

Welcome to Resurrection Catholic Community

First Sunday of Advent

December 2, 2018

*"I will raise up for David a just shoot;
he shall do what is right and just in the land." - Jeremiah 33:15*



UPCOMING EVENTS

WE HAVE A NEW BISHOP!



Pope Francis has named the auxiliary bishop of Austin, the Most Reverend Daniel E. Garcia, as the new bishop of Monterey. Bishop Daniel Garcia will be installed as the 5th Bishop of the Diocese of Monterey on Tuesday, January 29 at 2:00 PM at Madonna del Sasso Pro Cathedral in Salinas. Archbishop Jose Gomez,

Metropolitan Archbishop of Los Angeles, will preside at the Installation Mass, in the presence of Archbishop Christophe Pierre, Apostolic Nuncio to the United States. Arrangements are now being finalized and you will be advised of details as they become available. Bishop Daniel will use the next two months to complete his affairs in Texas and make preparations for his move to Monterey. He will officially become the Bishop of Monterey upon his installation on January 29th. In the meantime, Bishop Jerry Wilkerson will continue to oversee the everyday business of the Diocese since his appointment from the Holy See lasts "until the seating of the new bishop." Please do not contact Bishop Garcia until the first week of February. At that time, he will be in a position to set up his calendar and better respond to your concerns.

CALIFORNIA WILDFIRE RELIEF:

Bishop Willkerson sent us a memo week and gave the following information for parishioners wishing to donate money to assist those affected by the fires in California.



Donate by mail:

Send checks to the Diocese of Sacramento Fire Assistance Fund, 2110 Broadway, Sacramento, CA 95818

Send checks to the Archdiocese of LA Wildfire Fund, Archdiocese of Los Angeles, 3424 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90010-2241

Donate by phone:

Call the Catholic Foundation (Sacramento) at (916) 733-0266

Call the Archdiocese of LA Wildfire Fund at (213) 637-7672

Donate online:

Visit www.scd.org/donate and choose the Fire Assistance Fund

Visit www.archla.org/fires to donate to the Archdiocese of LA Wildfire Fund

PARISH PASTORAL PLAN: After hearing all the responses to the Blessings and Dreams pastoral planning survey from this past year and prayerfully listening to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, Fr. Romeo and the Pastoral Planning Council have created our new Parish Pastoral Plan. We thank everyone who participated in the planning process. Copies are available in the church entrance, at the parish office, and online. Please read it and pray, "God, what would you have me do?"

MARKEY CENTER REMODEL! COME AND SEE!

Markey Center (hall, kitchen, offices, classrooms) is in need of a long-overdue remodel to make it safer, more accessible, and better-suited for our current uses and future growth. And since the current Youth Center building was only intended to be temporary, we have to make room for a new Youth Center in Markey Center! For the past six years we've been working with architects and others to create a plan. You're invited to come and see the plan any time during office hours.



FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Saturday, December 8
(This is a holy day of obligation)
10:00 AM Mass



ADVENT RECONCILIATION:

- Advent Reconciliation Service will be here at Resurrection on Tuesday, December 18 at 7:00 PM.
- Individual confessions will be heard here at Resurrection on Saturday, December 22 from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM.



THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sunday:

- 1st Sunday of Advent
- 9:15 AM Women's Guild Bake Sale (hall)
- 10:15 AM RCIA (lounge)
- 11:30 AM Prime Timers (CCR)
- 7:00 PM Women's Guild Bake Sale (hall)



Monday:

- 9:15 AM Faith Sharing Group (Crovo) (DMC)
- 9:30 AM Food Bagging for the Poor (hall)
- 11:00 AM Women's Guild Board Meeting (CR 3,4,5)
- 6:30 PM Youth Core Team Meeting (YC)
- 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #609 Meeting (hall & lounge)

Tuesday:

- 9:15 AM Prime Timers Hospitality (CCR)
- 10:00 AM Gardening Group (outside)
- 2:00 PM Knitting Ministry (CCR)
- 6:30 PM Knights of Columbus Officer's Meeting (hall)
- 7:30 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting (hall)

Wednesday:

- Staff Day—Parish Office Closed
- 6:45 PM Pacific Voices Rehearsal (church)

Thursday:

- 12:30 PM Bible Study (DMC)
- 3:45 PM K-5 Faith Formation (MCC & YC)
- 6:30 PM Middle School Youth Group (MCC & YC)
- 6:30 PM Music Rehearsal (church & CCR)

Friday:

- 10:00 AM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (BSC)

Saturday:

- 8:30 AM Contemplative Prayer Group (DMC)
- 10:00 AM Immaculate Conception Mas (church)
- 4:20 PM Rosary (BSC)
- 5:30 PM Retrouvaille CORE Session (hall)

THE ANGELS ARE HERE!

You can help an Angel bring joy and hope to someone this Christmas. Our Angel Tree has the gift wishes of 400 people—the poor, the suffering, the neglected of our county. Please select an angel from the tree, sign it out on the kiosk sign-out sheets (**take an instruction sheet from the kiosk**), and return the wrapped gift **with the angel securely attached to the outside of the package no later than Sunday, December 9 at 11:30 AM**. This is a wonderful way to give Jesus his most ardent birthday wish: "Love one another as I have loved you." For more info, contact Deacon Patrick at 840-3750.



