And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother.  

MT 2: 9-11

January 3, 2016
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

OUR LADY OF LORETTO PARISH
“Empowered by the Spirit of God we celebrate Jesus’ presence in Prayer, Liturgy, Sacrament and Service”
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 DeFe- ver, Greer Goebel, Jean Gross, Jim Horan, Bea Horan, Victor Iacovetto, Victoria Iacovetto, Martin Keaney, Riva Keegan, Margaret Keith, Norma Lombardi, Patrick Melis Haugh, 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, Coleen Schmidt, Benjamin Schober, Richard Stafford, Patrick Kevin Tirk, Niloo Vahid, Michelle Wisniewski, Tim Wright

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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### Mass Intentions

**January 2 to January 10**

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

**Henry Yee**
Rev. Brian Costello
frbrian@ollnovato.org Ext.227
Pastor
Rev. J. Manuel Estrada
frmanuel@ollnovato.org EXT 230
Parochial Vicar
Rev. Neil Healy
In Residence EXT 233
Patrick Reeder EXT. 234
Parish Manager
Office Staff
Erin Troy EXT. 222
Allen Shirley EXT. 236

Our Lady of Loretto School
Mrs. Kathleen Kraft, Principal
415-892-8621
Parish Religious Education
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and Confirmation
415-897-2171 ext.277

This time of year we need to transmit our bulletin copy well in advance of the Sunday for which they are intended. We apologize for any omissions, which may inadvertently occur.

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
415-497-5090
Visit us on the Web
www.ollnovato.org

SAVE THE DATE
12th ANNUAL WALK FOR LIFE – WEST COAST
JANUARY 23, 2016
Join OLL parishioners & youth for the 12th Annual Walk for Life.
Our Lady of Loretto has a bus that will leave at 11:00am from the church parking lot for Civic Center Plaza in San Francisco. The price is $20 per person or any donation appreciated.
To RSVP or for more information, please call Erin Troy at OLL rectory 897-2171 or by email erin@ollnovato.org
THE PROCLAMATION OF THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

Today, the twenty-fifth day of December, unknown ages from the time when God created the heavens and the earth and then formed man in his own images.

Several thousand years after the flood, when God made the rainbow shine forth a sign of the covenant.

Twenty-one centuries from the time of Abraham and Sarah; thirteen centuries after Moses led the people of Israel out of Egypt.

Eleven hundred years form the time of Ruth and the Judges; one thousand years from the anointing of David as king; in the sixty-fifth week according to the prophecy of Daniel.

In the one hundred and ninety fourth Olympiad; the seven hundred and fifty-second year from the foundation of the city of Rome.

The forty-second year of the reign of Octavian Augustus; the whole world being at peace, Jesus Christ, eternal God and Son of the eternal Father, desiring to sanctify the world by his most merciful coming, being conceived by the Holy Spirit, and nine months having passed since his conception, was born in Bethlehem of Judea of the Virgin Mary.

Today is the nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the flesh.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE DATE OF EASTER ON EPIPHANY

Dear brothers and sisters, the glory of the Lord has shone upon us, and shall ever be manifest among us, until the day of his return. Through the rhythms of times and seasons let us celebrate the mysteries of salvation.

Let us recall the year’s culmination, the Easter Triduum of the Lord: his last supper, his crucifixion, his burial, and his rising celebrated between the evening of March 24th and the evening of March 27th.

Each Easter— as on each Sunday— the Holy Church makes present the great and saving deed by which Christ has for ever conquered sin and death.

From Easter are reckoned all the days we keep holy. Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, will occur on the 10th of February. The Ascension of the Lord will be commemorated on May 8th. Pentecost, the joyful conclusion of the season of Easter, will be celebrated on May 15th. And this year the First Sunday of Advent will be on the 27th of November.

Likewise the pilgrim Church proclaims the Passover of Christ in the feasts of the Holy Mother of God, in the feasts of the Apostles and Saints, and in the commemoration of the faithful departed.

To Jesus Christ, who was, who is, and who is to come, Lord of time and history, be endless praise, for ever and ever.

Amen.
Dear Friends,

I read this Dear Abby Column a number of years ago and I couldn’t think of a better way to start off the New Year than by reprinting it here. If only we could put some of these “Just for Today’s” in our life, what a difference it would make. Happy New Year to you and yours.

Father Brian

*JUST FOR TODAY, I will live through this day only. I will not brood about yesterday or obsess about tomorrow. I will not set far-reaching goals or try to overcome all of my problems at once.*

I know that I can do something for 24 hours that would overwhelm me if I had to keep it up for a lifetime.

