CONGRATULATIONS ALL SAINTS ADULT CHOIR!
They sang in their very first music competition in San Francisco on December 10 and won Second Place with a $1,000 prize that will go towards our parish community!
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Dear Padre,

Once again I feel overwhelmed by the commercial hype of Christmas. Any suggestions for keeping a Christ-centered Christmas amid the shopping and gift expectations?

It's our Advent task to make Christ, Emmanuel, present in our lives. We do this by centering on the love and peace that is within us and offering that to others. By staying centered and at peace, we'll find the Christ Child even in the midst of the mania!

- **Take time to pray.** In Advent, church decorations accent the sense of longing during this season. Make it a part of your schedule to stop in daily for quiet time and prayer.
- **Spend less money.** Buy fewer gifts, ones that you really enjoy buying. Let your family know that you intend to spend less money and want to enjoy your purchasing experience. Ask them to help you select gifts that have meaning.
- **Be inspiring.** Give gifts that focus more on Christ and Christmas. They could be inspirational books, a Christian music CD, or tickets to a Christmas play or concert.
- **Start a tradition.** Make it a point to find a new Christmas tradition from a different culture and adopt that tradition for this season.
- **Volunteer.** Give someone a gift of unexpected kindness, compassion, and unconditional love. Visit the sick, help in a soup kitchen, buy and wrap presents that will be given to the poor.

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**A Word From Pope Francis**

To celebrate Christmas in a fruitful manner, we are called to pause in “places” of astonishment...The first place is the other, in whom we recognize a brother or sister, because since the birth of Jesus occurred, every face is marked with a semblance to the Son of God. Above all when it is the face of the poor, because God entered the world poor, and it was to the poor, in the first place, that he allowed himself to draw near.

—Angelus, December 20, 2015
**REMEMBER IN PRAYER**
*December 18-24, 2017*

Members of our faith community who are ill, including:
- Leroy Pereira
- Ralph King
- Pansy Butkowski

Also members of our faith community who have died, including:
- Joseph Cassidy
- Donald Jones

We place our loved ones into God’s care and cherish the memory of their time with us – May they rest in peace. Amen

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**Seniors “Busy Bees” Activities**

These events are not just for Seniors. **Everyone is invited to participate.**

Call: FRANCES LEGG: (510) 846-5300

For more information

We are looking for people to join our Thursday group. We socialize, pray together, enjoy a meal and play bingo. We also have guest speakers. We would love to have you join us.


**Thursday, December 28, 2017** and **Thursday, Jan 4th** - Senior Center closed for activities. See you Jan 22th, 2018.

Wishing you a blessed Christmas and Happy New Year!

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**NEED HELP HEARING THE MASS?**

All Saints is fortunate to have assisted listening devices for those who have problems hearing the Mass. Please ask one of the ushers to show you where the easy-to-use devices are located. We want everyone to hear the Word of God.

Todos los Santos esta afortunado de tener dispositivos para los que tienen problemas de audición de escuchar la Misa. Por favor, pregunte a uno de los ujieres que le muestre donde están los dispositivos ubicados. Queremos que todos escuchan la Palabra de Dios.

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*December 18-24, 2017*

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* SPECIAL MASS SCHEDULE

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**From Harry’s Hofbrau. Please call Frances (510-846-5300) to reserve your seat.**
### All Saints Catholic Church
**Weekly Calendar & Facilities Reservations December (Diciembre) 2017**

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- **December 16:** ROMY SANTIAGO (Thelma Valera)
- **December 17:** ESTELITA TULIAO GALUSTIRA (Thelma Valera)
- **December 18:** DE LEON FAMILY (Int) EDMUNDO MARCO (Int) (Letty Lucila)
- **December 19:** ALICE PRADO (Int) JOSE & LOURDES MARCO (Int) (Letty Lucila)
- **December 20:** CHARITO URBIZTONDO ESPINOSA (Thelma Valera) FRANCISCO & MELEA DESIDERIO (Thelma Valera) RAFAEL S. LUCILA (Thelma Valera)
- **December 21:** Deceased Members of the ANDRADA FAMILY (Thelma Valera) DANilo ROSITA (Thelma Valera)
- **December 22:** FRED DE LEON (Int) BRANDON M (Int) (Tess Miciano) MARINO & Grace CALAGUAS (Thelma Valera)
- **December 23:** JUAN & EMILIA GABRIEL (Thelma Valera) EUFEMIA MOLERA (Thelma Valera) (Helen Santiago)
- **December 24:** JOSEPH SACRAMENTO (Thelma Valera) CESAR & AIDA VALERA (Thelma Valera)
Financial Updates—Actualizaciones Financiera

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Thank you for your continuing support. You may have noticed that your maintenance contributions have helped keep the entire church property up and running. The boiler is being monitored regularly and the rectory/school fence has been repaired with some new chain link fencing. All of the property repairs would not be possible without your continued financial help. We are planning on having the windows cleaned (which has not been done in many, many years).

We continue to receive your blue cards with prayer requests. The responses have been wonderful and all cards will be placed in a basket by the “Book of Intentions” near the altar. During this Advent season, the “Season of Giving”, please continue to support your Parish with your prayers and generous donations.

Simbang Gabi

In keeping with the Filipino tradition of Simbang Gabi, early morning mass will be celebrated daily at **6:00 am** during the 9-day period before Christmas, in addition to the regularly scheduled daily masses at 7:30 am. Simbang Gabi starts on Saturday, December 16th and ends on Sunday, December 24th. Light breakfast or early morning snack immediately follows in the Senior Center.

Simbang Gabi is in keeping with the spirit of “starting the day with our hearts blessed, our minds revived, and our bellies full”, just like it was long ago when the Spanish friars celebrated pre-dawn masses for the benefit of the Filipino farmers who had to be in the fields at dawn and the fishermen who had to work their nets before the sun rose.

Individuals or families or groups who wish to ‘host’ or ‘co-host’ a breakfast any time during these nine days, please call the church office.

Join us as we all prepare for the coming of the baby Jesus!
May the blessings of Christmas remain with you and your loved ones throughout the year.
The Pastoral Staff of All Saints

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2017-18

Christmas Eve – Noche Buena – 12/24
5:00pm – Christmas Mass for families with small children
8:00pm – Christmas Mass in Spanish / Misa de Navidad en español
12:00am – Midnight Christmas Mass

Christmas Day – Navidad – 12/25
7:30am, 9:00am & 11:00am
***No 1pm or 7pm Mass on Christmas Day**

New Year’s Day – 1/1/2018
7:30am & 10:00am