

"I am the servant
of the Lord."



4th Sunday of
ADVENT
December 23,
2018

MASS SCHEDULE December 24th thru December 30th

**Monday (Dec. 24) - 5:00 pm Christmas Vigil (School—Gym)
11:30 pm Christmas Eve (Church)**
Tuesday (Dec. 25) - 9:00 am and 11:00 am - Christmas Day
Wednesday (Dec. 26) - 7:00 am Daily
Thursday (Dec. 27) - 7:00 am Daily
Friday (Dec. 28) - 7:00 am Daily (No School Mass)
Saturday (Dec. 29) - 5:30 pm Vigil (Fr. Pepka)
Sunday (Dec. 30) - 9:00 am & 11:00 am, and 4:30 pm Mass

SIMBANG GABI (MASS AT DAWN)

A tradition celebrated as spiritual preparation for Christmas, in commemoration of the birth of Jesus Christ and also seen as a way to request blessings from the Lord. Many believe that once you complete the 9 Masses, your wishes will be granted. The Mother of Perpetual Help Ministry, the Santo Nino group and members of other OLG Church Ministries have dedicated their time and efforts into the making this event a blessing. All Masses are at 5:30 am at the Church with a light breakfast following in the Rectory.



SIMBANG GABI by Claude Tayag
Serigraph, 1995 (71 x 74 cm)

COME AND ENJOY THE MASS, PRAYERS & BLESSINGS.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**MONDAY - 2 SM 7:1-5, 8B-12, 14A, 16; PS 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29;
LK 1:67-79**
TUESDAY - IS 52:7-10; PS 98:1, 2-3, 4, 5-6; HEB 1:1-6; JN 1:1-18
**WEDNESDAY - ACTS 6:8-10; 7:54-59; PS 31:3CD-4, 6 and 8AB, 16BC-17;
PS 118:26A, 27A; MT 10:17-22**
THURSDAY - 1 JN 1:1-4; PS 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; JN 20:1A and 2-8
FRIDAY - 1 JN 1:5—2:2; PS 124:2-3, 4-5, 7CD-8; MT 2:13-18
SATURDAY - 1 JN 2:3-11; PS 96:1-2A, 2B-3, 5B-6; LK 2:32; LK 2:22-35
**SUNDAY - SIR 3:2-6, 12-14; 1 SM 1:20-22, 24-28; PS 128:1-2, 3, 4-5;
COL 3:12-21; COL 3:15A, 16A; CF. ACTS 16:14B**

WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF GRACE

Pastor's
Corner

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Loving greetings to you on this great day of the birth of our Savior. Christmas is the most joyful of our celebrations because God has truly become Emmanuel, one of us, dwelling with us.

Behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today, in the city of David, a savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord (Luke 2:10-11). These are the words of the angels to the shepherds. These are the words the Angels are singing in our hearts this Christmas. A savior has been born to us who is our Messiah. Let us go and meet Him as the shepherds did. God has come to us to fill our world with His presence. God has become part of our family, that we may become part of God's family. Now, as we come to the end of the year 2018 and look forward to 2019, you and me, and our parish family, we are the signs of God's very presence in the World.

So let us welcome Him into our hearts, our homes and our Parish, and radiate His presence and His love to all around us. As we celebrate Christmas, let us take Jesus from the hands of Mary and Joseph and announce to the world that He is with us. He is Emmanuel. Let the world discover Jesus in us through our love. Let us make a sincere effort to make Jesus present in our family, in our parish and in our world this Christmas, and always.

Merry Christmas to each one of you, young and adult.

Fr. Mathew Rappu

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BLESS, PROTECT and PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY, O LORD

Nash Bulaong	Thomas Burkstrand	Brian Chrisman
Shelby DeLamora	Jason Enjambre	Zachary Evans
Angelo Garcia	Mikayla George	Lawrence Hermosa
Anthony Huggins	Diana Jacinto	Austin Mora
Wesley Paige	CeCe Pitts	Renald Rivera
Terrin Vilhauer	Christian Watson	Rick G. Marston Jr.

