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## *Thursday, December 12, 7pm*Mass for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Come commemorate the appearance of Our Lady to Juan Diego at Tepeyac Hill, Mexico City in 1531. The Patroness of the Americas is a symbol of justice because she holds an appeal to the poor and to marginalized people. Today, she represents people standing against oppression, declaring their independence. Matachines and Mariachis will pay tribute to the Virgen in a Mass of celebration, and afterwards with a reception in Thea Bowman cafeteria.

## Sunday, December 15, 12:30-3:30pm <u>and</u> Monday, December 23, 10am-12noon Christmas Church Cleaning and Decoration

We need YOUR help to clean up and decorate for Christmas! We need MANY male and female volunteers to help clean and decorate the church for Christmas. Gloves and cleaning supplies will be provided. Only two (2) scheduled times remain:

**Sanctuary cleaning and decorating** ~ Sunday, December 15 – 12:30-3:30pm **Sanctuary touch-up** ~ Monday, December 23 – 10am-12noon





## **December 16- December 22 Las Posadas ~ 6-9pm each night**

Come and re-enactment "Las Posadas," the journey that Joseph and Mary made from Nazareth to Bethlehem in search of a safe refuge where Mary could give birth to the baby Jesus. On Christmas Eve, Mary and Joseph were granted a place to stay in a barn, and the Holy One – Jesus – was born and laid in a manger. All are invited to gather to pray and sing each evening.





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