



st. cecilia church
lagunitas

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 10, 2017

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



st. mary church
nicasio

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. (M-W-F)
		at St. Mary's	8 a.m. (Th.)
Confessions	Sundays	at St. Cecilia's	9 to 9:25 a.m.

Mark 1 : 1 - 8

The difference between John's baptism and Christ's baptism is John's baptism is a common sense, rational, reasonable approach to how to change your life around when your life is immortal or evil. So you repent, be contrite, feel sorry for sins, and have a conscience and live by right versus wrong, good versus bad conduct behavior. So it is a moral teaching of the best that we can be.



Thanks to all who made the Christmas Party memorable.

Mass Intentions: Week of December 10, 2017

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	... DVM
Sunday	11:15 a.m.	... Parishioners' Intentions
Monday	8 a.m.	... Stromberg Intentions
Tuesday *	8 a.m.	... Evelyn, Timothy & Kieran O'Sullivan
Wednesday *	8 a.m. (Nicasio)	... Rosie Frederick



Tree planting project at St. Mary

From the Pew

Pray for the Sick of our parish.

Thanks to all who made the **Christmas Party** memorable. Gary MacGabhann outdoor lights. Cia & Pat Donahue for picking up food & donating the wine & drinks; Jasmine & daughters chefs; all volunteers door, bar, cleanup. We are in your debt.

St. Mary's Christmas Concert, TODAY 2 PM. A lovely invitation to begin the feast to Christmas. It is also a fund raiser for Old St. Mary to maintain this historic church. Reception after, wine & hor d'oeuvres, raffle at the Druids Hall. Tickets available at the door.

Monday, December 18th, 7:15 PM parish hall, **Biblical study** of Matthew Gospel – the Infancy narrative of the birth of Christ. Bring your Bible and beverages.



Advent 8 Hour Adoration, Tuesday, December 19th, at St. Cecilia's.

Carmelite Sisters Jams are here. Check your order with Fr. O'.



Christmas Mass Schedule:

- **Sunday, December 24th Christmas Eve**, 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Mary (Bring a bell for the Gloria) No 9:30 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December 24th.
- **Monday, December 25th Christmas Day**, 9:30 AM Mass at St. Cecilia

Sock Drive - St. Mary's catechism is collecting warm socks for the homeless. Donate by December 25th.



Jesse Tree – collecting donations for the Valley's Toys and Joys program. Make check payable to "Toys and Joys".

Last Week's Collections:

St. Cecilia's, Lagunitas	\$ 471.00
St. Mary's, Nicasio	\$ 281.00
Total:		\$ 752.00



"For it is in giving that we receive."

Mark your Calendar

- Dec 10 ... Annual St. Mary's Christmas Concert
- Dec 12 ... Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe
- Dec 18 ... Bible Study – Birth of Christ SC 7:15 p.m.
- Dec 19 ... 8 hour Advent Adoration
- Dec 19 ... Advent Concert at SC 7 p.m. (free)
- Dec 24 ... Christmas Eve Mass at St. Mary
- Dec 25 ... Christmas Day Mass at St. Cecilia
- Dec 28 ... CCD delivers gloves/socks to St. Vincent de Paul

Pope Francis

It is rude and discourteous to be taking cell phone photos while Mass is being celebrated and people are at prayer.

Vatican Starting 2018, the Vatican will cease to sell cigarettes because it damages people's health.

Racism & Morality (1 of 3) Racism has once again raised its ugly face as the nation begins to respond. There needs to be a moral response to hate speech. Silence has no moral voice. The church must speak out. The churches mission is to bring us together through Christ's grace as brothers and sisters. Racism alienates and divides us.

By the percent

% who says the U.S. is less respected by other nations today

Republicans	42%
Democrats	87%



Advent - Fr. setting up the Christmas village