

December 26, 2021



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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

- *Saturday: 5:00 PM
- *Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM & 5:00 PM
- *Monday: 8:30 AM
- *Tuesday: 8:30 AM
- *Wednesday: 8:30 AM
- *First Friday of the month: 8:30 AM
- *Thursday & Friday: Communion Service 8:30 AM

CONFESSION

- *Saturday: 3:00pm-3:45pm

INFANT BAPTISMS

Are by appointment. Please call the Rectory office at 818-360-4611 ext. 110 for information and scheduling.

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WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of December 26, 2021

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or

1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40

Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18

Saturday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12



God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son...
(John 3:16)

In the midst of this Season of Joy and Hope, the world is still caught up in the uncertainties of the pandemic. But our Faith is not at all dimmed. In the Christmas carol, *O Little Town of Bethlehem*, we sing "the hopes and fears of all the years" are met in Christ born in Bethlehem.

With faith, our fears are lessened and our hope is increased. With faith, we know that Christ's Light shines even in the darkness of uncertainty just as He came on that first Christmas night bringing peace to the world.

*Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting light.*

My Christmas wish for each of you, dear parishioners, is that you experience the power of Christ's Birth. I pray that you allow the Prince of Peace to dwell in your hearts, in your families, in your neighborhood—and in so doing, bring Christ's Peace in the world!

Humbly yours,

Father Alden Sison
Pastor

The Christmas Season

SCHEDULE OF LITURGIES

DECEMBER 25, 2021

SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)

Holy Day of Obligation

CHRISTMAS VIGIL - Friday, December 24

(Christmas Season begins)

4:00 p.m. Children's Mass

6:30 p.m. Mass at Night

12:00 a.m. Mass at Midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY - Saturday December 25

8:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

No evening Mass.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2021

SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

No evening Mass.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1, 2022

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

(Not a holy day of obligation this year)

10:30 a.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022

SOLEMNITY THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Regular Sunday Schedule

5:00 p.m. (Saturday);

8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, 2022

SOLEMNITY OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Regular Sunday Schedule

5:00 p.m. (Saturday);

8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

The Christmas Season ends at sundown.

WEEKDAY MASSES WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS

8:30 a.m.

December 27: Feast of Saint John the Apostle

December 28: Feast of the Holy Innocents

December 29: Fifth Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

December 30: Sixth Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

December 31: Seventh Day Within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 26th

8:30am The Parishioners of Saint Euphrasia
10:30am Peter Di Coio (D)

Monday, December 27th

8:30am Cecilia Fajardo (L)
Happy Birthday!

Tuesday, December 28th

8:30am Skyela Rosa Goldbaum (L)
Happy Birthday!
Ansel Hoffman (L)
Happy Birthday!

Wednesday, December 29th

8:30am Nelly Falah (L)
Mansur Falah (D)

Thursday, December 30th

8:30am Dottie Riordan (D)

Friday, December 31st

8:30am Louis Llach (D)
Brother-in-Law of Romaine Henry

Saturday, January 1st

10:30am Sam Zeind (D)
5:00pm Maria Del Carmen Moreno (D)

Sunday, January 2nd

8:30am Edward Slovic (D)
10:30am Bobby Villar (D)
5:00pm Jarvis Rodrigs (D)

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Maria Frigillana	Joe Nuccitelli
Anton Holtzman	Anthony Nuccitelli
Dora Holtzman	Deacon Mike Perez
Joan Johnson	Craig Petrella
Werner Kessling	Carl Stearns
Carolan Lombardy	Armando Talamantez
April Mazzeo	Beth Tramontina

and all those in our Parish Book of Prayers

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE HAPPY REPOSE OF ALL SOULS:
Jennie Sorenson and Federico Laquian

Did You Know?

Did you know? December 25-26 || Check Christmas presents for button batteries

Many parents will be spending the next few days and weeks assembling (and reassembling) their children's gifts, and it's important to be on the lookout for potential hazards, including button batteries. Button batteries are small, round discs used in anything from toys to key fobs to watches. If these batteries end up being swallowed or placed in a child's nose or ears, they can cause serious damage — from electrical currents to tissue burns. Keep an eye on the power sources for the toys your children get this Christmas, and consider taking extra safety measures for anything with a button battery. For more information, visit <https://www.nsc.org/home-safety/safety-topics/child-safety/button-batteries>.

St. Euphrasia



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OFFICE HOURS ARE
WEDNESDAY-SUNDAY
10:30AM-4:30PM



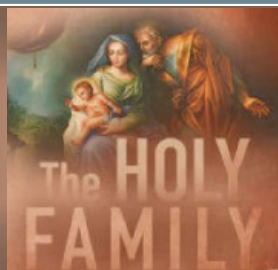
"Confirmation Registrations has begun. Please stop by the Confirmation Office to pick up a Registration Packet, if you have any questions please feel free to contact Alejandro Velasquez, thank you."



Christmas Wishes to all.
Please join us on January 8th at 10am in the Church Hall for Our Cancer Ministry. All are welcome and refreshments will be provided.



