

# The Beacon

· Newsletter of The Immaculata Church ·

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
February 6, 2022

Keep FAITH Alive!

In the sight of the angels  
I will sing your praises, Lord  
-Psalm 138

*Welcome to  
The Immaculata*

## Celebrate National Marriage Week 2022 by USCCB.org, Witnessstolove.org

The observances of National Marriage Week (February 7-14) and World Marriage Day (Sunday, February 13) are an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family. Our theme for 2022 is “Called to the Joy of Love.”

The Sacrament of Marriage is not a one-time ceremony, rather it is a lifelong collaboration with God to bring life and grace to the world through the powerful witness of your love. A marriage movement called *Witness to Love* is offering in celebration of National Marriage Week 2022. Witness to Love’s mission is to build and sustain communities of Evangelizing Spouses to Be Light in our world. We believe in building communities that connect couples to Christ and the Church and not just creating content.

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## Catechesis of the Holy Father

by Pope Francis (January 12, 2022)

Dear Brothers and Sisters: in our continuing catechesis on Saint Joseph, we now consider Joseph's life as a worker. The Gospels tell us that Joseph was employed as a carpenter of modest means, engaged in physically demanding work. Jesus himself would have learned much about the dignity of labour from Saint Joseph. Work is in fact essential for our human development and for our growth in holiness. Indeed, work is not simply a matter of material benefit or mere profit, but a means of giving sense, worth and shape to our lives, and teaching us to spend ourselves generously for others. Today, we can think of all those workers in our world who struggle to make a living or raise a family, and who



often encounter injustice, exploitation and the threat of unemployment. Let us pray, through the intercession of Saint Joseph the Worker, for the protection of the fundamental rights of all workers, for an increased awareness of the worth of human labour, and for an economic order that will promote the dignity and prosperity of all peoples.

To read more visit <https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/audiences/2021>

## Saint of the Week

**Blessed Luigi Variara 1875-1923 Feast day: February 15.**



...In 1898, Luigi was ordained a priest. He soon turned out to be an excellent spiritual director. In 1905, the construction of the "Asilo don Unia" concluded, a place capable of hosting up to 150 orphans and lepers, and guaranteeing them education in a trade and future insertion into society. In Agua de Dios, the Sisters of Providence had started the Association of the Daughters of Mary, a group of 200 girls. He served as their confessor and identified some calls to religious life in the group. Thus, the bold project was born—a unique thing in the Church—of an Institute that would allow the acceptance of leprosy patients. Inspired by the spirituality of Fr. Beltrami, he developed the Salesian "victimal" charism and founded the Congregation of the Daughters of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, which today numbers 600 religious. Due to this foundation, he had much to suffer from the misunderstanding of the people and some superiors, who thought it best to remove him from Agua de Dios several times. Like Don Bosco, he was exemplary in obedience. Faced with slander, he did not say a word. Therefore, he was credible because he was obedient. Fr. Rua from Turin encouraged Luigi before he died. Today, Luigi rests in Agua de Dios, in the chapel of his Daughters. Declared Venerable: April 2, 1993; Beatified: April 14, 2002, by St. John Paul II.

To read more visit <https://salesians.org/calendar/bl-luigi-variara>

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## Couples' Novena

Join us for a couples' novena in honor of #NationalMarriageWeek starting February 5th and ending on St. Valentine's Day, February 14th. Each Day, we'll pray for a different intention and commend our prayers to the intercession of powerful married Saints!

