



Morning prayers at 8:00 am

Saturday, December 1:

5:30 + Richard Scholpp by Dolores Gateson

Sunday, December 2 (1st Sunday of Advent):

9:15 Divine Mercy Chaplet

9:30 + Irene Cahill by Szygiel Family
11:00 + (Spanish) Sgt. Nicholas Aleman by the Martinez Family
12:30 + David Niewiarowski by Waldemar Niewiarowski

Monday, December 3:

8:15 + Kazimierz Golab by Friend
12:15 + Pablo Navarro by Eugene Coates

Tuesday, December 4:

8:15 + Vincent & Molly Mack by granddaughter, Tracy
12:15 + Madeline Ferrazza by Mr. & Mrs. C. Ortiz

Wednesday, December 5:

8:15 For the People of the Parish
12:15 + Catherine McDermott by Mulhearn Family

Thursday, December 6:

8:15 + Vinny Mack, Jr. by daughter, Tracy
12:15 + Guadalupe & Francisco Barrera by Daughter

Friday, December 7:

8:15 + Deceased Members of the Barbarite & Keenan Families by Familu
12:15 Special Blessing for Tristan Boston on his 10th Birthday by Grandma Chris
7:30 (Spanish) Pastora Moncada by Blanca Calderon

Saturday, December 8 (Feast of the Immaculate Conception):

8:15 + Thomas Mack by niece, Tracy
12:15 Special Intention for Fr. Antony by the Parish
5:30 + Melchora Solano by Margarita Solano

Sunday, December 9 (2nd Sunday of Advent):

9:15 Divine Mercy Chaplet

9:30 + John Albert by Janet & Family
11:00 + (Spanish) Blanca Ines Munoz by Family
12:30 + Tadeusz Szwaja by Teresa Szwaja

Bible Study every Thursday at 11:00 a.m. in the Lower Church Sacristy.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception Saturday December 8, 2018 Mass Schedule

8:15 am, 12:15 pm and 5:30 pm

Please remember those on our sick list in your

prayers: Nancy Culmone, Franciszka Sienko, Jacqueline Elsasser, Catherine McClung, Valerie Bruno, Dennis Nusspickel, Martha Banfield, Allen Ryczek, Levieva Svetiana, Molly Tyburczy, John Tyburczy, Julissa Garcia, Carolyn Lattanzio, Joan Dobkinj, Laurie Rueckheim, Judith Ballaster, Steve Belus, Janice L. Whelan, James Cunniff, Joseph Buenos, Patty Behan, Donhald Buddenhagen, Matthew Colasanti, Joseph Anthony D'Avino, Laura Borruso, Amy Pisarki, John Slattery, Joseph Lauron, Patricia Riordan, Carmelo Reyes, Marylou Ryan, Patricia Taranovich, Eugene Stonebreaker, Zofia Orłowska, Mary Sanz, Robert Keenan, Ryan Marshall, Anne Marie Stampf, Edward Pertell, Genowefa Biernaca, Elizabeth Malenik, Kataryna Gierczynska, Caitlyn Geer, James Buddenhagen, Bill Wisniewski, Gary Normandia, Eleanor Heiberger, Brian Francis Campion, Gemma Ferrara, Frank Sarlie, Peggy Mae, Edwin Soto, Lawrence O'Donnell, Julia Silva, Theresa Good, Mary Knapp, George Koslab, Robert Trotta, Michael Anobile, Michael Aiello, Yolanda Aiello, Diane Arzon Rodriguez, Gustavo Guerra, Michael Conboy, Jaylin Figueroa

BREAD AND WINE

The bread and wine at all the Masses from December 2nd to December 8th, will be offered in memory of the Leonick, Batka & Pineiro Families by Mr. & Mrs. R. Pineiro.
Merry Christmas in Heaven.

