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Jan. 5,
2025Epiphany of the Lord



Mass Schedule ~ Reconciliation ~ Adoration

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 PM, 6:00 PM (Español) Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM , 12:15 PM, 2:00 PM (Español) & 6:00 PM (Español)

Daily Mass 8:30 AM Monday—Saturday 7:00 PM Miércoles (Español) Reconciliation Saturday 3-4 PM, Wednesday 6-7 PM Miércoles 6-7 PM (Español)

Adoration ~ Benediction Every Friday—9 AM till I PM and on First Friday 6 PM-9 PM

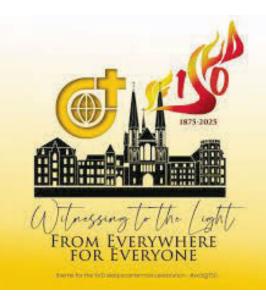


United in faith and guided by the Holy Spirit.

Grateful for 150 years of service to God's people.

The Society of the Divine Word (SVD), also known as the Divine Word Missionaries, is celebrating the **150th anniversary** of its foundation with a **Jubilee Year 2025**. The theme for the jubilee is "Witnessing to the Light: From Everywhere, for Everyone". This significant milestone is worth commemorating as it provides a meaningful opportunity to reflect on the rich history and impactful contributions we have made to the Church's mission worldwide.

Founded in 1875 by Saint Arnold Janssen in the Netherlands, the Society of the Divine Word has dedicated itself to spreading the Word of God and ministering to God's people in over 80 countries, on six continents, building churches, establishing schools and hospitals, and advocating for social justice and human rights.



On our 150th anniversary, we would like to thank God for all the blessings that He has bestowed on the Society of the Divine Word.

May looking back on the past with appreciation give us the courage to walk forward to the future with renewed dedication and purpose.

Agradecidos por 150 años de servicio al pueblo de Dios.

La Sociedad del Verbo Divino (SVD), también conocida como los Misioneros del Verbo Divino, está celebrando el **150 aniversario** de su fundación con un **Año Jubilar 2025.** El tema del jubileo es "Dar testimonio de la luz: desde todas partes, para todos".

Vale la pena conmemorar este importante hito, ya que brinda una oportunidad significativa para reflexionar sobre la rica historia y las contribuciones impactantes que hemos hecho a la misión de la Iglesia en todo el mundo.

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continentes, construyendo iglesias, estableciendo escuelas y hospitales, y abogando por la justicia social y los derechos humanos.

En nuestro 150 aniversario, nos gustaría agradecer a Dios por todas las bendiciones que ha otorgado a la Sociedad del Verbo Divino. Que mirar el pasado con agradecimiento nos dé el coraje de caminar hacia el futuro con renovada dedicación y propósito.



WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of January 5, 2025

Sun/Dom: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Mon/Lunes: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/ Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tues/Martes: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44

Wed/Mier: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/ Mk 6:45-52

Thurs/Juev: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/ Lk 4:14-22a

Fri/Vier: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Lk 5:12-16

Sat/Sab: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-3

Next Sun./Dom: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 (1)/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/ Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday January 5th Raffle drawing for the Confirmation class TV will be drawn after the 12:15 Mass at the placita

Monday January 6th—7:00 PM The Liturgy Committee will meet Monday January 6th at 7:00 PM in the Hall.

Wednesday Night Daily Mass We will not have Wednesday night Mass at 7:00 PM or Confessions at 6:00 during the month of January. We will return to this mass and confession times in February.

Thursday—January 9th 7:00 PM Multi– Lingual Rosary in the Church, led by the Knights of Columbus

Friday—January 10th 7:00 PM Concert in the Gym by the internationally acclaimed Loboc Children's Choir from the Philippines.

OFFICE INFORMATION

Parish Office 510-783-2766

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Parish Office Hours

Monday & Friday (lunes y viernes) 11:00 AM— 7:00 PM Tuesday & Thursday (martes y jueves) — 11:00 AM—5:00 PM Wednesday (miercoles) —1:00 PM- 7:00 PM Bilingual available Mon.,Wed, Fri (lunes, miercoles y viernes) — 3:00 PM- 7:00 PM

Rev. Henry Noga, SVD

Pastor Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday 10 AM to 12 PM 5 PM to 8 PM (with appointment) lunes, martes, miércoles, y viernes 10 AM a 12 PM 5 PM a 8 PM (con cita)

Rev. Emilio Reyes, SVD

Parochial Vicar Monday,Wednesday,Thursday,& Friday 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM 5 PM to 8 PM (with appointment) lunes, miércoles, jueves y viernes 10:00 AM a 12:00 PM 5 PM a 8 PM (con cita)