<p><b>DAY 1   FEB 5TH</b></p>  <p>For <b>engaged and civily married couples</b> preparing to receive the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony; that God may grant them the gift of joy and wisdom during this time of discernment.</p> <p>Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...</p> <p><b>Sts. Joseph &amp; Mary,</b> pray for us!</p>	<p><b>DAY 6   FEB 10TH</b></p>  <p>For <b>couples struggling with addition of any kind—alcohol, drugs, pornography, social media, work, shopping, gambling</b>—that the Lord may reveal and heal the wound or unmet need that is at the source of the addiction.</p> <p>Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...</p> <p><b>St. Rita of Cascia,</b> pray for us!</p>
<p><b>DAY 2   FEB 6TH</b></p>  <p>For <b>empty nesters and retired couples</b>; that this new phase of their lives may bring renewal in their relationship. May they be inspired to share their time and gifts with those in need, especially young and struggling couples.</p> <p>Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...</p> <p><b>Sts. Joachim &amp; Anne,</b> pray for us!</p>	<p><b>DAY 7   FEB 11TH</b></p>  <p>For <b>separated couples and those recovering from infidelity</b>; that where separation is absolutely necessary, both parties may find safety and healing, while remaining true to their vows and open to reconciliation. We pray that through the power of Jesus' resurrection, honesty, trust, and tenderness may be restored in couples recovering from infidelity.</p> <p>Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...</p> <p><b>St. Thomas More,</b> pray for us!</p>
<p><b>DAY 3   FEB 7TH</b></p>  <p>For <b>couples experiencing the pain of infertility and child loss</b>; that our Blessed Lord may grant healing, acceptance, and meaning, and inspire in them ways to use their gift of love to give life to others.</p> <p>Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...</p> <p><b>Sts. Zechariah &amp; Elizabeth</b> pray for us!</p>	<p><b>DAY 8   FEB 12TH</b></p>  <p>For <b>couples that do not share the same faith</b>; that through the practice of virtue, they may be joined in their pursuit of the true, the good, and the beautiful.</p> <p>Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...</p> <p><b>St. Monica,</b> pray for us!</p>
<p><b>DAY 4   FEB 8TH</b></p>  <p>For <b>couples strained by a difficult relationship with their child(ren) or family members</b>; that they may seek opportunities to show empathy and forgiveness in the hope of reconciliation.</p> <p>Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...</p> <p><b>Sts. Louis &amp; Zelig Martin,</b> pray for us!</p>	<p><b>DAY 9   FEB 13TH</b></p>  <p>For <b>all couples faithfully living out their vocation to be light in the world</b>; may they know that their efforts, however small, are making God's love known to those around them!</p> <p>Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...</p> <p><b>Sts. Aquila and Priscilla,</b> pray for us!</p>
<p><b>DAY 5   FEB 9TH</b></p>  <p>For <b>couples experiencing physical or mental illness</b>; that through the virtues of patience and endurance, they may remain faithful to their vow to be true to one another "in sickness and in health," and that they may be surrounded by the support of family and friends.</p> <p>Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...</p> <p><b>St. Gianna Beretta Molla,</b> pray for us!</p> <p>NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK</p>	<p><b>FINAL PRAYER   FEB 14TH</b></p> <p>O God, You created marriage to be the crown of creation, the holy place where your love dwells, and where new life is nourished. Confirm couples in their sacred duty to be light and salt to the world through the gift of love You have given them. Through Jesus' Sacred Heart, increase in all couples empathy, joy, tenderness, and mercy. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, protect couples from apathy, resentment, infidelity, and contempt. God our Father, Who made all things good, help couples to never lose sight of their dignity, even in the midst of conflict, temptation, and despair. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen. Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be...</p> <p><b>St. Valentine and all holy married couples,</b> pray for us!</p>



### Mission Statement of The Immaculata

Inspired and strengthened by the Sacraments, Scripture, and Liturgy, we are a vibrant, diverse Roman Catholic community called to serve as faithful disciples of Christ in our lives and ministries. With our Blessed Mother to guide us, we strive to be a beacon of faith and a spiritual home to all who seek God.

### MASSES

Monday-Saturday 8:00 a.m.  
(livestreamed)

Saturday Vigil 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m.  
(livestreamed)

Sunday 11:00 a.m.

