

# QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

2569 W Victoria Drive  
Alpine, CA 91901  
Office: 619-445-2145  
[www.queenofangels.org](http://www.queenofangels.org)

## Office Hours

Monday - Thursday:  
9:00 am to 2:00 pm  
Friday: 9:00 am to Noon

## Holy Sacrifice of The Mass

Saturday: 5:30 pm  
Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 am

## Daily Mass

Tuesday-Friday: 8:00 am

## Rosary

Monday-Friday: 7:30 am



Mary, Queen of Angels, pray for us!

## Confession

Tuesday-Friday: 7:30 am,  
Saturday: 4:00 pm,  
or by appointment

## Eucharistic Adoration

Friday: after 8:00 am Mass  
until 9:30 am

## First Friday Devotions

Adoration/Confession: 10:00 am  
Mass: 11:30 am

## First Saturday Devotions

Rosary: 8:30 am  
Mass: 9:00 am

## Baptism, Holy Matrimony & Funerals

Contact Fr. David

## Clergy

Rev. David Exner: **Pastor**, [frdexnerqofa@gmail.com](mailto:frdexnerqofa@gmail.com)

## Parish Office Staff

Enriqueta Luquin: **Business Manager**, [enriquetaqofa@gmail.com](mailto:enriquetaqofa@gmail.com)

Jacob Brown: **Administrative Assistant**, [jacobqofa@gmail.com](mailto:jacobqofa@gmail.com)

Glenn D'Abreo : **Music Coordinator**, [glennqofa@gmail.com](mailto:glennqofa@gmail.com)

Darlene Ames: **The Messenger**, [bulletinqofa@gmail.com](mailto:bulletinqofa@gmail.com)

**Parish Email:** [parishqofa@gmail.com](mailto:parishqofa@gmail.com)

If you're worried about an unplanned pregnancy, you may be experiencing a personal crisis full of concerns about your future. Pregnancy Care Clinic can assist you. [www.unplannedparenthood.org](http://www.unplannedparenthood.org), 619-442-4357

## Reporting Sexual Abuse

Complaints about sexual abuse by a member of the clergy or by a parish or Catholic school employee or volunteer can be made by calling Mary Acosta at the Child and Youth Protection Office, Victims Assistance Coordinator, at 858-0490-8353.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT & TREASURE****READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS DECEMBER 16-24, 2023**

**Sunday:** Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54  
(Is 61:10b)/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

**Monday:** Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25

**Tuesday:** Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/  
Lk 1:5-25

**Wednesday:** Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/  
Lk 1:26-38

**Thursday:** Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12,  
20-21/Lk 1:39-45

**Friday:** 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/  
Lk 1:46-56

**Saturday:** Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and  
14/Lk 1:57-66

**Next Sunday:** 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-  
5, 27, 29 (2a)/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38

**Next Sunday, Christmas Vigil:** Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5,  
16-17, 27, 29/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

DATE	TIME	INTENTION
Saturday, Dec 16	5:30 pm	†Neda Jany
Sunday, Dec 17	8:00 am	†Brian Padilla
Sunday, Dec 17	10:30 am	†David Pinal, Sr.
Monday, Dec 18	7:30 am	Rosary
Tuesday, Dec 19	8:00 am	†David Pinal, Sr.
Wednesday, Dec 20	8:00 am	Conner Zdunich
Thursday, Dec 21	8:00 am	†Marisa Velasco
Friday, Dec 22	8:00 am	Ryan Andreoli
Saturday, Dec 23	5:30 pm	James Figueroa
Sunday, Dec 24	8:00 am	†Daniel Barker
Sunday, Dec 24	10:30 am	†Brian Ford
Sunday, Dec 24	4:00 pm	†Al Florance
Sunday, Dec 24	7:00 pm	†Ramon Gonzales

*Prayer Requests*

Continue to Keep in Your  
Prayers and Hearts those



Kelly Barker  
Bill Brundage  
Katie Clark  
James Figueroa  
Mike Gust  
Jim Hill  
Carmen Holt  
Jason Laccone  
Steven McMeeken  
Jamie Perrin  
Becky Rangel  
Steve Rodkey

Joan Smith  
Kailyn & Charis Whaley  
Celeste Woestman

...may they find joy in  
the healing love of Christ.

