



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Catholic Church

JANUARY 19, 2020



2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“Now I have seen and testified that he is
the Son of God”
Jn 1:34

Week at a Glance

Sunday

All Masses | Vestibule
Loaves and Fishes
Food Collection

7:15pm | Parish Hall
LifeTeen

Monday

All Day | Parish Office
Martin Luther King Holiday
Closed

7pm | St. John Paul II Room
Parables - Pt 2

Tuesday

3:30pm | Church
Companioned Prayer
Ignatius of Loyola

6:30pm | St John Paul Room
Edge

Wednesday

11am | Garden Room
Women's Games

Thursday

9am | Garden Room
Grace Quilter's Ministry

7pm | St. John Paul Room
Spanish Divine Mercy
Cenacle

Sacraments

Weekend Mass Times

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

1st Sunday Spanish 1:30 pm

Daily Mass Times

Mon. - Fri.	6:30 am
Mon. - Sat.	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
or 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	Ad Due by 5 pm
January 26	January 16
February 2	January 23
February 9	January 30

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

Ils 49:3, 5-6 / Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a] / 1 Cor 1:1-3 / Jn 1:29-34

John testified further, saying, "I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him. I did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'On whomever you see the Spirit come down and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God."

- Jn 1:32-34

Gospel Meditation

On the cusp of fame, power, or influence, would you turn it down? Today's Gospel again features John the Baptist. Controversial but popular, John has gathered quite a group of followers. He has disciples. People come from near and far to be baptized by him. Pharisees and government leaders are drawn to his preaching. If John was another man, a lesser man, he would have claimed his own greatness. Instead, John the Baptist is a witness to humility.

"The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and said, 'Behold the Lamb of God ... he is the one of whom I said, "A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me." ... the reason why I came baptizing with water was that he might be made known.'" Rather than point to himself, John points to Christ. John could have grasped at what he had accumulated. He could have seen Jesus as a Messianic competitor. Instead, John knows who he is. He knows his place as forerunner. Because John knows who Jesus is. "I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God."

A life of humility, a life for others, can be challenging to live. So much of our culture is built around achievement and individualism. We can justify it, too, in pursuit of "greater goods" and higher ideals. In the process, however, we might miss our own participation in the kingdom of God. John, for all of his humility, was not an afterthought. In another Gospel passage, Jesus calls him "the greatest prophet," even the greatest of men. Why? Because he fulfills the mission given to him by God: to announce the coming of the Messiah. We too are prophets and forerunners. Our witness to the Gospel is meant to point people to Jesus. Consider your own mission this week. To whom are you called to announce the good news of the Son of God?

Scripture Reflections

First Reading

Isaiah spoke of God's desire to have his "salvation reach to the ends of the earth."
What would the world look like if this happened?

Second Reading

Today's reading is the opening greeting of Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. Here and in other letters, Paul speaks of believers as being "called to be holy."
Who are some people you consider "holy" in your life?

Gospel Reading

John the Baptist spoke of Jesus metaphorically as "the Lamb of God."
What do you think this image means?

Parish Office Closed

Martin Luther King Day
January 20, Monday

The Parish Office will be closed in observance of the holiday.

“Thank You” from the Gabriel Project Ministry

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus who sponsored a Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser for our Gabriel Project Ministry this past September, 2019. Thanks especially to Dan Kimbell -main organizer, Tim O'Neill & Roy Wicklman – chief “chefs”, who spearheaded this fundraiser that will do so much to help the needs of our Moms, babies, and families in crisis pregnancy situations. The Knights' Spaghetti Dinner raised over \$2,400!

Also, a big Thank you to Sue Collins and all members of the WINGS Ministry for donating \$500 from their annual Christmas Brunch event this December.

We are truly grateful for the continued support, donations and prayers from all our generous parishioners at St. John's.

