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Advent Sacrament of Reconciliation

Mondays, Nov. 30, Dec. 7, 14, 21 5:00 to 7:00 pm

Saturdays, Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19 2:30 to 3:30 pm

In the Courtyard

We decorate our homes for Christmas. Even more important is readying our hearts, both for the Lord's return at the end of time, and to celebrate His birthday.

Examine your life. Confess your sins. Trust the Lord's mercy. Celebrate with joy.



Drive-Thru Fundraiser Dinner

Saturday, December 5 Pick up begins at 4:00 pm St. Mary Magdalen Church parking lot

BBQ tri-tip and chicken meal with beans, salad, and garlic bread, packaged and ready for pick up.

\$15/one serving pack.

Pre-order: Antonio Cuyugan (805) 377-2053

Proceeds benefit the Catholic High School Scholarship Fund. Visit www.padreserra.org/news/knights



Hospitality Ministers Needed Matthew 22:39 - Love your neighbor as yourself

To make sure that we are all as safe as possible at Mass, we need ministers who are as lovingly assertive as they are welcoming.

Responsibilities are to ensure that people sanitize as they arrive, wear their masks properly, and maintain a six feet distance from those outside their household.

We especially need people willing to serve at the 4:00 pm Masses on Saturday and Sunday. If you'd be comfortable in this role, please contact dominic@padreserra.org

Angel Tags Christmas Gift Giving

Donations are accepted until December 12.

Help a child or adult have a special Christmas morning! This year, instead of the giving trees, we will be using SignUpGenius, where you will reserve your virtual "tag," find new instructions for wrapping (gift bags only), and new delivery dates.

Contact Geralyn Moody, (805) 491.2602.

For more information visit www.padreserra.org/news/angel-tags



FAIRWAYS TO HEAVEN

+ PADRE SERRA PARISH

Dear friends,

We are blessed to have an engaged and growing group of young people at our parish. We sense that the Holy Spirit is at work here. God is working with and through us.

Fr. Patrick, our leaders, and parents have a deep desire to create space for our young people and provide resources and technologies that will allow them to continue to grow in faith, to understand the mission of Jesus and his Church, to engage in service and fellowship in a place that feels like home.

Fairways to Heaven in "normal" years includes a golf tournament, gala, silent and live auctions, and much more. This year we were limited to hosting an online silent auction that offered a variety of gift baskets, some cool 'church merch' for sale, and just plain old donations. We hope it was fun and raised a little money along the way for our youth and young adults. We'll let you know next week how that worked out. There is still time to jump in; auction/buy opportunities go through Saturday at 4:00 pm! Visit www.padreserra.org/fairways

We want to thank the Fairways committee for their commitment, the silent auction crew for their perseverance, and all of you. Thank you, everyone, for your love and support of our parish, Fairways to Heaven, and our efforts to raise funds for our youth and young adult ministries.

Finally, we wish you and yours near and far the most blessed and grace-filled Thanksgiving holiday. When we quiet ourselves and reflect on our lives, may there be an abundance of blessings that outshine the uncertainties. May all that we do be done through love, with love, and in love.

Siempre Adelante,

Eve Collier Fairways to Heaven Committee

Committee: Rickho Balatbat, Luke Cardella, Paul Collier, Elizabeth Cortez, Sue Dodd, Mary Gregoryk, Pam Kingsley, Linda Meier, Mark Milner, Maggie Nguyen, Jim Nichols, Keith Pillow, Gaby Rivera, Patricia Sentianin, Deserie Tyree







