# Our Lady Queen of the World Church

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# The First Sunday of Advent December 1, 2019

"You.. must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come" (Matthew 24:44)

Fr. Peter Dung Duc Ngo, Pastor Deacon Loc Nguyen

### **Office Hours**

Monday – Friday: 9:00ам - 1:00рм

### Masses

Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM (English) 7:00PM (Spanish)

Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12:00 Noon 4:00PM (Vietnamese)

Weekdays: Mon-Fri. 7:30AM, Sat. 8:00AM

First Friday: 7:30pm

### **Devotions**

Adoration & Benediction: Fridays 6:00PM-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 925-642-3058.

\* *Vietnamese* baptisms, contact Fr. Peter Dung D. Ngo 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

**RCIA** 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



Monday, December 2

7:30 am Jesus S. Vergara Sr.

Tuesday, December 3

7:30 am Ngan Vu & Mai Dinh

Wednesday, December 4

7:30 am Leona Valenzuela Albano

Thursday, Decmber 5

10:00 am Maria Huong Nguyen

Friday, December 6

7:30 am Crispiniano Enrique

Saturday, December 7

8:00 am Perla Bautista

5:00 pm Monserrat, Ramon & Raymond

Masaganda

7:00 pm (SP)

Sunday, December 8

8:00 am Agripino V. Magwili 10:00 am Tranquirlino Nilo 12:00 pm Esperanza Manalo

4:00 pm (VN)



### PARISH ORGANIZATIONS & CONTACTS

**Filipino Association:** Lourdes Servigon, Coordinator (925-334-9111)

**Hispanic Association** Rosie Estrada, Coordinator (925-639-7946) Contacto en Español: Gladys Giron (925-334-9873)

**Columbiettes** Patsy Welty, President (925-458-6787)

Knights of Columbus Andrew Trias (Andrew.trias@gmail.com)

**Regina Mundi Guild** Leah Abejuela, President(<u>labejuela@gmail.com</u>)

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** Esther Tilton, President <u>SVDPOLOW@gmail.com</u>

Legion of Mary: Rick Belza (925-261-0283)

Vietnamese Association



Jesus said to his disciples:
"As it was in the days of Noah,

so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.

In those days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day that Noah entered the ark.

They did not know until the flood came and carried them all away.

So will it be also at the coming of the Son of Man.

Two men will be out in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken, and one will be left.

Therefore, stay awake!

For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.

Be sure of this: if the master of the house

had known the hour of night when the thief was coming,

he would have stayed awake and not let his house be broken into. So too, you also must be prepared,

for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

### **PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Beverly Cawley, Kathy Nebel, Sylvia Ho, Conception Huezo, Ray & Alice Conner, Connie Trias, Bertha Baldauf, Claire Luna-Fernandez, Mario & Emma Dolor, Amy Kueck, Jovita Domingo, Carol Wagner, Julian Martinez, Virginia Cabaddu, Nena Davi, Danny Muly, Michelle McLaughlin 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 November 17: \$5,314.00

Campaign for Human Developement: \$ 1,035.00

The collections for November 24th will be posted in the December 8th bulletin.

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

Please make all checks payable to either "OLQW" or Our Lady Queen of the World for both first and second collections. Also please put your envelope number on the Memo line.



Today is the first Sunday of Advent, which is also the first Sunday of a new liturgical year for the Church. The Advent season includes the four Sundays that precede Christmas. It 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. Key themes of the Advent season are watchful waiting, preparation, and justice.

In this new liturgical year, the Gospel of Matthew will be the primary Gospel proclaimed (Lectionary Cycle A). In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus speak about the need for wakefulness, for watchful waiting, for the coming of the Son of Man.

Matthew's Gospel is dated by most scholars after 70 A.D. Most believe that Matthew wrote for a primarily Jewish community, but one that was no longer centered on the Temple in Jerusalem. These were Jewish Christians trying to come to terms with their relationship to Judaism in a new situation: Judaism after the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem. There may have been Christians who believed that the events of the world around them gave evidence of the imminent return of the Lord in glory.

The passage from Matthew we read today is rather straightforward. No one knows the precise time of the coming of the Lord in glory, so watchful waiting and vigilance are required. The passage speaks to the uselessness of looking for signs; there will be none. As a thief sneaks in during the night, so will the Lord's coming in glory be.

The question for us as members of the Christian community, then, is how do we prepare for this? Today's passage speaks more about the manner of waiting, rather than the details of the preparation. Jesus compares the vigilance required of Christians to the vigilance of a homeowner who knows the plans of the thief. If one knows that the thief's action is imminent, one remains watchful. As Christians, we know that our Lord is coming even if we cannot know the precise timing. Jesus calls us to be watchful and vigilant, like the homeowner. If we become lax in our Christian living, we may be caught unprepared.



### STUDENTS' PROFILES

### Tony Tran

My name is Tony Tran. I am 37 years old. In the last 9 years, I've headed into wrong directions, which led me into multiple addictions. My life was miserable.

Luckily, I've met a girl who later became my wife, and she introduced me to Jesus. My life completely turned around because Jesus gave me the strength to overcome my addictions and keep me closer to Him. Now, I have a family of my own with a beautiful baby girl.

I am in the RCIA program to become a new Catholic in every sense of the word, and to receive the sacraments of Initiation. In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### Naomy Torres

My name is Naomy Torres. I am 22 years old and a resident of Pittsburg. I am in a family of six. I am a senior at Cal State East Bay studying in the medical field. I am currently working as a pharmacist technician at CVS Pharmacy for a year now.

I am in the RCIA program to become a Catholic because my cousin told me about it and I am inspired. As a full pledge catholic, I am expected to try to be a good person and live according to the teachings of the Catholic church. The community can expect me to get involved in my Christian duties. It is important for me to complete my sacraments of initiation because I want to be more educated about my the Catholic faith and it has great significance for me. I want to be closer to God and make a change in my life.