*JUST FOR TODAY, I will be happy. I will not dwell on thoughts that depress me. If my mind fills with clouds, I will chase them away and fill it with sunshine.*

*JUST FOR TODAY, I will accept what is. I will face reality. I will correct those things that I can correct and accept those I cannot.*

*JUST FOR TODAY, I will improve my mind. I will read something that requires effort, thought and concentration. I will not be a mental loafer.*

*JUST FOR TODAY, I will make a conscious effort to be agreeable. I will be kind and courteous to those who cross my path, and I'll not speak ill of others. I will improve my appearance, speak softly, and not interrupt when someone else is talking. Just for today, I will refrain from improving anybody but myself.*

*JUST FOR TODAY, I will do something positive to improve my health. If I'm a smoker, I'll quit. If I'm overweight, I will eat healthfully -- if only for today. And not only that, I will get off the couch and take a brisk walk, even if it's only around the block.*

*JUST FOR TODAY, I will gather the courage to do what is right and take the responsibility for my own actions.*

Paul Fuller and Jean Ellis are two senior parishioners who need a ride to church on Sunday. They have no car and walk two miles to OLL. Can someone please give them a ride to church? Their address is 655 Canyon Road and their number is 415-897-9752. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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**PARISH BLOOD DRIVE**

**THE DONATION BUS WILL BE HERE ON**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 2016**

8:00am to 1:00pm

**PLEASE CONSIDER GIVING THE GIFT OF LIFE**

Thank you to the members of our Altar Society who helped decorate the Church this Advent in anticipation of the coming of our Lord. Your hard work is appreciated and the fruits of your labors are a blessing for all of us.

**THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU!!!**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

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**THANK YOU TO OUR ALTAR SOCIETY MEMBERS**
**This Week at OLL**

**January 3 — January 10**

- **Sun.** THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD
- **Mon.** SVDP—Library—7pm
- **Tue.** Helping Hands Prayer Group—1pm—Church
  Al-Anon—Convent – 7:15pm
- **Wed.** Our Lady’s Prayer Group—Church—7:30pm
  K of C—Hall—7:30pm
- **Thurs.** Choir Practice—Choir Room—6:30pm
- **Fri.** Adoration in the Chapel—9:30am –5pm
- **Sat.** Cenacle—Chapel—9:30am
- **Sun.** THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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**PARISH OFFICES ARE CLOSED BETWEEN 12/24 and 1/3.**

The Rectory offices will reopen Monday January 4th.

We wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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**MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM OLL YOUTH MINISTRY!**

All Confirmation classes and YM events are on recess until school resumes. Middle & High School classes will begin again on January 4 and January 7, respectively. (Teen Baptism and Holy Communion classes will begin the week of January 25. If your teen is in need of these sacraments, you will receive a letter in the mail in the first week of January.)

**CONFIRMATION ENROLLMENT MASS** will take place on Saturday, January 9 @ 5pm in the church. This Mass is MANDATORY for all 2016 Confirmandi and their sponsors.

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**LOOKING IN THE RIGHT PLACES**

“Appearances can be deceiving,” as the saying goes. As we celebrate the *epiphania*, the “appearing” of the eternal Word of God on earth, this is still true.

What rapturous foresight must have filled Isaiah as he wrote the words we hear today. How, for four hundred years, they must have filled the hearts of the people of Israel with hope for the day when God’s glory would shine on them. How deceived some must have felt when the glory of God came to them in the lowliest and humblest of human lives.

We have many expectations about how the divine presence will appear among us. But we can also set ourselves up, through these expectations, to miss the divine glory when it truly appears. We get caught up in looking for the star, forgetting that the star is not the divine sign, the babe is. It may take a persistent journey for us to come upon the true appearance of God’s glory in our lives: Jesus Christ.

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**Esta semana en OLL**

3 Enero — 10 Enero

- **Domingo:** La Epifanía del Señor;
- **Lunes:**
- **Martes:** Helping Hands Grupo de Oración por la Iglesia-1pm
  JPC Discipulados—Capilla del Convento –7pm
  Nuestra Señora del Perpetuo Socorrido—Chapel-6pm
  Al-Anon—Convento - 7:15 pm
- **Miércoles:** Nuestra Señora Grupo de Oración—Capilla—7:30pm
  Ensavo del Coro-Espanol—Iglesia—7pm
- **Jueves:**
- **Viernes:**
- **Sabado:** Cenaculo—Chapel—9:30am
- **Domingo:** El Bautismo del Señor

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**OFICINAS DE LA PARROQUIA ESTÁN CERRADAS ENTRE 12/24 y 1/3**

Las oficinas de Rectoría reabrirán Lunes 04 de enero.