*May God grant you many Christmas and
New Year's Blessings!
Helen Boyd & Debbie Sultan (GP Servants)*

Annual Men's Retreat

February 7 - 9, 2020

Christ the King Retreat Center, 916 -725 - 4720

ChristTheKingRetreatCenter.org

Contact: Doug Heinz, 916 - 983 - 4516

Join the men of the parish for the annual retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center on the weekend of February 7 - 9, 2020. The retreat theme: “Come and See” - encourages us to hear and answer God's call as inspired by the Gospel of St. John". This retreat is intended to help renew your faith, and reveal what it means to be a faithful disciple in your family, job, and in life as it was for those first disciples in Galilee. For more information or to make your reservation, call Doug Heinz or the Retreat Center. You can also visit the Center and register for the retreat on line.

With Gratitude...

Dear Father Renier, Parish Families,
Ministries and Community,

Coats for Kids Program 2019-2020

Through the dedication of our St John Parish Families, Ministries, Community and Knights Council 6197, we collected hundreds of new winter coats, blankets and sleeping bags which have been distributed locally to our homeless and needy children, teens and adults since the program inception.

Food for Families Program 2019-2020

The Knights of Columbus are committed to helping end hunger through the Food for Families Program, also through the dedication of our St. John Parish Families, Ministries, Community and Knights Council 6197. Our Council and Parish Families have also collected food items to support our Helping Hands ministry, who have distributed food items to our homeless and needy families and individuals.

GRATITUDE turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos into order, confusion into clarity . . . it makes sense of our past, brings peace for today and creates a vision for tomorrow.

*Yours in Christ,
SK Percy Park, Knights of Columbus*

KOFC Council 6197

2020 Free Throw Championship

The Knights of Columbus Council, 6197 held their annual Council Free Throw Championship on Sunday, Jan 12th. The results of the competition were as follows:

Boys Age 11:

Conrad Lippsmeyer (Champion)

Zach Maples (Participant)

Boys Age 13:

Austin Maples (Champion)

Age Group Champions will receive an engraved plaque. Winners from the Council Free Throw Championship will compete at the District 7 Free Throw Championship, which will take place on Sunday, February 9th at St. John's Gallagher Hall Gym.

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

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 19th

7:30 am Rosemary Rapp†
 9:00 am People of the Parish
 11:30 pm Oanh Dao (healing)
 6:00 pm Cecilio Guico, Sr.†

Monday, January 20th

6:30 am Theresa Drake
 8:15 am Timothy Rupasinghe

Tuesday, January 21st

6:30 am Vincent Ruiz Zagal†
 8:15 am Steve Neumann†

Wednesday, January 22nd

6:30 am James Ta
 8:15 am Nicholas Gomez†

Thursday, January 23rd

6:30 am Sheila Leard (birthday)
 8:15 am Genoveva Bumatay†

Friday, January 24th

6:30 am Alfredo Macugay†
 8:15 am Catalino Bumatay†

Saturday, January 25th

8:15 am Felipe Saturnino†
 5:00 pm Clinton Ballard†

Observances

We Celebrate This Week

Mon: St. Fabian, St. Sebastian

Tue: St. Agnes

Wed: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection
of Unborn Children

Thur: St. Vincent, St. Marianne Cope

Fri: St. Francis de Sales

Sat: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

January is dedicated to:

The Holy Name of Jesus

Pope Francis'

Monthly Intention for January

Promotion of World Peace

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

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.

Alan Ramsay	Jessica Breazeale
Annie Brozosky	Joann Pasterski
Aurora Bertulfo	Joey Durse
Ava Watson	Judy Wilkins
Baby Daniella	Karen Beckman
Bert Mateo	Liam Ocampo
Bob Taylor	Lorraine Mayrand
Bob Matranga	Max Castro
Carman Hogan	Michael Debellis
Cher Juliet	Natalie S. Marhauer
Christopher Cordova	Oliver Carreon
Denise Phfa	Pam Morin
Don Hendrickson	Pat Koelfgen
Don Paul Howell	Paulita Narcisco
Eric Coscolluela	Pierre Lavapie
Ernest Deus	Rebecca Yap
Evalia Hipolito	Rene Rodriguez
Frederick Nidoy	Romy Cyber-Strauch
Gilbert Mendivil	Shirley Benecke
Gordon Ferriss	Shirley Joseph
Gloria Mendivil	Thoa Gilpin
Herbert Kohagura	Tina Mills
Irma Henriquez	Vista Costa
Jared Ellerson	Vince Matranga

Prayers for Our Troops

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

John Massey Sgt. Alan Price

Prayers for the Recently Deceased

We pray for the souls of all who have died, our family members, friends, and parishioners.