Please pray for their families, the Chaplains, first responders, police, firefighters and all who protect and serve.



A Prayer for Christmas

Wonderful the dignity you bestowed, O God, on human nature when you created it; more wonderful still its condition when you recreated it. Grant, we pray, that Jesus Christ, your Son, stooped to share our human nature, so we may share the lot of his divine nature, through that same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit has shared one life and kingly power, one godhead, from all eternity.

Amen.

The Parish Office wishes you and your families a very peaceful and blessed holiday.



Names remain on the Prayer List for 1 month. Please notify the Parish Office if you wish to add or remove.

JIM THOMPSON	ANA RAMIREZ-PALMER	JEANNETTE DE DIOS	OPAL COUGHLIN
JOSEPH PLATINO	ORLANDO PIZOLA	CARY COPPEL	KATHY VILHAUER
SONJA CRAIGHTON	THE SOLANO FAMILY		

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY (Dec. 22nd) at 5:30 pm	For Rose Rappuzha +
SUNDAY (Dec. 23rd) at 9:00 am	For Joe Brito +
at 11:00 am	For All Parishioners
at 4:30 pm	For Louretta Lehman +
TUESDAY (Dec. 24th) at 7:00 am	For Harry Valencia (Birthday)
WEDNESDAY (Dec. 25th) at 7:00 am	For Ted Illarmo +
THURSDAY (Dec. 26th) at 7:00 am	For Estela Attarado +
FRIDAY (Dec. 27th) at 7:00 am	For our OLG Students (NO SCHOOL MASS)

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 29th
5:30 pm -- Bonnie Sue Barrow, Glenn Mochel
Sunday, December 30th
9:00 am -- Trudy Connolly, Ellie Luna, Michael Rivera, Sandy Westlake
11:00 am -- Claire Guidry, Rodney Guidry, Celine Lawrence, Maureen Talani
4:30 pm -- Anita Sargent, Isabella Zink

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 29th
5:30 pm -- Grace Mosley, Rick Mayoral, Rick Mayoral
Sunday, December 30th
9:00 am -- Valerie Paige, Byron Paige, Rose Lloyd
11:00 am -- Cindy Fabonan, Wilma Bulaong, Celine Lawrence
4:30 pm -- Dennison Ocampo, Sydney Galvan, Sydney Galvan

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 29th
5:30 pm -- Rebecca Rose Mochel, Virginia Mochel
Sunday, December 30th
9:00 am -- Louise Hernandez
11:00 am -- Ben Houdeshell, Eric Houdeshell, Jason Houdeshell
4:30 pm -- Francesco Giordano, Nicolo Giordano

CHILDREN'S LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 30th
9:00 am - Stacey/Natalie 11:00 am - No Class 4:30 pm - Cara

Weekly Budget Goal = \$4,271.00; Dec. 16, 2018 Collection = \$3,647.50

Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Wednesdays; Rosary & Novena, 6:00 pm, followed by Mass (Church).

Bereavement Ministry: Call the Parish Office 916-371-4814 as needed.

Bible Study: Tuesdays, 7:00 pm (Parish Ctr). Topic "Gospel of Mark"; format in Lectio Divina.

Catholic Faith Formation: Tuesdays, 5:30 - 6:45 pm (Sept 2018 to May 2019); for K-5 & Confirmation Prep for 6th - 8th (School).

Graced Youth Ministry: Every other Sunday, 6:00 pm (School Gym).

Moms Ministry: 3rd Sunday of the month, 6:30 - 7:30 pm (Parish Center).

OLG Prayer Meeting: 2nd thru 5th Fridays of the month, 7:00 pm (School Chapel).

RCIA: Thursdays, 5:30 pm and Mondays Inquiry, 7:00 pm. (both in Parish Center).

Respect Life Ministry: 3rd Thursday of the month, 6:30 pm (Church Rectory) and HOUR OF POWER Prayer Session on Tuesdays, 6:00 - 7:00 pm.

St. Vincent de Paul: 2nd Thursday of the month, 6:30 pm (Church Rectory).

Women's Council: 1st Tuesday of the month, 7:00 pm (Parish Center).