Deseamos a todos una muy Feliz Navidad y un Feliz Año Nuevo.

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**BUSCAR EN EL LUGAR CORRECTO**

“Las apariencias engañan” dice el refrán.

Al celebrar la epifanía, la manifestación del Verbo de Dios eterno en la tierra, el refrán sigue siendo cierto.

¡Qué sublime premonición debe haber sentido Isaías al escribir las palabras que hoy escuchamos! Por cuatrocientos años, cómo habrán llenado los corazones del pueblo de Israel con esperanzas de que llegaría el día en que la gloria de Dios se derramaría sobre ellos. ¡Qué desilusionados deben haberse sentido algunos cuando la gloria de Dios llegó en una vida humana de las más bajas y humildes!

Tenemos muchas expectativas de cómo la presencia divina va a manifestarse entre nosotros. Pero también podemos exponernos, por culpa de esas expectativas, a perder de vista la gloria divina cuando se nos aparece de verdad. Nos entretenemos buscando la estrella, y nos olvidamos que la estrella no es la señal divina, sino el bebé. Puede que tengamos que persistir en el camino antes de llegar a encontrarnos con la apariencia real de la gloria de Dios en nuestra vida: Jesucristo.
LA PROCLAMACIÓN DEL NACIMIENTO DE CRISTO
Hoy, el día veinticinco de diciembre de edades desconocidas desde el momento en que Dios creó los cielos y la tierra y luego formó al hombre en sus propias imágenes.

Varios miles de años después del diluvio, cuando Dios hizo el arco iris brille una señal del pacto. 

Veintiún siglos desde los tiempos de Abraham y Sara; trece siglos después de que Moisés condujo al pueblo de Israel de Egipto.

De once siglos forman el momento de Ruth y los jueces; mil años a partir de la unción de David como rey; en el sexagésimo quinto semanas de acuerdo con la profecía de Daniel.

En el 194o Olimpiada; el setecientos cincuenta y dos años desde la fundación de la ciudad de Roma.

El cuadragésimo segundo año del reinado de Octavio Augusto; todo el mundo estar en paz, Jesucristo, Dios y el Hijo eterno del Padre eterno, con el deseo de santificar el mundo con su más misericordioso que viene, siendo concebido por el Espíritu Santo, y habiendo pasado nueve meses desde su concepción, nació en Belén de Judea de la Virgen María.

Hoy es el nacimiento de nuestro Señor Jesucristo según la carne.

ORACIÓN
Señor Jesucristo,
tú nos has enseñado a ser misericordiosos como el Padre del cielo,
y nos has dicho que quien te ve, lo ve también a Él.
Muéstranos tu rostro y obtendremos la salvación.
Tu mirada llena de amor liberó a Zaqueo y a Mateo de la esclavitud del dinero;
a la adúltera y a la Magdalena del buscar la felicidad solamente en una criatura;
hizo llorar a Pedro luego de la traición,
y aseguró el Paraíso al ladrón arrepentido.
Haz que cada uno de nosotros escuche como propia la palabra que dijiste a la samaritana:
¡Si conocieras el don de Dios!
Tú eres el rostro visible del Padre invisible,
del Dios que manifiesta su omnipotencia sobre todo con el perdón y la misericordia:
haz que, en el mundo, la Iglesia sea el rostro visible de Ti, su Señor, resucitado y glorioso.

Tú has querido que también tus ministros fueran vestidos de debilidad para que sientan sincera compasión por los que se encuentran en la ignorancia o en el error:
haz que quien se acerque a uno de ellos se sienta esperado, amado y perdonado por Dios.

Manda tu Espíritu y conságranos a todos con su unción para que el Jubileo de la Misericordia sea un año de gracia del Señor y tu Iglesia pueda, con renovado entusiasmo, llevar la Buena Nueva a los pobres proclamar la libertad a los prisioneros y oprimidos y restituir la vista a los ciegos.

Te lo pedimos por intercesión de María, Madre de la Misericordia, a ti que vives y reinas con el Padre y el Espíritu Santo por los siglos de los siglos.

Amén.

RESERVA
Caminata Anual 12 para la Vida - Costa Oeste
23 de enero 2016
Únete OLL feligreses y jóvenes para la Caminata Anual por la Vida 12.
Nuestra Señora de Loreto tiene un autobús que saldrá a las 11:00 am desde el estacionamiento de la iglesia para la Plaza del Centro Cívico de San Francisco. El precio es de $20 por persona o cualquier donación apreciado.
Para confirmar su asistencia o para más información, por favor llame a Erin Troy en OLL rectoría 897-2171 o por correo electrónico erin@ollnovato.org