

Welcome!



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Pastor's Corner

This Sunday is the third Sunday of Advent, also known as Gaudete Sunday. It is a reminder to rejoice because the Lord is near. As Jesus reminds us, we should always be vigilant for His coming. I mention this today because I recently witnessed the celebration of Mass on television in which all of the participants were facing East, or at least facing in the same direction, in order to offer worship together and symbolically watch for the Lord's coming. In other words, the priests, which were a large number, and the congregation were all facing in the same direction. This is the typical posture for the Latin Mass, yet this mass was exactly like the most recent edition (3rd) of our current celebration of the Mass in English. I must say, in my ignorance, I was completely shocked. The priest facing the same direction as the people (*ad orientem*) meant that the priest, along with everyone, was facing a large wall in a very modern looking church. I must admit that I had no idea that Mass was being celebrated in English that looked exactly like the Latin Mass.

My mother, who was watching with me, noted quickly how greatly she appreciated that the church had moved the priest to the opposite side of the altar so that he would be facing the people and not have his back to them. I mentioned to her that there are good reasons why the priest would be offering worship facing in the same direction as the people, mostly symbolizing the one unified voice of the people and that everyone is offering their lives together. However, in this church, there were many worshipping from the side of the altar, as we have in our own Cathedral. These people, including concelebrating priests, were not facing in the same direction as everyone else (East), but rather facing the direction of the altar. They were technically out of sync with everyone else. As well, there was such a large separation between the priests and the people that, rather than looking like one body offering worship together, simply looked like the priests had their backs to the people. This created a very uninspiring liturgy.

My thoughts now are that this liturgy looked foolish and individualistic. Rather than creating a sense of the great unity of the Body of Christ, there was a cold separateness while all tried to face in the same direction. It made me wonder if da Vinci's masterpiece, *The Last Supper*, would still be as powerful if he had painted Jesus and his apostles where the viewer would only see their backs.

When I preside at Mass, I do want to believe that I am in unison with the entire worshipping Body, and I believe I am. We are all facing the same central focus, the altar, not the East. The great coming of Christ is taking place upon the altar. This, too me, seems so obvious. So we all face the altar and it makes no difference what side of it we find ourselves worshipping. And if the priest should look up from the altar and see his flock, and maybe notice Christ in them, would that be such a bad thing? Maybe they might notice Christ in him.

Rejoice!

Father Michael



Thank you!



Our annual festival of Trees and Lights was a wonderful success again. Thank you to all who attended and participated in the event, and helped to raise needed funds to support all of our social ministries. Co-Chairpersons, Paula Trujillo and Susan Durand, wanted to express their "sincere thanks to the many volunteers who put in long hours to make the festival a success. Also, the many crafters who made beautiful items for us to sell and baskets that were beyond beautiful. We truly appreciate each and every one of them!"

Raffle Winners

- David Lorenz:** Kings tickets
- Baskets:** 1) Man's Best Friend, 2) Little Bunny Foofoo, 3) Celebrate America
- Nikki Provost:** Weekend in Tahoe
- Marilyn Fairgood:** \$500.00
- Tony Trujillo:** \$250.00
- Gloria Ramirez:** \$100.00
- Wendy Campbell:** Mr. & Mrs. Claus
- Chris Walker:** Mary Kay Basket
- Sandra Guarnizo:** Seaside Tea Set
- Clair Vincent:** Family Movie Night
- Lori Calvillo:** Game Fun
- Sophia Vargas:** Trader Joe's Picnic



Cathedral Kids

Read the Gospel and Color



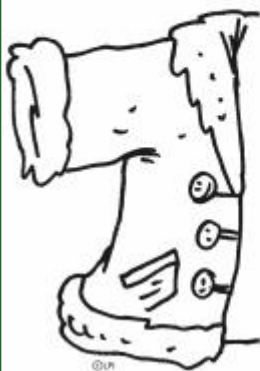
Sharing the Gospel - How can you show you love God? Instead of keeping all of your clothes and food, share some with people who don't have any. Be happy and thankful for all God has given you. When you love God more than money, you'll be happy to share.

Prayer - Dear God, help me to share happily with others.

