

QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

THE MESSENGER

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Holy Sacrifice of The Mass

Saturday

5:30 pm

Sunday

8:00 am & 10:30 am

Daily Mass

8:00 am: M, W, Th, F

Holy Days

Please see The Messenger



Mary, Queen of Angels, Pray for Us!

**First Saturday to Honor
the Immaculate
Heart of Mary**
Mass 9:00 am

First Friday to Adore the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Exposition/Adoration

10:30 am-11:15 am

(Benediction follows)

Confessions

10:35 am-11:15 am

Mass 11:30 am

Confession

Sat. 4:00 to 5:00 pm
or by appointment

Baptism

4th Sunday of the Month
Contact Fr. Timothy

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The Mission of Queen of Angels Church is to:

Grow in our relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Strengthen our faith by living and teaching the Gospel.

Serve God's People in our parish, our community, and our world.

Church is Handicapped Accessible

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STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

November 24, 2019

Envelopes Used	94
Envelope Collections	\$ 5,230.00
Plate Collections	\$ 897.00
TOTAL	\$ 6,127.00

HOME BOUND AND SHUT-IN PARISHIONERS

Home Bound and Shut-In parishioners are brought Holy Communion by Fr. Timothy. If you have family members who are home-bound please contact the office at 619.445.2145 so that they can be placed on the Holy Communion List for the home bound/shut-ins. Thank you!



GOSPEL READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS NOVEMBER 30-DECEMBER 8, 2019

		DATE	TIME	INTENTION
		Saturday, Nov 30	5:30 pm	
Sunday:	<i>Mt 24:37-44</i>	Sunday, Dec 1	8:00 am	†Christine Lauffer
Monday:	<i>Mt 8:5-11</i>	Sunday, Dec 1	10:30 am	For the People
Tuesday:	<i>Lk 10:21-24</i>	Monday, Dec 2	8:00 am	The Miller Family
Wednesday:	<i>Mt 15:29-37</i>	Tuesday, Dec 3	7:30 am	Rosary
Thursday:	<i>Mt 7:21, 24-27</i>	Wednesday, Dec 4	8:00 am	†Pierre Brancheau
Friday:	<i>Mt 9:27-31</i>	Thursday, Dec 5	8:00 am	Curtis Clark
Saturday:	<i>Mt 9:35-10:1, 5A, 6-8</i>	Friday, Dec 6	11:30 am	Joan Pericano
Next Sunday:	<i>Mt 3:1-12</i>	Saturday, Dec 6	9:00 am	Brian Holt
		Saturday, Dec 7	5:30 pm	For the People
		Sunday, Dec 8	8:00 am	Wes Clark
		Sunday, Dec 8	10:30 am	



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

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



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SIGNS	STARS	TAKE
TEMPLE	THEN	THERE
THINGS	TREE	WHEN

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Religious Education Schedule Following is the schedule for classes during the Thanksgiving holiday:

Pre K - Journey:

December 1: No Class

December 8: Class Resumes

Formation:

December 1: Class Resumes



Monthly Tecate & ECPCC Collection Please leave your donations after all the Masses next weekend, **December 7-8**, 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!



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10:30 am-11:15 am—Exposition/Adoration
(Benediction to follow)

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11:30 am—Mass



First Saturday to Honor the Immaculate Heart of Mary

9:00am—Mass



Sock Drive



Who likes icy, cold feet? NO ONE!

That's why Queen of Angels is once again having a "Sock Drive" for the homeless community served by Fr. Joe's Villages. Please bring new socks of any size and drop them in the donation boxes at the church entrances or at the office during normal business hours. The collection runs through December 22. Most clients are adults but there are families with small children in need as well. All donations are appreciated! Thank YOU!

Queen of Angels

Giving Tree

November 30 – December 20

This year we continue our Giving Tree practice with its home in the back of the church. Take an ornament or envelope off the Giving Tree and donate money or food items for the Tecate Orphanages (Salvatierra-for girls and Rancho Nazareth-for boys) and Villa Anahuac, or monetary donations for Children of the Immaculate Heart of Mary and East County Pregnancy Care Center.

