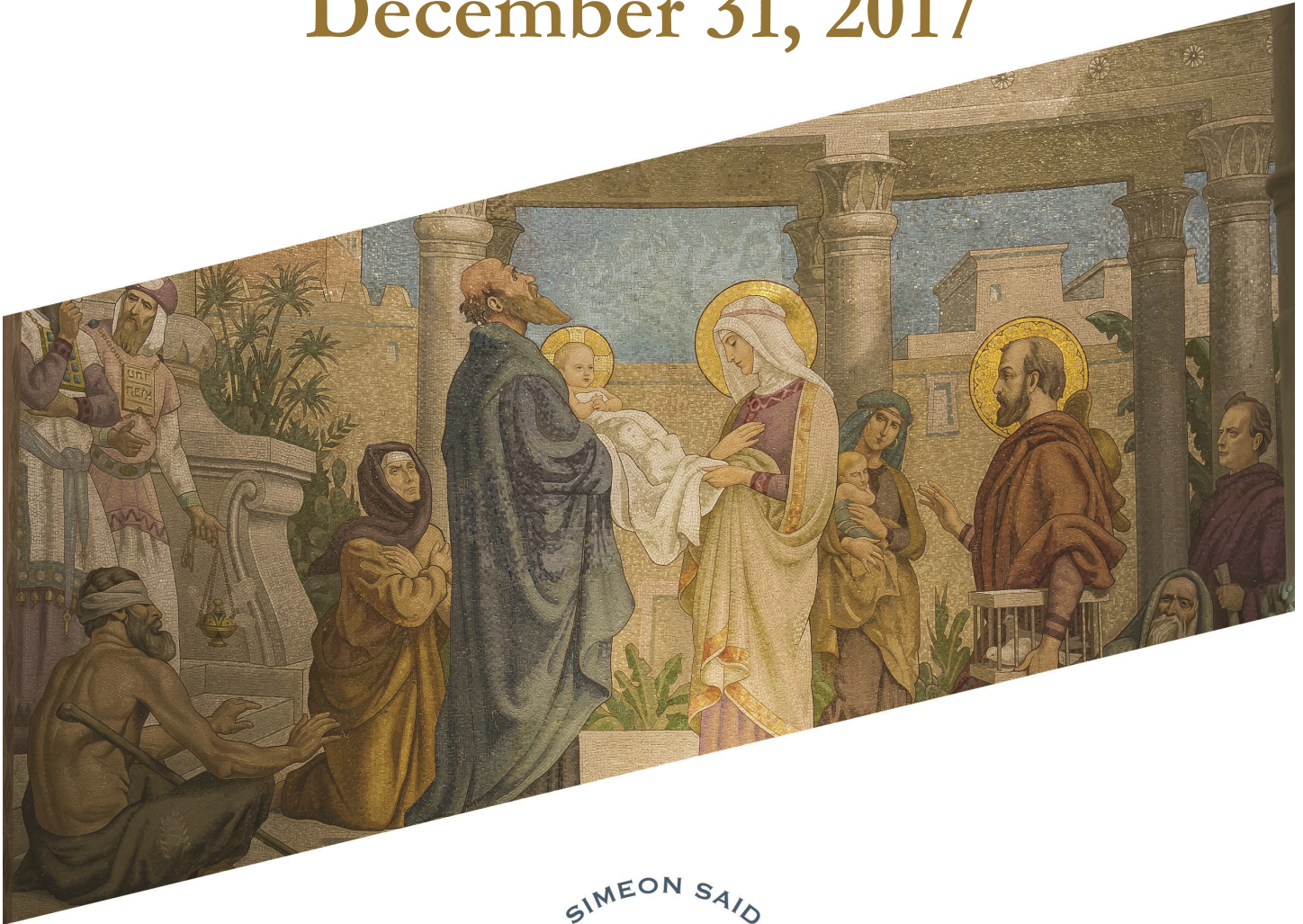


St. James-St. Leo Catholic Community

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

December 31, 2017



SIMEON SAID,

*"Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace,
according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation."*

~ Luke 2:29-30

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 - 8:00 PM | 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
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9 months prior to wedding