Mission for the Week - The next time you go grocery shopping with your parents, ask if you can pick out some foods to share with the poor. As a family, talk about how thankful you are for the many ways God takes care of you.

Puzzle

Complete the picture.



Gaudete Sunday



FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS ANNUAL ROSARY PROCESSION

Friday, December 28, presided by Bishop Soto. At 6:00pm, the procession begins on the steps of the cathedral, followed by Mass at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, 711 T Street.

THE BIBLE TIMELINE: *Revelation & Psalms*

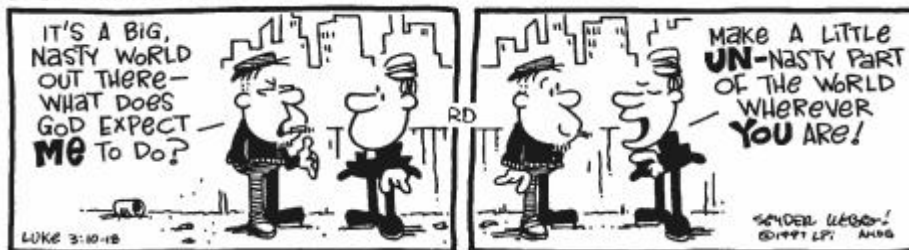
BIBLE STUDY, BEGINS ON JANUARY 3, 2019

This is the fifth year of this popular bible study program. The study will include a series of twenty-two video sessions presented by Jeff Cavins. Each video will be preceded by a lively group discussion. We will meet every Thursday from 7pm to 8:30 at the lower level of the Cathedral. You will receive a certificate of completion for each series of 11 sessions.

Attendance is free. We will also provide materials. Although there are some helpful online materials that are made to go with this presentation that you may purchase to supplement your learning, it is not required. Please join us for a life-changing journey through the Bible! Contact Sister Jenny at (916) 444-5364 or jenny@cathedralsacramento.org.

The **RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY** is getting ready to stand up for the littlest among us at the 15th annual **WALK FOR LIFE** in San Francisco on January 26th, 2019. We are looking for sponsors to help cover the cost of the trip for the confirmation students and families in need. If you would like to help or reserve your bus tickets, please call Liliana at (916) 912-8256 or Veronica at (916) 205-0713 or stop by the Cathedral's Office.

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

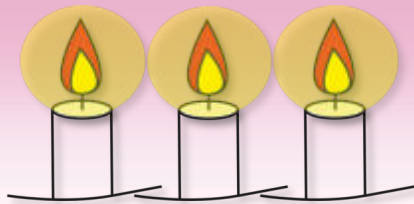


CATHOLIC VIEWPOINT, FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE

Fr. Robert Spitzer from *Fr. Spitzer's Universe* on EWTN and the *Magis Center*, was a recent guest on two episodes of *Catholic Viewpoint, Faith, Hope and Love*. He spoke on the most relevant topic of **Science, Faith and Reason** and of his *Credible Catholic* website that has teaching modules to help explain the relationship between Faith and Science to youth and the compelling evidence for God. You can find them both on YouTube; simply type "Catholic Viewpoint, Faith Hope and Love" in the YouTube search bar. Then click on the Madonna icon, as shown on the left here. Don't miss these informative interviews!

You'll also find a great interview with Sr. Libby Fernandez speaking about her Mercy Pedalers and a recent talk with Laura Oliva, who is a faculty member for *Changing the Culture*. Laura spoke on the topic of the value of Life at workshops for the Diocesan Ministry Days in September. If you missed her workshop, you can find much of it in her warm and encouraging interview on YouTube.

"Maybe Christmas, perhaps...means a little bit more!" He puzzled and puzzled till his puzzler was sore. Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before. Maybe Christmas, he thought... doesn't come from a store.



