Feast of the Immaculate Conception is Tuesday December 8th

December 6, 2015
Second Sunday of Advent

OUR LADY OF LORETTO PARISH
“Empowered by the Spirit of God we celebrate Jesus’ presence in Prayer, Liturgy, Sacrament and Service”
**Mass Intentions**  
**December 5 to December 13**

BC: Fr. Brian Costello  
ME: Fr. Manuel Estrada  
NH: Fr. Neil Healy

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**May all our deceased Parishioners rest in the loving arms of God:**

Ruth Beckman  
Derek Pitts  
Robert Grosso  
Jacob Highland

Please pray for our parishioners who are sick and suffering that they may know the embrace of Christ’s healing love.

Wayne Beckmann, Margaret Bohan, Gary Campaue, Mel Cardenas, Frankie Caza, John Coffman, Bridget Fenker, Vivian Girard, Fr. Dustin Gorell, John Hansen, Mark Harlen, Florence Haron, Patrick Haugh, Rene Haverluck, Mary-Louise Huppert DeFever, Greer Goebel, Jim Horan, Bea Horan, Victor Iacovetto, Victoria Iacovetto, Martin Keaney, Margaret Keith, Norma Lombardi, Patrick Melis Haugh, Jim Horan, Sal Miceli, Roy Michon, Gloria Mock, Joan Moss, James Murphy, Jim Murphy, Peggy Murphy, Ray Ostertag, Alberto Palpallatoc, Jr., Elizabeth Rigney, Margarita Ruiz, Nancy Sammon, Benjamin Schober, Richard Stafford, Patrick Kevin Tirk, Niloo Vahid, Michelle Wisniewski, Tim Wright, Henry Yee

We are updating our prayer list and have removed names which have been on the list for some time.  
Please call the Rectory to have someone included on the Prayer List.
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Pastor

Rev. J. Manuel Estrada  
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Parochial Vicar

Rev. Neil Healy  
In Residence (Happily Retired)  EXT 233

Rev. Mr. Alejandro Madero  EXT. 225  
Deacon

Patrick Reeder  EXT. 234  
Parish Manager

Office Staff  
Erin Troy EXT. 222  
Allen Shirley EXT. 236

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Kathleen Pitti  
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en Espanol  
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Annie Troy, Dir. Youth Ministry and Confirmation  
415-897-2171 ext.277

Mass Times  
Monday—Friday  9:00 am  
Saturday 9:00am  
5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)  
7:00 pm (Spanish Vigil Mass)

Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am,  
12 Noon Spanish Mass

Eucharistic Adoration  
Every Friday  
9:30am-5:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Saturday3:00pm–4:00pm

Rosary  
Monday—Thursday after  
9am Mass and 5:30pm

Friday after 9am Mass and at 5pm  
Sunday at 3:00pm

Baptisms  
Please contact the Rectory- 
Catechesis Required

Marriages  
Please contact the Rectory at least 6 months in advance

Our Lady of Loretto  
St. Vincent de Paul Society  
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THE ANNUAL:  
BREAKFAST WITH ST. NICHOLAS  
SPONSORED BY THE OLL KNIGHT’S  
OF COLUMBUS 3950  
December 13, 2015 in the Parish Hall  
Serving 8am to 11am  
Cost: Under 6—free!!  
6 & Older—$5  
Families—$15  
St. Nicholas arrives at 9:15am

SECOND COLLECTION  
THIS WEEKEND  
The annual collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will be taken. Your gift will help defray some of the costs needed to care for our elderly religious and relieve the genuine financial crisis in many religious congregations.

Christmas Concert  Bring your family and friends on Sunday, December 20 to a joyful re-telling of the nativity story. The adult choir and special children’s chorus tell of Christ’s birth in both word and song. Times are 4:00pm and 7:30pm at the church with a reception following.

THIS WEEK IN CONFIRMATION AND YOUTH MINISTRY  
Monday 12/7: Middle School classes meet in Convent, 7-8:30.  
Thursday 12/10: High School classes & YM Core meet in Convent, 7-8:30.
Dear Friends,

Happy Advent! Happy New Year! With the beginning of the Advent Season, we begin our new liturgical year 2016. I pray that this upcoming year will be a good one for all of us and that this New Year brings our parish community closer together.

On Tuesday, December 8th, the feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we begin a Holy Year, the Year of Mercy, proclaimed by Pope Francis. I will occasionally write you letters, during this Holy Year, about the Year of Mercy and why Pope Francis wanted to do this at this particular time. Stay tuned.