PARISH OFFICE WILL
BE CLOSED DECEMBER
31, 2021 DUE TO
NEW YEAR'S DAY





Join Sister Joanna as we prepare our hearts for Christmas
Sundays of Advent (Dec. 5, 12, & 19)
1- 2:30 pm

Contact Sister Joanna for
Zoom Link

Contact Sister Joanna -- *adult-faith@stemail.org*
213-256-9753

RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Do you know someone who is interested in receiving the Sacraments or learning more about the Catholic Faith? This is for anyone who wants to receive the Sacrament of Baptism, wants to become Catholic, or who has not yet made his/her First Communion.

Adults: Wednesdays 7:00 -8:30 pm on ZOOM (1st Wednesday of the month is in person)

Teens 13- 17 years old: Sundays 4:00-6:00 pm in the meeting room.

Children 7- 12 years old: Second Saturday of the month in the meeting room

Are you interested in helping those who want to become Catholic?

I am looking for new team members for all levels of RCIA and Adult Confirmation preparation. For more information, please **contact Sister Joanna**

I am preparing a place for Christ to be born anew within me. My soul is a manger for God!

Servant of God Sister Ida Peterfy, SDSH
www.sacredheartsisters.com

The Holy Family / December 26, 2021

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

"I prayed for this child, and the Lord granted my request. Now I, in turn, give him to the Lord; as long as he lives, he shall be dedicated to the Lord." (1 Sm 1:27-28)

Psalm:

Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord. (Ps 84)

Second Reading:

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. And so we are. (1 Jn 3:1)

Gospel:

After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. (Lk 2:46)

Observances for the week of December 26, 2021

- Sunday:** The Holy Family
- Monday:** St. John, Apostle and Evangelist
- Tuesday:** The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
- Wednesday:** St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr
- Thursday:**
- Friday:** St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve
- Saturday:** New Year's Day; Mary, The Holy Mother of God; World Day of Peace
- Next Sunday:** The Epiphany of the Lord; Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED



Question:

I have been away from the Church for a few years and really want to get active again, not so much for me, but for my children. Is this a bad reason to come back to Church?

Answer:

If you are on your way to the supermarket, and you are forced to detour from your usual route because of road work, does the food you buy taste different? Is the meal less filling? Are the vegetables less tasty? Of course not. In our faith journey, there are many detours called sin. Some are greater than others, some are even a bit longer. But God's grace comes to us in ways we understand and recognize and need. Your children leading you back to the Church is not as important as the fact that you are back.

This is an opportunity for you to renew, strengthen, and deepen your faith. Regardless of how we get to Church, or what draws us closer to God, the fact is we are there. Do what you need to do to get right with God and the Church. Go to confession, begin good family religious practices, and be involved in the ministries your parish offers. Be more than a lukewarm parishioner. Be the kind of Catholic you want your children to be.



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It's Time to Give the Gift of Warmth to those in need by donating USED Men's-Women's-Children's Used Coats and winter garments!

Feed My Sheep, St. Euphrasia's service ministry to the hungry and needy, is sponsoring our annual Used Men's, Women's and Children's Used Coat Drive now through February 2022. Green collection receptacles are located in the vestibule AND in the porch alcove by the side church door entrance on Shoshone Ave. Please join in giving the Gift of Warmth to those in need!! Contact Nancy Hymes for more info: nancyhymes@hotmail.com

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading:

Hannah, the mother of Samuel, and Samuel's father are portrayed as parents of deep prayer and great faith. How would you describe the faith of your mother or father?

Second Reading:

John teaches us that if we believe in Jesus and love one another, "we may be called children of God." How do you show gratitude for being part of this holy family?

Gospel:

Luke is the only Evangelist to preserve a story about Jesus from his youth. In this account, Mary and Joseph are filled with "great anxiety" as they searched for Jesus who they thought was lost. How do you seek God's help for the anxious moments in your family?



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 TIME: 4:00-5:30 P.M.
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Spiritual direction is the practice of walking with someone who wants to deepen their relationship with God and grow in their personal spirituality. The person seeking direction controls the time together.

(S)he may share stories of encounters with the divine, or how they are cultivating a life attuned to spiritual things, or how they may be struggling in Faith, especially during this time of pandemic.

Sister Angela, Pastoral Assistant and a certified Spiritual Director, is available to meet virtually (ZOOM, SKYPE, or FaceTime) with any parishioner who wishes to strengthen their awareness of God's voice and presence in their lives. If you desire more information or wish to set up an initial appointment, please contact her at afaustina@stemail.org.




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Day of Prayer


Living a Hope Filled Life

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."
Romans 15:13



Fr. Bill Delaney, SJ
Pastoral Coordinator, SCRC

Saturday,
January 8, 2022
 10:00am - 4:30pm
St. Finbar Parish Hall
 2010 W. Olive Ave.
(at Keystone)
 Burbank, CA



Kay Murdy
Author, Speaker
Co-founder of the Catholic Bible Institute

Topics:
Faith- "We Walk by Faith Not by Sight" (2 Cor. 5:7)
Joy- "Rejoice in the Lord Always" (Phil. 4:4)
Hope- "Christ in You, the Hope of Glory" (Col. 1:27)
Peace- "The God of Peace Will Be With You"

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