Cash or checks accepted. Please make checks out to the group to which you are donating.

**(PLEASE NOTE:
Tecate Orphanages
are CASH ONLY.)**



Advent/Christmas

Bunco Gathering

Come join us in the parish hall on
Wednesday, December 4, 2019

Please RSVP to Katie Ford
at 619.445.5063
by Monday, December 2
to reserve your spot.



(Please note date and time change).

PASTOR'S PAGE

People have questioned for two millennia *when* the Second Coming of Christ would take place. Our Lord is giving us some indication in the gospel today, for He says that there is a certain parallel between Noah's day and The Day of The Lord: "*As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of The Son of Man* [Mt 24:37-44]." Our Lord says of the people of Noah's age: "*They did not know...*" He is indicating that they were completely ignorant of two things: The first was *the grave immorality of their actions*, for as it says in the Genesis story of Noah's ark, "*...The Lord saw how great was man's wickedness upon earth*" [Gen 6:5]. The second thing that people did not know was *that God would punish them for their sins*. We should reflect upon this willful ignorance of sin and its punishment, because these are the same maladies that prefigure the Second Coming of Christ.

The first problem was woeful and willful ignorance of morality, an ignorance that *could* have, and *should* have, been overcome. This was a willed, culpable, and vincible ignorance. This is because man knows inherently that he must *'do the good and avoid the evil'*. In other words, The Lord punished them in their ignorance of morality because *they ought to have known better*. There was no excuse, no justification for their actions. Let us explain.

We are accustomed to hearing that there is no God and that man biologically evolved through *chance events* from single-celled organisms to the top of the food chain by blind luck. The truth is, however, that man really began in a perfect world created by a Perfect God. It was only after The Fall of Original Sin that man plummeted to his lowest level. From that lowest of states man had to crawl back to ascendancy, struggling all the way to found a civilized society. After Adam and Eve had sinned, the loss of God's grace and gifts had turned the society of mankind into a dog-eat-dog world. Sin proliferated, as the CCC [401] teaches: "*After that first [Original] sin, the world is virtually inundated by sin.*" The Fall of Man, with its consequent darkening of the intellect, and weakening of the will, meant that mankind had, in a sense, to start over. Having to rely upon his own natural powers mankind degenerated into a kind of 'cave-man' existence. It would be centuries before a true society could be built up into civilization.

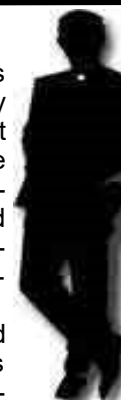
Therefore, in 'the days of Noah' the world of man was still relatively new. Man had to rediscover the Natural Law inherent within him in creation that told him right from wrong. The law had to be discerned. The real difficulty for people in the days of Noah was that they didn't have an *explicit law* written and revealed to them from God as when Moses was given the 10 Commandments. In the days of Noah the knowledge of morality relied solely upon the Natural Law of God written in men's hearts to be discerned by them. The law was there, true enough; however, the natural law is difficult to discern when man is wounded by original and personal sin. This would explain the grave immorality in the days of Noah.

The second problem of 'the days of Noah' was man's ignorance that God punishes those who do evil. This is, again, a part of the Natural Law. The first principles of the Natural Law: '*Do good and avoid evil*', and '*God punishes the evil and rewards the good [just]*', are the basic motivation for truly humanly virtuous, meaning rational, good action. In a sense then, the first part of the principles of the Natural Law '*do good and avoid evil*' needs and demands the second part, '*God punishes the evil and rewards the good*'. After all, if it's really true that evil is not punished and the good is not rewarded, then *why* should I '*Do good and avoid evil*' to begin with? When a person sees no justice, no punishment for evil actions, the result is that evil increases and proliferates; and when evil proliferates people tend to tolerate it more and more. So simply, to increase evil the recipe is: don't punish anyone! And conversely don't reward good virtuous actions. With all this in mind it is easier to see how the evil conditions of 'the days of Noah' were so deplorable, and consequently, how they are repeatable as future signs of the Second Coming of Christ.