May they rest in peace.

Ann Danielsen	Mary Grimes
Barbara Doherty	Mary Jane McMahon
Colette Koch	Mary Jo Morris
Dennis Knight	MaryJo Cordona
Destiny Estrada	Callahan
Doris Bourgeois	Mike Diorio
Doris McKeo	Nicolas Gomez
Duke McCully	Quy Pham
Frank Brugger	Raleigh Radin
Isabel Vilorio	Romy Elvambuena
John Drumm Sr.	Sanh Nguyen
John O'Malley	Sister Antinia
Joseph Dickenson	Sr. Bridget Mary
Karen Maez	Flynn, RSM
Lenon Padilla	Sr. Kathleen Kinane
Liberato Mariano Jr.	Sr. Mercedes Braga, SHF
Magdalena Malixi	Stephen Rando
Maria Duenas	Thelma Lyon
Mario Penman	Theresa Gonzalez
Mary Brisbin	Tom Baker

Prayer Requests

Call our Parish Office for prayer request. Names will appear for four months. For Mass intentions please visit the Parish Office to reserve a particular Mass time.

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our lives.

The Adoration Chapel

Open to everyone 7 days a week

Monday through Friday: 9:00 - 8:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 - 5:00 pm, Closed the 5th Saturday of the Month

Sunday: 7:00 - 1:00 pm

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be recited daily at 3:00 pm.

Perpetual Adoration is held in the Adoration Chapel on the 1st Friday of the month after 8:15 am Mass through 4:00 pm on Saturday.

Eucharistic Adoration Ministry Hours of Need

For information please contact: James Banach 916-803-0821 or

Veronica Thomas, thomas_vera@yahoo.com

Monday:	10 - 11:00 am	11 - 12:00 pm	4 - 5:00 pm	7 - 8:00 pm
Tuesday:	12 - 1:00 pm	4 - 5:00 pm	7 - 8:00 pm	
Wednesday:	11 - 12:00 pm	6 - 7:00 pm		
Thursday:	9 - 10:00 am	12 - 1:00 pm	2 - 3:00 pm	5 - 6:00 pm
Friday:	12 - 1:00 pm	1 - 2:00 pm	2 - 3:00 pm	6 - 7:00 pm 7 - 8:00 pm
1st Saturday:	11 - 12:00 pm	12 - 1:00 pm	3 - 4:00 pm	
2nd Saturday:	3 - 4:00 pm	4 - 5:00 pm		
3rd Saturday:	2 - 3:00 pm			
4th Saturday:	3 - 4:00 pm			
Sunday:	8 - 9:00 am	10 - 11:00 am		

We need additional adorers for days and times listed above.

Please prayerfully consider signing up for 1 hour a week with the Lord in the Adoration Chapel. You will never regret it!

Respect Life Ministry

Annual Respect Life Novena

Tuesday, January 21 – Wednesday, January 29

Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena. Get daily intentions and brief reflections. Sign up at 9daysforlife.com to receive by text or email.

Roe v. Wade Mass

January 22, Wednesday, 12:10pm

Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament

scd.org/event/annual-pro-life-mass-reparation

-roe-v-wade-anniversary

The annual Roe v. Wade Mass, sadly commemorates the 47th year of nationally legalized abortion. January 22 is designated as a Diocesan Day of Reparation. All are asked to observe this Day of Reparation through fasting, prayer, penance and works of mercy.

