

# Seventh Annual Advent Concert Benefiting the Guadalupe Free Clinic of Colonial Beach



Sunday, December 11, 2011  
St. William of York Catholic Church  
Stafford, Virginia

On behalf of the Board of Directors; Greg Dilick, Executive Director; and the staff and volunteers of the Guadalupe Free Clinic of Colonial Beach, I would like to express my gratitude to Fr. DeMartino for allowing the parish to host this event; the parish staff; Joan Nebel; and our Knights of Columbus and our parish volunteers for their time and talent in preparing for this event.

I am also grateful to Ashleigh Messer, Director of Music at St. William of York and Dave Cullin, Director of the St. Anthony of Padua Choir for their participation in the concert. We are grateful to both choirs for their generosity of time and talent. They remind us of St. Augustine's words, "He who sings well, prays twice."

Special thanks to Fr. Schultz, John & Teresa Schultz, Frank Nicely, Amanda Cullin and Olga Braga for sharing their time and talent with us this afternoon and for inspiring us to ready our hearts for Christmas. We have been blessed by their willingness to participate in this benefit concert in order to help provide the means for us to assist the poor in Colonial Beach.

Finally, I want to publicly express my gratitude to Our Lady of Guadalupe, our clinic's patroness. The work of the Clinic is her work and we attempt to cooperate humbly with her in her benevolence for the poor. She leads us to her Son with grace and mercy and we are humbled to be her children. With best wishes to each of you for a blessed Christmas and prosperous 2012, thank you!

Rev. Jerome A. Magat  
Founder and President