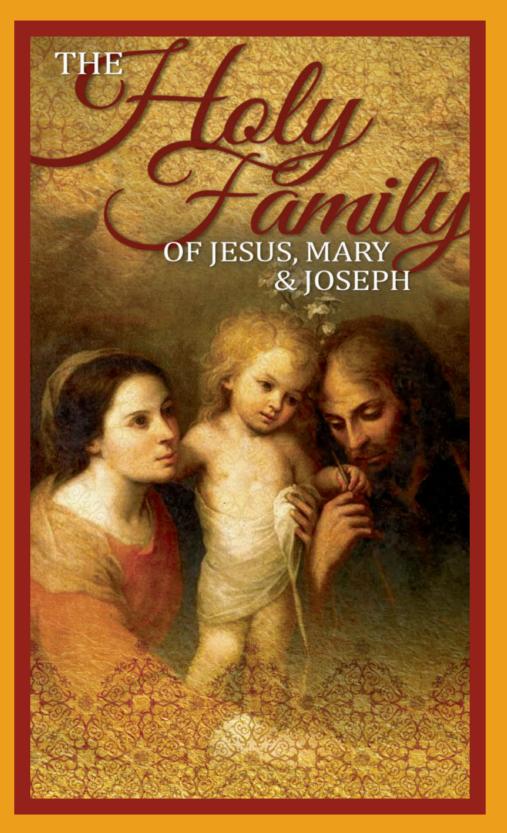


THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY DECEMBER 26, 2021



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Mass Intentions

Sun., Dec. 26 - The Holy Family

8:30 -†Gloria flynn 10:00 - People of Immaculate Conception Parish 11:30 - Leona F., SI

> Mon., Dec. 27 - St. John Sandy and Howard, SI

Tues., Dec. 28 - The Holy Innocents
The Spera Family, SI

Wed., Dec. 29 - 5th Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord Jean Eddy Antoine, SI

Thurs., Dec. 30 - 6th Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord †Ester Albano

Fri., Dec. 31 - 7th Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord Kaitlin Rodriquez, SI

If you wish to request a Mass intention for a family member or friend, contact the parish office.

Mass Schedule

Weekdays: Monday thru Saturday, 8:00 AM

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM*, 10:00 AM, 11:30 AM *live-streamed & open to attendees Holy Day Masses: To be announced.

Reconciliation: Saturday, 4:30 to 5:00 p.m., or after weekday morning Mass and by appointment.

<u>Baptisms:</u> By appointment only. Please contact the parish office.

<u>Weddings:</u> By appointment only. Arrangements must be made at least one year in advance. Please contact the parish office.

<u>Funerals:</u> For arrangements, please call the parish.

Parish Office: 619-295-4141

Daily Readings

Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4, Jn 20, 1a, 2-8

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2, Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11, Lk 2:22-35

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17, Lk 2:36-40

Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21, Jn 1:1-18

Saturday: Nm 6:22-27, Gal 4:4-7, Lk 2:16-21

Sunday: Is 60: 1-6, Eph 3:2-3, 5-6, Mt 2:1-12

Pray for Our Sick

Alex & Toni Alvarez, Jeanne Agnello, Joane Anderson, Jeanne Agnello, Vee Anzalone, Frank Barone, Susan Besecker, Marilyn Breanna, Cosmo & Joan Busalacchi, Reginald Custodio, Michael Denny, Arline Fisch, Julie Fish, Olive Glorioso, Donna Hovanec, Shirley Ilog, Donna Cruz Jones, Patricia Haase, Ricardo Hernandez, Olivia Ingram, Liam McNichol, Ardith Moore, Grace Mulvanity, Madison Neola, Stephanie Ng, Jose de Jesus Nungaray, Angelica Ortega, Ann Orwig, Rene Milbauer Rice, Carol Rowan, Anyssa Sanchez, Tom Sapien, Crystal Spera, Rita Tarango, Linda Thompson, Teresa Tingle, Teresa Tolan, Marie Whitman, Barbara Wingler.

COURTYARD BRICKS

Customized Brick and Bench tops are available by order at the Parish Office or on the parish website. Proceeds from this fundraiser benefit the Immaculate Conception Building Maintenance Fund.

FR. GARRETT GALVIN, OFM Parish Administrator

FR. VINCENT MESI, OFM
SACRAMENTAL & SPIRITUAL LEADER
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IN RESIDENCE:
FR. JOSEPH CHINNICI, OFM,
FR. MICHAEL BLASTIC, OFM
BR. MOISES GUTIERREZ RIVAS, OFM

Offering. Gifts received Dec. 11/12: An Act of Worship.