Al Olivier has decided to call it quits as a Lector after 50 years of service here at OLL. I want to thank Al publicly for sharing this ministry with us for all these years. It’s people like Al, and his generation of Catholics, that built our parish and schools. Thank you, Al, and to all of you who worked hard, gave of your time, and supported this parish. Without you, we wouldn’t have this wonderful parish we have today.

In this new liturgical year, we read from the Gospel of Luke. Luke has been called by scripture scholars: “The Gospel of Women and the Poor.” More references are made of women and the poor in Luke’s Gospel than all the other three gospels combined. Luke’s Gospel also contains the stories of the Good Samaritan and the Prodigal Son, two of the most beloved parables of Jesus. For us who listen to the Gospel of Luke proclaimed at our Masses during this upcoming year, may these words of his become enfleshed in our hearts.

Happy Advent!
Father Brian
As we move into the busiest time of the year, please calendar these dates into your busy schedule:

December 8th
Immaculate Conception
(Holy Day of Obligation) Masses are at:
9am (School Mass), 4pm (Religious Education Mass), 6pm (English), 7:30pm (Spanish)
Italian Catholic Federation (ICF) Meeting and Dinner in the Parish Hall 5:30pm

December 10th
Feast of our Lady of Loretto

December 11th
Reconciliation Service at St. Anthony’s.
10:30am and 7:00 pm

December 12th
Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

December 17th
6:30pm: School Christmas Concert

December 20th:
Bring all baby Jesus statues to be blessed at Mass.
Parish Christmas Concert. 4pm and 7:30pm

December 24th to January 3rd
Parish Offices will be closed. Priests are on-site for any emergencies.

December 24th—Christmas Eve
Mass Times—5pm (Children’s Mass in both Church and Hall), 7pm (English), 9pm (Spanish)

December 25th—Christmas
Masses at 8am, 10am, and 12 Noon (Spanish)

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. (Holy Day of Obligation)
Masses at 10am (English) 12 Noon (Spanish)

Great Job Girls!!
On November 12, 2015 at Marin Catholic High School, three OLL alumnae have signed National Letters of Intent to play sports in college:

Grace Flynn-Young, Volleyball—Oberlin
Nicole Marino, Softball—UCSB
Carol Raffety, Volleyball—Virginia Tech

We send along our congratulations and most of all our prayers for a successful college career. We are very proud of you all!

Every Christian is called to become a strong athlete of Christ, that is, a faithful and courageous witness to his Gospel.
St. John Paul II

Compassion, Forgiveness, Peace through the Infant Jesus

Saint Isabella Church cordially invites you to the annual SIMBANG GABI in the North Bay
December 17th – 21st 2015
6:30 pm – Reconciliation
6:45 pm – Holy Rosary
7:00 pm — Mass

For Inquiries please contact:
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St. Isabella Church
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Lettie Ranjo
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Flyers Available in the vestibules
**This Week at OLL**
December 6 — December 13

| Sun. | Second Sunday of Advent |
| Mon. | SVDP—Library—7pm |
| Tue. | IMMACULATE CONCEPTION |
|      | (see separate article) |
|      | ICF—5:30pm |
|      | Helping Hands Prayer Group—1pm—Church |
|      | Al-Anon—Convent—7:15pm |
| Wed. | Our Lady’s Prayer Group—Church—7:30pm |
| Thurs. |  |
| Fri. | Eucharistic Adoration—Chapel |
| Sat. | Cenacle—Chapel—9:30am |
| Sun. | Third Sunday of Advent |

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**OUR LADY OF LORETTO, HELPING HANDS CHRISTMAS OUTREACH 2015**
The Our Lady of Loretto, Helping Hands Christmas Outreach 2015

**FINAL WEEKEND**

We have committed to help families in need in our parish celebrate the birth of Christ. **This is our final weekend to solicit donations.** Our need is great and we still need many more of you to donate. It’s easy to be part of this compassionate outreach. Our Giving Trees are up in all the entrances to the Church. Please take an envelope and return it to the secure mail slot at the Rectory, along with your gift of store gift cards, cash or check payable to **Our Lady of Loretto Helping Hands Christmas Outreach.** Please indicate the amount of your donation clearly on the outside of the gift card. Gift cards from grocery stores and stores such as Target and Kohl’s are much appreciated. **This is our final appeal for your help, as our deadline for donations is Wednesday, December 9, 2015.**

For your convenience, Helping Hands volunteers will be at the church entrances after each mass this weekend to accept your donations. Thank you for welcoming Jesus into your hearts by generously donating to our Parish families in need.

