

# ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

8720 Florin Road  
Sacramento, CA 95828



DECEMBER 19, 2021

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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Deacon— Antonio Ramirez



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## Mass Schedules and other Services

**Weekdays [M-T-Th-F]: 8:00 AM** (English)

*No mass on Wednesdays*

**First Saturday: 8:00 AM** (English)

**Saturday: 4:00 pm** English Anticipated Sunday Mass

**Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM** (livestream) and **11:00 AM** English; **1:00 PM** Spanish Mass (livestream)

**Holy Days: 8:00 AM** (English) **6:30 PM** (Spanish)

**Holy Hour: First Friday 7-8 PM**

**Confession** (bilingual): Saturdays 2:45 - 3:45 PM (Reconciliation Room by the Chapel); by appointment call the office.

## 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 | Ja'net Blea | 916.284.2008 |
| Finance Council  | Jerry Fong  | 916.689-9418 |

## Liturgical Ministries

|                              |                                                                                                                |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Youth Altar Servers Ministry | Brandon Fong & Marcos Galvan<br><a href="mailto:stpaul.as.ministry@gmail.com">stpaul.as.ministry@gmail.com</a> |
| Martha's Daughters           | Ja'net Blea 916.284.2008                                                                                       |
| Art & Environment Ministry   | Virgie Monteagudo 916.688.0776                                                                                 |
| Eucharistic Ministry 7:30am  | Nina Laconsay                                                                                                  |
| 9:00am                       | Le Pham                                                                                                        |
| 11:00am                      | Romeo Sembrano                                                                                                 |
| Hospitality Ministry         | Anita Fong 916.689.9418                                                                                        |
| Ministry of the Word         | Nina Laconsay 916.708.4823                                                                                     |
| Ministry Sick and Homebound  | Dale & Kit Yamamoto 916.895.1441                                                                               |
| Music Ministry               | Sr. Elizabeth Siguenza, RVM                                                                                    |
| Liturgy Committee            | Rector's Office 916-381-5200                                                                                   |
| Wedding Coordinator          | Le Pham<br><a href="mailto:stpaulwedcoordinator@gmail.com">stpaulwedcoordinator@gmail.com</a>                  |

## Faith Formation Ministries and Groups

|                                 |                                   |              |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Director of Religious Education | Sr. Ma. Elizabeth U. Siguenza RVM | 916.381.5200 |
| Catholic Faith Formation        |                                   |              |
| English Coordinator             | Lina Marco                        | 510.334.2106 |
| Spanish Coordinator             | Ma. Consuelo Gutierrez            | 916.607.1162 |
| RCIA for Adults                 | Angie Lovett                      | 916.803.6463 |
| RCIA for Children               | Emilia Caoagas-Dones              | 916.849.5617 |
| RCIA for Teens                  | Imelda Nanca                      | 916.744.3434 |
| Catholics Returning Home        | Dale & Kit Yamamoto               | 916.895.1441 |
| Baptism Preparation             | Dale & Kit Yamamoto               | 916.895.1441 |
| Young Adults Ministry           | Rector's Office                   | 916.381.5200 |
| Legion of Mary                  | Zenaida Ventura                   | 916.606.0485 |
| Vocation Committee              | Rector's Office                   | 916.381.5200 |

## Social Ministries and Groups

|                       |                      |              |
|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Christmas Bazaar      | Michelle Eck         | 916.524.5097 |
| Fall Festival         | PPC/PFC              | 916.381.5200 |
| Multi-Cultural Event  | Emilia Caoagas-Dones | 916.849.5617 |
| Parish Breakfasts     | Knights of Columbus  | 916.524.8792 |
| Religious Gifts Store | Regina Thompson      | 916.968.3116 |
| White Elephant Sale   | Rector's Office      | 916.381.5200 |

## Caregiving Ministries and Groups

|                            |                  |              |
|----------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| Bereavement Ministry       | Ella Baxa        | 916-849-0685 |
|                            | Solett Smith     | 510.309.8816 |
| Health Ministry            | Clara Heimericks | 916.689.3932 |
| Loaves and Fishes Ministry | Rector's Office  | 916.381.5200 |
| Social Justice Ministry    | Rector's Office  | 916.381.5200 |
| Pro Life 4 Life            | Rector's Office  | 916.381.5200 |

