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6:30pm  
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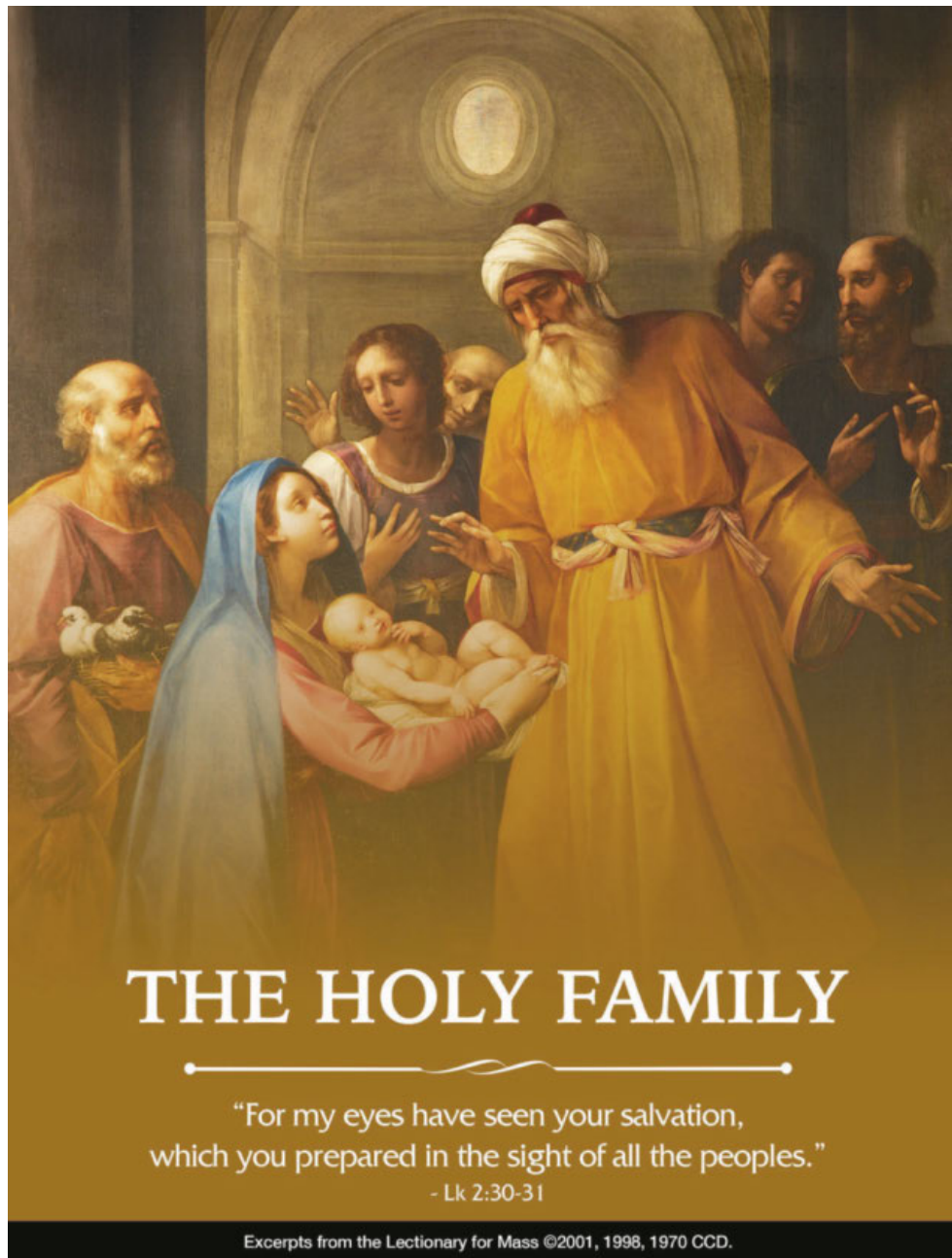
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**Sunday, December 31, 2023** | The Holy Family



## OUR PARISH MISSION & VISION

St. Martin de Porres is a Stewardship and Hospitality parish. As Catholic Christians guided by the Holy Spirit, we are Christ's disciples dedicated to faith formation, worship, community life, and service. All are welcome as we use our unique gifts to serve the world as a visible sign of God's love.

