St. James-St. Leo Catholic Community

THIRD SUNDAY OF Advent

As the earth brings forth its plants,
and a garden makes its growth spring up,
so will the Lord God make justice and praise
spring up before all the nations.

Isaiah 61:11

December 17, 2017

MASS SCHEDULE

St. James
(In English)
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM
11:30 AM & 6:00 PM

St. Leo Mission
(In Spanish)
Sunday: 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM
1st Saturday (English): 8:00 AM

Daily Mass at St. James
8:00 AM | Monday - Friday

Liturgy of the Hours
7:30 AM | Monday - Friday

Eucharistic Adoration
8:30 AM –8:00PM| Thursday

Communion Service
6:45 AM | Monday - Friday
8:00 AM | Saturday

Reconciliation
3:30 PM | Saturday
or upon request

Baptism
Call (858) 755-2545 *106

Marriage Preparation
Call Parish Office
(858) 755-2545 ext. *112
9 months prior to wedding

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Fr. Gerard's Corner

In the readings today we hear of wondrous events and visions. Whether the selection from Zechariah or from Revelation is read, the vision that is presented is magnificent. In Zechariah, the Lord God comes from heaven to earth to dwell among us in a new Jerusalem. In Revelation, the author presents a vision in the sky of a woman, looking much like the Virgin Mary did at Tepeyac, and a dragon threatening her as she gives birth. We also hear about Mary visited by the angel Gabriel or visiting her cousin Elizabeth, who is with child despite her advanced age. In all these scenes, God is intervening in the lives of these people. God is not distant and uncaring, but ever-present and intimately involved in the world.

Jesus is the splendid realization of God's presence in the world. Mary, with Jesus in her womb, personifies this presence of God in humanity. As we prepare for Christmas, we are called to realize this presence of Jesus in our own selves. We hope to display God's presence in our lives in the way that we treat others, in the way that we live our lives. Mary accepted God's presence inside of her; so too are we called to welcome God's presence within us.

Last year on his trip to Mexico, Pope Francis celebrated Mass at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe, after fulfilling his long-desired wish to pray before her image. In his homily that day he spoke of Mary's humility in submitting to God's will. That humility is apparent in the fact that she appeared not to a bishop in a cathedral but to a peasant on a hillside. Our Lady asked him to speak to the bishop to see that a church was built in that spot in her honor. The pope noted that, like Mary, Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin had to overcome his own feelings of inadequacy in performing this mission. But he did, and the basilica is now visited by millions of pilgrims each year.

Fr. Gerard
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Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, December 18 ~ Jerry Oberembt †
Tuesday, December 19 ~ Rejane Mason
Wednesday, December 20 ~ Fr. Ricardo Frausto
Thursday, December 21 ~ Emma Naughton †
Friday, December 22 ~ Phyllis A. Zarro †

Amount Collected at Mass on

December 10, 2017— $20,704.17

Budgeted $20,150.00

What return shall I make to the Lord for all the Lord has given me
— Psalm 116

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Advent
Thursday: St. Peter Canisius; Winter begins
Saturday: St. John of Kanty

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — As a garden makes its growth spring up, so will God make justice spring up before all the nations (Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11).
Psalm — My soul rejoices in my God (Luke 1:46-50, 53-54).
Second Reading — Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophetic utterances. Test everything; retain what is good (1 Thessalonians 5:16-24).
Gospel — I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, make straight the way of the Lord (John 1:6-8, 19-28).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25
Tuesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25
Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38
Thursday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45
Friday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56
Saturday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66
Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Regocíjense en el Espíritu del Señor que nos trae buenas noticias (Isaías 61:1-2a, 10-11).

Salmo — Se alegra mi espíritu en Dios mi Salvador (Lc 1:46-50, 53-54).

Segunda lectura — ¡Alégrense! Conserven su integri-dad en el Espíritu y guárdense sin mancha hasta la veni-da del Señor (1 Tesalonicenses 5:16-24).

Evangelio — Cuando preguntan a Juan Bautista quien es, dice, "Soy la voz que grita en el desierto" (Juan 1:6-8, 19-28).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Jer 23:5-8; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25
Martes: Jue 13:2-7, 24-25a; Sal 71 (70):3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lc 1:5-25
Miércoles: Is 7:10-14; Sal 24 (23):1-4ab, 5-6; Lc 1:26-38
Jueves: Cant 2:8-14 o Sof 3:14-18a; Sal 33 (32):2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lc 1:39-45
Viernes: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lc 1:46-56
Sábado: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Sal 25 (24):4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lc 1:57-66
Domingo: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Sal 89 (88):2-5, 27, 29; Rom 16:25-27; Lc 1:26-38

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: Tercer Domingo de Adviento
Jueves: San Pedro Canisio; Comienza el invierno
Sábado: San Juan de Kanty

FESTEJANDO AL PADRE JOHN HOWARD

Ven a celebrar con nosotros el 50 aniversario de ordenación sacerdotal y el cumpleaños del Padre John Howard el 31 de diciembre después de la misa de 10:30am. Favor de traer algún alimento para compartir. Te esperamos.