Deployed Military

Meagan Abad, LT  
Matthew D. Fuller, PV2  
William W. Fuller II, PFC  
Edward R.M. Lopez, SSgt  
David J. McIntyre, PFC  
Rebekah Meyer, BM2(sw)  
Nicholas Palstorm, E8  
Jacob Tweed, HM3  
Mattison Underhill, USN



If you have a friend or relative who is  
serving in our military and is deployed  
or will be deployed, please contact  
Darlene at bulletinqofa@gmail.com.

Names remain listed for four weeks and can be renewed by contacting  
Darlene Ames at bulletinqofa@gmail.com.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OFFICE CLOSED

**Please Take Note** Because of scheduling conflicts the parish office will be **CLOSED** on Mondays for the month of December. Please make note of this change and schedule any office visits Tuesdays-Fridays of the week. Thank You.



**Mark Your Calendars** The parish office will be closed **Monday, December 25, 2023—Monday, January 1, 2024**. We will reopen on **Tuesday, January 2, 2024**. We would like to wish all of our parishioners a Blessed and Joyous Christmas Season!



**Morning Weekday Mass Schedule** Please make note: There will be no morning Masses on **Tuesday, December 26 & Wednesday, December 27**. We will however be reciting the rosary and would love to see you there.



**Faith Formation Schedule** Following is the schedule for classes during the Christmas holiday:

**Faith Formation & Confirmation:**

**December 17: Regular class**  
**December 24: No class**  
**December 31: No class**  
**January 7: Class resumes**



**Tithes and Offerings** We are grateful to you for your presence, your participation and your financial support of Queen of Angels Church. In order for any monies to be applied to the 2023 calendar year, they must be in the parish office no later than **December 31**. Please note the parish office will be closed December 25, 2023-January 1, 2024 so any contributions made during that time need to be mailed or dropped in the Mass donation baskets. Thank You.

### *Queen of Angels Giving Tree* *December 2-29*

Take an envelope off the Giving Tree and donate cash for the Rancho Nazareth and Villa Anahuac, or monetary donations; cash or checks for Children of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and East County Pregnancy Care Center.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**We can only accept CASH donations for Rancho Nazareth and Villa Anahuac**

REJOICE  
ALWAYS



PRAY  
WITHOUT  
CEASING

GAUDETE SUNDAY

### CHRISTMAS OCTAVE 2023 MASS SCHEDULE

#### Christmas Eve Vigil Masses

**Sunday, December 24:**  
**4:00 PM & 7:00 PM**

#### Christmas Masses (Nativity of the Lord)

**Monday, December 25:**  
**9:00 AM & 10:30 AM**

#### Feast of the Holy Family

**Saturday, December 30:**  
**Vigil Mass—5:30 PM**  
**Sunday, December 31:**  
**8:00 AM & 10:30 AM**

#### Mary, Mother of God

**Sunday, December 31:**  
**10:00 PM—Adoration**  
**11:30 PM—Vigil Mass**  
**Monday, January 1, 2024:**  
**9:00 AM**

### *Prepare the Way of the Lord* *by Preparing Your Heart*

*Experience God's loving forgiveness in this sacrament.  
There will be a Service of the Word followed by the  
opportunity for individual reception of the Sacrament  
of Reconciliation.*

In addition to the regularly scheduled confession times (Tues-Fri 7:30 AM, Sat 4 PM) here at Queen of Angels, there will also be several Advent penance services throughout the El Cajon deanery in the coming weeks:

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lakeside – Monday, December 18**  
**at 10 AM and 7 PM**  
**Our Lady of Grace, El Cajon – Tuesday, December 19**  
**at 7 PM**





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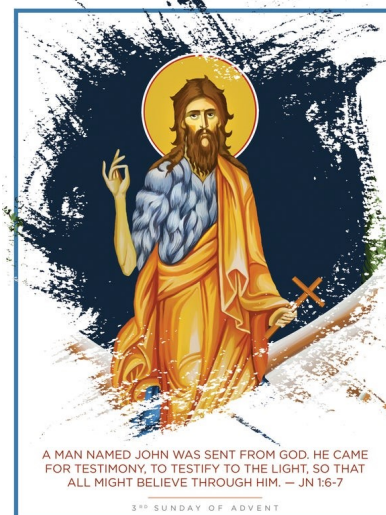
## GOSPEL MEDITATION