"I am baptizing you with water,
but one mightier than I is coming.
I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals.
He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."
~Luke 3:16~

Date	Mass / Intentions	Activities
Saturday December 15	5:00 pm / Graff Family S.I.	9:00 am Baptisms - English 10:00 am Christmas Pageant in Church for English Faith Formation followed by Christmas Party in Mercy Hall
Sunday December 16	GAUDETE SUNDAY 7:30 am / Tom Dunnings & Family S.I. 9:00 am / Lydia Woodcheke + 11:00 am* / Augustine & Moses Chang + 1:00 pm Spanish / Maria Ines Herrera + 3:00 pm Chinese / People of the Parish 5:00 pm / Ausencio M. Avila + 7:00 pm Spanish / Souls in Purgatory * Baptism Sunday - English	9:00 am RCIA for Children & Teens 9:00 am Mass: RCIA - Breaking of the Word 11:00 am Mass: Liturgy of the Word for Children 10:00 am CCD Christmas Pageant in Church for Spanish Faith Formation followed by Christmas Party in Mercy Hall
Monday December 17	12:10 pm / Emma DeMello 5:10 pm / Patty Fox +	6:30 pm RCIA: Evening Prayer 7:00 pm RCIA: Class
Tuesday December 18	12:10 pm / Esperanza Tanchico Ruckenbrod S.I. 5:10 pm / Alymita Siva & Family S.I.	6:00 pm Spanish Choir Rehearsal for the 7pm Mass 7:00 pm Teen Confirmation Class
Wednesday December 19	12:10 pm / Conrado Q. Mangosing + 5:10 pm / Renee & Ravi Tannah S.I.	7:00 pm English Choir Rehearsal 7:15 pm The Rosary Club 7:15 pm Communion & Liberation 7:15 pm Spanish Choir Rehearsal for the 1pm Mass
Thursday December 20	12:10 pm / Macro Linsao + 5:10 pm / Harriet & Martin Andrews S.I.	This is the 354th day of the year in the Gregorian calendar. There are 11 days remaining until the end of the year.
Friday December 21	12:10 pm / Jennifer Guardado S.I.	
Saturday December 22	5:00 pm / Maria Ines Herrera + Fr. Michael Buckley + Victor Guardado S.I.	9:00 am Baptisms - Spanish No CCD Classes today Posadas begin tonight

Readings & Observances

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Advent

Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18

Monday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:1-17

Tuesday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:18-25

Wednesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 [cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-25

Thursday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/Lk 1:26-38

Friday: St. Peter Canisius, Priest & Doctor of the Church

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45

Saturday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1a]/Lk 1:46-56

Prayer Corner

Please remember
in your prayers:

Charles Urrutia +
Patricia and Andrew Vargas
John Keener+
Jocey
Jaime Tangco +
Sara Martinez
Lukas Flucht +
Marilyn Custodio
Heriberto Concepcion Tadina+
Kinda A
Dubu+
Lucia
Benny Garces+
Roman Q Paguio,+
Damjanus Aditya Christie
Snjezana
Matthew Mahoney
Teddy Nguyen
MEM
Madeleine B. Vinluan
Maricela Huidor
Janine
Anna Lanzona
Alexa Novelo
Mary
Shelby Hogan
Sepehr
Gloria Sanchez
Maria
Tifini and her unborn child
Josh
ZEP Family
Cathy & Kirk Laver S.I.
Matthew Mahoney
Sandra Mahoney
MEM
Maricela Huidor
Alexa Novelo
Brandon M. Novelo
Anna Lanzona
Shelby Hogan
Roman Q Paguio +
Carl Hagen
Benny Garces +
Sepehr
Roman Q Paguio +
Rosa G.
Deacon Don DeHaven
Miguel, Luz, Sonia, Joel, Jose, Oscar,
Betty, Noe, Waldo, Cesar, Carlos,
Teresa and their families
Gerald O'Reilly +
Frank Vercillo
Stephanie Pill
Mary Margaret Reilly
Asmitha and Abie Joseph
Aloyrd and Shaista and children
Julian
Jason and Resmi
Nina Mordas and Mother
Javier Maria Alonso
C.Marcela Bedoya
Eva Hernandez
Diane



