

## OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CELEBRATION DECEMBER 10

Our Lady of Guadalupe is one of our Parish's Patron Saints, and is also the Co-Patroness of our Diocese. On Sunday, December 10 we will have a very special celebration in her honor, beginning with Las Mananitas being sung in the Church at 9:30 AM. Bishop Stephen Berg will be with us to celebrate Mass at 10:30. After Mass there will be a Matchines Dance performance by a group of our very own Parishioners, followed by a Mexican food potluck dinner in the Parish Hall. Bring a covered dish and enjoy the fun!

## HOLINESS REVOLUTION ADVENT PARISH MISSION DECEMBER 10-12, 6-8 PM

We would like to invite all of you to our upcoming Parish Mission! What is the goal of this mission? To help fill you with life. To help awaken you to what's really important in life and help you discover how to live with each day with more passion and purpose. Jesus makes a promise in the Gospel of John: "I have come so that you might have life, and have it to the fullest." Jesus promises to give us a full and abundant life. But often, we fall short of this promise.

We are bringing in an **international speaker and best-selling Catholic author, Dan DeMatte**. Dan starred in A&E's reality TV show, *God or the Girl*, and has defended the teachings of the Catholic faith on Larry King Live, The View, and the Today Show. Dan DeMatte is also the host of a new radio show called, *Encounter*. He proclaims the Gospel with passion, energy, and overflowing joy. **He will challenge you to be the best God created you to be!**

**This parish mission is really for everyone. Adults, teens, and children will all enjoy it!**

- Whether you are advanced in your faith and hungry to be taken deeper, or if you are a person with a lot of questions about God and religion - this mission is for you.
- Whether you are male or female, single or married, young or old, middle school or high school - this mission is for you.
- Whether you've been to a parish mission before, or never stepped foot at a retreat - this mission is for you.

**We want to do something really special with this year's parish mission. We want to challenge all of you to invite a few people to attend the mission with you.**

- Invite your middle school or high school teenagers to attend with you
- Invite a co-worker who is hungry for more, even if they aren't Catholic
- Invite someone in the parish who you know doesn't come to Mass each week and could really use an invitation back to the Church.
- **Whoever it is, please just extend a heart-felt invitation!**

Attendance at all three nights of the Parish Mission is a requirement for Confirmation Students. *We promise, you will be so glad you attended!!* **Don't miss this amazing opportunity to hear one of the nation's most dynamic and popular young Catholic speakers!!**

## UPCOMING HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

**The precepts of the Church teach us the "bare minimum" we must do in order to consider ourselves in full communion with the Church.** Out of love for Christ and a desire to advance in the spiritual life, we will normally try to do far more than they require!

1. *You shall attend Mass on Sundays and on holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor.*
2. *You shall confess your sins at least once a year.*
3. *You shall receive the sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter season.*
4. *You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church.*
5. *You shall help to provide for the needs of the Church.*

In view of this, make plans to attend Mass on **Friday December 8, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.** Masses will be celebrated at 7 AM, 12 noon, and 6 PM.

**Christmas Day is another Holy Day of Obligation.** In order to meet our obligation, we must attend Mass twice over a three day period. In other words, attend **one of the regular weekend Masses** Dec 23 or Dec 24. **Then attend one of the Christmas Masses:** Dec 24 at 6 PM (Bilingual), or Candlelight Mass at Midnight, or Dec 25 at 10:30 AM.

While **Jan 1, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God** is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year, there will be two opportunities to attend Mass: Dec 31 at 6 PM (Bilingual) and Jan 1 at 10:30 AM.