



# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

## *Catholic Church*

DECEMBER 4, 2022



## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. - Mt 3:4

## Sacraments

### Weekend Mass Times

Saturday Vigil	5:00 pm
Sunday	7:30 am
	9:00 am
	11:30 am
	6:00 pm

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Spanish 1:30 pm

### Daily Mass Times

Mon. - Fri.	6:30 am
	8:15 am

### Holy Day Mass Times

6:30 am
8:15 am
12:00 pm
7:00 pm

### Reconciliation / Confession

Saturday 3 - 4:30 pm  
& by appointment

### All Other Sacraments

Please call the office for information.

## Clergy

Fr. Renier Siva

### Pastor

Fr. Cleetus Karakkat

### Parochial Vicar

William Goeke

Jim McFadden

### Deacons

Fr. Ignatius Haran

### Pastor Emeritus

## Parish Office

Mon.- Fri. 8:30 am- 4:30 pm  
307 Montrose Drive, Folsom  
Phone: 916-985-2065

### Website:

FolsomCatholic.org

### Social Media:

@FolsomCatholic

## Bulletin

FolsomCatholic.org/bulletin

Bulletin Date	Ads Due by 5pm
Dec 11	Nov 30
Dec 18	Dec 6
Dec 25	Dec 12
Jan 1	Dec 19

## Welcome to

# St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

We are a community where we welcome all as members of the Body of Christ.

We are welcoming, faithful, passionate, joyful, authentic,  
sacramental, loving and charitable.

## Today's Readings

Is 11:1-10 / Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 / Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

*"Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace forever ."*  
(Ps 72)

## Gospel Meditation

At sixty years of age, Maria and Paul had a beautiful life. High school sweethearts, they had four children, five grandchildren, a successful business, good friends and a fabulous beach house. They felt very blessed. Their strong faith in God saw them through some difficult challenges. Without warning, Paul died suddenly. Maria was devastated. Why did God do this? Why did God allow this to happen? An indescribable depth of sadness weighed heavily upon her heart. She felt betrayed by the God she thought was looking out for her. She was overwhelmed by despair. Have you ever experienced such incredible and deafening sadness?

Where is God in all of the pain?

We often want God to fix things or intervene and change nature's course. When He doesn't act as we desire, it shakes our faith. We do not always understand or appreciate why things happen as they do. There is much that is beyond our control. John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus and Jesus is the way to God. There is something more going on in life than what we can see with human eyes. We are on a sacred path, and God is with us. God is with us in our confusion, suffering, doubts, and intense sadness. Jesus announced God's vision for humanity and taught people to see God and themselves for who they are. There is a way through and beyond all hardship and suffering. God does not abandon us.

God has a clear vision for the future, both for us individually and for our world. It is a vision of harmony and gentleness where all will live as one and the "wolf shall be a guest of the lamb." God is not indifferent. He is the God of "endurance and encouragement." In God, we see what we may be, what may come and who we can become. When Maria opened herself to God's creative presence, she learned to trust. She began to realize that she could endure more than she had imagined. She also discovered a spark of encouragement, bringing her through the sadness to where she could be. In retrospect, Maria knew that God's reassuring presence was with her.

## Scripture Reflections

### First Reading

About two hundred years after the death of King David, the prophet Isaiah in around 760 BC prophesied the arrival of a new and ideal 'King David' ("a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse") that would bring about peace among people and animals. How can any of us today help make this promised future a reality?

### Second Reading

Paul taught the Roman Christians that being a welcoming and unified community of Jewish and Gentile believers was one way to glorify God. Do you think your group of friends are welcoming to others?

### Gospel

John the Baptist taught the people that repenting of sins and producing "good fruit" was essential for preparing for the kingdom of heaven. What good works are you doing for your family and friends as we continue through the season of Advent?



