# 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



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

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

Mary, Queen of Angels, pray for us!

<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

January 12, 2025

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Envelopes Used

 Envelope Collections
 \$ 5,139.00

 Plate Collections
 \$ 753.00

 TOTAL
 \$ 5,892.00



"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Matthew 6:19-21

## READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS JANUARY 18-26, 2025

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 (3)/ 1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11 Monday: Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4/Mk 2:18-22 Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c/ Mk 2:23-28 Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4/ Mk 3:1-6 Thursday: Heb 7:25—8:6/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/

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**Friday**: Heb 8:6-13/Ps 85:8 and 10, 11-12, 13-14/ Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/ Mk 16:15-18

**Next Sunday**: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 (see Jn 6:63c)/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/ Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

DATE		TIME	<b>INTENTION</b>
Saturday,	Jan 18	5:30 PM	Rick Harang
Sunday,	Jan 19	8:00 AM	The Souls in Purgatory
Sunday,	Jan 19	10:30 AM	Sheila Wing
Monday,	Jan 20	7:30 AM	Rosary
Tuesday,	Jan 21	8:00 AM	Brett LaTray
Wednesday,	Jan 22	8:00 AM	Steven McMeeken
Thursday,	Jan 23	8:00 AM	Aurora Beltran
Friday,	Jan 24	8:00 AM	Nancy Clark
Saturday,	Jan 25	5:30 PM	+Beverly Bohacek
Sunday,	Jan 26	8:00 AM	†Joseph Espinoza & Raymond (RJ)
Sunday,	Jan 26	10:30 AM	+Lois Agosta

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



Kelly Barker Mike Gust June Hill Eugene Isaacs Jason Laccone Katie Clark Larson Dale Lee Susan Lopez Steve McMeeken James Meek Therese More Renee Schmiedeberg Kailyn & Charis Whaley

PRAYER REOUEST





Names remain listed for four weeks and can be renewed by contacting Darlene Ames at bulletinqofa@gmail.com. <u>Deployed Military</u>

Meagan Abad, LT Matthew D. Fuller, PV2 William W. Fuller II, PFC Edward R.M. Lopez, SSgt David J. McIntyre, PFC Nicholas Palstorm, E8 Jacob Tweed, HM3



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.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

🗱 👬 on January 19 due to the observance of MLK Jr. holiday. else from our parish staff will never send out e-mails, text 🧉 Classes resume on January 26.



Monday, January 20, in observance of Martin Luther King Day. We will re-open on Tuesday, **January 21**, at 9:00 AM.



Queen of Angels Women's Auxiliary ATTENTION all ladies of the Parish. Our first meeting of the 2025 year will be on January 22 at 5:30 PM in the parish hall. All woman of the parish are welcome to join and there's no better time than the new year. So mark your calendar as we look forward to seeing you there!



Bible Study It's not to late to join the latest Bible Study; Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom, The Compelling Story of the First Christians which be-

gun on Tuesday, January 14, 2025 from 9AM-11AM. Registration is free. The study guide is \$35.95 and can be purchased at ascensionpress.com/collections/acts-the-spread-of-the-kingdom/ products/acts-the-spread-of-the-kingdom-workbook-copy-withoutaccess.



Annual Catholic Appeal 2024 If you have yet to participate in the 2024 year's appeal, it's not too late! Simply visit: https://sdcatholic.org/annual-catholicappeal and make your pledge. No amount is too small.

Remember, 100% of all monies pledged beyond our set goal is returned to Queen of Angels. Thank you for your continued generosity in support of our local Church.



#### PLEASE Consider Assisting!

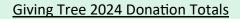
We here at Queen of Angels are always in need of *Altar* Servers, Communion Ministers, Lectors, Ushers and Choir Members. These volunteer positions are a vital and integral part of celebrating Mass and are not only necessary but rewarding as well. If you would like to assist with any of these positions please contact Father David in the parish office at 619-445-2145.

We will work with your availability to serve at the Mass which you now attend. Note: We can use volunteers for all Masses so if you can assist just only once a month it would be greatly appreciated.



Faith Formation There will be no faith formation classes Announcement Please be advised that Fr. David, or anyone messages or Flocknotes requesting any form of monetary assistance such as cash, Amazon, iTunes, gift cards etc. If you re-Parish Office Closed The parish office will be closed on ceive such suspicious e-mails, please delete or disregard.

> Green Thumb Gardeners There still are several beautiful Poinsettia plants that weren't picked up from the Christmas season. With proper care these plants can thrive year round and rebloom. If you would like one or two please help yourself.



