December 25, 2016
THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
Please pray for our parishioners who are sick and suffering that they may know the embrace of Christ’s healing love.


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

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**Mass Intentions**

**December 24 to January 1**

BC: Fr. Brian Costello  
JML: Fr. Juan Manuel Lopez  

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

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EMERGENCIES ONLY PLEASE

Mass Times
Monday—Friday 9:00 am
Saturday 9:00 am
5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)
7 pm Spanish Vigil Mass
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am,
12 Noon Spanish Mass
Eucharistic Adoration
Every Friday
9:30 am-5:00 pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 3:00 pm-4:00 pm
Rosary
Monday—Thursday after
9 am Mass and 5:30 pm
Friday after 9 am Mass and at 5 pm
Sunday at 3:00 pm
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
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OLL BOOK CLUB
The next book up for the remainder of December is
Scott Hahn's "Joy to the World" on Jan 11.
Please join us.
No registration is necessary. Bring a friend!

LEARNED AT HOME
The mind of Christ is to be learned in the family.
Strength of character may be acquired at work, but beauty
of character is learned at home.
—Henry Drummond

TODAY’S READINGS
First Reading — All the ends of the earth will behold
the salvation of our God (Isaiah 52:7-10).
Psalm — All the ends of the earth have seen
the saving power of God (Psalm 98).
Second Reading — God has spoken to us through the Son,
the very imprint of God’s being (Hebrews 1:1-6).
Gospel — The Word became flesh; from his fullness we have all received grace
(John 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]).

THIS WEEK IN CONFIRMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY
High School classes & OLL YM will resume on January 12.
Dear Friends,

On December 25th we proclaim: “Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord.” And so begins the celebration of our Lord’s birth, of God becoming man. God loved us so much that he gave us his only Son to be one with us, to dwell among us, and to show us how to live in that love. He came to bring peace, to heal division, to end all pain, and to bring us into his eternal light.

And so we celebrate the gift of his love. We fill the long darkness with beautiful lights. We sing carols and eat delicious food. Around our Christmas Trees - trees right inside our houses!- we give one another gifts because God has given such good gifts to us, and we open our homes to guests because God has opened heaven to us.

May these challenging times, in which we live, bring us closer together as a parish community. Merry Christmas and the happiest of New Year's.

Father Brian
Father Juan Manuel
Father Healy

The Feast of the Holy Family is on December 30th. Pope Francis has written a very beautiful Prayer to the Holy Family I would like to share with you.

Fr. Brian

Prayer to the Holy Family

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
in you we contemplate
the splendour of true love,
to you we turn with trust.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
grant that our families too
may be places of communion and prayer,
authentic schools of the Gospel
and small domestic Churches.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
may families never again
experience violence, rejection and division:
may all who have been hurt or scandalized
find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth,
make us once more mindful
of the sacredness and inviolability of the family,
and its beauty in God’s plan.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
graciously hear our prayer.

Amen
WELCOME IN THE NEW YEAR WITH JESUS

Our Lady of Loretto will have Eucharistic Adoration on Saturday evening, December 31 beginning at 9:00pm and ending at 12:01am.

Jesus showed His great love for us by His crucifixion on the cross to pay for our sins and give us eternal life. Can we not give Jesus a few minutes of love and adoration in return? Through adoration we strengthen our personal relationship with God and give witness to our belief that god is truly dwelling within all of us. Every hour you spend time with Jesus on earth will leave your soul everlastinglly more beautiful and glorious in heaven. What a great way to start the New Year!! Please join us.

JANUARY 21, 2017

Join fellow parishioners at the 2017 Walk For Life. Walk For Life’s goal is to be a vocal and visual message that people of the West Coast stand for life. To reach out to women harmed by abortion, and to inform society of the damage done to women by abortion.

Once again, we will be organizing a bus to transport our parishioners to SF. Please contact Erin Troy, at the Rectory, for more information and to reserve a space on the bus.

BLESSING PRAYER FOR CHRISTMAS

Let us pray in silence
for the coming of peace into our world
and into our home.

Lord,
as we pray this Christmas Day
and celebrate the feast of the Birth of the Holy Child, call forth the dormant child from within each of us; cause us to wonder and to rejoice again in this most ancient feast.

As the magi came bearing gifts,
may we, this Christmas, gift one another
with the gold of charity,
the myrrh of kindness
and the incense of prayer.

With the shepherds,
we come to the birth of Christ
seeking a simple celebration,
where the greatest gift will be ourselves
give to You, our God,
and to each other

May the star of Bethlehem
which shone brightly over the first crib
stand guard at our home,
filling it and all the earth
with light and peace.

