

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



O COME, O WISDOM FROM ON HIGH,
WHO ORDERS ALL THINGS MIGHTILY,
TO US THE PATH OF KNOWLEDGE SHOW
AND TEACH US IN HER WAYS TO GO.

REJOICE! REJOICE!
EMMANUEL SHALL COME TO THEE, O ISRAEL.

Fr. John P. Dolan, Pastor
Fr. Jacob Bertrand, Associate Pastor
Deacons: Charlie Frice; Greg Smyth; Gerardo Marquez

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY:
5:00 P.M.
6:30 P.M. (ESPAÑOL)

SUNDAY:
7:00 A.M., 8:30 A.M.
10:00 AM. (SIGN LANGUAGE
INTERPRETED), 11:30 A.M.
1:15 P.M. - ESPAÑOL (CUARTO
DOMINGO - MISA PERUANA)
5:00 P.M.

DAILY:
6:15 A.M. & 8:00 A.M.
THURSDAY:
6:30 P.M. - ESPAÑOL
SATURDAY: 7:30 AM.

MISA GUADALUPANA
DIA 12 DE CADA MES - 6:30 PM
(EXCEPTO SAB. & DOM.)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

FRIDAYS IN PASTORAL
CENTER CHAPEL:
8:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY: 8:00 A.M.
(OR BY APPOINTMENT)

Sister Dolores Social Outreach
Trudy Balestreri: (619) 427-7637

School Principal
Maria Tollefson: (619) 422-1121

Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals
Parish Office: (619) 427-0230

Religious Education
Elementary, Jr. High / High
School Confirmation
Sister Patricia Weldon OSF
(619) 426-6717

Hispanic / Deaf Ministry
Deacon Gerardo Márquez
(619) 427-0230

Stewardship, Evangelization & IT
Joseph Advento: (619) 427-0230

Business Manager
Patti Favela: (619) 427-0230

Catholic Charities
(619) 498-0722

ARE YOU REGISTERED WITH US?

COME INTO THE PARISH OFFICE & BECOME A
VITAL MEMBER OF OUR CHURCH

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 1:30 - 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday to Friday: 8:30 am - 5:00 pm
(closed for lunch: 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm)

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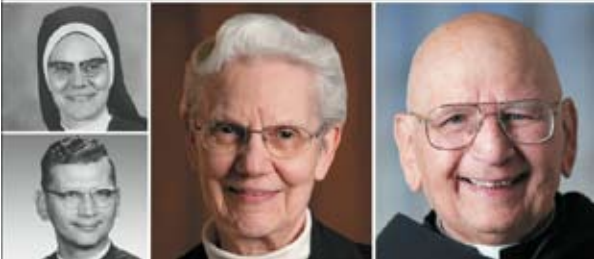
December 4, 2011

1st Reading: Is: 40:1-5,9-11

2nd Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-14

Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

Retirement Fund for Religious



The 24th national collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will be taken up next weekend, December 10-11, 2011. The annual appeal asks Catholics to Share in the Care of more than 34,000 women and men religious past age 70 who benefit from the collection. Envelopes are available in the pews this weekend.

SEAFARERS OF SAN DIEGO

Madonna of the Street Altar Guild is preparing shoeboxes with toiletries to show hospitality to the merchant marine in our own port. (ie. Dole Ships) We will collect them in the church office kitchen on Dec. 13. We send the boxes early for them to celebrate the Epiphany. These shipmates are away from their families for many months at a time. Anyone is welcome to do this with us and encouraged to start filling that shoebox as soon as possible. Thank you.

WINNERS OF THE ICF DRAWING

The St. Rose of Lima Italian Catholic Federation wishes to thank all that supported its Christmas Drawing. The first place winning ticket for the iPad2 was ticket #02 bought by David and Michelle Rubi. The second prize of the \$100 gift certificate to Westfield Shopping Mall was ticket #260 the Alarcon Family. The third prize of the manger scene was ticket #832 belonging to Barbara McGovern. Congratulations to all three winners.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends:

As we light the second candle of our Advent wreath, we embrace our Christian calling to be the light of the world. We don't hide our Christian light, but let it shine for all the world to see!

