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They Meet Every Friday from 6pm-8pm Grades 7th to 12th are invited to attend!

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December 14, 2025

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Office Hours
Monday - Friday 8:30 - 4:30p.m.

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Matthew 11, 2-11

SCHEDULE OF LITURGIES / MISAS

WEEKDAYS / FINES DE SEMANA
Saturday Vigil/Vigilia del sábado: 5:30p.m. (English)
Sunday/domingo: 7:30 / 11:00a.m. (English)
9:00a.m. (Español)

WEEKDAYS / DIAS DE LA SEMANA
Monday-Saturday: 8:15a.m. (English)
Tuesday / martes: 6:00p.m. (Español)
Thursday / jueves: 6:00p.m. Hora Santa en (Español)
Friday / viernes: 3:00p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet (English)

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English: 10:00-12:00p.m.
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Monday - Friday 7:00-8:00a.m.
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Third Sunday of Advent
DECEMBER 14, 2025

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- December 7, We celebrated with great joy as the Matachines danced in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe during the procession.
- 11 de diciembre cantos para nuestra Virgen De Guadalupe
- Event of Southwest coalition presents the 10th annual Pro-Women Pro-Life Gala



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December 16 A los Pies de Jesus
 December 17 Catechism
 December 18..... MDS
 December 19 Mother Teresa

December 20 Hombres de Valor
 • After mass of 5:30p.m.

December 21..... Sacred Heart of Mary
 • At 1:00p.m

December 22 IHM Office Staff
 December 23 Youth Group

Bring your family and friends as we prepare our hearts to welcome Jesus with hope and joy.
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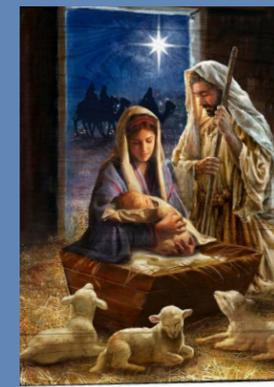
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Christmas Masses

December 24, 2025

Children Mass 5:30p.m.
 midnight Mass 12a.m.

December 25, 2025

English Mass 11:00a.m.
 Spanish Mass 9:00a.m.



Este es el momento del amor

El corazón del Evangelio es el amor de Dios que nos hace hermanos y hermanas

Pope at Mass of Our Lady of Guadalupe: Mary brings joy where human joy is lacking

Pope Leo XIV celebrates Mass in St Peter's Basilica for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, who awakens "in the inhabitants of America the joy of knowing they are loved by God."

Christian tradition recognizes the Blessed Virgin Mary as "the mother of love," Pope Leo said on Friday, in his homily for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

"In the Gospel," he continued, "we hear how Mary lives the dynamic of one who allows the world to enter her life and transform it." Filled with joy at the Annunciation, Mary throughout her life "brings joy to places where human joy is insufficient."

This, the Pope said, is what happens in Guadalupe, where Mary "awakens in the inhabitants of America the joy of knowing themselves loved by God." Noting that the Virgin spoke to St Juan Diego in his mother tongue, Pope Leo said that "in the midst of ongoing conflicts, injustices, and sufferings that seek relief, Our Lady of Guadalupe proclaims the core of her message: 'Am I not here, I who am your mother?'" Mary, he continued, "is the voice that makes the promise of divine faithfulness resound, the sustaining presence when life becomes unbearable." As our Mother, Mary tells us to "do whatever [Jesus] tells us," and we, in return, respond, "Yes, Mother, we want to be your true children. Tell us how to advance in faith when our strength wanes, and shadows grow. Help us to understand that with you, even winter becomes a time of roses."

Then, in a spirit of filial devotion, Pope Leo addressed the Blessed Virgin directly, asking her to teach the world not to be divided into irreconcilable factions; to accompany young people to remain steadfast in the faith; to seek out those who have strayed from the Church, and to strengthen families.

"Holy Virgin," the Pope said, "may we, like you, keep the Gospel in our hearts," convinced that wherever the Gospel is proclaimed, "everything becomes beautiful, restored, renewed."

Finally, Pope Leo asked Mary to support him in his ministry as the Successor of St Peter, so that he might confirm "in the one path that leads to the blessed Fruit of your womb, all those entrusted to [him]."