From Fr. Davy's Desk:

We begin the preparation for the Birth of Jesus today with the season of Advent. The Streets in the neighborhood are adorned with the Christmas lights. The shops have Christmas gifts and supplies available. The First week of Advent invites us to prepare our hearts for Christmas. The readings remind us to prepare ourselves for this most joyful season. There are many ways for the preparation. Please see a few below:

Ten Ways to Get More out of Advent:

- 1) Block into your calendar specific times every day for personal prayer, spiritual reading and reflection.
- 2) Relish quiet moments of prayer every day. The prayer time will restore your spirit. The spiritual insights will help to keep you focused.
- 3) Reflect on Advent as a time of waiting. Make it a habit of silently praying, "Come, Lord Jesus."
- 4) Unite with Mary. Set aside time once a day to join Our Lady in praying the Cantic of Mary (Luke 1:46-55).
- 5) Do something nice for someone every day. It might be an encouraging word, a phone call, a note of appreciation or a little act of kindness.
- 6) Get rid of grudges. Use Advent as an opportunity to let go of any anger or resentment that you might be holding onto.
- 7) Pray for patience. If you find yourself becoming anxious or upset, ask the Lord for the gift of patience. Then make a conscious effort to be a more patient person.
- 8) Offer up something painful in your life. The best way to transform trials and tensions is to turn them into a prayer.
- 9) Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Reconciliation Monday is December 17 and cleanse your soul in preparation for the coming of Jesus.
- 10) Think about the special gifts and talents God has given you. Consider volunteering to serve food to the hungry. How are you using these gifts?

Wish you all a very fruitful Advent!

Fr. Kavungal Davy, CMI



Mensaje del Padre Davy:

Comenzamos la preparación para el nacimiento de Jesús hoy con la temporada de Adviento. Las calles del barrio están adornadas con luces de navidad. Las tiendas tienen regalos de Navidad y suministros disponibles. La primera semana de Adviento nos invita a preparar nuestros corazones para la Navidad. Las lecturas nos recuerdan que nos preparemos para esta temporada tan alegre. Hay muchas formas para la preparación. Por favor, vea algunos por su consideración:

Diez maneras a practicar durante de Adviento:

- 1) Nota en su calendario horas específicas todos los días para la oración personal, la lectura espiritual y la reflexión.
- 2) Disfruta de momentos de oración tranquilos todos los días. El tiempo de oración restaurará tu espíritu. Las ideas espirituales te ayudarán a mantenerte enfocado.
- 3) Reflexiona sobre el Adviento como un tiempo de espera. Oras en silencio: "Ven, Señor Jesús".
- 4) Reserve tiempo una vez al día para unirse a Nuestra Señora en la oración del Cántico de María (Lucas 1: 46-55).
- 5) Hace algo bueno para alguien todos los días. Puede ser una palabra alentadora, una llamada telefónica, una nota de agradecimiento o un pequeño acto de bondad.
- 6) Deshazte de los rencores. Utilice el Adviento como una oportunidad para dejar de lado cualquier enojo o resentimiento que pueda tener.
- 7) Ora por paciencia. Si se siente ansioso o molesto, pídale al Señor el don de la paciencia. Luego haz un esfuerzo consciente para ser una persona más paciente.
- 8) Ofrezca algo doloroso en su vida. La mejor manera de transformar las pruebas y las tensiones es convertirlas en una oración.
- 9) Recibe el sacramento de la reconciliación. Hay reconciliación especial lunes, 17 de diciembre y limpia tu alma en preparación para la venida de Jesús.
- 10) Piensa en los dones y talentos especiales que Dios te ha dado. Considere ofrecerse como voluntario para servir comida a los hambrientos.
¿Cómo usas tus talentos?

¡Les deseo a todos un Adviento muy fructífero!
Padre Kavungal Davy, CMI





Fr. Antony Vadakara, CMI is getting a transfer with promotion, Pastor of St. Mary Parish, Sacramento and the Director of Inter-religious Dialogue Center. He is leaving on December 10. Our parish is grateful to Fr. Antony for his dedicated service for more than two years. Let us wish him all the best in his new assignment. His new address is: St. Mary Church, 1333 58th Street, Sacramento, CA 95819.

Padre Antony Vadakara, CMI es transferido con la promoción, el Pastor de St. Mary Parish, Sacramento y el Director del centro de diálogo interreligioso. Se va el 10 de diciembre. Nuestra parroquia está agradecida al Padre Antony por su dedicado servicio durante más de dos años. Deseamos todo lo mejor en su nueva misión. Su nueva dirección: St. Mary Church, 1333, 58th Street, Sacramento, CA 95819



Let us with grateful hearts thank Christine Bianculli, our parish Secretary cum Bookkeeper. She is retiring after serving remarkably for thirty three years. We will surely miss her in the parish office. Let us wish her a peaceful and leisure-filled retirement!

Con corazón agradecido, gracias a Christine Bianculli, nuestra secretaria parroquial cum Bookkeeper. Ella se retira después de servir notablemente durante treinta y tres años. Seguramente la extrañaremos en la oficina parroquial. Deseémosle un retiro tranquilo y lleno de paz!