Don't forget the many celebrations in the month of December; including the Feast of the Immaculate Conception (December 8), our Annual Church Lighting ceremony (December 10), Our Lady of Guadalupe Masses (December 11 & 12), our Advent Reconciliation Service (December 14), and Simbang Gabi (December 16-24).

Have a great week!

Fr. John

Holy Day of Obligation

December 8

Immaculate Conception Mass Times

6:15 am

8:00 am

9:00 am (includes school Mass)

5:00 pm

6:30 pm (en Español)

What is the Immaculate Conception? See page 5

LIGHTING OF THE CHURCH

DECEMBER 10

Our annual Lighting of the Church will take place after the 5:00 p.m. Mass next Saturday. This year, the lighting will include Las Posadas, free refreshments and carols.

Please join us for this great family event!

TRUTH OR CONSEQUENCES



AFTER MASS ON SUNDAY DEC. 4TH FR. JOHN AND FR. JACOB HAVE INVITED TIM STAPLES TO COME INSPIRE US THIS ADVENT AS WE PREPARE FOR CHRISTMAS.



Sunday Dec. 4th - 7:00 pm in the church

Tim Staples was raised a Southern Baptist. Although he fell away from the faith of his childhood, Tim came back to faith in Christ during his late teen years through the witness of Christian televangelists. Soon after, Tim joined the Marine Corps.

During his four-year tour, he became involved in ministry

with various Assemblies of God communities.

Immediately after his tour of duty, Tim enrolled in Jimmy Swaggart Bible College and became a youth minister in an Assembly of God community. During his final year in the Marines, however, Tim met a Marine who really knew his faith and challenged Tim to

study Catholicism from Catholic and historical sources. That encounter sparked a two-year search for the truth.

Tim was determined to prove Catholicism wrong, but he ended up studying his way to the last place he thought he would ever end up: the Catholic Church!



"I AM THE WAY ...



THE TRUTH ...



AND THE LIFE." JN 14:6

NEW SUNDAY MISSALS

SUNDAY
MISSAL



Sunday Missals with the new English Translation and Readings for the New Church Year are available after Masses today for \$10. Copies also available in the front office!

THY KINGDOM COME CAFE

On Sunday, December 18, the ICF will be holding its "Thy Kingdom Come" Cafe. Homemade Italian cookies will be available for sale - 18 cookies in a beautiful Christmas box for \$3.00. Cappuccino and espresso coffee will also be available for your enjoyment.



ADVENT RECONCILIATION

Below, you will find a list of Advent Reconciliation Services in the South Bay. Take advantage of this opportunity and visit one of these churches or attend our own service on December 14.

Sun. Dec 4
Sacred Heart 4:00 PM

Mon. Dec 5
St. Michael 7:00 PM

Tues. Dec 6
Corpus Christi 7:00 PM

Fri. Dec 9
O.L. Mt. Carmel 7:00 PM

Tues. Dec 13
Mater Dei 6:30 PM

Wed. Dec 14
St. Rose of Lima 7:00 PM

Thurs. Dec 15
Our Lady of Guadalupe

Fri. Dec 16
St. Charles 7:00 PM

Charity Bingo
BIGGEST CHARITY PAYOUTS
50% of your Proceeds Benefit
Saint Rose of Lima Parish



Must be scanned by cashier for charity recognition.

BINGO

Saint Rose of Lima Parish

3 Sessions playing Tuesday nights

24 Bingo games pay from \$250 to \$800

RED SESSION

Starts @ 4:30pm
 Buy-in only \$10

GREEN SESSION

Starts @ 6:30pm
 Buy-in only \$15

BLUE SESSION

Starts @ 8:30pm
 Buy-in only \$15

\$10 Buy-in Red session

Last Game of night
 Coverall Pays \$ 800
 or if 50 ball or less
 Pays \$ 1,199

Come play Bingo with us at
St. Pius X Catholic Church
 1120 Cuyamaca Ave.
 Chula Vista, Ca. 91911

Multiple Cash Balls
 Each Night
 Pot Matures @
 \$ 1,199

3 Sessions of 8 Games
 Doors Open 3:30 - 4:00
Have fun play and Win!

Information - Times - Locations - Prizes - Rules - Winners
www.LinkedList.com
 For updated information call ~ Henri @ 619-632-7367

WHAT DO WE MEAN ABOUT THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION?



