## Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT DEC. 02, 2018

### Fr. Peter Ngo Duc Dung, Pastor Deacon Loc Nguyen

#### Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 9:00AM - 1:00PM

#### **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: 7:30PM

### **Devotions**

Adoration & Benediction: Fridays 6PM- 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

#### **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.

Rene Asuncion, Director of Rel. Ed.

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- Religious Education
- RICA Adults seeking Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, or membership in the Catholic Church.

#### St. Vincent de Paul

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

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday, Dec. 03

7:30 am Antonio Ronquillo

Tuesday, Dec. 04

7:30 am Lucy Jayin

Wed., Dec. 05

7:30am Leona Albano

Thurs. Dec. 06

7:300am Arturo H. Talorda

Fri. Dec. 07

7:30am Albert Bautista

Sat, Dec. 08 THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:00am Maria Huong Nguyen

10:00am Robert Valero 12Noon Teresa Mai Dinh 5:00pm Lorenzo Canon

7:00pm (SP) Apolinario Tiru Gatmaitan

Sunday, Dec. 09

8:00 am Artemio Q. Posadas 10:00 am Carmencita Leonas 12:00 pm Maria & Vicenta Purino

### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS

Filipino Association

*Lourdes Servigon* 925-334-9111

**Hispanic Association** 

Rosie Estrada, Coordinator 925-639-7946 Gladys Giron, Secretary 925-334-9873

**Columbiettes** 

Columbiettes 08@gmail.com

**Knights of Columbus** 

Adrew Trias, Andrew.trias@gmail.com

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**Legion of Mary** 

Rick Belza 925-261-0283

Vietnamese Association

### **GOSPEL**Luke 21:25-28,34-36



Jesus said to his disciples: "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on earth nations will be in dismay, perplexed by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will die of fright in anticipation of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.

"Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise like a trap. For that day will assault everyone who lives on the face of the earth. Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man."

http: www.usccb.org/bible/readings/1202218.cfm

### **PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Ed Plaza, German Duarte, Sylvia Ho, Kathy Nebel, Michelle McLaughlin, Liliana Baltar, Jovita Domingo, Carl Bulygo, Eden Capistrano-Rosete, Joseph Do, Bertha Baldauf, Anna Nguyen, Monica Aviles and 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 458-4718.

### STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE

Sunday Plate Nov. 18: 4,997.00 Human Development Nov. 18: \$971.00

Thank you for your contribution support to sustain the ministries & ongoing needs of our parish.

Please make all checks payable to either "OQLW" or "Our Lady Queen of the World". This applies to all second collections also, unless otherwise noted.

### REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL Luke 21:25-28,34-36



Today is the first Sunday of Advent, which is also the first Sunday of the new liturgical year. The Advent season includes the four Sundays that precede Christmas. Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of the Lord. In this season, we recall two central elements of our faith: the final coming of the Lord in glory and the incarnation of the Lord in the birth of Jesus. The key themes of the Advent season are watchful waiting, preparation, and justice.

In this new liturgical year, the Gospel of Luke will be the primary Gospel proclaimed (Lectionary Cycle C). Today's Gospel is taken from the last chapter before the passion narrative in which Jesus is teaching in the Temple. We hear Jesus speak to his disciples about the need for vigilance and prayer as they wait for the coming of the Son of Man in glory. This passage marks the conclusion of a lengthy dialogue in which Jesus predicts the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem, warns about the persecution and tribulations to follow, and identifies the signs that will signal the coming of the Son of Man in glory.

The community for whom Luke wrote his Gospel may have believed that they were already experiencing some of the events Jesus described. Most scholars believe that Luke's Gospel was written after the destruction of Jerusalem by the Romans in 70 A.D. At the time, many Christians interpreted this event as an indication that Jesus' second coming was near.

Though Jesus predicts a time of destruction and fear, Jesus indicates that others will be frightened; Jesus' disciples are not to fear, but are to stand tall. Yet Jesus does not promise deliverance from anxiety or tribulations. He encourages his disciples to pray for strength. The early Christian communities did not find consolation in the promise of a utopia, nor should we. Instead, we find in our Christian faith the means by which we witness to God's unfailing love for us in all circumstances.

