

# Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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## THE SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF GOD JANUARY 1, 2017

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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.

### 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: [olqwr.olqw.org](http://olqwr.olqw.org)  
Email: [director@olqwr.olqw.org](mailto:director@olqwr.olqw.org)

### St. Vincent de Paul

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

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, January 2**

7:30 am Rickie Belza

**Tuesday, January 3**

7:30 am Fe Magwili Rama

**Wednesday, January 4**

7:30 am Naty Castillo

**Thursday, January 5**

7:30 am Ngan Vu

**Friday, January 6**

7:30 am Fe Maxwell

**Saturday, January 7**

8:00 am Estelita Bulatao

5:00 pm Bienvenido & Leticia Rosauo

7:00pm Mille Torres

**Sunday, January 8**

8:00 am Leo DeMarco

10:00 am James Lockwood Hazard

12:00 pm Milagros de la Cruz

4:00 pm (VIET) All Souls

## **THE SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**

**Lk 2: 16-21**



The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child. All who heard it were amazed by what had been told them by the shepherds. And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart. Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as it had been told to them.

When eight days were completed for his circumcision, he was named Jesus, the name given him by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

## **PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS**

### **Filipino Association**

*cheska.simon@yahoo.com*

### **Hispanic Association**

*Gladys Giron (925) 334-9873*

### **Columbiettes**

*Columbiettes08@gmail.com*

### **Knights of Columbus**

*gk7164@yahoo.com*

### **Regina Mundi Guild**

*PatsyWelty, President*

*925-458-6787*

### **St. Vincent de Paul Society**

*Patsy Welty 458-6787*

### **Legion of Mary**

*Rick Belza 925-261-0283*

### **Vietnamese Association**

## **PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Fr. Culver, Mario Dolor, Carol Hampton, Ed Plaza, 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.

## **STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE**

**December 18, 2016: \$5, 198** (2015: \$5,584)

**2015 Assessment \$34,937**

**2016 Assessment \$39,749 owe \$26,436**

**2016 Insurance Package: Paid off**

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



Today's reading is a continuation from the Gospel proclaimed at the Christmas Mass at midnight. In it the shepherds act upon the message they receive from the angel and go to find Jesus in the manger in Bethlehem. In their visit to the manger, the shepherds find things just as the angel had said. The shepherds' visit, therefore, is a moment of fulfillment, manifestation, and the beginning of the salvation we receive through Christ.

In the context of today's Solemnity, this reading also helps us focus on Mary as the Mother of God. The reading tells us at least three things about Mary as a mother. First, Mary is described as a reflective person, keeping the reports of the shepherds in her heart. Second, we are reminded of how obedient Mary was to God when she named the baby *Jesus* as the angel Gabriel had directed. Third, this reading shows Mary and Joseph faithfully observing their Jewish tradition by having Jesus circumcised.

Mary's faithfulness to God is evident in all three of these things. Her reflection upon the events in her life indicates that she was a person of prayer. This prayer made possible her obedience to God and God's will, even if the outcome was not clear. Finally, her faithfulness to a community of faith grounded her relationship with God and enabled her to participate in God's plan of salvation.

Because of Mary's faithfulness to God, she was able to receive the gift of God's Son and accept her role in God's plan for salvation. By doing so, she models for us the path of discipleship and is also called Mother of the Church.

Our call to discipleship also includes these three aspects. First, discipleship means prayer and reflection on the events of our lives that we might see God's presence and work in our lives. Second, discipleship means obedience to God and God's will. Third, discipleship includes fidelity to a community of faith.

Loyola Press Sunday Connection: <http://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/solemnity-of-blessed-virgin-mary-mother-of-god-grp?p=1>

The parish office will be closed Monday, January 2  
for the New Year holiday.

## GET TO KNOW THE PROPHETS

Prophets arose in Israel during the period when Israel's kings challenged the people in power—the political rulers and the economic elite. Not all the prophets were anti-establishment, however. For example, Nathan was King David's prophet, and he was financially supported by the king. But most of the prophets criticized the direction in which the people were being led by their rulers, and this often got them into trouble. They were met with hostility, ridicule, mistreatment, punishment, and exile. The word prophet means "to speak for." The prophets spoke for God to the people, receiving God's message through visions, dreams, and ecstasies. The prophetic message varied with the circumstances. When things were going well, the prophets warned the people about impending doom if they did not change their ways. When things were going badly, they supported the people with words of encouragement and hope.

### Elijah, the Prophet

Elijah was an early prophet whose narratives are recorded in the last part of First Kings and the first part of Second Kings. We know very little of what he said, but we are told stories of wonders that he performed, including the prediction of a drought and the multiplication of food.

In one amazing story, Elijah won a contest against the 450 prophets of the god Baal and proceeded to kill them all. At the end of his life, Elijah was taken up in a fiery chariot, leaving his mantle and power to his successor, Elisha. To this very day, at every celebration of the Passover, the Jews look for the return of Elijah, whom they consider to be the greatest of the prophets. It was in that role as greatest of the prophets that Elijah appeared at the Transfiguration of Jesus.

To be continued next week.....

<http://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/scripture-and-tradition/scripture/prophets-in-israel>

## BIBLE QUIZ

Which of the following is NOT a son of Jacob?

- a. Asher
- b. Josiah
- c. Benjamin
- d. Gad

Answer based on the Old Testament of the New American Bible, Revised Edition. Pick up a copy of next week's bulletin for the answer.