Archbishop Fulton Sheen famously said, “There are not over a hundred people in the United States who hate the Catholic Church. There are millions, however, who hate what they wrongly believe to be the Catholic Church...” He was referring, of course, not just to the institution, but to what the Catholic Church teaches.

Let us take, for example, common misconceptions about the Feast celebrated on December 8 - the Immaculate Conception.

This Feast does not refer to the conception of Christ in the womb of Mary, nor does it mean that Mary was somehow miraculously conceived. Mary was conceived in the normal way as the natural fruit of the marriage of her parents, but at the moment of her conception she was preserved from original sin and its stain. As we know, the sin of our first parents, Adam and Eve, became Original Sin to us. Psalm 51 best expresses the agony we feel when we cry out to God in our helplessness:

*“Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness . . .
My offenses truly I know them;
My sin is always before me . . .
O see in guilt I was born,
a sinner was I conceived . . .”*

Original sin deprives us of sanctifying grace, and the stain of original sin corrupts our human nature. By God’s grace, given at the moment of Mary’s conception, she was preserved from these defects, and so from the first instant of her existence Mary had the fullness of sanctifying grace, and was unburdened by the corrupt nature caused by original sin. In this way, Mary becomes a “second Eve,” conceived in the same state of original purity as God intended for mankind.

Why would God do this? Our Creed (in its new translation) gives us an answer: “he came down from heaven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.” Here, we proclaim that God took human flesh upon Himself. And from whom did He take that flesh? From Mary. So the question must be asked: would God – who can have no part in sin – take upon Himself that which was fallen, stained and corrupt? Of course not. So, this Feast has as much to do with our Lord Jesus Christ and His Incarnation, as it does with the Blessed Virgin Mary. In fact, all Marian dogmas and feasts invite us to see that what God does in and through Mary finds its ultimate purpose in Jesus Christ.

We can find a strong *implicit* reference to the Immaculate Conception in St. Luke 1:28. In the original Greek text, when the archangel Gabriel is addressing the young Virgin Mary, the word used is *kecharitomene*, “full of grace.” In some translations of scripture, Gabriel’s words are given as “highly favored one,” but that translation doesn’t capture the best and fullest meaning. *Kecharitomene* is a perfect passive participle of *charitoō*, meaning “to fill or endow with grace,” and since the Greek has it in the perfect tense, it indicates that Mary was filled with grace in the past, and the effect of it continues into the present. If we accept St. Luke’s record of the archangel’s words as being accurate, it’s apparent that the grace received by Mary didn’t come about through Gabriel’s visit; rather, she was always filled with grace.

WHAT IS THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION?

There are those who claim that we Catholics do not believe Mary needed Jesus as her Savior. To refute this claim, they point to Mary's own words in Luke: Mary says "my spirit rejoices in God my Savior..." Our Catholic faith is: Mary was redeemed by the grace of Christ, but in a special way; that is, by anticipation. There's a helpful analogy which has been used by the Church to illustrate this: a man falls into a deep pit, and somebody reaches down and pulls him out. It would be true to say that the man was "saved" from the pit. A woman is walking by that same pit, and she's about to fall in, but at that very moment someone reaches out and pulls her back from the edge. She also has been "saved" from the pit. And in fact, she didn't even get dirty like the poor man did, who actually fell in. So yes, Mary had a Savior, and He is none other than Christ, her Son and her Lord.

Another misunderstood idea of our Doctrine on the Immaculate Conception goes like this: If we're saying Mary was without sin, then we're making her equal to God, because only God is without sin. However, we need to remember that in the beginning, Adam and Eve were created without sin, but they weren't equal to God.

Tragically, after the fall of our first parents, sin became commonplace and even expected. In fact, think about how often someone will say, after doing something wrong, "Well, I'm only human," as though sin is perfectly natural, and somehow even defines humanity. Actually, sin is unnatural. We weren't created to sin; we were created to know God, and to love Him, and to spend eternity with Him in heaven. In Mary, because of the Immaculate Conception, we see a human being as God intends us to be. What was maimed by the first Adam and Eve, is restored by the Second Adam and the Second Eve.

So what about the Immaculate Conception? It's logical, it's scriptural, and it's part of God's loving act of redemption. Please visit us at our parish website for more about the Church at <http://www.strosecv.com>.