## Feast of the Immaculate Conception

**Holy Day of Obligation**

December 8, Thursday

Mass times are:

6:30am, 8:15am, 12 noon, 7pm

## Our Lady of Guadalupe

**Novena, Procession and Mass**

December 3 -11, 7pm Novena

December 12, 6:30pm Procession,

7pm Mass

Contact: Carmen Gudino

916-764-2491

Come and celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. A novena will be prayed to Our Lady starting Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> through Dec 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Divine Mercy Chapel inside the church. The Mass on December 12 is at 7pm and refreshments will be served in the Parish Hall afterward. Everyone is welcome!!

## Simbang Gabi 2022

**Rosary Prayers & Novena Masses**

December 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 6:30pm

December 17, 9am, December 18, 6pm

Contact: Lili Rehwald, 916-220-2483

Please join us. Rosary starts 30 minutes prior to Mass. Reception to follow each Mass with the traditional Grand Fiesta Celebration on December 23 in Gallagher Hall. Please view the flyer available on the parish website for information as well as the list of celebrants.

## Security Ministry

Contact: Allan Starosciak

starosciak.allan@gmail.com

We are looking for Security Team Volunteers to join our Security Team, serving at your weekly Mass of choice. No experience is needed...we will orient and train all new volunteers. For more information or to sign-up, please contact Allan.

## Lost and Found

Do you have books, keys, eye glasses, rosaries, religious items, jewelry, hats, clothing, water bottles, things your children are missing, and you just don't know where else to look? Our Lost and Found is getting full. Please come and check for any lost items. Lost and Found is located in the St. John's Gift Shop. The gift shop is open before and after Mass on Saturday and Sunday.

## Knights of Columbus

**Come Have Breakfast with St. Nick**

December 11, Sunday, 8 - 10:30am

Parish Hall

The Knights of Columbus are offering everyone the opportunity to come for breakfast. Bring a child's coat or food item for the ongoing Coats for Kids and Food for Families program and receive a FREE picture of you and/or your children with St Nick.

## Parishioner Memorial Board

Contact: Mercy Knight, 916-402-4104

The Memorial Board is located between the Sacristy and the Music Room. It will be used to post pictures of our parishioners who have died in the past year. It will also include their names, date of birth, date of death, and there will be enough space for a short verse or phrase. The Memorial Board Request form will be available in the parish office. If you have any questions or would like additional information please contact Mercy.

## Mercy Hospital-Folsom

**Volunteers Needed**

Contact: Dona Jones, 916-599-9501

The Mercy Hospital of Folsom Auxiliary is looking for volunteers to work in the Hospital Gift Shop and at the Information Desk. Come and join our organization and be part of a rich tradition of providing care and services to patients and visitors in our community. Monies earned in the Gift Shop are awarded annually to local students who wish to pursue an education in health care. Contact Dona for more information!

## HART

**Homeless Assistance Resource Team**

[www.hartoffolsom.org](http://www.hartoffolsom.org)

The HART of Folsom Winter Shelter will run Jan 8 - Apr 1, 2023, and needs volunteers! The shelter serves our homeless neighbors in Folsom. It is the first step in someone's journey towards self-sufficiency and greater independence. Volunteers can work weekly shifts at our intake center (Lower Rodeo Park) or at the shelter sites to care for our guests. There are both evening and morning shifts, with each shift taking 1 to 3 hours. Training is provided, a variety of tasks are available. Please visit the HART Folsom website for more information.

At St. John the Baptist Parish,  
we welcome all  
as members of  
the Body of Christ.

# P R A Y E R



At St. John the Baptist Parish, time in conversation with our Lord is at the center of our lives.

## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, December 4th

7:30am Ben Diaz  
9:00am Bernardita Montellana+  
Rosario Ravel+  
11:30am People of the Parish  
1:30pm  
6:00pm Antonio Matos+

### Monday, December 5th

6:30am Dino Pajao (*birthday*)  
Erdulfo Clarete+  
8:15am Steve Neumann+  
Victor Pereira+  
Bernardita Montellana+

### Tuesday, December 6th

6:30am  
8:15am Rupasinghe Family  
Baltazar Pereira+

### Wednesday, December 7th

6:30am Jose Moncada+  
8:15am Donato Aquini+  
Rocca Mastromicola+

### Thursday, December 8th

6:30am Brendan Harrington+ (*1 year death anniv*)  
8:15am Ron Smith+ & Richard Smith+

### Friday, December 9th

6:30am  
8:15am Gianni Salvador+  
Guiseppe Rizzuto+

### Saturday, December 10th

5:00pm People of the Parish  
Sarah & Albert Anderson  
(*35th wedding anniv*)

## Observances We Celebrate This Week

### Tuesday

St. Nicholas

### Wednesday

St. Ambrose

### Thursday

The Immaculate Conception of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary

### Friday

St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin

### Saturday

Our Lady of Loreto

## December is Dedicated to: The Immaculate Conception

### Pope Francis'

## Monthly Intention for December

### For volunteer not-for-profit organizations

We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

## Intercessory Prayers

### Prayers for the Sick

*We pray for our sick parishioners, family and friends, and those in need of healing of the body and soul.*

Angeles Montemayor	Joy Bryla
Barbara Stelter	Kelly Redding
Chris Gohs	Kimanh Davis
Chris Nhan	Kyle Pasterski
Cora Gonzales	Leo Reyes
Debbie Finnegan	Margie Reilly
Denise Scanlan	Mary Ann Heinen
Dennis Brosterhaus	Michael Ort
Janine Martin	Patricia Chewier
Jim Reed	Robert Lustan
Jody Park	Tess Beltran
Jonathan Pacheco	

### Prayers for Our Troops

*We pray for our military personnel abroad and at home, and for their families.*

Michael Dalupan

### Prayers for the Recently Deceased

*We pray for the souls of all who have recently died, our family members, friends, and parishioners. May they rest in peace.*

Bob Ely	Katherine Springer
Carmelo Infantino	McLaughlin
Carol Flack	Patrick Warholc
Elaine Sharp	Rita Swingle
Janice Crawford	

## Prayer Requests

Prayer requests for the sick, military or recently deceased may be made by calling our Parish Office. Names will appear for two months.



St. Nicholas of Bari (March 15, 270 – December 6, 343), the bishop of Myra in the fourth century, is the saint that Santa Claus is modeled after. Known for his kindness and generosity to the poor, the story has it that St. Nicholas once

tossed bags of gold through the open window of a poor man's house to help his daughters avoid a life of prostitution. According to legend, the gold landed in stockings dangling on the corners of the beds, which is why many of us celebrate St. Nicholas Day by hanging stockings and filling them with candy, fruit, and small toys. Not much else is known about him, but his reputation as a generous man continues today.



## The Adoration Chapel

Chapel hours are: Mon-Thu 9am - 8pm,  
Sat 9am - 5pm and Sun 7am -11am  
Friday Adoration is in the church: 9am to 7pm

On Friday, December 16 & 23;

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be at 5:30pm

The Adoration Ministry has immediate need for dedicated adorers for these hours

Monday:	9 - 10 am	10-11 am	12 - 1 pm	4 - 5pm	5 - 6 pm	6 - 7 pm	7 - 8 pm
Tuesday:	10 - 11 am	11 - 12 pm	4 - 5 pm	5 - 6 pm			
Wednesday:	12 - 1 pm	4 - 5 pm	5 - 6 pm	6 - 7 pm	7 - 8 pm		
Thursday:	10 - 11 am	11 - 12 pm	3 - 4 pm	6 - 7 pm			
Friday:	6 - 7 pm						
Saturday:	10 - 11 am	11 - 12 pm	12 - 1 pm	1 - 2 pm	2 - 3 pm	3 - 4 pm	4 - 5 pm

To sign up please contact Veronica Thomas at [thomas\\_vera@yahoo.com](mailto:thomas_vera@yahoo.com)

## Confession

**Saturdays: 3 - 4:30 pm & by appointment**

Confessions at this time are offered outside of the confessional. We will continue a face to face format in a larger setting.