SUPPORT THE RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS:

Next weekend, December 8 & 9, our second collection will help support our senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who have ministered for years for little to no pay. Your donation will help provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. Thank you for your generosity.

**PLEASE PRAY for ALL THOSE
in NEED OF HEALING**

Adam	Irma Enriquez	George Mungai
Cross/Boettcher/ Burghart families	Terry Erwin	Joleen Munoz
Henry S.	Myriam Escudero	Judy Navarro
Lorenzo Abeyta	Dee Feci	Zoe Nink
Marc Adato	Trent Feliss	Leo Olson
Javier Anaya	Greg Finegan	Gina Orlando
Becki Bailey	Diana Fischer	Teresa Orosco
Adeline Bautista	Mark Emmet Fisher	Kathy Osmonson
Maria Bernstein- Brumbaugh	Tom & Dotty Garske	Connor Paulbitski
Stacy Bischoff	Sue Gibson	Dave Peasley
Jeraldine Boger	Andre Grier	Gabe Ponce
Jim Bombardieri	Avril Henderson	Oliver Potts
Vera Borroel	Robert Higgins	Heidi R.
Tracy Boyd	Debra Hightower	Pablo R.
Joanne Brokaw	Rick Housouer	Chris Randolph
Michelle Brown	Allan Hughes	Dawn Renz
Basil Brunner	Fr. Derek Hughes	Mary Repetti
Betsy Burrows	Jim Jackson	Joel Rivera
Caitlin Jane Buse	Jaqueline Jacobs	Chellie Roberts
Carlos C.	Faye Jahnigen	Ray Rodman
Tony Cacache	Johnathan	Bob Spencer
Dante Calcagno	Ariel Johnson	Jose Rufino
Ardith Campbell	John Jones	Valerie Ruschke
Chelsea & Family	D.B.K.	John Sargetis
Mary Church	Tony K.	Joseph Saucier
Trish Cronin	Julie Watts Kenner	Anna Seely
Ralph Cross	Dylan Kinion	Kim Sessa
Edith Cuevas	Kathy Klapheke	Herb Silcox
Nancy Daves	Mary Klaus	Alisha Smith
Larry Davis	Joshua Kobinski	William Smith
Betty deHart	Michael Laflin	Diane Spoto
Carrie deHart	Ed Laverone	Agnes Subbiondo
Tavish deHart	Joan Lawlor	Olivia T.
Denise D.	Eric Lee	Bob Tanner
Sr. Joan Derry	Frank Leonetti	Kathleen Tavares
Ralph Desmond	Carrie Levin	Paul Thompson
Benny del Re	Donald Lowery	Alex Todisco
Margaret Detering	Matthew Ludlow	Estelle Turner
Mary Donatoni	Michael Lucas	Sharon Turner
Mark Duggan	Sylvia Lucas	Amy V.F.
Robert Duggan	Paul Madsen	Lawrence W.
Wyatt Duino	Peter Mannina	Tannis Welch
Pat Emard	Ginny Solari Mazry	Maggie Young
Peter Empson	Connie McGill-	Rosemary Zamora
Annie Enright	Fergus	
Sean Enright	Bill McDow	
Alicia Enriquez	Jackie McDow	
	Mary McMenamy	
	Lisa McMenamy	

Please let the office know when a name can be removed from this prayer list. Thank you.

PRAYER LINE: Please call Rosalie Flores-Aguon (831-359-9799) or Mary Soltis (688-8326) if you or someone you know is in need of prayer.

IF YOU ARE HOSPITALIZED OR HOMEBOUND.....
If you or a member of your family are hospitalized or homebound, please call to let us know. We want to visit you in the hospital or home, but are often unaware of your situation. Due to HIPAA regulations, hospitals will not contact parishes unless you specifically request it.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

“Be on guard”, Jesus warns in today’s Gospel, “lest your spirits become bloated with indulgence.” Let us heed His warning and follow the advice of St. Paul, conducting ourselves in a way pleasing to God, overflowing with love for one another.



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE PARISH??

- Do you want to know “What’s Happening in the Parish” BEFORE you see the bulletin at mass?
- Do you want a “SNEAK PREVIEW” of the bulletin before you arrive at mass or do you prefer to look at it online?
- If you answered “YES” to one of the questions above then “SIGN UP TO RECEIVE WEEKLY EMAILS FROM THE PARISH”

We send out a weekly email each Thursday or Friday about what is currently happening our parish. The bulletin is also included as a link. If you want to stay connected with the parish please consider signing up. This email is also used to communicate about other upcoming events/activities/needs. To sign up please email us at resurrectionparish@sbcglobal.net and we will sign you up.



Give to Resurrection Electronically! You can set up regular donations, or make a one time gift by simply scanning the QR Code to the right with your smart phone—it’s easy!