Why do Catholics call Mary "Blessed"?

Mary herself acknowledged her blessedness and Catholics have been calling her Blessed in response to this passage from Luke 1:46-56:

*My soul magnifies the Lord
And my spirit rejoices in God my Savior;
Because he has regarded the lowliness of his hand-
maid;*
**For behold, henceforth all generations shall
call me blessed;**

*Because he who is mighty has done great things for
me, and holy is his name;*

*And his mercy is from generation to generation
on those who fear him.*

He has shown might with his arm,

*He has scattered the proud in the conceit of their
heart.*

*He has put down the mighty from their thrones,
and has exalted the lowly.*

*He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.*

*He has given help to Israel, his servant, mindful of his
mercy*

*Even as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his
posterity forever.*

Why do Catholics call her Mother of God?

Catholics believe that Jesus is fully human and fully God. Elizabeth, Mary's cousin, also believed this.

She said to Mary in Luke 1:43:

*"How is this that the Mother of my **Lord** should come
to me?"*

Mary did not create God. God created Mary. But, because Christ, who is God, "came down from heaven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man," Mary is rightly called both Blessed and Mother of our Lord and God, Jesus Christ!



THY KINGDOM COME!

6 YEAR PLEDGE PLAN - PAGOS A PLAZOS POR 6 AÑOS

Full Pledge Amount	5% Down Payment	6 Annual Payments	12 Semi-Annual Payments	24 Quarterly Payments	72 Monthly Payments
Contribución Total	Enganche de 5%	6 Pagos Anuales	12 Pagos Semianuales	24 Pagos Trimestrales	72 Pagos Mensuales
\$150,000	\$7,500	\$23,750	\$11,875	\$5,937	\$1,979
\$75,000	\$3,750	\$11,875	\$5,937	\$2,969	\$990
\$50,000	\$2,500	\$7,917	\$3,958	\$1,979	\$660
\$25,000	\$1,250	\$3,958	\$1,979	\$990	\$330
\$20,000	\$1,000	\$3,167	\$1,583	\$792	\$264
\$15,000	\$750	\$2,375	\$1,188	\$594	\$198
\$10,000	\$500	\$1,583	\$792	\$396	\$132
\$7,500	\$375	\$1,188	\$594	\$297	\$99
\$5,000	\$250	\$792	\$396	\$198	\$66
\$2,000	\$100	\$317	\$158	\$79	\$13

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

SIMPLY CALL US AT 427-0230 OR YOU MAY VISIT US ON-LINE AT STROSECV.COM

NOTICE! IRA ROLLOVER BENEFITS EXPIRING!

On December 31, 2011, the special tax-code provision that allows donors to make a tax-free gift from their IRA account to not-for-profit organizations will expire. And, with the lawmakers in Washington focused on saving money wherever they can find it, the likelihood that this tax benefit will be extended is remote.

This special tax break allows qualified donors to make a direct distribution from their IRA account to charities – tax free. By taking advantage of this opportunity before the end of the year, you can fulfill your obligation to take an IRA distribution, avoid taxes you would otherwise have to pay AND make a generous donation to St. Rose of Lima Parish for our campaign. Here are two of the primary provisions:

- You must be 70 ½ years of age or older
- You may give up to \$100,000 (married couples can give \$200,000)

Call your TAX advisor and consider making a gift to St. Rose using this unique form of giving.



¡VENGANOS TU REINO!

Our campaign is to raise 2 more Million dollars in six years. The chart on the other page will help you to see just how we plan to reach this goal within the time frame allotted. These pledge plans can be used as you prayerfully consider a charitable gift toward this project. The plans include options to fulfill your pledge monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, or annually. Please consider them carefully and select the one that fits your family's financial situation.

Not everyone can make the same size gift! However, everyone can make some sacrifice! Imagine what we could do - with a parish the size of nearly 6,000 families - if everyone would make some pledge toward the campaign.

Nuestra campaña tiene en mente recaudar \$2 millones mas de dólares en seis años. El esquema adjunto ayuda a ver como vamos a poder cumplir esta meta dentro del tiempo indicado. Los pagos a plazos ofrecen un ejemplo con el cual uno puede reflexionar al orar, sobre como uno puede ayudar con este proyecto. Los planes incluyen diversas opciones para cumplir con su compromiso mensual, cada cuatro meses, semianual o anual.

