



Baptisms

Congratulations and welcome to our Catholic faith!

**Jaziel Santiago
Contreras Baez**
Son of Jose Contreras
& Leslie Baez

Elijah Garcia
Son of Rafael
& Valeria Garcia

Tristan Antonio Rodriguez
Son of Jose
& Emilee Rodriguez

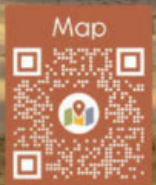
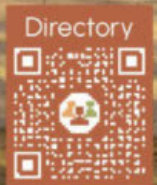
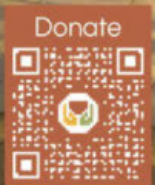
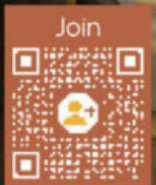
Reese Kennedy Madge
Daughter of Joe
& Megan Madge

Axl Rap Tinonas Porte
Son of Rap Porte
& Antoinette Tinonas

Melany Samayoa Ramirez
Daughter of Rony Jimenez
& Esmeralda Ramirez

Lucy Mercedes Soriano
Daughter of Angel
& Luisa Soriano

Guinevere Zephyr Boston
Daughter of Anthony
& Elise Boston





Toastmasters

Open House
Monday, January 8,
7:00 - 8:30 pm
San Juan Bautista room

Learn more about the benefits gained in Toastmasters:

- Practice public speaking skills
- Polish leadership skills
- Building soft skills
- Lead effective and efficient meetings
- Learn in a safe and supportive environment

For more information, visit
www.padreserra.org/toastmasters



Faith and the Journey of Chronic Pain and Illness



Maureen Pratt
Monday, January 22
7:00 pm, Serra Center

Where is God when we suffer?
Did I do something wrong to
become so ill? Why doesn't God cure me?

Navigating life with chronic pain or illness
can be very difficult and weigh down the
body, mind, and spirit.

Maureen will offer scriptural, pastoral, and
prayerful reflections on some of the most
profound questions of suffering.

Free. RSVP appreciated, visit
www.padreserra.org/aff

Sponsored by the Adult Faith Formation Team




Let There Be Light:

A Mass of Healing & Anointing
Thursday, January 25
7:00 pm, St. Jude the Apostle,
Westlake Village

All are welcome at this Mass, bringing to
God the prayers, needs, and hopes of
anyone experiencing mental health
challenges and mental illness, as well as
those who care for them. We also gather
in thanks for God's healing presence and
the goodness found in the care and
support of those who accompany people
living with these challenges.

32032 W. Lindero Canyon Road, 91361
Contact Cindy Kozal at
cindy@saintjudetheapostle.org




Men's Silent Retreat

The Crucified One Lives: Finding Comfort in the Passion of Christ

March 22 - 24

Mater Dolorosa Retreat Center, Sierra Madre

This retreat will consider ways we find
comfort in the Passion of Christ.

Doing so brings us closer to God, invites us
to a deeper knowledge of ourselves,
and impels us to respond to the needs
of others, especially those who are poor,
suffering, or wounded in any way.

Contact: Dave McCormick
dave.mccormick.mba@gmail.com

Register in the courtyard:
January 13 - 14, 20 - 21



GATHERING

O Come All Ye Faithful

Gather #439



1. O come, all ye faith - ful, joy - ful and tri -
 2. † God of God, Light of
 3. † Sing, choirs of an - gels, sing in ex - ul -

um - phant, O come ye, O come ye to
 Light, † Lo! He comes forth from the
 ta - tion, † sing, all ye cit - i - zens of

Beth - le - hem; come and be -
 Vir - gin's womb. Our ver - y
 heav'n a - bove! Glo - ry to

hold him, born the King of an - gels;
 God, be - got - ten not cre - at - ed,
 God, all glo - ry in the high - est;

O come, let us a - dore him, O

come, let us a - dore him, O come, let us a -

dore him, Christ, the Lord!

Yea, Lord, we greet thee,
 born this happy morning,
 Jesus, to thee be all glory giv'n;
 word of the Father,
 now in flesh appearing;
 O come, let us adore him...

