

OUR MISSION

To love God,
proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ,
and to serve all God's people.

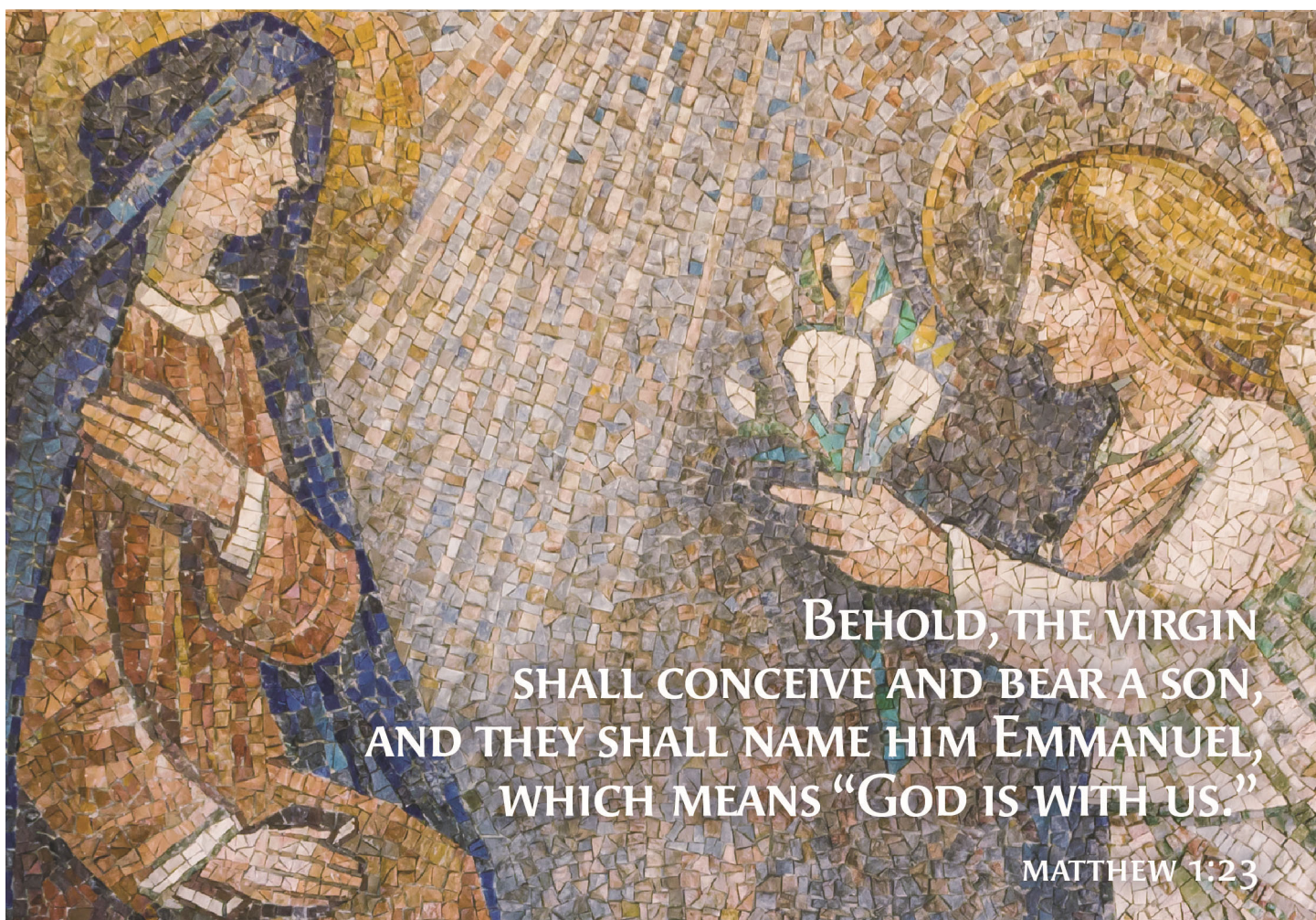
ST. JAMES • ST. LEO

• CATHOLIC COMMUNITY •



Fourth Sunday of Advent~ December 22, 2019

Under the care of the Eudist Fathers of the North American Province



BEHOLD, THE VIRGIN
SHALL CONCEIVE AND BEAR A SON,
AND THEY SHALL NAME HIM EMMANUEL,
WHICH MEANS "GOD IS WITH US."