**Advent Extended Hours for Confession**

December 5, 2022  
6pm - 8pm  
December 14, 2022  
6pm - 8pm

## Respect Life Ministry

**"365" Days for Life**

Tues, Wed, Thurs, 8am-2pm  
Planned Parenthood  
201 29th St, Sacramento  
Contact: Joanne Dudgeon  
916-607-2228

We praise God for the **540 babies saved, 6 abortion workers converted, and 12 abortion facilities closed.** These are the outcomes that we know of during this past "40 Days for Life" campaign nationwide. There may even be more babies saved because moms don't always share this news with people outside the clinic. Thank you all for your prayers, fasting, and being a witness for life.

Our focus now are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, which are late term surgical abortion days.

Prayer and help continue throughout the year so if you can come out to pray, bring a folding chair and come with us on a Wednesday leaving St. Johns at 10:30am staying from 11:00am-1:00pm. Call Joanne.



## Inspiration For the Week

The God in whom we believe is "the God of endurance and encouragement." Have you ever thought about God in those terms? Our sight can become limited by the concerns of the world and our individual lives. We can look to the past and see what is happening in the present, but the future is primarily left to our imaginations. God has a clear vision for the future. It is one where the "wolf shall be a guest of the lamb and the leopard shall lie down with the kid." It is a vision of harmony and gentleness where all will live as one. We can see the complete picture of life in God. We see what we may be, what may come, and who we can become. Preparing the way for the Lord means moving beyond the limitations of ideology, time, space, preference, and self-focused concern so that we can see as God sees. God will give us what we need to endure whatever comes, and the encouragement we need to get where we can be.



At St. John the Baptist Parish,  
time in conversation with our  
Lord is at the center of  
our lives.



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At St. John the Baptist Parish,  
we foster a  
commitment to lifelong  
spiritual growth.

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## Praise and Worship

December 14, Wednesday, 6:30 pm

Contact: David Brauer  
dabrauer@hotmail.com

Join us for an evening of inspiring music and powerful prayer! Praise and Worship will take place in the Church. This month we will have a special emphasis on preparing for Christmas and the New Year! All are welcome!

## Posada 2022

### Diocesan Event

December 17, Saturday

10am -12pm, Gallagher Hall

Contact: Teresa Donan  
916-733-0132, tdonan@scd.org

Join Bishop Soto as we commemorate Joseph and Mary's journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem in search of a safe refuge where Mary could give birth to the baby Jesus. When they were unable to find lodging in Bethlehem, Joseph and Mary were forced to seek shelter in a stable, where the Christ Child was born. Pray the Rosary with us. Bring a traditional, cultural dish to share. This event is open to everyone, bring the whole family. Let us know you are coming! Register at: [www.scd.org/event/posada-intercultural-advent-gathering-0](http://www.scd.org/event/posada-intercultural-advent-gathering-0)

## Advent Retreat Day

### Are You the One?

December 10, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Holy Cross Parish 1321 Anna St. W. Sacramento

Contact: Teresa Donan  
916-733-0132, tdonan@scd.org

Spend a few hours during this holy season refreshing your spirit and reflecting on your call to ministry. Cost \$20 includes morning hospitality and lunch. RSVP by Dec 7th <https://tinyurl.com/3pw29xx9>

## 11-Day Catholic Pilgrimage to Italy

Join Fr. Jovito Rata & Fr. Renier Siva

May 29 - June 8, 2023

\$3,995

*Including: Assisi, Lanciaio, San Giovanni Rotondo, Monte Sant'Angelo, Pietrelcina, Rome & the Vatican.*

All-inclusive from San Francisco, CA. Daily Mass at the holy sites. A detailed brochure is available for pickup in the Parish Office.