- Give to Resurrection by clicking on the “Donate Now” link on our website, www.resurrection-aptos.org. It is a very safe and secure way to give.
- You can also click on the QR code and it will take you directly to our giving page.
- If you already give electronically you can update your own information. The email address that you provided will link to your account. Or you can call Karen in the parish office and she will update your account for you.



Welcome! Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God for you. If you are not registered, please fill out this form and place in the collection basket or mail to the parish office.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

- New Parishioner New Address
 New Phone Number
 Moving—Remove from List
 Please send contribution envelopes
 Please send information on Electronic Giving

CHILDREN’S COLLECTION:

During the offertory at all the masses, we encourage the children, if they have something to offer or give, to come to the altar and place it in the basket.



Stewardship of Treasure PLATE COLLECTIONS November 24 & 25, 2018

Weekly Plate Collection:	
• Weekend Masses	\$5,351.53
• Electronic	\$1,535.00
• Total	\$6,886.53
Weekly Plate Collection Need (Budget)	\$11,300.00
Campaign for Human Development	\$1,368.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL SUPPORT!

If you miss a week your donation can be mailed to the parish office at P.O. Box 87, Aptos, CA 95001-0087 or you go to www.resurrection-aptos.org and click on the donate now button.

Remember Resurrection Catholic Community in your will.
Contact Karen Victorino in the parish office.

LITURGY & SPIRITUALITY



LITURGICAL MINISTERS: Please sign up on the ministry table beginning this weekend for the Christmas and New Year's masses. (December 22, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, 31 & January 1).

GREETERS NEEDED AT ALL MASSES:

Do you have an easy smile and a warm handshake? Would you like to get to know people's names? Have you ever thought about GREETING at the Mass you attend? Please call Bonnie Wolf - 831-684-1591- if you could greet at one Mass a month or agree to substitute on occasion, or if you have any questions about this ministry. Let your "Light Shine!"



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

If you're a Confirmed Catholic and have a deep love and reverence for Jesus in the Eucharist, then you'll love being an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist! Your parish needs you. If you're interested in learning more about this wonderful way to serve, please contact Deacon Patrick at pfconway@sbcglobal.net or 831-840-3750.

CHRISTMAS CHOIR!

Come and join our Christmas Choir and sing at one of our Christmas Masses (4:00 PM & 9:30 PM Christmas Eve, 10:00 AM Christmas Day). This is an easy time to join as we "those old familiar carols sing." Rehearsals are on Thursdays at 7:00 PM in the church. For more information, contact Deacon Patrick at 831-840-3750.



CALLING ALL ANGELS AND SHEPHERDS!

We need your help in bringing our 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Family liturgy alive with the story of the first Christmas. We invite the children to be angels or shepherds during our proclamation of the Gospel. There will be a rehearsal on Saturday, December 22 at 9:30 AM in the church. For more information, contact Deacon Patrick at 831-840-3750 or pfconway@sbcglobal.net.



SATURDAY MORNING MEDITATION: Do you practice some form of silent prayer frequently? occasionally? never? If your answer is "Yes!" you are cordially invited to join the multi-denominational meditation group that gathers each Saturday morning in the Daily Mass Chapel here at Resurrection at 8:30 AM. You don't need to pay anything or say anything! One of the lay leaders introduces the 25-minute period of meditation and ends it with a few inspirational words. We're finished about 9:00 AM and off to enjoy the day with a coffee or a trip to farmers' market. Contact Pat O'Brien (831)566-8234.

GOOD NEWS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5,8-10,14;
1 Thes 3:12—4:2; Lk 21:25-28,34-36
Monday: Is 2:1-5; Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37
Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21,24-27
Friday: Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31
Saturday: Gn 3:9-15,20; Lk 1:26-28
Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-6,8-11;
Lk 3:1-6



Intentions for December 1—9

Saturday 12/01

5:00 PM (RE) +Hank & Grace DeDiego,
+Don Terndrup,
+Megdalia Mouet

Sunday, 12/02

8:15 AM (RE) +Polly Anne Aho
The People of the Parish
10:15 AM (RE) +Jake Bregante, +Larry Musich,
+Bob Crovo
+Pat Combs

6:00 PM (LP)

Monday, 12/03

8:30 AM Communion Service

Tuesday, 12/04

8:30 AM (MM) +Judy Ragsdell

Wednesday, 12/05

8:30 AM (RE) +Vince Rice

Thursday, 12/06

8:30 AM (RE) +Lori Matusich,
The Schuman Family

Friday, 12/07

8:30 AM (RE) +Ann & James Lewis,
+Mary Jo Lewis

Saturday, 12/08

10:00 AM (RE) For All Expectant Mothers
5:00 PM (LP) +Concepcion Acosta,
+Rose Dias, +Evelyn Fox

Sunday, 12/09

8:15 AM (RE) +Nick Mayer, +Sarah Wardwell
10:15 AM (RE) +Jake Bregante,
The People of the Parish
6:00 PM (RE) +Roy Capaldo



LP=Fr. Larry Percell, MM=Fr. Mike Marini,
RE=Fr. Romeo Evangelista; PM=Fr. Paul McDonnell, OSJ

THE MASS NEVER ENDS—IT MUST BE LIVED!

