



THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH
DECEMBER 27, 2020

“The child
grew and
became
strong,
filled with
wisdom;
and the favor
of God
was upon
him.”

~Luke



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Mass Intentions

Sat., Dec. 26 -The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

4:00 Vigil - Priest's Intentions

Sun., Dec. 27 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

8:30 - People of Immaculate Conception

10:00 - †Alice Carrigan

Mon., Dec. 28 - The Holy Innocents

†Le Long Nguyen

Tues., Dec. 29 - 5th Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

Sr. Constance Fitzgerald, CSJ, SI

Wed., Dec. 30 - 6th Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

Wm. Tucker Family, SI

Thurs., Dec. 31 - 7th Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

Kaitlin Rodriguez, SI

Fri., Jan. 1 - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

9:00 - †Pam Goodman

Sat., Jan. 2 - Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen

8:00 - †Jody Tilley

Daily Readings

Monday: 1 JN 1:5—2:2, MT 2:13-18

Tuesday: 1 JN 2:3-11, LK 2:22-35

Wednesday: 1 JN 2:12-17, LK 2:36-40

Thursday: 1 JN 2:18-21, JN 1:1-18

Friday: NM 6:22-27, GAL 4:4-7, LK 2:16-21

Saturday: 1 JN 2:22-28, JN 1:19-28

Sunday: IS 60:1-6, EPH 3:2-3a, 5-6, MT 2:1-12

Pray for Our Sick

Joane Anderson, Rev. James Boyd, Cosmo & Joan Busalacchi, Dominic Castagnola, Reginald Custodio, Joanne Daleo, Michael Denny, Dawn Desimone, Adela Diaz, Adele Dunne, Arline Fisch, Julie Fish, Ardell Haskins, Ditas Ibarra, Shirley Ilog, Donna Cruz Jones, Ricardo Hernandez, Olivia Ingram, Grace Mulvanity, Stephanie Ng, Ann Orwig, Peter Salmon, Anyssa Sanchez, Tom Sapien, Crystal Spera, Nancy Stodgell, Marie Whitman, Barbara Wingler.

Mass Schedule

Weekdays: Monday thru Saturday, 8:00 AM

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM (outdoors)

Sunday: 8:30 AM*, 10:00 AM (outdoors)

*live-streamed

Holy Day Masses: To be announced.

Reconciliation: After weekday morning Mass and by appointment.

Baptisms: By appointment only. Please contact Deacon Robert Fitzmorris to make arrangements.

Weddings: By appointment only. Arrangements must be made at least one year in advance. Please contact the parish office.

Funerals: For arrangements, please call the parish.
Parish Office: 619-295-4141

RECONCILIATION

Confessions may be heard on Sundays between 9:15 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. See one of the ushers who will escort you to the priest. One can also ask the priest for confession after the weekday morning Mass.

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COLLECTION

DUE TO PUBLICATION DEADLINES WE ARE UNABLE TO PROVIDE A FINANCIAL REPORT. A SUMMARY FOR DEC. 13, 20, & 27 WILL BE PROVIDED IN JANUARY.



LIVE STREAM MASS

The Church of the Immaculate Conception is providing live stream and recordings of the live streams in two ways.



1) On the [Franciscan School of Theology on the You Tube Channel called FST EDU1](#). During this Covid-19 Shelter in Place period please visit the You Tube Channel to see all opportunities for viewing.

2) On the parish website www.immaculate-conception-sandiego.org. Simply click on the photo (shown above).

Updated equipment has been installed and the live stream has high quality picture and sound.

Other Franciscan lectures are available on the You Tube Channel called FST EDU1.

COURTYARD BRICKS

Customized Brick and Bench tops are available by order at the Parish Office or on the parish website. Proceeds from this fundraiser benefit the Immaculate Conception Building Maintenance Fund.

Mass Intentions

If you would like to request Mass intentions for a deceased or a living family member or friend, please visit the parish office during regular business hours during the week: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"God listens to the cry of those who invoke Him. Even our reluctant questions, those that remain in the depths of our heart.. The Father wishes to give us the Holy Spirit, which inspires every prayer and transforms everything. It is a questions of patience, of supporting the wait."
~POPE FRANCIS

2020 TAX LETTERS

Please call or email the parish office before January 25 if you wish to receive a letter summarizing your 2020 donations to Immaculate Conception parish. Annual Catholic Appeal donations are handled by the Diocese of San Diego.

New Bulletin Publisher

LPI is our new bulletin publisher and has offered to email our bulletin to parishioners at no cost. If you are interested in receiving the bulletin via email, please email your request to parish@immaculate-conception-sandiego.org and we will add you to our list of recipients.



Serra Gifts...

STORE HOURS

Thursday & Friday 1:30-4:30 pm

Saturday 11 am - 5:00 pm

Sunday 11 am - 5:00 pm

New Items

St. Joseph Sunday Missal 2021

Devotional Oils

If you are able to volunteer once a week (or more), please contact Linda at 619-295-4141, ext. 104.