## Advent 2022

### A Four-Week Online Series

Presented by Deacon Jim McFadden

Tuesdays, 7pm, via Zoom

Contact: Theresa Grant

tgrant@talkpathlive.com

During Advent, we are getting ourselves ready to receive the Christ who wants, even now, to be born in us. Well, how do we do this?

12/6: *What You See and Hear*

12/13: *Think Outside the Box*

See the parish website event flyer, or vestibule monitors for more details.

To register for the series, please email Theresa. You will receive an email prior to the scheduled session with the Zoom link & instructions. Please check your spam/junk mail in case you do not receive the email in your inbox. Recordings available!

NOTE: Weekly attendance is not required.



For six years I lived with a priest from Iraq. His hospitality was amazing. Every single morning, he would greet me with gracious words and a friendly tone. "Father, good morning! It's good to

see you, my friend!" He never stopped doing it, even though we lived in the same house for years. It was remarkable, and I never forgot it.

It's not easy to welcome those we live with, is it? Familiarity, grudges, resentments, fatigue, and distractions gunk up our daily interactions. Saint Paul says in Romans 15:7, "Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." How has Christ welcomed us? With mercy, tenderness, joy, and above all, love ... not because we deserve it, but "for the glory of God."

**New year challenge:** This morning, how did you greet the first three persons you encountered? If you're like me, it was a bit routine, token, and love-less. I invite you this week to increase the love with which you greet people — especially if you see them every day. Instead of saying, "Hey" try "Good morning, beautiful." Instead of "Hi" try "It's really good to see you, how are you?" and so on. Above all, greet them with love. That's how the Lord welcomes us.

~ Father John Muir



At St. John the Baptist Parish, we bring Christ's light to all through service to others.

## Prison Ministry Christmas Card Collection

Catholic Chaplain Greg Mellor is collecting Christmas and holiday cards for the prisoners at California State Prison, Sacramento (New Folsom). Cards can be placed in the labeled boxes in the narthex. **Please make sure that donated cards meet the following requirements:**

- NO ribbon
- NO Mass cards, novena cards, etc. from religious orders and retreat centers
- NO glitter
- NO writing in cards

## The Knights of Columbus "Coats For Kids" and "Food for Families"

Saturday, Oct 22 - Sunday, Jan 8, 2023

Contact: SK Percy Park

916-936-6145, dbk576@aol.com

SK Hugo Schmidt

916-813-0843, hugoschmidt@gmail.com

### How You Can Help

You can donate "new" or "gently used" children's winter coats. Please wash all "gently used" coats prior to donating. Winter accessories like gloves, mittens, scarves, beanies, hats, heavy socks and sleeping bags are also accepted.

We also accept coats, jackets, winter accessories and sleeping bags for teens and adults.

### What are the most requested food items?

- Canned meats: tuna, chicken, turkey, ham, stew & chili
- Canned vegetables
- Pasta & pasta sauce
- Canned Beans, Rice
- Healthy cereals, Peanut Butter
- Baby food & baby formula
- A whole Turkey and/or Ham with all of the "fixings" for the Fall & Winter Holidays

### Drop Off Locations

A Knights of Columbus Cart located in front of the Church doors or Vestibule before, during and after "all" Masses. St. Vincent De Paul located at 311 Montrose Drive on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 am to 12 Noon.

## Stewardship of Treasure the Lord Has Entrusted to Us

Weekly goal: \$25,529.00

Weekly Offerings:

November 19/20 \$ 14,249

November 26/27 \$ 14,019

## 2nd Collection

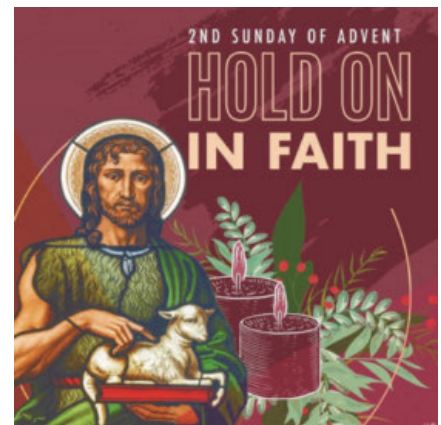
This weekend our second collection will be for our RE Program and SJND.