## 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!



Feeding the Community

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### CHRISTMAS CLASS SCHEDULE

There will be no Religious Education classes from Saturday, December 24 thru Monday, January 2. Classes will resume on Saturday, January 7 with a Family Mass at 9:30am.

### WALK FOR LIFE WEST COAST

The 13<sup>th</sup> annual Walk for Life West Coast will be held on Saturday, January 21, 2016 in San Francisco. Sign-Up sheets are available in the CCD office. T-shirts for the day will also be available at \$15.00.

## 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

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize:** \$500 Amazon Gift Card

**3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

### KNIGHTS OF COULUMBUS ROSARY



All are invited to participate in a rosary on Tuesday, January 3 at 6:45pm in our Church to pray for the sainthood for Father Michael McGivney to be recognized.

### FR. PALIS SCHOLARSHIP

Starting January 1, 2017 The Knights of Columbus and the Columbiettes will be accepting 2016 - 17 Fr. Palis Scholarship applications. Applications can found in the church or on the website. Please contact Manuel Rosario (925-595-4358) for additional information.

## PARISH EVENTS

### 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](mailto: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.

### MARRIAGE CONVALIDATION



Marriage convalidation means to have your marriage recognized by the Catholic Church. 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.

### BAPTISM CLASS

Our next Baptism class for parents and godparents is Tuesday, January 10 at 7pm. Please register at the parish office.



## AROUND THE DIOCESE

### ST PETER MARTYR SCHOOL CRAB FEED

Calling all Alumni, Friends and Supporters of SPM School, and Crab lovers: Save the date! St. Peter Martyr School will have its fantastic Crab Feed on Saturday, February 25, 2017, at Good Shepherd Church Hall in Pittsburg. For further information contact St. Peter Martyr School at 925-439-1014. See you at the Crab Feed!

### YOUTH CONFERENCE 2017

**Thursday, January 19  
St. Mary's Cathedral**

**1111 Gough St., San Francisco**

**Alicia Weinman 415-614-5666 [weinmana@sfarch.org](mailto:weinmana@sfarch.org)**

Join other high school students for the annual Youth Conference on Thursday, January 19 at St. Mary's Cathedral in San Francisco. The conference will begin at 8:00 am until lunch. For registration or more information, contact Alicia Weinman.

### ST. PETER MARTYR SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE & ENROLLMENT

Sunday, January 29 from 10:00AM –Noon

St. Peter Martyr School is accepting applications for 3 yr.-old Preschool, 4 yr.-old PreKindergarten, Kindergarten, and grades 1-8. In addition to our strong academic program, students receive spiritual knowledge of our Catholic faith, morals, and values. Extended Care and extra curricular programs are also available. Applications are available at the school and on our website [www.stpetermartyrschool.org](http://www.stpetermartyrschool.org). St. Peter Martyr School is located at 425 West Fourth St. in Pittsburg. We are fully accredited and invite you to become part of our Catholic school family. Our Open House is Sunday, January 29, from 10:00 A.M. until noon. Bring the family, meet the teachers, and visit the classrooms. For further information about our affordable rates call the school at 925-439-1014 or visit [www.stpetermartyrschool.org](http://www.stpetermartyrschool.org).

### ST. PETER CLAVER PILGRIMAGE

**June 5 – June 12, 2017**

**Sara O'Malley Sznes 773-527-0123**

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**[Camille Tompkins CTompkins@oakdiocese.org](mailto:CamilleTompkins@oakdiocese.org)**

Join the Knights of Peter Claver Intercouncils Courts of Northern California and The Catholic Voice for the St. Peter Claver Pilgrimage in Caragena Colombia and Panama City, Panama next summer.. Limited seating is available for this pilgrimage with spiritual Guides Fr. Jay Matthews and Fr. Olman Solis and special guest Bishop Michael Barber. For more information, please contact Sara O'Malley Sznes, of Diplomat Travel Agency. For brochures, please contact Camille Tompkins.

### WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

<b>Tues. 1/3</b>	6:45pm 7:30pm	CH: K of C Rosary H: K of C Meeting
<b>Wed. 1/4</b>	1pm 7:30pm	H: Regina Mundi Guild H: Crab Feed Mtg.
<b>Thurs. 1/5</b>	7pm 7pm 7pm 7-8:30pm	CH: Divine Mercy Prayer Group P#2: Hispanic Group H: Columbiette H: RCIA
<b>Fri. 1/6</b>	7pm	P#1 Hispanic Choir
<b>Sat. 1/7</b>	9:30am	CH: Religious Ed. Mass

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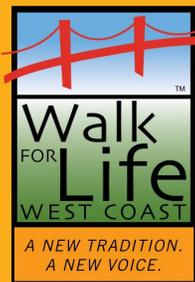


13<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL

# WALK for LIFE WEST COAST

Saturday, January 21 • CIVIC CENTER PLAZA • San Francisco

**Rally: 12:30PM**  
**CIVIC CENTER PLAZA**  
**Info Faire: 11:00AM**  
**Saturday, January 21, 2017**



**SPEAKERS:**

**Pam Tebow** Prolife advocate and mother of Heisman Trophy winner Tim Tebow

**Reggie Littlejohn** Founder and President, Women's Rights Without Frontiers

**Melissa Ohden** Abortion survivor

**Rev. Clenard Childress** Founder, Black Genocide.org

Rally starts at Civic Center Plaza, walking down Market Street (2 miles). Ends at Justin Herman Plaza/Ferry Building. BART stations at both locations. Ample parking.



Register and info:  
415/658-1793 | email: [info@WalkforLifeWC.com](mailto:info@WalkforLifeWC.com)

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