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## FROM OUR DEACON NICK SHERG

Today, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. It is a time for believers to reflect on the importance of family life and the example set by the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. The feast encourages us to recognize the importance of the family unit in the broader context of society and the Church.

The Gospel reading recounts the presentation of Jesus in the temple, an event that took place 40 days after his birth. This passage is rich in meaning and symbolism, and it offers various points for reflection. One key aspect is the emphasis on the virtues exhibited by the Holy Family. Mary's obedience and acceptance of God's plan, Joseph's role as a protector and provider, and Jesus' obedience and growth in wisdom are all qualities that serve as a model for Christian families. This can lead to further reflection on the role of parents in nurturing the faith of their children and creating a home where God is at the center.

In my reflection, this provides encouragement and inspiration in my own family life. It gives me insight to be mindful of the importance of prioritizing faith, love, and mutual support within my immediate and extended family. I admit that with the recent addition of three "families-in-law," this may not always be easy. Like all families, the Holy Family faced challenges (for example the Flight into Egypt). In these challenges, and even in the face of many other types of difficulties, we need to trust in God and be open to the Holy Spirit.

The Feast of the Holy Family also underscores the sacred nature of family life. Families are viewed as a domestic church, a place where faith is nurtured, and values are transmitted from one generation to the next. It is an opportunity to recommit to fostering an environment where love, respect, and understanding flourish. I know that I am particularly grateful for this type of generational love.

As we move forward in the new year, my prayer is that we all can reflect on the virtues of the Holy Family and how they can be applied to our own family life.

May God bless you and your family. Happy New Year!



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to doubt that it is His Body?"**

- ST CYRIL OF JERUSALEM

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## PARISH HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

Sunday, December 31 open 8am -12:30pm

Monday, January 1 closed

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## SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

**Monday, January 1, 2024** is the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. Though not a Holy Day of Obligation, please consider starting the year off by going to Mass. **Mass will be offered at 9 and 11am** on that day, and there will be no Mass in the evening.

**Sunday, January 7** we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord.

**Monday, January 8** the Christmas liturgical season ends with the Baptism of the Lord.



# FAITH FORMATION

## WELCOME NEWLY BAPTIZED

DECEMBER 16, 2023 | PRESIDER: DEACON DENIS ZAUN



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*"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."*  
- Matthew 28:19

## ADULT CONFIRMATION

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**Come be filled with the Holy Spirit!**

Adult Confirmation classes begin

**Thursday, January 11, 2024 at 7pm**



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Claudia Mercado  
Associate Director of Adult Faith Formation  
**Adultff@smdpyl.org**



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# FAITH FORMATION

## 8 SESSION

### WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

STARTING JANUARY 10

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#### January

**10**– Introduction

**17**– Early World

**24**– Patriarchs

**31**– Egypt & Exodus & Desert Wanderings

#### February

**7**– Conquest & Judges & Royal Kingdom

**21**– Divided Kingdom, Exile & Return

**28**– Maccabean Revolt & Messianic Fulfillment

#### March

**6**– Messianic Fulfillment, the Church  
& Continuing the Journey



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## ST. MARTIN DE PORRES BROTHERS IN CHRIST MEN'S MINISTRY

Please join us every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month for a gathering of St. Martin de Porres men for the purpose of fraternal, educational and spiritual growth.