Parishioners: \$3,160.00

Visitors: \$1059.00

Total: \$4,219.00

Retirement Fund for Religious: \$908.00

2021 TAX LETTERS

Please call or email the parish office before January 25 if you wish to receive a letter summarizing your 2021 donations to Immaculate Conception parish. Annual Catholic Appeal donations are handled by the Diocese of San Diego.

THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2020.

Epiphany Potluck Party January 2, 2022

COST: One new blanket and socks to donate to the orphanage managed by the Trinitarians of Mary. Socks may be for children or adults.

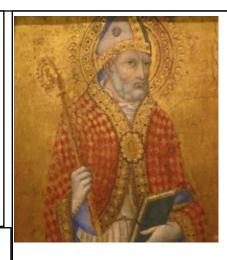
The Trinitarians of Mary will present concert in the church from 5:00 - 5:45 p.m. Potluck in the hall follows the concert.



Suggestion for Potluck

(Last name beginning with...)
A-I Main Dish
J-R Salad or Side Dish
S-Z APPETIZERS
Dessert will be provided by the parish.

Can't decide what to bring? Please call Marie Wagner for suggestions...858-273-0789.



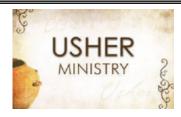
SAINT SABINUS OF SPOLETO AND COMPANIONS

Feast Day - December 30

Died circa 303

An early martyr named Sabinus was claimed by several Italian cities. One tradition from the fifth or sixth century said Sabinus was a bishop arrested with two deacons, Marcellus and Exsuperantius, during the persecution of Emperor Diocletian. The governor of Etruria had the deacons scourged and racked when they made confessions of faith; both died from the tortures. The governor had Sabinus's hands cut off when he would not worship a statue of Jupiter; Sabinus was taken back to prison where he healed a blind boy, other prisoners, and even the governor, who with his family became Christians and martyrs. Sabinus reportedly was executed at Spoleto and buried near there.

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We are in need of more volunteers to serve as ushers for our weekend Masses and our Holy Day Masses. Teens and adults are welcome to serve. All current ushers and all persons interested in serving as ushers in 2022, please contact the parish office and provide your contact information: email address and phone number.

This will ensure we are able to update you on special collections as well as provide information we need to share with you.

Contact the parish at: parish@icc-sandiego.org or 619-295-4141.



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Marriage Help! January 14 - 16, 2022

Not willing to let go of your marriage? Many couples continue to struggle in a marriage but are not willing to give up on each other. There is hope.

Retrouvaille is a program designed to help struggling marriages regain their health. It helps a husband and a wife rediscover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together.

For more information about upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, call 951-259-9474 or visit our website:

https://www.helpourmarriage-sandiego.org

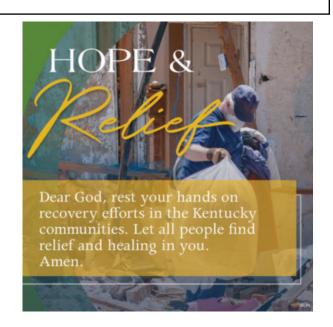


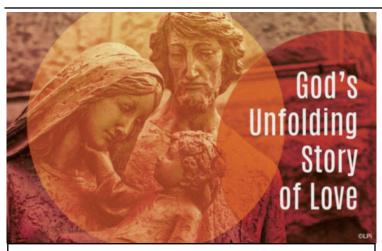
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Spring Forward 2022 Conference: "United in the Breaking of the Bread"

Everyone involved in parish catechesis and other parish ministries as well as others who may be interested are invited to our annual Spring Forward Conference as we partake in song and prayer with nationally renowned presenter, ValLimar Jensen, and reflect on the Gift of the Eucharist. The event will be held on Saturday, January 22, at Holy Trinity Parish, El Cajon, 9:30 am – 3:00 pm. Registration cost is \$25. For more information and to register, please visit

www.sdcatholicdisciples.net/events/san-sf22





GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

December 26, 2021 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Families can be very difficult things to negotiate. This is true not only of our families of origin, the current family of which we are a part, the family of our Church, our society, and our global family as well. Everything human can be found in family stories. Those stories speak of wonderful life-giving successes as well as painful spirit-robbing abuses. Our greatest joys and our greatest wounds are usually connected with the experience of family. Our needs, experiences, and unresolved baggage often color what we bring to our familiar relationships. They contribute to our level of defensiveness, how guarded and protected we become, and what prejudices we believe.

