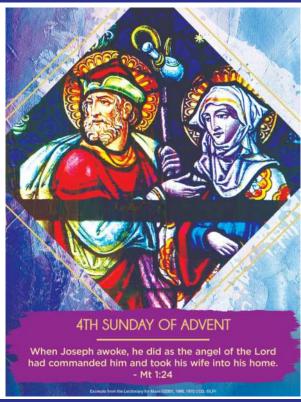
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# SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21st 2025

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### **REGULAR MASS TIMES**

Monday - Saturday 8:15 am / Chapel

Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet Prior to Daily Mass @ 7:30 am / Chapel

Saturday Vigil / 4:30 pm / Church Sunday / 7:00 am / 8:30 am / 10:30 am / Church

RECONCILIATION

Tuesdays // 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm / Church Saturdays // 9:00 am - 10:00 am & 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm / Church

**ADORATION** 

Tuesdays & Wednesdays / 9:00 am - 8:00 pm / Chapel // Benediction @ 7:45 pm

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

First Friday of Every Month following Daily Mass

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION

First Saturday of Every Month @ 7:25 am / Chapel

# SUNDAY READINGS

### First Reading:

Therefore the Lord himself will give you this sign: the virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel. (Isa 7:14)

### Psalm:

Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory. (Ps 24)

### **Second Reading:**

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. (Rom 1:7)

### Gospel:

"Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." (Mt 1:20-21)

# **OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent St. John of Kanty, Priest Tuesday:

Wednesday: Christmas Eve

Thursday: The Nativity of the Lord Friday: St. Stephen, First Martyr

St. John, Apostle and Evangelist Saturday:

Nxt Sunday: The Holy Family

# **Infant Baptism**

Come to the Water ...

If you are pregnant or have a new addition to the family, please contact Diane Starkweather at stgbaptism@gmail.com or call the parish office for more information and to register in the parish. Baptism class required for parents and offered monthly. Must be under 7 years old for Infant Baptism.

Holy Baptism is the basis of the whole Christian life, the "gateway to life in the Spirit."

Prayer Intentions

To submit a prayer intention request for a loved one, please email our St. Gabriel Prayer Partners at: stgabsprayers@gmail.com Are you interested in becoming a prayer partner? Please contact MaryAnn McAward at: maryannmcaward@me.com for details.



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# Monday, December 22nd

Rosary // 7:30am // Chapel Mass // 8:15am // Chapel Widow Warriors // 9:00am // Padre Pio Mass // 6:00pm // Church Middle School Sentinels // 6:00pm // Youth Center

# Tuesday, December 23rd

Rosary // 7:30am // Chapel Mass // 8:15am // Chapel Adoration // 9:00am-8:00pm // Chapel Benediction // 7:45pm

# Wednesday, December 24th Parish Office Closed at Noon

Rosary // 7:30am // Chapel Mass // 8:15am // Chapel Adoration // 9:00am - 3:45pm // Chapel Benediction // 3:30pm Christmas Vigil Masses // 4:00pm // 6:00pm // 10:00pm // Church

Thursday, December 25th 🏯

The Nativity of the Lord Merry Christmas!

Parish Office Closed

Christmas Day Mass 10:00am // Church

# Friday, December 26th

St. Stephen

Parish Office Closed

Rosary // 7:30am // Chapel Mass // 8:15am // Chapel

# Saturday, December 27th

St. John the Apostle

Parish Office Closed

Rosary // 7:30am // Chapel Mass // 8:15am // Chapel Vigil Mass // 4:30pm // Church

# Sunday, December 28th

The Holy Family & The Holy Innocents

Parish Office Closed

Masses // 7:00am // 8:30am // 10:30am// Church

# New Parishioners Welcome! Register online at: stgacc.org or at the parish office @stgabrielthearchangelcatholicparish @stgabrielcavecreek



# Sunday, December 21st

7:00 am Parishioners 8:30 am Dean & Sue Pierce & Family by Jary & Linda Lester

10:30 am Sheila Peers by Deb Liguori

### Monday, December 22nd

8:15 am † Guido Lorenzi by The Garibaldi Family

# Tuesday, December 23rd

8:15 am † John Felix by Deb Conway

# Wednesday, December 24th

8:15 am Parishioners

4:00 pm † Carmelo DiPasquale by Family 6:.00 pm Arnie Santos & Family by Family

11:00 pm † Jerry Hoffman by Earl & Lynn Schwartzhoff

# Thursday, December 25th

10:00 am † Silvia Nudo by Francesca Nudo

# Friday, December 26th

8:15 am † Angelica Fornino by Family

# Saturday, December 27th

8:15 am † Nancy Azzopardi by Garibaldi Family 4:30 pm Marissa Fozzard by Mary Anne Ahmedi

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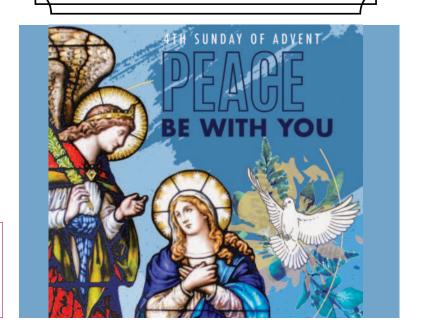
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after Mass, bring your family, eat a donut or grab a coffee & listen to a Catholic Chat



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https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/c8a6d7 OR SCAN OR CODE TO PARTICIPATE



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In the Gospel reading today Joseph receives a dream. He is confused and afraid, but in the quiet of sleep God speaks: "Do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home.(Mt. 1:20)" When he wakes, Joseph acts. He doesn't overanalyze or dismiss the message. He trusts and acts.

Advent is a time for stillness. As we prepare for Christs coming, we're invited to enter that quiet space where God's voice can be heard. This Advent let us be still and listen, and, like Joseph, have the courage to act on what God shows you.

If the work of the Knights sounds interesting, see any member or find our leaders on the Parish website at: https://stgacc.org/knights-of-columbus

# Upcoming events:

- First Wednesday of Every Month: FUNDRAISER at the Dynasty Chinese Cuisine. 10% of sales donated to KofC with coupon (including takeout)
- **DECEMBER 17** at 7:00 PM: Officers Meeting **DECEMBER** 18 at 6:00 PM: Fourth Degree Assembly Meeting & 7:00 PM: Council Meeting

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# December 21, 2025 Fourth Sunday of Advent Matthew 1:18–24

A priest friend recently told me a remarkable story. One of his cousins reported having a vivid dream in which an angel told him the family needed to exhume their grandmother's body from a cemetery in New York and return it to her birthplace in Romania. She had been dead nearly 10 years. As you might expect, the family thought it was, well, crazy. But astonishingly they exhumed her body. It was incorrupt, showing no signs of decomposition. That experience sparked healing, faith, and reconciliation throughout the family.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Joseph also receives a dream. He's confused, afraid. But in the quiet of sleep, God speaks: "Do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home" (Matthew 1:20). When he wakes, Joseph acts. He doesn't overanalyze or dismiss the message. He trusts, and acts.

God still speaks — not necessarily through literal dreams but through those deeper intuitions of the heart. St. Ignatius of Loyola taught that God's voice draws us into peace, courage, and love. But we have to listen to it. Advent is a time for stillness. As we prepare for Christ's coming, we're invited to enter that quiet space where God's voice can be heard.

When and how do you become most receptive to God? Is it in silence? In prayer? In nature? At Mass? This week, go there. Be still. Listen. And like Joseph, have the courage to act on what God shows you.

-Father John Muir



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