### **PARISH EVENTS**



### **BAPTISM CLASS**

Our next Baptism class for parents and godparents is Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 7pm. Please register at the parish office.

### THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



On Monday, December 9th , the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary. There will be a mass at 8:00 am.

### **ADVENT EVENTS**

December 5: Advent Retreat

December 6: Advent Retreat - Vietnamese

December 7: Annual Christmas Party

December 9: Communal Penance @ 7:00 pm

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

### **CHRISTMAS GIFT GIVING DRIVE**

The 13th Annual Christmas Gift Giving Drive has begun, you can sponsor a Family or a child by collecting a card from the Christmas Tree from the front entrance. For any questions, please contact the Rectory.

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

### **FOOD DRIVE**



We will maintain a donation barrel for nonperishable 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!

### **SOLAR SYSTEM**

The Maintenance Fund 2nd collection will be for the Solar System. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

### **BIBLE CLASS**



Father Peter will be offering a Bible class for all adults interested in refreshing your knowledge of Scripture. Classes will be on Third Tuesday night from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. The next Class will be on January 21, 2020. For more information, contact Rene Asuncion or the Parish office.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

November 23– November 30: Thanksgiving Holiday-: NO CCD CLASSES

December 7: First Saturday Mass
December 9: Communal Penance @7pm
December 14: Christmas Pageant & Potluck
December 15: Rite of Acceptance (RCIA) @ 10:00 am
Mass

December 21-December 30: Christmas Holiday: NO

### **CHRISTMAS PAGEANT**



All CCD students and parents are invited to attend The Religious Education Annual Christmas Pageant and Potluck on December 14th at 9:00 am. Please bring food to share.



Did you know St. Vincent de Paul of Contra Costa County accepts cars as donations too? We take cars that need only minor repairs and give them to our neighbors in need.

### What are the benefits of donating my vehicle?

You may reduce your taxable income when taxes are itemized.

You can avoid the costs associated with selling your car such as advertising.

There is no loss of privacy or possible security risk.

You will no longer need to pay for insurance or car repairs to keep your car in running condition while you wait for a buyer, and in some circumstances vehicle registration isn't required.

For more information, please visit svdp-cc.org/donations -by-vehicle/

Do you have a vehicle that you no longer want? Get the process started at 925-439-5060.

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

Monday, December 2

7:00 pm Religious Education

Tuesday, December 3

7:00 pm K of C Rosary 7:30 pm CH: Choir Practice 7:30 pm K of C Officer's Meeting

Wednesday, December 4

9:15 am
1:00 pm
7:00 pm
RMG Luncheon Set Up
Hall: Filipino Assoc. Practice
SM: Spring Festival 1st Counting

Thursday, December 5

10:00 am RMG Christmas Luncheon

7:00 pm P#2: Divine Mercy

Friday, December 6

7:00 pm P#1: Hispanic Choir

Saturday, December 7

9:00 am Religious Education

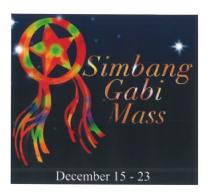
9:30 am CCD Mass 3:30 pm Confession

6:00 pm Parish Christmas Party

Sunday, December 8

1:00 pm Hall: VN School

1:00 pm P#3: VN Catholic Mothers 2:00 pm P#2: Vietnamese Choir



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### A NINE DAY CHRISTMAS NOVENA

### Schedule

December 15, 2019 -6:00 p.m. December 16, 2019 -7:30 p.m. December 17, 2019 -7:30 p.m. December 18, 2019 -7:30 p.m. December 19, 2019 -7:30 p.m. December 20, 2019 -8:00 p.m. December 21, 2019 -6:00 p.m December 22, 2019 -7:30 p.m. December 23, 2019 -7:30 p.m.

A light reception provided by generous sponsors will immediately follow.



### 2019 MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAMS

Marriage Preparation is an intense time for engaged couples. Out programs include periods of deep couple conversations, reflection and prayer. Presenters share their faith and marriages, addressing important real-life topics from a Catholic perspective.

Register online for Marriage Preparation Programs at www.EastBayCatholic.com. or call Laura Windham at 510-267-8395.

DECEMBER 3, 7PM IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY 500 Fairview Avenue, Brentwood, CA 94513

DECEMBER 5, 7PM ST. PETER MARTYR OF VERONA 740 Black Diamond Street, Pittsburg, CA 94565

DECEMBER 9, 7PM
OUR LADY QUEEN OF THE WORLD
3155 Winterbrook Drive, Baypoint, CA 94565

DECEMBER 13, 7PM MOST HOLY ROSARY 1313 A Street, Antioch, CA 94509

DECEMBER 16, 7PM CHURCH OF GOOD SHEPHERD 3200 Harbor Street, Pittsburg, CA 94565

DECEMBER 19, 7PM ST. ANTHONY 971 O'Hara Avenue, Oakley, CA 94561







## Spring Festival Queen

(Our Lady Queen of the World Solar Fundraiser)

Four ladies will seek your support to be chosen as the "Queen" of the "Spring Festival 2020." Purchase raffle tickets from any of the candidates and get a chance to win cash prizes.

1st Prize \$1,000.00; 2nd Prize \$600.00; 3rd Prize \$400.00. Winners will be announced on May 16, 2020. There will also be three (3) "Early Bird" drawings. Need not be present to win. 5 Tickets for a donation of \$15.00. All proceeds from the "Spring Queen Festival" will go towards the Solar Project.

### **Spring Queen Festival Candidates**





**Becky Trombley** 



Sylvia Hernandez