INSTITUTO DIOCESANO

Te invita a los siguientes cursos:

S345s Hechos de los Apóstoles y el Mundo del Nuevo Testamento (15 hras)
Rev. Juan Castillo, CJM, M.A..
los miércoles, del 17 de Enero al 28 Febrero 2018 de 7:00-9:30 pm en St. Mark, San Marcos

C220s Intro al Nuevo Testamento (30 hras)
Rev. Juan Castillo, CJM, M.A..
los lunes, del 22 de Enero al 30 Abril 2018
6:30 - 9:00 pm en St. Mary Star of the Sea School, Oceanside

G150s Intro a LIturgia y Sacramentos(30 hras)
Ernesto Amezcua, M.A..
los lunes, del 22 de Enero al 16 Abril 2018
6:30 - 9:30 pm en St. Francis of Assisi, Vista

REFLECION DOMINICAL

Una faceta clave de la mayordomía siempre ha sido el testimonio personal. Las lecturas de hoy tratan en gran parte con el testimonio de Juan el Bautista. San Juan Bautista, según los historiadores, era unos meses mayor que Jesús. También se acepta generalmente que comenzó a predicar unos seis meses antes de que Jesús viniera a él para ser bautizado y comenzar su ministerio.

San Juan Bautista señaló a Jesús como el Mesías. Juan el Bautista, a través de un testimonio personal, levantó una gran expectación y emoción, el tipo de expectativa y emoción que asociamos con esta temporada de Adviento. John trata de despertar en las personas una conciencia de pecado, la importancia de la conversión y el cambio, y la necesidad de volverse más santo a los ojos de Dios.

Esos son los mismos objetivos que deberíamos tener durante esta temporada de Adviento. La cuestión del testimonio es algo serio e importante. Establece la verdad y una base sólida para la fe. Cuando somos testigos, significa que nos comprometemos. No podemos ser neutrales cuando se trata de nuestra fe. Estamos llamados a ser discípulos, testigos de y para Cristo. Lo mejor es lograrlo por la forma en que vivimos nuestras propias vidas y cómo nos relacionamos y tratamos a los demás.

Jesús puede satisfacer todas nuestras necesidades. Ahora es el momento de que lo aceptemos y depositemos nuestra total confianza en él. Podemos hacer eso mejor haciendo nuestro propio compromiso de ser su discípulo, un testigo de lo que es y lo que significa para nosotros y todas las personas.

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POSADAS NAVIDEÑAS
6:30 pm
En San León Magno

VISPERA DE NAVIDAD

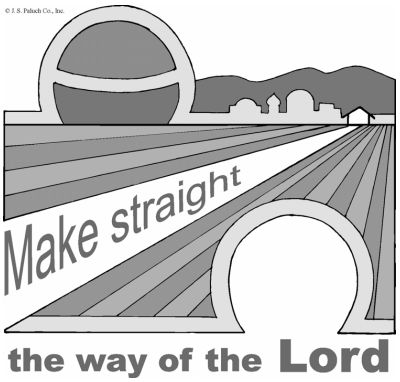
Ven a celebrar con nosotros el nacimiento del niño Jesús el domingo 24 de Diciembre a las 8:00pm. Te esperamos en la Misión de San León Magno.

Darolyne Bosch	Maria McEneany
Devin Bosch Family	J.J. Moisa
Doris Bower	Jan Nelte
Jim Bower	Jonathon Russell
Nora Cochran	Danny O'Sullivan
Stanley Cveykus	Liam Spencer
Oscar Dieguez	Raymond Sotelo
Jim Dunlap	Rosemary Sotelo
Dcn. Al Graff	Kara Sterduto
Ray & Mary Kieffer	Elizabeth Usselman

We are happy to list the names of persons who need special prayers. Names will be listed for one month. Call (858) 755-2545 ext.*100 to add a name to the list. Please make sure you have permission from the person prior to calling.

RCIA Sponsors Needed!

We have several men and women seeking baptism in our RCIA program in need of someone to walk beside them in their journey to the sacraments at Easter Vigil. No special knowledge or expertise is needed; we provide all catechesis. You would be their friend on the journey, and stand up with them at several rites prior to Easter (usually at 9am Mass--the first one is December 10th). Easter Vigil is March 31st. Please consider becoming a sponsor; we are missionary disciples when we help others know Christ. Contact Pamela Smith at psmith@stjames-stleo.org.



Advent Penance Services

Dec 19	**St. Francis**	**6:30pm**
Dec 20	**St. Mark**	**6:30pm**
Dec 21	**St.Peter**	**6pm**

Mission Circle

NEW SEMESTER, NEW SHOES!!

St. James Mission Circle is collecting donations for it's annual winter shoe drive which will take place in February. Shoes will be distributed to 1,100 needy elementary school students just up I-5 in neighboring Oceanside. Please take a card from one of the trees in the vestibule of the church as a reminder to give generously. We want to ensure that these children keep their feet warm and dry during the cold and wet winter months!