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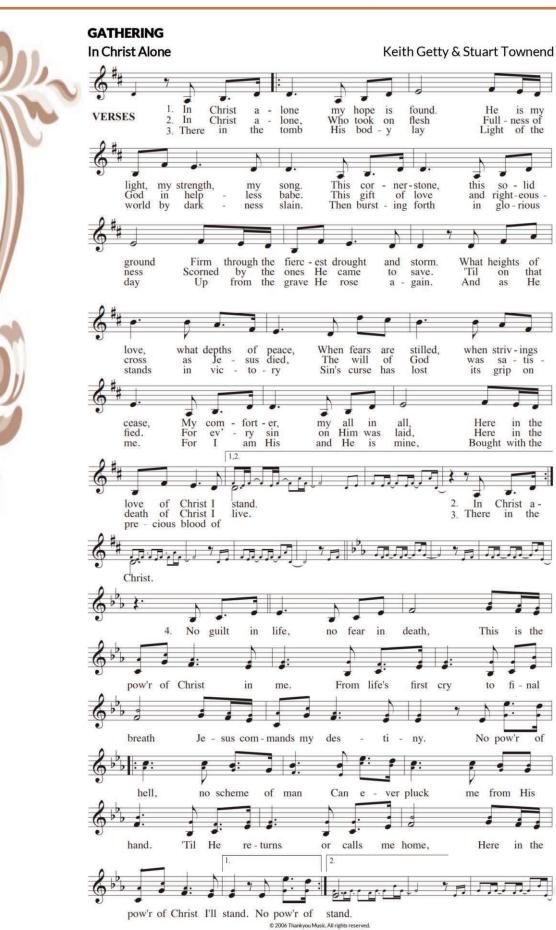
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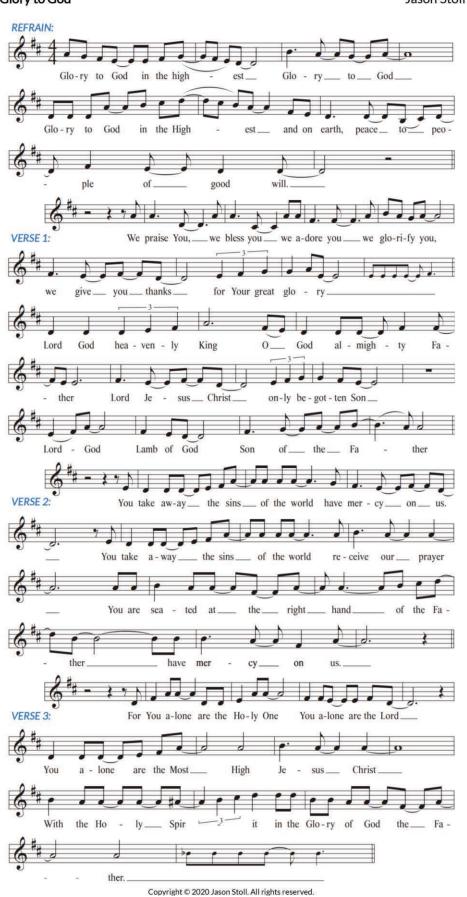
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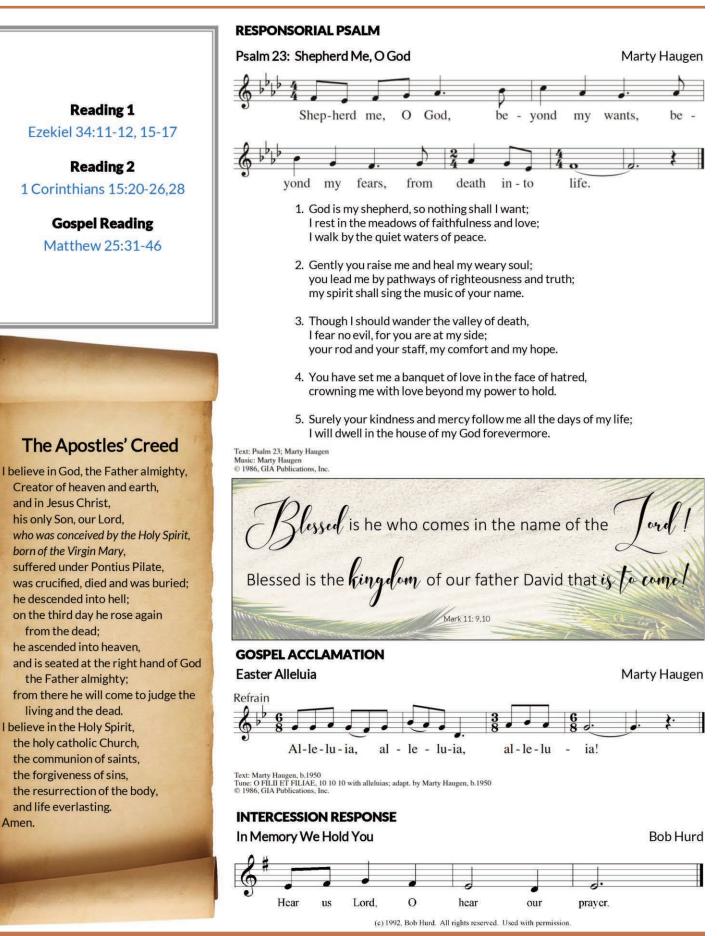
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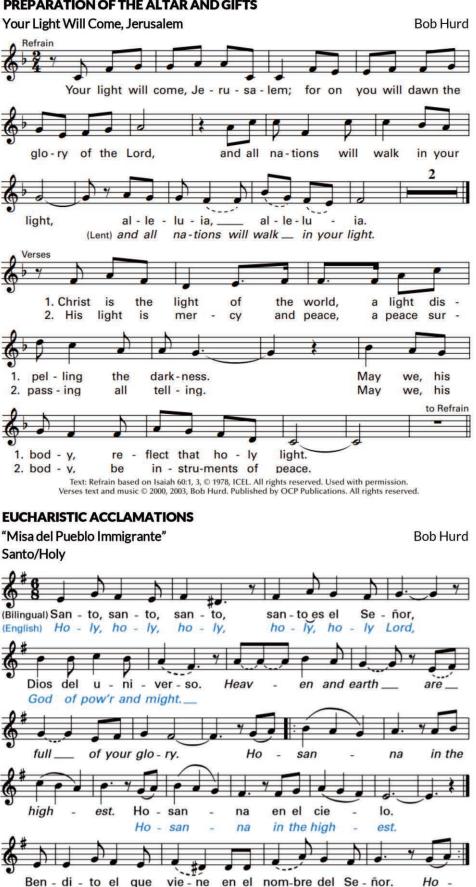


