

# QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## 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)

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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](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****December 23-24, 2023**

Envelopes Used

Envelope Collections \$ 6,778.00  
 Plate Collections \$ 591.00  
**TOTAL \$ 7,369.00**

**December 24-25, 2023**

Envelopes Used

Envelope Collections \$ 3,971.00  
 Plate Collections \$ 1,134.00  
**TOTAL \$ 5,105.00**

**December 30-31, 2023**

Envelopes Used

Envelope Collections \$ 2,761.00  
 Plate Collections \$ 373.00  
**TOTAL \$ 3,134.00**

**READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS JANUARY 6-14, 2024**

**Sunday, Epiphany:** 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

**Monday:** Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (3)/1 Jn 5:1-9/  
 Mk 1:7-11

**Tuesday:** 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/  
 Mk 1:21-28

**Wednesday:** 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a,  
 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

**Thursday:** 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/  
 Mk 1:40-45

**Friday:** 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/  
 Mk 2:1-12

**Saturday:** 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/  
 Mk 2:13-17

**Next Sunday:** 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4 7-8, 8-9,  
 10 (8a, 9a)/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

**DATE****TIME****INTENTION**

Saturday, Jan 6	9:00 am	Celeste Woestman
Saturday, Jan 6	5:30 pm	†Margaret (Peggy) O'Husky
Sunday, Jan 7	8:00 am	
Sunday, Jan 7	10:30 am	Thomas Pickett
Monday, Jan 8	7:30 am	Rosary
Tuesday, Jan 9	7:30 am	Rosary
Wednesday, Jan 10	7:30 am	Rosary
Thursday, Jan 11	7:30 am	Rosary
Friday, Jan 12	7:30 am	Rosary
Saturday, Jan 13	5:30 pm	Glenn D'Abreo
Sunday, Jan 14	8:00 am	†James Figueroa
Sunday, Jan 14	10:30 am	†Sara Herrera

*Prayer Requests*

*Continue to Keep in Your Prayers and Hearts  
 those on our Healing and Deployed Military Lists.*



*Kelly Barker  
 Bill Brundage  
 Katie Clark  
 Mike Gust  
 Jim Hill  
 Chik Hylton  
 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](mailto:bulletinqofa@gmail.com).

*Names remain listed for four weeks and can be renewed by contacting  
 Darlene Ames at [bulletinqofa@gmail.com](mailto:bulletinqofa@gmail.com).*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Monthly Tecate & ECPCC Collection** Please leave your donations after all the Masses this weekend, **January 6-7**, in the "TECATE TREASURE CHEST" directly behind the church, near the back door of the multi-purpose room. Drive your car around to the back and it will be just a few steps away. You will be able to access the chest any day of the week. Please remember to close the lid when you are finished, and **PLEASE** only leave maternity and baby clothing for the ECPCC. As always, thank you for your support!



**Please Take Note:** There will be no 8 AM morning Mass **Tuesday, January 9–Friday, January 12, 2024**. We will be reciting the Rosary at 7:30 AM and would love to have you join us. Sorry for this inconvenience.



**Knights of Columbus** There will be a Council meeting on **Tuesday, January 9**, at 7:00 PM in the parish hall. All Knights are encouraged to attend.



**Youth Group** Our first meeting of the new year will be on **Wednesday, January 10** at 7:00 PM in the parish hall. All middle school and high school youths are invited. Bring a friend; bring two friends and come ring in the New Year with drinks, goodies, fun, music and fellowship.



**Faith Formation** There will be no faith formation classes on **January 14** due to the observance of MLK Jr. holiday. Classes resume on January 21.

**Please Note:** The parish office will be closed on **Monday, January 15**, in observance of Martin Luther King Day. We will re-open on **Tuesday, January 16**, at 9:00 AM.



**Please Pray** For all the young adults and leaders who will be spending next weekend at their yearly Confirmation retreat. May this journey with Christ strengthen their faith to continue to live a Christian life as witnesses to God.



### Giving Tree 2023 Donation Totals

**Children of the Immaculate Heart: \$1,225.00**

**East County Pregnancy Care Center: \$1,365.00**

**Rancho Nazareth: \$1,150.00**

**Sisters of Villa Anahuac: \$1,150.00**

Thank you to all who so kindly gave to our Christmas Giving Tree. Through your generosity, a total of \$4,890.00 was collected. We are truly blessed to have such a caring and loving faith community.

*"And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work."*



### *Please Join Us*

*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 is \$20 per person. Register after all Masses until January 21, 2024.

For more information contact one of the Woman's Auxiliary Members after Mass.

(A light breakfast and lunch will be provided)



## PASTOR'S PAGE

Friends,

It only took four decades, but I think I've finally cracked the code on New Year's resolutions: I have resolved to NOT organize my desk, meaning that I am now duty-bound to break my resolution and get organized... eventually... before December 31st...

But the perennial joke about not being able to keep a New Year's resolution can perhaps remind us of another resolution that we make at the end of the Act of Contrition when we go to Confession: "I firmly resolve with the help of Your grace, to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin." Hopefully, that resolution lasts a little bit longer than our typical New Year's resolutions do, but it drives home how hard it is to stay true to the Lord and to what we know is right. But the Lord who loves us into existence and challenges us throughout our lives so that we can continue to grow will also give us the grace we need to follow Him, and strengthen our resolution to become more like Him each and every day.

My encouragement for us as we start this new year is to be firm in our resolutions – and especially our resolution to be receptive to God's grace and hear the words that Jesus has been speaking to sinners for 2000 years: "go and sin no more."