In order to break the cycle of dysfunction we have to remember that it is not only by human effort that we negotiate the difficult and challenging events of our lives. There is a Divine Effort at work as well. For sure, the human effort can create quite a mess and easily destroy lives. This is true of any family with which we are associated. Today's Feast of the Holy Family serves to help us understand that there is a Divine Story being told as well. It is a story of perseverance in the face of hardship, determination in the face of despair, healing when we see nothing but wounds, and light where there is darkness.

Do we believe that God is always working, guiding, restoring, and leading? Unless we do, we will never be free from the imperfections and wounds that bind us and never be able to understand what it really means to forgive. Pope Francis tells us that the "light which comes from the Holy Family encourages us to offer human warmth to other families." While this is most certainly true, we can only really begin to do this when we realize that we are still works in progress, not anchored to the wounds and sins of our past, and still a leading star in God's continually unfolding story of love. The Holy Family persevered and radiated warmth because they knew they were not alone. We can too.

COFFEE & DONUTS ...



JOIN US IN THE HALL AFTER THE 8:30 OR 10:00 MASS FOR A DONUT WITH A CUP OF COFFEE AND/OR ORANGE JUICE.

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED!

Coming Back to Church

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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The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

DECEMBER 26, 2021



We celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family on the first Sunday after Christmas! This feast day is a reminder to us of the example Mary and Joseph set for all of us in welcoming Jesus into their lives. The Holy Family serves as a model for us all in which to live in faith and simplicity.

Prayer for Family Commitment

Dear God our Father, you have called all Christian families to be a sign of your love to the world.

Help us to be generous with the gifts of life and love that you have showered on our family. May we share them so that our homes become true signs of unitive and fruitful love.

Let us never forget to thank you each day for all that sustains us and to look to Christ, who comes to us in the events of family life, in the sacraments of the Church, and in service to the poor.

In all of this, our family becomes a living expression of your Church, a hallowed home of life and love. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may all of us—spouses, parents, and children— share, as members of his Body, in Jesus' mission to build a civilization of love. Father, we ask this in Jesus' name in union with the Holy Spirit. Amen.











Prayer for the New Year



On New Year's Eve or New Year's Day, the household gathers at the table or at the Christmas tree or manger scene. Many people make New Year's Day a day of prayer for peace.

All make the sign of the cross. The leader begins:

Let us praise the Lord of days and seasons and years, saying:

Glory to God in the highest! R/. And peace to his people on earth!

The leader may use these or similar words to introduce the blessing:

Our lives are made of days and nights, of seasons and years,

for we are part of a universe of suns and moons and planets.

We mark ends and we make beginnings and,

praise God for the grace and mercy that fill our days.

Then the Scripture is read, Book of Genesis 1:14-19:

Listen to the words of the Book of Genesis:

God said: "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky, to separate day from night. Let them mark the fixed times, the days and the years, and serve as luminaries in the dome of the sky, to shed light upon the earth." And so it happened: God made the two great lights, the greater one to govern the day, and the lesser one to govern the night; and he made the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky, to shed light upon the earth, to govern the day and the night, and to separate the light from the

darkness. God saw how good it was. Evening came, and morning followed—the fourth day.

(The family's Bible may be used for an alternate reading such as Psalm 90:1-4.)

Reader: The Word of the Lord. R/. Thanks be to God.

After a time of silence, members of the household offer prayers of thanksgiving for the past year, and of intercession for the year to come. On January 1, it may be appropriate to conclude these prayers with the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary (in Part VII: Litanies) since this is the solemn feast of Mary, Mother of God. In conclusion, all join hands for the Lord's Prayer. Then the leader continues:

Let us now pray for God's blessing in the new year.

After a short silence, parents may place their hands on their children in blessing as the leader says:

Remember us, O God;

from age to age be our comforter. You have given us the wonder of time, blessings in days and nights, seasons and years. Bless your children at the turning of the year and fill the months ahead with the bright hope that is ours in the coming of Christ.

You are our God, living and reigning, forever and ever.

R/. Amen.



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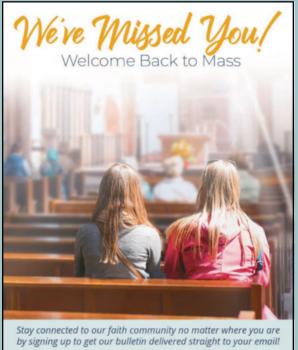


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