MATTHEW 1:23

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30 AM
8:30 AM St. Leo Spanish
9:00 AM
10:30 AM St. Leo Spanish
11:30 AM
6:00 PM

Daily Mass at St. James

8:00 AM | Monday - Friday

Liturgy of the Hours

7:30 AM | Monday - Friday

Eucharistic Adoration

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM | Monday, St. Leo Mission
8:30 AM - 8:00 PM | Thursday, St. James

Communion Service

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

Reconciliation

3:30 PM | Saturday

Baptism

Call (858) 755-2545 *106

Marriage Preparation

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

St. James Church

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Office hours:

Monday 10:00am-4:00pm
Tuesday-Friday 9:00am-4:00pm

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Fr. Gerard's Corner

Three figures in today's readings choose to place their trust in God, each after appearing reluctant to do so. Ahaz, the king of Judah, disingenuously protests his unworthiness in making a request of the LORD when actually he fears that he will need to accept the sign. Paul now calls himself "a slave of Christ Jesus," but had formerly persecuted Christians (Romans 1:1). Finally, Joseph was ready to divorce Mary until the angel of the Lord counseled him otherwise. Each chose to place his trust in God once God gave him a sign. As God is truly with us, do we have faith in the signs God gives us?

Sometimes the opposite of faith is fear. Judah feared its hostile neighbors and Ahaz feared he would lose his power. Mary was found with child and Joseph feared a marriage to an unfaithful wife. Each overcame his fear through faith in God's promises.

Through the angel Gabriel, God revealed Mary's mission to her. She was to bear the Son of God: Jesus, the Messiah. Mary consented, "May it be done to me according to your word" (Luke 1:38). Through the angel of the Lord, God revealed Joseph's mission to him. He was to take Mary into his home. Joseph "did as the angel of the Lord commanded him and took his wife into his home" (Matthew 1:24). Jesus had a mission as well, revealed in his very name: to save the people from their sins. Like Mary and Joseph, Jesus accepted his mission. For this, we are filled with joy.

Fr. Gerard Lecomte, CJM
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Question of the Week:

What is my mission? What is God calling me to do?
How can I fulfill my mission?

The Office will be closed for Christmas
from Wednesday, December 25th
until Wednesday, January 1st.
The staff will return January 2, 2020.

Merry Christmas!

Happy New year!

Weekly Collection December 15, 2019

Will be reported Next Week

SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Advent
Monday: St. John of Kanty; Hanukkah begins
Tuesday: Vigil of Christmas
Wednesday: The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)
Thursday: St. Stephen; Kwanzaa begins;
Boxing Day (Canada)
Friday: St. John
Saturday: The Holy Innocents

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — You will be given this sign: The virgin shall conceive and bear a son (Isaiah 7:10-14).

Psalm — Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory (Psalm 24).

Second Reading — God has called us to belong to Jesus Christ (Romans 1:1-7).

Gospel — The son born of Mary shall be called Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins (Matthew 1:18-24).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14;
Lk 1:57-66
Tuesday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29;
Lk 1:67-79
Wednesday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29;
Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14;
Lk 2:1-14
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6;
Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]
Thursday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab,
16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22
Friday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Saturday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18
Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Ps 128:1-5;
Col 3:12-21 [12-17]; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Prayer Requests

Doris Bower	Barry Kershaw
Gerri Dunham	Lou Marsh
Tommy Fitzpatrick	Aidan Morris
Doris Garcia	Jessica Painter
Dana Grant	Catherine Renner
Pete Heffron	Dottie Renner
Harvey Hodsdon	Mike Reynolds
Evelyn Jerde	Debbie Reynolds
Aaron Jilka	Tim Rueth Family
Linda Johnson	Mark S.
Monica	Nona Sims
Mary Kieffer	Andrew Thompson

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.