We are invited to continue to reflect upon the Gospel reading (Luke 21:25-28, 34-36) and homily as we live out our Eucharist this week. Reflect upon it in your heart and mind, and discuss it with your family, friends and faith community members

- How do you cope with fears and anxieties about the future?
- What would you do if you found out that Jesus was returning today?
- Are you ready for your world to end? What do you need to do to get ready?



Many Hands

Embracing a sense of
community
Easing burdens
Enhancing quality of
life

The Many Hands Program is staffed by volunteers and is intended for minor solutions. Referrals for professional services will be provided when possible.

Volunteers currently provide:

- Occasional Transportation
- Minor Household Tasks
- Handyman referrals
- Household Safety and Risk Assessment
- Friendly Visitors Program
- Friendly Phone Calls

The Senior Resource Ministry will refer seniors with financial need to appropriate resources. The Senior Resource Directory is available for free in the parish office.

Volunteers are needed for these services to continue. Please contact Erma Coty, RN in the parish office at 831-688-4300 x17.

**NEED NOT BE A SENIOR
TO VOLUNTEER!**



CHAIR YOGA WITH SUZI MAHLER

Wednesday's at 12:30 PM
Markey Community Center

No Classes
December 5, 19 & 26

Advent Reflection

"Advent's intention is to awaken the most profound and basic emotional memory within us, namely, the memory of the God who became a child. This is a healing memory; it brings hope..."

—Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger, *Seek That Which Is Above*, 1986



Holiday Events



Concerts at Resurrection!

December 14, Monte Vista Christian Choir, 7 PM

December 17, Katherine Petrucci, 7 PM

Concert for a Winter's Eve (Cantiamo)

December 15, Carmel Mission, 8:00 PM

December 16, Holy Cross Church, 8:00 PM

Messiah Sing-Along

December 18, Peace United Church, 7:00 PM

Nutcracker: Experience The Magic 2018

December 15, Cabrillo Crocker Theater, 1:00 & 4:30 PM

December 16, Cabrillo Crocker Theater, 1:00 & 4:30 PM

Christmas with the Chorale

December 8, Holy Cross Church, 8:00 PM

December 9, Holy Cross Church, 4:00 PM

Hidden Valley String Orchestra

December 9, Peace United Church

3:00 PM

www.cabrillovapa.com/events



PRIME TIMERS

Prime Timers are meeting on Sunday,
December 2 from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM in the
church conference room.

Bring a snack to share.

HOSPITALITY

Hospitality, on Tuesday mornings, will resume on
December 4.

ROSARY GROUPS:

- Pray the Rosary, Monday through Friday, at 9:00 AM (after daily mass) in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.
- Rosary group meets every Saturday at 4:20 PM, before the 5:00 PM mass. The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy begins at 4:00 PM. All are welcome to join us.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIAL

A Christmas flower (poinsettia) memorial is a beautiful way to remember loved ones this Christmas. We invite you to make a contribution to our Christmas flower fund in memory of or in honor of a loved one. Memorials will be listed in a bulletin during the Christmas season. Donation envelopes are available on the counter in the entrance of the church. Your envelopes can be dropped into the collection or brought by the parish office.



FREE ADVENT REFLECTIONS

- **Everyday Stewardship Advent 2018** http://go.4lpi.com/LPi-2018-Advent-Reflections-Sign-Up_LPi-2018-Advent-Reflections-Sign-Up.html
- **Best Advent Ever:** Sign up for a free daily email at dynamiccatholic.com/AlmostChristmas beginning December 2.
- **Free Daily Gospel Reflections from Bishop Robert Barron via email:** <http://dailycatholicgospel.com/get-reflection>

OUTREACH



FOOD FOR GOD'S PEOPLE: This weekend, December 1 & 2, is our monthly collection to help fill our food pantry. Please bring your non-perishable food items to church with you this weekend or to the parish hall during the week. Thank you for your past & continued generosity.

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION MINISTRY... Each week specially-trained members of our community visit our homebound members to bring them Eucharist and loving support. More ministers are needed for this. Is God inviting you to share in this blessing? Your part would be to visit 3-5 homebound members once every five weeks. Your visits can be scheduled at your convenience on any day. For more information please call Deacon Patrick at 840-3750.

PASTORAL ASSISTANCE MINISTRY DESK

We need some parishioners to step forward and help us distribute food, bus passes, and laundry vouchers to the many people who come to Resurrection Church for help. We ask for only 2 hours of your time each month on Monday or Friday 10:00 AM - noon. The work requires a minimum of training and a compassionate heart. Do you hear the Lord calling you to this ministry? If so, please contact Jan Finney 684-2879.



CARD-CRAFTING CIRCLE:



Resurrection's CARD CRAFTING CIRCLE will be selling cards at the Women's Guild Bake Sale this weekend, Saturday, December 1 after the 5:00 PM mass and Sunday, December 2 after the 10:15 AM mass. Proceeds from the sales will help raise funds for our Faith Community Shelter ministry.

