

December 6, 2020

Mass Intentions Of The Week

- ♦ Sat 12/5 5:00 + Dorothy Kirby
+ Edward Fritsche
+ Margaret Silva
+ Shirley Lavorato
+ Paddy J. Roche
+ Mary Waters
+ Bob Helfrich
- ♦ Mon 12/7 9:00 + Rosario Muñoz
+ Mary Waters
- ♦ Tue 12/8 9:00 + Ruth & + Louis Huntington
+ Mary Waters
- ♦ Wed 12/9 9:00 + Bob Benoit
+ Mary Waters
- ♦ Thur 12/10 9:00 + Lupe Baez
+ Mary Waters
- ♦ Fri 12/11 9:00 + Mary Waters
+ Maria Phin Vu
- ♦ Sat 12/12 5:00 + Shirley Lavorato
+ Hector Gomez
+ Lupe Baez

In accordance with the Bishop's directive, per governor's orders, all masses are suspended. There are no publicly celebrated masses until further notice. We live stream the daily mass at 9 am, Monday through Friday. Sunday's mass is live streamed on Saturday during the vigil mass at 5 pm and is posted on Facebook. Please continue checking our parish website regularly for updates.
www.stjchurch.org

MEETINGS OF THE WEEK

NO MEETINGS DURING THIS TIME

GOD BLESS!

Second Sunday of Advent

Pray for the Sick & Those In Need

Mary Bianchi, Jeremy Bernardi, J.T. Borofka, Larry Breeden, Ken & Patty Cook, Frank Duenas, Andrzej Goroch, Rebecca Granger, Nancy Griffin, Mary Hayes, Sandra Hill, Paul & Cindy Kohatsu, Joon Manalang, Stephanie McFarland, Mike Micheletti, Mike and Diane Middaugh, Jeff, Joelle, Josh & Kaitlin McGrath, Jan Reynolds, Susan Raymond, Sandra Sammut, Tiffany Sammut, Cindy Sandobal, Christine Marie, Nick



Please pray for them!



Please Pray For Our Troops

Kevin Allum, Jeffrey Burke, Preston Coulson, Brian Flannery, Jonathan Garibay, Hannah Brown Paul

Greetings People of the Diocese of Monterey from Sister Theresa Harpin, Founder and Executive Director of Restorative Partners, an organization that transforms lives impacted by crime through healing services and relationships. We work with some of the most forgotten, marginalized, alienated, dismissed people in our diocese. We provide over 30 programs to those in-custody as well as operate five recovery reentry homes within our diocese. We house 45-50 men, women, and women with children every night, feeding, clothing, and providing wraparound services i.e., substance abuse and domestic violence treatment, life skills and job readiness classes, spiritual counseling, transportation and more. During this holy season of Advent, please join us in our mission to care for the least of God's people with a donation of any amount. Below is a link to our appeal landing page that gives you three short videos of some of our participants who once were clients and now serve on staff with Restorative Partners. Please take a moment to listen to their amazing stories, fill your hearts with the hope and joy of Advent and consider a donation to Restorative Partners. Please go to <https://www.restorativepartnersfallevent.com/> **Thank you!**

Gratefully Received

Electronic Giving:	\$ 1,898.00
Sunday Plate:	\$ 4,475.00

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education (grades 1-5): Week 8

Please see your syllabus for this week's lesson. For help, ideas and inspiration – please contact your child's catechist or Marge Callahan (mcallahan@stjchurch.org).

Mass Activities for Children

Are your children missing Children's Liturgy of the Word? See our website for an interactive, online version from Gospel Kids. You'll also find a children's missal, videos and fun activities to share the Word of God each week at <https://stjchurch.org/special-programs>

Confirmation (virtual sessions – please check your email for Zoom meeting details) Confirmation I

Tuesday, January 12: 7-8pm

Confirmation II

Wednesday, December 9: 7-8pm

Youth Group (virtual sessions – please check your email for Zoom meeting details)

POP's Place Jr. (grades 6-8)

Thursday, December 10: 7-8pm

POP's Place (grades 9-12)

Thursday, December 17: 7-8pm

Email Christina Brigantino (cbrigantino@stjchurch.org) for more info.

RCIA for New Catholics. Do you know . . .

- ♦ An adult seeking Baptism?
- ♦ An adult from another tradition (denomination) already baptized, who wishes to become a Confirmed Catholic?
- ♦ A Catholic adult needing Confirmation?
- ♦ A Catholic adult who has been away from the church for awhile and wants to "reconnect?"

Please suggest they email Deacon Steve Brau sbrau@stjchurch.org or call 831-455-2249 to learn more about the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**.

Heart & Soul will be serving lunch at Dorothy's on December 12th

At this time cookies are needed and appreciated. Please drop off donated items to the parish kitchen by 1 pm on Friday December 11th.



This year marks over 25 years St. Joseph's has hosted a Giving Tree to share our blessings with families in need in our community. In this year of changes – our Giving Tree has gone virtual. Instead of purchasing clothing and shoes for each child – we are collecting monetary donations that will be used to purchase grocery store gift cards for 68 farm worker families in Soledad. Donations (in any amount) can be made online via our website (<https://stjchurch.org/> - choose the 'Donate Online' button and use category = 'other Giving Tree') or via check (payable to St. Joseph's, please note 'Giving Tree' on memo line).

We invite everyone to decorate a paper ornament at home and return to St. Joseph's via scan/email to Marge (mcallahan@stjchurch.org) or put in our dropbox (to the right of office door at 15 Railroad Ave.) or mail to us at PO Box 7158, Spreckels, CA 93962. You can design your own – or use one of our templates at: <https://stjchurch.org/news-center> – size no larger than 4"x4" – can't wait to see your creations! Add a blessing or greeting on the back (in English or Spanish) to share joy with our Soledad neighbors. Ornaments will be added to our Giving Tree (join our livestream Masses to see the decorated tree each week during Advent) and delivered along with gift cards to families for Epiphany. Donations and ornaments will be collected through December 31.

Thank you for your generosity!

Dorothy's Place

Thank you to all who baked pies for Dorothy's guests on Thanksgiving!

They are also in need of socks, gloves, scarves, and beanies. If you can help, please bring your donations to the parish kitchen Monday-Saturday from 9-2pm. They'll be picked up and brought to Dorothy's on December 11th at noon.



Thank you for sharing some holiday warmth!

Yet I still dare to hope when I remember this: The faithful love of the LORD never ends! His mercies never cease. Lamentations 3: 21-22