St. James-St. Leo parishioners will be invited to take part in the sorting and distribution of shoes to the children. Details will be available in mid-January.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

A key facet of stewardship has always been personal witness. Today's readings deal in large part with the witness of John the Baptist. St. John the Baptist, according to historians, was a few months older than Jesus. It is also generally accepted that he began preaching about six months before Jesus came to him to be baptized and to begin His ministry.

St. John the Baptist pointed to Jesus as the Messiah. John the Baptist, through personal witness, raised a great sense of expectancy and excitement, the kind of expectancy and excitement that we associate with this season of Advent. John tries to awaken in people a consciousness of sin, the importance of conversion and change, and the need to become more holy in God's eyes.

Those are the same goals we should have during this Advent season. The matter of witness is a serious and important thing. It establishes truth and a solid foundation for faith. When we personally witness, it means we make a commitment. We cannot be neutral when it comes to our faith. We are called to be disciples, witnesses of and for Christ. We best accomplish that by the ways we live our own lives and how we relate to and treat others.

Jesus can meet our every need. Now is the time for us to accept that and to place our total trust in Him. We can do that best by making our own commitment to be His disciple, a witness to Who He is and what He means to us and all people.

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SAN DIEGO CATHOLIC ADULT COMMUNITY

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Contact Nancy Wesseln nancy@sandiegocac.org
(858) 847-0724

Saturday, January 6th, 7pm
Epiphany and Anniversary Party!
Double Tree Hotel in Del Mar
Cocktail Attire | DJ Music | Appetizers | No Host Bar | Free Parking

Ticket information: http://sandiegocac.org/more/epiphany-2018

Eucharistic Adoration

Standing before Jesus with open hearts, letting him look at us, we see that gaze of love that the disciples glimpsed when he called them. How good it is to stand before a crucifix, or on our knees before the Blessed Sacrament, and simply be in his presence! -- from "Our Advent Journey with Christ in the words of Pope Francis"

Please sign up to spend an hour on Thursdays with Jesus. **We need an adorer Thursday 4-5pm**

Call Grace *(858) 755-0613 or email grace.g@pacbell.net*

All are welcome to join the **Rosary group any Monday** 6pm in the chapel behind the Altar.

Faith Formation Christmas Fair!

Sunday, December 17, 8:30am - 11:30am, Parish Hall
All parishioners welcome!
Our Charity Bake Sale has delicious gift and party items. Our Peppermint Shop has quality inexpensive items for children to shop for their family, and for elves to shop for stocking stuffers. Our Charity Silent Auction has great gifts. Come see! All proceeds to benefit local charity.

Christmas Cards

The Knights have beautiful Christmas cards available for purchase after Mass in the church's Social Room.

Online Giving

We have switch to Online Giving provided by Our Sunday Visitor.
Our parish provides online giving as an electronic tool for contributions so you can give via the Internet. Online giving helps you maintain your giving even if you cannot be here at Mass.

To create a new account go to our website www.stjamesandleo.org and click on the "Give Now" button.

Gather with us to Celebrate

50 Years of Faithful Ministry & Service
Friday, January 19, 2018
at the...
Hilton Hotel- Del Mar
15575 Jimmy Durante Blvd. Del Mar, CA 92014

Reception: 6:30 pm-Dinner 7:30 pm
Tickets: $75.00 per person
payment to accompany reservation
Purchase your tickets after Weekend Masses

Christmas Flower Offering In Memory of:

Dominick R. Palmer, Sr.
Dominic Palmieri, Jr.
Elizabeth Palmer
Donald & Eugenia Novack
Ciel & Ed Novack
Frances Novack
Ceale Myers
Frank & Ann Gwynn
John Kasselmann
Frank & Ardis Horton
Socorro Minar
Gery Kovanki
Ignacio Luna
Salvator Montes
Mary Ingorvarte
Harry Ingorvarte
Tanya Ingorvrate
Mr&Mrs John Grenda
Teresa Montes
John Ingorvate
Jim Verlodt
Dany Brokmeier
Paul & Flo Daigle
Alice T. Cella
Jack Cella
Fernand Enriquez Luna
Alfredo & Theresa Faustino
Kathleen Phillips
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The Garcia Families
James Phillips
Mr&Mrs William Heffernan
Facundo Jimenez
Graciela Perez
Jim Phillips
Alan E. Jimenez
Emiliana Garcia

Christmas Mass Schedule

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December

23 5:00pm Mass - St. James

24 7:30am Mass - St. James
8:30am Misa - Misión de San León
9:00am Mass - St. James
10:30am Misa - Misión de San León
11:30am Mass - St. James

Nativity of the Lord - Christmas

December

24 5:00pm Mass St. James - Hall
Young Adult Worship Band
5:00pm Mass St. James - Church
Children's Choir
7:00pm Mass - St. James
Classical Orchestra
7:30pm Canticos de Navidid - Misión de San León
8:00pm Misa Misión de San León
9:30pm Choral Concert - St. James
10:00pm Mass - St. James
Compostela Choir

25 9:00am Mass - St. James *Classical Ensemble*
11:00am Mass - St. James *Classical Ensemble*

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