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Flor Herce Bookkeeper

Pat Ludwig Secretary

Fabiola Ordaz Bilingual Receptionist

St. Vincent de Paul

510-783-0344 Office hours 1:00-2:30 PM ONLY Monday-Friday Gary Enos, President

Faith Formation

Formación de Fe

Baptism Preparation Classes—Eng/Sp First Communion—Eng/Sp Youth Confirmation—Eng Marriage Preparation Classes—Sp RCIA for Adults—Eng/Sp

Confirmation Coordinator

Gabriela Perez Stjyouthconfirmation@gmail.com

Church Ministries

Amigos de Cristo Bible Study—Sp Fil-Am Ministry Guadalupanos Knights of Columbus—Eng/Sp Lectors Eng/Sp Legion of Mary—Eng/Sp Ministry to the Sick—Eng/Sp Music Ministry—Eng/Sp

~Contact the parish office for information on any of the above ministries ~Comuníquese con la oficina de la rectoría para obtener información sobre cualquiera de los ministerios mencionados anteriormente.

St. Joachim School Escuela de San Joaquín 510-783-3177

Dana Bayer Principal

Sandra Garzon School Secretary

St. Joachim Pre-School 510-783-0604

Marisa Melgarejo Director



Win this 50" TCL Television

TCL 50" 4K UHD



Second Year Confirmation Students are selling the Raffle Tickets - Don't miss your chance to own this great Television, help Support our High School Youth Program and help our students to attend their retreat !!

The WINNER will be Drawn January 5, 2025 after the 12:15 Mass

Raffle Tickets are

\$6.00 each or

4 for \$20.00

 Tickets sold by Second year Confirmation Students and their leaders.

- ~ Motion Rate 240
- ~ Auto Game Mode
- ~ High Dynamic Range
- ~ FullView Bezel-less Design
- ~ Dolby Vision /Dolby Atmos



Committee Meeting

Monday ~ January 6th

In the Hall ~ 7:00 PM

All members should attend !

Anuncio:

No tendremos misas ni confesiones los miércoles por la tarde durante el mes de enero. Gracias.



Come pray the rosary with your parish community. We pray a multi-lingual rosary on Thursday at 7:00 PM in the church. All are invited to come pray

TOME

NOTA

together. The Rosary is led by the Knights of Columbus.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Marissa Dela Cruz Shawn Silva **Celestina Enrique** Lelia Nocon Yesenia Oseguera Malosi Meredith Sally-Ann Thomas Junior Thomas Chaz Decoteau Porfirio Loza Ernie Alvarez Andrew Nocon Emil Oafsson Josephine Alvarez **Crystal Clark River Smith** Margie San Juan



St Vincent de Paul

offering for next week:

Chili

Donations are very much appreciated—but please no expired food. ~ Thank You

Scan to donate to the Church Escanear para donar ala Ialesia



CONTRIBUTIONS CONTRIBUCIONES **COLLECTION FOR** December 22. 2024 **1st Collection** \$ 9,509.00 **EFT Collection** \$ 560.00 **On Line Giving** \$ 1,796.00 **1st Collection** TOTAL \$ 11.865.00 2nd Liturgical Needs — \$ 2,687.00 Donation amount for 12/29 not available at press time-

will be reported in a future bulletin



VATICAN CORNER

The word "epiphany" comes

from the Greek word epiphainen meaning "to make known", and the feast of the Epiphany celebrates the three main events in which Christ had made Himself known to the world. Those events are: the visit of the Magi, the baptism of Jesus, and the miracle at Cana. The visit of the Magi, also called the three wise men, is emphasized on the feast of the Epiphany. On that feast day on January 6, 2023, after presiding at Mass in St. Peter's Basilica, Pope Francis came to the window of the Apostolic Palace to recite the Marian prayer