**Bible Riddles
from "2020 Sunday Stories"
by Fr. Ned Brockhaus**

- Q. Why couldn't Jonah trust the ocean?
A. Because he knew there was something fishy about it.
- Q. Did Eve ever have a date with Adam?
A. No. Just an apple.
- Q. Why didn't Noah go fishing?
A. Because he only had two worms.
- Q. How do we know Peter was a rich fisherman?
A. By his net income.
- Q. Who was the greatest financier in the Bible?
A. Noah. He was floating his stock while everyone else was in liquidation.

Rosaries as Decorations

Question: I've seen people hang rosaries over the rear-view mirrors in their cars and a few of them wear them around their necks. Is it OK to do that?

Answer:

The practice of hanging a rosary or a religious medal off of the rearview mirror of one's car is a fairly popular custom across many cultures. While there is no particular rule approving or condemning this practice, we should also be mindful of the respect and reverence due to religious objects and devotional items (i.e. sacramentals).

An important point to consider would be the reason why one chooses to place a rosary or religious medal in our cars. Is it a reminder of the protection and intercession of Mary and the saints? Does it encourage us to be mindful of God's presence, even in such a mundane task as driving? Is it an outward expression of our more private devotions?

One advantage of having a rosary or religious medal in our cars is that it can also serve as a reminder to pray when we travel, asking for protection for ourselves and for other motorists or commuters. Certainly, invoking the protection and prayers of the saints is a wonderful practice for families, helping to reinforce our belief in the communion of saints and the care and concern we owe to one another.

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Serving Moms in Need

From USCCB's Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

Each year during Advent, we prepare our hearts to celebrate the birth of Christ our Savior at Christmas. As we anticipate this joyful celebration, we recall the journey of the Holy Family from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Far from home, poor, and in great need, Mary and Joseph find refuge in a simple stable. But this humble setting among the livestock soon welcomes the heavenly host of angels and the infant Jesus himself.

Today, women in our own communities are pregnant, poor, perhaps without a home, and in great need. They may feel alone, scared, and overwhelmed, not knowing where to turn.

In challenging circumstances, expectant mothers need a refuge of their own. Like the Holy Family, they may be reliant on the kindness of others.

This year, may the story of the first Christmas inspire us to reach out to mothers in need. May we proactively seek to offer loving care and encouragement as they prepare to welcome their children.

By answering this call, may we help mothers experience the joy, hope, and peace brought by the infant Jesus. And may we, too, share in and bear witness to the miracle of new life.

One Step Further:

Contact your local pregnancy resource center or diocesan/parish pregnancy support ministry. Ask about ways you can help, such as volunteering or donating baby items.

Offer some other sacrifice or prayer that you feel called to do for this month's intention

Learn more about how you can help mothers in your community by signing up at walkingwithmoms.com and following @walkingwithmoms on Instagram!

The Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, under the guidance and direction of the Committee on Pro-Life Activities, works to teach respect for all human life from conception to natural death, and organize for its protection. Learn more about the Respect Life Program at www.usccb.org/prolife and receive the latest updates and resources by subscribing to our newsletters.

Prayer for the New Year

On New Year's Eve or New Year's Day, the household gathers at the table or at the Christmas tree or manger scene. Many people make New Year's Day a day of prayer for peace.

All make the sign of the cross. The leader begins:

Let us praise the Lord of days and seasons and years, saying:
 Glory to God in the highest!
 R/. And peace to his people on earth!

The leader may use these or similar words to introduce the blessing:

Our lives are made of days and nights, of seasons and years,
 for we are part of a universe of suns and moons and planets.
 We mark ends and we make beginnings and, in all, we
 praise God for the grace and mercy that fill our days.

Then the Scripture is read, Book of Genesis 1:14-19:

Listen to the words of the Book of Genesis:
 God said: "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky, to separate day from night. Let them mark the fixed times, the days and the years, and serve as luminaries in the dome of the sky, to shed light upon the earth." And so it happened: God made the two great lights, the greater one to govern the day, and the lesser one to govern the night; and he made the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky, to shed light upon the earth, to govern the day and the night, and to separate the light from the

darkness. God saw how good it was. Evening came, and morning followed—the fourth day.

(The family's Bible may be used for an alternate reading such as Psalm 90:1-4.)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

R/. Thanks be to God.

After a time of silence, members of the household offer prayers of thanksgiving for the past year, and of intercession for the year to come. On January 1, it may be appropriate to conclude these prayers with the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary (in Part VII: Litanies) since this is the solemn feast of Mary, Mother of God. In conclusion, all join hands for the Lord's Prayer. Then the leader continues:

Let us now pray for God's blessing in the new year.