## Philanthropic Ministries and Groups

|                                    |                 |              |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Catholic Daughters of the Americas | Michelle Eck    | 916.524.5097 |
| Knights of Columbus Council 6922   | Vince Neuburger | 916.524.8792 |

## Religious Movements and Groups

|                                     |                       |              |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| Couples for Christ                  | Rector's Office       | 916.381.5200 |
| Families in Christ Jesus Com'ty.    | Angie Lovett          | 916.803.6463 |
|                                     | Rhett & Monica Tejada | 916.308.8764 |
| Miraculous Infant Jesus of Prague   | Minda Miguel          | 916.837.8527 |
| Family Prayer Group (MIJ of Prague) | Romeo Sembrano        | 916.599.7195 |
| Cursillo                            | Jackie Loret de Mola  | 916.914-9936 |

## 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.

## Masses for the Week



|             |                                                                                                                                                                               |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| MON: 12/20  | Cecilia M. Rivera<br>(Prayers for Thanksgiving)<br>Christopher Matanguiha<br>(Prayers for Healing)                                                                            |
| TUE: 12/21  | Ralph Baker †<br>(10th Death Anniversary)<br>Alvaro Cordero †<br>(Death Anniversary)                                                                                          |
| WED: 12/22  | NO HOLY MASS                                                                                                                                                                  |
| THUR: 12/23 | Generosa Sinlao †<br>Elma Hinahon †<br>(Death Anniversaries)                                                                                                                  |
| FRI: 12/24  | Timothy Dimal<br>(Health, Safety & Success@Military Training)<br>Alily Alday<br>Primo & Josephine Pablo<br>(Prayers for Healing)<br>Antero Nebres †<br>(Birthday Remembrance) |
| SAT 12/25   | Khristin Labao<br>Zenaida Ventura<br>(Birthday Thanksgivings)<br>Ricardo Linsangan †<br>Rolando Garcia †<br>(Prayers for Repose of Souls)                                     |

## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — From Bethlehem-Ephrathah shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel (Micah 5:1-4a).

**Psalm** — Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved (Psalm 80).

**Second Reading** — We have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Christ once for all (Hebrews 10:5-10).

**Gospel** — Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken by the Lord would be fulfilled (Luke 1:39-45).

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

|            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Monday:    | Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 1:26-38                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Tuesday:   | Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Wednesday: | 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Thursday:  | Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Friday:    | 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Saturday:  | Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]<br>Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14<br>Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20<br>Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14] |
| Sunday:    | Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52                                                                                                                                             |

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

|           |                                      |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|
| Sunday:   | Fourth Sunday of Advent              |
| Tuesday:  | St. Peter Canisius; Winter begins    |
| Thursday: | St. John of Kanty                    |
| Friday:   | The Vigil of Christmas               |
| Saturday: | The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) |



## Fourth Sunday of Advent December 19, 2021

O LORD of hosts,  
look down from heaven and see;  
take care of this vine,  
and protect what your right hand  
has planted.  
— Psalm 80:15-16

## AUDACITY

There is a spirit of audacity in our readings today. During a time of injustice and threat of invasion, the prophet Micah boldly announces that the God of insignificant Israel will raise up a leader from backwater Bethlehem, and this leader will bring justice and peace to the whole world. In the Gospel, Elizabeth and Mary, marginalized women, brazenly celebrate that their sons will be world-changing instruments of God. We further learn that this audacity is rooted in trust in God. The author of Hebrews describes the faithful obedience of Jesus. Mary is shown as the exemplar of faithful trust in God. This is the way God often seems to work, in the ordinary and marginalized in our world. Those who seem weak have learned to trust in God's strength. These have the audacity to become instruments of God's peace and justice.  
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## FEAST OF FAITH

### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

#### Fourth Sunday of Advent

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord,  
your grace into our hearts,  
that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son  
was made known by the message of an Angel,  
may by his Passion and Cross  
be brought to the glory of his Resurrection.  
Who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.