and give a short lesson about the Magi, but from a different point of view than the usual. Instead of referencing the gifts that the Magi offered to Jesus (gold, frankincense and myrrh), he gave an account of the "three precious gifts" that God gave to the Magi. Francis said the first gift is "the gift of the call." He explained that the Magi did not foresee the coming of Jesus "by reading Scriptures or seeing a vision of angels" but by "studying the stars." "God calls us through our greatest aspirations and desires." The Magi, "educated and wise were more fascinated by what they did not know than by what they did know. God invites everyone to step out of their own "comfort zones" to seek him. The Magi's second gift was "discernment" or clear-sightedness. The journey of these men did not fall into the trap of King Herod, and they were able to distinguish "between the purpose of the journey and the temptations encountered along the way. The Pope urged Christians to "never tire" of asking for the gift of discernment. Finally the third gift was "surprise." The three men of high social standing were surprised to encounter a baby in a manger, a "God in poverty." They were surprised but they "knew how to recognize him". Francis emphasized that "in humility, in silence, in adoration, in the little ones and the poor" is where "one meets the Lord." Many of the faithful who had gathered to hear Pope Francis speak were in medieval costumes in St. Peter's square. The reason is that the Viva La Befana event, a national holiday also takes place on the holy feast day of the Epiphany. It is celebrated with a medieval parade down the avenue to St. Peter's Basilica and features antique costumes and symbolic gifts. The evening before, excited children had prepared for a late-night visit from La Befana by hanging up socks to be filled with small delights of sweets or those who have misbehaved will get lumps of coal, which these days can be black rock candy. Befana is a grandmotherly woman who resembles a kindly witch, who brings gifts to good little children, puts them in stockings hung above the hearth, and then sweeps up a bit before leaving. She is a figure from Italian folklore with likely ancient Roman origins, but in modern day she is connected to the three wise men of the Epiphany. According to the legend, Befana was in her cottage sweeping the floor when she saw the bright star in the night sky and soon after the Magi on their way to Bethlehem paid her a visit. They asked for directions and told her they were following the star and were bringing gifts to honor the new king. Befana declined their invitation to join them on their journey being reluctant to leave her work unfinished. She provided the Magi shelter for the night, but afterwards they continued on their journey. Befana had a change of heart, and ran after them with her broom and her basket of small gifts for the holy child, but failed to catch up. She is said today that she is still searching for that holy baby on her quest, leaving treats such as toys, candy and fruit for well behaved children and chunks of coal, onions, garlic, or even straw from her broom for naughty children. She wears a distinctive dark shawl covered with chimney soot, and she sweeps the floor of a home before she leaves. This is a symbolic gesture for clearing out the old just as the new year is dawning. Sources:aleteia.org, Italiarail.com



MASS INTENTIONS January 4-11, 2025

Saturday 4:30 PM

Nino Nabong (birthday) Mary Grace Dela Cruz (birthday) Nemia Edades (birthday)

Saturday 6:00 PM Juan & Nallely Ponce † Rafael, Aurora & Juvenal Torres † Martin Delgado †

Sunday 7:30 AM Perla Talaue †

Perla Talaue † Immanuel & Arnold Dizon †

Sunday 9:00 AM

Edgar Delos Angeles † Ernesto Salta † Maria Elena Romero †

Sunday 10:30 AM

Joao Silveira († *birthday*) Sean Arney Dela Cruz (*healing*)

Sunday 12:15 PM The Community of St. Joachim

Sunday 2:00 PM The Community of St. Joachim

Sunday 6:00 PM The Community of St. Joachim

Monday 8:30 AM Titas Marquez (*thanksgiving*) John Madriaga (*thanksgiving*) Souls in Purgatory †

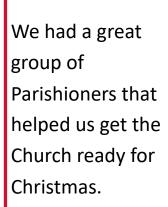
Tuesday 8:30 AM Mercedes M. Solis + (anniversary)

Wednesday 8 :30 AM Francis Carlo Salta (healing)

Thursday 8:30 AM Rheynar Guiao (*healing*)

Friday 8:30 AM Nuevo & Cecilia Talaue (special intention) Joamil Dela Cruz (special intention) Johnmel Guoao (healing)

Saturday 8:30 AM The Community of St. Joachim



Many thanks to all of them (including the ones that left early before the picture) for their dedication and hard work.





The Loboc Children's Choir performs at St. Joachim Gymnasium on January 10, 2025 at 7PM.



It's a rare privilege for the entire St. Joachim Church community to host the globally acclaimed Loboc Children's Choir. This marks their first-ever performance in our area, making it a unique and unforgettable experience for all of us. The choir, which recently clinched the prestigious "2024 Aliw Awards for Best Choral Group" in the Philippines, is on their third USA-Canada Tour, and we are fortunate to be a part of it.

The Loboc Children's Choir will present a diverse Concert of Religious, Classical, Contemporary and Filipino Classics that promises to both amaze and entertain us. Their presentation, aptly titled "On Wings of Heritage", is a testament to their versatility and talent.

As part of this tour, they come to promote their province, Bohol as the First UNESCO GEOPARK in the Philippines. They also would like to contribute in the restoration of the 200-Year Old Pipe Organ in the town of Loboc, Bohol; support the scholarship and other programs of the Loboc Children's Choir and the projects of the St. Joachim Church Filipino-American Ministry.

We are delighted that through the efforts of the Bohol Circle, Incorporated under the leadership of Myrna Cajilog, we were able to bring the Loboc Children's Choir in our community.

As part of their coming to St. Joachim's Church community, they will also meet and perform for the students and staff of St. Joachim School. This will be an opportunity for our school children to meet choristers in their age group and hopefully inspire them to become choir members someday.

I encourage you to come and join us, experience the music that the Loboc Children's Choir will be presenting for all of us. General Admission tickets of \$25.00 are available at the St. Joachim Church Rectory Office through Ariel Mayormita (510.589755), Myrna Cajilog (209.6292024), and Gloria Cahiles (510.9318348). If you are interested, you may also become a major sponsor for this event, please contact Ariel Mayormita. Get your tickets now.



