

BEATITUDES OF OUR LORD CHURCH

December 25, 2022

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

She wrapped him in swaddling clothes
and laid him in a manger, because
there was no room for them in the inn.



MASS SCHEDULE

ALL MASSES
TEMPORARILY HELD IN
MARRON HALL

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 8 am, 10 am & 12 pm
Mon., Wed. & Fri. at 8:30 am
Tuesday & Thursday 6:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Confessions: Tues. & Thurs.
5:00-6:00 pm

CHURCH OFFICE

Office Hours: Mon. - Fri.
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

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Beloved of God, saved in Christ, my brothers and sisters,

A blessed and holy Christmas to you and all those you love. **Welcome to this celebration of the Christ Mass.** It is always good to have the Parish family together, celebrating, sharing and remembering the goodness of God. May God grant every good prayer you hold in your heart for yourself and others. Merry Christmas!

I am especially grateful, at the year's end, to look back and be humbled by your **"everyday holiness"** and the extraordinary moments of grace that I see at work in us. Day by day you work to bring greater love and trust into your relationships, your workplaces and our world. How many opportunities are there in any given day to witness love, joy and peace? How often do you practice the virtues of Christian life and choose to follow Jesus? It isn't a flashy, in your face kind of life, no...**it flows naturally from the heart that prays, that seeks, and that worships and learns from Christ.** So, thank you for your faithfulness to the journey and all the good that you do.

To those who have been involved with the **good works of our parish**, thank you. To those who would like to be involved, join us! Our parish is acting to build affordable housing through our participation in the Catholic coalition for Habitat for Humanity. Our parishioners volunteer in the Catholic Worker Soup Kitchen on skid row. Twice a month, our parishioners assist the food insecurity with our Food Pantry. Volunteers from our parish are present to and minister to the elderly, sick, homebound and those in convalescent care. **These are the works of the Gospel!**

The rupturing of the high pressure water line that feeds the Fire Sprinkler System and **the flooding of our Church** has taken up a lot of time and energy these past months. I pray that we have been able to tend to that and still move our ministries forward in ways that serve you and serve Christ. **It is still our hope to be back in the Church for Easter.**

Next month, January, we will begin a **major effort entitled: Called to Renew.** It is part of a campaign in our Archdiocese which was designed to assist parishes locally with repairs and to fund chaplaincies and evangelization efforts in hospitals, on college campuses, and detention facilities for juveniles and adults. Now, the "assist parishes locally with repairs" has taken on a whole new meaning! Please be generous when we contact you - it is a five-year effort/pledge to fully fund not only our repairs but most importantly, to grow our ministries. **We will not let anything stop us from proclaiming Jesus to the world!**

Again, on behalf of Fr. Tony, Johndy, our seminarian, all of our wonderful Staff and myself, I wish a most blessed Christmas to the beloved of God, those saved in Christ, my brothers and sisters, my parish family.

I wish you peace. - Fr. Ed

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve Masses

Saturday, December 24th

2:30 pm - Children's Liturgy with Communion

Christmas Vigil Masses

4:00 pm & 5:30 pm

Christmas Day Masses

Sunday, December 25th

8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12 Noon & 4:00 pm

Saturday, December 31st

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

Vigil Mass - 4:00 pm

Sunday, January 1st

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God Masses

8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12 Noon

Church & Ministry

Mass Readings

for the Week of December 25, 2022

Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10/ Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3])/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Monday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22

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

Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/Mt 2:13-18

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

Friday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13/Jn 1:1-1

Monday, December 26



A CHRISTMAS PRAYER FOR FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

May all of my Family and Friends who need miracles be blessed. May whoever is feeling weak be given strength. May all of those who have heavy burdens have their load lightened.

May your Christmas be filled with happiness and joy.



