

# ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH



**DECEMBER 16 2018**

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Pastor—Rev. Joyle Martinez**  
**Deacon— Antonio Ramirez**

**Priest in Residence—Rev. Felipe Paraguya**  
**Business Manager —Shirley Brown**

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### Mass Schedules and other Services

<b>Sundays</b>	7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 11 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. en español <i>Children's and Youth Choirs</i> <i>sing first Sunday of the month.</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	4 p.m. [vigil] & 8 a.m. First Saturday
<b>Weekdays</b>	[Mon—Fri]— 8 a.m. in the Chapel
<b>Holy Hour</b>	First Friday 7—8 p.m.
<b>Holy Days of Obligation</b>	8 a.m. and 6 p.m.
<b>Perpetual Help Novena</b>	Wednesdays following 8 a.m. Mass
<b>Morning Prayer</b>	Mon. -Fri. 7:40a.m.
<b>Confessions [bilingual]</b>	Saturdays 2:45—3:45 pm

### Faith Formation Ministries and Groups

Catholic Faith Formation D.R.E.	Sr. Ma. Elizabeth U. Siguenza RVM	916.381.5200
Catholic Faith Formation	Aracely Narvaez	916.383.6719
Spanish Coordinators	Maria Consuelo Gutierrez	
RCIA for Adults	Angie Lovett	916.803.6463
RCIA for Children	Emilia Caoagas	916.849.5617
RCIA for Teens	Imelda Nanca	916.402-1904
Catholics Returning Home	Dale & Kit Yamamoto	916. 895.1441
Baptism Preparation	Dale & Kit Yamamoto	916. 895.1441
Couples for Christ	Billy/Virgie Monteagudo	916.682.6397
Young Adults Ministry		916.381.5200
Legion of Mary	Norma Bolante	916.688.8769
Vocation Committee		
Families in Christ Jesus	Angie Lovett	916.803.6463

### Social Ministries and Groups

Christmas Fair	Call the office	916.381.5200
Fall Festival	Call the office	916.381.5200
Cultural Dinner	Guily & Naty Fontillas	916.362.7541
Parish Breakfasts	Knights of Columbus	916.381.5200
Religious Goods Store	Irene Ingham	916.689.2865
Yard Sale	Ann Viernes	916.799.0439

### WELCOME!

You are encouraged to participate in our many functions, events, and activities. We offer opportunities for parishioners to use the time, talent, and treasure that God has given them in praise and glory of His name through our liturgical, care-giving, philanthropic, faith-formation and social ministries.

**Thank you for worshipping with us!**

### Councils

Pastoral Council	Dale Yamamoto	916.257.3323
Finance Council	Jerry Fong	916.689-9418

### Liturgical Ministries

Youth Altar Servers Ministry	Alex Plam	916.381.5200
Adult Altar Servers Ministry		
Martha's Daughters	Ja'net Blea	916.284.2008
Art & Environment Ministry		
Eucharistic Ministry		
Hospitality Ministry	Ja'net Blea	916.284.2008
Ministry of the Word	Shirley Brown	916.612.7023
Ministry Sick and Homebound	Dale & Kit Yamamoto	916.895.1441
Music Ministry		
Liturgy Committee	Bob Benton	916 425.7037

### Caregiving Ministries and Groups

Bereavement Ministry	Ja'net Blea	916-284.2008
Health Ministry	Clara Heimericks	916.689.3932
Loaves and Fishes Ministry	Diane Welsh	916.682.7810
Social Justice Ministry	Diane Welsh	916.682.7810
Pro Life 4 Life	Charlene Valine	916.682-0557

### Philanthropic Ministries and Groups

Catholic Daughters of the Americas	Michelle Eck	916. 524.5097
Knights of Columbus	Enrique Loret de Mola	916.730.8780

### MISSION STATEMENT

**We, God's people of St. Paul Catholic Parish In Sacramento, California, a multicultural, inclusive and welcoming community, inspired by the love of Jesus Christ are called: to bring all people of God together in worship, to declare our belief in God's love, based on the teachings of Jesus Christ, and to celebrate and grow in our relationship with God.**



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

- MON: 12/17 PAUL ZIZZA †**  
Requested by Brenda Hughes
- TUES: 12/18 JOSEPH VANG NGUYEN †**  
Requested by Hanh Nguyen family
- WED: 12/19 NO MASS**
- THURS: 12/20 JOHN ROXAS †**  
**TEOFISTA ROXAS †**  
Requested by Loida Pangilinan
- FRI: 12/21 EVELYN BECITE †**  
Requested by family

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Your God will sing joyfully because of you, as one sings at festivals (Zephaniah 3:14-18a).