I hope and pray that this year is truly blessed for you, and that the grace of Jesus Christ fills our hearts and our lives, so that we grow in our love for Him and for each other. Merry Christmas!

Resolutely,

*Fr. David*



## Multicultural Novena for Life

The Diocese of San Diego invites faith communities to participate in the Multicultural Novena for Life to pray for the legal protection of the unborn and for women facing unplanned pregnancies.

The novena will begin on January 5<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Guadalupe (Calexico) and end at the San Diego Walk for Life on January 13<sup>th</sup> at Waterfront Park (Downtown San Diego).

From the 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>, the novena will be held in different parishes across San Diego and Imperial Counties in various languages. The faithful may attend in person or join virtually.

For more information or to join the Zoom meeting visit: [sdcatholic.org/event/multicultural-novena-for-life/](https://sdcatholic.org/event/multicultural-novena-for-life/)

Schedule is as follows:

### **OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE PARISH (Calexico)**

**January 5 at 8:00 AM**

Spanish/English

### **MISSION SAN LUIS REY PARISH (Oceanside)**

**January 6 at 8:45 AM**

Multilingual (youth)

### **SAINT JOSEPH CHALDEAN CATHOLIC CHURCH (Spring Valley)**

**January 7 at 6:00 PM**

Aramaic/English

### **GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC CHURCH (Mira Mesa)**

**January 8 at 9:30 AM**

Vietnamese/English

### **SAINT PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH (Chula Vista)**

**January 9 at 7:00 AM**

Tagalog/English

### **SAINT DIDACUS CATHOLIC CHURCH (San Diego)**

**January 10 at 8:00 AM**

English

### **MISSION SAN LUIS REY PARISH (Oceanside)**

**January 11 at 8:45 AM**

Samoan/English

### **OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH (San Diego)**

**January 12 at 8:30 AM**

Italian/Latin/English

### **SAN DIEGO WALK FOR LIFE (Waterfront Park)**

**January 13 at 7:45 AM**

Multilingual



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 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.

[ascensionpress.com/collections/when-you-pray-a-clear-path-to-a-deeper-relationship-with-god/products/when-you-pray-a-clear-path-to-a-deeper-relationship-with-god-study-set-with-digital-access](https://ascensionpress.com/collections/when-you-pray-a-clear-path-to-a-deeper-relationship-with-god/products/when-you-pray-a-clear-path-to-a-deeper-relationship-with-god-study-set-with-digital-access):

\$26.95 study set with digital access

[ascensionpress.com/collections/when-you-pray-a-clear-path-to-a-deeper-relationship-with-god](https://ascensionpress.com/collections/when-you-pray-a-clear-path-to-a-deeper-relationship-with-god):  
\$24.95 study set only

### 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](https://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](https://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).

# 9 DAYS FOR LIFE



## January 16-24, 2024

9 Days for Life is an annual novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life.

On January 22, 1973, the Supreme Court legalized abortion throughout the United States in its companion decisions *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton*. Since that time, millions of children have lost their lives, and millions of women and families have been wounded by abortion.

On June 24, 2022, the *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* decision overturned *Roe v. Wade*, and we praise God for the great opportunity state and federal legislators now have to protect pre-born children. While God, in His mercy, ended the nearly fifty-year nationwide regime of abortion on demand, right now state and federal laws, in many instances, are still hostile to pre-born children. So, great prayer and advocacy is very needed.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), No. 373, designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn children."

Sign up to receive the daily prayers via email or text message!

[www.usccb.org/resources/9-days-life-novena](https://www.usccb.org/resources/9-days-life-novena) or <https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life>

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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:**

Mickey Vacio  
Sister Carol Mitchell  
Sister Hele Kalberger  
Robert Wilson  
Ah-You & Morse Family  
Jerry Hentges  
Dorothy Hentges  
Clay Hornbaker  
David Hentges  
Lisa Hentges  
Brian Ford  
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Luisa Martinez  
Parents of Linda Jacobson  
Parents of Ron Jacobson  
Bob & Alice Cuevas  
Ken Gennaro  
Christie Ennis  
Alice Olsen

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Gisella Stonier  
Linda Jacobson  
Ron Jacobson  
Ron Cuevas  
The Gennaro Family  
Vivi & Grace Ennis  
Julie Hornbaker

### **The Light of the Moon**

If you own a television that has been turned on at any point in the last month or so, chances are you've caught at least a scene or two of the 1946 classic film "It's a Wonderful Life."

If you're not familiar with the movie, it follows the life of George Bailey from childhood through adulthood. A dreamer by nature, George has big plans for himself that involve world exploration and adventure — but family and community obligations keep him tethered to the same spot on the map, leading an altogether ordinary life.

One of the most memorable scenes from that movie is of George dancing with his sweetheart Mary while they sing "Buffalo Gals — Won't you come out tonight/And dance by the light of the moon?"

That lyric always catches my ear. Of course, the moon doesn't have any light of its own. All the moon has is the ability to reflect the light that shines upon it.

The same holds for us, doesn't it? Our stewardship is purely a reflection of the grace granted to us by another. "Upon you the LORD shines," writes Isaiah, "and over you appears his glory." Every good action we will ever take begins in the mind of God. The fact that we have the honor of carrying it out on His behalf is a beautiful gift. It is God that makes our ordinary lives extraordinary.

In the end of the movie, George Bailey realizes that he had a far greater life because, instead of being the hero of his own story, he allowed himself to reflect goodness onto others.

Remember — the magi didn't chart their own course. They merely followed the star.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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