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesdays: 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Wednesdays: 8:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays  
3:30 p.m.– 4:15 p.m.  
(in the church)

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Closed on Saturday

Sunday 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

(619) 574-5700

[theimmaculata@sandiego.edu](mailto:theimmaculata@sandiego.edu)

## Mass Readings & Intentions

### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 6, 2022

#### First Reading

In a vision Isaiah is called to be a messenger for the LORD of hosts. Isaiah responds, "Send me!"  
*Isaiah 6:1-2, 3-8*

#### Responsorial Psalm

In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord  
*Psalm 138*

#### Second Reading

Paul reminds us of the gospel he preached through which we are saved, if we believe it  
*1 Corinthians 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]*

#### Gospel

Jesus directs Simon to take his boat into deep water for a miraculous catch of fish. Simon and his partners leave all to follow Jesus.  
*Luke 5:1-11*

#### Intentions:

- 7:30 a.m. For an end to the pandemic & for its victims
- 9:00 a.m. For the sick of the parish
- 11:00 a.m. For all parishioners

#### Monday, February 7

1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56

#### Intentions:

- 8:00 a.m. Elsie Mae Cantera

#### Tuesday, February 8

1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13

**Intention:** Ana Suazo

#### Wednesday, February 9

1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23

**Intention:** + Edward Bryant

#### Thursday, February 10

1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40; Mk 7:24-30

**Intention:** + Matthew Larson

#### Friday, February 11

1 Kgs 11:29-32, 12:19; Ps 81:10-15; Mk 7:31-37

**Intention:** + Hugo Tretola, Anna & Susan Tretola (living)

#### Saturday, February 12

1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10

#### Intentions:

- 8:00 a.m. + Romana DeLaCruz
- 4:30 p.m. + Kathleen Marcoccia

## Ministries & Programs

### Councils

Finance Council

Pastoral Council

### Evangelization

New Parishioner Welcome

### Faith Formation

#### Adult

Adult Faith Formation  
Becoming Catholic (RCIA)  
Book Club  
Immaculata Young Adults  
Vocations

#### Youth

High School Youth  
Infant Baptism  
Middle School Youth  
Family-Centered Faith Formation

### Family Life & Spirituality

Bereavement Ministry  
Childcare  
Divorce Support  
Homebound Ministry  
Knights of Columbus  
Ladies of The Immaculata

Marriage Enrichment  
Men's Chastity  
Mental Health Ministry  
Parent Faith Sharing  
Parish Rosary  
Witness to Love Marriage Preparation

### Liturgy

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
Altar Linen Care  
Altar Servers  
Eucharistic Ministers  
Kids Pew Krew  
Lectors

Liturgical Environment  
Music Ministry  
Ushers/Greeters  
Youth Music Ministry  
Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)

### Parish Fellowship

Divine Diners

Donut Ministry

Parish Events

### Life, Peace & Justice

Creation Care Team  
Food Pantry  
Give-Back Sunday Team

Racial Justice  
Safe Families for Children  
St. Vincent de Paul

### Stewardship

### Other

Mailing Volunteers

Safe Environment

**For more information on how to get involved in any of our parish ministries & programs contact the parish office (619) 574-5700 or visit [theimmaculata.org](http://theimmaculata.org) and click on the Ministries tab**

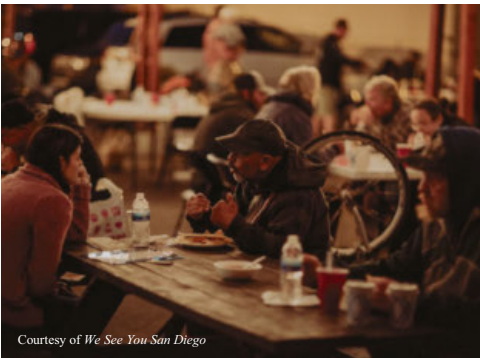
# LIFE, PEACE & JUSTICE MINISTRIES

“Love One Another”