**Psalms** — Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel (Isaiah 12:6).

**Second Reading** — Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice! (Philippians 4:4-7).

**Gospel** — Whoever who has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. Whoever who has food should do likewise (Luke 3:10-18).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17;  
Mt 1:1-17
- Tuesday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19;  
Mt 1:18-25
- Wednesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab,  
16-17; Lk 1:5-25
- Thursday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 1:26-38
- Friday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a;  
Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45
- Saturday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56
- Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19;  
Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent;  
*Las Posadas* begins
- Tuesday: International Migrants Day
- Friday: St. Peter Canisius; Winter begins

### IMPRESSIONABLE

A child's life is like a piece of paper on which every passerby leaves a mark.

—Ancient Chinese proverb

**Third Sunday of Advent**  
**December 16, 2018**  
*The King of Israel, the LORD,*  
*is in your midst,*  
*you have no further misfortune to fear.*  
— Zephaniah 3:15b

### REJOICE

Today has traditionally been called "Gaudete Sunday." The Latin tag is derived from Paul's appeal in the second reading to "rejoice always in the Lord," and the Latin Mass text based on that reading. The irony and paradox of this Christian joy is underlined by the fact that Paul wrote those words in prison. But from there he could see the progress of God's work.

Is it obvious to us? We feel that this is not the time for joy when there is so much suffering and moral evil. It is interesting, then, that the first reading is from the prophet Zephaniah, who is almost exclusively concerned with gloomy visions of Judgment Day. Today the Church selects the only optimistic text in Zephaniah, in which the prophet has been touched by the spirit of joy.

This, we are assured on all sides, is "the season of joy." Let us recapture that feeling of joy in our lives and reflect it to those who are joyless.

### TREASURES OF OUR TRADITIONS

Years ago, the trick question on religion quizzes would be to name all the liturgical colors, or the colors of the vestments worn at Mass. Rose is a color seldom seen, used at most two days a year. Today, "Gaudete Sunday," is one of those days. The name of the day is drawn from an opening verse in the old Latin Mass texts: *Gaudete* is Latin for "Rejoice!" This year's Gospel certainly reflects that mood as Elizabeth feels her infant within her leaping for joy at the presence of Mary. Mary's visit to her aged cousin is an act of compassion between women, as two kinswomen who are bearing children into the world share their joy.

Some churches retain the custom of having the priest wear rose vestments today, and many will use a rose candle in the Advent wreath. Violet is the official color for Advent and Lent, but many parishes employ different hues for each season, trying to keep them distinct. In medieval times, dye was costly, and poor parishes used unornamented plain cloth for vestments. Dyes were expensive and some colors, particularly purple, difficult to achieve. In England, purple dye was made from mollusks, yielding at best a deep indigo or blue and not the desired violet.

Thus, the color of Advent in the British Isles has long been a deep blue, reminding many people of Mary's presence at the heart of the Advent mystery. That theology is largely unplanned: it's all because of the clams!

**BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY**

**Recent Bereavement**

Please keep the families and friends in your prayers for St. Paul Parishioners whose funerals, or Memorial Masses were celebrated during the past few weeks,

Byron Stockton, Juana Gutierrez. Dolores Martha, Joseph Nunez, Donald Fisher, Javier Castro Trevor Solari, Ralph Virgen, Maria Cajayan, Jessica Chamarro Jacinta Fagaragan, Joe Velasquez Ellie Phuong & Elia Quynh., Marie Acero, Maria Cajayan, Jessica Chamarro, Aukistino Iulio, Rebecca Hernandez, Taeko Tekver, Edward Shunney

**SECOND COLLECTION**

**January 5/6. Building Fund**

This collection will help provide funds to repay the funds borrowed from the Diocese to build the Religious Education Center. Parishioners who have pledged to the Capital Campaign may use the pink envelopes to make their pledge payments..