Esquina del Pastor

Este domingo es el tercer domingo de Adviento, también conocido como el domingo de Gaudete. Es un recordatorio para regocijarse porque el Señor está cerca. Como Jesús nos recuerda, siempre debemos estar atentos a su venida. Menciono esto hoy porque recientemente presencié la celebración de la misa en la televisión, en la que todos los participantes estaban mirando hacia el Este, o al menos en la misma dirección, para ofrecer adoración juntos y observar simbólicamente la venida del Señor. En otras palabras, los sacerdotes, que eran un gran número, y la congregación estaban todos orientados en la misma dirección. Esta es la postura típica de la misa en latín, pero esta misa fue exactamente igual a la edición más reciente (3ª) de nuestra celebración actual de la misa en inglés. Debo decir, en mi ignorancia, que estaba completamente en shock. El sacerdote que estaba en la misma dirección que la gente (ad orientem) significaba que el sacerdote, junto con todos, estaba frente a una gran pared en una iglesia de aspecto muy moderno. Debo admitir que no tenía idea de que la misa se estaba celebrando en inglés, que se parecía exactamente a la misa en latín.

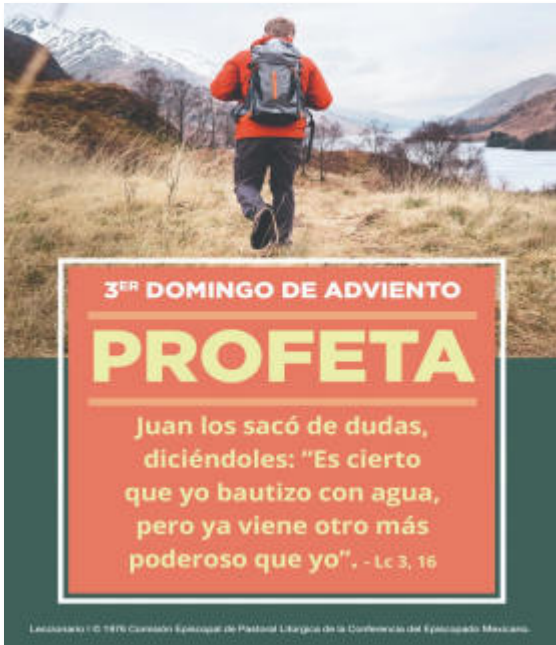
Mi madre, que estaba observando conmigo, notó rápidamente lo mucho que apreciaba que la iglesia hubiera movido al sacerdote al lado opuesto del altar para que estuviera frente a la gente y no les diera la espalda. Le mencioné que hay buenas razones por las cuales el sacerdote ofrecería adoración en la misma dirección que la gente, simbolizando principalmente la única voz unificada de la gente y que todos están ofreciendo sus vidas juntos. Sin embargo, en esta iglesia, había muchos adorando desde el lado del altar, como lo hemos hecho en nuestra propia Catedral. Estas personas, incluidos los sacerdotes concelebrantes, no estaban orientados en la misma dirección que los demás (Este), sino más bien en dirección al altar. Estaban técnicamente fuera de sincronía con todos los demás. Además, hubo una separación tan grande entre los sacerdotes y la gente que, en lugar de parecerse a un cuerpo que ofrece adoración juntos, simplemente parecía que los sacerdotes daban la espalda a la gente. Esto creó una liturgia muy poco inspiradora.

Mis pensamientos ahora son que esta liturgia parecía tonta e individualista. En lugar de crear un sentido de la gran unidad del Cuerpo de Cristo, hubo una fría separación mientras todos intentaron apuntar en la misma dirección. Me hizo preguntarme si la obra maestra de Da Vinci, La última cena, todavía sería tan poderosa si hubiera pintado a Jesús y a sus apóstoles donde el espectador solo les vería la espalda.

Cuando presido en la misa, quiero creer que estoy en armonía con todo el Cuerpo de adoración, y creo que lo estoy. Todos estamos frente al mismo foco central, el altar, no el Este. La gran venida de Cristo está teniendo lugar sobre el altar. Esto, también a mí, parece tan obvio. Entonces todos nos enfrentamos al altar y no importa el lado en que nos encontremos adorando. Y si el sacerdote levanta la vista del altar y ve su rebaño, y tal vez note a Cristo en ellos, ¿sería eso algo tan malo? Tal vez ellos puedan notar a Cristo en él.

