QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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<u>Office Hours</u> 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

<u>Daily Mass</u> Tuesday-Friday: 8:00 am

<u>Rosary</u> 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 <u>& Funerals</u> Contact Fr. David

<u>Clergy</u> Rev. David Exner: **Pastor**, frdexnerqofa@gmail.com

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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, 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

Dec 16-17, 2023

Envelopes Used

Envelope Collections \$ 13,105.68 Plate Collections \$ 493.00 **TOTAL** \$ 13,598.68



READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS DECEMBER 30, 2023-JANUARY 7, 2024

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/ Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/ Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/ Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

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Monday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/ Lk 2:16-21

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28 **Wednesday**: 1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/ Jn 1:29-34

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Jn 1:35-42 **Friday**: 1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Jn 1:43-51 **Saturday**: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38 **Next Sunday**: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

DATE		TIME
Saturday,	Dec 30	5:30 pm
Sunday,	Dec 31	8:00 am
Sunday,	Dec 31	10:30 am
Monday,	Jan 1	9:00 am
Tuesday,	Jan 2	8:00 am
Wednesday,	Jan 3	8:00 am
Thursday,	Jan 4	8:00 am
Friday,	Jan 5	11:30 am
Saturday,	Jan 6	9:00 am
Saturday,	Jan 6	5:30 pm
Sunday,	Jan 7	8:00 am
Sunday,	Jan 7	10:30 am

INTENTION

+Bernadette Gross		
Sandra Osorio		
Richard (Dick) Nixon		

Nicole Rangel

Celeste Woestman †Margaret (Peggy) O'Husky

Thomas Pickett



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Cheed for the history Mark Your Calendars The parish office will be closed *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!

EXAMPLES TIMES Faith Formation Schedule Following is the schedule for classes during the Christmas holiday: **Faith Formation & Confirmation:** December 31: No class January 7: Class resumes

Spiritual Rosary Books The Scriptural Rosary book is the modern version of the way the rosary was once prayed throughout Western Europe in the late Middle Ages. This book is for everyone as it helps one to keep thinking about the Mysteries of each decade of the Rosary, while reciting the rosary. The books are available in the office during normal business hours. Books are \$15.00 each.







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.

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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).

You Are Invited

for a day of spiritual interaction and reflection on

Saturday January 27, 2024 from 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM at The First Annual

Women of the Parish Retreat

Daughters of God

Sponsored by the Queen of Angels Women's Auxiliary Registration begins the weekend of January 6-7, 2024 after all Masses



Upcoming Bible Study WHEN YOU PRAY: A CLEAR PATH TO A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD



A 7 week course beginning **January 9** from 6pm-8pm in the Parish Hall

You know prayer is important but still find it challenging. Perhaps it's hard to find time, or you're unsure what to do when you pray. Or maybe you feel discouraged by your weaknesses and your inability to overcome them.

If you have any of these feelings, you are not alone. Many of the saints struggled in prayer. They were like us. But each time they fell, they got up again and learned to rely more on God's grace.

What God did in the lives of countless saints, he wants to do in the lives of ordinary people like us. And that's what this study is about: the journey of prayer God wants to take us on.

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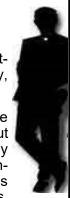
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PASTOR'S PAGE

Friends,

A very Happy New Year to all of you as we wrap up the Christmas Octave! The Sunday after Christmas each year we also celebrate the Holy Family, which is amazing for several reasons, but if I may, I would like to highlight one in particular today.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph remind us of the incredible dignity of the family, and the importance of family life. We remember that Jesus deigned to spend the majority of his life – about 30 years – in the quiet of family life, alongside Joseph and his mother. While it would be fair to say that the most significant moments of Christ's life took place in the latter 3 years during his public ministry, and especially in his final week, the fact that Jesus chose to spend most of his time on this earth living what we would consider a "normal" life ought to grab our attention. Consider that Jesus,



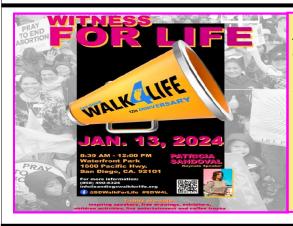
the Second Person of the Holy Trinity and the Word made flesh, could have done anything for the first three decades of his life... and he chose family life. Family life! And a very ordinary family life at that. Saint Joseph was a carpenter (the actual Greek word is tekton, which could also mean "laborer" or "craftsman"), a blue collar working man, who taught Jesus his profession. Mary was a homemaker. It was as normal and ordinary as anything could be in first century Judea.

I say all of this to hopefully shed light into the great dignity that each of us also has, because unless you are unique among human beings, we all come from families, and we are all made for family life. Even when we talk about broken homes, orphans, and other graver harms done to the human person, the family is still now, as it has always been, the foundation of human society, given to us by God in the beginning (cf. Genesis 1-2). There is nothing "normal" or "ordinary" about human life, and so there is also nothing "normal" or "ordinary" about human life, and so there is also nothing "normal" or "ordinary" about human life, and so there is also nothing "normal" or "ordinary" about the family. It is God's plan for us: first, as the means by which we are to enter this world, then the usual means of learning and growing. But most importantly, family is meant to be our final destiny, as we are invited to become members of God's family, his beloved sons and daughters, made in his image and likeness and bearing his name.

One last note regarding this extra dignity given to each of us. For anyone who thinks, "Oh, I'm not really that important, I'm just ____," or, "all I do is ____," or anything else along those lines, please remember that the fact that Jesus chose to "only" be in a normal family for the first thirty years of his life bestows a divine dignity on all of the little, quiet tasks that make up "ordinary" family life. What we do in our day-to-day lives is important to God – so important, in fact, that he spent his first three decades doing nothing but "ordinary" things with his family. Do not underestimate your ability to please God in the small things, the day-to-day faithfulness, and the ways we show love to our families... just like the Holy Family did.

