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**MASS SCHEDULE:** Monday through Saturday, 8:00 a.m.  
Weekend: Saturday, 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday, 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 11:00  
Sunday, 1:00 p.m. Spanish

**CONFESSION:** Wednesday through Friday, 7:00 a.m.—7:30 a.m.  
Saturday, 8:30 a.m.—9:00 a.m. Or by appointment

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** First Friday, 8:30 a.m.— 8:00 p.m.

To celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism, Matrimony, Christian Funeral, Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick, RCIA please go to our website: **[www.stcathchurch.org](http://www.stcathchurch.org)** and click on **“SACRAMENTS”**

For information on readings of the week, saint and feast days, prayers and more please go to our website: **[www.stcathchurch.org](http://www.stcathchurch.org)** and click on **“CATHOLIC LINKS”**

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# Advent . . . Preparing The Way

## ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES



Tuesday, December 13th, 7:00 p.m.  
Mission Basilica, San Juan Capistrano

Wednesday, December 14th, 7:00 p.m.  
Corpus Christi, Aliso Viejo

Thursday, December 15th, 7:00 p.m.  
St. Timothy, Laguna Niguel

Friday, December 16th, 7:00 p.m.  
Our Lady of Fatima, San Clemente

St. Catherine of Siena confession times are:  
Wednesday—Friday, 7:00-7:30 a.m.  
Saturday, 8:30-9:00 a.m. or by  
appointment

## Intentions—8:00 a.m. Mass December 12 through December 17

Mon: Michael Holter (D)  
Tue: Chris Pannell (D)  
Wed: Claire Marcus (D)  
Thurs: Shan Vogt (D)  
Fri: Thomas Paul Dugan (D)  
Sat: Winston Young (I)

## Gaudete Sunday

On Gaudete Sunday, the season of Advent shifts its focus. For the first two weeks of Advent, the focus can be summed up in the phrase, "The Lord is coming." But beginning with Gaudete Sunday, the summary might be, "The Lord is near." This shift is marked by a lighter mood and a heightened sense of joyous anticipation.

Liturgically, the color lightens as well. The priest usually wears rose-colored vestments, a hue seen only on Gaudete Sunday and Laetare Sunday. On this day, we light the third candle of the Advent wreath, which is also rose-colored/pink.

The word "Gaudete" is Latin for "Rejoice." In times when the focus of our anticipation is often on the negative and fearful, this celebration is a reminder that God who loves us is still in charge and that we await his coming not with fear, but with tremendous joy.

## FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Our Lady of Guadalupe celebration during 8:00 a.m. Mass on Monday, December 12th will be followed by hospitality. Everyone is invited.

*"O Almighty God, gracious provider and giver of life, we anxiously await the celebration of your birth. Like the people of long ago, our ancestors in faith, we, too, are in need of light, in need of direction, in need of your Word, to show us the way. Our busy lives and the consumerism that surrounds us make it difficult to recognize your kingdom and to hear your voice. Help us Lord, to focus on you. Amen."*