St. John's Prayer Opportunities

Companioned Prayer (Tue, 3:30 pm)

Daily Mass

Eucharistic Adoration

Morning Prayer (after 8:15 am Mass)



Pope Francis has said that respect for life is not just about the unborn child in the womb, but also about the least of our brothers and sisters. Yes, it is even upon the undocumented resident alien who has no voice but ours. As followers of Jesus Christ, we are all called to protect the voiceless. Let us pray...

Good and gracious God, you blew into our nostrils the breath of life. You are the One to whom we owe our very existence.

Give us the courage to take that unpopular position of protecting those who have no voice, the unborn child in the womb to the person taking his or her last breath.

The life you have given us is a gift beyond measure. Embolden us to speak the truth about protecting the child, the elderly, and the one without a voice in the public square.

With thankful hearts, we ask all this of the One God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Amen



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

A Journey Through the Parables, Part 2

January 20 - February 17, Mondays, 7pm
Gallagher Hall - St. John Paul II Room
Contact: Dcn Jim McFadden
macfam500@att.net

Join Dcn. Jim for a faith-sharing experience.

Jan 20 : *Who Did What the Father Wanted?*

The Parable of the Two Sons teaches us about the ambiguities of living with imperfections as disciples. Neither of the sons had their act together. But the one who had the humility to change his mind and do what was asked was the exemplary one. As individuals and as a parish community, are we willing to admit when we were wrong and then embark on a new course of action?

Jan 27 : *"I Cancel Your Entire Debt."*

Feb 3 : *"I Want my House to be Full"*

Feb 10 : *"Law or Love?"*

Feb 17 : *"The Man God Helped"*

Spring Scripture Studies

Contact: Teresa or Lee Weider
916-983-8065
laweider631@gmail.com

Sessions will begin the week of Feb 3rd.
The Studies include:

- *Lectio Eucharist* - a study on the biblical roots of the Eucharist and God's plan for our salvation.
- *Romans* - a Jeff Cavins study on St. Paul's letter to the Romans and the connections between Jesus, Christianity and the Old Testament prophecies.
- *Entertaining Angels* - a journey with Fr. Mitch Pacwa on the saints, the Catechism and Scripture to remind us of God's precious gift to us in the good angels.

Sign-up and more information is on the parish website. Scripture Studies offer fellowship, enrichment, and an opportunity to learn more about our beautiful Catholic faith. Everyone is welcome!

Exploring the Saints at Companioned Prayer

Tuesdays, 3:30 – 5:00 pm, Church Chapel
Contact: Bill Stobbe, 916 - 505-3800

St John's Companioned Prayer ministry will be exploring some of our favorite saints as our spiritual companions. We invite you to participate, be part of our discussion and prayer. No need to sign up in advance – just show up Tuesday afternoons at 3:30.

Ignatius of Loyola – Jan 21 & 28, Feb 4

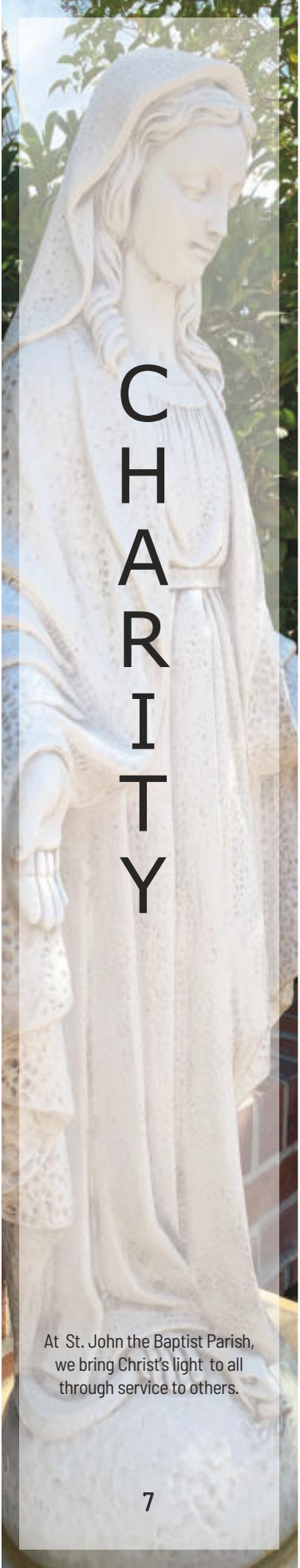
Formed.org

FORMED On Demand is an online media library which includes: video-based study programs, feature films, audio presentations, and eBooks. The website includes content for all ages and all levels of engagement with the Church.