Somewhere along our recent history punishment went out of style. Psychologists who denied personal free-will placed the blame upon society, not individuals. The 'experts' came to believe that we should never punish bad behavior, but only affirm good behavior. It was the beginning of the '*I'm O.K., You're O.K.*' era. Thus, we no longer have prisons; we now have 'correctional facilities'. In the 1960's [USA] Dr. Benjamin Spock told parents that they should *never* spank their children (his own child didn't turn out so well). In fact, in many states it is now illegal to spank your own children. The whole idea now is that it's neither the child's nor the criminal's fault, it's society's fault, it's their environment, it's their genes, blame the parents etc. As a result personal responsibility went right out the window.

As a consequence of non-punishment, evil proliferates and we thus tolerate it more and more. It used to be a felony to steal a car, but because of the increased number of stolen cars in the U.S. it was downgraded to a misdemeanor. In the old west, if you stole someone's "automobile" [horse], you were hung! The same thing is happening with rape, the correctional measures against the criminal are becoming less and less all the time. In many states it used to be that rape warranted the death penalty; however, because Dr. Alfred Kinsey told us that men just can't help themselves, we now know that we shouldn't punish rapists so severely because they're just doing what men do!#@! The "Boys will be boys" mentality.

We should all be aware of California's Proposition 47, which went into effect on Jan. 1, 2014. The new law scaled back California's current felony murder rule, which allows defendants to be convicted of first-degree murder if a victim dies during the commission of a felony. SEE: latimes.com/politics/la-pol-ca-felony-murder-signed-jerry-brown-20180930-story.html.



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CA Proposition 47 also downgraded a variety of “non-serious, nonviolent crimes” that had previously been considered felonies to become only misdemeanors. These include shoplifting, grand theft, receiving stolen property, forgery, fraud, and writing bad checks. As long as the total value of the stolen property is under \$950.... The referendum had the support of the CA Democratic party and the American Civil Liberties Union, and the state’s voters stupidly passed it into law in 2014. Proposition 47 didn’t stop with theft. The personal use of illegal drugs was also reclassified to a misdemeanor. The 2014 ballot initiative had unintended results galore. SEE: nationalreview.com/2018/01/californias-proposition-47-crime-and-no-consequences/

The truth is that when we fail to make the necessary sacrifices in our lives, for our own or others sake, we merit punishment from the authority in our society. Failing to make necessary sacrifices means that we are really *failing to submit ourselves to the natural order of things*. And because God is the Ultimate Authority of the Ultimate Order, we therefore see that God does indeed punish, in justice, those who fail to make the necessary sacrifices in their lives to do the good and avoid the evil. When God punishes us temporally in this life He is depriving us of some material, physical, and temporal benefit for the sake of some spiritual and eternal benefit. This also applies to discipline.

In this life, then God really punishes us out of mercy, to show us a love of correction – to bring us to Him, The Ultimate Good [Heb 12:6]. Should God punish us eternally in the life to come, we are then completing justice for the grievous denial to live the love we should have lived in this life, for failing to make the necessary sacrifices to *at least love God more than ourselves*. What we see in punishment is that a particular good is deprived of a person (or a negative reinforcement is applied) for some greater good, for the sake of their personal good, or the common good of society, or for both. It is above all else a lesson in responsibility and consequences. It is fully reasonable to do this; in fact we do it to ourselves all the time whenever we make sacrifices in our lives. We deprive ourselves of free time and pleasure to go to work, oftentimes at jobs we dislike. All this is done so that some greater good – money – can be obtained. St. Paul uses the example of the athlete who deprives himself all sorts of things to win a perishable crown [1 Cor 9:25]. In fact, we even say that we punish ourselves to discipline our will and body to obtain good things. This fits well the definition of punishment. Just think of anything you don’t like to do and you will see that a particular good is deprived of YOU for some greater good, for the sake of either you personally, or for society, or for both. So what are we doing when we punish? *What punishment is really doing is correcting others who fail to make the sacrifices that they should have made – sacrifices they were obligated to make – for the Common Good [the sake of their own good, or someone else’s]*. Thus nobody is punished for not making a sacrifice that they were not obligated to make, and hence the greater the neglect, the greater the punishment.

