

# Holy Apostles

## Catholic Church

December 17, 2023

Third Sunday of Advent

### WELCOME TO HOLY APOSTLES

We the members of Holy Apostles Catholic Church as disciples of Jesus seek to build and active and welcoming community dedicated to faith and justice. Through the Roman Catholic traditions of worship, Christian education service and prayers. We are called to worship God and be his instruments in transforming our community so that the love and mercy of God are present to all.

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### MASS SCHEDULE

**MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY**  
9:00 am English Mass

**TUESDAY THROUGH FRIDAY**  
6:00 pm Spanish Vigil Mass

**SATURDAY;**  
5:00 pm English Vigil  
Mass

7:00 pm Spanish Vigil  
Mass

**SUNDAY / DOMINGO**  
9:00 am English  
12:00 pm Spanish  
5:00 pm Spanish

#### Office Hours:

**Monday-Friday**  
9:30am - 12:00pm  
1:00p - 5:00pm

**Wednesday Closed**

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### SACRAMENTAL LIFE - VIDA SACRAMENTAL

#### Reconciliation:

**Saturday 2:45 pm - 3:45 pm**  
or by appointment.

#### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church:

**Thursdays after 9:00am**  
Mass until 6:00 pm.

**Last Saturday of the month**  
from 8:00 pm. until  
7:00 am Sunday.

#### Anointing of the Sick/ Unción de Los Enfermos:

**1st Friday of the month/  
Primer Viernes 9:00a.m.**

### CHARITY OFFICE HOURS

**TUESDAY AND THURSDAY**  
12:00 PM TO 2:00 PM  
we help with utilities,rent, and  
food



# Dear Padre,

*Was Jesus born in a stable or a cave? The Christmas scene in our church has Jesus born in a little shed, but in my friend's church it looks more like a cave. The Bible says Jesus was born in a manger, so just where was Jesus born?*

The Christmas scenes, sometimes called Nativity scenes or crèches, vary from church to church. In Scripture, we find more details about the Nativity in Luke's Gospel, but even he simply says that Mary wrapped Jesus in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger because the inn was full (Luke 2:7).

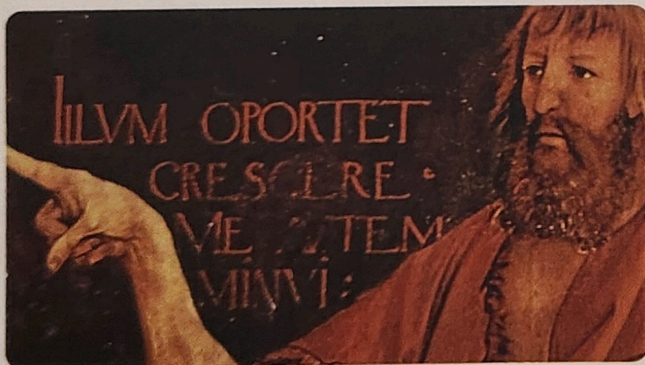
In none of the Scriptures do we have any details about what the place looked like, but since a manger is a place where caregivers feed livestock, we can assume that Jesus was born in a stable of some kind. At that time, small caves sometimes were used as stables.

Nativity scenes, though, are not an attempt to present a historically accurate picture of where Jesus was born. Rather, scenes of the birth of Jesus remind us of the special love that God shows for us in sending the Son to us. We do not care so much about creating an exact picture of what took place as we do of beholding the beauty and wonder of God born among us. ●



THE OFFICE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, ATTRIBUTED TO JACOBUS COEN

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## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

*The Baptist is a model for those in the Church who are called to proclaim Christ to others: they are able to do so only by detaching from themselves and from worldliness, by not attracting people to themselves but directing them toward Jesus. This is joy: directing toward Jesus. And joy must be the characteristic of our faith.*