With great love,

Fr. David



<u>Why Attend</u>

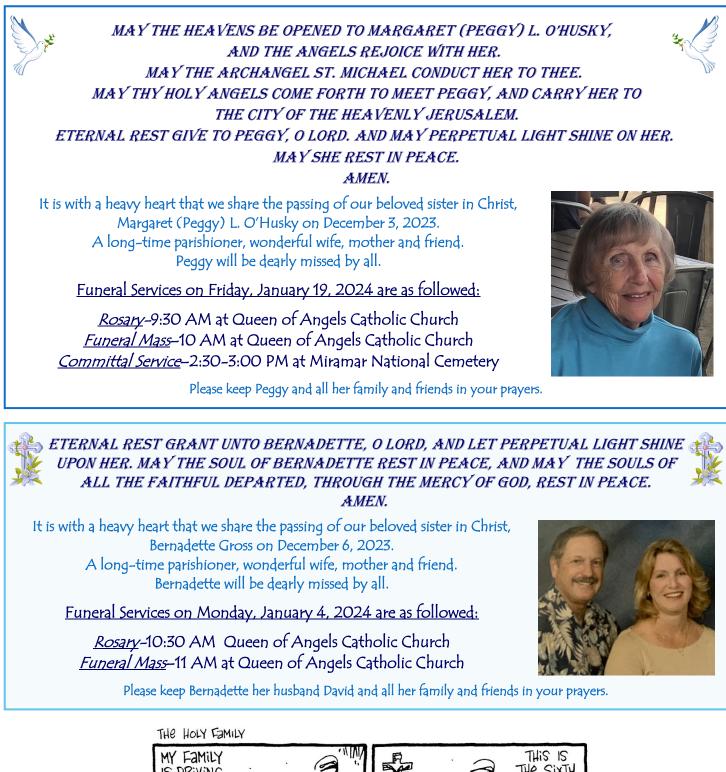
The San Diego Walk for Life strives to bring the community together to celebrate the gift of life. We recognize the fundamental worth of every person from conception to natural death, and we stand up for the unborn and their parents. In several states, the Walk for Life occurs near the January 22 anniversary 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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We are grateful to all those who made a donation and helped decorate our Church for the Christmas Season. In Memory of: Donated by: Al Florance **Connie & Loving Family** Edmund & Carmen Cordova Connie & Loving Family Cleofas (Grandma) & Pearl (Nina) **Darlene** Ames Terry & Darlene Ames **Ramirez Family Members** Bob & Peggy Ames Terry & Darlene Ames Joaquin Luquin Queta Luquin Alfonso & Carmen Luquin Queta Luquin Barry R. McClarty **Diane McClarty Ramon Gonzales** Josephine Gonzales Andrew Tompkins Paul & Diane Tompkins **Tompkins Family Members** Paul & Diane Tompkins Tom & Rita Ferrier **Bob Ferrier** Cal & Lavina Lewis **Bob Ferrier Ivan Samuels Bob Ferrier** Manuel Vega, Jr. **Bill & Betty Williams April Williams** Bill & Betty Williams Bill & Betty Williams **Juanita** Guerrero Bill & Betty Williams Virginia Sorensen Shane Martin Ann Martin Therese Hensle Ann Martin Wesley Wehking Carol & Jon Furois Diane Wehking Carol & Jon Furois Mark Wehking Carol & Jon Furois John & Rosie Souza Sharon Davey Mary Souza Sharon Davey Mary & Joseph Grace Betty Seaman Tom Seaman Betty Seaman Carl Silva Marie Kasmer Kurt & Wilma Tellesch Kathleen Norys Kathleen Norys **Norys Family** Blanche Heaney (Lennemeyer) Julie Hornbaker Thomas Heaney Julie Hornbaker Jeff Ruhland **Julie Hornbaker** Lisa Hentges Julie Hornbaker Peter Bollig The Nessel Family Gary Grove The Nessel Family Patrick Kerber The Nessel Family Patricia L.S. Kerber The Nessel Family George Nessel The Nessel Family **Eileen Nessel** The Nessel Family The Nessel Family Ed Nacev Mary Nacey The Nessel Family



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MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

THE TITLE "MOTHER OF GOD" GOES BACK TO THE THIRD OR FOURTH CENTURY, BUT THE GREEK TERM *THEOTOKOS* ("THE GOD-BEARER") WAS OFFICIALLY CONSECRATED AS CATHOLIC DOCTRINE AT THE COUNCIL OF EPHESUS IN 431, THUS BECOMING THE FIRST MARIAN DOGMA. AT THE END OF THE COUNCIL OF EPHESUS, CROWDS OF PEOPLE MARCHED THROUGH THE STREETS SHOUTING: "PRAISED BE THE THE-OTOKOS!"

THIS CATHOLIC DOCTRINE IS BASED ON THE DOCTRINE OF INCARNATION, AS EXPRESSED BY ST. PAUL: "GOD SENT HIS SON, BORN OF A WOMAN, BORN UNDER THE LAW" (GALATIANS 4:4).

IN ITS CHAPTER ON MARY'S ROLE IN THE CHURCH, VATICAN II'S DOGMATIC CONSTITUTION "*LUMEN GENTIUM*" ("LIGHT OF THE PEOPLE") CALLS MARY "MOTHER OF GOD" 12 TIMES.

ON THIS DAY THE CATHOLIC CHURCH ALSO CELEBRATES THE WORLD DAY OF PEACE, A TRADITION ESTABLISHED BY POPE PAUL VI AND CONFIRMED BY POPE JOHN PAUL II.