And so as in the days of Noah, the people did not know the gravity of their evil ways, nor the punishment that awaited them, and they perished. They were punished because they failed to make the necessary and obligatory sacrifices in their lives to live without sin. We should be able to see, through the superior Revelation and grace of Christ Jesus, the infinite love that God has for us. We should therefore never fail to make the necessary sacrifices in our lives that would warrant either temporal punishment, or eternal punishment. And should we sin we can turn to the Seat of Mercy that Christ has established for us, the Sacrament of Reconciliation and life.

Advent Blessings,

Father Tim



Queen of Angels Women's Auxiliary December 7-8, 2019 after all Masses

If you would like to donate any baked goods, please look for the signup sheet at the entrance to the church. All baked goods can be dropped off in the multi-purpose room on Friday, December 6 before 2PM OR in the multi-purpose room BEFORE the Mass you attend. Thank you in advance!

All proceeds will support and benefit our diocese's Seminarians and other Auxiliary projects.



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*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.*

Advent Penance Liturgies in the area:

St. Martin of Tours (La Mesa), Monday,
December 2, 7:00 pm**Santa Sophia** (Spring Valley), Wednesday,
December 11, 7:00 pm**St. Kateri Tekakwitha** (Barona), Tuesday,
December 3, 7:00 pm**St. Luke**, (El Cajon), Thursday,
December 12, 7:00 pm**St. John of the Cross** (Lemon Grove), Tuesday,
December 3, 7:00 pm**Holy Trinity** (El Cajon), Monday
December 16, 7:00 pm**St. Pius X** (Jamul), Thursday,
December 5, 7:00 pm**Our Lady of Grace** (El Cajon), Tuesday
December 17, 7:00 pm**St. Therese** (San Diego), Monday,
December 9, 7:00 pm**Our Lady of Perpetual Help** (Lakeside), Monday
December 23, 9:00 am & 7:00 pm**Guardian Angels** (Santee), Tuesday,
December 10, 7:00 pm*Several priest confessors will be available.
Experience the hope of the Advent Season through
this wonderful sacrament of healing.*♪♪ *Peace in the Womb Christmas Caroling* ♪♪

In the Christmas story, hope enters the world through the birth of a child even in midst of difficult circumstances. Please join us as we sing carols and share this Christmas hope where it is needed most...the abortion facility right here in our community.

When: Saturday December 14th, 10-11:00 a.m.**Where:** Planned Parenthood - 1685 E. Main El Cajon**More Information:** Contact hansenpat@msn.com♪♪ *Peace in the Womb Christmas Caroling* ♪♪

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WHAT DO ADVENT WREATH CANDLES SIGNIFY?

By FR. MATTHEW ALLMAN, CSSR

***Why are the candles in the Advent wreath different colors?
And why do some wreaths have five candles and some have four?***

Most Advent wreaths have three purple candles and one rose (or pink) to echo the liturgical colors of the Church's Advent celebrations. Whether the wreath is being used at home or in a church, the lighting of the candles should follow the liturgical colors of the Sundays of Advent. The vestments at Mass are purple during the first two weeks of Advent, and we light a purple candle on the first and second Sundays of Advent.



On the third Sunday, the Church celebrates *Gaudete Sunday* or *Rejoice Sunday*, named after the first word of the day's traditional entrance verse (Philippians 4:4-5). The priest can wear rose vestments at Mass as a sign of our brightening hope and joy, and on the Advent wreath we light the rose candle to reflect the action in the liturgy. The fourth Sunday of Advent sees the lighting of the last purple candle.

Some churches and families add a fifth candle to their Advent practices by placing a white candle in the center of the wreath. They light this at Christmas, again echoing the Church's liturgical color for the season and rejoicing in Christ our Lord, whose birth brings light and life to our world.

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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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