**We wish you a blessed Advent and a Merry Christmas!**

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**Esta semana en OLL**
6 Diciembre — 13 Diciembre

Domingo: Segundo Domingo de Adviento

| Martes: | IMMACULATE CONCEPTION |
|        | Helping Hands Grupo de Oración por la Iglesia—1pm |
|        | JPC Discípulos—Capilla del Convento—7pm |
|        | Nuestra Señora del Perpetuo Socorro-Chapel—6pm |
|        | Al-Anon-Convento—7:15pm |
| Miércoles: | Nuestra Señora Grupo de Oración—Capilla—7:30pm |
|        | Ensavo del Coro-Espanol—Iglesia—7pm |
| Jueves: |  |
| Viernes: | JPC—Biblioteca—7pm |
| Sabado: | Cenaculo—Chapel—9:30am |
| Domingo: | Tercer Domingo de Adviento |

**NUESTRA SEÑORA DE LORETTO, Helping Hands**

**NAVIDAD ALCANCE 2015**
El Nuestra Señora de Loreto, Helping Hands Navidad Extensión 2015

**FIN DE SEMANA FINAL**

Nos hemos comprometido a ayudar a las familias necesitadas en nuestra parroquia celebran el nacimiento de Cristo. Este es nuestro último fin de semana para solicitar donaciones. Nuestra necesidad es grande y todavía tenemos muchos más de ustedes a donar.

Es fácil ser parte de este alcance compasivo. Nuestros árboles Dar están en pie de todas las entradas de la Iglesia. Por favor, tome un sobre y devuélvelo a la ranura de correo seguro en la Rectoría, junto con su regalo de las tarjetas de tienda de regalos, efectivo o cheque a nombre de Nuestra Señora de Loreto Helping Hands Alcance Navidad. Por favor, indíque el monto de su donación claramente en el exterior de la tarjeta de regalo. Las tarjetas de regalo de tiendas de comestibles y tiendas como Target y Kohl son muy apreciados.

Esta es nuestra última apelación por su ayuda, como nuestra fecha límite para las donaciones es Miércoles, 09 de diciembre 2015.

Para su comodidad, Helping Hands voluntarios estarán en las entradas de la iglesia después de cada misa este fin de semana para aceptar sus donaciones. Gracias por dar la bienvenida a Jesús en sus corazones por la generosa donación a nuestras familias Parroquia necesitadas usted. Le deseamos una bendecida
Queridos amigos,

Feliz Adviento! ¡Feliz Año Nuevo!

Con el inicio de la temporada de Adviento, comenzamos nuestro nuevo año litúrgico 2016. Rezo para que este próximo año será un buen año para todos nosotros y que este nuevo año trae a nuestra comunidad parroquial más cerca.

El martes, 8 de diciembre, fiesta de la Inmaculada Concepción de la Santísima Virgen María, comenzamos un Año Santo, el Año de la Misericordia, proclamada por Francisco. Yo de vez en cuando escribir cartas, durante este Año Santo, sobre el Año de la Merced y por qué Francisco quería hacer esto en este momento en particular. Mantéenganse al tanto.

Al Olivier ha decidido dejarlo todo como un Lector después de 50 años de servicio aquí en OLL. Quiero agradecer a Al públicamente por compartir este ministerio con nosotros durante todos estos años. Es la gente como Al, y su generación de católicos, que construyó nuestra parroquia y las escuelas. Gracias, Al, y para todos los que trabajaron duro, dieron de su tiempo, y con el apoyo de esta parroquia. Sin ti, no tendríamos esta maravillosa parroquia que tenemos hoy.

En este nuevo año litúrgico, leemos en el Evangelio de Lucas. Lucas ha sido llamada por los estudiosos de las Escrituras: "El Evangelio de la Mujer y de los Pobres". Más referencias se hacen de las mujeres y los pobres en el Evangelio de Lucas que todos los otros tres evangelios combinados. Evangelio de Lucas contiene también las historias del Buen Samari-tano y el Hijo Pródigo, dos de las parábolas más queridos de Jesús. Para nosotros que escuchan el Evangelio de Lucas proclamada en nuestras misas durante este próximo año, pueden estas palabras suyas convertido encarnado en nuestros corazones.

Feliz Adviento!

Padre Brian