After a short silence, parents may place their hands on their children in blessing as the leader says:

Remember us, O God;
 from age to age be our comforter.
 You have given us the wonder of time,
 blessings in days and nights, seasons and years.
 Bless your children at the turning of the year
 and fill the months ahead with the bright hope
 that is ours in the coming of Christ.
 You are our God, living and reigning, forever
 and ever.
 R/. Amen.

SAINT THOMAS BECKET 1118-1170 Feast Day - December 29

A London-born clerk to Archbishop Theobald of Canterbury, Thomas studied canon law abroad and was ordained a deacon. His support of Henry II's claim to England's throne led to his appointment as royal chancellor. He was the king's great friend until 1162, when, as the new archbishop of Canterbury, he said he changed from being "a patron of play-actors and a follower of hounds, to being a shepherd of souls." He and the king clashed over many issues, notably the jurisdiction of ecclesiastical courts. Thomas fled to France for six years; soon after his return, Henry's wish to be rid of this troublesome prelate led to Thomas' murder by four knights. This medieval martyr starred in two modern plays: Eliot's "Murder in the Cathedral" and Anouilh's "Becket."



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US Bishops welcome reinstatement of 'Dreamers' program

By Lisa Zengarini
Vatican News

The US Bishops have welcomed a District Court decision to reinstate the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), the United States immigration programme that allows qualified individuals who were brought illegally to the Country as minors to receive a renewable two-year period of deferred action from deportation and to be eligible for a work permit. DACA was introduced under the Obama's Presidency, but in 2017 the Trump Administration announced a plan to dismantle it, triggering multiple lawsuits.

Catholic Church's commitment to stand with 'Dreamers'
On December 4 the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York ordered the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to reinstate the entire programme as from December 7. In a statement issued on December 8, Bishop Mario E. Dorsonville, chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' (USCCB) Committee on Migration welcomed the the decision. "We are particularly pleased that with this ruling, youth who are first-time applicants are allowed to apply for the program for the first time since 2017. The DACA program directly benefits immigrant youth, their families, and the communities we serve", reads the statement, which reiterates the Catholic Church commitment to stand with the so-called "Dreamers" to ensure they reach their potential in the United States. Dreamers are the intended beneficiaries of the Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors Act (DREAM Act), the by-partisan law which was introduced in 2011 to grant legal residency in the US to young illegal immigrants who entered the Country as children and have graduated from US high schools or were honorably discharged from the military and if they have passed a background check.

A new chapter of possibility on the issue of immigration
The statement also once again urges the U.S. Congress to take up and pass legislation granting Dreamers a path to citizenship, for which US Bishops have been advocating for years: "We hope the reinstatement of DACA begins a new chapter of possibility on the issue of immigration, including the introduction and passage of legislative reform by Congress that addresses our broken immigration system. We will continue to advocate for reform that values family unity, honours due process and the rule of law, recognizes the contributions of workers, protects the vulnerable fleeing persecution, and addresses the root causes of migration", Bishop Dorsonville concludes.



The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

DECEMBER 27, 2020

We celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family on the first Sunday after Christmas! This feast day is a reminder to us of the example Mary and Joseph set for all of us in welcoming Jesus into their lives. The Holy Family serves as a model for us all in which to live in faith and simplicity.

Add an additional prayer to your family routine today and brainstorm ways you might help each other grow in faith throughout this New Year.

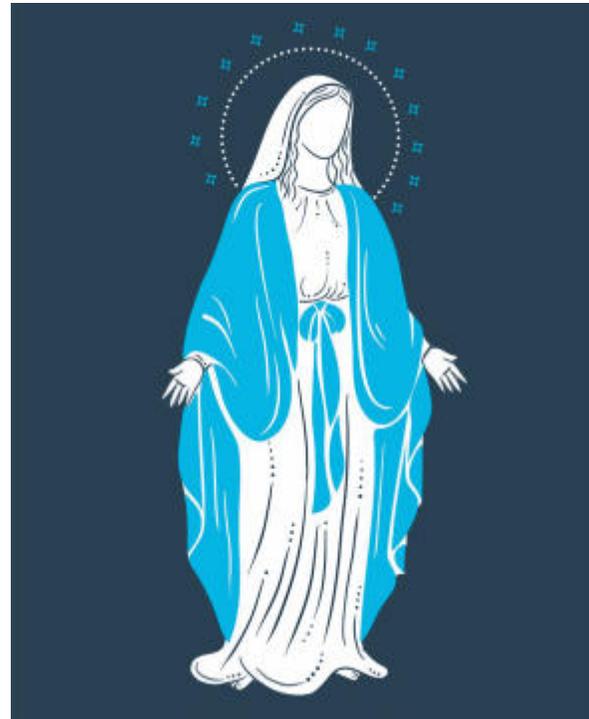


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The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Holy Day of Obligation

Friday, January 1st is the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God.

“Mary is more blessed in receiving the faith of Christ, than in conceiving the flesh of Christ.”
St. Augustine, *On Holy Virginity*, 3

NOTE: Obligation dispensed for Jan. 1.
Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m.
in the courtyard.



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