SOCKS FOR PEOPLE IN NEED (SPIN): Thanks to the people of the parish, we have collected and distributed more than 25,000 pairs during the 5 years that this program has been operating. The need for socks continues year-round, so our collection box remains in the church entrance. For more information about SPIN, please contact Pat Lorenzo at 708-2068 or pat.lorenzo@yahoo.com.



YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL

Deborah Rovick 688-4300 x 22 or darovick@att.net
Director of Faith Formation for Children, Youth & Young Adults

Middle School (Grades 6-8):

- December 6, 6:30—8:00 PM, Middle School Youth Group
- December 9, 11:30 AM—1:30 PM, Middle School/High School/Confirmation sort Angel Tree Gifts
- December 13, 6:30—8:00 PM, Middle School Youth Group
- December 16, 10:15 AM—1:30 PM, Youth Mass followed by Middle School & High School Youth Groups Caroling
- December 20, No Middle School Youth Group
- December 27, No Middle School Youth Group

High School (Grades 9-12):

- December 2, 11:30 AM—1:30 PM, High School Youth Group & Confirmation
- December 9, 11:30 AM—1:30 PM, Middle School/High School/Confirmation sort Angel Tree Gifts
- December 16, 10:15 AM—1:30 PM, Youth Mass followed by Middle School & High School Youth Groups Caroling
- December 23, No High School Youth Group & Confirmation
- December 30, No High School Youth Group & Confirmation





VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FAITH COMMUNITY SHELTER: Have you ever thought it might be fun to work in a thrift shop one afternoon per week or even once a month?...And benefit the Faith Community Shelter at the same time? If so, you may be interested in this new volunteer project: We

are looking for 2 volunteers to work from 1:00-4:00 pm Monday- Saturday at the new St. John's Helpful Shop which is opening soon in the retail space formerly occupied by the Word bookshop near Manuel's Restaurant in the Seacliff Beach area. The AFC will split profits with St. John's in the proportion to which we provide volunteers during regular shop hours; whatever we make will go toward covering expenses of our wonderful shelter project (e.g., gasoline and repairs for the program's vehicle, insurance, etc.). Currently, the AFC needs to raise about \$70,000 per year for the shelter's operational expenses; for our usual 18 guests, this is only \$10.65 per person per night -an amazing bargain for sure!! Volunteers would wait on customers and provide other light-duty help as needed. No previous experience is necessary - training will be provided. Maybe have lunch with a friend, then work together at the Helpful Shop, helping to raise funds for the Faith Community Shelter!! If you are interested in this new and exciting opportunity to help our shelter program or if you have any questions, please contact Pat Lorenzo (708-2068 or pat.lorenzo@yahoo.com) as soon as possible.

LET'S END MODERN SLAVERY!

Did you know that you can help reduce human slavery by purchasing products labeled "Fair Trade"? This is how we support the companies that sell us our food and other products who ensure that no human slavery was used in their supply and production chain. Yes, these items usually cost more, but that is because they are not being produced using slave or under-compensated labor.) The US State Department estimates that 21 million men, women and children are being held in some kind of forced labor—modern slavery. (Other human rights groups put the number at 35 million.) These are some of the people who harvest our food, make our clothes, gather the raw materials made for electronics, jewelry and makeup, or who are sold for "adult pleasure". They are not only in far-off places, but right here in the Monterey Bay region. What can we do? First of all, educate ourselves. Visit the US Bishops webpage devoted to this: www.usccb.org/about/anti-trafficking-program for many resources. For action ideas visit: www.endslaverynow.org/act
To report suspected human trafficking or to get help, call the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-888-373-7888. For more information about local events, contact LeeAnn Jones, Program Analyst at Monarch Services: 831-707-2206 or ljones@monarchsc.org

MANTLES OF CARING: The ministry of our knitting group, Mantles of Caring, is to provide support to those suffering loss, illness or other sorrows with the gift of a hand-knitted or crocheted shawl or lap robe. These beautiful items have been made with loving prayer for the receiver who may be a shut-in, undergoing medical treatment, or has a life-threatening or chronic illness. If you are such a person or know of someone who would benefit from one of these items, we offer it to you. In addition, Mantles of Caring, offers lovely handmade gifts such as scarfs, hats, ponchos and baby items, for sale at very reasonable prices to support our ministry. You are welcome to knit or crochet with us in the church conference room on the first and third Tuesdays of each month from 2:00—3:30 PM. Contact Pat O'Brien at 685-8639.



FAITH FORMATION

BIBLICAL SPIRITUALITY: We meet on Thursdays at 12:30 PM in the daily mass chapel to reflect on the readings for the upcoming Sunday. It's a fact that regular doses of God's Word make you happier. Come and see!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



TANTALIZING TEMPTATIONS AND HEAVENLY GIFTS (Formerly: The Women's Guild Annual Christmas Bake Sale): *TODAY AFTER ALL MASSES* except 6:00 PM Sunday. Your generous donations and purchases at our fabulous sales event at the Markey

Community Center will be used to support local organizations that benefit women and families. You will find holiday treats to eat, wear, give and decorate your home from our parishioners, friends, Mantles of Caring and Card-Crafting Circle. Be sure to allow time to shop and socialize at this once-a-year Christmas festivity. Thank you for your support and have a Merry Christmas!