Glory to God

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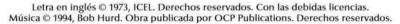
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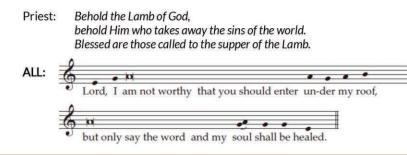


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Invitation to Communion





Spiritual Communion

O God, you are my God, it is you I seek! For you my body yearns; for you my soul thirsts, in the land parched, lifeless and without water. I look to you in the sanctuary to see your power and glory. For your love is better than life, my lips shall ever praise you. I will bless you as long as I live; I will lift up my hands, calling on your name. My soul shall be filled, as with choice food, with joyous lips my mouth shall praise you! I think of you upon my bed, I remember you through the watches of night. You indeed are my savior and, in the shadow of your wings, I shout for joy. My soul clings fast to you; your right hand upholds me.

Psalm 63:2-9



COMMUNION SONG





SENDING FORTH



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Thanksgiving Thoughts

Of the 102 colonists who came across the Atlantic to the North America, only 53, just over half, survived that first year to bring in a harvest. More than anything else, this one fact tells us that the first Thanksgiving participants celebrated in spite of terrible suffering, hunger, losses and heartache. Yet, they still found room in the hearts for gratitude. It really is extraordinary.

We've had our own horrible year. I don't need to remind you of everything, between pandemic and politics that we have been through. We've all lived through this together. Can we be as exceptional as the Mayflower passengers, finding our own reasons for celebrating what God has done for us? I know that we can!

For myself, I am endlessly grateful for everyone in the medical field. I have been cheering on and praying for researchers seeking vaccines and cures from the beginning. The brave souls who work with the sick have a most tender place of gratitude in my heart.

I have no end of appreciation for the staff of the parish who have worked so heartily, whether in their offices or from their homes, to continue our mission of encountering Jesus and serving as His disciples. Under extraordinarily tough circumstances, they do so very much to keep us together, to provide liturgies, both in person and online, to serve the needs of our children, to offer us support in our ministries and to provide us adult faith formation opportunities.

Our volunteers, sacristans, lectors, ushers, cantors, musicians, tech crew, and Eucharistic ministers have taken a hard situation and made it an amazingly beautiful experience. Who could have known that we could enjoy Mass outside as much as we have?

I am reminded by the many parishioners who serve in the military just how blessed we are that there are so many good people willing to sacrifice and serve to protect us, our country, and the values that make America a great nation.

I am grateful, in a most profound way, for the parishioners who have continued, in this stressful time, to support the parish financially. We have been weathering this storm with your amazing and much appreciated support. From my heart, I thank you!

And then there are the many small things. I am grateful for the pleasure of autumn chill in the air, the first rain, the sound of children playing on the east side of the parish campus during their recess, the hard work of teachers and parents helping children grow in knowledge and faith.

I am grateful for cooking adventures in the kitchen, the smell of onions and garlic sautéing in a frying pan, the heat of a tasty chili pepper, the taste and texture of cheese – oh how I am grateful for cheese.

I am grateful for a good book, a warm cup of chai tea, whitened with milk, for a lit fireplace when it is chilly outside, and for my favorite playlists of gentle, uplifting music.

I am grateful for my comfortable beach chair, for time on cliffs looking down on the Pacific, for pelicans and porpoises, for sea gulls and sunshine on water.

I am grateful for socially distanced dinners in backyards of friends, for any picnic, for tuna salad sandwiches with tomatoes, for a glass of wine with good conversation.