No todo mundo puede aportar la misma cantidad. Pero desde luego que todos podemos hacer algun tipo de sacrificio. Teniendo una parroquia de 6000 familias, se pueden imaginar cuanto sería posible si todas las familias decidieran hacer el compromiso de ayudar con esta campaña de recaudación.

Please visit our website or call 427-0230 for information on how you can make a pledge.

I agree to contribute to "Thy Kingdom Come" campaign. I understand that this is a pledge of \$_____ to be billed over six years. *Entiendo que este donativo de \$_____ será hecho a plazos por los siguientes seis años.*

(1) I WISH TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT OF \$_____ and payments according to the following:

____ 6 Annual ____ 12 Semi-Annual ____ 24 Quarterly ____ 72 Monthly
____ 6 Anuales ____ 12 Semestrales ____ 24 Trimestrales ____ 72 Mensuales

(2) I WISH TO MAKE A ONE TIME PAYMENT ONLY OF \$ _____

(Checks are made to: "Thy Kingdom Come - SRL" or See Credit Card Option below)
(Favor de hacer su cheque a nombre de: "Thy Kingdom Come-SRL)

Signature/Firma: _____ Date/Fecha _____

Name/Nombre: _____ Phone/Tel:() _____

Address/Dirección: _____ City&Zip/Ciudad y C.P. _____

Credit Card# _____ Expiration: _____ CIN _____

Número de tarjeta de crédito# _____ Fecha de Caducidad: _____ CIN _____

SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

4 de diciembre 2011

1era Lectura: Isa: 40:1-5,9-11

2nda Lectura: 2 Pedro 3:8-14

Evangelio: Marcos 1:1-8

Le recordamos que nuestra Servicio de Reconciliación de Adviento será en la iglesia el 14 de diciembre a las 7:00 pm.

CARTA DE PADRE JUAN

QUERIDOS AMIGOS:

ESTE SEGUNDO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO ESCUCHAMOS LAS PALABRAS DEL GRAN PROFETA ISAÍAS. EN LA PRIMERA LECTURA, ISAÍAS EXHORTA A SU PUEBLO (Y A NOSOTROS) CON SU PROFECÍA DE QUE EL MESÍAS VA A VENIR Y TRAER PAZ.

AL ENCENDER LA VELA DE ADVIENTO, ORO PARA QUE CRISTO, LUZ DEL MUNDO, BRILLE CON MUCHA INTENSIDAD EN SUS VIDAS A LO LARGO DE TODO DE ESTE NUEVO AÑO DE SANTIDAD.

¡QUÉ TENGAN UNA BONITA SEMANA!

PADRE JUAN



La Asociación Guadalupeana les invita a la celebración de las fiestas en honor de la Santa Virgen de Guadalupe los días 11 y 12 / Diciembre

Calendario de eventos día 11 / Diciembre

1:00 pm Inicio de la Heremes

** (Antojitos Mexicanos)*

6:00 pm Santo Rosario

7:30 pm Celebración de la Santa Misa

** Salve Regina y Exposición de Santísimo*

Calendario de eventos día 12 / Diciembre

6:00 am Marianitas

5:00 pm Santo Rosario

6:00 Celebración de la Sta. Misa

7:15 1 hora de Mariachi Pan y café

DIA DE OBLIGACION

El jueves, 8 de diciembre es un Día de Obligación para celebrar la Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepción. Hay una Misa en español a las 6:30 pm. Una lista por otras Misas esta en la pagina 2 de este boletín.

POSADA NAVIDEÑA



La iglesia invita a todos los feligreses a su posada Navideña el sábado 10 de diciembre.

Empezaremos a las 6:00 pm en el De Flores Center y continuaremos con la Misa a las 6:30 pm y festividades despues.

GRUPO DE ORACION

**Cada Jueves
RENOVACION CARISMATICA
de SAN DIEGO.
6:30 pm**

Dec 8 Misa: Padre DAVID HURTADO, de Mexicali B.C. Mex.
Dec 15 Misa con Hora Santa.
Dec 22 Misa con Hora Santa.
Dec 29 Misa con Hora Santa