A link is available through our parish website at folsomcatholic.org/resources under Continued Learning. A Code is not needed to sign up. Once on the FORMED website type in Folsom in the "Find your Parish or Organization" box then select St. John the Baptist. Click "Next" then enter your name and email to create your own personal account.

Inspiration of the Week

Our relationships ground and define us. Understanding where we come from, who matters to us, and to whom we have an allegiance all frame and direct our lives. One unchangeable about who we are is that God formed us in our mother's womb. Unless understanding of ourselves begins with this solid fact about ourselves, our knowledge will always be incomplete. John the Baptist and Jesus knew who they were and where they came from. This allowed them to understand their purpose and express their identity. To whom do you matter? If your primary answer is God then you are on your way to knowing who you are. Each of us has a purpose and mission to fulfill. See God as your strength and get about the business of meeting life's challenges.



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

Second Collection

Last weekend our second collection was for our Building and Maintenance Fund. Together we collected \$7433.

Loaves and Fishes

"Jesus guide me towards a life of love for all"
January 18-19, Vestibule
Contact: Cathy Kovarik, 916-353-0688

Let us share with the less fortunate. The designated cart will be in the vestibule this weekend. Especially requested are cup-of-soups, peanut butter and cheese crackers, hot chocolate and oatmeal packets, breakfast bars, raisins and fruit cups. Bibles, holy cards, rosaries and religious reading material also appreciated. Donations may be dropped off at the Parish Center during the week. The Divine Mercy Ministry continues to be grateful for your donations. They were able to serve over 300 homeless at Friendship Park last month! This breakfast program starts their day in a positive way with smiles of caring and food we bring from you!

SJND Scrip Gift Cards

Do you need a gift for someone special? Why not a gift card? We have over 60 to choose from! Before and after Mass you can purchase Scrip cards from over 60 local merchants. You receive equal value of what you spend and the merchants donate back to St. John Notre Dame School! Check out the Scrip gift card list at the table in the vestibule. Thank you for your support!

Go to "Give" Online

Please remember that you can give single donations or recurring donations to our church, specifically to our ministries, or Diocesan appeals, etc. Please sign up on our website through the "Give" button.

*"Here I am, Lord;
I come to do your will. "
(Ps 40)*

Stewardship of Treasure the Lord Has Entrusted to Us

Weekly goal: \$25,529.00

Offering for Jan 11/12 is \$17,964
On-line donations are not included

Play That One Again

How many times have you sung the church song, "Here I Am, Lord"? If you grew up Catholic and are around my age (still 50!), the answer is more than you can count. The song that quotes various verses of Scripture is sung using guitar, piano, or organ, by cantors and choirs, in traditional and modern churches. It is truly a Catholic greatest hit of the modern Church. The question is how many times when singing the refrain have you really taken to heart what you were singing.

"Here I am, Lord; is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night." Like the biblical figure Samuel, we are responding to the call of God by asking for clarification that we are indeed the one being called. We then follow up the question with a profound statement: "I will go if You lead me." It is profound because we are pledging to our God that we are willing to go wherever He wants. We are accepting the challenge put forth in the U.S. Bishops' pastoral letter, "Stewardship: A Disciple's Response," to become mature disciples who respond to the call of Jesus Christ regardless of the cost. We have sung this pledge repeatedly for many years.

We never have any idea what God will call us to do and where to go. Sometimes the request can ask us for quite a lot. Hopefully, we respond like a mature disciple. If not, maybe we should reflect more the next time this song is played. The melody will not allow for the words, "I will see if I am busy and then decide to go if you lead me." Then again, I don't want to sing that to God, the source of all life anyway. Do you?

