

# ST. MARY PARISH

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December 3, 2023

## Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM,  
11:00 AM, 5:00 PM

Monday - Saturday 8:00 AM

## Holy Days of Obligation

8:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 7:00 PM

## Confession

Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 PM

Or by appointment

## Adoration

First Sunday Holy Hour

12 Noon - 1:00 PM

First Fridays

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

## Infant Mary Chapel

Monday - Saturday

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

## Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Closed for lunch 12:30 - 1:30 pm



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# PARISH INFO

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## Sacrament + Formation Info

**Infant Baptism:** Baptism Preparation process: 1. Pick up the Baptism Registration Packet from the Parish Office during normal business hours. 2. Turn in completed paperwork to the Parish Office. 3. Attend Baptism Class (parents & godparents). 4. Schedule Baptism.

**CFF:** Catholic youth are formed through the Catholic Faith Formation program (CFF). Please contact Monica Saldana for info.

**Marriage:** Contact the Parish Office 6 months prior to desired wedding date.

**RCIA:** Process for adults and children (7+) who are interested in joining the Catholic Church, and baptized Catholics wanting to complete their Sacraments of Initiation. Please contact Michelle Mills at (916) 806-6876.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Contact the Parish Office.

## Online Giving



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# PARISH NEWS

## This Week at St. Mary Parish

### SUNDAY

RCIA Catechumenate Session ..... 10:00 am  
*Location: Marian Room*

@LIFED ..... 12:30 pm  
*Location: Holy Spouses Room*

### MONDAY

Prayer Request Group ..... 6:30 pm  
*Location: Holy Spouses Room*

### TUESDAY

Pastoral Council Meeting ..... 6:00 pm  
*Location: Rectory*

### WEDNESDAY

CFF Classes ..... 6:00 pm  
*Location: SMS*

Choir Rehearsal ..... 6:15 pm  
*Location: Holy Spouses Room*

SVdP Monthly Meeting ..... 6:30 pm  
*Location: Giovanni Hall*

### THURSDAY

Choir Rehearsal ..... 6:15 pm  
*Location: Holy Spouses Room*

### FRIDAY - IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (HDO)

Immaculate Conception Mass ..... 8:00 am  
*Location: Church*

Anna Ministry Meeting ..... 10:30 am  
*Location: Holy Spouses Room*

Immaculate Conception Mass ..... 12 noon  
*Location: Church*

Immaculate Conception Mass ..... 7:00 pm  
*Location: Church*

### SATURDAY

Confession ..... 3:30 pm  
*Location: Church*

### SUNDAY

Santa's Workshop & Bake Sale ..... 8 am - 1 pm  
*Location: Church*

RCIA Catechumenate Session ..... 10:00 am  
*Location: Marian Room*

## Welcome to St. Mary's!

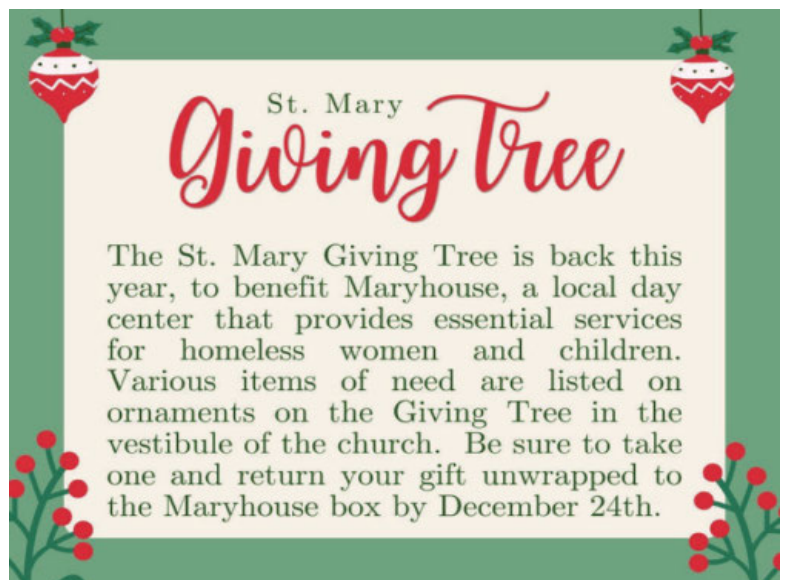
Thank you for joining us at St. Mary Parish! Whether you are visiting from another church or are new to the area, we are grateful you have chosen to worship with our faith community. If you would like to register as an official member of our parish family, please contact the parish office!

## Holy Day of Obligation

Friday, December 8th is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation. Please plan to join us at one of our three Masses: 8:00 am, 12 noon or 7:00 pm.



The graphic features a light purple background with a subtle pattern of white stars and snowflakes. At the top center, there are four purple candles of varying heights, each with a yellow flame. Below the candles, the text "Advent Penance Service" is written in a bold, purple, serif font. Underneath that, "Tuesday, December 12th" is written in a smaller, purple, serif font, and "6:30 pm" is written in a purple, serif font at the bottom.



The graphic has a green background with a white central area. At the top corners, there are red and white Christmas ornaments. The text "St. Mary Giving Tree" is written in a large, red, cursive font. Below this, the text "The St. Mary Giving Tree is back this year, to benefit Maryhouse, a local day center that provides essential services for homeless women and children. Various items of need are listed on ornaments on the Giving Tree in the vestibule of the church. Be sure to take one and return your gift unwrapped to the Maryhouse box by December 24th." is written in a green, serif font. At the bottom corners, there are green holly leaves and red berries.