Jesus' predictions about the end times may sound dire, but in the next paragraph Luke tells us that people woke early to listen to Jesus' teaching in the Temple area. In his person and in his message, those who heard Jesus found strength and consolation. Like the first Christians, we may encounter events and circumstances that could lead us to despair. Through prayer, however, we find strength and consolation in Jesus' words and in his continuing presence with us to endure all things and to witness to the action of God in our world.

https://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/IST-sunday-of-advent-C-sunday-connection

# DECEMBER 8 – THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



On December 8, the Church celebrates the feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This feast celebrates God's choice of Mary to be the mother of Jesus. God preserved Mary from the stain of original sin from the moment of her conception. Thus, Mary was the first to receive the benefit of the redemption that her Son would merit for all.

To reflect upon this mystery, the Gospel reading for this day presents to us the story of the Annunciation. It is through her exchange with the angel Gabriel that Luke, the Evangelist, introduces the person of Mary. The Annunciation begins in the context of Luke's account of the birth of John the Baptist. "In the sixth month," referring to Elizabeth's pregnancy, the angel Gabriel appears to a virgin of Nazareth—Mary. Indeed, there are many parallels in Luke's accounts of the births of John the Baptist and Jesus.

In this passage, Luke tells us much about Mary and the child she is to bear. We learn that Mary is a virgin from Nazareth who is betrothed to a man named Joseph, who was of the house of David. The angel greets Mary in the most glowing of terms, acknowledging the favor she has found with God. The son Mary is to conceive is described in messianic terms. He will be called "Son of the Most High" and the "Son of God."

Mary is bold in her exchange with the angel. She is troubled by his greeting and questions the message, asking "How am I to bear a son if I have no relations with a man?" Mary is told that she will conceive through the power of the Holy Spirit and is offered a sign in the miraculous pregnancy of her elder cousin Elizabeth.

Mary's affirmative response to this seemingly impossible message gives evidence to the grace we know that she possesses from God. Only one who is "full of grace" can be so receptive to and cooperative with the will of God. Because of this, Mary is the model of discipleship for all Christians.

https://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgicalyear/sunday-connection/immaculate-conception-blessed-virgin-maryreadings

### **PARISH EVENT**



### THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

On **Saturday, December 8,** the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a holy day of obligation. Masses will be at 8am, 10am, and 12 noon.



### **BAPTISM CLASS**

Our next Baptism class for parents and godparents is Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at 7pm. Please register at the parish office.

### ADVENT RETREAT & COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

- ♣ Our Advent Retreat will be on Thursday night December 6 at 7pm in the Church.
- **Advent Communal Penance Service** will be on Monday December 10 at 7pm in the Church.

Come to give your time reflecting on the Mystery of our Christ Incarnation and to receive God's healing and forgiveness in preparation for the coming of Jesus Christ at Christmas.

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

### **CHRISTMAS PAGEANT**

All CCD Students and parents are invited to attend Christmas Pageant of Religious Education program on Saturday, December 15 at 9am.

#### **ADVENT RECONCILIATION**

Advent reconciliation for CCD Student will be on Monday December 17, at 7pm.

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL

### **FOOD DRIVE**

We will maintain a donation barrel for non-perishable foods in the church generous.

Our foods in the church groups of

volunteers are here and they always help the needy in The demand has greater!



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### THE KNIGHTS & COLUMBIETTES

### **THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE**

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all those who supported the Thanksgiving Food Drive in any

way. It helped so many families in our parish and community who were in need of a dinner that day. We are so fortunate to have such a caring and giving parish community.



### 12<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS GIFT GIVING DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus would like to remind you that the gifts should be returned by Sunday December 09th or on December 16th at 4:00PM in the Hall. Make sure to have your tag and your unwrapped gift in a bag.

