

**The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God, January 1, 2023
Maria, Madre De Dios, 1 de Enero de 2023**



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MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

And Mary kept all these things,
reflecting on them in her heart. - Lk 2:19

MARÍA, LA SANTA MADRE DE DIOS

María, por su parte, guardaba todas estas cosas
y las meditaba en su corazón. - Lc 2, 19

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LITURGY

Public Weekend Masses—In Church

Saturday: 5 PM English—Livestreamed
Sunday: 8:30 AM Spanish
10:30 AM English—Livestreamed

Public Weekday Masses—In Church

Tuesday: 7 PM Spanish
Wednesday: 9 AM English
Thursday: 9 AM English
Friday: 9 AM English
1st Friday & Adoration: 8 AM-Adoration
8:30 AM-Rosary
9 AM-Mass
Adoration ends at 11 AM

All weekday Masses are also livestreamed

Adoration

Tuesday: 5 PM—6:45 PM
Friday: 9:30 AM—11 AM

Anointing of the Sick

First Friday of the month, or by appointment.

Confessions

Tuesday: 6 PM—6:45 PM
Friday: 9:30 AM—10:15 AM
Saturday: 4 PM—4:50 PM
Sunday: 7:30 AM—8:20 AM

Parish Office Hours

Monday—Thursday: 9 AM—2 PM
Friday: 9 AM—Noon
Saturday & Sunday: Closed



GOSPEL MEDITATION
Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

We hide ourselves and our secrets from God because we are afraid. Even Mary can seem too perfect to approach. The shepherds find the strength to speak to Mary and Joseph *at the moment they see the child in the manger*. They open their hearts and share what they've experienced. Saint Luke writes of the shepherds, "When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child."

When I was a college student, I visited Rome. Beggars often approached and said, "Mangia? Mangia?" I didn't speak Italian and thought, "Why are they speaking about the Christmas nativity scene?" My friend said, "Mangia means eat. They're hungry." That's when I realized more deeply than ever before that Mary puts her baby in a place designed for hungry animals to eat.

See that baby in the manger in your heart. Imagine Mary kneeling nearby looking at you with love. She doesn't cling to God for herself. In that cave, from the beginning, she quietly offers her son to hungry souls. The manger means vulnerable self-offering love. That's the sign. This week that same manger opens our hearts to tell Mary about our lives, too.

— Father John Muir

History of the Rosary

Question:

What is the history of the rosary? Where did this prayer come from?



Answer:

Although a longstanding tradition attributed the rosary to Saint Dominic and the Dominican Order, the practice of using beads to count prayers predates the Dominicans by a few hundred years. In fact, it seems that what we now think of as the rosary (which means "garland of roses") was first developed by illiterate peasants and religious brothers and sisters as a way of offering 150 "Our Fathers" to replace the praying of the 150 psalms in the Divine Office.

The practice of reciting 150 Hail Marys (which was later subdivided into 15 decades of 10 Hail Marys) arose during the late Middle Ages. Devotion to the rosary began to flourish in the nineteenth century, especially as new devotions to Mary began to spread throughout Europe and the New World. An annual liturgical celebration of Our Lady of the Rosary was introduced into the Church calendar in 1573 and it has been observed on the date of October 7 since 1913.

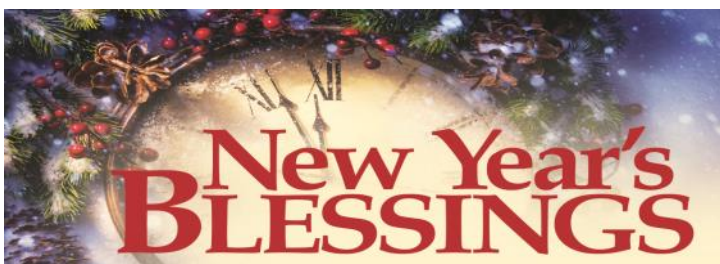
In the apostolic letter *On the Most Holy Rosary*, Pope Saint John Paul II not only added five new mysteries to the traditional fifteen, but he also reminded Catholics that the rosary is, at its core, an opportunity to go deeper into the life of Jesus: "The rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at heart a Christocentric prayer ... It has all the *depth of the Gospel message in its entirety*, of which it can be said to be a compendium. It is an echo of Mary's prayer, her perennial *Magnificat* ... With the rosary, the Christian people sit at the school of Mary and are led to contemplate the beauty of the face of Christ and to experience the depths of his love" (no. 1).

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When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child. All who heard it were amazed by what had been told them by the shepherds. And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.
 - Lk 2:17-19
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WELCOME TO ST. THOMAS PARISH!

Thank you for celebrating with us today. We invite you to come and worship with us again. If you would like to be a member of our faith community, please take a moment to register. We would love to have you as our spiritual companion.

BIENVENIDOS A LA PARROQUIA DE SANTO TOMÁS!

Gracias por celebrar con nosotros. Les damos una cordial invitación para celebrar la santa misa cada domingo con nosotros. Si usted desea ser un miembro de nuestra comunidad de fe, por favor llene el formulario de registro. Nos encantaría contar con usted como miembro de nuestra familia.

THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

INTENCIONES DE LA MISA DE ESTA SEMANA

Sunday, January 1, 10:30 AM

Monday, January 2
No Mass

Tuesday, January 3, 7 PM

Wednesday, January 4, 9 AM
Anna Sotelo (by Christine Ryska)

Thursday, January 5, 9 AM
Maggie O'Brien (by Kelleen Stubblefield)

Friday, January 6, 9 AM
† Gary Northrop (by St. Thomas Parish)

Saturday, January 7, 5 PM
Eric Brewer (by Christine Ryska)



EPIFANIA



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK, ALL THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS:

FOR THE SICK: We remember especially: Judy Lund, Joan King, Martha Hickman

FOR THE DEAD: Please pray for our beloved deceased Gary Northrop. May the Lord receive him unto Himself giving strength, comfort, and peace to their families and our parish community. Amen.

2022 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL GOAL \$31,669
One Time gifts & Pledges \$37,410.80 *
* Includes Pledges not yet received as of 11.01.22

OUR FINANCIAL GIFTS

December 17th and December 18th, 2022
Saturday & Sunday English Masses.....\$4,975.33
Sunday & Tuesday Spanish Masses.....\$1,385.25
Weekly Online Stewardship.....\$558.75
Maintenance Fund /
Fondo de Mantenimiento.....\$684.00
Total Donation /
Donación Total.....\$7,603.33

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BAUTISMOS: Cada PRIMER DOMINGO del mes.
Para mas información favor de llamar a la oficina.

PRESENTACIONES: Cada ULTIMO DOMINGO del mes. Favor de llamar a la oficina primero

CONFESIONES: Todos los Domingos de 7:30 am
8:20 AM
Todos los Martes de 6:00 a
6:45 PM

CLASES PREMATRIMONIALES
Mas información, favor de llamar a Gabriel y Átala Olivas al numero. (206) 909—4944

Bulletin Notices: *The article deadline is 12 PM (Noon) on the Friday* a week before the weekend you wish it to appear (8 days in advance). Notices about parish events or items of interest to the parish are welcome, however posting cannot be guaranteed. Email bulletin articles/notices to : michellem@saintthomastukwila.org