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

**Join the Knights of Columbus**

If you would like to find out more about becoming a Knight please ask any Knight, they should all be wearing their name badges, or call Roger Tafoya at (916) 936-3810

**THE GABRIEL PROJECT**



Pregnant?  
Worried?  
Need Help?  
*You are not alone.  
We can help.*

The Gabriel Project  
Call: 800-910-0191

**COLLECTION**

	4:00pm	7:30am	9:00am	11:00am	1:00pm	TOTAL
<b>NOV</b>						
11	\$841.00	\$969.00	\$1481.00	\$898.00	\$909.51	\$5098.51
18	\$940.00	\$781.00	\$1513.00	\$992.00	\$794.79	\$5020.79
25	\$876.00	\$1028.00	\$1020.00	\$1126.00	\$816.45	\$4864.45
<b>DEC</b>						
2	\$1403.00	\$1324.00	\$1612.00	\$891.00	\$970.50	\$6200.50

**OCTOBER 2018 PROFIT & LOSS**

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>Difference</b>
Offertory	\$ 31,499	\$ 25,496	\$ 6,003
Other Income	\$ 9,573	\$ 5,093	\$ 4,480
Religious Articles & Books	\$ 1,399	\$ 1,161	\$ 238
Religious Education	\$ 4,750	\$ 885	\$ 3,865
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 47,221</b>	<b>\$ 32,635</b>	<b>\$ 14,586</b>

<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Salaries & Benefits	\$ 21,909	\$ 19,345	\$ 2,564
Buildings & Grounds	\$ 13,244	\$ 13,689	\$ (445)
Religious Articles & Books	\$ 922	\$ 569	\$ 353
Property Tax & Insurance	\$ 2,388	\$ 2,445	\$ ( 57)
Parish Programs	\$ 3,049	\$ 4,033	\$ ( 984)
Religious Education	\$ -	\$ 1,160	\$ (1,160)

Diocesan Assessment	\$ 4,646	\$ 5,093	\$ ( 447)
<b>Total Ordinary Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 46,158</b>	<b>\$ 46,334</b>	<b>\$ (176)</b>

**Net Operating Income** \$ 1,063 \$ (13,699) \$ 14,761

**OTHER INCOME**

Interest	\$ 4	\$ 1	\$ 4
Capitol Campaign & Blding Fund	\$ 12,683	\$ 15,324	\$ (2,641)
Diocesan & sp. Coll.	\$ 891	\$ 2,616	\$ ( 1,725)
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>\$ 13,579</b>	<b>\$ 17,941</b>	<b>\$ ( 4,362)</b>

**OTHER EXPENSES**

Interest	\$	\$ 0	\$
Diocesan & Special Collections	\$ 891	\$ 2,616	\$ (1,725)
Capital Fund Drive One Camp	\$ 13,217	\$ 5,000	\$ 8,217
Youth Group	\$ -	\$	
<b>Total Other Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 14,108</b>	<b>\$ 7,616</b>	<b>\$ 6,492</b>

**Net Other Income** \$ (530) \$ 10,325 \$ (10,854)

**NET INCOME** \$ 533 \$ (3,374) \$ 3,907

**FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS**

Annual Rosary Procession

Friday– December 28th 2018

6:00pm Procession begins on the steps of the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament.

7:00pm Holy Mass

At the national shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, 711 T St.

**ADVENT NOVENA & MASS (SIMBANG GABI)**

Annually various ministries in our church are called together to lead and prepare our parish community during Advent, preparation for the celebration of the Nativity as well as the return of Jesus at the second coming.

You are invited to join your fellow parishioners during the nine days of the novena, beginning December 15th. Novena at 6:30, Mass at 7:00pm.

SIMBANG GABI, the Advent Novena, is when Catholic churches across the nation begin a nine-day novena to the Blessed Mother. The novena begins December 15th and culminates with the "Misa de Gallo" to welcome the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ.

The origin traces its roots in Mexico when in 1587 the Pope granted the petition of Fray Diego de Sorio, to hold Christmas Mass outdoors as the Church could not accommodate the large crowd. During olden times the pre-dawn mass is announced by the ringing of the church bells. The tradition continues today.

**DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO**

Message from Bishop Soto.....

Tuesday, January 22nd 2019 marks the 46th anniversary of the lamentable 1973 U.S. Supreme Court Decision, Roe v Wade. In prayerful observance I designate January 22 2019 as a Diocesan Day of Reparation.

I ask the clergy and laity to join me in cooperating with God's redeeming grace in these ways:

Jan. 19./20: clergy are asked to pray and preach for a merciful end to abortion and a revived promotion of the gospel of life, and encourage all to observe the January 22 Diocesan Day of Reparation.

