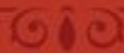




THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. - Mt 2:10-11a

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME, TALENT & TREASURE



READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS JANUARY 4-12, 2025

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

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/ Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/ Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/ Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30

Next Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 (1)/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

DATE	TIME	INTENTION
Saturday, Jan 4	9:00 AM	†Beverly Bohacek
Saturday, Jan 4	5:30 PM	The Souls in Purgatory
Sunday, Jan 5	8:00 AM	†Robin Blankenship
Sunday, Jan 5	10:30 AM	†Brian D. Ford
Monday, Jan 6	7:30 AM	Rosary
Tuesday, Jan 7	7:30 AM	Rosary
Wednesday, Jan 8	7:30 AM	Rosary
Thursday, Jan 9	7:30 AM	Rosary
Friday, Jan 10	7:30 AM	Rosary
Saturday, Jan 11	5:30 PM	The Souls in Purgatory
Sunday, Jan 12	8:00 AM	Lupita Vecchitto
Sunday, Jan 12	10:30 AM	June Hill

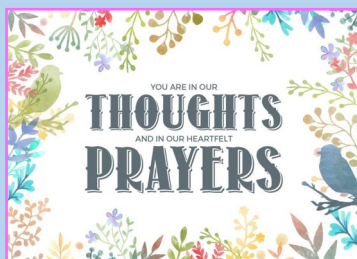
PRAYER REQUEST

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
James Meek
Therese More
Renee Schmiedeberg
Kailyn & Charis Whaley*

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



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

Deployed Military

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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Monthly ECPCC Collection Please leave your donations after all the Masses this weekend, **January 4-5**, in the "ECPCC COLLECTION 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 7–Friday, January 10, 2025**. We will be reciting the Rosary at 7:30 AM and would love to have you join us. Sorry for this inconvenience.



Bible Study Upcoming Bible Study; **Lectio: Philippians: Life in Christ.** Beginning Tuesday, **January 7, 2025** from 6 PM - 8 PM for 6 weeks in the parish hall. Registration is free. The study guide is \$24.95 and can be purchased at catholic.market/publishers/augustine-institute/lectio-philippians-study-guide.



Knights of Columbus There will be a Council meeting on Tuesday, **January 14**, at 7:00 PM in the parish hall. All Knights are encouraged to attend.



Music Ministry Since we have moved to the new smaller Missals which do not have most of the music we sing at Mass, we will be using hymns from the dark blue hymnals, exclusively. All the numbers on the board will reflect numbers in this hymnal. Thank You.



Don't Forget If any of your personal information has changed please call the Parish Office at 619-445-2145 to let us know. We strive to keep our family records up-to-date and confidential.

Prayer for the New Year

Dear Lord, With thanksgiving we entrust our year to You: whatever it holds, whoever we encounter, wherever we traverse. What You supply is gift. May our comings and goings be aligned with Your will.
Amen.

Latest Bible Study,

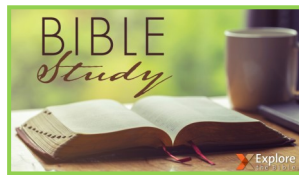
Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom

The Compelling Story of the First Christians

Acts is the story of how a few Christians, empowered by the Holy Spirit, were chosen to bring Christ and the Good News to the ends of the earth. They faced secular forces, internal strife, and hostile crowds, and despite all of this, they brought the kingdom of God to a broken world and the love of God to the hearts of men.

Beginning Tuesday, January 14, 2025 from 9 AM - 11 AM for 20 weeks in the parish hall.

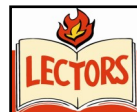
Registration is free. The study guide is \$35.95 and can be purchased at ascensionpress.com/collections/acts-the-spread-of-the-kingdom/products/acts-the-spread-of-the-kingdom-workbook-copy-without-access.



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.



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Friday: 9:00 am-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

First Friday Devotions

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

First Saturday Devotions

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

Confession

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

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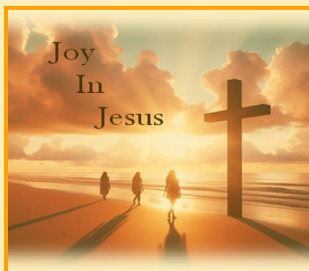
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Mary, Queen of Angels,
Pray for Us!