## We See You San Diego

*“Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.”*

-Matthew 25:40



Courtesy of We See You San Diego

The mission of *We See You San Diego* is to welcome homeless neighbors by cultivating a loving, safe, judgement-free environment where everyone who enters is treated as an honored guest. What began just a few years ago with a home-cooked dinner for a half dozen people without homes has now grown to serve 150-200 people each week. Every Tuesday at The Resolved Church on Napa Street compassionate families from churches, and businesses contribute their time, talent

and resources to serve hot, home-cooked dinners to our homeless brothers and sisters. *We See You San Diego* fosters community, offering a place to sit, eat, and converse with people who care about where their guests are, have been, and what their future holds.

The weekly gathering is the starting place for relationship-building, ideally leading to a restoration of dignity and identity. Ultimately, the goal is to provide resources and support for guests and to help them break free from addiction, homelessness, and a life on the street. *We See You* strives to be a presence for those on the street, those looking to leave, and then, be a continuing support to those who have done so.

As a graduate from a year-long recovery program confessed, she felt she had reached “the bottom of the barrel” living in the grime of San Diego streets and doing whatever she could to support her drug addiction. She shared, “I finally did something I should have done a long time ago. I cried out to God for help.” She believes He answered, sending her to the *We See You* family. “They did something unbelievable. They treated me like a lady...like a human being.” *We See You* ultimately placed her in a faith-based program to overcome her addiction and regain self-esteem. As she stated:

*“I have begun to love myself again. And the most intense and wonderful peace...has sprouted deep within my spirit...a peace that can come from only one source...the REDEMPTION of...Jesus Christ...Today, I have something that was long ago forgotten. HOPE!”*

For more information on how to serve with *We See You San Diego* visit [weseeyousandiego.com](http://weseeyousandiego.com).



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### Words of Wisdom from Pope Francis

“I must not categorize others in order to decide who is my neighbor and who is not. It is up to me whether to be a neighbor or not.”

- Angelus, St Peter’s Square, Rome, 10/7/2016



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## READ



Join fellow Immaculata Parishioners in supporting *We*

*See You San Diego* as a parish ministry serving our local homeless brothers and sisters.

[Read now...](#)

## LISTEN



Learn about the 2022 San Diego Homeless Count occurring in

February 2022. The count helps determine federal funding in support of our homeless. Volunteers needed.

[Listen now...](#)

## EXPLORE



Explore MAP THE MEAL GAP, to see the extent of food

insecurity in specific counties and populations, in this case San Diego children.

[Explore now...](#)

## Immaculata Announcements

### Senior Discussion Group - “Ten Pain Symptoms You Should NOT Ignore.”

All are welcome to join our monthly Senior Discussion Group that covers a wide variety of older adult-related issues. For the next meeting we will discuss a topic beneficial to all ages: “Ten Pain Symptoms You Should NOT Ignore.” Please join us as we learn and share these important signs to help manage our health. This meeting will be via Zoom on Wednesday, February 9th, from 4:00-5:00 p.m. Laura will stay on to answer any senior-related questions. Register by contacting Laura Runkle calling (619) 920-6449 or lrunkle@gmail.com.

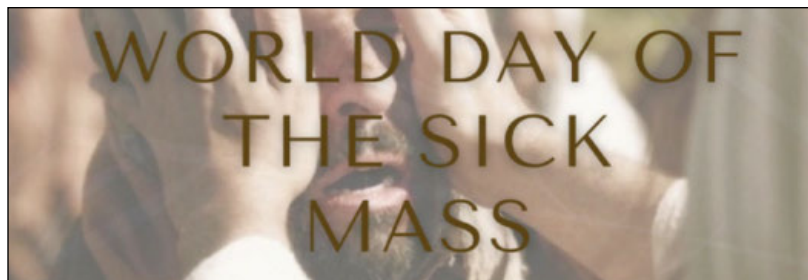
### Adult Confirmation Preparation Starts Soon!