Concluding his homily, the Holy Father prayed that, trusting in Mary's protection, the Blessed Virgin would grant "that we may advance, united ever more with Jesus and one another, toward the eternal dwelling He has prepared for us, and in which [Mary] awaits us." By Christopher Wells



Fisichella: el Jubileo, un tiempo extraordinario, la esperanza no es una utopía

A los medios vaticanos, el pro-prefecto del Dicasterio para la Evangelización hace un primer balance del Año Santo que está por concluir, recordando los primeros meses con Francisco, sus funerales con 200 mil adolescentes presentes en Roma por su Jubileo, el primer diálogo con León XIV: una vez más, Roma se ha mostrado "ciudad acogedora y segura".

Andrea De Angelis – Ciudad del Vaticano

"Cada Jubileo trae consigo algo extraordinario. Nuestro lenguaje siempre está lleno de fe y caridad; durante un año hemos tenido la alegría y la responsabilidad de reflexionar sobre el tema de la esperanza, y esto nos ha enriquecido, así como ocurrió en 2016 con la misericordia". Monseñor Rino Fisichella, pro-prefecto del Dicasterio para la Evangelización, subraya en Radio Vaticana – Vatican News la importancia de un tiempo en el que el Vaticano y Roma han recibido – y seguirán recibiendo durante un mes más– a millones de peregrinos.

Los signos de esperanza

En la entrevista realizada por Orazio Coclite y Eugenio Bonanata en el estudio externo de los medios vaticanos en la Plaza de San Pedro, el arzobispo enfatiza de inmediato cómo "la esperanza es algo concreto; la esperanza tiene un rostro, la esperanza tiene un nombre. Como nos ha reiterado varias veces el Papa León, la esperanza es Jesucristo, es la vida que Él nos da, es la vida nueva del Bautismo, la que recibimos. Y esto –prosigue– también nos lleva a construir nuestro presente, nos lleva a mirar al futuro de manera comprometida y responsable, teniendo un objetivo claro frente a nosotros". Por lo tanto, no hablamos de "una idea abstracta, sino de algo tangible, visible y concreto; entonces hay signos de esperanza".

El don de la vida

Uno de estos signos importantes es, sin duda, el don de la vida. "No podemos negar que, para permanecer en nuestro presente, el gran problema de la baja natalidad está ligado a la falta de esperanza; es decir –explica monseñor Fisichella– falta la alegría de poder mirar al futuro. Uno se encierra, no es fecundo, ya no transmite de generación en generación el don de la vida. Desde este punto de vista necesitamos una gran responsabilidad. Saber que ser transmisores de vida es un compromiso de esperanza, un compromiso de alegría, un compromiso de confianza en el futuro".

Al subrayar la sacralidad de la persona, el prelado cita a un predecesor de León XIV: "San Pablo VI hablaba del misterio de la persona, del sacramento de la persona, para decir que vemos a alguien, pero necesitamos ver qué hay detrás de esa imagen. Allí hay un hermano, hay una hermana, hay una relación que se establece entre nosotros, que no es una relación vacía, sino que se llena de muchos contenidos, justamente los que nos da el hecho de tener un único Padre. Si realmente somos hijos de Dios, la consecuencia es inevitable: debemos reconocernos como hermanos entre nosotros".

La esperanza está en el corazón de cada persona

El arzobispo afirma luego: "Cada Jubileo trae consigo algo extraordinario. Para permanecer conectados con lo que estamos viviendo, nuestro lenguaje siempre está lleno de fe y caridad. Casi nunca hablamos de la esperanza. Ahora –destaca– durante un año hemos tenido la alegría, la fuerza, la responsabilidad de reflexionar sobre el tema de la esperanza, y creo que esto nos ha enriquecido, como cuando, con el Jubileo extraordinario de la Misericordia (2016), durante un año hablamos del atributo fundamental de Dios: misericordioso".

La esperanza, por lo tanto, tiene una fuerza que resulta "fundamental en la vida de cada persona, de cada hombre, de cada mujer, en la vida del creyente. Es lo contrario de la desesperación, de encerrarse en sí mismo".

