Upcoming Events:

**December 16:** Advent Retreat of Matthew's Gospel (Presentation Church)

**December 16-24:** Simbang Gabi (Misa de Gallo) (Our Lady of Guadalupe Church)

**December 24:** A Vigil Prelude Service for Christmas Midnight Mass (Annunciation)

**March 11:** Reboot! Turlock with Chris Stefanick

**July 11:** Sanctus Cup 3: Young Adult Event (St. Stanislaus)

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**Photo of the Week:**

A photo of the 39th Diocesan Procession honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe on Sunday, December 8, 2019 in downtown Stockton.

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**Office of the Bishop:**

**A Christmas Message from Bishop Cotta** – To view the message in English [click here](#). To view the message in Spanish [click here](#).

**Bishop Cotta’s Monthly Reflection** – Please [click here](#) to read Bishop Cotta’s Monthly Reflection for the month of December.

**Catholic Rural Life** – This month’s Catholic Rural blessing is the blessing of night. As the daylight hours give way during the month of December, the night calls our attention. Darkness invites us into its mystery, to gaze into its star-filled sky with wonder. As we watch and wait for the Light during the season of Advent, the darkness of a particular night can be a powerful setting for prayer. To read the blessing for the month of December please [click here](#). For more information about Catholic Rural Life please visit our [website](#).
Safe Environment

The Diocese of Stockton is taking an active role in educating the public and parishioners in regards to everything we are doing to maintain a safe environment for our children and vulnerable adults. This Month looks at how the Office of Vocations and office of Permanent Deacons is taking an active role in contributing to a safe environment for all. Please click here to see this month’s edition.

Office of Worship

**Liturgical Reminder** – January 1st, the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, is a Holy Day of Obligation.

**Adult Confirmation Mass** – Congratulations to the 117 adults from 14 parishes who received the sacrament of Confirmation at our Diocesan Adult Confirmation Mass at St. Stanislaus on November 26th!