*Adéste fidèles, laéti triumphantes,
 Venite, venite in Béthlehem;
 Natum vidéte, Regem angelórum.
 Venite adorémus, venite adorémus,
 venite adorémus Dóminum.*



Reading 1
 Isaiah 60:1-6

Reading 2
 Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Gospel Reading
 Matthew 2:1-12



Glory to God (Mass of St. Ann)

Ed Bolduc



Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry! Glo-ry to
 God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
 We give you thanks for your great glory,
 Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
 Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
 You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
 You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
 You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
 have mercy on us.

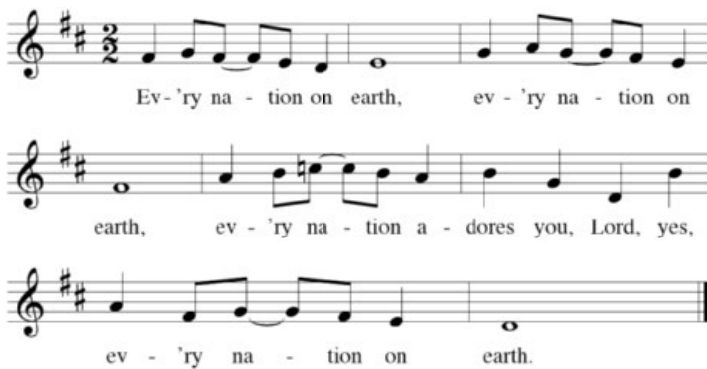
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
 You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
 With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 72: Every Nation On Earth

Marty Haugen



Ev-ry na - tion on earth, ev - 'ry na - tion on
earth, ev - 'ry na - tion a - dores you, Lord, yes,
ev - 'ry na - tion on earth.

Give the king your justice, O God, and your righteousness to the king's son,
This one shall be the hope of the needy, the hope of the poor and oppressed.

May he reign while the sun endures for as long as the moon lights the sky.
Fresh as the rainfall that waters the earth, gifting his people with peace.

He shall reign from sea to sea to the farthest ends of the earth.
All of the nations shall praise and adore, all peoples will bring him their gifts.

He shall answer the poor when they call and shall hear the ones with no voice;
mercy and help to the ones who are weak and freedom to all those enslaved.

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We saw his star
at its rising and
have come to
do him homage.

Matthew 2:2

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, "Mass of a Joyful Heart"

Steve Angrisano & Tom Tomaszek



Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
lu - ia, lu - ia.

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INTERCESSION RESPONSE

"Mass of the Father's Love"

arr. Carol Browning



Hear us Lord, O hear our prayer.

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PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

We Three Kings

Gather #463

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again
from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.

Amen.

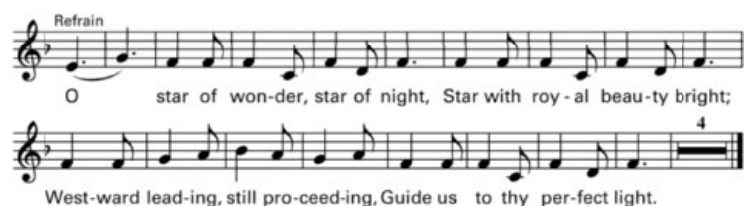
We three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts, we traverse afar
Field and fountain, moor and mountain, following yonder star.

Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, gold I bring to crown him again;
King forever, ceasing never, over us all to reign.

Frankincense to offer have I; incense owns a Deity nigh;
Prayer and praising, gladly raising, worshiping God on high.

Myrrh is mine: its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom;
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding dying, sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

Glorious now behold him arise, King and God and Sacrifice;
"Alleluia, Alleluia!" sounds through the earth and skies.



Refrain
O star of won - der, star of night, Star with roy - al beau - ty bright;
West - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, Guide us to thy per - fect light.

Text: Matthew 2:1-11; John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1820-1891, alt.
Tune: KINGS OF ORIENT, 88 44 6 with refrain; John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1820-1891

May the Lord accept the
sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory
of His name,
for our good and
the good of
all His holy Church.



EUCCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

“Mass of Creation”

Marty Haugen

Holy, Holy, Holy

Gather #198

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Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of
hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry.
Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the
high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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Memorial Acclamation A

Gather #199

We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your Res-ur-
rec-tion un-til you come a-gain, un-til you come a-gain.

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Amen

Gather #202

A-men, a-men, a-men.

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Invitation to Communion

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God,
behold Him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

ALL: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter un-der my roof,
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Lamb of God

Gather #204

Cantor: Assembly:
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
world, have mer-cy on us.
To repeat
world, have mer-cy on us.
Last time
world, grant us peace.

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COMMUNION SONGS

The First Nowell

Gather #460

The first Nowell, the angel did say, was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep, on a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Born is the King of Israel.

They looked up and saw a star shining in the east, beyond them far;
And to the earth it gave great light, and so it continued both day and night. **Nowell...**

And by the light of that same star three wise men came from country far;
To seek for a king was their intent, and to follow the star wherever it went. **Nowell...**

This star drew night to the northwest, o'er Bethlehem it took its rest,
And there it did both stop and stay, right over the place where Jesus lay. **Nowell...**

Then entered in those wise men three, full rev'rently upon the knee,
And offered there, in his presence, their gold and myrrh and frankincense. **Nowell...**

Then let us all with one accord sing praises to our heav'nly Lord;
Who with the Father we adore and Spirit blest for evermore. **Nowell...**



The Glory of the Father Egil Hovland
Tidings of Comfort and Joy Audrey Snyder

SENDING FORTH

Epiphany Carol

Francis Patrick O'Brien, Gather #462

*Go in peace,
glorifying the Lord
with your life.*



1. Ev - 'ry na - tion sees the glo - ry Of a
 2. Ev - 'ry tongue shall sing the prais - es Of his
 3. Once a - gain may we dis - cov - er Word made
 4. Gath - er, God, the world to - geth - er In the

star that pierced the night. As we tell the won-drous
 birth in deep - est night. He is heal - ing for the
 flesh sent from a - bove. In our neigh - bor, sis - ter,
 bright - ness of your day. Fill our hearts with joy for -

sto - ry We are bathed in ra - diant light.
 a - ges; He is Christ, our God's de - light.
 broth - er, In the lone - ly and un - loved.
 ev - er; Help us walk the ho - ly way.

Star sent forth from high - est heav - en, Danc - ing
 He pro - claims with - in his be - ing All our
 May we touch him, may we hold him, May we
 May your jus - tice rule the na - tions; May all

light of God's de - sign, Shine up - on the gift that's
 hopes, our great de - sires. He shall die to rise, re -
 cra - dle him with care As we learn to love each
 peo - ple live as one. Now we see our true sal -

giv - en: Word made flesh now born in time.
 deem - ing All who fol - low with their lives.
 oth - er, Bring - ing hope from out de - spair.
 va - tion In the glo - ry of your Son.

Text: Francis Patrick O'Brien, b.1958, © 2002, GIA Publications, Inc.
 Tune: BEACH SPRING, 87 8 7 D; The Sacred Harp, 1844; harm. by Ronald A. Nelson, b.1927

Open the Treasuries of Our Hearts

Dear Parish Family,

With Jesus' coming into the world, as we have celebrated this Christmas season, we have been given so much. We have been given hope that our trials and sufferings have meaning and that through them we come closer to Jesus and do His will. The more we do His will, the more we let Jesus into our lives in prayer and works of love, the more we as a parish family and Church become like the great and radiant Jerusalem in our first reading. The more we take on Christ's mission, the more we reflect that heavenly light which our Lord shines upon us. This is a great gift.

Today is called Epiphany. There is no better name or purpose for today than to realize that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. In my own life, I clearly remember the moment I realized who Jesus is. Accompanying that realization were many questions: Who am I? Who should I be? What does Jesus want for me? How do I live the life Jesus teaches? Prayer is what helped me to find the answers to those questions. In prayer and nourished by the life-giving grace of the Sacraments I realized who I am, a beloved child of God. That is who we are. I realized where God was leading me, and so I chose to become a disciple, to follow Him. I am not without fault and no one is perfect, and so the Sacrament of Confession is always a place of refuge and healing. There, our sins and failings are washed away, and we are renewed in our discipleship. There, like the magi, we ask "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage?" When we go let us open the treasuries of our hearts and offer Jesus all that we have.