ADVENT CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS: We begin the beautiful season of Advent this Sunday. In order to better prepare for the coming of Jesus at Christmas, The Sisters of the Holy Names would like to invite you to an hour of Prayer around the Cross (Taize) on Thursday, December 13th, from 7:00 to 8:00 PM at the Villa Maria del Mar Chapel. This hour long contemplative prayer includes silence, chants, scripture, and The Veneration of the Cross. All are welcome.



MEMORIAL GARDEN: We invite anyone who has lost a loved one to honor them by bringing a plant or decorating a river rock. This will be a living memorial. If you would like to add a plant or rock, please call the parish office.



LAST CALL FOR NEW BULLETIN ADVERTISERS! We are now working on the new bulletin for the next quarter (Jan/Feb/Mar). And YES, we do have space for YOUR AD! Reasonable rates are as follows:

Grand Slam: \$455 per quarter

Home Run: \$375 per quarter

Triple: \$310 per quarter

Double: \$230 per quarter

Single: \$130 per quarter

"Memorial" space: \$230 per quarter

Payments can be electronically deducted each month or you can pay quarterly. We are happy to work with you to design an attractive and effective ad (no additional cost for this). Advertising income contributes vital funds to our parish. If you have any questions about advertising or know of a business that might be interested in advertising contact Ann Fitts, 818-1417, ann@growingupsc.com by December 1. And please support our bulletin advertisers.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – COATS FOR KIDS

Dear Parishioners,

On behalf of the Knights of Columbus and Coats for Kids, I want to sincerely thank you for all you've done to help us purchase new Columbia Sportswear-made coats for Sister Rosa's kids. You more than matched the \$5,000.00 gift of our anonymous benefactor!

Now she will be able to give 552 children a Christmas Coat! This is made possible because of your generosity, heartfelt care and concern for these local kids living far below the poverty level

But it doesn't end there. You have, along with another anonymous donor provided Coats for Kids additional funds that are being used to provide coats for Jacob's Heart, whose kids are suffering with all stages of cancer. In addition to that coats are being sent to All About Children, a Catholic Foundation, assisting kids who have been abused in the Foster Care system, and the fire victims in the Oroville area who lost their homes.

At the moment we have enough money left to provide 432 coats for some of the 1,200 children whose homes and clothing were destroyed by the fires in Butte County, but we'd like to provide even more. (The coats will be sent to the Knights in Chico for distribution in that area. 69 of 107 Knights in Paradise area lost their homes, but they're still helping the families in their communities who also have no homes by working with us to distribute the coats to them.)

With your help, we can do more, so if you haven't had a chance to donate you can still do so in the Parish Office. Credit and debit cards are being accepted along with checks and cash.

I'm so humbled and appreciative by the response of Resurrection Parish in helping us Knights assist families in this terrible tragedy.

May our entire Parish Family be blessed with Peace and All Good as we enter the Holy Season of Advent.

Patrick McMenemy, Grand Knight



ADVENT WREATHS

We have *two* Advent Wreaths available for sale in the parish office. And *seven sets of candles* (purple & pink)

Wreath & Candles \$15.00

Wreath Only \$10.00

Candles Only \$5.00



HOLIDAY GREENERY



The orders have arrived and are in the parish hall. You can pick them up after mass this Saturday or Sunday morning or in the parish hall during office hours. We do have some items that are available for

purchase: Five 22" Noble Fir Wreaths (\$24 each), Five Centerpieces (\$21 each), Four 28" Mixed Evergreen Wreath (\$38 each), One Garland (\$25). The Holiday Reindeer Set is on backorder. We should receive them the week of December 10th. We will have five additional available (\$21 each).

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Advent 2018

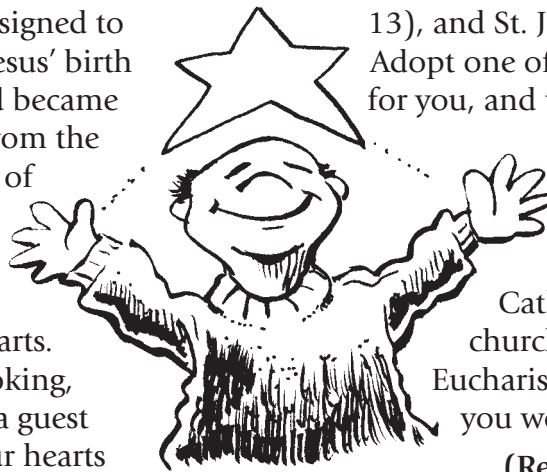
Resurrection Catholic Community

Aptos, California

Make the most of Advent

The season of Advent is designed to help us prepare to celebrate Jesus' birth at Christmas. Think of it: God became man, died for our sins, rose from the dead, and now reigns as King of all creation.

Every Christmas is a chance to welcome Jesus as an honored guest into our hearts. Think of all the planning, cooking, and cleaning needed to have a guest over. In Advent we prepare our hearts to welcome the Savior. Below are some suggestions to make the most of your Advent:



13), and St. John of the Cross (December 14). Adopt one of them to be your patron to pray for you, and to protect and encourage you.

