



Catholic Church

215 South 8th Street  
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**December 12, 2023**  
**Monday of the**  
**Second Week of Advent**



*Good morning!*

We celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe. We read Zechariah 2:14-17 or Revelation 11:19; 12:1-6, 10, Judith 13:18-19, and Luke 1:26-38 or Luke 1:39-47. Our Lady of Guadalupe is the patroness of the Americas. Our blessed mother watches over us and calls us to a deeper relationship with her son Jesus and with one another. Mary's life and her "Yes" to God is an example for us to be open to where God calls us in life. We are to see past our prejudices and open our eyes to all of God's children. "Many nations shall join themselves to the Lord and they shall be his people and he will dwell among you." Juan Diego received the message, tried to run from the message yet finally fulfilled the message from Our Lady to the Bishop for a temple to be built on Tepeyac. It was not easy. Courage and faith always play a role in our lives. How are you called to live your faith and with whom will you share in the days and weeks ahead? Enter into the love and strength we find in this feast day and pray that one day we will all be united in the temple of the Lord God with Jesus Christ his son.

*Peace,*

*RevKev*

*"You are the highest honor of our race."*

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