Jan 22: all are asked to observe this Day of Reparation through fasting, prayer, penance and works of mercy. Helping at food distribution enters, visiting the sick or imprisoned and assisting at shelters for women and families in need. For those able to fast it is recommended that they limit themselves to one full meal. Those choosing to abstain may refrain from eating meat or anything normally consumed as part of their daily routine.

Jan 22/23: all are invited to attend the 12:10pm Cathedral Mass.

Jan. 26: all are encouraged to participate in the Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco. More information about schedules, speakers, travel and related events can be found at [www.walkforlifewc.com](http://www.walkforlifewc.com).

May our prayers, acts of penance, public witness and works of charity on these days help restore a culture of life to our country so marred by the Court decision of Roe v Wade. May the intercession of our Blessed Mother Mary bring us into fuller communion with the merciful mission of our Lord Jesus Christ.

*Bishop Jaime Soto*

**SICK PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS**

Pray for sick family members, friends and parishioners.

Priscilla Wong	James Solari	Richard Onia
Shirley Robinson	Elizabeth Solari	Janelle Flores
Lorraine Schaefer	Maria Lopez	Lori Martenia
Sandy Burgoon	Raymond Gutierrez	Eva Rollins
Jack Steele	Nilda Medina	Robert Cordero
Rodulfo Reyes	Doreathea Viltz	Richard Miller
Monica Cordero	Virginia Thomas	Philomena Howell
Rodrigo Reyes	Bernadette Carrasca	Summer Nestlerode
Virginia Collier	Ashley Brackin	Tess Carrasca
Jean Hesse	Noah de los Reyes	Ace Rubio
Ed Brooks	Broderick Steele	Ronald Harp
Gregory Judd	Juan San Miguel	Eduardo Cruz
Michael Delgado	Peggy Meier-Beyers	Richard Ganahl
Jackie Martin	Elnora Williams	Joan Ganahl
Martha Montanez	Barbara Sules	Esther Seaman
Ricardo Campos	Bethany Lewis	Floyd White Jr

**PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY**

Please pray for the following members of our families serving in the Armed Forces

Gary B. Foster II	Ariel Rollins	Conner Sommerfield
Jay Candaso	Don Carlo Geroche	Arianna Gutierrez
Daniel Roy Ryan	John Marc James	Taylor Sommerfield
Gregorio Rodriguez	Ruben N. Libed	Justin Broussard
Roel C.. Dones	Nilo Uy Villaluna Jr.	Emanuel Cepeda
Ricardo Cervantes	Don Jamoles	Maxton Perez
Stephen Rich	Ryan Gandy	Landon Perez
Janae Santos	Cody Machado	Charles Q. Wincey
Brian Vergith	Mark A. Ramos Jr.	Peter A. Tsueda
Martin Sinlao	Cameron Lindsay	Jovon Chiguina
Sergio Pineda	Armando Asahan	

**REPORT OF GRATITUDE**

Annual Catholic Appeal 2018

"Report of Gratitude"

Just as at Thanksgiving we reflect with gratitude for the many blessings God has given us, Catholics throughout the Diocese are invited to view the *2018 Annual Catholic Appeal Report of Gratitude*. By coming together as Catholics, see how parishioners have helped social service agencies in Northern California to provide hope and help to our brothers and sisters in need. More than 253,000 individuals and families, through love and care inspired by Jesus Christ, moved closer to independence and dignity. Take a moment to see the difference you've made this year. Visit [scd.org/annual-catholic-appeal](http://scd.org/annual-catholic-appeal).

The 2018 Appeal is approaching \$3.7 million in commitments so far. If you have not yet participated prayerfully consider a donation. No contribution, no act of charity is ever too small or insignificant You can donate online at [scd.org](http://scd.org).

## PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting opened with a prayer for :When we Struggle with the Church”

St. Paul parish proceeded with the presentation from Radio Santissimo Sacramento: Night of Praise on October 27, 2018. It was a concert for a cause and all the songs were spiritual. The Blessed Sacrament was exposed after the event.

St. Lorenzo celebration was well attended. Bishop Weigand was the main celebrant.

Fr. Abraham Chacko and his group will be using the church for Mass on Sunday afternoons from 4:30-5:30pm.

The final report on the finances of the last Parish Festival was given by Dale Yamamoto.

The SMUD retro fit is ongoing at the present time.