For God has come into our lives, and maybe it has been awhile since we have renewed our promises to follow Him. Nonetheless we have received so much from Him, he gave his own life that we might live life to the fullest. Yet this great gift we have received is not meant just for ourselves, we are called to share it, to proclaim boldly what God has done for each one of us! How we were blind and now we see! How we were lost in the dark but have come into the light! We will face evil and suffering, as sure as Jesus did himself. But he triumphed over darkness and death, and we follow Him! If only we give our lives, our whole lives holding nothing back. If we love with our whole hearts burning with radiant light. If we give Jesus *everything we are*, then we shall be radiant at what we see, our hearts shall throb and overflow, the sweet richness of grace shall be emptied out before us and we will walk in new life with Jesus to lead us and all the while proclaiming the praises of the Lord!

We are God's children, as good sons and daughters let us go forth listening to our good God's voice, seeking always to do His will, to remember that He is God and we are not, and to open the treasuries of our hearts and give them to our good Lord who knows all that we need.

Let us encounter Jesus and be disciples.

Riley Paolella

Riley Paolella
Seminarist



Children

Age 3 to Grade 8.

Stay and Play ~ January 7, 14, 21, 28

12 - 36 months. Sundays during the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Mass. Mrs. Soraya and helpers will lovingly care for your little one while you go to Mass. Stop by to see all the toys and fun. You are welcome to stay to make sure your toddler is settled. No-cost service. Gather in the Carmel rooms.



Cherubs Music Program

For kids in Preschool through Grade 2. Did you know that the most critical age for a child's music development is from birth to age 9? Preregistration is required. Please email Lisa at cherubs@padreserra.org for more information. Visit www.padreserra.org/cherubs

Little Church ~ January 7, 14, 21, 28

Age 3 through Kindergarten. Sunday preschool during the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Mass. Children learn so much! From the Sign of the Cross to the Bible stories, songs, and more. It's super fun to make friends and be at Church on Sundays! Registrations for the new program year are now open; visit www.padreserra.org/registration. For more information, contact soraya@padreserra.org

Children's Liturgy of the Word ~ January 7, 14, 21, 28

Grades 1 - 5. Offered during 11:00 am Mass. Children are invited to listen to the readings and Gospel, read and explained at their level. No preregistration is required. **Leaders Needed! No experience is necessary;** contact tere@padreserra.org for more information.

Spark! ~ January 8 and 10

Grades 1 - 5. This week, the children will learn about "Discerning God's call." For more information, contact jennifer@padreserra.org or christine@padreserra.org

Children's & Middle School Choir

All children grades 3 to 8 are invited! No experience is necessary. Weekly rehearsals, every Wednesday, 5:00 pm. For more info, visit www.padreserra.org/cmssc

Three-Sixteen ~ January 10

Middle school ministry ~ Grades 6, 7, and 8. This week, the kids will learn about Hearing God's call. For more information, please get in touch with tere@padreserra.org

High School

Everyone from 14 to 18 is welcome!

4:12 ~ Everyone 14 to 18 is welcome!

Join Brett and peer leaders for fun and fellowship on Wednesdays from 7:30 - 9:00 pm in San Juan Capistrano rooms. Follow us on Instagram [@pspyouth](https://www.instagram.com/pspyouth) for more information, or contact brett@padreserra.org

Confirmation Y1 ~ January 7

Teens will gather for liturgy at 11:00 am, followed by lunch, and conclude with our sessions in the Serra Center. Contact youth@padreserra.org for more information.

Confirmation Y2 ~ Weekly Ministry

Weekly Ministry continues; if you have not started, please get in touch with youth@padreserra.org or tere@padreserra.org with any questions regarding sessions or weekly ministry.