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Fr. Gerard's Corner

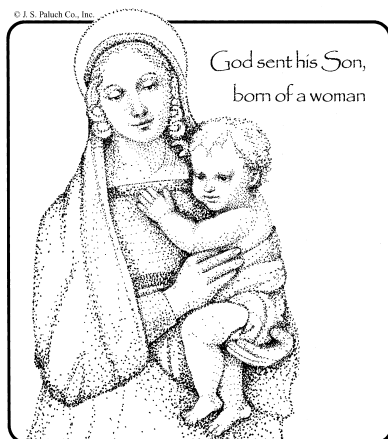
The differing treatment of men and women in scriptural passages often presents difficulties today. It helps to consider that society was quite different two thousand years ago. But Saint Paul's Letter to the Colossians has wonderful guidance, directed to women and men alike: be gentle and patient, compassionate and forgiving. Act out of love, the love the Lord has shown to us. Sirach's words as well are instructive to any age: revere and comfort your mother and father. One word that appears in both readings is kindness, truly a quality to show to our sisters and brothers in any era.

The alternative readings today emphasize the patience and obedience of Abraham and Sarah and God's faithfulness in fulfilling the promise made to Abraham. Sarah and Abraham continued to believe that they would have countless descendants, despite all evidence to the contrary. Moreover, after Sarah bore a child in her old age, Abraham was willing to sacrifice him in obedience to God, so strong was his faith that God would keep this promise. Abraham "reasoned that God was able to raise even from the dead" (Hebrews 11:19). To Abraham the idea that Isaac would somehow be restored to life was more believable than that God would break a promise.

Patience and faithfulness also characterize the two elderly Jewish people we meet in the Gospel. Simeon and Anna are each portrayed as extremely devout, virtually living in God's house. For years they patiently prayed in the temple in Jerusalem every day. When encountering the boy Jesus, they each immediately recognize the Savior of the world. Simeon, believing that he would not die until he had seen the Christ, prays to God, "Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace" (Luke 2:29). Their patience and faithfulness have been rewarded. Just seeing Jesus was enough.

Fr. Gerard

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, January 1 ~ All People

Tuesday, January 2 ~ Amelia Raffo †

Wednesday, January 3 ~ Fr. John Howard

Thursday, January 4 ~ Susan Blanchard †

Friday, January 5 ~ Fr. John Howard

TIME

Do not squander time,
for that is the stuff life is made of.

—Benjamin Franklin

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
Monday: Mary, the Holy Mother of God;
 The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord;
 World Day of Prayer for Peace;
 New Year's Day
Tuesday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen
Wednesday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus
Thursday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
Friday: St. John Neumann; First Friday
Saturday: St. André Bessette; First Saturday

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Those who honor their parents will be greatly blessed and will atone for sins

(Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14) or Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3.

Psalms — Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways (Psalm 128) or Psalm 105.

Second Reading — Be thankful; do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus (Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17]) or Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19.

Gospel — The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom (Luke 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7;
 Lk 2:16-21
Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 1:43-51
Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20;
 Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]
Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13;
 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Los que honran a sus padres recibirán bendiciones y pagarán sus pecados (Sirácide 3: 3-7, 14-17) o Génesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3.

Salmo — ¡Dichoso el que teme al Señor, y sigue sus caminos! (Salmo 128 [127]) o Salmo 105 (104).

Segunda lectura — Vivan una vida de amor sincero, sean agradecidos, hagan todo en el nombre del Señor Jesús (Colosenses 3:12-21) o Hebreos 11:8, 11-12, 17-19.