St. Mary Parish & School

## **Santa's Workshop & Bake Sale**

Sunday, December 10th  
8:00 am - 1:00 pm in Giovanni Hall

### **Santa's Workshop**

Hosted by the St. Mary School Parent Club, there will be holiday crafts for kids to make & handcrafted treasures to purchase!

### **Altar Society Bake Sale**

Choose from a variety of fresh-baked goods, and beautiful, hand-embroidered kitchen towels!

**Admission is free & open to everyone, so stop by for some holiday cheer!**



# LITURGY & PRAYER

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## Mass Intentions

### Saturday Vigil, December 2

5:00 PM Kenneth Barnes † (*Mary Kassis*)

### Sunday, December 3

8:00 AM For our Parishioners (*St. Mary Parish*)

9:30 AM Kathryn Santillian † (*The Delaney Family*)

11:00 AM Sara De La Rosa † (*Nick & Milka B.*)

5:00 PM Howard Carson † (*Jane Anderson*)

### Monday, December 4

8:00 AM Ken Barnes † (*Joyce Spears & Family*)

Ted Porter † (*Ramon Aragon*)

### Tuesday, December 5

8:00 AM Jim Johnson † (*Ginny Johnson*)

Charles Lozano † (*Jennifer Jacky*)

### Wednesday, December 6

8:00 AM Emerson Avila DaRosa † (*Mary & Ken*)

Steve Porter † (*Ramon Aragon*)

### Thursday, December 7

8:00 AM Phyllis Andreotti † (*Tom & Sandra Melavic*)

Marjorie Woolfork † (*Kevin Woolfork*)

### Friday, December 8 - IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

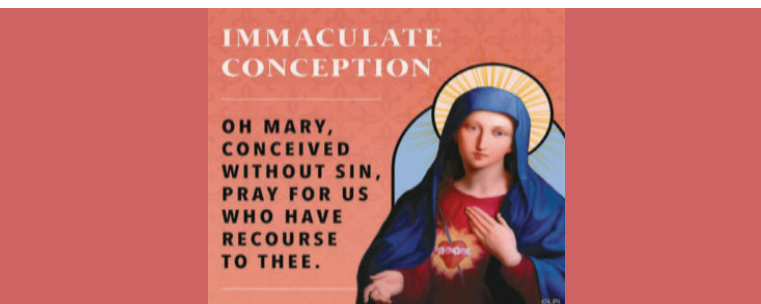
8:00 AM Grace Williams † (*Kathy Traversi*)

12 noon Michelle White (*Ginny Johnson*)

7:00 pm Moises Lozno † (*Cervantes Castillo Family*)

### Saturday, December 9

8:00 AM Anna Barbeau † (*Ron Pane Family*)



## Weekly Readings

**Sunday:** Is 63:16b-17, 19; 64:2-7; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37

**Monday:** Is 2:1-5; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

**Tuesday:** Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2,7-8,12-13,17; Lk 10:21-24

**Wednesday:** Is 25:6-10; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 15:29-37

**Thursday:** Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27; Mt 7:21, 24-27

**Friday:** Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

**Saturday:** Is 30:19-21,23-26; Ps147:1-6; Mt 9:35-10:1, 5-8

## Clergy Corner

Dear Members of St. Mary's Parish Family,

First, I thank each one of you for your prayers and blessings to obtain my Bi-ritual faculty from Rome.

As we enter the Advent season, we remember that restoring hope gives us peace in our lives. Jesus was born into our world to forgive us of our sins through His abundant love for us. May we joyfully celebrate the coming weeks and grow closer to Him. The Advent Season is all about reflecting on how we can prepare our hearts and homes for Christ's birth in the world as it is today. It is a time for faith communities and families to remember, through prayer, reflections, special music, and good deeds what the true meaning of Jesus' birth is.

During the four weeks of advent, the Church in her liturgy keeps reminding us of these basic truths of our faith. In helping us to prepare ourselves to welcome the birth of Christ. Every morning when we get up, let us pray, "Lord, show me someone today with whom I may share your love, mercy, and forgiveness." Mother Teresa of Calcutta once said, "Whatever you do in your family, for your children, for your husband, for your wife, you do for Jesus." Every night when we go to bed, let us ask ourselves, "Where have I found Christ today?" The answer will be God's Advent gift to us that day. By being alert and watchful we will receive an extra gift: Christ himself. Let us remember the saying of St. Thomas Aquinas: "Without God, I can't. Without me, He won't."

The traditional themes of Advent allow us—through meditation, prayer, and affirmation—to contemplate ways to share our deepest gifts: hope and faith, peace, love, and joy. Therefore, our constant prayer during this season as St. Paul constantly prayed should be "Maranatha!" COME LORD JESUS COME!

Peace be with you all.

Fr. George Mathai, CMI  
Parochial Vicar

## Online Worship Aid



Scan the QR code for access to this week's Worship Aid, that provides all of the liturgical content used for the Mass (readings, music, etc).

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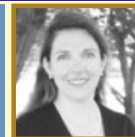


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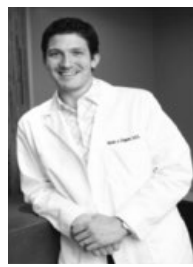
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