¡Alegrarse!

Padre Michael



PROCESIÓN DEL ROSARIO ANUAL DE LA SANTA INOCENTES

Viernes, 28 de diciembre, presidido por el obispo Soto. A las 6:00 pm, la procesión comienza en los escalones de la catedral, seguida de una misa en el Santuario Nacional de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, 711 T Street.

LAS LECTURAS Y CONMEMORACIONES SEMANALES

Las lecturas de la semana del 16 de diciembre de 2018

Domingo: 3er Domingo de Adviento

Sof 3, 14-18/Is 12, 2-3. 4. 5-6 [6]/Flp4, 4-7/Lc3, 10-18

Lunes: Gn 49, 2. 8-10/Sal 72, 1-2. 3-4. 7-8. 17 [cfr. 7]/Mt 1, 1-17

Martes: Jr 23, 5-8/Sal 72, 1-2. 12-13. 18-19 [cfr. 7]/Mt 1, 18-24

Miércoles: Jue 13, 2-7. 24-25/Sal 71, 3-4. 5-6. 16-17 [cfr. 8]/Lc1, 5-25

Jueves: Is 7, 10-14/Sal 24, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6 [cfr. 7 y 10]/Lc1, 26-38

Viernes: San Pedro Canisio, sacerdote y doctor de la Iglesia

Cant 2, 8-14 o Sof 3, 14-18/Sal 33, 2-3. 11-12. 20-21 [1; 3]/Lc1, 39-45

Sábado: 1 Sm 1, 24-28/1 Sm 2, 1. 4-5. 6-7. 8 [cfr. 1]/Lc1, 46-56

VERSO DEL EVANGELIO DE DOMINGO

Como el pueblo estaba en expectación y todos pensaban que quizá Juan era el Mesías, Juan los sacó de dudas, diciéndoles: "Es cierto que yo bautizo con agua, pero ya viene otro más poderoso que yo". - Lc 3, 15-16

MEDITACIÓN EVANGÉLICO

La salvación que Dios anuncia en este tercer domingo de Adviento trae consigo una profunda alegría. Las lecturas de hoy son clave para profundizar en lo que es la alegría de Dios. Es el domingo de alegría. En latín, "Gaudete," cuyo significado es "alégrense". El profeta Sofonías lo dice así: ¡Grita de gozo, oh hija de Sión,... Regocíjate y que tu corazón esté de fiesta! (Sofonías 3:14). San Pablo lo describe con inmenso gozo de la siguiente manera: "Estén siempre alegres en el Señor; se los repito, estén alegres y tengan buen trato con todos" (Filipenses 4:4). La repetición que hace Pablo hace énfasis en esa alegría que da la paz de Dios, a pesar de los acontecimientos contrarios a lo que vivimos.

¿A dónde debo llevar la alegría que Dios me da? ¿Cómo podemos recuperar la alegría en este Adviento tan comercializado? El Evangelio nos da la respuesta; el Bautista exhorta a la conversión, y sin esa conversión, no puede existir la alegría que es el fruto de las buenas obras. Todos debemos de compartir con los más necesitados: ropa, comida y nuestros bienes, pero, sobre todo, dar la bienvenida al extranjero y al refugiado. ¡Ahora es el tiempo! Ayúdanos Señor a abrir nuestros corazones a las necesidades de otros. Cambia nuestros corazones de piedra por unos más humanos. Que con tu gracia sepamos hacer lo que está bien. Martin Luther King decía: "Siempre es el momento apropiado para hacer lo que es correcto". ¡Ven Señor, ayúdanos a dar alegría y esperanza en todo momento!

VIVIR LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

Este domingo de gaudete nos llama a regocijarnos, que ya llega el Señor. ¿Su corazón le canta de alegría? o, ¿está lleno preocupaciones de la vida? Es fácil dejar que nos controlen nuestras preocupaciones diarias. Las debilidades y pecados del mundo, tanto como nuestras propias debilidades y pecados pueden quitarnos la paz y alegría que Dios quiere para cada uno de nosotros. Los que están fuertes en su fe y espiritualidad, saben que Dios está cerca. Cuando uno se da cuenta de esto, le abre los ojos a una perspectiva nueva. Muchas veces, uno quiere liberarse de sus ansiedades y presiones, pero no sabe cómo. Uno intenta y se cae. El adviento es un tiempo en el que uno puede aprender a vivir de una forma diferente, así como indicó Juan el bautista. La alegría y la esperanza son los regalos que Dios nos ofrece, no la ansiedad ni la desesperanza.

LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD DIARIA

Deseo ser mejor discípulo. Quisiera pensar que soy una persona generosa, y sí trabajo para cultivar las características de un discípulo en mi vida. Sin embargo, la corresponsabilidad se trata más de simplemente dar. También se trata de la prudencia y la preparación responsable. Si fuera un mejor discípulo, tendría ahorrados los \$1,000 que quisiera tener en caso de una emergencia. Ahorraría más dinero para cuando me jubile o para ir de vacaciones. Tendría más comida en el refrigerador porque compré más en oferta cuando teníamos poco dinero. En pocas palabras, estaría preparado para lo que sea.

El adviento es un tiempo de preparación. No solamente nos preparamos para la navidad, sino para el día en que Jesús volverá de nuevo. Desafortunadamente, muchas veces actuamos como si este tiempo es nuestra única oportunidad para prepararnos. Deberíamos estar preparados todo el año.

Si solamente nos enfocamos en nuestra espiritualidad durante el tiempo de adviento y de cuaresma, entonces no estamos viviendo una vida verdaderamente corresponsable. El discípulo sabio siempre está cultivando su fe y trabajando para mejorar su relación con Dios. Saben que deben estar preparados para cualquier cosa, a cualquier momento. Están firmemente listos para el llamado de Dios.

-- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

El profeta Sofonías fue activo durante el reino del Rey Josías de Judá (640-609 A.C.) poco antes de la caída de Jerusalén a los Babilonios. Sofonías era, en muchas formas, un profeta de fatalidad. Sin embargo, las profecías de hoy están llenas de con esperanza para un nuevo comienzo. Como una persona de fe, ¿cómo encuentra usted la esperanza en momentos difíciles?

Segunda lectura - La carta de San Pablo a los filipenses se le llama también "carta de alegría." La lectura de hoy ofrece un ejemplo de la felicidad espiritual de Pablo. ¿Quiénes son las personas en su comunidad de fe que son modelos de alegría espiritual?

Lectura del Evangelio - Juan el bautista reta a la gente, los recaudadores de impuestos y los soldados que viven una vida honesta y honorable para prepararse para la llegada del Señor. ¿De qué formas es este mensaje un reto espiritual hoy?



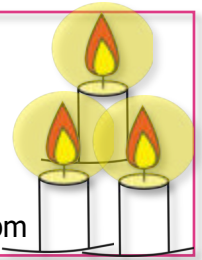
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CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, December 24 5:00 pm Children's Mass
 9:00 pm Bi-Lingual Mass
 Midnight Mass (11:30 Music Prelude)
 Tuesday, December 25 7:30 am, 9:00 am,
 11:00 am (including Chinese Comm.)
 1:00 pm Spanish



MASSES

Monday to Friday 12:10 pm
 Monday to Thursday 5:10 pm
 Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
 Sunday 7:30 am
 9:00 am
 11:00 am
 1:00 pm en Español
 3:00 pm Chinese
 5:00 pm
 7:00 pm en Español
 State Holidays 12:10 pm only

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Monday to Friday 11:30 am to 12:00 pm
 Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm
 Domingo en Español 12:30 pm a 12:45 pm
 6:30 pm a 7:00 pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

When attendants are available:
 Wednesday 12:45 pm to 4:45 pm
 Thursday 12:45 pm to 4:45 pm
 Friday 12:45 pm to 3:45 pm

ANOINTING OF THE SICK - By appointment

BAPTISMS (Registration is required)
 English - 3rd Saturday of the month, 9:00am
 Español - 4º Sábado del mes, 9:00am

BAPTISM CLASSES (No registration required)

English - 1st Thursday of the month, 7:00pm
 Español - 2do jueves del mes, 7:00pm

TOURS

Tours are free and are led by trained Docents after the 9am and 11am Sunday Masses, and at 12:40pm on Wednesday. Tours in Spanish are held the 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month after the 1pm Mass. Tours begin at the Baptismal Font. Contact 916-444-3071 to arrange free private group tours.