If you are interested in being Santa's helper then show up on Friday December 15 at the hall at 4:00 PM with your own scissors for some good soup, Christmas music and fun.



Any questions contact Silvio: gk7164@yahoo.com

### **ADVENT PRAYER**



Father, all-powerful God, your eternal Word took flesh on our

earth when the Virgin Mary placed her life at the service of your plan. Lift our minds in watchful hope

to heart the voice which announces his glory and open our minds to receive the Spirit who prepares us for his coming. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE**

Mon. Dec. 03 7:00pm Rel. Education Class Tuesday Dec. 04 7:00pm Christmas Choir Practice 7:00pm K of C Rosary & Meeting Wed. Dec. 05 9:15am CH: Legion of Mary 2:00pm RMG Pittsburg Car Center Thurs. Dec. 06 10:00am RMG Christmas Lucheon 7:00pm P#2: Divine Mercy 7:00pm **RCIA Class** 7:00pm **Parish Advent Retreat** Fri. Dec. 07 7:00pm P#1: Hispanic Choir Sat. Dec. 08 9:00am Rel. Education Class Posada 8:00pm Sunday Dec. 09 1:00pm Vietnamese Language School 1:00pm P# 3Catholic VN Women Group P#2 Vietnamese Choir 2:00pm

### AROUND DIOCESE OF OAKLAND

### THE SCHOOL FOR PASTORAL MINISTRIES

The School for Pastoral Ministries provides formation for parish and small group leaders, teachers of Catholic schools and others who seek a deeper understanding of our faith. This three year program encourages a deepr relationship with Christ and commitment with the Church. For more information and registration please visit https://www.oakdiocese.org/emp

La Escuela de Ministerios Pastorales provee formación para líderes de nuestras parroquias, grupos y ovimientos, maestros de las escuelas católicas y ersonas que quieren profundizar en la fe. Es un programa de tres años y permite a los fieles crecer en su relación con Cristo y en su compromiso con la Iglesia. Para mayor información y para inscribirse, visite https://www.oakdiocese.org/emp.

### **NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING INTRO CLASS**

Join other couples and individuals to hear about the science and effectiveness of family planning that is natural and healthy for women and marriages, while being supported by Church teaching on Dec. 15 from 1-4 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Brentwood.

A medical doctor, Dr. Tom Lenz, and his wife Debbie challenge cultural perceptions and present scientific and practical information on the variety of safe natural methods being taught all over the world. You too can benefit from this timely introduction to NFP, whether you just want to understand your body better or avoid a pregnancy or find an alternative to infertility treatments. RSVP or find out more info by calling 510.271.1936.



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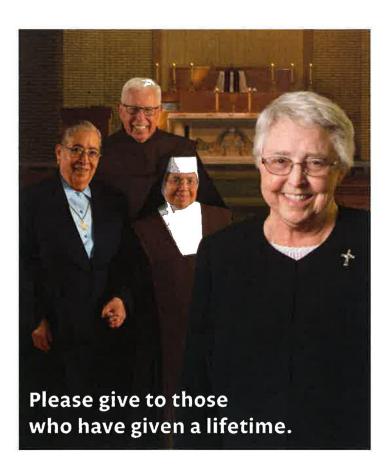
# ALL ARE INVITED! COME TO THE NINE DAY CHRISTMAS NOVENA!

### **DECEMBER 15 -23**

December 15	8:00 p.m
December 16	6:00 p.m
December 17	7:30p.m
December 18	7:30p.m
December 19	7:30 p.m
December 20	7:30 p.m
December 21	7:30 p.m
December 22	8:00 p.m
December 23	6:00 p.m

A light reception provided by generous sponsors will immediately follow.

# **RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS ON DECEMBER 9**<sup>TH</sup>, 2018



"Thanks to support from the Retirement Fund for Religious, we are now in a much better position to care for our elders," writes a religious sister. Your donation helps her religious community and hundreds of others provide for aging members and plan for long-term needs. Please give to next week's Retirement Fund for Religious collection."