Fr. Joyle suggested movable or portable book shelves for the Glory and Praise books at the back of the pews near the wall. All the music books, Spanish missal and binders will be placed on the racks to keep the pews clean and tidy.

Instructions will be given to those parishioners receiving the Vocation Cross and Ministers to the Sick and Homebound. They are encouraged to sit up front. Guidelines and instructions will be posted by Fr. Joyle.

Fr. Michael Vaughan is the newly appointed Vicar General for the Diocese of Sacramento. He is also the dean of Southern Suburbs Deanery.

Roger Tafoya invited all veterans and their families to attend Mass on November 10 at 9:00am There will be a special blessing for past and present veterans The meeting concluded with a final blessing by Fr. Joyle, the next meeting will be November 19.

## BEST OF ITALY PILGRIMAGE

**BEST OF ITALY PILGRIMAGE from March 10 – March 24, 2018;** *itineraries: Rome, Sorrento, Capri, Amalfi Coast, San Giovanni Rotondo, Monte Sant’ Angelo (Padre Pio), Assisi, Siena, San Gimignano, Florence, Pisa, Padua, Ville Venete, Venice, home to San Francisco.* **What the tour includes:** *round trip air ticket from San Francisco; transfers and sightseeing in AC motor coach; accommodation in 4 star and superior 3 star hotels, daily breakfast and dinner, one lunch; services of tour guide throughout the journey; entrance fees and local taxes; mass and religious activities; tips included.* **\$4,399.00** For more details you may contact one of the following: Chaplain: Fr. Joyle Martinez (916 381 5200) and Tour Host: Ofelia Madriaga (415 608 4720).

## CHRISTMAS MASSES

### Mon December 24th Christmas Eve

8:00am Daily Mass  
3:30pm Children’s Play  
4:00pm Mass  
7:00pm Mass  
10:00pm Mass



### Tues. December 25th—Christmas Day

9:00am Mass  
11:00am Mass  
1:00pm Spanish Mass

### Mon: December 31st—New Year’s Eve

5:00pm Mass

### Tues Jan. 1st—New Year’s Day

11:00am English Mass  
1:00pm Spanish Mass

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

The Camp Fire in Butte County has proven one of the most destructive fires in state history. The loss of the city of Paradise has claimed most of the schools and many students will be unable to return and finish their school year in Paradise.

We have open seats in our Catholic elementary and high schools in the Northern Sacramento Valley and would like to make them available to these displaced Paradise students. Tuition will be waived for these students for the remainder of the school year.

We ask your help in supporting these families. Donations are needed for such things as uniforms, school materials, hot lunches, field trips etc. Any surplus will be used for future support for the affected families and Catholic schools of the region.

You can make a donation at:

<https://www.scd.org/catholic-foundation/camp-fire-student-fund>

Thank you for your support!

## CHRIST THE KING RETREAT CENTER

For all married couples!  
Come and meet married couples in your community of faith. .  
Openly discuss issues.  
How to live in today’ s world as a Catholic couple  
Being married with children  
Share your marriage journey with others  
.January 20, 2019..  
February 17,2019.

For more information please call (916) 725-4720 Ext 311  
gmathias@passionist.org  
Christthekingretreatcenter.org

# Tercer Domingo de Adviento

16 de diciembre 2018

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## REGOCIJATE!

El día de hoy se le ha llamado tradicionalmente "Domingo *Gaudete*" o de la "Alegría". El nombre latino se deriva de la petición de Pedro en la segunda lectura de "alégrense siempre en el Señor", y del texto de la Misa en latín en el que está basada esta lectura. La ironía y paradoja de esta alegría cristiana se manifiesta en el hecho que Pablo escribió esas palabras en la prisión. Pero desde allí podía ver el progreso de la obra de Dios.

¿Nos parece obvio a nosotros? Sentimos que este no es un tiempo para la alegría cuando hay tanto sufrimiento e inmoralidad. Es interesante, entonces, que la primera lectura sea del profeta Sofonías, que está casi exclusivamente preocupado con sombrías visiones del Día del Juicio. Hoy la Iglesia selecciona la única parte optimista de Sofonías, donde el profeta es tocado por el espíritu del gozo.

Esta es, se nos asegura en todas partes, "la temporada de la alegría". Recuperemos ese espíritu de alegría en nuestra vida y que se refleje en los que no tienen ese gozo.

## LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — ¡Canta! ¡Da gritos de júbilo! ¡Gózate y regocíjate! El Señor tu Dios está entre ustedes y es un poderoso salvador (Sofonías 3:14-18a).

**Salmo** — El Señor es mi Dios y salvador (Isaías 12).

**Segunda lectura** — ¡Alégrense! El Señor está cerca. Presenten sus peticiones a Dios (Filipenses 4:4-7).

**Evangelio** — Juan dice a sus oyentes que compartan sus posesiones con los necesitados (Lucas 3:10-18).

## LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Sal 72 (71):1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

Martes: Jer 23:5-8; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

Miércoles: Jue 13:2-7, 24-25a; Sal 71 (70):3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lc 1:5-25

Jueves: Is 7:10-14; Sal 24 (23):1-6; Lc 1:26-38

Viernes: Cant 2:8-14 o Sof 3:14-18a; Sal 33 (32):2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lc 1:39-45

Sábado: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lc 1:46-56

Domingo: Mi 5:1-4a; Sal 80 (81):2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Heb 10:5-10; Lc 1:39-45

## LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: Tercer Domingo de Adviento;  
Las Posadas comienzan

Martes: Día Internacional del Emigrante

Viernes: San Pedro Canisio; Invierno

## TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Los cristianos latinos tenemos unos cinco siglos en nuestra trayectoria de fe y como todo cristiano aguardamos la segunda venida del Mesías, Jesús. Nuestra espera forma parte de dos milenios de cristianos que buscan verlo llegar en las nubes.

Desde el siglo VII la oración oficial de la Iglesia clama el retorno de Cristo con las exclamaciones llamadas las "Antifonas Oh". Estas llaman a Jesús pidiéndole que venga bajo los títulos de Emmanuel, Sabiduría celestial, Señor de gran poder, Vara de Isaí, Llave de David, Alba de la luz, y Deseo y Rey de gentes, y algunos más. Estos refranes se usan aún todavía hoy durante los días 17 al 23 de diciembre, y unidas en un acróstico latino forman las palabras *ero cras* (estaré mañana), como respuesta a la petición cristiana. Eventualmente en el siglo X o XI estas antifonas fueron unidas en el canto gregoriano *Veni, veni Emmanuel* (Oh ven, oh ven Emmanuel).

Este adviento mientras cantamos las antiguas antifonas hay que preguntarnos si de veras estamos listos para el regreso del Hijo del Hombre que viene para juzgar a vivos y muertos.

## PLATICAS PRE BAPTISMALES

Las platicas para padres y padrinos se ofrecen el último sábado de cada mes, de **3:45 p.m. en el salón # 8**. Se requiere llegar a tiempo.

**NOTA: Para evitar distracciones, por favor no traiga niños.** Es necesario que pase a la oficina parroquial a registrar el niño/niña que desean bautizar, antes de atender a las platicas pre-bautismales. Horario de oficina: 8: a.m. – 4: p.m.

**IMPORTANTE: Si su hijo/hija es mayor de 6 años, por favor obtenga información con el Diacono Antonio Ramírez**

## BAUTISMOS

La celebración del Sacramento del Bautismo, es el primer sábado de cada mes a las **9:45 a.m.** En la Iglesia

**Requisitos:** Haber atendido los padres y padrinos a las platicas pre-bautismales, Traer comprobante si atendieron en otra parroquia. **Padrinos y Madrinas:** Si son pareja, que estén casados en la Iglesia Católica, y haber recibido los Sacramentos de Iniciación Cristiana

## LA NAVIDAD

La Navidad se celebra el 25 de diciembre, Navidad no es el 24 de diciembre, es TODO el 25 de diciembre. Eso sí: Navidad NO ES LA CELEBRACION DE UNA FECHA, **SINO DE UN HECHO**, el nacimiento del Salvador, evento absolutamente decisivo en la historia de la salvación. Es entonces una conmemoración del significado de ese hecho. Se lee en las profecías: Porque un Niño nos ha nacido, Hijo se nos ha dado; le ponen en el hombro el distintivo del Rey y proclaman su nombre: "Consejero admirable, Dios fuerte, Padre que no muere Príncipe de la Paz." (Is 9, 5)



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Quiere unirse a nuestros diferentes ministerios, por que "Nuestro bautismo nos llama a compartir la misión de Cristo". Si esta interesado favor de llamar a cualquier persona de los teléfonos de arriba de esta pagina.