Children of the Immaculate Heart: \$1,370.00 East County Pregnancy Care Center: \$ 970.00 Rancho Nazareth: \$ 1,935.00 Sisters of Villa Anahuac: \$1,745.00 Almsgiving for the Parish Poor: \$ 3,400.00

Thank you to all who so kindly gave to our Christmas Giving Tree. Through your generosity, a total of \$9,420.00 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" II Cor 9:7

# QUEEN OF ANGELS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Welcome to all members and visitors who are joining us for the celebration of the Eucharist. If you have been away from the Church for a little while or for quite some time, but now feel a tug at your heart calling you back to the Catholic Church, welcome home!

If you feel drawn to the Catholic Church yet come from another faith tradition - or have no faith experience at all we are glad you are here! The Catholic Church has been teaching truth since she was founded by Christ over 2,000 years ago. We invite you to enrich your life through joining our parish family. In addition to our liturgies there are many ministries and service groups that help you to build friendships and serve our parish along with the greater community. We also offer life-long learning through our many faith formation opportunities for children and adults.

Queen of Angels invites you to be a "sharing member" and register: Please call the parish office during normal business hours. Registration is required for Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Marriage and enrollment in our religious education programs.

Welcome to QUEEN OF ANGELS. our hidden jewel in the Diocese of San Diego!



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## SAVE THE DATE!!

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Join us on Saturday January 25, 2025

for:

"JOY IN JESUS"

Queen of Angels Women's Auxiliary upcoming retreat.

All women of the parish, family members, friends and neighbors are welcome! So spread the word and share in this beautiful day of reflection and sharing.

Cost: \$30 and limited to 50 participants.

Includes a light breakfast and lunch, time for reflection and sharing, with confession available upon request. Registration continues through January 18-19 after all Masses.



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 or https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life

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#### 7 Bible Verses Every Child Should Learn

By Clement Harrold January 3, 2025

When I work with young children I like to remind them that they possess a special superpower: their memory! Although children are notorious for "forgetting" to unload the dishwasher or tidy their rooms, the truth is that God has blessed them with an amazing capacity to learn things by heart. Much like their body, the mind of a child is flexible and resilient, just waiting to be filled with facts, dates, prayers, poems, and psalms.

Kids are quick to commit things to memory, and the things they internalize often stay with them for a lifetime. This means there is immense value in helping our children to cultivate what the journalist Peter Hitchens describes as "a mind furnished with beauty." It's worth remembering, too, that the practice of teaching beautiful things to our children has a rich biblical pedigree, as seen in the famous Shema prayer which the Jewish people recite to this day:

With this in mind, what follows are seven great Scriptures worth teaching diligently to your children—not to mention grandchildren, godchildren, nieces, and nephews! All quotations are taken from the Revised Standard Version Catholic Edition.

#### 7 Bible Verses for Kids

Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart. (Psalm 37:4)

Thought to have been written by King David in his later years, Psalm 37 speaks powerfully of the trust which believers ought to have in the Lord even when evildoers seem to prosper.

See that you do not despise one of these little ones; for I tell you that in heaven their angels always behold the face of my Father who is in heaven. (Matthew 18:10)

Jesus urges His listeners not to despise the childlike qualities of the "little ones" who have become His disciples and who enjoy the protection of their mighty guardian angels.

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

Jesus's famous words to Nicodemus are a reminder that the infinite love of the Blessed Trinity is the ultimate reason for the Incarnation and the Cross.

Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may prove what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. (Romans 12:2)

Near the end of his longest and most theologically complex epistle, St. Paul shifts to a practical call to arms, exhorting his audience to uncover the will of God by rejecting a worldly way of thinking.

Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. (1 Timothy 4:12)

St. Paul instructs the young Church leader Timothy to brush off the criticisms of people who look down on him, while at the same time excelling in personal virtue and sanctity.

The Lord is my helper, I will not be afraid; what can man do to me? (Hebrews 13:6)

Originally found in Psalm 118:6, this verse appears in Hebrews in the context of living a life of radical Christian virtue and resisting an excessive attachment to money.

For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. (1 John 5:3)

The First Epistle of John drives home the fact that law and love are not contradictory but rather complementary realities.



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# COME JOIN US IN WONDERLAND For the Father JOE'S VILLAGES LADIES GUILD ANNUAL FUNDRAISER!

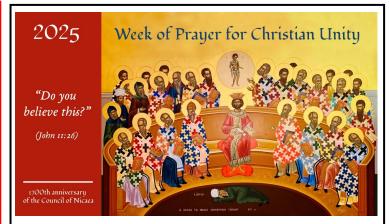


### <u>The Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection</u> <u>of Unborn Children</u> *January 22, 2025*

The over 60 million abortions since the 1973 decisions of *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton* reflect with heartbreaking magnitude what Pope Francis means by a "throwaway culture." However, we have great trust in God's providence. We are reminded time and again in Scripture to seek the Lord's help, and as people of faith, we believe that our prayers are heard.

