First sunday of ADVENT



PRIEST'S INTENTIONS FOR MASSES

Sun, Dec 1	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	
5:30 pm	† Joan Rauktys	
(Vigil)		
8:00 am	† Deceased Members of the Perrelli	
	Family	
11:00 am	† Gilbert Marquez	
5:30 pm	For the People of the Parish	
Mon, Dec 2	Advent Weekday	
8:00 am	† Benjamin Bautista	
5:30 pm	•	
•	Saint Francis Xavier, Priest	
8:00 am	† Robert Gaspar	
5:30 pm	-	
Wed, Dec 4	Advent Weekday; Saint John	
	Damascene, Priest, Doctor of the	
	Church	
	<i>Sp Int</i> Gary Heflin	
5:30 pm		
Thu, Dec 5	Advent Weekday	
	Sp Int Tony Hernandez	
5:30 pm	-	
Fri, Dec 6	Advent Weekday; Saint Nicholas,	
	Bishop	
	Sp Int Christian Bautista	
-	† Carol Girvan	
Sat, Dec 7		
	of the Church	
8:00 am	† Julia Cruz	
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FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP IN THE PARISH CENTER

All are welcome Sunday mornings after Mass

Dec 1 Breakfast Sunday

Sponsored by the International Catholic Families The ICF will offer a warm and cheery holiday breakfast. On the menu is a variety of breakfast casseroles, fruit, and donuts. Come join us for food and fellowship as we begin the Advent season.

Dec 8 School Sunday

Sponsored by OLG School Families Complimentary coffee and refreshments. Contributions not necessary but gratefully accepted. Proceeds benefit OLG's Tuition Assistance Fund, the Gerard Family Endowment for Education.

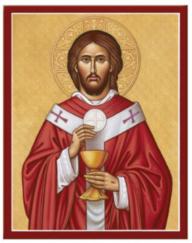
Dec 15 Christmas Party

Sponsored by the Events Committee In preparation for the Parish Christmas Party today, there will be no donuts or coffee in the Parish Center after the morning Masses.

Welcome to OUR LADY of GRACE!

elcome to all members and visitors who are joining us for the celebration of the Eucharist.

If you have been away from the Church for a little while or for quite some time, but now feel a tug at your heart calling you back to the Catholic Church, welcome home!



If you feel drawn to the

Catholic Church yet come from another faith tradition or have no faith experience at all - we are glad you are here!

The Catholic Church has been teaching truth since she was founded by Christ over 2,000 years ago. We offer

ministries and service groups that help you to build friendships and serve our parish along with the greater community. We also offer life-long learning through our many faith formation opportunities for children and adults.

For baptized Catholics needing to complete their Sacraments of Initiation please contact Deacon John Sawaya at: jsawaya@olg-church.org. For those interested in joining the Catholic Church, please also contact Deacon John Sawaya. You can also contact him by using the "Contact us" link at <u>olg-church.org</u>.

Allergies

The first morning Mass of a holy day will always be incense-free.

Mindfulness of Others

Please silence all devices and refrain from using them during the liturgy to avoid distracting those around you.

READINGS FOR DEC 1 – DEC 8

Sun:	Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thes 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36
Mon:	Is 2:1-5; Mt 8:5-11
Tue:	Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24
Wed:	Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37
Thu:	Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Fri:	Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31
Sat:	Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sun:	Bar 5:1-9; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

First Sunday of Advent

GROW: Are you one of those people who flips to the end of the book to find out what happens or stand with our heads maybe you roam the internet for spoilers of your favorite show? We have all been tempted to know what is going to happen before whatever it is unfolds, especially in ending helps us have tension-filled situations. Knowing the ending changes the way we experience the angst of the present moment, especially if it's a great ending! Like today: even as we anticipate and know the comfort and joy of the Advent season, we certainly do not begin there with our Gospel reading from Luke. In it, Jesus describes the coming of the Son of Man: this time will include moments of dismay, tribulation, assault, fright, and death. Contemplating this time of justice can be fearsome, but it is also a source of joy, because Christ is

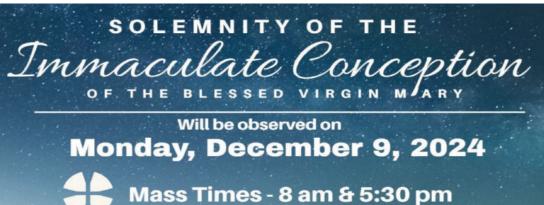
coming! We know that through Christ we have been redeemed – and that, if we remain faithful to him, we have the hope of eternal life. As Luke tells us, we can held high because redemption is at hand. Our Advent does not start with comfort and joy, but it sure ends there. Knowing this confidence and hope in God

GO: We are encouraged and challenged by the Word and our Advent traditions this first week to remember how it ends! In our first reading, the prophet Jeremiah relays consolation to the nation in crisis when God tells them the days are coming when the Lord will "fulfill the promise." This will bring them much-hoped-for safety and security. In Luke's Gospel, Christ's coming

will be with "power and great glory" and although it sounds somewhat frightening, it will usher in redemption. Those are some spoilers providing great confidence and hope. In addition to our readings, the lighting of our first candle this Advent season is a visual reminder of the culmination of our salvation story! The Light who has come into the world has and will dispel

the darkness. We can stand erect and raise our heads together to glimpse this light of Advent and fill our hearts again with hope that God surely is the one who keeps his promises. That is the best spoiler of all.