¿Qué nos deja este Año Santo? "La conciencia de que la esperanza no es una palabra vacía, no es una utopía, no es una idea, sino una Persona, que nos pide vivir con signos, dar signos tangibles, visibles, de lo que la esperanza implica".

Jubileo y evangelización

El pro-prefecto del Dicasterio para la Evangelización subraya que "no es casualidad que el Papa haya confiado justamente a este Dicasterio la organización del Jubileo, porque este Año Santo es un signo tangible de evangelización". Un signo que también se ve en las calles llenas de peregrinos, en particular en la Vía della Conciliazione. "Desde Piazza Pia hasta la Puerta Santa hay un recorrido reservado a los peregrinos, que mientras lo recorren rezan, y lo hacen en el constante ir y venir de personas, turistas y romanos. Quien pasa y ve un grupo de personas que reza con la cruz del Jubileo, que canta, que manifiesta su fe, se siente provocado a pensar: ¿Qué están haciendo? ¿En medio de la calle rezan? Estas preguntas se dirigen a cada uno de nosotros: ¿quiénes son, de dónde vienen, qué quieren, qué mensaje quieren dar? Esto nos hace reflexionar y me parece que es una de las dimensiones fundamentales del Jubileo, una hermosa testimonio que contagia".

Un Jubileo, dos Papas

El cierre del Jubileo

¿Qué esperar, finalmente, para el cierre del Año Santo? "Debemos vivirlo –concluye el arzobispo– con la misma intensidad con la que hemos vivido cada día de este año jubilar. No olvidemos que a Roma ya han llegado más de 32 millones de peregrinos para participar en las distintas actividades del Jubileo. Es un número consistente, real, pero también nos hace reconocer la gran atención que el pueblo de Dios ha tenido hacia el Jubileo".



Pope to priests: Announce Christ in today's confusing and noisy society

In a message addressed to Latin American priests, seminarians, and religious men and women studying in Rome, Pope Leo XIV encourages them to remember their calling to follow Christ and strive to place God above everything.

By Isabella H. de Carvalho

"Since we live in a confusing society of noise, today more than ever we need servants and disciples who announce the absolute primacy of Christ and who keep His voice clearly in their ears and hearts."

Pope Leo XIV offered that invitation to Latin American priests, seminarians, and religious men and women who study Rome, in a [message](#) released on Friday, December 12.

They gathered at the Vatican for a meeting organized by the Pontifical Commission for Latin America on "Mary: Star of Evangelization and Mission for Latin America Today," on the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

In his message, Pope Leo reflected on Christ's words to His disciples, "Follow me," as representative of the "deepest purpose" of the life of a seminarian, priest, or consecrated person.

He invited them to remember their calling and stay faithful to God through good and hard times, by also nurturing their relationship with Him through reading Scripture, meditating in prayer, following their pastors, and studying the knowledge and wisdom offered by the Church.

"In joys and in difficulties, our motto must be: if Christ went through it, then we too must live what He lived," he wrote. "We should not cling to applause, for its echo fades quickly; nor is it healthy to dwell only on memories of crises or times of bitter disappointment."

"Rather, let us see all of it as part of our formation and say, 'If God has willed it for me, I too will it. The deep bond that unites us to Christ, whether as priests, consecrated persons, or seminarians, resembles what is said to Christian spouses on their wedding day: 'for poorer, for richer, in sickness and in health.'"

Jesus sustains and knows us

The Pope also highlighted that in the Gospel of John, Christ tells the apostle Peter to follow Him twice, and both times, it shows the Lord's closeness.

The first time is after Peter's triple confession of love after denying Jesus three times, and even though "the Apostle did not fully understand the mystery of the Cross," God already had "in mind the sacrifice with which Peter would glorify God."

"When, throughout life, our vision becomes clouded, like Peter's did in the night or amid the storms," the Pope explained, "it will be the voice of Jesus that, with loving patience, sustains us."

Similarly, the second time is shortly after when Peter asks about John, and Jesus replies, "What concern is it of yours? You follow me."

This second episode "assures us that the Lord knows our frailty and that, often, it is not the cross imposed upon us, but our own selfishness, that becomes a stumbling block in our desire to follow him," Pope Leo emphasized.

"The dialogue with the Apostle shows us how easily we judge our brother and even God, without docilely accepting His will in our lives."