Visit the Blessed Sacrament.

The Eucharist is Jesus Christ, present Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #1374). All Catholic churches have a tabernacle where the Eucharist is stored. Speak with our Lord as you would a close friend.

(Re)Discover the Mass. At Mass, Heaven comes down to Earth. When we receive the Eucharist, Christ comes into our hearts and nourishes our souls. Aim to attend daily Mass once every week during the Christmas season.

Prioritize prayer.

Spend 15 minutes daily with God. The best way to prepare to welcome the Savior at Christmas is to spend time with him. Set aside 15 minutes in your day for God and protect it. Perhaps read a chapter of Scripture, pray a decade of the Rosary, or just be still in his presence.

Know the story. Read through the accounts of Jesus' birth in Matthew 1:18-2:12 and/or Luke 2:1-20. Place yourself in the scene. Internalizing the Christmas story will give you a better appreciation of the season.

Get to know the Advent saints. One way to know God is to know his friends. There are several saints' feasts that occur this Advent, including: St. Nicholas, the Bishop of Myra (December 6), St. Juan Diego (December 9), St. Lucy (December

Practice penance.

Form an "Advent habit." Advent is a great time to start a holy habit. Maybe it's replacing negative comments with positive ones, or getting up ten minutes earlier to pray. See if you can keep up your "Advent habits" through the Christmas season.

Electronic fasting. Create a space for God and the gifts he wants to give you. Consider limiting the amount of time spent on your electronic devices: no Facebook during the work day, no texting during dinner, or while someone is talking to you (unless it's an emergency), etc.

Make a nightly examination of conscience. This will help you spot any patterns of sin that

are preventing you from connecting with God. Remember to thank God for the good things about the day, too. Close prayer by choosing one sinful habit that you'd like to change and resolve to change it by the end of Advent.

Experience God's mercy. Just as we would clean and decorate the house for Christmas, we need to "clean and decorate" our souls by frequenting the sacrament of Confession. Make a heartfelt Confession to greet the Messiah this Christmas with a joyful heart.

Give alms.

Donate resources. Another way to prepare for the Savior is to help his people. Parishes often have food and clothing drives. Don't forget the basics, like socks, toiletries, and soap. Prayerfully consider donating to your parish whatever you are able, or to charities like Catholic Relief Services (<https://www.crs.org>).

Give your time. This can be anything from volunteering to work at a soup kitchen, to getting a group of friends together and caroling at a nursing home, to making handmade cards for soldiers overseas. Every little bit counts.

Welcome the lonely. To Mother Teresa, feeling unloved was a greater poverty than being hungry (though eating enough is important, too). The holidays are especially difficult for those who are alone. Extend invitations for your holiday gatherings to people who might otherwise be alone or forgotten.

Do acts of random kindness. A little kindness goes a long way. Hold the door for people and smile at them. Don't be afraid to offer a hand when you see someone in need. Jesus said, "*Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me*" (Matthew 25:40).

Practice patience. In this season of waiting, practicing this virtue is a work of mercy and way of giving alms. Practicing patience includes: being polite even when you have to wait, assuming the best about someone until they prove otherwise, being firm yet gentle when correcting someone, and seeing things from the other's point of view. If

all else fails, we can recall how patient God is with our failings and never tires of forgiving us.

Anticipate with joy

Light the Advent wreath at dinner to build anticipation for Jesus' birth. The wreath is an ancient sign of victory, in this case, Christ's victory over sin and death. The three purple candles stand for penance, sorrow, and hope. The rose candle stands for joy. One custom is to exchange the purple and rose candles for white candles during the Christmas season.

Listen to Advent music. Make a playlist of Advent music that helps you connect with the themes of the season: faith in God's promises, waiting with hope, and joyful expectation. Include hymns like, O Come, O Come, Emmanuel and traditional carols like, The Holly and the Ivy.

Set out the Nativity Scene—slowly. The custom of displaying the Nativity Scene was begun by St. Francis of Assisi to illustrate the simplicity of the Incarnation. On the first Sunday of Advent, set out the stable and the empty manger. As the weeks go by, add characters. Wait until Christmas morning to place Jesus in the manger.

Celebrate Advent feast days. Learn about how other cultures celebrate the Advent saints' feasts. Consider adopting a custom or do something special of your own. Remember, attendance at Mass is required for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on December 8.

Build your Christmas around the Mass. Finally, at Christmas Mass, after all that waiting and preparing, we are ready to receive the greatest Gift of all: Jesus Christ, truly present in the Eucharist, under the appearances of bread and wine. Sing joyfully in Mass and welcome the King of Kings into your hearts and homes!

And lastly, keep your Advent behaviors going after Christmas. The waiting is over, but don't lose the good habits you acquired over Advent. Cultivate the "Advent attitudes" of waiting and preparing joyfully for the Lord. Every Sunday is a mini "Christmas," when we greet the Messiah under the forms of bread and wine at Mass.

