wednesday, December 31

8:00 am Mass

New Year's Eve

5:00 pm Vigil Mass for New Year's Eve

Thursday, January 1, 2026

New Year's Day

8:00 am Mass

9:30 am Mass (Italian)

11:00 am Mass

12:30 pm Mass

4:30 pm Mass

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED DURING HOLIDAYS

Wednesday, December 24 (closed at noon)

Thursday, December 25

Friday, December 26

Wednesday, December 31 (closed at noon)

Thursday, January 1

FATIMA GIFT SHOP

Visit the Fatima Gift shop. Beautiful religious items available for any occasion.

Hours

Saturday: 4:30 pm–6:30 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am–2:00 pm and 4:00 pm–6:00 pm

Extra Christmas Hours

For the month of December only

Thursdays: 11:30 am – 1:30 pm

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Kayla Teah Verney & Connor Walter Blue

We wish them an abundance of God's graces and the loving care of our Mother Mary!

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Mira Amaya Reyes

We welcome you into the Church! We wish the Parents and Godparents of the newly baptized, God's blessing and protection of our Mother Mary

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS

Available to offer for loved ones for a one-week period. Sanctuary lamps are the red votive candles lit beside the tabernacle. To request an intention for the sanctuary lamps, please call the Parish office at 905-884-1784 during office hours.

DEC 15 - 21: THE SANCTUARY LAMPS BURN FOR:

+All Deceased Members of the Palazzo Family

+All Deceased Members of the Lastoria Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK & THEIR CAREGIVERS

If you would like to mention a loved one who is sick or a caregiver caring for a sick loved one that are in need of prayers, please contact the Parish office or call 905-884-1784 during office hours.

Tanya Di Persio, Marco Cianfarani, Clelia Proia, America Rodriguez, Lilia Rodriguez, Adriana Gomez, Ricardo Garzon, Javier Cardenas, Hernando Cruz, Peter McGuinness, Dante Fabiello

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF SOULS

+Giovanni Polsinelli & +Beatrice Lingi

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS DEC 15 – DEC 21

Mon. Dec 15	8:00 am	Spec. Int. of Chiara Loesing for a successful surgery
Tues. Dec 16	8:00 am	+Daehyun Chung +Matthew Thomas
Wed. Dec 17	8:00 am	+Raffaella Caldarola +Josefina Diaz
Thurs. Dec 18	8:00 am	+Augustine Uhm In Thanksgiving for Cheryl & James
Fri. Dec 19	8:00 am	Spec. Int. of Marie Callisto Spec. Int. of Matilda Na Rae Yoo
Sat. Dec 20	8:30 am	Spec. Int. of Adriana Castro Spec. Int. of Marceline Freckleton In Thanksgiving Mass of Joby Paul In Thanksgiving Mass of Manju Thomas
	5:00 pm	+Anna Maria Mastrovita +Kazimierz Gorzkiewicz
Sun. Dec 21	8:00 am	+Antonio Suppa
	9:30 am	+Filomena Santopolo +Elvira, +Giuseppe & +Vince Macchiusi
	11:00 am	+Saverio & +Teresa Giusti +Marie & +Giuseppe D'Agostino +Teresa Tarquini +All Souls of Purgatory +Francesca Tunzi +Dario Iacobelli +Luigi, +Assunta & +Albino Rinaldo
	12:30 pm	People of St. Mary Immaculate
	4:30 pm	+Sandi Rose Weinholdt

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