



Catholic Church

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**December 13, 2023  
Wednesday of the  
Second Week of Advent**



*Good morning!*

We celebrate Saint Lucy. We read Isaiah 40:25-31, Psalm 103, and Matthew 11:28-30. We are halfway through our Advent journey. What have your priorities been and how are you feeling? Today's readings set the path for the remainder of this season as we approach Christmas. Have we invited Jesus to walk with us? Have we found strength in this walk or have we taken on too much by ourselves and find ourselves worrisome and tired? Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." Isaiah writes, "Our God gives strength to the fainting, for the weak he makes vigor abound. They that hope in the Lord will renew their strength and they will soar as with eagles' wings, they will run and not grow weary, walk and not grow faint." It is a busy time of year and our lists may still be long, but hope in the Lord, walk with Jesus, and celebrate why we are here. Pray for peace, hope for justice, love many, and be good to yourself. Jesus' yoke is easy and his burden light. We, ourselves, heavy our burdens and place heavy yokes on others. Prepare the way of the Lord, as the Lord would desire.

*Peace,*

*RevKev*

*"O bless the Lord, my soul."*

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