



December 14, 2025

3rd Sunday of Advent

Father José Alvarez, Pastor

MASSES

Monday-Friday6:30 & 8:00 AM

Saturday.....8:00 AM

Saturday Vigil.....5:30 PM

Sunday.....8:00, 9:30, & 11:00 AM

...... 12:30 PM (Spanish) & 6:00 PM

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday-Thursday7:00-8:00 AM & 8:30-9:30 AM Friday7:00-8:00 AM & 8:30-9:00 AM

ROSARY

Daily.....7:40 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Every day as arranged
Once a month as announced

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Call the Parish Office two months in advance

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Call the Parish Office one year in advance

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God May Surprise You

It was one week before Christmas. Many people were hustling and rushing around to prepare for Christmas. The small village of Largo was lit up. The three stores in the village were staying open till 10:00 pm. The Church of St. Joseph's was being decorated for the Midnight Mass.

John and Mary Berry had three boys aged 10, 7 and 4. John worked in a nearby village as a foreman in a factory. He was depressed because he had no gifts to give his wife and children. Unknown to him, his wife was also depressed but did not want John to know. They were both worried about how the children would react without gifts.

The reason they were short on money was because the factory John worked at had been closed for three months. It re-opened and they were trying to pay the past-due bills. Mary and John both prayed to the Infant Jesus to help them on Christmas Day. How will their children feel without gifts from them? They were both sad.

One day later, they heard a knock on their front door. John opened it and found a large box wrapped in Christmas paper. There was also an envelope taped to the box. They opened it and read the following...

"Dear John and Mary – We know how the both of you have struggled these past few months. All your neighbors on the block decided to help you. We bought toys for your three sons, and we know they will be happy. With all our love, Your Neighbors".

John and Mary were stunned, and they knelt down and gave thanks to their neighbors, but especially to God.

On Christmas morning, the children went wild opening their gifts. John and Mary realized that God had given them a Christmas present too, happiness for their children and a greater love for each other.

So, if you are ever down and out – never give up. Pray to God because "God may surprise you."



HYMNS FOR MASS

Introit: "Rejoice in the Lord always" (p. 3) Psalm: 146 - Lord, come and save us. Off: On Jordan's bank (p. 245) Recessional: O come, divine Messiah (p. 235)

FINDING "IT" WITH FATHER!

SEASON 2- Episodes released on <u>Wednesdays</u>. Available on Spotify, YouTube & IG@epiphanykings. Faith, guidance and inspiration for your daily life!





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PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

Peggy Brodeur; Lucia Cabrales; Minerva Campos; Idalia Castro; Alejandra Cesar Kelly; Nan Marie Clark; Savannah Echemendia; Michelle Echenique; Baby Grayson; Cesar Izique Jr.; Enzo Lopez; Kerri Lord Ager; John Rowland; Judy Rawlins.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

Gabriela Bryan; Tito Fernando Herrera Armas; Eliza Perez-Sanchez; Marielba Superlano.

NOTE: The names in Our Prayer List remain on the list for (4) consecutive weeks. If you need a name added or kept on the list, please call the Rectory at 305.667.4911.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT 2025 EVENTS

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Featuring Epiphany Choirs & Orchestra Wednesday, December 17 @ 7:30pm



Free Admittance

ADVENT RECONCILIATION EVENING

Monday, December 22 6:00pm – 8:00pm



Reconciliation is available daily as arranged

Christmas Masses



CHRISTMAS EVE

Wednesday, December 24, 2025 4:00pm, 6:00pm & Midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY

Thursday, December 25, 2025 8:00am, 11:00am, 12:30*pm (*denotes Spanish)

There will be no evening mass on Christmas Day

NEW YEAR'S MASSES



SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

Wednesday, December 31, 2025 Vigil Mass 5:30pm

Thursday, January 1st, 2026 8:00am, 11:00am, 12:30*pm (*denotes Spanish)

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD



Saturday, January 3, 2026 Vigil Mass 5:30pm

Sunday, January 4, 2026 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 12:30*pm & 6:00pm (*denotes Spanish)

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

THIS WEEKEND SPECIAL COLLECTION



Our senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests need your help. They have spent decades caring for those in need, but years of service for little or no pay have left many religious communities without sufficient retirement savings. Your gift can help ensure they receive the care they deserve. Please give back to those who have given a lifetime.