**Our next meeting is January 13**, immediately following the 8am Mass (8:45 -10am) in the Sts. Paul and Elizabeth room.

*"Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might" Ephesian 6:10*

St. Martin and Friends

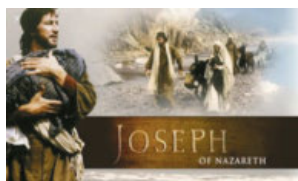
## WOMEN'S RETREAT

**SAVE THE DATE**

April 27, 2024



## FORMED PICKS OF THE WEEK – December 31



Now, let's celebrate Joseph! Watch "Joseph of Nazareth" this week on FORMED.org. The first feature film ever on the story of St. Joseph, who was a carpenter, the husband of Mary, and the foster father of Jesus Christ. Scripture tells us that St. Joseph was a "just man" and that God gave him the most daunting task ever asked of a man—to be the husband of the woman who would give birth to the Messiah and the father and protector of this Holy Family. He would be the man closest to Christ.



Do your children know how to make their lives a shining example of Jesus? Watch "Jesus Stories: Let Your Light Shine" on FORMED.org this week with your children. They will learn what it means to let your light shine and let others see your good deeds and how that glorifies God. The Jesus Stories have nine episodes and each one shows children how to apply the lessons of Jesus' parables in their lives.

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Follow instruction to sign-up. **Be inFORMED, be transFORMED, with FORMED.org**





## PRAY for VOCATIONS

Our parish dedicates the 3<sup>rd</sup> of each month to pray for Clergy & all Religious Vocations. Please join us on **Wednesday, January 3 after the 8am and before 6:30pm Mass** as we unite in prayer for these intentions and dedicate our Rosaries for this crucial need. We are blessed with those who are in religious formation from our Parish family:

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|---|---|
| <b>Griselda Zacatenco</b><br>Norbertine Postulate                   | <b>Faustina Tran</b> Aspirant<br>Lovers of the Holy Cross Convent |
| <b>Eddie Huber</b> Seminarian                                       | <b>Bob Martin</b><br>Deacon Candidate                             |
| <b>Cody Schurter</b> Seminarian                                     | <b>Jim Carter</b><br>Deacon Candidate                             |
| <b>Ivan Lopez</b> Seminarian  | <b>Don Purpura</b><br>Deacon Aspirant                             |
| <b>Sr. Nova Sion</b><br>(formerly Natalie Gomez) SSV                | <b>Frank Alonso</b><br>Deacon Aspirant                            |
| <b>Sr. Maria Mulier Eucharistica</b><br>(formerly Anne Leger), SSVM |   |

## PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

O Jesus, our great High Priest, hear our humble prayers on behalf of thy priests. Give them a deep faith, a bright and firm hope, and a burning love which will ever increase in the course of their priestly life. In their loneliness, comfort them. In their sorrows, strengthen them. In their frustrations, point out to them that it is through suffering that the soul is purified. Show them that they are needed by the Church. They are needed by souls. They are needed for the work of redemption. O loving Mary, Mother of Priests, take to your heart your sons who are close to you because of their priestly ordination and because of the power which they have received to carry on the work of Christ in a world which needs them so much. Be their comfort, be their joy, be their strength, and especially help them to live and to defend the ideals of consecrated celibacy. Amen.



## IMPORTANT DATES

**Confirmation** (Meeting 7-9pm)

**C1: January 9, 23**

**C2: January 9, 16**

**Middle School** (Meeting 6:30-8pm)

**January 8**

**SMYL** (Meeting 7-8:30pm)

**January 17, 31**

**High School Youth Night** (Meeting 6:30-8:30pm)

**January 7 & 14**



As we welcome the New Year, let us join together in prayer and reflection. May the grace of God guide us on this journey, filling our hearts with gratitude for this past year and hope for the next. Let the light of faith shine brightly, illuminating our path and bringing hope into our world. Wishing you a blessed New Year filled with the joy and grace of God's love. Happy New Year!

### Please Note CFF Closures Below:

- No First Eucharist or Continuing Faith Formation classes from December 25 - January 3
- No Sunday School on December 31

Childcare and Childrens Liturgy of the Word will continue to gather for the 8:45 am and 10:30 am Masses as usual.

## SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH WORKER PROGRAM OPEN HOUSE

**Open House on January 6, 1-4pm** The St. Joseph Worker Program gives women ages 21-35 an opportunity to serve in underrepresented areas of needs in Orange County. This ministry creates a 6 to 12 month service opportunity for women in preparation for a life-long commitment to social change and personal transformation. Individual growth and development are built on the values of leadership, spirituality, social justice and intentional community grounded in living simply and sustainably. The St. Joseph Workers live together forming an intentional community with each other. Service positions available in healthcare, education, social services and advocacy are based on education, skills and interest of the volunteer.

RSVP: [sjwp@csjorange.org](mailto:sjwp@csjorange.org) or Nina at 714-335-1123

## A GREAT ADVENT PARISH MISSION ON DECEMBER 10



**Thank you** to all our parishioners who attended the Advent Parish Mission and helped make it a huge success. A special thanks to Curtis Keddy who gave a wonderful presentation on how we can help one another grow in our faith journey.

The event was filled with learning, fellow-ship and fun activities enjoyed by all.





## PRAY THE ROSARY TO END ABORTION

**SATURDAY  
JAN 6 | 9AM**

Join us on Saturday, Jan 6, when we unite against abortion and pray the rosary for life. Rosary begins at 9am. We meet in front of Planned Parenthood at 700 S. Tustin Ave in Orange.

Questions: please contact us at [Respectlife@smdpyl.org](mailto:Respectlife@smdpyl.org)



## FAITH & FITNESS MINISTRY

Our next Faith and Fitness Ministry classes are:

**Monday, Jan 8:** 9-10am in St. Elizabeth Room

**Wednesday, Jan 10:** 7:30-8:30pm in St. Joseph Room

Please join me for this very special prayer and movement class called **"SoulCore."** This is a more *"physically involved format"*, that will require an exercise mat and going onto the floor for gentle exercises and stretches. Participants must wear tennis shoes (*no open-toe or slip-on shoes*), comfortable attire, bring a water bottle, and an open heart. For more information visit [smdpyl.org/fitness](http://smdpyl.org/fitness) or email Rebecca Gonzalez at: [fitness@smdpyl.org](mailto:fitness@smdpyl.org)

## FIREFIGHTERS & AIR OPERATIONS CHRISTMAS FOOD DIVE



Deacon Denis accepts food donated by the Orange County Fire Authority Yorba Linda Reserve Firefighters and Air Operations annual Christmas Food Drive.



## - FUNERAL NOTICE -

**Thomas Roslansky**

10am Funeral Mass  
Friday, January 5, 2024

**Doris Prusa**

10am Funeral Mass  
Saturday, January 6, 2024

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*A gift opens the way and ushers the giver into the presence of the great." Proverbs 18:16*



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## SACRAMENTS/RITES

### Anointing of the Sick

Call the Parish Office with your request.

### Baptism for Infants

Come to the Parish Office to pick up an information packet (3 months ahead) or visit [www.smdpyl.org/baptism](http://www.smdpyl.org/baptism) to register online for Baptisms. For non-infant Baptisms, please contact the Parish Office at 714-970-2771.

### Funeral Rite

For assistance with funeral arrangements, kindly direct your questions to the Parish Office at 714-970-2771. Please note that in most cases, funeral requests require 7 days of preparation and planning.

### Rite of Matrimony

Call the Parish Office for an appointment with a priest/deacon at least 6 months prior to the planned date of marriage.

## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday:** Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:-3/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

**Monday:** Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

**Tuesday:** 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28

**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 2:29-3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/Jn 1:29-34

**Thursday:** 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Jn 1:35-42

**Friday:** 1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Jn 1:43-51

**Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

|                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Alfonso Ruezga  | Maria Cabrera    |
| Tony Scalise    | Sally Felisan    |
| Tatiana Scalise | Barbara Tallabas |
| Gary Rider      | Kathy Robinson   |
| Aimee Watson    | David Yang       |
| Karen Ruder     |                  |

## DIED IN CHRIST

|                    |               |
|--------------------|---------------|
| Joseph Sayegh      | Emmanuel Ikan |
| Judy Wesson        | Astillero     |
| Richard Villanueva |               |