I am grateful for breath, and touch, and taste and sight, and sound and scent – how can I ever be grateful enough for any of these?

I am grateful to be alive, even in these times.

I am grateful to be here in this place with you.

May you have a happy Thanksgiving, filled with your own long list!

Fr. Patrick

Fr. Patrick Pastor



Children

12 months to Grade 8.

Little Church ~ Happy Thanksgiving!

Age 3 through kindergarten. Session videos by Ms. Soraya will resume on December 6. If you wish to receive videos please contact soraya@padreserra.org

Spark! ~ November 21 - 22 Happy Thanksgiving!

Grades 1 to 5. We are grateful to all our Faith Formation Families. Resource packet pick-up this weekend, at the welcome gazebo. Sessions resume on November 30. For more info, contact tere@padreserra.org

Three: Sixteen ~ Happy Thanksgiving!

Middle School Ministry. What are you most grateful for this year? Enjoy your week off. We will see you all via Zoom on December 2. If you missed the Jr. High Retreat you can still catch it. https://youtu.be/Djtsd0OHSrY

Online Mass Activities

To be done at certain times during Mass, watch carefully! (see page 14)

High School

Everyone 14 to 18 is welcome! youth@padreserra.org

4:12

Join Brett and peer leaders for fun and fellowship via Zoom. Ask brett@padreserra.org to add you to our GroupMe to keep you updated.

Confirmation Y1 ~ Happy Thanksgiving!

How are you showing your gratitude to others this week? Sessions resume on December 6.

Youth Leadership

Everyone 14 to 39ish is welcome!

Peer Leaders

Ask brett@padreserra.org to add you to our GroupMe to keep you updated. Peer leaders help engage our Confirmation candidates by acting as mentors and facilitators during our weekly Confirmation sessions, our annual retreats, and at 4:12 youth nights. If you are confirmed and are interested in joining our team contact youth@padreserra.org

Young Adults

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

Bible Study and More

We are gathering via Zoom twice a month on Thursdays, 7:00 to 9:00 pm until the current COVID-19 situation is resolved. We will be doing a Bible Study with some other activities mixed in. See our Instagram @pspyoungadult or Facebook @PadreSerraYA for other events! For more information please contact brett@padreserra.org

Adults

Men's Ministry ~November 25

Illuman is a ministry for men, by men, to honor the uniqueness of male spirituality. Bimonthly group gatherings are designed to help guys become better, more authentic men. 7:00 pm online. Contact Dave dave.mccormick.mba@gmail.com

Caregivers Support Group ~ November 24

Caritas offers support to those who are caring for an aging parent, relative, or spouse. Fourth Tuesday, 7:00 pm, via Zoom. Contact Patricia sentclan@gmail.com

Blood Drive ~ November 30

Give the gift of life and donate blood. Appointments are still between 8:30 am and 12:30 pm in our San Juan Capistrano room. www.padreserra.org/news/blood-drive

Advent Opportunities

Visit our Advent page for opportunities to participate and give, prayers and blessings, daily and weekly inspirations, and Advent Conspiracy: www.padreserra.org/advent

Advent Calendar ~ Sign Up Today

Our parish Advent calendar can help you fully enter into this season of holy waiting with daily inspiration, activity, prayer, and some fun to prepare you and your family spiritually for the birth of Jesus Christ. Sign up now to receive a daily email.

Advent Awakenings ~ Sign Up Today

A four-week small faith-sharing group opportunity to renew your experience of Advent. Come prepare your heart and mind to fully celebrate the Incarnation, the birth of Jesus - the miraculous event in which God came into the world in the form of a child. www.padreserra.org/advent

In the Community

An Evening with Terry Hershey ~ December 11

Mary & Joseph Retreat Center offers an evening of spiritual sustenance and renewal with acclaimed presenter Rev. Terry Hershey, an author, humorist, inspirational speaker, and ordained minister who treasures "sanctuary" and sharing his practice of "pausing" to help us rest, renew, and live wholeheartedly. 6:00 - 9:00 pm via Zoom. Register here.

Becoming Catholic

We Welcome Our New Catholics

This past week was a busy and blessed one for our parish! On November 14, Ron Spooner, a baptized Christian, was received into the Church, confirmed, and joined us at the table of the Eucharist for the first time. On November 17, eleven of our Elect were fully initiated through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and First Communion: Vivian Aldapa, Dan Armitage, Adrian Avalos, Aubriella Avalos, Christian Conley, Shane Conley, Leah Cowans, Lindsey Cowans, Lily Kirksey, David Mitchell, and Christopher Thompson. On November 18, Jim Ramey was also fully initiated. We warmly welcome them all and thank God for their presence among us and the gifts they bring to our parish.