GIFT SHOP on the Lower Level

Sundays 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
 Tuesdays 10:30 am to 12:00 pm



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Choir (Spanish) Jerry Vanoye in the choir annex after the 1pm Mass, or Ricardo Savala in the choir annex after 7pm Mass.
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Communion & Liberation catechesis meets every Wednesday at 7:15pm in the Cathedral Lower Level.
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To learn more about the ministries at the Cathedral, visit our website:

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMS

The cathedral offers a complete faith formation program, including Catholic Faith Formation, Confirmation, The Rite of Christian Initiation Program, R.C.I.A., for adults, teens and children, Religious Education for Spanish Speaking Adults, and a Catechesis Formation Program.



If you've been coming to Mass for a while, but are not Catholic, or were baptized Catholic but never completed your faith formation classes, we invite you to look deeper into the Catholic faith. Come meet some faithful Catholics who love the Lord and would consider it a privilege to get to know you. We invite you to learn what Catholics believe in an open and welcoming environment. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) sessions meet every Monday Evening at 7 PM in the lower level of the Cathedral. Feel free to come any Monday evening.

For more information on all of our faith formation programs, please call 916-444-5364 or email Sister Jenny Aldeghi FDCC, Director of Religious Education, jenny@cathedralsacramento.org

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

The Diocese of Sacramento requires an engaged couple to complete a marriage preparation program no later than two months before their wedding date. Contact: Janet & Omar Bardales at matrimonyprep@att.net, or 916-427-9160, or Sister Jenny at 916-444-5364. You do not have to have your wedding at the Cathedral in order to take this class.

GET MARRIED AT THE CATHEDRAL

If you would like to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony at the Cathedral, download the Cathedral Wedding Guidelines and Reservation Form on the cathedral website. Contact the parish office at least *six months* before your desired wedding date to arrange a meeting with Wedding Coordinator, Titi Kila, at the Cathedral Office, 916-444-3071 x13, tkila@cathedralsacramento.org.

HAVE YOUR MARRIAGE BLESSED IN THE CHURCH

If you would like to have your civil marriage blessed in the Catholic Church, please call or email Deacon John at the Cathedral Office to explore this possibility: 444-3071 Ext. 11; jgisla@cathedralsacramento.org. This can often be done in a small, private ceremony called a Convalidation, without any cost or fee. If you have been together for a number of years and would like to be married in the Church, this can also often be done in a small, private ceremony without any cost.

QUINCEAÑERA

This is the tradition of celebrating a young girl's coming of age on her 15th birthday with a Mass, and highlights the virtues of family and social responsibility, recognizing her journey from childhood to maturity. For more information on celebrating this beautiful tradition at the Cathedral, call Titi Kila, at 916-444-3071, or titikila@cathedralsacramento.org.

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

For ages 5 to 10 years old, at the 11:00 am Sunday Mass (Check calendar for dates). Children return to their families before the Offertory. For more information, contact the education office or Dorothy Corgiat at dlcorgiat@yahoo.com.

CATHEDRAL PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekend	Total Offering	Percent of Goal
November 10/11	\$9,076	79%
November 17/18	\$9,100	79%
November 24/25	\$7,504	65%
December 1/2	\$8,878	77%
Four-week average:	\$8,640	75%

The Parish's weekly expenses exceed \$20,000. To maintain fiscal integrity, the weekend offertory needs to cover more than half of Parish expenses. The Finance Council has set a weekly offertory goal of \$11,500.