December 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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						8:30 AM Contemplative Prayer Group (DMC) 9:00 AM Knights of Columbus Sort Coats (CR 3,4,5) 4:20 PM Rosary (BSC) 5:00 PM Anointing of Sick Liturgy (Church) 6:00 PM Women's Guild Bake Sale (Hall)
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1st Sunday of Advent 9:15 AM Women's Guild Bake Sale (Hall) 10:15 AM RCIA (Lounge) 11:30 AM Prime Timers (CCR)	9:15 AM Faith Sharing Group (Crovo) (DMC) 9:30 AM Food Bagging for Poor (Hall) 11:00 AM Women's Guild Board Mtg. (CR 3,4,5) 6:30 PM Youth Core Team Meeting (YC) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #609 Meeting (Hall & Lounge)	9:15 AM Prime Timers Hospitality (CCR) 10:00 AM Gardening Group (Outside) 2:00 PM Knitting Ministry (CCR) 6:30 PM Knights of Columbus Officer's Mtg. (Hall) 7:30 PM Knights of Columbus Mtg. (Hall)	8:30 AM Staff Day of Reflection: PARISH OFFICE CLOSED (Offsite) 6:45 PM Pacific Voices Rehearsal (Church)	12:30 PM Bible Study (DMC) 3:45 PM K-5 Faith Formation (MCC & YC) 6:30 PM Middle School Youth Group (MCC & YC) 6:30 PM Music Rehearsal (Church & CCR)	10:00 AM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (BSC)	8:30 AM Contemplative Prayer Group (DMC) 10:00 AM Immaculate Conception Mass (Church) 4:20 PM Rosary (BSC) 5:30 PM -9:30 PM Retrouvaille CORE (Hall)
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10:15 AM RCIA (Lounge) 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM Angel Tree Sorting by Middle, High School & Confirmation Youth (Hall)	9:15 AM Faith Sharing Group (Crovo) (DMC) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #609 Meeting (Hall & Lounge) 7:00 PM Monte Vista Music (Church)	9:15 AM Prime Timers Hospitality (CCR) 10:00 AM Gardening Group (Outside) 5:00 PM Faith Community Shelter (MCC)	9:30 AM Faith Sharing Group (Santora) (CR 4) 12:30 PM Chair Yoga (Hall) 1:00 PM Magic Apple Rehearsal (Church) 6:45 PM Pacific Voices Rehearsal (Church)	9:30 AM Staff Meeting (Lounge) 12:30 PM Bible Study (DMC) 3:45 PM K-5 Faith Formation (MCC & YC) 4:00 PM Magic Apple Christmas Show (Performance 4:30 - 5:45 PM) (Church) 6:30 PM Music Rehearsal (Church & CCR)	3:30 PM Youth to Deliver Angel Tree Gifts (Offsite) 4:30 PM Elstad/Ritchey Wedding Rehearsal (Church) 5:30 PM Monte Vista HS Concert (Concert begins at 7:00 PM) (Church)	8:30 AM Contemplative Prayer Group (DMC) 9:00 AM Elstad/Ritchey Wedding Reception (Hall) 2:00 PM Elstad/Ritchey Wedding (Fr. Romeo) (Church) 4:20 PM Rosary (BSC)

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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
10:15 AM RCIA (Lounge) 10:15 AM Youth Mass (Church) 11:30 AM COPA - Core Team (Lounge) 11:30 AM Middle & High School Youth Groups & Confirmation (Caroling) (MCC & YC)	9:15 AM Faith Sharing Group (Crovo) (DMC) 11:30 AM Women's Guild Luncheon (Offsite) 6:00 PM Christmas Concert (Church) 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #609 Meeting (Hall & Lounge)	9:15 AM Prime Timers Hospitality (CCR) 10:00 AM Gardening Group (Outside) 11:30 AM - 3:00 PM Good Shepherd Christmas Program Rehearsal (Church) 2:00 PM Knitting Ministry (CCR) 7:00 PM Reconciliation Service (Church)	5:00 PM Good Shepherd Christmas Program (begins at 6:30 pm) (Church & Hall)	9:00 AM Decorate Church (Church) 12:30 PM Bible Study (DMC) 3:45 PM K-5 Faith Formation (MCC & YC) 5:00 PM K-5 & Middle School Family Dinner (MCC) 6:30 PM Music Rehearsal (Church & CCR)		8:30 AM Contemplative Prayer Group (DMC) 9:30 AM Christmas Pageant Practice (Church) 10:00 AM Manna Ministries Christmas Party (Hall) 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM Reconciliation (Church) 4:20 PM Rosary (BSC)
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10:15 AM RCIA (Lounge)	Christmas Eve - Parish Office Closed 3:30 PM Carols (Church) 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Children's Mass (Church) 9:00 PM Carols (Church) 9:30 PM Christmas Eve Mass (Church)	Christmas Day - Parish Office Closed 10:00 AM Christmas Day Mass (Church) 5:00 PM Faith Community Shelter (MCC)	Parish Office Closed	Parish Office Closed	Parish Office Closed	8:30 AM Contemplative Prayer Group (DMC) 4:20 PM Rosary (BSC)
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