Thank you for your November 20 donations for the Archdiocese for the Military Services. We collected \$ 1472.

Also thank you for your donations for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development on November 27. Together we collected \$ 1845.

## 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal "Report of Gratitude"

This holiday season as we reflect with gratitude for the many blessings God has given us, Catholics throughout our Diocese are invited to visit [www.scd.org](http://www.scd.org) to view the 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal "Report of Gratitude." See how, together as Catholics, parishioners have made a real difference to others. This year, more than 380,000 individuals and families were helped by 18 Northern California charities that received funds from the Appeal. The 2022 Appeal is approaching \$4.3 million in commitments so far. Our parish receives 25% of any gift made by parishioners here. If you have not yet participated, prayerfully consider a donation. No contribution, no act of charity is ever too small or insignificant. Envelopes are available here at the parish or donate online at [www.scd.org](http://www.scd.org).





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"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."



Mt 3:1 - 12

John the Baptist taught people to get ready for Jesus. He told them to change their lives. John helped many people wash away all their mistakes and bad choices. He washed away all their cheating, lying, fighting, and stealing. Once they were clean, John wanted them to see that living God's way is so much better. John told the people not only to clean their bodies, but to show that they love God by the way that they live.

 Mission for the Week

Write a prayer to God, asking him to help you stop doing those things that are bad, and start being honest, giving and kind.

 Puzzle

Help the baby find his way to the priest for his baptism

 Prayer

Dear God, help my words and my choices to show that I love you.





Our parish is enriched with many ministries, please consider learning about and engaging in one or more of our ministries. Call the contact listed.

## Welcoming Ministries

### New Parishioner Welcoming Ministry

Joyce Starosciak, 916-740-4628

### Greeter Ministry

Lori Hopper, 916-337-0139

### Ushers

Stanley Posis, 916-705-9192

## Prayer Ministries

### Companioned Prayer

Dcn. Bill Goeke, 916-673-7996

### Divine Mercy Devotion/Cenacle

Leilani Badley, 703-855-6241

-*Chaplet/Rosary/Morning Prayer*

-*Divine Mercy Chaplet/Mass*

-*Cenacle* - Leilani Badley, 703-855-6241

-*Cenacle-Spanish* - Ana Haid, 916-956-1177

### Eucharistic Adoration

Veronica Thomas, thomas\_vera@yahoo.com

*1st Friday of the Month - 9am - 7pm (church),*

*Sign Up for adorers is in the vestibule*

### Marian Cenacle (Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle)

-*English* - 1st Wednesday of the month, 10am

Sally Gomez, 916-693-2411

-*Spanish* - Every Saturday

Ana Haid, 916-956-1177

### Our Lady of Fatima

Henry Altamirano, 925-899-7769

## Spiritual Growth Ministries

### Adult Scripture Study

Lee & Teresa Weider, 916-983-8065

### Couples for Christ

Myrah Empleo, 661-993-4721

### Praise & Worship

David Brauer, dabrauer@hotmail.com

### Religious Education

Shannon Langer, 916-985-7338

### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Shannon Langer, 916-985-7338