-Tracy Earl Welliver

Sharing the Gospel

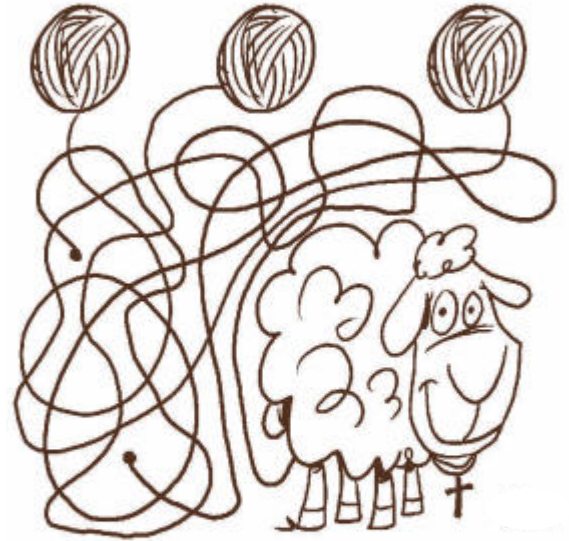
Imagine how excited John the Baptist must have felt after he baptized Jesus. He knew without a doubt that Jesus was God's Son. The very next day John told the crowds that Jesus would take away the sins of the world. God's people had eaten a Passover lamb every year to remember how God saved them from death in Egypt. Jesus was the Lamb of God. He frees you from your old sins and offers you new life with God.

Mission for the Week

Read the story about the very first Passover, when God saved the Hebrews from the Angel of Death (Exodus 12).

Puzzle

Which ball of yarn leads to the Lamb of God?



Prayer

Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus to take away my sins.



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

Welcoming Ministries

Communications Ministry

Loreen McMahon, 916-933-1330

Ministers of Hospitality

Shannon Bleeker, 916-200-8059

New Parishioner Welcoming Ministry

Lori Hopper, 916-337-0139

Ushers

Stanley Posis, 916-705-9192

Prayer Ministries

Companioned Prayer

Bill Stobbe, 916-505-3800

-Offered to Everyone, Tue, 3:30pm

Divine Mercy Devotion/Cenacle

Pat Koelfgen, 916-989-2915

-Chaplet/Rosary/Morning Prayer, Mon-Sat after 8:15 Mass, Divine Mercy Chapel

-Divine Mercy Chaplet/Mass, call for info

-Cenacle - Zoeanne Tafolla, 707-333-7359

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

Eucharistic Adoration

Veronica Thomas, thomas_vera@yahoo.com

-Adoration Chapel open Mon-Fri, 9am-8pm,

Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 7am-1pm. Perpetual

Adoration—1st Fri 9am through Sat 4pm.

Marian Cenacle (Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle)

-English - 1st Saturday of the month

Sally Gomez, 916-693-2411

-Spanish - 2nd Wednesday of the month

Ana Haid, 916-956-1177

Spiritual Growth Ministries

Adult Scripture Study

Lee & Teresa Weider, 916-983-8065

Marriage Encounter

Dennis & Carrie Crawford, 530-878-3744

-Faith-based program & couples weekend for marriage enrichment.

Praise & Worship

Sheila Fitzpatrick, sheilafitz1@yahoo.com

Religious Education

Shannon Langer, 916-985-7338

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Debbie Duncan, 916-798-0201

-Information & instruction on becoming a Catholic

Theology on Tap

Aaron Santos, Parish Office, 916-985-2065

WINGS (Women in Growth Spiritually)

Sue Collins, 916-337-6237

Youth/Young Adults Ministries

Aaron Santos, asantos@folsomcatholic.org

-Middle School/Edge, High School/Life Teen

Parish Committees/Councils

Finance Council

Elizabeth Beigh, 916-730-1291

Liturgy Committee

Barbara Bowden, 916-984-9476

Pastoral Council - Coming Soon.

Outreach/Charity Ministries

Bereavement Hospitality/Receptions

Nina Pucci, 916-947-6386

Catholics for Life

Kathy Baxter, 916-337-6824

Gabriel Project

Helen Boyd, 916-367-8071

-Aid pregnant mothers in need.