Evangelio — María y José llevan a Jesús al templo para consagrarlo al Señor (Lucas 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Nm 6:22-27; Sal 67 (66):2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lc 2:16-21

Martes: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Sal 98 (97):1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Miércoles: 1 Jn 2:29 3:6; Sal 98 (97):1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34

Jueves: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Sal 98 (97):1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42

Viernes: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Sal 100 (99):1b-5; Lc 4:14-22a

Sábado: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Sal 147:12-15, 19-20; Mc 1:7-11 o Lc 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]

Domingo: Is 60:1-6; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Ef 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: La Sagrada Familia de Jesús, María y José

Lunes: Santa María, Madre de Dios; Octava de la Navidad; Año Nuevo Jornada Mundial de Oración por la Paz

Martes: San Basilio Magno y Gregorio Nacianceno

Miércoles: El Santísimo Nombre de Jesús

Jueves: Santa Isabel Ana Seton

Viernes: San Juan Neumann; Primer viernes

Sábado: San André Bessette; Primer sábado

OFICINAS DE SAN JAMES

Se les informa que las oficinas estarán cerradas del 25 de Diciembre al 1 de Enero regresamos al horario normal el martes 2 de Enero 2018.

GRACIAS A LA COMUNIDAD

Gracias a todos los que participaron y apoyaron con su tesoro y talento en las festividades decembrinas. Dios multiplique su generosidad

FELIZ AÑO NUEVO

Demos Gracias a Dios por todo lo que recibimos en este año 2017 y dejemos en manos de Dios este año venidero 2018 para que acreciente; en cada día, nuestra Fe, Esperanza y Caridad, reciban los mejores deseos del Padre Gerardo y todo el personal que colabora en St. James - St. Leo les deseamos a todos FELIZ AÑO NUEVO 2018.

REFLECIÓN DOMINICAL

El propósito principal de La Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia es presentar a la Sagrada Familia como un modelo para las familias cristianas.

En Italia hay un dicho, "La famiglia é tutto" lo que significa que "la familia lo es todo". Nuestro Santo Padre, el Papa Francisco, ha convertido a las familias en uno de los puntos focales de su papado. Organizó una conferencia sobre familias en 2015. En declaraciones a las familias reunidas, dijo:

"No se puede tener una familia sin sueños. Soy muy aficionado a los sueños en las familias. Durante nueve meses, cada madre y padre sueñan con su bebé. Sueñan sobre qué tipo de niño será ... No puedes tener una familia sin sueños. Una vez que una familia pierde la capacidad de soñar, los niños no crecen, el amor no crece, la vida se marchita y muere. Así que les pido que cada tarde, cuando hagan su examen de conciencia, también se hagan esta pregunta: ¿Hoy soñé con el futuro de mis hijos? Hoy soñé con el amor de mi esposo, mi esposa? ¿Soñé con mis padres y abuelos que se fueron antes que yo?"

Todas las lecturas de hoy tienen que ver con las familias y la vida familiar. La lectura de Sirach, nuestra Primera lectura, hizo hincapié en el cuarto mandamiento: "Honra a tu padre y a tu madre". Se nos ordena respetar y amar a nuestros padres. Sin embargo, es una calle de dos vías. La lectura del Evangelio habla del desarrollo de Jesús, y eso debería inspirar a los padres a comprender que nuestras oraciones son las mismas que las de José y María: que nuestros hijos se fortalezcan en espíritu y se llenen de sabiduría.



SIR 3: 2-6, 12-14; PS 128: 1-5; COL 3: 12-21; LK 2: 22-40





Darolyne Bosch	Maria McEneaney
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

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

The primary purpose of The Feast of the Holy Family is to present the Holy Family as a model for Christian families.

In Italy there is a saying, "*La famiglia é tutto*," which means, "the family is everything." Our Holy Father Pope Francis has made families one of the focal points of his papacy. He organized a conference on families in 2015. Speaking to the gathered families, he said, "You cannot have a family without dreams. I am very fond of dreams in families. For nine months, every mother and father dream about their baby. They dream about what kind of child he or she will be... You can't have a family without dreams. Once a family loses the ability to dream, children do not grow, love does not grow, life shrivels up and dies. So I ask you each evening, when you make your examination of conscience, to also ask yourselves this question: Today did I dream about my children's future? Today did I dream about the love of my husband, my wife? Did I dream about my parents and grandparents who have gone before me?"

All of today's readings have to do with families and family life. The reading from Sirach, our First Reading, emphasized the Fourth Commandment, "Honor thy father and mother." We are commanded to respect and love our parents. However, it is a two way street. The Gospel Reading speaks of the development of Jesus, and that should inspire parents to understand that our prayers are the same as the prayers of Joseph and Mary — that our children will become strong in spirit and filled with wisdom.

