

December 13, 2020

Mass Intentions Of The Week

- ◆ **Sat 12/12 5:00 + Shirley Lavorato**
+ Hector Gomez
+ Lupe Baez
+ Lucian Musso
+ Joe Kingston
+ Leticia Llido
- ◆ **Mon 12/14 9:00 + Lucian Musso**
+ Leticia Llido
- ◆ **Tue 12/15 9:00 + Hector Gomez**
+ Kathy Romero
+ Leticia Llido
- ◆ **Wed 12/16 9:00 + Maria Thayer Gorgulho**
+ Leticia Llido
- ◆ **Thur 12/17 9:00 + Seamus McEvoy**
+ Leticia Llido
- ◆ **Fri 12/18 9:00 + Al Ferreira**
+ Leticia Llido
- ◆ **Sat 12/19 5:00 + George & + Nina Sammut**
+ Charlie & + Theresa Borg
+ Linda Ciolino
+ Hector Gomez
+ Patrick O. Roche
+ Shirley Lavorato
+ Leticia Llido

Stephen & Maggi de Lorimier

Third 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



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!

Gratefully Received

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| Electronic Giving: | \$ 4,233.50 |
| Sunday Plate: | \$ 4,195.00 |

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education (grades 1-5): Week 9

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

Rite of Commitment -- TBD

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

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

Thursday, January 14: 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**.

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!**

During this time, please remember you are in Fr. Roy's, Fr. Tyler's, and the staff's prayers. If you need any help please call the office at 455-2249. Our office is closed to the public but we are taking phone calls and checking our emails. Please take care of yourselves & heed the expert's advice on keeping safe and healthy. If you need immediate help call the answering service at 758-7685.

Your continued support is what keeps our parish running! **Thank you!**
You can sign up for electronic giving on our website at www.stjchurch.org, or call the parish office at 455-2249. You may also send in your donation to PO Box 7158, Spreckels, CA 93962 or drop it in the mail slot at the office.

Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.
Philippians 4:7

There are no publicly celebrated masses until further notice.