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Are you missing out on the greatest Joy that you can have?
If so, Join us on

Saturday January 25, 2025

for:

“Joy in Jesus”

Queen of Angels Women’s Auxiliary upcoming retreat.

All registered adult women of the Parish are invited.

Starting with morning Mass followed by speaker Carole Stone, Master Catechist for the Diocese of San Diego, Parishioner of St. Luke’s Catholic Church.

Cost: \$30 and limited to 50 participants.

Includes a light breakfast and lunch, time for reflection and sharing, with confession available upon request.

Registration begins the weekend of January 4-5 and continues through January 18-19 after all Masses.



January 16-24, 2025

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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13TH ANNUAL SAN DIEGO WALK 4 LIFE

LIFE IS A RIGHT, NOT AN OPTION

January 18, 2025
8:30 AM-12:00 PM

WALK LED BY
CARDINAL ROBERT W. MCELROY

Waterfront Park
1600 Pacific Hwy. San Diego, CA 92101

CONTACT INFORMATION
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Ramona Treviño
KEYNOTE SPEAKER
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T-shirt pre-sale, inspiring speakers, free raffles, exhibitors, activities for children, live entertainment, & coffee truck

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Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

—2 Cor 5:17 (ESV)

May God's peace be upon you and remain with you throughout the year.

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.

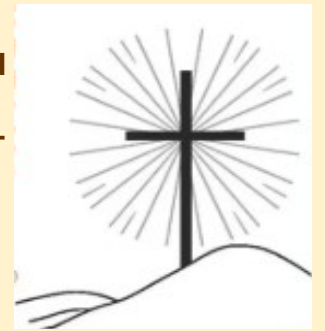
— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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ANNOUNCEMENTS**End of Life:
A Catholic Perspective****January 13, 2025
9:00 AM — 1:00 PM****at the Diocese of San Diego Pastoral Center
3888 Paducah Drive, San Diego, CA 92117**

We invite you to attend this event hosted by the Diocese of San Diego Office for Life, Peace, and Justice about the Catholic perspective on end of life issues. This free event will feature a talk by Dr. Charles Camosy, a professor of Medical Humanities at Creighton University School of Medicine. Lunch is included!

Contact Carolina Diaz-Romero at cdiaz-romerosdcatholic.org
or (858) 490-8324 with any questions!

**Devotions, *Explained!*
Epiphany Blessing**

Mini Explanation — The Epiphany household blessing is an ancient practice in the Church. This tradition is a beautiful way to observe the coming of the magi while invoking God's blessing on your home and all who enter it. All that is needed is chalk and a prayerful heart!

Epiphany Blessing, *Explained*

The Epiphany household blessing is a centuries-old tradition that invokes God's blessing on all who enter one's home.

All you need for an Epiphany blessing is chalk, which is usually made available by parishes either on the feast of the Epiphany or in the weeks leading up to it. There are a few different formulas for blessings out there, but the essence of the ritual is always the same: a priest or the head of the household calls down God's blessing on the house and everyone who comes into it, and an inscription is made above the door in chalk.

The inscription reads: the first two digits of the year + C + M + B + the last two digits of the year. The initials C, M and B represent the names of the magi — Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar — and also signify the Latin phrase *Christus mansionem benedicat*: "May Christ bless the house."

Epiphany of the Lord

The song "We Three Kings" details the gifts of the Magi, but do you know what you're singing? "Born a king on Bethlehem's plan, gold I bring to crown Him again." This one is the most straightforward - gold symbolizes the Kingship of Christ. "Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom." Myrrh is an embalming spice. Already at Christ's birth, we have the symbolic reminder of his death. "Frankincense to offer have I. Incense owns a deity nigh." In many religious traditions, incense symbolizes prayers rising to heaven. In some pagan traditions, it is thought to help "call down" the deity. The gift of frankincense symbolizes Jesus' role as the Great High Priest, sanctifying the world through his sacrifice.

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WE ARE GRATEFUL TO ALL THOSE WHO MADE A DONATION AND HELPED DECORATE OUR CHURCH FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON.

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