ANGELUS, ROME, DECEMBER 13, 2020

### MONDAY

December 18  
Advent Weekday  
Jer 23:5–8  
Mt 1:18–25

### TUESDAY

December 19  
Advent Weekday  
Jgs 13:2–7,  
24–25a  
Lk 1:5–25

### WEDNESDAY

December 20  
Advent Weekday  
Is 7:10–14  
Lk 1:26–38

### THURSDAY

December 21  
Advent Weekday  
Sg 2:8–14 or Zep 3:14–18a  
Lk 1:39–45

### FRIDAY

December 22  
Advent Weekday  
1 Sm 1:24–28  
Lk 1:46–56

### SATURDAY

December 23  
Advent Weekday  
Mal 3:1–4,  
23–24  
Lk 1:57–66

### SUNDAY

December 24  
Fourth Sunday of Advent  
2 Sm 7:1–5,  
8b–12, 14a, 16  
Rom 16:25–27 Lk 1:26–38

### Timely topics viewed with a Catholic perspective

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## Making Room for God

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

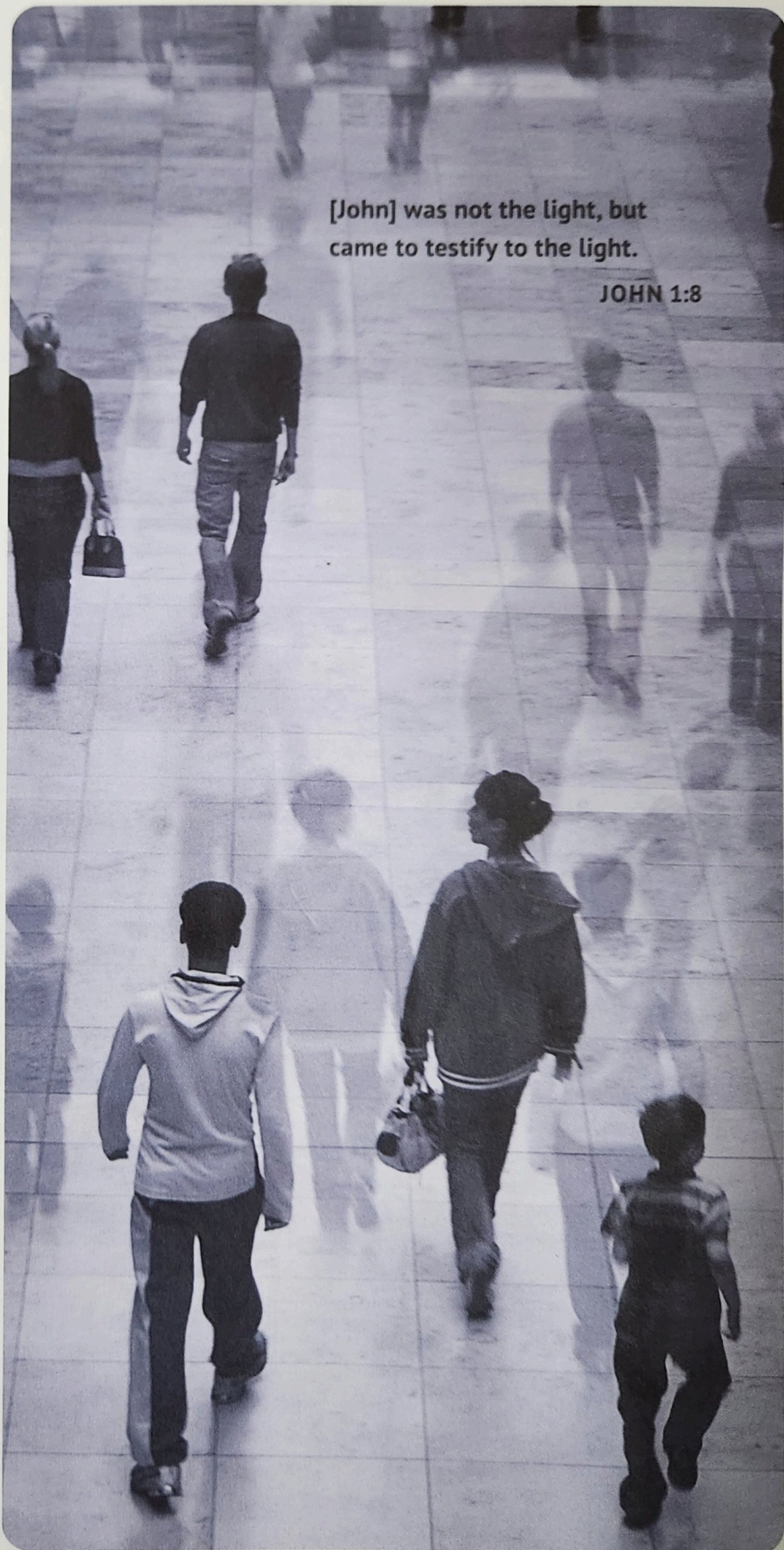
**T**he story of John the Baptist is the story of taking a back seat to Jesus, of fading into the background so that Jesus might be the light. Fading out of the picture is something we may find ourselves doing more than once in our lives. Sometimes it's also a choice we have to make, even when it's painful.