SING: O come, divine Messiah! *The world in silence* waits the day When hope shall sing its triumph And sadness flee away.



The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation in our Diocese.

OUR LADY OF GRACE CHURCH Founded 1954 **CLERGY**

> PASTOR Rev. Lauro Minimo

ASSOCIATE PASTOR Rev. Marc Gandolfo

PRIEST IN RESIDENCE Rev. Celsius Offor, CH, LT, USN

DEACON Dcn. John Sawaya

SCHEDULE of MASSES

SUNDAY VIGIL (Saturday) 5:30 pm

SUNDAY 8:00 am, 11:00 am, 5:30 pm

MONDAY-SATURDAY 8:00 am Holy days and holidays listed separately in bulletin.

SACRAMENTS

INFANT BAPTISM Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays at 12:30 pm. Preparation packet is available in the parish office.

ORDER of CHRISTIAN INITIATION of ADULTS Contact Dcn. John Sawaya (858) 869-5079.

HOLY MATRIMONY Marriage preparation begins nine months in advance. Please contact Fr. Lauro Minimo. Fr. Marc Gandolfo or Dcn. John Sawaya.

> **PENANCE AND** RECONCILIATION Monday 6:00 pm Wednesday 8:45 am Saturday 4:00 pm or by appointment.

ANOINTING of THE SICK Call the parish office (619) 469-0133.

OUR LADY of GRACE



Holiday 2024 Bulletin Deadlines

Bulletin Date	Deadline Date
December 15	December 2
December 22	December 6
December 29	December 16

The holidays are a busy time, even for our Parish Bulletin! If you have any ministry or community events that you'd like to promote in the bulletin, please e-mail all info and graphics to Jocelyn Ayala at jayala@olg-church.org before the deadline date of that bulletin. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation!

Knights of Columbus Advent Sale

The Knights of Columbus Council 8879 will be offering for sale outside church from November 22th through December 8th 2024 the following: Advent Candles, Advent Wreaths, "Keep Christ in Christmas" car magnets, an assortment of "Keep

Christ in Christmas" Christmas cards and a limited supply of Knights of Columbus olive wood crucifixes.

Please consider supporting this worthwhile

fundraiser to support charitable causes of the Knights of Columbus.



ORDER AT MASS 11/30 - 12/1

ORDER AT MASS 12/7 - 12/8 PICK UP AT MASS 12/14 - 12/15

OUR LADY# Full of Grace

Pray for us



Knights of Columbus Greenery Pick-up

C hristmas greenery ordered from the Knights of Columbus will be available for pick up after Masses December 7th and 8th at the Parish Center. A limited number will be available for purchase. Greenery for delivery should have been shipped already. Contact

Mitch Diccianni at 619-743-6844 or at mdiscover@hotmail.com, if you cannot pick up your order this weekend or have questions. Any unclaimed greenery will be left at the rectory on December 10th. Thank you for your support.

WITH PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING TO ALMIGHTY GOD THE DIOCESE OF SAN DIEGO JOYFULLY ANNOUNCES THAT

> Mr. Brian Frulla Mr. Anthony Jimenez Mr. Jesse Lopez

WILL BE ORDAINED TO THE ORDER OF DEACON THROUGH THE INVOCATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE LAYING ON OF HANDS BY

His Eminence Robert Cardinal McElroy Bisbop of San Diego

> YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE MASS OF ORDINATION

Saturday, the 7th of December 2024 at 10:00 in the morning

> THE IMMACULATA CHURCH 5998 ALCALA PARK SAN DIEGO, CA 92110

Concelebrants please bring an alb and white stole

A light reception to follow immediately

Ordination Mass Live-Stream Link www.theimmaculata.org/live-stream-mass





Ticket sales begin after all Sunday Masses!

Advance ticket sales only. No tickets will be sold at the door.

Program includes an adult ugly sweater contest with prizes, an appearance by Santa, costume parade for the kids, Christmas Carols and a Special Guest! Don't forget to wear your Christmas attire.