Holiday Thanks from the Good Samaritan Ministry

Heartfelt THANKS to our Beatitudes parishioners, the Knights of Columbus Council 4523, the La Mirada Rotary Club, Beatitudes School, Cub Scout Pack 803, Girl Scout Troop 23644, and Boy Scout Troop 438 for their generous donations to Good Sam Pantry during this holiday season. In December, we served 135 families. On December 15th, we gave Angel Gift Cards and food bags to 70 families. A special thanks to our volunteers who helped with this distribution. We wish all of you a blessed Christmas filled with peace and joy and a New Year filled with faith, hope and love.



If you have questions, please contact us at
Cathy4GoodSam@gmail.com

This Week at Beatitudes

Monday 12/26/22

Tuesday 12/27/22

- 5:00 pm-6:00 pm: Confession, MH
- 7:00 pm-8:00 pm: Bible Study, MC

Wednesday 12/28/22

- 7:00 pm-9:00 pm: RCIA, SH
- 7:00 pm-8:00 pm: Adoration, MH

Thursday 12/29/22

- 3:00 pm-5:00 pm: Staff Meeting, MC
- 5:00 pm-6:00 pm: Confession, MH
- 7:00 pm-9:00 pm: Music Rehearsal, MH

Friday 12/30/22

Saturday 12/31/22

Sunday 1/1/23

- 8:00 am-11 am: Community Fellowship, MH Patio

Church & Ministry

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT MINISTRY

You're invited to our monthly gathering for married and engaged couples!

Make new friends while strengthening your marriage and learning to keep God at the center of your relationship.

Dinner and childcare will be provided.

Who: All engaged couples, newly married couples and longtime married couples.

When: Every 3rd Thursday of the month after the 6:30pm Mass.

Dinner at 7:00pm in Ministry Center.

Please reserve your place by contacting Ana Machuca: 714-864-1034

Baptismal Preparation

Baptisms are celebrated with the parish family during our Saturday and Sunday masses.

To begin the process, call the rectory for an appointment with a Deacon. (562) 943-1521

Beatitudes' Men's Fellowship

Meets 1st Thursday of the month at 7:00pm in the Ministry Center

For more information, contact Gene Gleason (562) 943-5566

Beatitudes' Women's Fellowship

Meets 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:00pm in the Ministry Center

For more information, contact Kate Abad (714) 403-7068 or kateabad@msn.com

Anointing of the Sick

To arrange for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick (in person), please call the parish office at 562-943-1521

MISSING ENVELOPES?

If you did not receive your December envelopes, please call or stop by the office and they will be provided for you.

We are sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Did You Know?

Watch out for fire dangers.

Christmas is a popular time to decorate with candles and electric lights, both inside and out of the house. These decorations can be beautiful and festive, but also come with the risk of fires. Parents should make sure to keep candles out of reach of children, and off surfaces where they could be easily knocked over. All lights should be checked for faulty wires or other defective parts that could cause a fire. For more information, read the "Holiday Safety" article on nsc.org/community-safety/safety-topics/seasonal-safety/winter-safety/holiday?

RCIA

The RCIA process is designed for individuals who are not baptized, those baptized in other Christian faiths, and baptized Catholics who never received the Sacrament of Eucharist and/or Confirmation.

- It is a faith journey that encourages individuals to broaden and deepen their prayer life; to know God through the scriptures; to come to know themselves more fully, and to actively participate in parish and community activities.
- Many individuals begin the process during late summer/early fall and are able to celebrate full sacramental initiation at the Easter Vigil (Holy Saturday Night) the following spring.
- Parish members are invited to become directly involved by sponsoring a candidate. We also encourage and invite all who may be interested, to come and see what living life as a committed Catholic Christian can mean to you.