Eucharistic Adoration

"What practically can we do during this season of vigil keeping? What are some practices that might incarnate for us the Advent spirituality? I strongly recommend the classically Catholic discipline of Eucharistic adoration. To spend a half hour or an hour in the presence of the Lord is not to accomplish or achieve very much—it is not really "getting" anywhere—but it is a particularly rich form of spiritual waiting." -Bishop Robert Barron

We need additional adorers to sign up for Thursday 10-11 am.

Please sign up to spend an hour on Thursdays with Jesus. Call Monica (858) 945-7220 or email mzeboldbell@cox.net

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



Mass Intentions

Monday, Dec 23 ~ Irma Lischewski †

Tuesday, Dec 24 ~ All St. James–St. Leo Parishioners

Wednesday, Dec 25 ~ All St. James–St. Leo Parishioners

Thursday, Dec 26 ~ Martha McRoskey † & McRoskey Family

Friday, Dec 27 ~ Fr. John Howard, CJM Int.

Prayer Ministry Schedule

- 3rd Saturdays after 5 p.m. Mass.
- 3rd Sundays after 9 & 11:30 a.m. Masses
- 3rd Wednesdays: 7:00 to 8:15 p.m. **"Holy Spirit Encounter"** Worship/Adoration, and praying over individuals.



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ADVENT

Penance Service

Dec 23	St. Mark (English)	6:30pm
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We Need Your Opinion!

Our Pastoral Council has created a parish survey that can be found on our web site: www.stjamesandleo.org. Look for the "Parish Survey" button! There are questions on Liturgy, Hospitality, Youth, the Academy, and Evangelization.

Your ideas matter – thank you!



Have you moved?

Are you new to the parish? Have you been coming to Mass for a while but never registered? Have you moved or changed your phone number? Would you like to receive envelopes?

Registration forms are available in the brochure rack in the church vestibule, on line on our website and in the parish office. We can even mail one to you!

Please be aware that if you are giving online, that does not make you registered in the parish. You need to complete a parish registration form for us to track your donations.

If you have any questions, whether you are registered or not, please call the office at 858-755-2545 ext. *100

To report suspected sexual misconduct or child abuse within our institutions and ministries please contact the Child and Youth Protection Office, Victims Assistance Coordinator, Rodrigo Valdivia at (858) 490-8310.



Mission Circle

People Helping People In Need

Be sure to like Mission Circle on Facebook to keep up with all our news and activities!

Travel Size Toiletries

Thank you for all your generous donations!

We still have a great need for travel sized toiletries. Please save the travel-size toiletries from your hotel stays and leave them under the sink in the church social room. The prisoners in the Tijuana jail will greatly appreciate them.



Casa Eudes Epiphany Party

For all those that took ornaments for the girls Epiphany party at Casa Eudes, please make sure they are returned to the social room by **December 29th**. Mission Circle thanks you for your support!

2020 San Diego Walk for Life Saturday, January 18th

This year's theme is "Live, Serve & Embrace Life". The purpose of the Walk is to raise awareness and foster a spirit of service in the community and encourage commitment from youth and young adults. Inspirational and life-affirming young adult speakers will share their testimonies.

SAN DIEGO CATHOLIC ADULT COMMUNITY

Young Adults | Adult Community | ACTIVE 60's+

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

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

"The Best Way to Meet Catholics Like You"



Young Adults (20s and 30s)

Look forward to seeing you in the NEW YEAR!

Want to get more involved?

St. James-St. Leo Young Adult Contacts:

College age (18-25)

Sierra sierra@sandiegocac.org

Young Adults (20s and 30s)

Kelly kelly@sandiegocac.org

30 "Somethings"

Jovi jovi@sandiegocac.org



Adult Community (35+) (ALL ADULTS)

2020 Plans being made!

Hiking Group – 2nd/Saturday/month

Marc and Tim hiking@sandiegocac.org

Great Works Book Club-Date coming soon!