Actor Nick Nolte talked about what it was like for him when he turned seventy; how his body would hurt and how painful it was to get out of bed some mornings. He told of how he cried when a longtime friend passed away and of the sadness death brings. But the worst part, he said, is coming to the realization that your children have grown up, are on their own, and don't need you the way they once did. His son has a family, and for him the family comes first, as it should be. That's the painful part, Nolte says, the letting go of your children because they are no longer yours; in reality, they never were.

From the perspective of faith, why do we need to fade into the background? To leave room for the hand of God in life, that's why. So that God can do what God does best, and so that we don't get in the way of it all. That is a task not only at the end of life but for all of life. ●

### Reflect

***When has it been difficult for you to fade into the background?***



**[John] was not the light, but came to testify to the light.**

**JOHN 1:8**





### Last weekend collection

\$13,929

Thanks for Your generosity

### Pray for the sick

Karron Barrera  
Rose Jacobus  
Father Kerr  
Father Shaw  
Eduardo Ramirez  
Jerry Gutzwiler

### Posadas(Novena)

from Sunday Dec 17 to December 24. 6:00 pm in Spanish. at the church.



Dear parishioners

As you know, both Christmas and the Solemnity Of Mary, the Holy, Mother of God land on Mondays. In terms of Christmas, because the high Solemnity Starts on Sunday night with Christmas Eve. Christmas Eve Mass does not count for Sunday Mass.

The Sunday obligation needs to be covered on Saturday night with the Vigil Mass, or one of the Sunday Masses before 4 PM which is the earliest hour a christmas Eve Mass should be scheduled!.

In terms of the January 1 Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin because it Land on Monday this year, it is not a Holy Day of obligation. This means that you our are not obligated to attend

### CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Sunday December 24, 2023

5:00 PM Christmas eve Mass (english)  
8:00 PM Cristmas eve Mass(spanish)

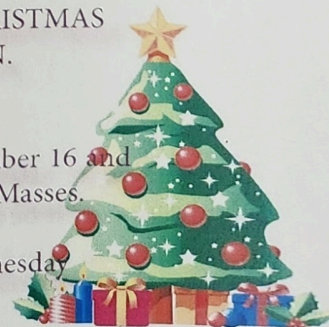
Monday December 25, 2023

9:00 am Christmas Day Mass(english)  
11:00 am Cristmas Mass(Spanish)

### DISTRIBUTION OF THE CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR CHILDREN.

Signing up for the gifts on December 16 and 17 during the whole weekend Masses.

Distribution of the gifts wednesday  
December 20, 2023  
11:00am to 5:00 pm



### Advent reconciliation Service

Monday december 18, 6:00 pm  
Holy Apostles Catholic Church

Tuesday December 19, 6:00 pm  
Our Lady of the Assumption(cashmere)

Wednesday December 20, 6:00 pm  
St Joseph (wenatchee)

### Giving Tree

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN! THE ANNUAL GIVING TREE GOES UP ON NOVEMBER 25TH. THERE WILL BE CARDS FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR CHILDREN AGES 1-12. THERE IS A GREATER NEED FOR OLDER KIDS.

ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE FOR CASH GIFTS FOR KIDS IN COLOMBIA AND FOR SEMINARIANS. PLEASE REMEMBER TO PUT THESE ENVELOPES IN THE COLLECTION BASKET. THANK YOU TO EVERYONE FOR YOUR GENEROSITY. THIS IS OUR SPECIAL ANNUAL PROJECT. GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

### CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS

Sign up during weekend Masses on December 9 and 10 2023 after all masses.

WE ARE NOW ACCEPTING FOOD DONATIONS.

Please leave your donations either at the office or under the big screen in Church

### DISTRIDUTION FOR THE CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS

Wednesday December 20, 2023  
From 10:00am to 2:00 pm at the gym