Let us warmly welcome our new Parochial Vicar, Fr. Jossy Vattothu, CMI. He is from Kerala, India, currently serving as the Parochial Vicar in the diocese of Sacramento, CA. He will arrive in our parish on December 8.

Bienvenida a nuestro nuevo vicario parroquial, Padre Jossy Vattothu, CMI. Él es de Kerala, India. El sirviendo como Vicario Parroquial en la diócesis de Sacramento, CA. Llegará a nuestra parroquia el 8 de diciembre.

WEEKLY OFFERING

Weekend of November 17 - 18, 2018

Attendance - 588

Collection - \$ 3,906.00

Human Development Collection -
\$ 637.00

Votive Candles - \$ 470.00

Last year's attendance - 687

Last year's Collection - \$ 3,422.00

Last year's Human Development
Collection - \$ 1,316.00

Last year's Votive Candles - \$ 610.00

Farewell and Welcome

Rev. Fr. Antony Vadakara, CMI is getting a transfer with promotion. He will take his new assignment on December 15, Pastor of St. Mary Parish, Sacramento, California.

Ms. Christine Bianculli is retiring by the end of December after 33 years of her service in the parish office.

Fr. Jossy Vattoth, CMI will arrive in our parish on December 8th to replace Fr. Antony.

Our Parish family is organizing a farewell and welcome pot-luck reception on Sunday, December 9 after the 12:30 pm Mass in the Parish Hall dining room.

Please call the parish office by Tuesday, December 4th and let us know who is bringing food to the December 9th potluck.

Please mark your calendar and be there to meet and greet them.

Calendars for 2019 will be available after all Masses this weekend. They are also available in the parish office.

WEEKLY OFFERING

Weekend of November 24 - 25, 2018

Attendance - 642

Collection - \$ 4,199.00

Fuel Collection - \$ 1,538.00

Votive Candles - \$ 536.00

Last year's attendance - 638

Last year's Collection - \$ 3,851.00

Fuel Collection - \$ 1,212.00

Last year's Votive Candles - \$ 737.00

South Street Mission Feeding the Homeless

The parish will once again be helping to feed the homeless at the South Street Mission at Transfiguration Parish, from December 2nd to December 8th.

Volunteers are needed to cook, serve and drive. If you would like to help, please contact Neil Sheehan at 917-579-5034 or Fr. Davy.

Our Lady of Guadalupe



In preparation for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, a Novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe begins on December 3rd at 7:30 pm.

The celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be on December 12th with a Mass at 7:30 pm. The main celebrant will be Bishop Paul R. Sanchez.



Happy 10th Birthday!

Tristan Boston

December 7

The Giving Tree

Helping Those
in Need



Our Parish is once again sponsoring an Advent "Giving Tree" for the benefit of the homeless at the South Street Mission at Transfiguration Parish and for our neighbors at the Santulli Residence next door to the Church.

Please consider taking an ornament from the "Giving Tree". Please purchase the item written on the ornament and return the gift wrapped with the ornament taped to the package.

Gifts may be placed under the "Giving Tree" no later than December 16th. Any gifts returned after December 16th may be brought to the parish office.

The "Giving Tree" has become a parish Advent project of charity (love of neighbor).

Newly Married

Francisco & Milagro Auceda
November 24, 2018

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry

Our food pantry is in need of the following items: **coffee, canned meats (Spam, ham, corned beef hash), canned milk, canned/Instant potatoes, canned vegetables and peanut butter and jelly.**



Christmas Raffle

Our parish is having its annual Christmas Raffle. Tickets: \$10.00 each

First Prize: \$ 1,000.00

Second Prize: \$ 500.00

Third Prize: \$ 250.00

Drawing will be held at the Parish Christmas Party, December 22, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall, 715 Leonard Street.

Adopt-a-Family



Many members of our parish community turn to us at Christmas for nourishment.

Anyone who is interested in donating \$25.00 (or any amount) to help defray the cost of providing food baskets for Christmas, may leave their donation at the parish office or drop it in the collection basket on Sunday. Please mark the envelope "Adopt-A-Family".

If you know of someone or a family in the community who is in need of the "Adopt-A-Family" Program, please call the parish office and leave their name, address and a phone number. Someone from our St. Vincent de Paul Society will reach out to them.

Prepare