Rochelle at GreatWorksClub@sandiegocac.org

Theology "Uncorked"

First Fridays starting in February 1

<https://sandiegocac.org/theology-uncorked/>

nancy@sandiegocac.org

Active 60s+

Monthly Happy Hours

Contact: Camille camille@sandiegocac.org

ACTIVE 60s+ Hiking Group

Contacts: Sandi and Mike sandi@sandiegocac.org

EVERY FRIDAY, 10:30am-11:30am

Chair Exercise, St. James Ministry Center

Strengthen your mind, body and spirit without standing up! Build muscle tone, strength, flexibility and a positive mental attitude!

Certified instructor: Sara (858) 224-0551

Suggested donation \$5-\$1

CHRISTMAS

A young mother, her eyes shining with fatigue, who is arranging her hair; a father who finds himself alone with his pretty wife and baby, straightening the stable to make himself useful in some way; shepherds who bring cheese and perhaps also some curdled milk; sheep who look at their shepherds while bleating; a donkey who is eyeing his manger changed into a cradle; an adorable swaddled baby whom one calls Savior, Christ and Lord: This is the manifestation of the goodness and the tenderness of God. This is the most fantastic birth in the history of humanity, the one which changed the face of the world! This is how far God humbled and compromised himself with us! This is Emmanuel!

—From *God's Word Is Our Joy*, Vol. 1 by Lucien Deiss, CSSp, copyright © 1998, World Library Publications. p. 73



Mental Health Support Group

Thank you for your support at the Advent Christmas Market. May peace be with you & MERRY CHRISTMAS!

We will not be meeting in December. Our next meeting will be on Thursday, January 24, 2020 at 8:00pm in the social room.

The year may change but God remains the same. Come share, pray and support families who have a love one with a brain disorder.

Spend time with people who understand mental illness.

If you need to talk please call: Marie at

760.845.9033, marierevere@sbcglobal.net or

Sandy at 858.729.8522, samurphy11@hotmail.com

They shall name him Emmanuel,
which means “God is with us.”

— Matthew 1:23



TRUST IN GOD

On this final Sunday of Advent our scriptures focus on the historical birth of Jesus, who is son of David and Son of God, child and king, Jesus and Emmanuel.

Isaiah the prophet begs Ahaz to ask for a sign, to allow God to offer him reassurance of the survival of the Davidic dynasty. The king hypocritically refuses to “tempt the LORD” in that way (Isaiah 7:12), but the prophet foretells the birth of a son, an heir to the throne, who will prove the Lord’s enduring protection of God’s chosen lineage on the throne of David. The child will be called Emmanuel.

Matthew’s reference to this history in his description of the birth of Jesus highlights the contrast between the faithless refusal of trust shown by Ahaz, and the complete trust in God shown by Mary and Joseph in bringing about the birth of Jesus Christ.

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Christmas Flower Offering In Memory of:

Jim Verlodt
Sharon Vaden
Dany Brokmeier
Dominic Palmieri, Jr.
Elizabeth Palmer
Dominick Palmer, Sr.
Jole Howard
Patsy Fisher
Vicky Skelley Martins
Dr. A. P. Martins

Eileen Schwering
Virginia Griffiths
Claude Griffiths
Don Schwering
Leo X. Napolitano
Betty Napolitano
Frank Mosselli
Patricia Mosselli
Trisha Mosselli
Dan Grandpre

Tere Uribe
Fernando Montes
Socorro Minor
Ignacio Luna
Salvador Mark
Casimir Knodle
Lisa Cramer





*Wishing all a Merry Christmas
and a joyous New Year!*

*Yours in Jesus and Mary,
Rev. Gerard Lecomte, C.J.M.
Rev. John Howard, C.J.M.
and Your Parish Staff*



Letters from Heaven



Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

The Lord had said through the prophet:
"Behold, the virgin shall be with child
and bear a son, and they shall ..."