### Theology on Tap

Aaron Santos, 916-985-2065

### WINGS (Women in Growth Spiritually)

Parish Office, 916-985-2065

### Youth/Young Adults Ministries

Aaron Santos, asantos@folsomcatholic.org

## Parish Committees/Councils

### Finance Council

Joyce Starosciak, 916-740-4628

### Liturgy Committee

Barbara Bowden, 916-984-9476

### Pastoral Council

Shannon Frazier, 916-761-2912

## Outreach/Charity Ministries

### Bereavement Hospitality/Receptions

Parish Office, 916-985-2065

### Catholics for Life

Kathy Baxter, 916-337-6824

### Gabriel Project

Debbie Sultan, 916-337-5786

### Grace Quilters Ministry

Catherine Scott, 831-402-4681

### Grupo Pastoral Hispano

Rommel Hernández, 530-387-1009

### Knights of Columbus

Hugo Schmidt, 916-817-4541

### Pastoral Care Ministry

Dan Dunne, 916-817-1675; Sunday

Candice Ralston, 916-806-8090; Tuesday

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Catherine Scott, 831-402-4681

### Prison/Restorative Justice Ministry

-Folsom Prison - Fr. H. Gomez, 916-985-2561 x 4206

-CSP Sacramento - Greg Mellor,

Catholic Chaplain, 916-985-8610 x6425

### School Ministry (St. John Notre Dame)

Keith Martin, Principal, 916-985-4129

### Senior Visitation

Charlene Agles, 916-984-9602

### St. Vincent de Paul (311 Montrose Dr.)

Mercy Knight, 916-985-4630

## Liturgical Ministries

### Altar Servers

Hugo Schmidt, 916-817-4541

### Children's Liturgy during Mass

Shannon Langer, 916-985-7338

### Extraord. Ministers of Holy Communion

Steve & Maryanne Ashley, 916-479-2214

### Lectors

Patti Midtlyng, 916-837-8322

### Liturgical Environment

Arlette Peterson, 916-220-5968

**Music** - See choir director after Mass.

## Additional Ministries

### Children's Babysitting at Mass

Parish Office, 916-985-2065

### Family Fellowship

Rachel Marsh, 916-945-6992

### Gift Shop

Connie Aley, 916-984-9284

### Women's Game Day

Every Wednesday, Garden Room, 11am - 4:30pm.

Roberta Puzio, 916-933-2561

# MINISTRIES

"Here am I, Lord;  
I come to do your will."



## St. Vincent de Paul

Contact: Mercy Knight  
916-985-4630 or 916-402-4104

*Your support of those in need is apparent.  
We are so grateful for your  
continued support.*

### Christmas Dinner Collection

St. Vincent de Paul will continue to collect food donations after Thanksgiving so that we can provide ham and sides (stuffing, yams, cranberry sauce, etc.) for Christmas dinners.

Items can be brought to St. Vincent de Paul on Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 9 to noon, and the Knights of Columbus also have a food cart in front of the church doors, which can be used for the donations. If you need another option for your donations, please call Mercy.

### Christmas "Giving Tree"

The Giving Tree gives us an opportunity to once again ensure that the families in need in our community will have Christmas gifts.

As in the past, the tree will have ornaments for children ranging in age from 1 to 12 years old.

- ♦ Red ornaments are for the boys
- ♦ Green ornaments are for the girls

Each child will receive 2 to 3 gifts. You can select an ornament (or two), and we ask that you place your unwrapped gifts in the Christmas barrels behind the Giving Tree. The ornament can be taped to the gift, but it is not necessary. And a gift can be put in the barrel even if you did not select an ornament.

We hope to distribute all gifts by December 20th so it would be very helpful if you can drop gifts off in the barrels by December 16th. Note that we will still take gifts after the requested due date. Gifts that are not given out for Christmas will be used for children's birthdays.

Funeral • Mortuary • Cremation • Cemetery



916-452-4831

Stephen Ruch  
Family Service Advisor

CATHOLIC FUNERAL & CEMETERY SERVICES OF THE DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO

St. Mary Cemetery & Funeral Center (10223) Sacramento, CA  
Calvary Cemetery & Funeral Center (10222) Citrus Heights, CA



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916-250-2219



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