And while, on June 24, 2022, the *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* decision overturned *Roe v. Wade*, right now state and federal laws, in many instances, are still hostile to preborn children. So, great prayer and advocacy is still very needed.

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 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": "In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion."

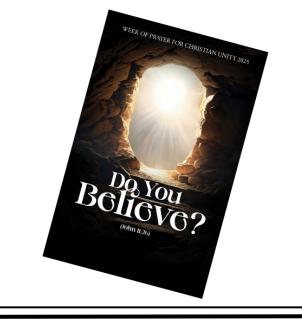


The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (WPCU), **January 18-25**, **2025**, is an ecumenical opportunity for Christians around the world to take part in an octave of prayer for visible unity. Through our observance of the WPCU, Christians move toward the fulfillment of Jesus' prayer to the Father "that they all may be one" (cf. John 17:21).

This year's theme is "Do you believe this?" *John 11:26.* This year's theme was chosen in recognition of the 1700th anniversary of the First Council of Nicaea (325), at which the words "I believe" were chosen to anchor the Creed as an instrument of universal Christian unity.

We are presented with the story of the raising of Lazarus, the last of the so-called signs of glory of Jesus before he enters Jerusalem. Jesus loved Lazarus and his sisters Martha and Mary. They were dear friends who showed Jesus complete hospitality. He, in turn, confided his joy in visiting with them to take a rest from the mission of announcing the Kingdom.

The Graymoor Ecumenical and Interreligious Institute has published sample prayers for the general intercessions which may be used during the week's liturgies: https://geii.org/wpcuresource/2025/general-intercessions/



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## What Are Some Good Bible Study Tools for Catholics?

It's often said that Catholics don't know the Bible very well, but this isn't entirely accurate. The truth is that Catholics who regularly attend Mass are often a lot more well versed in the Scriptures than they realize.

Although we still have a lot to learn from our Protestants brothers and sisters about the value of *memorizing* Sacred Scripture, we shouldn't underestimate the extent to which our experience of the Church's tradition and sacraments provides us with an intuitive sense for understanding the Bible. Indeed, as Catholics, we have the ability to read the Bible from the heart of the Church—the way it is meant to be read—which gives us a distinct advantage.

That being said, there's always much more to learn! Growing in our knowledge of the breadth and depth of Scripture is a lifelong task, and always a worthwhile one. Writing to the young Church leader Timothy, St. Paul reminds him: "All scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness" (<u>2 Tim</u> <u>3:16</u>).

Before we get to our list of recommended study tools, let's first say a quick word on translations. The above quotation from 2 Timothy is from the Revised Standard Version Catholic Edition (RSVCE), which is the translation of choice for many orthodox Catholic theologians and scholars. Although no translation is perfect, the RSVCE strikes a good balance between faithfully capturing the meaning of the original Greek, while still maintaining a certain elegance in style.

#### **Recommended Study Bibles**

The past few months have seen the release of the *Ignatius Catholic Study Bible*, complete with Old and New Testaments. Edited by Scott Hahn and Curtis Mitch, this resource contains nearly 18,000 footnotes. But be warned: at 2,320 pages, it's not exactly pocket sized!

Other excellent study Bibles include the *Didache Bible*, which incorporates commentaries based on the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, as well as the *Navarre Bible series*, which is inspired by the vision of St. Josemaría Escrivá, founder of Opus Dei.

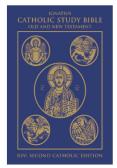
Another multi-volume Bible worth checking out is *The Word on Fire Bible*, which includes beautiful Christian art and reflections from Bishop Robert Barron.

#### Understanding the "Big Picture" of the Bible

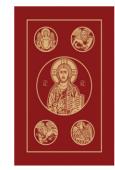
Sometimes when we're reading the Bible it can be difficult to spot the forest for the trees. One classic book which helps provide a sense of the overarching narrative of salvation history is Scott Hahn's *A Father Who Keeps His Promises: God's Covenant Love in Scripture*.

Another helpful set of books, especially for beginners, are John Bergsma's **Bible Basics for Catholics**. Three volumes have been published so far: (1) *Bible Basics for Catholics: A New Picture of Salvation History*, (2) *New Testament Basics for Catholics*, (3) *Psalm Basics for Catholics: Seeing Salvation History in a New Way*.

To order any of these Bible Resources go to: ignatius.com/books/bibles-bible-resources/



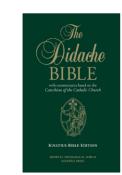
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The Didache Bible with Commentaries Based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church

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