### Reflection question:

How can I make known to others the Incarnation of Christ?  
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### LOVE NOW

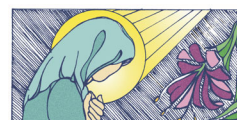
Let those love now,  
who never lov'd before;  
let those who always lov'd now  
love the more.  
—Anonymous

### NATURE RESTORED

Christ is born, that by his birth he might restore your nature.  
—St. Peter Chrysologus

### LIGHT

All the darkness of the world cannot put out the light of one small candle.  
—Anonymous



## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

For years, Catholic spiritual writers have drawn our attention to the Christmas liturgy's subtle—and not-so-subtle—linking of Christ's incarnation with his paschal mystery. In the infancy narratives of Matthew and Luke, there are countless intimations of the Passion and cross. The saints of the Christmas octave, dubbed "*comites Christi*," Christ's companions in suffering, form a royal honor guard of martyrs and others who bore witness at great personal sacrifice to the Child we hail as "Prince of Peace," while the wood of the manger evokes the wood of the cross. But these days, sadly, in the wake of seemingly endless mass shootings at schools, we need no reminders of how close in real life are the cradle and the cross. May our hearts find, if not answers, at least comfort in the prophet Micah's reminder that, from the pain of a woman's labor came forth the Child who is our incarnate peace.

## COMFORT AND SALVATION

All of today's scriptures seem to declare Christmas's "comfort and joy." Micah declares that, as small as Bethlehem is, the child born there will bring peace that "shall reach to the ends of the earth." Hebrews proclaims that, despite pain and suffering, the "offering of the body of Jesus Christ" saves us all. In today's Gospel, bearing the Christ Child within her, Mary, barely more than a child herself, immediately, unselfishly sets aside her own preoccupations—and as a betrothed but as yet unmarried mother-to-be, how many they must have been—to travel in haste, over dangerous terrain, a four-day journey (the scholars say) from Nazareth to Ain-Karem, to the home of Elizabeth and Zechariah.

## BLESSED

Then, just as David leapt and danced before the ancient Ark of the Covenant that bore precious signs of God's abiding presence, so John leaps in his mother Elizabeth's womb as Mary arrives, a living ark bearing God's living presence. Elizabeth joyfully greets Mary in words that we pray daily in the "Hail Mary": "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." Why Mary is so "blessed" Elizabeth then explains: "Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." Likewise, we may dare hope to be "blessed" for "believing that what was spoken" to us "by the Lord"—Jesus' promise of mercy—will be fulfilled as we share God's mercy with everyone. For by reason of our baptism and, more immediately and repeatedly, because of our participation in the Eucharist, we too bear within ourselves the living Christ. To whom, or to what situation, do we need to bear Christ this Christmas? Indeed, throughout the year, how selflessly do we set our own concerns aside? How eagerly—"in haste"—do we, disregarding difficulties, traverse whatever dangerous terrain needs conquering to be of service to another?

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## BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY



Maria Pham Thi Tui   Robert Galban   Mary Scardello

May they rest in peace and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
AMEN.

## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

Grindys Galvez Hermida & Family, Carmen Lopez Cazarez & Family, Valentin Gutierrez & Maria Cano & Family, Tricia Rivera & Family, Yvonne Poe & Anaconda Flores, Emmanuel and Ma. Melinda Dabay and Family, Sophia Denisse Gueco & Jonas Niel Mazon, Iliana Dominguez and Family, Hardeep Singh, Jorge Munguia Jr & Kristina Aganon, Brian & Cristina Ibarra, Edgar Leal, Zenon & Lenie Tocmo and Family, Wendy and Jaime Sebastian, Oanh Nguyen (John, Caleb, Kyle), Dante & Cynthia Pacia; Francesco Baglieri; Gabriela, Miguel, Julian Angelica Emma Cañada; Wesley, Cynthia Murase; Claire B. de Castro, Gary and Noah Rata, Anthony Arellano & Brandy Chapman and Family, Elena Ortiz and Family, Jose & Leticia Ochoa and Family, Beatriz Perez & Arturo Flores and Family, Maria Tong and Family, Enith Camacho and Family, Carlos & Cynthia Rodriguez and Family, Desire Mendoza and Family, Pedro & Deissy Hernandez Silva and Family; Ha Le, Tony Lee, David Le, William Cheng, Chukwu & Mary Ekeoma, Nkechi J. Mbaliri, Candelario & Daniela Ayon and Family, Nor-mel & Sheree Aspuria and Family, Cynthia Balthazar, Jeff & Toni Yazel and Family, Eufrosina RENA-Hinesley and Family; Philip and Tracie Albee and Family

## You may register in our website:

<https://stpaul-florin.org/new-parishioners>

*If you are new to our parish we welcome you and encourage you to participate in our ministries. If you have any questions please contact the parish office 916-381-5200 or go to our website and register to any ministry you are inclined to serve.*



Priscilla Wong  
Shirley Rollins  
Monica Cordero  
Virginia Collier  
Jean Hesse  
Michael Delgado  
Jackie Martin  
James Solari  
Elizabeth Solari  
Maria Lopez  
Raymond Gutierrez  
Doreathea Viltz  
Virginia Thomas  
Elnora Williams  
Barbara Sules  
Bethany Lewis  
Richard Onia  
Janelle Flores

Lori Martenia  
Eva Rollins  
Robert Cordero  
Tess Carrasca  
Eduardo Cruz  
Joan Ganahl  
Floyd White Jr  
Myrla Cruz  
Loretta Miller  
Virginia Campos  
Simplicio Basa  
Leonida Despi  
Alberto Horcabes  
Jackie Gleming  
Mason Kyle Vazquez  
Ana Bouza Mercado  
Robert Cushing  
Rodrigo Reyes

Erlinda Cordero  
George Basquez  
Susan Ray Sudduth  
Carol Chavez  
Gilda Jeronimo  
Norberta Bamford  
Cecilia Matanguihan-Rivera  
Kim Nguyen  
Anita Basquez Fong  
Jamie Ellis  
Carol Carrasca  
Paz Cajucom

## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Gary B. Foster II  
Daniel Roy Ryan  
Gregorio Rodriguez  
Roel C. Dones  
Ricardo Cervantes  
Stephen Rich  
Janae Santos  
Brian Vergith  
Martin Sinlao  
Sergio Pineda  
Ariel Rollins  
Don Carlo Geroche  
John Marc James

Ruben N. Libed  
Nilo Uy Villaluna Jr.  
Don Jamoles  
Ryan Gandy  
Cody Machado  
Mark A. Ramos Jr.  
Cameron Lindsay  
Conner Sommerfield  
Arianna Gutierrez  
Taylor Sommerfield  
Justin Broussard  
Emanuel Cepeda  
Maxton Perez

Landon Perez  
Charles Q. Wincey  
Peter A. Tsueda  
Jovon Chiguina  
Regent Perez  
Yolanda Nava  
Jerald Elazegui  
Stewart Ilagan  
Rod Emil C. Dones



### Knights of Columbus: TACO LUNCHEON PICK UP DAY

Bring you tickets to pick up your meals order in the parish hall after each of the masses on the 19th.

### SIMBANG GABI (NOVENA MASS)

We still have six days more for the "SIMBANG GABI." It's not yet too late to join us in this tradition.

#### Simbang Gabi Priest-Celebrants

December 18  
Fr. Humberto Gomez  
-Chaplain - Folsom State Prison  
December 19  
Fr. Julito Orpilla  
-Pastor - St. Joseph Parish, Elk Grove  
December 20  
Fr. Salvador Bringas  
-Parochial Administrator - St. John Parish, Quincy  
December 21  
Fr. Eric Flores  
-Pastor - Divine Mercy Parish, Sacramento  
December 22  
Fr. Anthony Rosario  
-Chaplain - Beale Air Force Base  
December 23  
Fr. Joyle Martinez  
-Pastor - St. Paul Church

### OUR CHRISTMAS SEASON SCHEDULE

#### Christmas Masses:

December 24 3:20 PM – CFF Christmas Pageant  
4:00 PM – Children Christmas Eve Mass  
7:00 PM – Christmas Eve Mass  
8:15 PM – Syro-Malabar Mass (Indian)  
10:30 PM – Christmas Eve Mass  
December 25 9:00 AM – Christmas Mass  
11:00 AM – Christmas Mass  
1:00 PM – Christmas Mass (Spanish)

#### Masses for the Feast of the Holy Family:

December 26 4:00 PM – Vigil English Mass  
December 27 7:30 AM - English  
9:00 AM – English  
11:00 AM – English  
1:00 PM – Spanish

#### Masses for the Solemnity of the Mother of God:

December 31 6:30 PM – New Year's Eve Mass  
January 1 10:00 AM – New Year's Mass  
1:00 PM – New Year's Mass (Spanish)

#### Masses for Epiphany of the Lord:

January 1 4:00 PM – Vigil English Mass  
January 2 7:30 AM - English  
9:00 AM – English  
11:00 AM – English  
1:00 PM – Spanish

### PASTOR'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Dear St. Paul Parish Family,

We are aware that every day is precarious because of what the pandemic could bring us. Yet, our faith in God must be strong amidst these challenges that come our way. We are again in a Season of Hope in this Season of Advent. Let us not lose our hope. Later we will be in the Season of Joy when we will again celebrate the birthday of our Savior. These Hope, Love, Peace and Joy bestowed on us would banish sin and hate and our fears during these times. Find time to participate in the spiritual activities of our parish that are listed below. We pray that these activities in one way or the other would inspire you to have a very meaningful Christmas celebration.

May the message of Advent and Christmas warm our hearts and souls as we share the gift of the Incarnation that we celebrate. May the Son of God who made us children of God live in our families and in our communities. May His peace, healing power and love be the spirit that would fill our year. May God's presence make us holier and more human and Christian in our ways. May this Christmas and the coming New Year be a blessed one for all of us as we go through this pandemic.

In the name of the Parish Pastoral Council, Parish Finance Committee, Liturgical Committee, the Parish Office Staff, and Religious Education, a Merry Christmas and a grace-filled New Year to all!

In the Word Incarnate,

Rev. Joyle Martinez  
Pastor

### RESOURCES FOR THE ADVENT SEASON

Advent: November 28 to December 24

The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and to the anniversary of Our Lord's birth on Christmas. Advent also includes an element of penance in the sense of preparing, quieting, and disciplining our hearts for the complete joy of Christmas. Visit our diocesan website we have resources for Faith Formation Programs, families and adults to live this holy season: <https://www.scd.org/family-and-faith-formation/home-resources-families-faith-formation> Questions? Teresa Donan 916-733-0132 TDonan@scd.org



# PARISH STEWARDSHIP



## Last Month Contributions

**November 1-30, 2021**

| Contributions      | Amount            |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| Description        |                   |
| Monthly Offertory  | \$2,960.00        |
| Offertory Catch-up | 345               |
| Building Fund      | \$1,038.33        |
| One Time Gift      |                   |
| Weekly Offertory   | \$2,340.00        |
| Other              | <u>\$200.00</u>   |
| <b>Total:</b>      | <b>\$6,883.33</b> |

## This Year Contributions

**January 1 - December 6, 2021**

| Contributions      | Amount              |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Description        |                     |
| Weekly Offertory   | \$ 28,990.00        |
| Monthly Offertory  | \$ 30,350.00        |
| Building Fund      | \$ 10,674.99        |
| One Time Gift      | \$ 4,131.00         |
| Maintenance Fund   | \$ 3,995.00         |
| Offertory Catch Up | \$ 4,417.00         |
| Other              | <u>\$ 1,215.00</u>  |
| <b>Total:</b>      | <b>\$ 83,772.99</b> |

## This Month Contributions

**December 1 -6, 2021**

| Contributions     | Amount             |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| Description       |                    |
| Monthly Offertory | \$ 2,425.00        |
| Maintenance Fund  |                    |
| Building Fund     | \$ 545.00          |
| Christmas         | \$ 160.00          |
| Weekly Offertory  | \$ 130.00          |
| Other             | <u>\$ 100.00</u>   |
| <b>Total:</b>     | <b>\$ 3,360.00</b> |



The total collections: November 28: **\$ 6,225.00**  
and December 5: **\$ 5,850.43**. Second Collec-  
tion for Maintenance Fund: **\$ 1,532.20**.

## PROFIT AND LOSS REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2021

### INCOME

|                                      |           |                  |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Offertory                            | \$        | 33,453.82        |
| Sacramental Services                 | \$        | 1,565.00         |
| Use of Plant Facilities              | \$        | 1,800.00         |
| Religious Articles & Books           | \$        | 1,006.14         |
| Donations & Unrestricted Gifts       |           |                  |
| Charitable Donations                 | \$        | 28.00            |
| Religious Education                  | \$        | 25.00            |
| Parish Programs (RCIA & Bereavement) | \$        | 400.00           |
| Parish Fund Raising Activities       | \$        | 6,545.50         |
| Other Receipts                       | \$        | <u>752.16</u>    |
| <b>Total Income</b>                  | <b>\$</b> | <b>45,575.62</b> |

### EXPENSES

|                                |           |                  |
|--------------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Salaries & Wages               | \$        | 16,118.98        |
| Payroll & Taxes                | \$        | 369.94           |
| Employee Benefits              | \$        | 2,086.01         |
| Automotive                     |           |                  |
| Church                         | \$        | 407.22           |
| Rectory                        | \$        | 16.30            |
| Hall                           | \$        | 2,177.37         |
| Parish Center/Office           | \$        | 5,838.39         |
| Ground and Maintenance         | \$        | 2,730.00         |
| Property & Liability Insurance | \$        | 2,581.00         |
| Religious Education            |           |                  |
| Parish Programs ( Bereavement) | \$        | 97.87            |
| Other Expenditures             | \$        | 569.99           |
| Diocesan Assessment            | \$        | <u>4,552.08</u>  |
| <b>Total Expense</b>           | <b>\$</b> | <b>37,545.15</b> |
| <b>Net Operating Income</b>    | <b>\$</b> | <b>8,030.47</b>  |

### OTHER INCOME

|                                 |           |                 |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Building Fund                   | \$        | 3,958.00        |
| Meditation pavers               | \$        | 300.00          |
| Special Maintenance             | \$        | 50.00           |
| Designated Gift (Non Operating) | \$        | 1,000.00        |
| Diocesan & Special Collections  | \$        | <u>1,634.28</u> |
| <b>Total Other Income</b>       | <b>\$</b> | <b>6,942.28</b> |

### OTHER EXPENSES

|                                 |           |                  |
|---------------------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Capital Expenditures            |           |                  |
| Other                           |           |                  |
| Miscellaneous                   |           |                  |
| <b>Total Other Expenses</b>     | <b>\$</b> | <b>-</b>         |
| <b>Net Non-Operating Income</b> | <b>\$</b> | <b>6,942.28</b>  |
| <b>NET TOTAL INCOME</b>         | <b>\$</b> | <b>14,972.75</b> |

## MINISTERIOS HISPANOS

|                                           |                                       |                              |
|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Sacristanes                               | Miguel Mendez<br>Antonio Morales      | 916-715-5413<br>916-230.9591 |
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## MATRIMONIOS Y QUINCEAÑERAS

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## CLASES PRE BAPTISMALES

Las clases Pre-Bautismales que son el último sábado del mes, de 3:45 Salón Parroquial

**NOTA:** Para evitar distracciones, por favor no traiga niños. También es necesario que pase a la oficina parroquial a registrar el niño/niña que desean bautizar, antes de atender a las platicas pre-Bautismales, el horario de la oficina es 9:00 am a 4:00 pm. Las personas que vengán a clase deben presentar el recibo de la oficina.

## 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 y traer comprobante si atendieron en otra parroquia. Padrinos y Madrinan: Si son pareja, que estén casados en la Iglesia Católica, y haber recibido los Sacramentos de Iniciación Cristiana



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### Cuarto Domingo de Adviento 19 de diciembre de 2021

Dios de los ejércitos, vuélvete,  
mira desde el cielo, fíjate,  
ven a visitar tu viña,  
la cepa que tu diestra plantó  
y que tú hiciste vigorosa.  
— Salmo 80 (79):15-16

## TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

### CUARTO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

Durante años, los escritores espirituales católicos han llamado la atención sobre la sutil —y no tan sutil— vinculación de la liturgia navideña con la encarnación de Cristo y su misterio pascual. En los relatos de la infancia de Mateo y Lucas, hay innumerables insinuaciones de la Pasión y la cruz. Los santos de la Octava de Navidad, llamados "comites Christi", compañeros de sufrimiento de Cristo, forman una guardia de honor real de mártires y otros que dieron testimonio con gran sacrificio personal del Niño que aclamamos como "Príncipe de la Paz", aunque la madera del pesebre evoca la madera de la cruz. Pero en estos días, tristemente, a raíz de los aparentemente interminables tiroteos en masa en las escuelas, no necesitamos recordatorios de lo cerca que están en la vida real la cuna y la cruz. Que nuestros corazones encuentren, si no respuestas, al menos consuelo en el recordatorio de Miqueas de que, del dolor del parto de una mujer nació el Niño que es nuestra paz encarnada.

### CONSUELO Y SALVACIÓN

Todas las Escrituras de hoy parecen declarar el "consuelo y la alegría" de la Navidad. Miqueas declara que, por pequeña que sea Belén, el niño que allí nazca traerá la paz que "llegará hasta los confines de la tierra". La carta a los hebreos proclama que, a pesar del dolor y el sufrimiento, la "ofrenda del cuerpo de Jesucristo" nos salva a todos. En el Evangelio de hoy, María, que apenas es una niña, deja de lado inmediatamente sus propias preocupaciones —y como futura madre desposada, pero aún no casada, cuántas debían de ser— para viajar a toda prisa, por un terreno peligroso, en un viaje de cuatro días (según los estudiosos) desde Nazaret a Ain-Karem, hasta la casa de Isabel y Zacarías.

### BENDITO

Entonces, al igual que David saltó y danzó ante la antigua Arca de la Alianza que llevaba preciosos signos de la presencia permanente de Dios, así Juan salta en el vientre de su madre Isabel cuando María llega, un arca viva que lleva la presencia viva de Dios. Isabel saluda con alegría a María con las palabras que rezamos a diario en el "Ave María": "Bendita eres entre las mujeres y bendito es el fruto de tu vientre". Por qué María es tan bendita", explica entonces Isabel: "Dichosa tú que has creído que se iba a cumplir lo que te ha dicho el Señor". Del mismo modo, podemos atrevernos a esperar ser "bienaventurados" por "creer que lo que nos fue dicho" por el Señor —la promesa de misericordia de Jesús— se cumplirá al compartir la misericordia de Dios con todos. En efecto, por nuestro bautismo y, más inmediata y repetidamente, por nuestra participación en la Eucaristía, también nosotros llevamos dentro a Cristo vivo. ¿A quién, o a qué situación, tenemos que llevar a Cristo en esta Navidad? De hecho, a lo largo del año, ¿con qué desinterés dejamos de lado nuestras propias preocupaciones? ¿Con qué entusiasmo —"con prisa"— atravesamos, sin tener en cuenta las dificultades, cualquier terreno peligroso que haya que conquistar para servir a los demás?

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## CUARTO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

### VALOR

Hay un espíritu de valor en nuestras lecturas de hoy. En una época de injusticia y amenaza de invasión, el profeta Miqueas valientemente anuncia que el Dios del insignificante Israel hará surgir a un líder de un lugar tan remoto como Belén, y este líder traerá justicia y paz a todo el mundo. En el Evangelio, Isabel y María, mujeres marginadas, celebran osadamente que sus hijos serán instrumentos de Dios y que cambiarán al mundo. Sabremos que este valor está enraizado en la confianza de Dios. El autor de la carta a los hebreos describe la obediencia fiel de Jesús. A María se le muestra como el ejemplo de la confianza fiel en Dios. Esta es la forma en que a menudo Dios parece obrar, en las personas ordinarias y marginadas de nuestro mundo. Aquellos que parecen débiles han aprendido a confiar en la fuerza de Dios. Ellos tienen el valor de convertirse en instrumentos de la paz y justicia de Dios.