SIR 3: 2-6, 12-14; PS 128: 1-5; COL 3: 12-21; LK 2: 22-40



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.

Donate P&B for sandwiches to feed the hungry in TJ

We make 800 sandwiches a week for the prisoners and homeless in Tijuana! Donations of **creamy peanut butter** and **any flavor of jelly** are always needed! Extra large containers are preferred, but all are appreciated. Please leave your donations under the coffee counter in the social room. Come join us every Thursday at 10:30 am in the St. Leo kitchen and help make the sandwiches. Questions? Call Stephanie Kowack at (860) 961-3002 .

Thank You!

Thanks to the parish for your generous Christmas gifts. The Christmas party at the Casa Eudes Girls Home was a huge success! The presents all of you donated brought joy to a lot of children as well as the sisters who care for them. A heartfelt thanks from all of us at Mission Circle.

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.

SAN DIEGO CATHOLIC ADULT COMMUNITY

Sign up for weekly email updates at
<http://sandiegocac.org/>
 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>

Interested in Learning about Hands of Peace?

Join us for our Pax Christi San Diego gathering on:
 Monday, January 8, 2018, 6:30 to 8:00 PM
 Parish Center Conference Room

Guest Speakers from Hands of Peace will present about their group and share ways we can support their causes to promote peace and justice. Hands of Peace is an interfaith organization that empowers young people to raise their voices as leaders of change. Through the power of dialogue, Palestinians, Israelis and Americans partner to pursue peace, equality, freedom and justice. Hands of Peace believes the future depends on the leadership of the next generation.

Their 2018 summer program will be held in Carlsbad from July 11 – July 30. They need families to host teens and staff from the Middle East. You can also encourage your teen to apply for the summer program. Come join us and learn more about this wonderful organization and see how you can get involved. Let us gather together as a community in solidarity during these difficult times. Each one of us can be an ambassador for peace!

Please contact Christy at christybohan@cox.net or call (760) 652-4035 if you have any questions or to RSVP.



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.

Questions? Call Amy (858) 755-2545 ext. *103

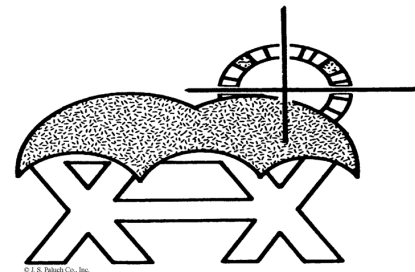
Welcome Widows and Widowers

Please join us for our first luncheon of the New Year!
 On Sunday, January 21st, 12:15pm at Lomas Santa Fe Country Club. The cost is \$25.00 per person

Reservations: Pat Smart 858-259-7794

Mary Lou Matthews 858-481-6255

Deadline for reservations: Thursday, Jan. 18th.



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

BEARERS OF THE WORD

The Church has placed a number of notable feast days immediately after Christmas. The feasts of Stephen, John the Evangelist, and the Holy Innocents form a summary of the life lived in Christ, the Word made flesh. What do these have to do with the feast of the Holy Family, which crowns the Octave of Christmas? These feasts remind us that suffering will occur in fulfilling the mission of Christ, and that we are all called to be bearers of this Word whose birth we celebrate.

We also see this manifested in the lives of Joseph and Mary, both of whom took social and religious risks in obedience to the will of God, and both of whom were open to the word of God sent to them from on high. In these ways they prefigured the life of Jesus himself.

Most likely, few of us found ourselves at Mass this past Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday, but the essence of these feasts and the essence of the holiness of Joseph, Mary, and Jesus remain central, a holiness we celebrate today.

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The Office will be closed
Monday, January 1, 2018
Happy New Year!

Welcome to St. James-St. Leo Catholic Community!

We warmly welcome all visitors and hope you will consider making our community your parish home.
Church attendance does not make you or your family registered members.

Registration forms are in the brochure rack at the entrance of the church, online, or at the parish office.

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