Other Notes



Thanksgiving Day Liturgy

Thursday, November 26, 9:00 am, online. Did you know that Eucharist means thanksgiving? Our local tradition is to bring the bread, wine, or cider that will be shared at the Thanksgiving table to church. We lay them on the altar steps where they will be blessed before we take them back home to serve those we love. This year, since we are celebrating virtually, please have the bread, wine, or cider handy wherever you're watching the livestream. and we will bless it as you hold it.

Have a Blessed Holiday! November 25 to 27

The parish office will close at noon on Wednesday and reopen on Monday. In case of an emergency requiring a priest please call (805) 512-3208.

Faith Sharing Question

Reflection questions for every gathering around any table

Matthew 25:31-46 ~ **Jesus' kingdom is one of actions and deeds** Today's Gospel describes the final judgment under the figure of a king-shepherd who separates the good and bad animals in his flock. All of us will be judged by God as to how well they care for the weak and disadvantaged. Caring for "the least" of our sisters and brothers seems to be our highest calling. As you grapple with this very strong, direct, and demanding Gospel passage, name the people for whom you have cared personally. What can you do (alone, with friends, or with your family) to help those who are without food, shelter, or have other needs? When have you seen Jesus in the poor?

Prayer Life

Pray for Our Sick

Casey Allen, Lisa Alonzo, Shirley Brown, Katie Ceurvorst, Thomas Collins, Liesa Comeau, Baby Wyatt Davis, Kalei Durand, Noelani Durand, Claire Estes, Joe Flores, Sharon Garcia, Tawfik Haddád, Stephanie Hooper, Mary Hopple, Barbara Layton, Sue Leahy, Rosemary Maldonado, Evelyn McMillion, Lolita Reyes, Connie Rigney, Mike Robles, Jackson Soyster, baby Penelope Swartz, Linda Vesey and Tom Vesey. *(Names are refreshed monthly.)*

Remember Our Dead

Prayers for family and friends of those who have died recently. May they enjoy peace in their life with Christ Jesus.

Prayer Opportunities

Daily Readings: bible.usccb.org Parish Book of Intentions: www.padreserra.org/intentions Prayer Chain: Prayers anytime Bette (805) 482·0067 bette_church@hotmail.com Shirley (805) 482·2617 brownshehorn@gmail.com or visit www.padreserra.org/prayer-requests Stations of the Cross: www.padreserra.org/stations Our Lady of Perpetual Help: www.padreserra.org/news/olph Blessed Sacrament Chapel: www.padreserra.org/prayer

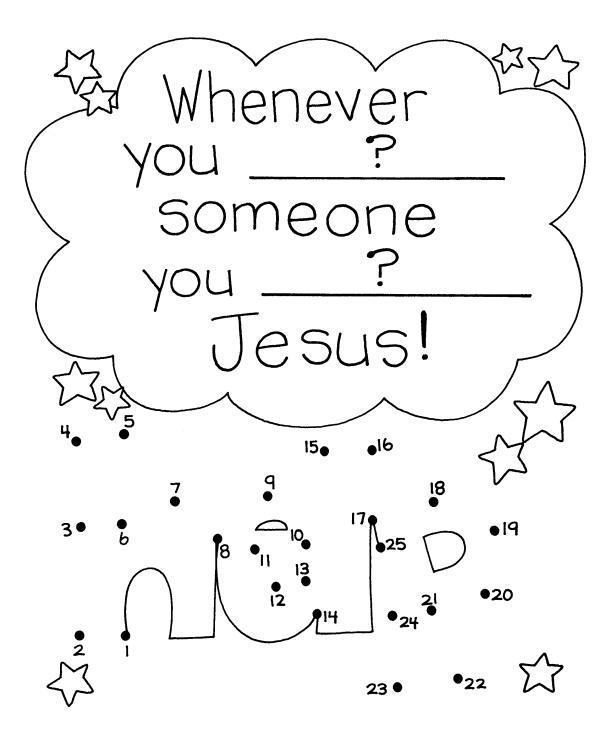
Giving

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Founded to break the cycle of poverty in the United States, CCHD, with your support of this collection, brings change to communities across the country and empowers those living in poverty to transform their lives. Please prayerfully consider how you are able to help CCHD and work on the margins. To learn more about the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, visit www.usccb.org/cchd/collection

Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

Here is an important idea to remember! Connect the dots to find the missing words.







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