Peer Leaders

Every confirmed teen and young adult is welcome!

Peer Leaders

Peer Leaders help engage our youth and Confirmation candidates by acting as mentors and facilitators during our weekly Confirmation sessions, annual retreats, and at 4:12 youth nights. We usually meet on Tuesdays at 7:00 pm. If you are confirmed, 14 to 39 years old, and interested in joining, contact brett@padreserra.org. To sign up, scan the QR Code or visit www.padreserra.org/peer-leaders



Young Adults

Everyone 18 to 39ish is welcome! www.padreserra.org/young-adults

Bible Study and More

We gather on the first and third Thursday of the month from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. We do a Bible study on the first Thursday, and on the third Thursday, we play a game. See our Instagram [@pspyoungadult](https://www.instagram.com/pspyoungadult) for other events! Contact brett@padreserra.org

Adults

Bible Faith Share ~ January 8, 22, 29

Faith sharing on Sunday's readings, Mondays 8:45 - 9:45 am, San Juan Capistrano room. Sherry Reynolds sherryr2256@gmail.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/faith-sharing

Chronic Pain Support Group ~ January 8

Living (or suffering) with chronic pain is a challenge that can strain both spirits and relationships, but that journey can be lightened by those who understand. Join us as we share our stories, resources, and other life tips. We offer one another comfort, hope, and support, journeying toward God's loving peace. Second Monday, 10:30 am. Marcia mjgalles@gmail.com or Dave dave.mccormick.mba@gmail.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/chronic-pain

Meditative Movement ~ January 9, 11

Women and men of any age or ability are invited to join instructor Sheila Montgomery for one-hour sessions of meditative movement: Tai Chi Tuesdays at 2:00 pm, \$5/class. Yoga Thursdays, 2:00 pm, \$10/class. Sheila sheilam274@yahoo.com. Visit www.padreserra.org/meditative-movement

Contemplative Prayer ~ January 10, 17, 24, 31

Silence is God’s language, and Centering Prayer is a contemplative, silent prayer that allows us to experience God’s presence within us — both a relationship with God and a discipline to foster that relationship. Come and rest with God! Wednesdays at 6:45 pm, Santa Clara room. Vivian Patrick, (805) 377-0704, vpatv@outlook.com. Visit www.padeserra.org/prayer

Cancer Support Group ~ January 11

We provide hope, empowerment, love, and prayer in a comforting atmosphere of encouragement. It is a safe environment for people touched by cancer to connect with others in a productive and spiritual way. Second Thursday, 6:30 - 8:00 pm, San Fernando room. Contact teresa@padeserra.org. Visit www.padeserra.org/cancer

Writers Group ~ January 12, 19, 26

We gather. We pray. We write. If you enjoy writing, you are welcome to share your work any Friday and listen to others’ inspiring writing. Fridays 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, San Fernando room. Linda Lowe calmest1@verizon.net. Visit www.padeserra.org/writers

Faith Sharing Question

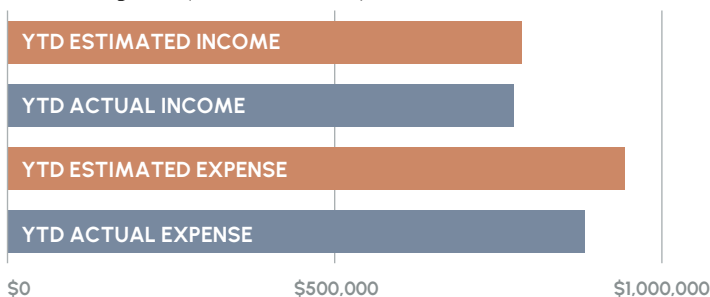
Reflection questions for every gathering around any table

Matthew 2:1-22 ~ Jesus is a gift to all humanity

In today’s gospel, guided by the star, three Gentile wise men recognize Jesus as the Messiah and open their coffers to present him with gifts. What are the people or events who have guided you in your relationship with Jesus? What gifts can you offer to Jesus?

