Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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"He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." (*Lk 3:16-17*)

Fr. Peter Ngo Duc Dung, Pastor Deacon Loc Nguyen

Office Hours

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

Masses

Saturday Vigil:	5:00Pм (English)
	7:00Pм (Spanish)
Sunday:	8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12 Noon
	4Pм (Vietnamese)
Weekdays:	Mon-Fri. 7:30AM, Sat. 8AM
First Friday:	7:30рм

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 $9{:}30\mbox{AM}$ -11AM in the Parish hall

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Dec. 17	
7:30 am	Ngan Vu
Tuesday, Dec. 18	
7:30 am	Elias & Sons Landa
Wed., Dec. 19	
7:30 am	Maria Huong Nguyen
Thurs. Dec. 20	
7:30 am	Madeline Arias
Fri. Dec. 21	
7:30 am	Pioquinto Zablan
Sat, Dec. 22	
8:00 am	Willie – Mary Rabang
	& Family
5:00 pm	Teresa Mai Dinh
7:00 pm (SP)	Belen Tiru Gatmaitan
Sunday, Dec. 23	
8:00 am	Louis Swami .
10:00 am	Joe & Emily-Thanksgiving
12:00 pm	Arnold & Pamela Valesco
1	Wedding Anniversary
4:00 pm	Vietnamese Mass
PARISH ORGANIZATIONS &	
	CONTACTS

Filipino AssociationLourdes Servigon925-334-9111

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 Regina Mundi Guild Leah Abejuela, President labejuela@gmail.com

St. Vincent de Paul Society *Esther Tilton, President SVDPOLQW@gmail.com Lina Ramon, Treasurer Katt Embody, Secretary*

Legion of Mary Rick Belza 925-261-0283

Vietnamese Association

GOSPEL



LK 3:10-18

The crowds asked John the Baptist, "What should we do?" He said to them in reply, "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized and they said to him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He answered them, "Stop collecting more than what is prescribed." Soldiers also asked him, "And what is it that we should do?" He told them, "Do not practice extortion, do not falsely accuse anyone, and be satisfied with your wages. now the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saving, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I am coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Exhorting them in many other ways, he preached good news to the people.

http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/1216218.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.

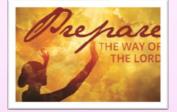
STEWARDSHIP/FINANCE

Sunday Plate Dec. 02: \$5,876.00 Building Fund Dec. 02: \$2,277.00

Sunday Plate Dec. 09: \$ 5,594.00 Religious Retirement Dec. 09: \$2,806.00

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

REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL



This Sunday's Gospel continues last week's focus on John the Baptist and his role in preparing the way for Christ. Recall that last week's reading described John's appearance in the desert and established his connection with the prophetic tradition of Israel. If we were to read Luke's Gospel continuously, we would learn about John the Baptist challenging the crowds who came to him and calling upon them to show evidence of their repentance. John tells his listeners that they cannot rely on their lineage as Israelites because children of Abraham can be raised up from stones. Repentance, rather, must be observable in one's actions. Here, Luke is continuing to set up two important themes of his Gospel message: the Christian faith is expressed in one's actions, and the call to salvation is extended to everyone, Jews and Gentiles.

In today's Gospel reading, the crowds ask John the Baptist for specifics. What evidence of repentance is required? John replies by naming concrete actions: crowds should share their food and cloaks; tax collectors should be just; soldiers should act fairly. The concern for justice is a hallmark of Luke's Gospel. When the crowd begins to wonder if John the Baptist might be the Messiah, John interprets his baptism and makes it clear that his ministry is in preparation for the Messiah. John the Baptist knows his place and role in God's plan of salvation. By encouraging the crowd to act similarly in accordance with their stations in life, John's teaching suggests that each person has a role to play in God's salvation. It is the great mystery of our salvation that God permits and even asks for human cooperation in his divine plans.

