Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT: DECEMBER 4, 2016

Fr.Peter Ngo Duc Dung, Administrator Deacon Loc Nguyen

Office Hours

Monday 10:00AM to 12PM Tues. – Fri.: 8:00AM to 12PM

Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM (English) 7:00PM (Spanish) Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12 noon 4PM (Vietnamese) Weekdays: Mon-Fri. 7:30AM, Sat. 8AM First Friday: after 7:30PM Benediction

Devotions

Adoration & Benediction: Fridays from 5PM-7:30PM Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena-Wednesdays after morning mass Chaplet of the Divine Mercy- Mondays & Fridays after morning mass

Confessions

Saturday 3:30pm to 4:30pm or by appointment

RCIA

Adults seeking Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, or membership in the Catholic Church, contact Rene Asuncion at 925-458-4574.

Baptisms

Pre-Baptism classes for parents and godparents held every second Tuesday of the month. Contact the parish office. Spanish Classes, contact Hilda Avelar at 925-458-3656. Vietnamese baptisms, contact Fr. Peter Dung at the parish office for an appointment

Marriage

Contact the parish office at least six months in advance.

Religious Education

Contact Rene Asuncion , Director of Rel. Ed. Tel:(925) 458-4574 *Website: olqwre.olqw.org Email: director@olqwre.olqw.org

St. Vincent de Paul

Food pantry opens Mondays 9:30 AM -11 AM in the Parish hall

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 5 7:30 am Emelinda Guevarra

Tuesday, December 6 7:30 am Jose S. Vergara Sr.

Wednesday, December 7 7:30 am All Souls

Thursday, December 8

8:00 am Albert Bautista Int.10:00am Sabrina Saverio5:00pm All Souls7:30pm Mathilde Alava

Friday, December 9 7:30 am Ricardo Belza's Int.

Saturday, December 10

8:00 amHoward Tilton5:00 pmConchita Welsh7:00 pmGenoveva Vasquez

Sunday, December 11

8:00 am	Lorenzo Canon
10:00 am	Guillermo Rabara
12:00 pm	Felisa Garcia Int.
4:00 pm	All Souls





John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" It was of him that the prophet Isaiah had spoken when he said: A voice of one crying out in the desert, Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. At that time Jerusalem, all Judea, and the whole region around the Jordan were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the Jordan River as they acknowledged their sins. When he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to his baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance. And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I tell you, God can raise up children to Abraham from these stones. Even now the ax lies at the root of the trees. Therefore every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Fr. Culver, Mario Dolor, Carol Hampton, all those in the Parish who are sick, and all those listed in the Book of Intention. If you would like a name added to the prayer list, please call the rectory or email: rectory@olqw.org. Names will be removed at the end of the month unless requested otherwise.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS

Filipino Association Hispanic Association Vietnamese Association Columbiettes Knights of Columbus Regina Mundi Guild St. Vincent de Paul Society Legion of Mary cheska.simon@yahoo.com Gladys Giron (925) 334-9873

Columbiettes08@gmail.com gk7164@yahoo.com

STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE

November 27, 2016: \$5,503 (2015: \$6,382)

Thanksgiving: \$4,910

Archdiocese for the Military: \$970

2015 Assessment \$34,937 2016 Assessment \$39,749 *owe* \$26,436 2016 Insurance Package \$9,870

Parish Parking lot Project: All Building Fund collections in the New Year will go towards replacing the Parish parking lot. We have "Building Fund" offertory envelopes available at the Church entrance.

Please consider including your parish, Our Lady Queen of the World Church in your will.

Please make all checks payable to either "OLQW" or "Our Lady Queen of the World." This applies to all second collections also, unless otherwise noted. Capital Campaign checks are written to: Reclaiming Christ's Mission Together.

REFLECTING ON THE GOSPEL



In this week's Gospel Reading and next week's, our Advent preparation for Christmas invites us to consider John the Baptist and his relationship to Jesus. In this week's Gospel, Matthew describes the work and preaching of John the Baptist.

John the Baptist appears in the tradition of the great prophets of Israel, preaching repentance and reform to the people of Israel. In fact, the description of John found in this reading is reminiscent of the description of the prophet Elijah (<u>2 Kings 1:8</u>). In this reading, John directs a particularly pointed call to repentance to the Pharisees and Sadducees, parties within the Jewish community of the first century.

John marks the conversion of those who seek him out with a baptism of repentance. Other groups in this period are thought to have practiced ritual washings for similar purposes, and John's baptism may have been related to the practices of the Essenes, a Jewish sect of the first century. John's baptism can be understood as an anticipation of Christian baptism. In this passage, John himself alludes to the difference between his baptism and the one yet to come: "I am baptizing you with water, for repentance . . . He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." (Matthew 3:11).

In this reading, John makes very clear that his relationship to the Messiah yet to come (Jesus) is one of service and subservience: ". . . the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals" (Matthew 3:11). In the context of Matthew's Gospel, today's passage is followed by Jesus' baptism by John, an event that is attested to in all four of the Gospels and appears to have been the start of Jesus' public ministry.

John's preaching of the coming of the Lord is a key theme of the Advent season. As John's message prepared the way for Jesus in the first century, we, too, are called to prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming. We respond to John's message by our repentance and reform of our lives. We are also called to be prophets of Christ, who announce by our lives, as John did, the coming of the Lord.