December 17, 2023  
3rd Sunday of Advent

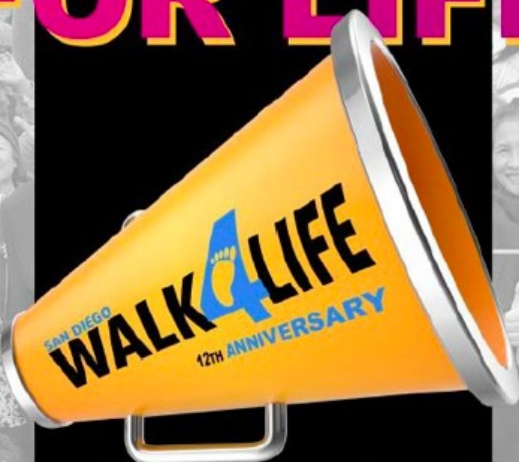
Why do we believe in Jesus and the Catholic Church? Why should we continue to do so? We've never seen him face-to-face (at least not most of us, I assume). Most of us have never had mystical visions of angels or saints. We live in the same world as our atheist and secularists friends. Why do we believe in Christ if we've never seen him?

The simple, symbolic answer the Gospel presents to us this week might surprise us: we believe because of John the Baptist. Early in John's Gospel we hear: "There was a man sent from God, his name was John. He came for testimony, to bear witness to the light, that all might believe through him." The Baptist powerfully announces Jesus. This is a historical fact, and it is also now a pattern at work in our lives.

John the Baptist stands for the entirety of the old covenant, everything entrusted to the Jewish people. And yet he prophetically opens the door to something entirely new in Jesus, to the revival and fulfillment of God's promises. In every generation, and in every human life, God continues to do this. He has done it through people named Augustine, Francis, Catherine, Theresa, and countless others. In my life, the Baptist's spirit has come through persons named Eric, Paul, Mary, and Ron. I challenge you to name at least three people through whom God has announced the coming of Jesus in your life. Consciously thank God for their testimony. And let's commit ourselves to listening to the spirit of John the Baptist testify again this week so that we might more strongly believe in the light.



# WITNESS FOR LIFE



**JAN. 13, 2024**

**8:30 AM - 12:00 PM**  
**Waterfront Park**  
**1600 Pacific Hwy.**  
**San Diego, CA. 92101**

**For more information:**  
**(858) 490-8324**  
**[info@sandiegowalkforlife.org](mailto:info@sandiegowalkforlife.org)**

 @SDWalkForLife #SDW4L



**PATRICIA SANDOVAL**  
Keynote Speaker



**T-shirt pre-sale,  
inspiring speakers, free drawings, exhibitors,  
children activities, live entertainment and coffee trucks**

## Why Attend

The San Diego Walk for Life strives to bring the community together to celebrate the gift of life. We recognize the fundamental worth of every person from conception to natural death, and we stand up for the unborn and their parents.

In several states, the Walk for Life occurs near the January 22 anniversary of the US Supreme Court's 1973 *Roe v Wade* decision, which legalized abortion. Although this decision was overturned in June 2022, abortion remains legal in California. Therefore, we, as Christians, have the duty to continue praying and advocating for the unborn and supporting families and pregnant women in need.

## Who's Invited

Everyone—including Catholics and those who attend nondenominational churches, priests, deacons, parish leaders and volunteers, life-affirming organizations, families, children, and young adults—is welcome to walk with Cardinal Robert McElroy and the other bishops.

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### Upcoming Bible Study **REVELATION, THE KINGDOM YET TO COME**

A 10 week course beginning **January 16** from 9am-11am in the Parish Hall

An intriguing eleven-session study program that shows how the kingdom established by Christ in his Church is intimately connected with the kingdom of heaven. In this study, presenter Jeff Cavins pulls back the veil on the rich symbolism present in Revelation. Discover what the mysterious figures and images of Revelation mean and see how Revelation is more than an apocalyptic vision of the "end times." Explore the Church's teaching on the second coming of Christ and the Last Judgment. Understand how God, the Divine Bridegroom, and the Church, his spotless bride, enter into a heavenly, holy, and mystical marriage every time we celebrate Mass.