Giving

Fiscal Snapshot (November 2023)



Other Notes

Phishing Alert

Scammers posing as Fr. Patrick are sending fraudulent emails and texts. Perpetrators use various techniques to gain your trust and may provide specific instructions, which, if followed, could result in monetary loss. Do Not Become a Victim. Fr. Patrick, or any other member of Padre Serra Parish, will never request money from any parishioner by email or text. Please do not email or text these individuals, divulge personal information, or provide money/credit card/gift card payments. When in doubt, contact us to authenticate the text message. Please forward any questionable emails/text screenshots claiming to be from Fr. Patrick to gaby@padeserra.org. Visit www.padeserra.org/scams

Becoming Catholic

Various Paths to Becoming Catholic

The process of becoming a Catholic is not one-size-fits-all. It always considers each person’s unique background, circumstances, and needs. Have you been thinking about investigating becoming Catholic but have not yet taken the step to email or call the parish? Now is the time to meet Mary to explore the possibilities and create a plan for you. Or perhaps you want to learn more about your spouse’s faith. It’s OK to “test the waters” by attending an Inquiry meeting or two to see what it’s like. We meet every other Tuesday evening in a relaxed setting where you can ask all your questions without judgment or pressure to join the Church. Call or email Mary Huebner today for more information: (805) 482-6417 x321 or becomingcatholic@padeserra.org. Visit www.padeserra.org/becoming-catholic

Prayer Life

Pray for Our Sick

Blanca Alegria de Rivera, Ronald Anthony, Angela Aparicio, Myra Beltran, Mary Butler, Chris Cartaino, Rita DaCorsi, Isabella DeSanto, Ben Fisco, Bobby Floyd Jr., Bobby Floyd III, Helen Galang, Jose Galvan, Tim Graf, Wendy Grasso, Jasna Haller, Lisa Hiatt, Barbara Humphrey, Kate Johnson, Eric Johnson, Michael Johnson, Amber Lewing, Matthew Lewing, Sheila Lewing-Floyd, Susan Little, Mary Ellen Massman, Dave McDonnell, Bob McNally, Nandor Medrovich, Ron Mongeau, Dolores Moraza, Ed Morera, Mary Mullen, Flower Nguyen, Ruben Nieva, Maria Luisa Orelan, Georgia Oropeza, Daniel Orr, Angela Ortiz, Dave Proett, Mike Robles, Matthew Savage, Dorothy Simmons, Bill Stevens, Andrew Tamayo, Silvia Venegas, Rita Wronkiewicz, Amanda Yeager, Jerry Zins Sr. and Renata Zozaya Losa. *(Names are refreshed monthly.)*

Remember Our Dead

Prayers for family and friends of those who have died recently:
 Ceser Avila Sr., RIP
 Neil J. Blaney Jr., RIP
 Leticia Melendez, RIP
 Mary P. Zeppeiro, RIP
May they enjoy peace in their life with Christ Jesus.

Funerals

- Dr. Alicia Bryant ~ January 9, 10:00 am
- Mary P. Zeppeiro ~ January 27, 10:00 am
- Douglas Zeppeiro ~ January 27, 10:00 am
- Neil J. Blaney Jr. ~ March 2, 10:00 am
- Mark Vanvakaris ~ March 16, 10:00 am

For more information, visit www.padeserra.org/funerals

In the Community

That Man Is You ~ Returns January 13

Are you resolved to be a better spouse, father, and leader of your family? Be inspired by other men who face the same challenges as you. Saturdays at 6:30 am, St. Mary Magdalen parish hall. The spring series starts on Saturday, January 13. Take the leap and become the man of faith you aspire to be. Details: www.TMIYCamarillo.com

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2 Meanings for CMB: names of the Magi (Caspar, Melchior, Balthasar) and *Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, Latin for *May Christ Bless this House*

The + signs represent the cross

- Gather all in the household at the front door.
- Read an Epiphany scripture passage (Is 60:1-6, Ps 72, Mt 2:1-12, or Rev 21:22-26)
- Pray: "Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.
- Chalk the door, door frame, or plaque with 20+C+M+B+23
- Pray the Our Father
- Sing an Epiphany song