## MASS INTENTIONS

*Presider schedule is subject to change*

### Saturday, December 30:

**8:00 AM** (Msgr Stephen) Tomas and Sylvia Hernandez and Family  
**5:30 PM** (Fr Nicolaus) † Irvin Gustavus, † Tercela Bough, † Brian Caciatori, † Roberto Flores, † James and † Nina DiJohn, St Martin's Parishioners

### Sunday, December 31:

**7:15 AM** (Fr Nicolaus) Ben and Vedi Isip  
**8:45 AM** (Msgr Stephen) † Fran Lewis  
**10:30 AM** (Msgr Stephen) Mass for the People  
**12:15 PM** (Fr Nicolaus) † Wilfredo Wico  
**5:30 PM** (Fr Nicolaus) † Rory Masseth

### Monday, January 1:

**9:00 AM** (Msgr Stephen/Dcn Mark & Dcn Denis) † John and † Asuncion Pellicer  
**11:00 AM** (Fr Nicolaus) † Joan Munns, † George Grant

### Tuesday, January 2:

**8:00 AM** (Fr Nicolaus/Dcn) † Duane Brunkow  
**6:30 PM** (Msgr Stephen) Tricia Bolle

### Wednesday, January 3:

**8:00 AM** (Fr Francis) Javin De la Torre  
**6:30 PM** (Fr Nicolaus) Elena Chupinsky

### Thursday, January 4:

**8:00 AM** (Msgr Stephen) Mary Guerre  
**6:30 PM** (Msgr Stephen) † Octavio Samaniego

### Friday, January 5:

**8:00 AM** (Msgr Stephen) † Judy Gagliarde, Petra Ytable, Mike Klovos, Liz Coulter, Jerrie Castro  
**6:30 PM** (Fr Nicolaus) † Nicedo Mancenido

### Saturday, January 6:

**8:00 AM** (Fr Nicolaus) † Jason Kirkwood  
**5:30 PM** (Msgr Stephen) † William McGerty, † Ramon Ang Lee, † Pio Adriano Jr., † Consuela Limon Lopez, Kathy Gerlits

### Sunday, January 7:

**7:15 AM** (Msgr Stephen) Mass for the People  
**8:45 AM** (Fr Nicolaus) † Bill Gerard  
**10:30 AM** (Fr Nicolaus) † Paul Cieslak  
**12:15 PM** (Msgr Stephen) † Alexandra Roeder  
**5:30 PM** (Msgr Stephen) † Thang and † Tuat Cao, Cao Family

## DEVOTIONS

**Rosary** Monday - Saturday after 8am Mass, Monday - Friday at 6pm, before Mass on Sundays, Holy Days of Obligation & Holidays

**Divine Mercy Chaplet** Daily 3pm

**Miraculous Medal Novena** Mondays after 6:30pm Mass

**Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena** Wednesdays after 6:30pm Mass

**St. Joseph Novena** Thursdays after 6:30pm Mass

**Litany of the Sacred Heart** Fridays after 6:30pm Mass

## PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Send to [pulpitann@smdpyl.org](mailto:pulpitann@smdpyl.org) with a copy to [parishOffice@smdpyl.org](mailto:parishOffice@smdpyl.org) by the Tuesday prior to the weekend. Contents are to be only 1-2 sentences.

## BULLETIN SUBMISSION

Submit articles 10 days before the weekend (holiday submissions vary). Send to Becky Fautch at: [bulletineditor@smdpyl.org](mailto:bulletineditor@smdpyl.org)

## FACILITY RESERVATION

For all requests or those which include tables in the outdoor Gathering Plaza, please visit [smdpyl.org/reservations](http://smdpyl.org/reservations) on the Parish Website. Requests must be submitted two weeks in advance. After your request has been approved and entered, you will receive a confirmation from the Parish Office.

## MILITARY SERVICE



Prayers for our Men and Women serving in the Military and in Law Enforcement.

## WEEKLY TITHE REPORT

*Thank you for your generosity.  
For the weekend of December 17*

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| Sunday Donation   | \$28,082 |
| Retired Religious | \$10,091 |