At the end of his message, the Pope entrusted the Latin American seminarians, priests, and religious to Mary and asked Our Lady of Guadalupe to "teach us to respond with courage and to keep in our hearts the wonders that Christ has done in us, so that we may go forth without delay to proclaim the joy of having found him, of being one in the One, and living stones of a temple for His glory."



MASS INTENTIONS



Vigil / vigilia Saturday / sábado December 13th

5:30p.m. †Andres & Guadalupe Mijarez (by Family)
 † LTC Cass Gonzales (by Gonzales Family)
 † Ascencion C Acosta (by Family)

Sunday / domingo December 14th

7: 30a.m. †Francesca Portillo Espinosa
 (by Media Family)

9:00a.m. †Ed Morales Familias (by Mannie Morales)
 (Sp) †Msgr Bob Getz (by Mannie Morales)
 †Sam Tome (by Annette Davis)

11:00a.m. †Enedina Prieto (by Family)

Monday / lunes December 15th

8: 15a.m. †Pedro Gutierrez (by Family Gutierrez)

Tuesday / martes December 16th

8:15a.m. Thanksgiving for Fr. Alejandro Reyes

6:00p.m. Thanksgiving Lucia Gutierrez (by Family)
 (sp)

Wednesday / miércoles December 17th

8:15a.m. †Lourdes Loya Rodriguez
 (by Josefina Vargas)

Thursday / jueves December 18th

8:15a.m. Thanksgiving Linette Gutierrez (by Family)

Friday / viernes December 19th

8:15a.m. Almas Del Purgatorio

Saturday / sábado December 20th

8:15a.m. Healing of Gomez Family (by Family)

What is happening

Luminarias

After every mass with the youth group and at the Office

Christmas Posadas

December 16 - 23, 2025
 Here at the cathedral hosted by different Ministries

Christmas Eve Mass

December 24, 2025
 Children's Mass at 5:30pm
 Midnight Mass at 12:00am

End of year Mass

December 31, 2025
 English Mass at 8:15a.m.
 Bilingual Mass at 11:00p.m.

Raffle Tickets

After every mass & come by the Office to buy your tickets

Reconciliation

December 17, 2025
 5:00pm to 7:00pm
 At Immaculate Heart of Mary church

Christmas Mass

December 25, 2025
 Spanish Mass at 9:00am
 English Mass at 11:00am

Why do we celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe?

In 1531, the Blessed Mother appeared four times to St. Juan Diego asking for a church to be built in her honor. The last time she appeared to him, on December 12, 1531, she arranged roses in his tilma, which he then took to the bishop. When he opened his cloak, the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe was miraculously present on the tilma. We therefore celebrate the Feast day of Our Lady under the title of Guadalupe on December 12. It is preceded on December 9 by the Feast of St. Juan Diego, who was canonized in 2002 by Pope St. John Paul II.

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- Choir Group
- Eucharistic Adoration Holy hour
- Extraordinary Minister of the holy Hour
- Extraordinary Minister of the holy Hour to homebound
- Fisher of men - Vocational formation
- Financial committee
- Flor del Carmelo - Carmelitas Seglares
- Knight of Columbus
- Lectors
- Los Hombres de Valor
- MDS Marriages Group
- MFCC
- Mother Teresa of Calcutta
- Mujeres a los pies de Jesus-Fe, Servicio y formación
- OCIA Core Team (catechists)
- Pastoral council
- Pascuales
- Religious Education:
- Rosary Makers
- Sacristan
- Sacred Heart Society
- St. Joselito Youth Group
- Talleres de Oración y Vida
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Saint of the week / Santo de la semana

Sts. Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah

ss. Ananías, Azarías y Misael



Young Jews in exile in Babylon (VII century BC), the youths became officials at court. Refusing to worship the statue of the king, they were thrown into a furnace: accompanied by an angel of the Lord, they sang a hymn proclaiming the lordship of the true God over all creation, and emerged unscathed.

Jóvenes judíos en exilio en Babilonia (siglo VII a.C.), se convierten en funcionarios de Nabucodonosor. Negándose a adorar la estatua del Rey, relata el Libro del Profeta Daniel, son arrojados en un horno ardiente, donde caminan tranquilamente en el fuego, junto a un ángel, alabando al Señor.