



st. cecilia church  
lagunitas

# THIRD SUNDAY OF December 13, 2015

# Advent

## Mission Statement of St. Cecilia's & St. Mary's

To be Nurtured by Christ's Word, Supported by a Faith Loving Community, and to Serve the Needs of Others as Called to Minister.



st. mary church  
nicasio

+ St. Joseph Church, Magdalena, Colombia (sister parish) +

Mass	Sundays	at St. Cecilia's	9:30 a.m.
		at St. Mary's	11:15 a.m.
	Weekdays	at St. Cecilia's	8 a.m. (Mon. Wed. Fri.)
		at St. Mary's	8 a.m. (Thur.)
Confessions	Sundays	at St. Cecilia's	9 to 9:25 a.m.

Luke 1 : 39 - 47

The great acclamation by Mary, "My Spirit rejoices in God my Savior" says it all. A soul touched by God's love can only be joyful and glad.



Parish Christmas Party  
Thanks Mothersills & all the  
volunteers. Great times enjoyed by all.

### Mass Intentions: Week of December 13, 2015

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	... Jean Frugoli
Sunday	11:15 a.m.	... Ray Perkins
Monday	8 a.m.	... S.D.M.
Thursday	8 a.m.	... Souls in Purgatory
Friday	8 a.m.	... Tim & Evelyn O'Sullivan

### From the Pew

**9-Hour Adoration** in Advent, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. this Thursday at St. Cecilia's. Contact Daphne or Fr. O' to confirm date.

**Parish Book Review**, 'Goliath', Part 2. This Thursday, 7:15 p.m. at St. Cecilia's.

### ST. MARY'S CHRISTMAS CONCERT

TODAY 2 P.M.



Food & wine reception at the Druid's Hall afterward. Raffle tickets on sale.



Welcome **Rylan Kneafsey** to our faith family. He was baptized into the Catholic faith last Sunday at St. Mary's.

**Monthly Dinner at parishioners' home** in 2016, St. Mary's Capital Campaign (Preservation Fund) fund-raiser. Anyone interested in hosting the dinner let Fr. O' or Craig Carlson know of the month, number of guests you can accommodate.

**Winter Sock Drive**, SM CCD Class is collecting warm socks (men, women, children) for St. Vincent de Paul SR, at Christmas.

**Jesse Tree** collecting donations for the families in need. Make checks payable to Valley's Toys & Joys Program.

★ **Christmas Eve Mass** 5:30 p.m. at St. Mary. Bring a bell - Gloria.

★ **Christmas Day Mass** 9:30 a.m. at St. Cecilia's.

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### Last Week's Collection:

St. Cecilia's, Lagunitas	....	\$ 530.00
St. Mary's, Nicasio	....	\$ 428.00
Total:		<u>\$ 958.00</u>



"Death smiles at us all. All you can do is smile back."

### Upcoming Parish Events

#### December

- ★ 12/13, Sun ... St. Mary's Christmas Concert
- ★ 12/\_\_, Thu ... 9-Hr. Adoration
- ★ 12/\_\_, Thu ... Parish Book of the Year Discussion
- ★ 12/24, Thu ... Christmas Eve, 5:30pm Mass @SM
- ★ 12/25, Fri ... Christmas Day, 9:30am Mass @SC

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For updates visit <http://www.stcecilia-lagunitas.org>.

**Assisted Suicide** (Part 3) This movement failed to understand people cannot be reduced to organ systems as the heart, liver, lungs, kidneys. We ought to view patients as persons with a soul, a spirituality to life, and a will to live as the basic right to life. The dignity of human life is also to be evident at the end of a person's life against technological attitude that threatens to become an abuse. Ordinary versus extraordinary means are moral decisions people decide within reason. We must protect the rights of future generations rather than we completely take it from them.

**Did you know** There are a little over 40,000 priests in the United States.

**Junipero Serra** (Part 16) Monterey became the Governor's seat of California politics. 1783 Serra's chest pain became serious but he refused to slow down. He could no longer say Mass, he silently began to say goodbye to his padres as he visited the Missions. He visited San Francisco Mission, Santa Clara Mission for the last time, returned to Carmel Mission. Had his final confession, reclined on the laps of Indians while in much pain. He died August 28, 1784. He gave up a comfortable, prestigious life as a university professor for the wild missions of the new world, tirelessly working for 36 years where few dared to go. Canonized September 2015 by Pope Francis.

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