



# Apostoli Viae Sojourner Cenacle

Saturday, December 9th, 2023- 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM Central

Saturday of the First Week of Advent; Optional Memorial of St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin (USA)

## [8:00] Welcome and Opening Prayer:

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### Collect for the Mass of the Day (Ordinary Form)

*O God, who by means of Saint Juan Diego showed the love of the most holy Virgin Mary for your people, grant, through his intercession, that, by following the counsels our Mother gave at Guadalupe, we may be ever constant in fulfilling your will. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.*

*Leader: Saints Teresa of Avila and John of the Cross All: Pray for us. Our Lady of Mount Carmel All: Pray for us.*

*Heads Bowed: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

## [8:00 – 8:05] Housekeeping/Misc. Updates:

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- ❑ **Upcoming Meeting Schedule: December 23<sup>rd</sup>, January 13<sup>rd</sup>, January 27<sup>th</sup>**
- ❑ **New Youtube Page Outreach: Please Subscribe/Share/Comment – [www.youtube.com/@DanBurkeWayofContemplation](http://www.youtube.com/@DanBurkeWayofContemplation)**
- ❑ **Visitation House:** December 12<sup>th</sup> is the New Arrival Date – Prayers Needed!
- ❑ **Tiny House Update:** Please continue to pray for this effort. Concrete slabs scheduled for 14-17<sup>th</sup>
- ❑ **Into the Deep Film Series:** Become an **Apostle of Prayer!** Please help spread the word! [SpiritualDirection.com/Prayer](http://SpiritualDirection.com/Prayer)
- ❑ **Gospel Encounter Groups:** Our vision is to serve the Church and expand the Kingdom of God apart from any personal or community benefit. If you desire to start or find an existing group, go to: [ApostoliViae.org/study-groups](http://ApostoliViae.org/study-groups). If you desire support, training, and resources to enable you to start or lead a group, request to join this group: <https://www.apostoliviae.org/groups/seeking-av-small-group-leadership>
- ❑ **Have You Been Sojourning for a Year or More?** All who desire to discern formal association with Apostoli Viae, need to review this post from June 30<sup>th</sup>: <https://www.apostoliviae.org/resources/63017/you-want-to-be-an-av-disciple?groupid=3352>

- ❑ December 3<sup>rd</sup> – First Sunday in Advent
- ❑ December 6<sup>th</sup> – John of the Cross Novena Begins
- ❑ December 8<sup>th</sup> – Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)
- ❑ December 12<sup>th</sup> - Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
- ❑ December 14<sup>th</sup> - Feast of St. John of the Cross

[8:05 – 8:55] **Mystagogy/Formation: Encounter to Transformation** (Galatians 5:6b, Romans 12:2)

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- ❑ **Mystagogy:** Introduction to the Devout Life - Tan Books – You can use other versions but we are unable to provide page conversions for you. No Assigned Reading but We Recommend You Read From Where We Left Off at the Last Meeting.
  - **Metanoia: – Yield - Encounter – Act – Cooperate – Fall – Rise – Encounter - Advance**
  - Those who encounter love and come to know love, live in a covenant of love in a way that is consistent with that love. (John 14)
  - Those who hear but don't do, are self-deceived (James 1:22)
  - Whoever does not carry the cross and follow Jesus cannot be His disciple. (Luke 14:27)
  - We can do all things through Christ who strengthens us. (Philippians 4:13)
  - Those who hear and strive in His power, are not deceived, but are authentic disciples of Jesus and have an authentic living faith (James 2: 14-17)
- ❑ **The Process:**
  - Awareness of and openness to the inspirations of the Holy Spirit
  - Inspirations emerge that lead to conviction – reinforcement - encouragement

Engage with the inspirations in a meaningful or tangible way

## Opening Prayer:

### **- Pause for a moment of recollection before the Lord -**

#### *Our Intentions:*

- For the Pope's holiness and constant conversion.*
- That the Synod on Synodality would be consumed by the Holy Spirit and become an instrument of Authentic Renewal in the Church rather than a source of confusion.*
- For all the needs and intentions expressed in the Rick Hartley Chapel.*
- For blessings on and exceptional relationships with our Bishops and the future Bishop of the Archdiocese of Mobile. That the Lord would provide a Bishop that will be eager to support us. That Bishops would be inspired to submit names of holy and faithful priests for discernment to be future Bishops.*
- For Cardinals, Bishops, Religious, Priests, Deacons and Lay leaders in the Church:*
  - That those who are faithful would be encouraged, strengthened, protected, and their voices and prayers heard, and that they would have the courage to speak and act for the restoration of reverence and faithfulness in liturgy and doctrine.*
  - That those in error and those who persecute the faithful will respond to the Holy Spirit's call to repentance.*
  - That those who sow confusion, false doctrine, and division, but who will not repent, would be silenced and made of no effect.*
  - For the restoration of reverence and faithfulness in liturgy and that sacrilege and desecration of the Lord would end in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.*
- That the Lord would raise up young men and women to begin Apostoli Viae college/young-adult ministry to help young Catholics grow more deeply in their faith.*
- For the financial needs of Apostoli Viae, especially for the Our Lady of Mount Carmel Retreat and Center for Spiritual Formation and our High Calling priestly discernment and formation programs.*

*Leader:* Let us pray. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen.**

*Leader:* Come Holy Spirit,

**All: fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love.**

*Leader:* Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created,

**All: and you shall renew the face of the earth.**

*Leader:* O God, by the light of your Holy Spirit you have taught the hearts of your faithful. In the same Spirit, help us to know what is truly right and always to rejoice in your consolation. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

*Leader:* Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

**All: Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

## Closing Prayer

***- Pause for a moment of recollection before the Lord -***

***\*\*\*What has the Lord revealed? How will you respond?\*\*\****

*Leader:* Let us pray.

***All: Our Father..***

*Leader:* We give you thanks for all thy benefits, Almighty God, who live and reign now and forever.

***All: Amen.***

*Leader:* Our Lady of Mount Carmel,

***All: Pray for us.***

*Leader:* Thank you for Your love and Your grace in allowing us this time of prayer and fellowship with You and one another.

***All: Help us to live, light and lead others to and through the path of union with You. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.***

## Notes: