



ST. FRANCES OF ROME

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DECEMBER | DICIEMBRE 28, 2025

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY FIESTA DE LA SAGRADA FAMILIA



LA SAGRADA FAMILIA THE HOLY FAMILY

He went and dwelt in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled. - Mt 2:23

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES / HORARIO DE MISAS

Weekday Masses/ Misas Entre Semana

Monday—Saturday 8:00 AM (Ingles /English)

Lunes —Viernes 5:00 PM (Spanish/ Español)

Saturday Vigil Masses /Sabado Misas de Vigilia

5:00 PM (English/ Ingles)

7:00 PM (Spanish/ Español)

Sunday Masses /Misa Dominicales

7:00 AM (Spanish/Español)

9:00 AM (English/ Ingles)

11:00 AM (English/ Ingles)

1:00 PM (Spanish/Español)

Reconciliation / Reconciliación

Saturday/ Sábado 3:30 PM

Livestream Masses

Sunday/ Domingo

11:00 AM (English/ Ingles) & 1:00 PM (Spanish/Español)

Stewardship | Mayordomía

CONTRIBUTIONS | CONTRIBUCIONES 12/07/25

Offering (Envelopes) / Ofertorio (Sobres)	\$9, 520.00
Offering (Loose) /Ofertorio (Suelto)	\$5, 765.00
Electronic Giving/ Contribuciones Electrónicas	\$1, 405.00
TOTAL	\$16, 690.00
Amount Needed / Cantidad Necesitada Parish Budget / Presupuesto Parroquial	\$22, 371.16
Shortfall/ Defecit	- \$ 5, 681.16
Building Fund	\$858.00

**Thank you for your generosity to St. Frances of Rome!
¡Gracias por su generosidad a Sta. Francisca Romana!**

"Saint Frances of Rome, be our guiding light so we may see and discern God's plan that we may truly be 'Doers of God's will' Amen."

MASS INTENTIONS

Intenciones de Misa

Sat/ Sab	December / Diciembre 27	
5:00 PM	Familia Castaneda (Liv)	
7:00 PM	MISA PRO POPULO	
Sun/ Dom	December/ Diciembre 28	
7:00 AM	Manuel Alvarado Ramon † Teodosio Garcia Ramon † Yolanda Espinoza Solis †	
9:00 AM	Michaelangelo Talag † Jesus & Luz Zamora † Jose Largaespada	
11:00 AM	Jason Matsuki & Adriana Ruiz (B-day) Carl Veneracion † Regina Jesusa Dizon del Rosario †	
1:00 PM	Juanita y Guadalupe Regla † Maria Zepeda † Andy Perez y Andres Perez Flores †	
Mon/ Lun	December/ Diciembre 29	
8:00 AM	Animas del Purgatorio †	
5:00 PM	Familia Loera (Liv)	
Tue/ Mar	December / Diciembre 30	
8:00 AM	Luis Alfonso Sanchez † Ramil G. Casquejo † Familia Martinez Marquez (Liv)	
5:00 PM	Violet Marie Ramo (Liv) Jose Esparza †	
Wed/ Mier	December / Diciembre 31	<i>New Years Eve</i>
8:00 AM	Manolito Santos †	
5:00 PM	<i>(Bilingual/Bilingue)</i> Jose Esparza †	
Thurs/ Juev	January / Enero 01	<i>New Years Day</i>
11:00 AM	<i>(Bilingual/Bilingue)</i> Carl Veneracion † Hermelinda Miramontes †	
Fri/ Vier	January / Enero 02	
8:00 AM	David Granados † Jay Mora †	
5:00 PM	<i>Jesus of Nazareth</i> Manny & Dulce Ngo	
Sat/ Sab	January / Enero 03	
8:00 AM	Jorge V. Rosales † Jess Collaso † Regina Jesusa Dizon del Rosario †	



**BLESSED
ARE THOSE
WHO WALK
IN THE WAY
OF THE
LORD.**

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Please pray for the sick & deceased

Recently deceased :

Sergio Sanchez Santillan
Rosalia Vicente
Frank Duran
Stella Lopez
Manuel Perez Jr.
Marcial Flores Garcia
Aurelia Saucedo Rojas
Ed Miller
Angel Lopez
Mario Jimenez Perez
Jim Bucher
Natalia Garcia Avalos
Jimmy Summers

For the Sick:

Josefa Sanchez
Maria de Jesus Cardona
Gilbert Carlos
Modesta Lujan
Eddie Barlow
Christopher Garcia
Linda Rocha
Alba Dominguez
Andrea Ceballos
Henry Dominguez
Alva Dominguez
Simon Elias Boutros
Robert Sagginario

Oremos por los enfermos y por los que han fallecido

Please help us keep our prayer list updated by calling the parish office (626)969-1829 ext 112. Please note: names will remain on the list for 3 weeks and are not mentioned at mass.

Por favor ayúdenos a mantener actualizada nuestra lista de oración llamando a la oficina parroquial (626) 969-1829 ext 112. Tenga en cuenta: los nombres permanecerán en la lista durante 3

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: The Holy Family
 Wednesday: St. Sylvester I, Pope; *New Year’s Eve*
 Thursday: Mary, The Holy Mother of God, New Year’s Day, World Day of Peace
 Friday: Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church
 Saturday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus
 Next Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord



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PRACTICING CATHOLIC

Other Plans

I don’t know exactly what kind of life Mary and Joseph envisioned when they were first betrothed — back in those simple times when they were just like any other couple who had hopes, dreams and no angels telling them what to do.

Whatever their plans were, I think it’s safe to say that the future God had in store for Mary and Joseph was not one either of them expected. I would imagine they both anticipated something a little quieter. A little more stable (no pun intended). A little less tumultuous.

It exhausts me simply to read through the chaos of their movements in today’s Gospel. Flee to Egypt, return to Israel (but not Judea! Herod’s son is there! Divert to Galilee! Divert!). Settle in Nazareth (let me remind you, this is all happening with a baby in tow, and without the aid of a minivan). Take a deep breath, but don’t get too comfortable — now it’s almost time to lose your kid in Jerusalem. Then you’ll have about 20 years off before he starts raising people from the dead, and that’s when things start to get *really* crazy.

The story of the Holy Family is the ultimate example of the phrase “God had other plans.” If any four-word sentence encapsulates what we can expect from the Christian life, it is this.

I thought I was meant for that job, but God had other plans.
 I thought I would live in this place, but God had other plans.
 I thought I was supposed to become this person, but God had other plans.

We can do all the right things. We can make all the right choices. We can say, over and over again until our voice wears out, “Thy will be done.” But all we can know for sure is that God has other plans.

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LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Sometimes we want God’s instructions to be clear and precise — like the angel in Joseph’s dream. But Joseph’s understanding was only as strong as his devotion to God’s will. If we give our lives to God as Joseph did, we will know what he asks of us.

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QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Reflect and Respond

1st Reading Question:

Sirach emphasizes the importance of children honoring and respecting their parents. What are some of your favorite memories of your parents?

2nd Reading Question:

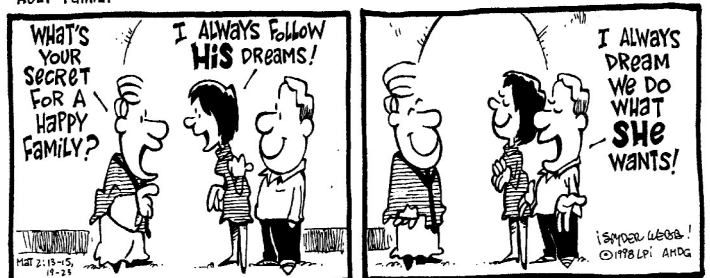
Paul taught the Colossians that families should show mutual respect and love toward one another. How do you encourage these virtues in your family?

Gospel Question:

We hear how the Holy Family faced some very dangerous circumstances early on. Can you think of some challenges your family has had to overcome?

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HOLY FAMILY





THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2026

YOUTH DAY IS FOR ALL TEENS FROM PUBLIC AND CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN GRADES 6-8 & GRADES 9-12 TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THEIR CATHOLIC FAITH!

Depart from SFR
at 6:00am
Return by 5:30pm



Anaheim
Convention Center
Travel by bus

Scan the QR Code
to register
or visit the Parish Website
at www.sfrchurch.org



\$100
Includes t-shirt,
registration,
and transportation

More Info: Contact Trisha Pardo, Coordinator of Youth Ministry
tpardo@sfrchurch.org or (213) 948-0908

ADULT CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Whether you're returning to the Church or taking the next step in your faith, we'd love to walk with you. Adult Confirmation is for anyone 18+ who has been Baptized and received First Communion and wants to grow in their faith and receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Registration Closes Jan 7

Sessions are Sunday mornings from 9:15–10:45am, followed by the 11am Mass. Full list of dates is available online.

Welcome Session is January 11, 2026

Registration fee: \$100/person.

Learn More



Food Bank Donations

As a parish family, we're committed to caring for one another and supporting our neighbors in need. Our church food bank is one way we live out that mission—helping ensure that everyone in our community has access to good, nourishing food.

If you'd like to take part, we're collecting some of the food bank's most-needed items. You'll find the list below. Thank you for helping us share care, compassion, and community with those around us.

Rice	Instant Noodles	Vegetable Oil
Beans	Canned Soups	Peanut Butter
Pastas	Canned Tuna	Oatmeal
Lentils	Canned Chicken	Cereal
Canned Corn	Salt (Small bags)	Granola Bars
Canned Vegetables	Sugar (Small bags)	Crackers

To drop off Food Bank donations, visit our Parish Office open Monday– Thursday from 10 AM to 4 PM or on Sunday mornings from 9 AM to 11 AM at our Food Bank located next to the Parish Auditorium near the N. Pasadena Ave. church parking entrance.

GOLF TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER

ST. FRANCES OF ROME SCHOOL AZUSA, CA

Save THE DATE

FEBRUARY 9TH 2026

Support SFR school at the beautiful California Country Club and make a difference—registration is just \$200 per player!

Protecting God’s Children Keeping Kids Safe Did You Know?



Start the New Year reflecting on the protection of children and vulnerable persons



As we start the New Year and commemorate the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, we remember that Mary’s life was devoted to the good care and protection of her Son and to lead all to God the Father. This season also reminds us, as parents and safe adults, of the beauty, dignity, and vulnerability of the children we are called to safeguard. Prayer is also a major part remembering victims, survivors, thrivers and all who are involved in the work of protecting God’s children. We pray to our Mother of Good Counsel asking her to protect all children and vulnerable persons. For the full reflection, read the VIRTUS® article “Mother of Good Counsel Protect the Vulnerable” at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.



*Solemnity of Mary,
the Holy Mother of God*
Solemnidad de María Santísima, Madre de Dios

New Year's Eve December 31st
Vispera de año nuevo Diciembre 31

5:00 PM Bilingual Mass / *Misa Bilingue*

New Year's Day January 1st
Dia de Año Nuevo 1ero de Enero

11:00 AM Bilingual Mass / *Misa bilingue*

NUESTRO PADRE

Jesus Nazareno



Annual Fiesta Celebration St. Frances of Rome Church

January 10, 2026 · Mass at 5:00pm followed by Novena

Candlelight procession inside the church. Please bring your own battery-operated candle *No reception*

For more information, please contact Linda (626) 965-4988

All events will be in the church

MASS SCHEDULE

Friday, January 2nd	5:00 pm	Mass followed by novena
Saturday, January 3rd	2:30 pm	Novena for 3 rd & 4 th day followed by Mass at 5 pm (Vigil Mass)
Sunday, January 4th	Church Closed	No Mass, No Novena
Monday, January 5th	5:00 pm	Mass followed by novena
Tuesday, January 6th	5:00 pm	Mass followed by novena
Wednesday, January 7th	5:00pm	Mass followed by novena
Thursday January 8th	5:00 pm	Mass followed by novena
Friday, January 9th	5:00 pm	Mass followed by novena
Saturday, January 10th	2:00 pm	Mass followed by novena

Commemoraciones de la Semana

Domingo: La Sagrada Familia
 Miércoles: San Silvestre I, Papa; Víspera de Año Nuevo
 Jueves: Santa María, Madre de Dios; Día de Año Nuevo;
 Día Mundial de la Paz
 Viernes: Santos Basilio Magno y Gregorio Nacianceno,
 obispos y doctores de la Iglesia
 Sábado: Santísimo Nombre de Jesús
 Domingo siguiente: Día de la Epifanía del Señor



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CATOLICO PRACTICANTE

Otros Planes

No sé exactamente qué tipo de vida imaginaron María y José cuando se comprometieron por primera vez, en esos tiempos simples en los que eran como cualquier otra pareja que tenía esperanzas, sueños y ningún ángel que les dijera qué hacer.

Cualquiera que fueran sus planes, creo que es seguro decir que el futuro que Dios tenía reservado para María y José no era uno que ninguno de ellos esperaba. Me imagino que ambos anticiparon algo un poco más tranquilo. Un poco más estable. Un poco menos tumultuoso.

Me agota simplemente leer el caos de sus movimientos en el Evangelio de hoy. Huye a Egipto, regresa a Israel (¡pero no a Judea! ¡El hijo de Herodes está allí! ¡Desvíate a Galilea! ¡Desvíate!). Establécete en Nazaret (permíteme recordarte que todo esto está sucediendo con un bebé a cuestas y sin la ayuda de una miniván). Respira hondo, pero no te pongas demasiado cómodo: ahora es casi el momento de perder a tu hijo en Jerusalén. Luego tendrás unos 20 años de descanso antes de que empiece a resucitar a la gente de entre los muertos, y ahí es cuando las cosas empiezan a ponerse *realmente* locas.

La historia de la Sagrada Familia es el máximo ejemplo de la frase "Dios tenía otros planes". Si alguna frase de cuatro palabras resume lo que podemos esperar de la vida cristiana, es esta.

Pensé que estaba hecha para ese trabajo, pero Dios tenía otros planes. Pensé que viviría en este lugar, pero Dios tenía otros planes. Pensé que se suponía que debía convertirme en esta persona, pero Dios tenía otros planes.

Podemos hacer todas las cosas correctas. Podemos tomar todas las decisiones correctas. Podemos decir, una y otra vez hasta que nuestra voz se agote: "Hágase tu voluntad". Pero todo lo que podemos saber con certeza es que Dios tiene otros planes.

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VIVIR LA LITURGIA

Inspiración para la semana

Dios creó a la Sagrada Familia con un gran sentido de propósito, porque sabía que Jesús sería definido por la mujer y el hombre que lo criarán. ¿Quiénes son nuestra "Sagrada Familia", las personas que nos definirán? ¿A quién ha colocado Dios en nuestras vidas con un propósito específico?

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PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

Reflexionar y Responder

Pregunta de la 1ª Lectura:

Sirácides enfatiza la importancia de que los niños honren y respeten a sus padres. ¿Cuáles son algunos de tus recuerdos favoritos de tus padres?

Pregunta de la 2ª Lectura:

Pablo enseñó a los colosenses que las familias deben mostrar respeto mutuo y amor entre sí. ¿Cómo fomentas estas virtudes en tu familia?

Pregunta del Evangelio:

Escuchamos cómo la Sagrada Familia se enfrentó a algunas circunstancias muy peligrosas desde el principio. ¿Puedes pensar en algunos desafíos que tu familia ha tenido que superar?

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QUIENES
SIGUEN LOS
CAMINOS
DEL
SEÑOR.

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FAMILIAS EN Fe

El ministerio Familias en Fe los invita todos los Lunes a una noche de oracion, predica y alabanza.

Grupo de Oración *Resucitó*

Invita a todos, los Jueves en el **Centro Parroquial Salon #1 en el 506. N. Soldano Ave. de 10:30AM a 12:30PM**

Como familia de *Fe*, compartimos la **Palabra de Dios**, rezamos el **Rosario** y **Oramos** por nuestras necesidades.

¡Vengan, los esperamos!



Consoladores de Jesucristo

Los invitamos los Jueves de 5:30pm a 6:00pm para rezar por los sacerdotes y la vida consagrada. Meditaremos la coronilla de la Preciosa Sangre de Jesucristo.

¡Los esperamos en la capilla de la iglesia!



Se les invita a participar en el *Movimiento de Cursillos de Cristiandad*, para conocerse, compartir, convivir, crecer en la fe y ayudarse unos a otros.

En el Auditorio Parroquial el ultimo Viernes de cada mes a las 7 p.m.

¡Cristo cuenta contigo !



Protegiendo Los Niños de Dios Seguridad Para los Niños *¿SABIAS QUE?*

Comience el nuevo año reflexionando sobre la protección de los niños y las personas vulnerables



Muchos padres de familia pasarán los próximos días y semanas ensamblando (y reensamblando) los obsequios de sus hijos, y es importante estar atentos a los peligros potenciales, incluidas las baterías de botón. Algunos consejos de seguridad incluyen seguir las recomendaciones de edad y otra información de seguridad que figura en el embalaje de los juguetes; adquirir equipo de seguridad, como cascos, para patinetes y otros juguetes con ruedas; y mantener las pelotas pequeñas y los juguetes con piezas pequeñas fuera del alcance de los niños menores de 3 años. Para obtener más información en inglés, visite <https://www.cpsc.gov/Safety-Education/Safety-Education-Centers/Holiday-Safety>.



THANK YOU FOR A WONDERFUL PARISH FIESTA!

Our parish would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped make this year's Parish Fiesta such a joyful and successful celebration. To our ministries and volunteers; your time, generosity, and spirit of community made this event truly special. We are deeply grateful for your support and dedication!

Below is the ticket count for each booth:

BOOTHS	TICKET COUNT
AGUAS FRESCAS, WATERS & SODAS	2547
BEER GARDEN	4876
CHINESE FOOD	1002
CORN	614
DESSERTS	580
FILIPINO FOOD	4450
FUNNEL CAKES	1983
HARD TACOS	2329

BOOTHS	TICKET COUNT
NACHOS & SNACKS	857
PIZZA	1842
SOFT TACOS	2226
TAQUITOS & ENCHILADAS	2280
FISH TOSS	515
NOVELTIES	637
POP GAME	753
LOTERIA	90

Estimate Profit as of November 25, 2025

\$ 25,704.71

'Doers of God's will' 'Hacedores de la voluntad de Dios'



ST. FRANCES OF ROME CATHOLIC CHURCH
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

STEAK DINNER

SATURDAY JANUARY 3RD 2026

5PM PARISH AUDITORIUM

Our dinner plates include;
steak, shrimp, cole slaw, a baked
potato, bread roll, corn on the cob, and
a beverage.

\$20

ADULT STEAK DINNER PLATE \$20.00

CHILDREN DINNER PLATE \$10.00

Creator of the Stars of the Night
John Neale & Alex Mejias

1. Creator of the stars of night
Thy people's ever lasting light
O Christ redeemer of us all
We pray You hear us when we call
Come, oh come
Come, oh come
Come, oh come to us

2. When this old world drew on toward night
You came but not in splendor bright
Not as a monarch but a child of Mary
Blameless mother mild

Cristo Volvera
Koren y Jessica Ruiz

1. Estemos preparados, se acerca ya la hora,
¡Jesucristo volverá!
Al fin de nuestros días, con su poder y gloria,
Cristo nos redimirá.

¡Cristo volverá!
El regresará una vez más.
A su encuentro va un pueblo en santidad,
pues Cristo Jesús volverá.

2. Que el Dios y Padre nuestro prepare nuestras vidas para en él amarnos más.
Y así mostrar a Cristo el día de su venida una intachable santidad.

3. Vivamos vigilantes, seamos previsores,
¡Jesucristo volverá!
Siguiendo el Evangelio y dejando los rencores,
nuestras vidas cambiarán.



We Prepare
Lorraine Hess

We prepare for the coming of the Lord.
Christ our Light will dispel all the darkness.
Hope is near so we ready our hearts.
We prepare for the coming of the Lord.



Jesus, Hope of the World
Deanna Light

Refrain
Jesus, hope of the world,
Jesus, light in our darkness,
here we await you, O Master Divine.
Here we receive you in Bread and in Wine.
Jesus, hope of the world.

Verses
1. Cantor: Come to us, O Son of God!
All: Come, Lord Jesus!
Cantor: Come to us, O Son of Man!
All: Come, Lord Jesus!
Cantor: Come, Son of God!
Come, Son of Man!
All: Shepherd your people in love!

2. Cantor: Come to us, O Promised King!
All: Come, Lord Jesus!
Cantor: Come to us, O Promised Peace!

All: Come, Lord Jesus!
Cantor: Come, Promised King!
Come, Promised Peace!
All: Come and be Lord of our hearts!

3. Cantor: Come to us, O Rising Sun!
All: Come, Lord Jesus!
Cantor: Come to us, O Endless Light!
All: Come, Lord Jesus!
Cantor: Come, Rising Sun!
Come, Endless Light!
All: Shatter the darkness of death!

4. Cantor: Come to us, O Heart's Desire!
All: Come, Lord Jesus!
Cantor: Come to us, O Saving Love!
All: Come, Lord Jesus!
Cantor: Come, Heart's Desire!
Come, Saving Love!
All: Banish our doubt and our fear!

Come to Us
Greg Walton/Mary Walton

1. Scattered and broken, bent in our way,
we are your people gathered to praise you.
A vineyard uprooted, narrow in sight.
Come, Lord of Glory! Come, Lord of Light!

Refrain (Advent)
Come to us, O Lord of Glory and shine in our hearts.
Come to us, O Lord of Glory and make us anew.
Lord, we wait for you. Lord, we wait for you.
Lord, we wait for you. Come, Lord of Glory.

2. Come, Lord, our dayspring, come from on high,
as we your people gather to praise you.
Unworthy to taste from your heavenly vine,
but your word will heal us. Come, Light Divine!

3. Come, Root of Jesse; come, David's son;
come, Star of Morning; we come to praise you.
Hope of creation, of all humankind,
reign over body, spirit and mind.

Your Light will come Jerusalem
Bob Hurd

Your light will come, Jerusalem;
for on you will dawn the glory of the Lord,
and all nations will walk in your light,
*alleluia, alleluia.

1. Christ is the light of the world,
a light dispelling the darkness.
May we, his body, reflect that holy light.
(to Refrain)

2. His light is mercy and peace,
a peace surpassing all telling.
May we, his body, be instruments of peace.
(to Refrain)

3. His light is justice and truth,
and love which casts out all hatred.
May we, his body, prepare the reign of God.
(to Refrain)