All baptized, catechized Catholics seeking to complete their initiation Sacraments are welcome to join this preparation process that begins on Sunday, February 13. The Sacrament of Confirmation completes the graces of Baptism and strengthens Christians to live their faith in the world. If you are interested in this process and would like to set up an initial meeting please email Laura at lmartinspencer@sandiego.edu.

## Courtesy Announcements

### 40 Days for Life Commissioning Masses

Two bilingual Masses at two different locations: February 6, 2022 11:00 a.m. at St. Mary Catholic Church (1170 S. Broadway, Escondido, 92025) and February 13, 2022 10:00 a.m. at St. John of the Cross Catholic Church (8086 Broadway, Lemon Grove, 91945). Main celebrant: Aux. Bishop Ramon Bejarano. 40 Days for Life Spring campaign March 2nd – April 10th. For more information visit <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en>. Efrain Casillas at ECasillas@sdatholic.org or (858) 490-8324.



### World Day of the Sick Mass

World Day of the Sick Mass, February 12th, 10:00 a.m. at Good Shepherd Church (8200 Gold Coast Drive San Diego, CA 92126). Join Aux. Bishop Dolan for a bilingual Mass which will include anointing of the sick, blessing of caregivers and ministers of the sick, blessing with Lourdes water, and celebrating the Caring for the Whole Person Initiative. The Mass will be livestreamed at [goodshepherdparish.net/mass-streaming](http://goodshepherdparish.net/mass-streaming).

## Diocesan Announcements

THE DIOCESE OF SAN DIEGO INVITES YOU TO OUR SECOND ANNUAL

*Marriage Anniversary Mass & Reception*

*A special invitation is extended to couples celebrating a major anniversary!*

JOIN US TO RENEW YOUR COMMITMENT IN ENGLISH, SPANISH, & VIETNAMESE

Celebrated by  
Auxiliary Bishop Ramon Bejarano

February 12, 2022 • 11:00 a.m.  
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To learn more, contact 858.490.8299 or [bolivero@sdatholic.org](mailto:bolivero@sdatholic.org)

The diocese is celebrating marriage and married couples in its second annual Marriage Anniversary Mass and Reception. Couples will be able to renew their commitment, in English, Spanish and Vietnamese. Of course, the real language of marriage is love. For more information visit [sdatholic.org](http://sdatholic.org) or email [bolivero@sdatholic.org](mailto:bolivero@sdatholic.org).

## Stewardship of Treasure

*For where your treasure is, There also will your heart be. -Matthew 6:21*

### Week of January 30 , 2022

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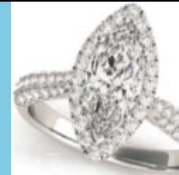


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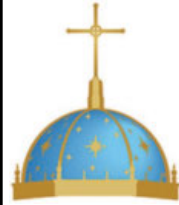


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# The Last Word

## *Keep in Your Prayers*

*Amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly father.*

**Matthew 18:19**

## *Healing*

Lucia Yandell	Marian Oddo
Sandy Perretti	Rita Winrow
Bruce Perretti	Millie Prior
Riley Manahan	Bruce Boorman
Leonard Hayden	Guy Riddle
Dawn Pathman	Heleodoro Lopez
Marion Griffin	Joel Lopez
Gina DeLapa	

The sick list is updated on a monthly basis. Please call the parish office to add a parishioner to the list.

## *New Parishioners*

Regina DeLaCruz  
Jacob Omahana & Samantha Allen  
Clark Family  
Cynthia Claudio  
Erin Billings  
Reyes Family  
Mehra Family  
Erika Carino

## Join Us for Adoration of the *Blessed Sacrament*



**Tuesdays from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. &  
Wednesdays from 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**  
in the Immaculata Church

## Words of Wisdom

### **TESTED LIKE GOLD**

**God wishes to test you like gold in the furnace.  
The dross is consumed by the fire, but the  
pure gold remains and its value increases.**

—St. Jerome Emiliani