Grace Quilters Ministry

Catherine Scott, 831-402-4681

-Creating artistic lap quilts for infirmed, home bound members of our parish community.

Grupo Pastoral Hispano

Anna Haid, 916-956-1177

Knights of Columbus

Dick Phelan, 916-221-0596

Pastoral Care Ministry

Dan Dunne, 916-817-1675; Sunday

Candice Ralston, 916-806-8090; Tuesday

-Bring Eucharist to sick & homebound, T/Sun.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Catherine Scott, 831-402-4681

Prison/Restorative Justice Ministry

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

CSP Sacramento - Dcn Bill Goeke, 916-733-0262

School Ministry (St. John Notre Dame)

Keith Martin, Principal, 916-985-4129

Senior Visitation

Charlene Agles, charleneagles@gmail.com

-Visit homebound seniors in our community.

St. Vincent de Paul (Helping Hands)

John Knight, 916-985-4630

-Assistance to those in need in our community

Helping Hands - open MWF, 9-12pm

Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers

Hugo Schmidt, 916-817-4541

Children's Liturgy during Mass

Parish Office, 916-985-2065

Extraord. Ministers of Holy Communion

Steve & Maryanne Ashley, 916-939-7205

Lectors

Barbara or Charlotte Ferreira, 209-480-1153

Liturgical Environment

Arlette Peterson, 916-983-1389

Music - See choir director after Mass.

Additional Ministries

Children's Babysitting at Mass

Georgia Oatmeyer, 916-201-3193

Family Fellowship

Carol Stephenson, 916-952-6744

Gift Shop

Connie Aley, 916-984-9284

Women's Game Day

Roberta Puzio, 916-933-2561

-Join us for bridge, rummy, etc. Weds. 11:00am.

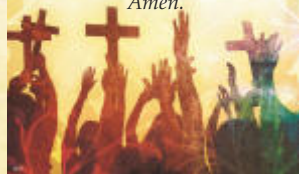
Please send ministry updates and corrections to Loreen McMahon, mcmahon510@comcast.net.

MINISTRIES

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

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR
Christian Unity**
JANUARY 18-25

*Our Father,
We seek you in so many ways
and places in our life.
We seek you for guidance and
for comfort.
But you have told us that
when there is hunger, it is up
to us to feed the hungry.
We ask you to help us see you
in other Christians and
humbly ask you for strength
in the search for what we
have in common.
Bless our efforts to look at all
the ways we are united in
faith, and grant us courage to
change our hearts and minds
to realize your will.
We ask all this through Christ
our Lord and brother, in the
name of the Father, and of the
Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.*



What Do the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul on January 25 and the End of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Have To Do With the Other?

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity consists of eight days beginning January 18 (at that time the feast of the Chair of Peter), and ending on January 25, the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. The Franciscan Friars of the Atonement, founded in the early twentieth century in Graymoor, NY, sought to promote unity among Anglicans and Roman Catholics. Paul James Wattson, a former Episcopalian priest, founded the community, which was formally accepted into the Catholic communion.

The idea for Christian unity soon began to catch on, and by the 1930s, more and more Christians welcomed such a focus. Suggestions for prayer and education are distributed each year, emphasizing a jointly chosen theme. The 1964 Vatican II document on ecumenism, Unitatis Redintegratio, gave a great boost to the octave, so that today many Christians worldwide promote and participate in the octave time of prayer.

The emphasis on both Peter and Paul aptly fits into the rationale of the octave. Peter is seen as the source of unity within the Christian tradition. Paul is highlighted to his vision of bringing all to Christ. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an ideal opportunity to pray for and promote respect, understanding, and, hopefully, eventual unity among Christians.

Ecumenical Panel & Prayer Service

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7pm Prayer Service with Bishop Mark Holmerud as the speaker
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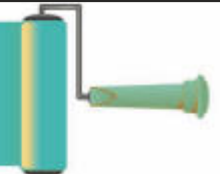
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