



st. cecilia church
lagunitas

NATIVITY OF THE LORD

December 25, 2015

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.

John 1 : 1 - 18

Christmas completes the cycle of the church year where births to graduations, weddings to families and the saying farewell to good friends who passed on during the cycle 2015 A.D. Christmas begins the new cycle, 2016 A.D. with Peace, Hope, and Love that unto us a Savior is born.



Christmas Village at St. Cecilia's

To all Our Wonderful Parishioners and Friends,

May His Spirit Reign in Our Hearts and Minds, His Blessings Be with Us this Christmas and Always.

Mass Intentions: Week of December 25, 2015

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	... DeRutte Family
Sunday	11:15 a.m.	... Souls in Purgatory
Monday	8 a.m.	... Erin Thompson
Friday	7:15 p.m.	... Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	10 a.m.	... S.D.M.

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Christmas Mass Schedule:

- ★ Christmas Eve Mass
5:30 p.m. at St. Mary.
Bring a bell - Gloria.
- ★ Christmas Day Mass
9:30 a.m. at St. Cecilia



Winter Sock Drive, St. Mary's CCD Class is collecting warm socks for men, women, and children. Margaret and the CCD children will be delivering them to St. Vincent de Paul, San Rafael next Thursday, 12/31, a.m.

Would you host a fund raising Dinner?

As part of the St. Mary's Capital Campaign, we ask parishioners to host a dinner at their home. Schedule once a month. Sign-up board at St. Mary's please put down the month you prefer and the number of guests you can accommodate. For info, contact Fr. O' or Craig Carlson.



January 1st, Mary, Mother of God, is a Holy Day of Obligation. 7:15 p.m. Mass at SC.

Padre Pio Mass, Sat. Jan. 2nd, 10 a.m. SC.

Year of Mercy. Tell us your stories of mercy this 2016 at Mass or stories of mercy you witnessed.



Last Week's Collection:

St. Cecilia's, Lagunitas	\$ 1,160.00
St. Mary's, Nicasio	\$ 612.00
Total:		<u>\$ 1,772.00</u>



"Efforts and Courage are not enough without purpose and conviction." ... John F. Kennedy

Upcoming Parish Events



December

- ★ 12/24, Thu ... Christmas Eve, 5:30pm Mass @SM
- ★ 12/25, Fri ... Christmas Day, 9:30am Mass @SC

January

- ★ 1/1, Fri ... Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day)

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

Year of Mercy (Part 2 of 3) Mercy needs to be practiced ever more. Matthew chapter 18 details the process to reconciliation, restoring broken relationships, forgiving debts, eliminating violence, and excluding rather than practicing inclusiveness. Mercy also reaches out to those involved in crimes against humanity that they reject their way of life as kidnappings, slave labor, child soldiers, structural injustices, immigrants. Mercy has no borders.

Mother Teresa is to be canonized a saint, September 4, 2016 at St. Peter's Basilica, Rome.

A miracle of a Brazilian man with multiple tumors on his brain was eradicated after praying to Mother Teresa. Mother Teresa's life was lived continually doing corporal works of mercy.



Did you know Christmas is the largest religious celebration in the U.S.

By the percents America's best days are ahead of us or behind us.

Republican	(ahead)	41%
	(behind)	58%
Democrats	(ahead)	59%
	(behind)	39%

For sale, a small refrigerator \$700 or best offer. Interested, Fr. O' will inform the owner.