

UPCOMING EVENTS

- December 24, Tuesday: Christmas Eve: 10:30 pm Posada and Mass immediately afterwards (approx 11:00pm)
- December 25, Wednesday, Christmas Day, 12:00 Noon Mariachi Mass
- January 1, 2020, Wednesday, New Year's Day Mass 12:00 Noon

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- On behalf of Fr Mike, myself and the staff here at Mission Concepción, Merry Christmas and may you have a joyful New Year!

PEARL POSADA

Mission Concepcion members participated in the Posada this week, there are a few pictures



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Jesse & Zoyla Sanchez, Mary Lou Salinas, Carmelo Jimenez, the Mothers at Seton Home, Armando Jude Morales, Mary Barrera, Bertha Jimenez, Louis A. Rodriguez, Manuel Garcia III, Justina Vasquez, Richard Landin, Gini Garcia, John Rodriguez, Romulo Rabago, Deacon Gilbert Hernandez, Hector Valadez, Susie Solis, Amy Mancillas, Teresa Hernandez, Sarah Hatter, Ray Quintana, Trinity Urbina, Catherine Mankins, Rosie Gandara, Robert Ramon, Yolanda Resendez, Carmen Flores, Mary Helen Cantu and Marcos Lopez

STEWARDSHIP

December 15, 2019 Mass Attendance: 385
Collection: \$4784.06 Tourist Box: \$308.45
Dec 12 Attendance: 132 Collection: \$236.90



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WEEKLY REFLECTION



PEARL POSADA

MISSION CONCEPCIÓN

NUESTRA SEÑORA DE LA PURÍSIMA CONCEPCIÓN DE ACUÑA



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Sunday Schedule:

10:00 AM Bilingual Mass
12 Noon Mariachi Mass

807 Mission Rd. San Antonio, TX

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DEACON'S CORNER

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
Advent is a season in which we're called to prepare our hearts and minds for the incarnation of Jesus Christ--when God became man in order to redeem the world. Last week marked the halfway point of the Advent season. It's still not too late to ask the question: Am I ready for Christmas? Our



thoughts probably steered immediately to the secular: have I bought all the presents I need for family and friends? What food will I need to prepare? Our to-do lists take priority and leave little room for reflection on the Nativity of Our Lord.

Pope Benedict, in his homily for first vespers of Advent in 2009 said, "Advent, this powerful liturgical season...invites us to pause in silence to understand a presence." But too often today during the busyness of the holiday season, there is no pausing, and certainly very little silence.

So as Advent season winds down, make time to reflect prayerfully on what the coming of Christ means to you. There is still time to prepare for the coming of our Savior--still time to reflect on the true gift that awaits us on Christmas morning.

Blessings, Deacon Ray

MASS INTENTIONS

10:00 AM MASS

Repose of the Soul: Ronan Ramirez, Felix Colunga, Henry Zimmerle, Marcos Lopez, Kyle Fuller, Minnie Farmer, Delia Huerta

Health: Josie Gonzalez

12 NOON MASS

Repose of the Soul: Joe and Trinidad Montez, Delia Huerta

Health: Josie Gonzalez

ONLINE GIVING

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Righteousness or self-righteousness? That is the question! Lots of us are tempted to believe in our own moral goodness more than the promises of God.

- Do you think of yourself as living a virtuous life? Do others perceive you as righteous? What makes the difference between the righteous and self-righteous person?
- Like Ahaz, do you ever hide behind religious motivations in order to escape morally challenging situations?
- Paul of Tarsus was called and sent to announce the gospel. So are you. Compare your "apostleship" to his and note similarities and differences.
- Joseph is a man who pays attention to his dreams. Do you listen to your dreams, by day or by night, or do you ignore what does not seem "real" or "practical"?

For several decades, Jesse & Zoila Sanchez & their family have sponsored the Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass with the mariachis and meal afterwards. Pictured at right is Deacon Ray, Jesse & Zoila Sanchez & Fr Mike. Thank you Sanchez family for your continued support to Mission Concepcion



10AM MASS MINISTERS

→ **Next Sunday 12/29/19**

First Reading: Nancy Valadez

Segunda Lectura: Margaret Benavides

Eucharistic Ministers: Elda Franco, Cyndi Martinez, Dolores Colunga

Collection Counters: Debbie Castillo, Cyndi Martinez, Rosa Ramirez, Bill Murray, Susie Solis

Hospitality: John Rodriguez, Victor Rabago, Joey Barrera, Andres Reyes, Benicio Martinez and Frank Rubio

Reposteria: Brenda & Manuel Landin

12 NOON MINISTERS

→ **Next Sunday 12/29/19**

First Reading: Sylvia Hernandez

Second Reading: Amanda Sanchez

Eucharistic Ministers: Rosa Rosas, Mary Lou Macias, Enrique Mejia

Collection Counters: Sylvia Hernandez, Hope Vasquez, Enrique Mejia

Hospitality: Mary Lou and Miguel Hidalgo