The Events Committee Proudly Invites You

Christmas Bake Shop

Sunday, December 22, 2024

The Events Committee invites you to our Christmas Bake Shop! Fresh baked cakes, cookies, donuts, and candy will be ready for your last minute gift giving. Wrapped and ready to go or eat on the spot! Proceeds benefit "You Did It For Me", local East County charity that assists the homeless.





e are happy to report that we completed a joyful and beautiful distribution to 42 families in need in East County for Thanksgiving. Thank you OLG family for your continuing generosity.

Christmas is coming and we are continuing to accept monetary donations to aid support to those in need. Any donation is helpful: we will help as many families as possible with the donations we receive. Please use the online portal or place an envelope in the donation basket (be sure to designate your gift as Holiday Angel Program).

Are you interested in adopting a child from the program by filling a stocking with small gifts? If so, we will be distributing the stockings on November 23 & 24 after all masses.

If you have any questions about donations, please contact Angel Coordinator Lesley Bradley at: (619) 878-0278.

Advent Penance Service				
St. John of the Cross, Lemon Grove	2-Dec-24	7:00 PM		
St. Martin of Tours, La Mesa	3-Dec-24	7:00 PM		
St. Pius X, Jamul	4-Dec-24	7:00 PM		
Queen of Angels, Alpine	5-Dec-24	7:00 PM		
Santa Sophia, Spring Valley	10-Dec-24	7:00 PM		
St. Therese, San Diego	11-Dec-24	7:00 PM		
St. Luke, El Cajon	12-Dec-24	7:00 PM		
Holy Trinity, El Cajon	13-Dec-24	7:00 PM		
Our Lady of Grace, El Cajon	16-Dec-24	7:00 PM		
Guardian Angels, Santee	16-Dec-24	7:00 PM		
St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Lakeside/Barona	17-Dec-24	7:00 PM		
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lakeside	18-Dec-24	10:00 AM		
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Please be advised that Fr. Lauro, Fr. Marc, or anyone else from our Parish Staff will never send out e-mails, text messages or Flocknotes requesting any form of monetary assistance such as cash, Amazon, iTunes, gift cards etc. If you receive such suspicious e-mails, please delete or disregard.

WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT			
November 12, 2024 - November 18, 2024	\$17,751.05		
Plate	\$2,536.66		
Envelopes	\$10,750.59		
Online Giving	\$4,463.80		

Breakdown of Gifts Received

\$0.01 - \$5.00	46
\$5.01 - \$10.00	43
\$10.01 - \$25.00	112
\$25.01 - \$50.00	69
\$50.01 - \$100.00	35
\$100.01 - \$150.00	9
\$150.01 - \$500.00	15
\$500.01 - Over	1
Total Contributing Households	330

Building Fund	\$303.00
Food Pantry	\$1,642.00
Holiday Angels	\$1,945.00
National Needs	\$215.00
Prayer Quilt	\$205.00
School - Tuition Assistance	\$700.00
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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

In re The Roman Catholic Bishop of San Diego

Case No. 24-02202

Notice of Deadline for Filing Claims: FEBRUARY 3, 2025

YOU MAY HAVE A SEXUAL ABUSE CLAIM OR OTHER CLAIM AGAINST THE DIOCESE OF SAN DIEGO

On June 17, 2024, The Roman Catholic Bishop of San Diego, sometimes referred to as The Diocese of San Diego ("Debtor") filed for protection under chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").

If you were sexually abused by any person connected with Debtor, you must file a claim so as to be received by February 3, 2025, or otherwise you will be forever barred, estopped, and enjoined from asserting such claim against the Debtor. Even if you have already filed a lawsuit against Debtor alleging abuse you must still file a claim to maintain and/or preserve your rights.

Claims based on acts or omissions of the Debtor that occurred before June 17, 2024, must be filed on or before February 3, 2025, even if such claims are not now fixed, liquidated, or certain or did not mature or become fixed, liquidated, or certain before June 17, 2024.

For more information on how to obtain and file a proof of claim form and associated documents, please visit https://www.donlinrecano.com/rcbsd, or contact Donlin Recano, the Debtor's claims agent, via email at rcbsdinfo@drc.equiniti.com or by phone at 1-866-521-4424, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time), Monday through Friday.

Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings of this day for all the intentions of your Sacred Heart in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world, for the salvation of souls, the reparation of sins, the reunion of all Christians, and in particular for the intentions of the Holy Father this month. Amen.

Please pray for the eternal repose of the souls of James Markham Judy Pfohl

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace!



Please pray for those who have requested prayer and for the special intentions written in the Book of Intentions in the Baptistry of our Church.

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Names will remain listed in the bulletin for 4 weeks. If you would like to add a name to the list, or have names removed/ renewed, please contact Jocelyn Ayala at: jayala@olg-church.org.

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