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### LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — De ti, Belén, saldrá el que será el jefe de Israel (Miqueas 5:1-4a).  
**Salmo** — Oh Dios, restáuranos, que brille tu rostro y nos salve (Salmo 80 [79]).  
**Segunda lectura** — Al hacer Cristo la voluntad del Padre, es decir, al ofrecerse él mismo, hemos sido consagrados (Hebreos 10:5-10).  
**Evangelio** — Bendita eres entre las mujeres, y bendito es el fruto de tu vientre (Lucas 1:39-45).

### LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Is 7:10-14; Sal 24 (23):1-6; Lc 1:26-38  
 Martes: Cant 2:8-14 o Sof 3:14-18a; Sal 33 (32):2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lc 1:39-45  
 Miércoles: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lc 1:46-56  
 Jueves: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Sal 25 (24):4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lc 1:57-66  
 Viernes: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Sal 89 (88):2-5, 27, 29; Lc 1:67-79  
 Sábado: Vigilia: Is 62:1-5; Sal 89 (88):4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Hch 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]  
 Noche Is 9:1-6; Sal 96 (95):1-3, 11-13; Tít 2:11-14; Lc 2:1-14  
 Aurora: Is 62:11-12; Sal 97 (96):1, 6, 11-12; Tít 3:4-7; Lc 2:15-20  
 Día: Is 52:7-10; Sal 98 (97):1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]  
 Domingo: Eclo 3:2-6, 12-14 o 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Sal 128 (127):1-5 o Sal 84 (83):2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] o 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lc 2:41-52

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Domingo: Cuarto Domingo de Adviento  
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##### Cuarto Domingo de Adviento

Te pedimos, Señor, que infundas tu gracia en nuestros corazones, para que, habiendo conocido, por el anuncio del ángel, la encarnación de tu Hijo, lleguemos, por medio de su pasión y de su cruz, a la gloria de la resurrección. Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo y es Dios por los siglos de los siglos.

#### Pregunta de reflexión:

¿Qué puedo hacer para que otras personas conozcan la Encarnación de Cristo?

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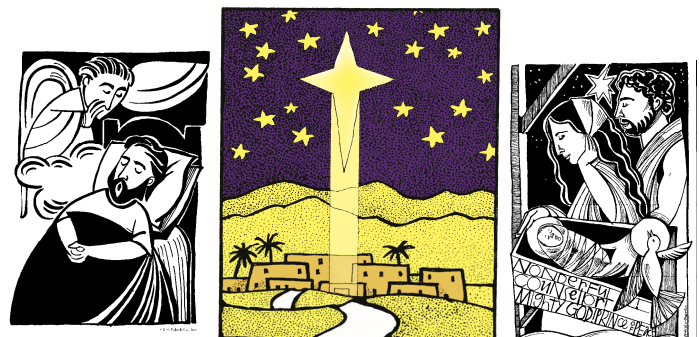
Que amen ahora  
 quienes nunca antes amaron;  
 que los que siempre amaron  
 amen aún más ahora.  
 —Anónimo

#### NATURALEZA RESTAURADA

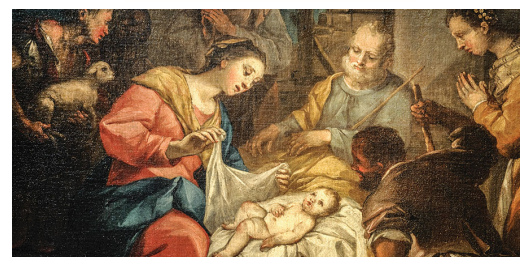
Cristo nació para que por su nacimiento nuestra naturaleza sea restaurada.  
 —San Pedro Crisólogo

#### LUZ

Toda la oscuridad del mundo no puede apagar la luz de una pequeña vela.  
 —Anónimo



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