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A	M	M	N
L	E	U	A

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Answer: *name him Emmanuel*

El rincón del P. Gerardo

Hay tres personajes en las lecturas de hoy que decidieron poner su confianza en Dios después de primero estar reacios a hacerlo. Ajaz, el rey de Judá, protesta hipócritamente ser indigno de pedirle una señal al Señor, cuando en realidad teme tener que aceptar esa señal una vez dada. Pablo ahora se llama a sí mismo “siervo de Cristo Jesús”, pero antes perseguía oficialmente a los cristianos (romanos 1, 1). Por último José estaba dispuesto a divorciarse de María hasta que el ángel del Señor le aconsejó lo contrario. Cada uno de ellos decidió poner su confianza en Dios después de haber recibido una señal de Dios. Dios está verdaderamente con nosotros, así pues, ¿tenemos fe en las señales que Dios nos da?

Algunas veces lo opuesto a la fe es el temor. Judá temía a sus vecinos hostiles y Ajaz temía perder el poder. María concibió un niño y José temía un matrimonio con una esposa infiel. Cada uno de ellos superó su temor por su fe en las promesas de Dios.

Por medio del ángel Gabriel Dios le reveló a María cuál sería la misión de ella. Daría a luz al Hijo de Dios: Jesús, el Mesías. María consintió y dijo: “cúmplase en mí lo que me has dicho” (Lucas 1, 38). Por medio del ángel del Señor Dios le reveló a José la misión que a él se le confiaba. Debía llevar consigo a María a su casa. José “hizo lo que le había mandado el ángel del Señor y recibió a su esposa (Mateo 1, 24). Jesús también tenía una misión, revelada en su propio nombre: redimir a las personas de sus pecados. Al igual que María y José, Jesús acepta su misión. Por eso nosotros nos llenamos de júbilo.

P. Gerard

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Pregunta del Día

¿Cuál es mi misión? ¿Qué me pide Dios en estos momentos? ¿Cómo puedo cumplir con mi misión?

OFICINAS DE ST. JAMES-ST. LEO

Las oficinas estarán cerradas del
25 de Diciembre al 1 Enero.
Regresamos al horario normal
el Martes 2 de Enero.

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — La señal es que la virgen estará embarazada y dará a luz un hijo varón (Isaías 7:10-14).

Salmo — Va a entrar el Señor: él es el Rey de la Gloria (Salmo 24 [23]).

Segunda lectura — Jesús, descendiente de David biológicamente, fue establecido el Hijo de Dios en poder (Romanos 1:1-7).

Evangelio — María quedó embarazada por obra del Espíritu Santo (Mateo 1:18-24).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Sal 25 (24):4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lc 1:57-66

Martes: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Sal 89 (88):2-5, 27, 29; Lc 1:67-79

Miércoles: Vigilia: Is 62:1-5; Sal 89 (88):4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Hch 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]

Jueves: Hch 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Sal 31 (30):3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Viernes: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Sal 97 (96):1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Sábado: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Sal 124 (123):2-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18

Domingo: Eclo 3:2-6, 12-14; Sal 128 (127):1-5; Col 3:12-21 [12-17]; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: Cuarto Domingo de Adviento

Lunes: San Juan de Canty; Januká comienza

Martes: La Vigilia de Navidad

Miércoles: La Natividad del Señor

Jueves: San Esteban; Kwanza

Viernes: San Juan

Sábado: Los Santos Inocentes



ADORACIÓN AL SANTISIMO SACRAMENTO

Todos los Lunes
de 9:00am a 5:00pm
en la Misión de San León Magno.



MISA DE NOCHEBUENA

Martes 24 de Diciembre

A las 8:00 pm

en la Misión de San León Magno

El Padre Gerardo y todo el personal de St. James-St. Leo les desea una Feliz Navidad que el amor y la paz de Jesucristo reine en sus hogares.

Christmas Mass Schedule

ST. JAMES

DEC 24TH:
5:00 PM CHURCH
5:00 PM HALL
7:00 PM
10:00 PM

DEC 25TH:
9:00 AM
11:00 AM * NOT 11:30 AM
NO 6:00 PM MASS

ST. LEO MISSION

DEC 24TH:
8:00 PM

DEC 25TH:
NO MASS AT ST. LEO MISSION

Choral concert at 9:30pm before the 10:00pm Mass in church

Mission Statement: *To love God, proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, and serve all God's people.*

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