[ascensionpress.com/collections/revelation-the-kingdom-yet-to-come/products/revelation-the-kingdom-yet-to-come-study-set-1](http://ascensionpress.com/collections/revelation-the-kingdom-yet-to-come/products/revelation-the-kingdom-yet-to-come-study-set-1) \$29.95 with digital access

[ascensionpress.com/products/copy-of-revelation-the-kingdom-yet-to-come-study-set](http://ascensionpress.com/products/copy-of-revelation-the-kingdom-yet-to-come-study-set) \$27.95 study set only

Note: (We will be using a video that the Church purchased about 10 years ago so if you buy a new study guide there may be some slight variations)

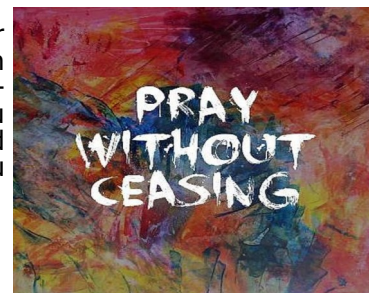
### A Constant Companion

As Christians, we are called to a life of prayer. This is not just during seasons like Advent, but all year long. When we talk about being prayerful everyday stewards, we are speaking about cultivating an awareness of God being with us at all times. Each day we begin by offering God the entirety of our day. Each night we rest in Him and hope that the hours that passed gave Him glory.

During this busy time of Advent, it is hard to cultivate this life of prayer, but without it we can too easily lose sight of the reason for the season. It is during this time of year we need to heed the words of St. Paul more than ever when he wrote to the Thessalonians, "Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing." This is how we will be able to avoid the pitfalls of consumerism and secularism and keep our eyes fixed on Jesus.

Bring Jesus with you into the office Christmas party. Take him with you shopping for gifts in the department store. Be aware of him when you sit down to watch television specials you have seen every year of your life. Give him all your time and let his presence fill your every moment. By striving to be connecting with Jesus at all times, you will bear greater fruit and the joy you experience will be much greater than you could imagine. You might even spend a few less dollars and spend more time with those you love, particularly the one who loves you the most, the Incarnation himself.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS  
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#### **Question:**

Why is the color rose used during Advent in the Advent wreath and vestments?

#### **Answer:**

Advent is a time of penance, and so the ordinary liturgical color for Advent is violet. On the third Sunday of Advent, which is also called *Gaudete* (Latin: "Rejoice") Sunday, we recognize the joyful anticipation of the season that will culminate in the birth of Christ on Christmas by changing the liturgical color to rose. Rose is a "brightening" of the ordinary violet and thus symbolizes joy.



**ANNOUNCEMENTS*****Poinsettia Memoriam***

If you would like to have a poinsettia placed at the altar for Christmas in memory of a family member or friend, please complete the following form. You may return this form to the parish office or place it in the weekend collection basket.

(Please use one form per donation.) The suggested donation for each intention is \$15.00.

In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Donated by: \_\_\_\_\_

*The names will be listed in memoriam at Christmas time.*



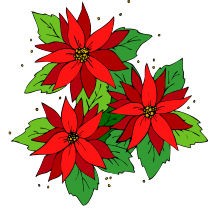
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*We are grateful to all those who made a donation and helped decorate our Church for the Christmas Season.*

*In Memory of:*

Al Florance  
Edmund & Carmen Cordova  
Cleofas (Grandma) & Pearl (Nina)  
Ramirez Family Members  
Bob & Peggy Ames  
Joaquin Luquin  
Alfonso & Carmen Luquin  
Barry R. McClarty  
Ramon Gonzales  
Andrew Tompkins  
Tompkins Family Members  
Tom & Rita Ferrier  
Cal & Lavina Lewis  
Ivan Samuels

*Donated by:*

Connie & Loving Family  
Connie & Loving Family  
Darlene Ames  
Terry & Darlene Ames  
Terry & Darlene Ames  
Queta Luquin  
Queta Luquin  
Diane McClarty  
Josephine Gonzales  
Paul & Diane Tompkins  
Paul & Diane Tompkins  
Bob Ferrier  
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