### MATRIMONIOS Y QUINCEAÑERAS

Para mas información sobre estos eventos por favor comuníquese con el Diacono Antonio Ramírez al 381-5200.

### HORARIO DE MISAS NAVIDEÑAS

DOMINGO- 23 de diciembre, Cuarto Domingo de Adviento  
Misas 7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m. y 1:00 p.m. y en la tarde

LUNES- 24 de diciembre — Misas 3:30 p. Juego de niños seguido de la misa de 4:00 pm., 7:00 p.m., 10:00 pm Misa (villancicos a las 9:00 p.m.)

MARTES- 25 de diciembre-Navidad  
Misas 9:00 a.m., 11:00 am y 1:00 p.m. Misa en español

MARTES-1 de enero - Día de Año Nuevo. Misa 10:00 am en inglés  
1:00 p.m. Misa en español

### DESFILE DE LINTERNAS DE ADVIENTO NOVENA

Todos los feligreses son bienvenidos a participar en nuestro desfile y concurso que se llevará a cabo el primer día de la Novena y la Misa de Adviento, el 15 de diciembre, a partir de las 6:00 pm. Vea el sitio web de la parroquia para ideas de muestra en:

<http://www.stpaul-florin.org/photoalbums/christmas-lantern-ideas>.

Todas las linternas deben ser diseñadas y construidas personalmente. Se permiten las linternas compradas pero no serán juzgadas. La linterna se debe colocar en un poste de 3 a 4 pies para que se pueda transportar cómodamente.

**NINGUNA VELA O DISPOSITIVO DE LUZ DE INCENDIO PERMITIDO!**

Se entregarán los premios 1º, 2º y 3d.

Por favor llegue a más tardar a las 6; 15pm.

Preguntas?

Llame a la hermana Beth al (916) 381-5200, oficina parroquial.

### VIRGEN DE GUADALUPE



La Comunidad de la Iglesia de San Pablo les hace una cordial invitación a celebrar la fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, el Miércoles 12 de Diciembre a las 6:00 a.m., a las Mañanitas con cantos, rezos y representación del milagro de Nuestra Señora al Indio Juan Diego y ofrecimientos

de flores por los niños, seguido de una taza de chocolate caliente y pan.

En la tarde tendremos la Santa Misa a las 6:00 p.m., acompañados de un ofrecimiento de las flores por los niños a la Virgen Morenita.

Al terminar los invitamos a salón parroquial que tendremos la oportunidad de compartir una botana y seguir compartiendo con la festividad de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe. Agradecemos su participación ya que para la Virgen en sus apariciones pide que estemos unidos en oración y con alegría recordándonos que sigamos a su Hijo Amado. Pidamos por paz, reconciliación y conversión.

### "EL ARBOL JESSE"

Queremos agradecer a las personas que trajeron sus regalos del árbol de Jesse, para ver una sonrisa en las caritas de los niños que van a recibir su regalo de Navidad. Gracias por su generosidad.

### SIMBANG GABI NOVENA

Anualmente, varios ministerios de nuestra iglesia se reúnen para dirigir y preparar a nuestra comunidad parroquial durante el Adviento, la preparación para la celebración de la Natividad y el regreso de Jesús en la segunda venida.

Estás invitado a unirse a tus feligreses durante los nueve días de la novena, a partir del 15 de diciembre. Novena a las 6:30, misa a las 7:00 pm.

SIMBANG GABI, la Novena de Adviento, es cuando las iglesias católicas de toda la nación comienzan una novena de nueve días a la Santísima Madre. La novena comienza el 15 de diciembre y culmina con la "Misa de Gallo" para dar la bienvenida al nacimiento de nuestro Salvador Jesucristo.

El origen tiene sus raíces en México cuando en 1587 el Papa concedió la petición de Fray Diego de Sorio, para celebrar la misa de Navidad al aire libre, ya que la Iglesia no podía albergar a la gran multitud. En tiempos antiguos, la misa antes del amanecer es anunciada por el repique de las campanas de la iglesia.

La tradición de Simbang Gabi continúa. Es un momento significativo no solo porque fortalece las relaciones entre los miembros de la familia, sino también porque es el momento en que nuestra fe se intensifica. Es una preparación espiritual para la Navidad, el nacimiento de Jesucristo. Las linternas de Navidad son un símbolo de esta luz de la Estrella de Belén sobre la que leemos y escuchamos durante la temporada de Adviento y las lecturas de Navidad.