Loyola Press Sunday Connection: http://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgicalyear/sunday-connection/second-sunday-of-advent-cyclea-sunday-connection

ST VINCENT DE PAUL



FOOD DRIVE

We will maintain a donation barrel for non-perishable foods in the church foyer; please be generous. Our groups of

volunteers are here every Monday, and they always need groceries to help the needy in our community. The demand has been much greater!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

The Religious Education Program at OLQW presents:

THE CHRISTMAS STORY

Featuring: Kindergarten, First Graders and First Holy Communion Students Supported by: Confirmation Students Directed by: Erica Riray & Cris Dolor Assisted by: Faye Dolor and other parents/students

> Saturday, December 17, 2016 9:30am in the Palis Hall

A reception will follow and we welcome all donations of food and cash for the party.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

KNIGHTS OF COULUMBUS ROSARY



All are invited to participate in a rosary on Tuesday, December 6 at 6:45pm in our Church to pray for the sainthood for Father Michael

McGivney to be recognized.

<u>THANKSGIVING FOOD</u> <u>BASKETS</u>



The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all those

who contributed in any way to the Thanksgiving Food Drive. Because of your generosity, we were able to provide meals to 74 families.

COLUMBIETTES

DISNEYLAND VACATION RAFFLE



Raffle Tickets \$10 each

Grand Prize: Four 2-day hopper passes at Disneyland Resort and California Adventure ***PLUS***

2 nights at the Embassy Suites Anaheim Valued at \$1,300

2nd Prize: \$500 Amazon Gift Card
3rd Prize: Pier 39 Family Pack for Four valued at \$306 (expires 12/31/2017)

Drawing will be held on January 28, 2017 at Our Lady Queen of the World. Winner need not be present to win. Please see any Columbiette for tickets.

HISPANIC ASSOCIATION



COMMUNITY POSADA

Please join the Hispanic community for their annual Christmas posada on Saturday, December 10 after the 7pm mass.

PARISH EVENTS

PARISH PENANCE SERVICE



Prepare your heart for the coming of the Lord this Advent season by attending our Parish Communal Penance

Service on Monday, December 5 at 7pm. Priests will be available for confessions in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



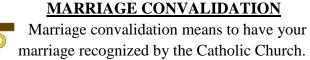
The solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary on December 8 is a holy day of obligation. Masses will be offered at 8am, 10am, 5pm, and 7:30pm.

BAPTISM CLASS

Our next Baptism class for parents and godparents is



Tuesday, December 13 at 7pm. Please register at the parish office.



Our parish invites all who were not married in the Church or would like a convalidation for their marriage to contact Fr. Peter at the parish office.

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY

We have one last final weekend, February 25-26, 2017 to have photos taken before the book is



published. Please make your appointments online at: http://tinyurl.com/p59qk7d. If you need assistance, please call email Katt Embody at kattembody@gmail.com. PLEASE be patient and come early for your appointment. If you cannot make it PLEASE give us as much notice as possible so that someone else can use your time slot. If you have a question about past photos please call Lifetouch at 1-800-521-4611.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

<u>SPRING COURSES FOR PASTORAL</u> <u>MINISTRY</u>

Wednesday, January 4 Sandra Martinez 510-267-8371 SMartinez@oakdiocese.org Oakdiocese.org/spm

Parish ministry leaders, catechists, school teachers and all adults are invited to participate in our Diocesan School for Pastoral Ministry. The mission of the School is to inspire and equip you to be credible, passionate, and effective in communicating the relevance of the Catholic faith for today. Classes meet one Saturday a month. The full program is three years and leads to diocesan certification. Yet you can take single courses of special interest to you. Spring 2017 courses are: Old Testament, Prayer and Spirituality, Sacraments, the Creed, Catholic Moral Thought, and the Mission of the Laity. Each course provides 12.5 hours of adult faith formation. For more information, visit Oakdiocese.org/spm or contact Sandra Martinez, see above. Deadline to register is January 4. Check out our Facebook page and view our video with Bishop Barber's endorsement and student testimonials!

ADVENT TAIZE SERVICES AT SAN DAMIANO



Wednesdays, November 30 – December 21 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm San Damiano Retreat Center, 710 Highland Drive, Danville Kateri Kautai 925-837-9141, ext. 315 katerik@sandamiano.org

All are invited to join San Damiano Retreat Center for Advent Taize Services every Wednesday during Advent. For more information, contact Kateri Kautai, see above.

THE CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE LIGHT CONCERTS



12/10 A Chanticleer Christmas, 8:15 pm

12/17 San Francisco Boys Chorus' "A Holiday Celebration", 7:30 pm

12/18 Advent Lessons & Carols

Additional event parking is available at the Kaiser Center Parking lot (located across the street from the Cathedral Parking Garage on 21st St.) for a flat rate of \$5.

Ctlcathedral.org/visit/concerts-and-events



WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Mon. 11/5	7-8:30pm	Religious Education Classes
	7pm	CH: Communal Penance Service
Tues. 11/6	7-9pm	H: Knights of Columbus
Wed. 11/30	5pm	P#2: Legion of Mary
Fri. 12/2	7-9pm	P#1: Hispanic Choir
Sat. 12/3	9-10:30am	Religious Education Classes
	2-4pm	H: Legion of Mary
	8pm	H: Hispanic Community Posada

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10th Annual Knights of Columbus Christmas Gift Giving Program

Pick a Card and Sponsor a Child



Pick a card from the tree and you will help a child this Christmas season. These families are from Bay Point and can use your support. Simply return your gift with the card in a bag and leave it in the back under the tree.

Any questions contact Silvio: gk7164@yahoo.com

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