PRAYER & WORSHIP



Sunday, December 25, 2022

8:00 AM-All Parishioners

10:00 AM-All Parishioners

12:00 PM-All Parishioners

4:00 PM-All Parishioners

Monday, December 26, 2022

8:30 AM-Kim & Family, Special Intention

Normita Espiritu †

Avelino De Guzman †

Daniel Gonzales †

Tuesday, December 27, 2022

6:30 PM-Helen Galm †

Paulo Reynaldo Lazaro †

Simplocio Cruz †

Wednesday, December 28, 2022

8:30 AM-Angelo Kim, Happy Birthday 🎉

Vicenta Lampino †

Viyo Mercado †

Vanessa De La Cruz †

Thursday, December 29, 2022

6:30 PM-Paz Gilera & Family, Thanksgiving

Bill Raleigh, Special Intention

Dorothy Tamashiro, Special Intention

Friday, December 30, 2022

8:30 AM-Paz Gilera, Happy Birthday 🎉

Maria Shin †

Lidia D. Zapata †

Saturday, December 31, 2022

4:00 PM-All Parishioners

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Dear God...We pray for those who are sick, lonely or are in need of consolation. May Christ's Divine Mercy bring them strength and comfort. We pray especially for:

Miguela Abrena	Raul Vega
Suzatte Hodnett	Arnold Garza
Esther Holguin	Dorothy Tamashiro
Apollo Ramirez	Carmen Rawson
Lorena Ayala	Nicole Ramirez
Daniel Rutowicz	Robert Uranga
John & Sonia Bailey	Malissa Magdaleno
Jonathan Sayre	Gay Unhalts
Bill Brockway	Estella Morales
Vivian Sharma	Frank Qui
Richard Harbaugh	Roberto Uranga
Linda Yneguez	

If you are sick/homebound and unable to attend Mass in person, but desire to receive the Eucharist, please contact our office at 562-943-1521 or email boloffice@ca.rr.com

If you would like to add or delete a name on the list, please call the Rectory at 562-943-1521. All names will be deleted at the end of every month.

Weekly & Monthly Adoration



**Exposition, Adoration
and Benediction
of the Blessed Sacrament.
Come spend an hour with Jesus!
Every Wednesday
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
and
the First Friday of
each month after Mass**

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

BLESSED are those who make Christmas bright by their spirit of kindness and care.

BLESSED are those who spread joy and delight by the gifts of good feeling they share.

BLESSED are those who help others to see life's beauty year in and year out.

BLESSED are those who've discovered the key to what Christmas is really about.

BLESSED are those who can show us the way to a world warmed by peace and goodwill.

BLESSED are those who forever will strive to be of good faith and good cheer.

BLESSED are those who keep Christmas alive in their hearts every day of the year.

Parish Financial Reporting

Ordinary Income and Expenses (Does not include flood)

Projected Budget Monthly Income	\$ 80,484.21
Projected Budget Monthly Expenses	-\$ <u>78,304.85</u>
Projected Monthly Surplus	\$ 2179.36

Month of NOVEMBER 2022

Actual Monthly Income	\$ 83,575.75
Actual Monthly Expenses	-\$ <u>102,367.66</u>
Balance	\$ -18,791.91

(Property taxes & Church panic bar replacement were \$16,000.00)

Fiscal Year to Date

July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

Actual Income	\$ 406,904.87
Actual Expenses	-\$ <u>423,352.89</u>
Balance	\$ -16,448.02

Church Flood

Month of NOVEMBER 2022

Parishioner Donations	\$ 8,230.00
Parish Savings Account Withdrawal	\$ 25,000.00
November Flood Expenses	-\$ <u>74,235.96</u>
Balance	\$ -41,005.96

Fiscal Year to Date

July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

Flood Donation & Savings Withdrawal	\$ 57,705.00
Actual Expenses	-\$ <u>199,335.48</u>
Balance	\$ -141,630.48

Fr. Ed and the Finance Council are happy to meet with you to answer any questions you may have regarding the Parish finances. Please call the office 562-943-1521 to set up an appointment or email us at bol@ca.rr.com

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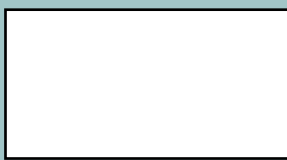
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