We adore You, O Christ, and we bless You
Because by Your holy birth
You give hope to all the world.

Amen +
### This Week at OLL
**December 25 - January 1**

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS
**THE PARISH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY DECEMBER 26th THROUGH MONDAY JANUARY 2nd. WE WILL RETURN ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 3rd AT 9AM.**
THE PARISH STAFF WISHES YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR! GOD BLESS!!

### THE GIFT OF GOD’S WORD

On this day of gifts and gift-giving, it seems appropriate that we take a moment to reflect on the great gift of God’s Word. Because it is creative, God’s Word always points to its author, always calls us to respond. Because it is powerful, God’s Word can link the sublime with the ridiculous, the transcendent with the immanent, the divine with the human. Because it is graceful, God’s Word establishes a relationship of deep intimacy between us and God.

At the heart of God’s Word lies a tantalizing tension between the mysterious and the mundane. In our liturgical celebration, this unresolved tension both reveals the meaning of life for us and calls us to respond, to act upon that meaning.

Once accepted and opened, the gift of God’s Word is a gift that keeps on giving and keeps on calling us to give in return. It dares us to be like the gift-giver and to become gifts for others, not only at Christmas, but at every moment of life.

### BIENVENIDOS EN EL AÑO NUEVO CON JESÚS

Nuestra Señora de Loretto tendrá Adoración Eucarística el sábado por la noche, 31 de diciembre comenzando a las 9:00 pm y terminando a las 12:01 am.

Jesús mostró Su gran amor por nosotros por Su crucifixión en la cruz para pagar nuestros pecados y darnos vida eterna. ¿No podemos darle a Jesús unos minutos de amor y adoración a cambio? A través de la adoración fortalecemos nuestra relación personal con Dios y damos testimonio de nuestra creencia de que Dios está viviendo verdaderamente dentro de todos nosotros. Cada hora que pasa tiempo con Jesús en la tierra dejará su alma eternamente más hermosa y gloriosa en el cielo, ¡qué gran manera de comenzar el Año Nuevo!! Por favor únete a nosotros.

### LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — Todos a una gritan alborazados. Verá la tierra entera la salvación que viene de nuestro Dios (Isaías 52:7-10).

**Salmo** — Los confines de la tierra han contemplado la victoria de nuestro Dios (Salmo 98 [97]).

**Segunda lectura** — Dios nos ha hablado por medio de su Hijo, la imagen fiel de su ser (Hebreos 1:1-6).

**Evangelio** — El Verbo se hizo carne; y todos recibimos de él en una sucesión de gracias sin número (Juan 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]).
Queridos amigos,

El 25 de diciembre proclamamos: "Hoy nace nuestro Salvador, Cristo el Señor". Y así comienza la celebración del nacimiento de nuestro Señor, de que Dios se hace hombre. Dios nos amó tanto que nos dio su Hijo único para ser uno con nosotros, para morar entre nosotros, y para mostrarnos cómo vivir en ese amor. Él vino a traer la paz, a curar la división, a terminar con todo el dolor, ya traernos en su luz eterna.

Y así celebramos el regalo de su amor. Llenamos la larga oscuridad con hermosas luces. Cantamos villancicos y comemos deliciosa comida. Alrededor de nuestros Árboles de Navidad - árboles dentro de nuestras casas! - nos damos unos a otros regalos porque Dios nos ha dado tan buenos regalos, y abrimos nuestros hogares a los huéspedes porque Dios nos ha abierto el cielo.

Que estos tiempos difíciles, en los que vivimos, nos unan más como comunidad parroquial. Feliz Navidad y el más feliz de Año Nuevo.

Father Brian
Father Juan Manuel
Father Healy

Oración a la Sagrada Familia

Jesús, María y José
en vosotros contemplamos
el esplendor del verdadero amor,
a vosotros, confiados, nos dirigimos.

Santa Familia de Nazaret,
 haz también de nuestras familias
 lugar de comunión y cenáculo de oración,
 auténticas escuelas del Evangelio
 y pequeñas Iglesias domésticas.

Santa Familia de Nazaret,
 que nunca más haya en las familias episodios
 de violencia, de cerrazón y división;
 que quien haya sido herido o escandalizado
 sea pronto consolado y curado.

Santa Familia de Nazaret,
 haga tomar conciencia a todos
 del carácter sagrado e inviolable de la familia,
 de su belleza en el proyecto de Dios.

Jesús, María y José,
 escuchad, acoged nuestra súplica.