CATHEDRAL PARISH REGISTRATION & UPDATE

Actualización y registro de la parroquia de la Catedral

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- Scan to pdf file and email: blessed@cathedralsacramento.org (escanear a pdf file y envía por correo electrónico)
- Fax to: 916-443-2749
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聖若望「由十字架者」(十二月十四日)

聖十字若望是公教改革的主要人物，西班牙神秘學家，加爾默羅會修士和神父，出生在馬德里北部阿維拉附近的小鎮豐蒂韋羅斯，一個改宗基督教的猶太人的家庭之中。

於一五六七年，聖瑪蒂亞·若望修士的學業成就已夠資格，因此晉鐸為神父。同年九月，他從薩拉曼卡回到梅迪納德爾坎波的旅途上，讓他有足夠時間認真地自我反省，並認為自己於加爾默羅會的生活模式還未夠嚴格，令他考慮加入迦爾都西會，因其注重的獨修和沉思默觀生活深深吸引著若望。與他同往甘布的麥地那的一位名叫佩德羅·德·奧羅斯高修士，認為若望修士必須與亞維拉的大德蘭會面。正當那年，五十二歲的大德蘭去到甘布的麥地那這地方，為要建立她的第二間女修道院，而她一直長期致力於建立加爾默羅會中女修道院的改革，因為在她未開始改革運動以前，修會領袖們主張遵守緩和的會規，而她的理想是要建立一些女修道院，讓她們遵守原始的一二〇九年訂立的會規生活。

主曆一五八八年，革新的加爾默羅會與舊修會脫離，成立獨立的修會，尼各老神父任會長。新修會分成六個省區，每區設顧問一人，若望當選顧問，協助會長管理事務。過了一段時期，若望調往遙遠的畢納拉修院。若望身患重病，省會長命他易地休養。休養的地點有二個：貝沙修院和烏貝大修院，若望可以任擇其一。貝沙修院的院長是若望的摯友；烏貝大修院的院長，過去和若望有摩擦。若望寧願選擇後者。若望於主曆一五九一年十二月十四日逝世。一七二六年，本篤十三世封他為聖人。他被列為天主教眾位教會聖師之一。

St. John of the Cross (December 14)

John of the Cross was a major figure of the Counter-Reformation, a Spanish mystic, a Roman Catholic saint, a Carmelite friar and a priest, who was born at Fontiveros, Old Castile.

John was ordained a priest in 1567, and then indicated his intent to join the strict Carthusian Order, which appealed to him because of its encouragement of solitary and silent contemplation. A journey from Salamanca to Medina del Campo, probably in September 1567, changed this. In Medina he met the charismatic Carmelite nun Teresa of Jesus (or Ávila). She was in Medina to found the second of her convents for women. She immediately talked to him about her reformation projects for the Order: she was seeking to restore the purity of the Carmelite Order by restarting observance of its "Primitive Rule" of 1209.

In June 1588, he was elected third Councilor to the Vicar General for the Discalced Carmelites, Father Nicolas Doria. In 1591, John was sent to an isolated monastery in Andalusia called La Peñuela. There he fell ill, and traveled to the monastery at Ubeda for treatment. His condition worsened, however, and he died there on December 14, 1591. He was canonized as a saint in 1726 by Pope Benedict XIII. He is one of the thirty-six Doctors of the Church.

本週報告 (會長)

我們將於12月22日星期六進行聖誕頌歌，並於12月9日開始每個星期五晚上7點練習。

我們將於12月23日星期日六點在大教堂樓下的Mercy Hall舉行聖誕節Potluck晚餐。這個晚餐是免費的。

參加的教友請跟我，Gloria或Ida報名。

我們的團體將於1月26日在Loaves and Fishes (1351 N C St, Sacramento, CA 95811)參加為「街友」提供食物的友誼午餐。有興趣為「街友」提供食物而服務的教友請跟我(Ken)，Gloria,或Ida報名。

Announcement this week (President)

We are having Christmas Caroling on Saturday, December 22, and the practices are on every Friday Night at 7pm starting December 9.

We are having the Christmas Potluck Dinner at Mercy Hall downstairs of the Cathedral on Sunday, December 23. No donation ticket is necessary. Please RSVP with Ken, Gloria or Ida.

Our community will participate in serving foods to "the friends on the street" for the Friendship Lunch on January 26 at Loaves and Fishes (1351 N C St, Sacramento, CA 95811). Any parishioner who is interested in volunteering to serve the foods, please sign-up with me (Ken), Gloria, or Ida.

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