The third Sunday of Advent is also called Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete is a Latin word that means "rejoice." This name is taken from the entrance antiphon for Sunday's Mass, which is also echoed in today's second reading from the Paul's letter to the Philippians. Some people mark this Sunday by lighting a pink candle instead of a purple one on their Advent wreath. It is a reminder that the Advent season is a season of joy because our salvation is already at hand.

https://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/3rd-sunday-of-advent-C-sunday-connection

LECTIO DIVINA THE THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

READING John 1:6-8, 19-28

Read the following Scripture two or three times.

MEDITATION

After the reading, take some time to reflect in silence on one or more of the following questions:

- What word or words in this passage caught your attention?
- What in this passage comforted you?
- What in this passage challenged you?

PRAYER Read the Scripture passage one more time. Bring to the Lord the praise, petition, or thanksgiving that the Word inspires in you.

CONTEMPLATION

Read the Scripture passage again, followed by this reflection:

- What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me?
- *Who are you, so we can give an answer to those who sent us*? How would you describe the way you live your faith? How would others describe it?
- He came for testimony ... so that all might believe through him. How does my life give witness to what I believe? How does my witness encourage or dis-courage others from encountering Jesus?
- The voice of one crying out in the desert. What deserts in my life are thirsting for the grace of God? In what deserts am I called to speak God's word of mercy and love?

After a period of silent reflection and/or discussion, all recite the Lord's Prayer and the following:

CLOSING PRAYER:

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked upon his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name. He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy, The promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever.(*Luke 1:46-55*)

LIVING THE WORD THIS WEEK

- How can I make my life a gift for others in charity?
- Share your faith with someone, by word or action. Say grace while eating at a restaurant. Read your Bible or pray on the bus during your commute. Invite someone to Mass. Do an act of charity. Write to a political leader about a moral issue.

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PARISH EVENT



BAPTISM CLASS

Our next Baptism class for parents and godparents is Tuesday, January 08, 2019 at 7pm. Please register at the parish office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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



foyer; please be groups of every Monday, need groceries to our community. been much

THE KNIGHTS & COLUMBIETTES

12th 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

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

Mon. Dec. 17

7:00pm 7:30pm **Tuesday Dec. 18** 7:30pm Wed. Dec.19 9:15am 7:30pm Thurs. Dec. 20 7:00pm 7:00pm 7:30pm Fri. Dec. 21 7:00pm 7:30pm Sat. Dec. 22 9:00am 8:00pm Sunday Dec. 23 1:00pm 2:00pm

Rel. Education Reconciliation Simbang Gabi Simbang Gabi CH: Legion of Mary Simbang Gabi

Shiloung Odor

P#2: Divine Mercy RCIA Class Simbang Gabi

P#1: Hispanic Choir Simbang Gabi

No Rel. Education Class Simbang Gabi

No Vietnamese Language School P#2 Vietnamese Choir

AROUND DIOCESE OF OAKLAND



WILDFIRE RELIEF

All (100%) of contributions to a Catholic Charities USA campaign will

support those suffering from the wildfires in our state. You may visit www.catholiccharitiesusa.org to contribute.

FREE LEGAL REPRESENTATION FOR IMMIGRATION

Catholic Charities is offering free legal representation for those interested in becoming U.S. citizens. Interested individuals can call 925.825.3099 to make an appointment for the first or third Tuesdays of each month. For more information, contact Deanna Salazar at 925.771.8254 or dsalazar@cceb.org. Flyers in English and Spanish are available for use in parishes and other settings.

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

510.271.193 6.





Christmas Eve Monday, December 24, 2018 6:00pm Spanish Mass 8:30pm Vietnamese Mass 11:30pm Christmas Carols 12:00 Midnight Parish Mass

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Day-Tuesday, December 25, 2018 8:00am Mass 10:00am Mass 12:00 Noon Mass



The Music Ministry invites you to come, listen and enjoy the Christmas Carols at Our Lady Queen of the World Church on Christmas Eve, December 24, 11:30 p.m. in anticipation of the birth of our savior, Jesus Christ.