Special collection envelopes can be found on the pews in the Church

CHURCH CALENDARS

The 2026 Church Calendars have arrived and are available on the Church tables or at the Rectory. Please stop by to pick up a copy, Monday-Friday 8:30AM-5:00PM. Closed for lunch 12:00–1:00PM.



CAMILLUS HOUSE CASSEROLE PROJECT

On **Wednesday, December 17**th the Epiphany Camillus Casserole Committee will be collecting the **Turkey Chili** casserole behind the Church in the school carpool lanes from 7:00-9:00AM.



Visit our church website for recipes and additional information. For tins and lids, please visit the rectory office.

PILGRIM VIRGIN MINISTRY SIGN UP

The Pilgrim Virgin is waiting to be invited into your home! Sign-up sheets will be available at the tables at the main entrance of the Church. Visit the tables **this weekend** and partake of this opportunity to bring special blessings to your household. All parishioners are encouraged to participate. It is suggested that families choose a significant date in their lives to host Our Lady. The visits are scheduled from Sunday to Sunday, and each family is responsible for honoring Mary with its own family prayers.

For more information, please call: Luis or Patricia Siman at 305.498.5936

MASS INTENTIONS

Date	Time		Mass Intentions	Requested by
Saturday	5:30 PM		In Thanksgiving	Norman & Gerda Salas
December 13			Josefa & Ramon Lopez	Lopez Family
(Sunday Vigil)		+	Lucy Fernandez	Family
Sunday	8:00 AM	+	Jorge Gonzalez Jr.	Ana Oliva & Family
December 14		+	Alina Renfrow & Elena Borras	Emily Mendieta
	9:30 AM		Luis Alberto Moas	Moas Family
		+	Alina Inclan Duran	Family
	11:00 AM		PEOPLE OF EPIPHANY	Epiphany Parish
	12:30 PM	+	Esther De Fernandez	Fernandez Family
		+	Rita Maria Padron Ibañez	Carolina Bestard & Family
	6:00 PM		Danielle & Alfredo Consuegra	Perez Family
		+	Raul Mario Rojas	Antonini-Ager Family
Monday	6:30 AM		Sussel Araujo	Millie Puig
December 15		+	Vittoria Cacciamani	Gisela Cacciamani
	8:00 AM	+	Beatriz & Gregorio Escagedo	Family
		+	Pedro Pelegrin Castilla	Salazar-Bofill Family
Tuesday	6:30 AM		Georgette Rodriguez Vazquez	Lourdes Machado Pardo
December 16		+	Heinz Boehmer	Alejandra Kelly
	8:00 AM	+	Graziella Rodriguez	Myriam Grad
			Maria Cristina Rodriguez	Jimenez Family
Wednesday	6:30 AM		Austin Camps	Family
December 17		+	Pope Francis	Pistorino Family
		+	Sylvia Lacayo	Alejandra Kelly
	8:00 AM		Anna Gonzalez	Jimenez Family
			Narciso Guerra	Jimenez Family
Thursday	6:30 AM		Fr. Alex Rivera	Pistorino Family
December 18		+	Josefina Montero	Gisela Cacciamani
	8:00 AM	+	Angel & Lucy Fernandez	Family
		+	Beatriz & Gregorio Escagedo	Family
Friday	6:30 AM		Alejandro Gallart	Gallart Family
December 19		+	Heinz Boehmer	Alejandra Kelly
	8:00 AM		Beatriz & Carl Lowell	Family & Friends
			Diana Benedetti Yidi	William & Diana Yidi
		+	Oscar Arellano	Arellano Family
Saturday	8:00 AM	+	Eric Maspons	Maria Maspons & Family
December 20		+	Joy K. Pistorino	Pistorino Family
			Maria E. & Randy Swire	Pistorino Family
Saturday	5:30 PM		Nikolai & Nicole	Family
December 20			Sean Murphy	Cindy Sokolic
(Sunday Vigil)		+	Teresita Amorin	Fernandez Family
Sunday December 21	8:00 AM	+	Heinz Boehmer	Alejandra Kelly
			Special Intention	Family
	9:30 AM	+	George Azar	Family
		+	Nellie Zappala	Family
	11:00 AM		PEOPLE OF EPIPHANY	Epiphany Parish
	12:30 PM	+	Jose Pares	Family
			Julian Gonzalez	Karen Trevino
	6:00 PM	+	Heinz Boehmer	Alejandra Kelly
			Enzo Lopez	Family