

Saint Victor Catholic Church

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Second Sunday of Advent - December 10, 2017

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*One
Family*



PRAY FOR PEACE

*In
Christ*

MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekday Mass 8:00 A.M.

Wednesdays: 6:30 P.M. Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion
7:00 P.M. Mass

First Friday: 7:30 P.M.

Saturday: 8:00 A.M. & 5:00 P.M.

Sunday: 7:00, 8:00, 9:15, 10:45 A.M. (2nd Sunday-Children's Liturgy), 12:15 P.M., 5:00 P.M. (2nd Sunday of September thru 2nd Sunday of June)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: First Friday 8:30 A.M. until 8:00 A.M. Saturday

CONFESSIONS: Saturday afternoons: 3:30-4:30 P.M.

First Friday: 8:30 A.M. or by appointment

[Second Saturday: 2000 Hail Mary Devotion, 9 A.M.-5 P.M.—Chapel]

[First Saturday: Anointing of the Sick at 8:00 A.M. Mass]

ST. VICTOR SCHOOL: 1-408-251-1740

Hours: 8:00 A.M.-3:30 P.M., Monday through Friday

Principal: Mrs. Patricia Wolf

School Advisory Council President:

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ALTAR SOCIETY PRESIDENT: Lisa Miller 1-408-506-6653

ALTAR SERVER COORDINATOR: Joyce Denzel 1-408-259-4165

COMMUNION MINISTRY TO THE SICK:

Sister Sara Michael 1-408-928-1632

LECTOR/COMMUNION MINISTER COORDINATOR:

Carl Bugarin 1-408-251-3461

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ADULT MINISTRY:

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Parent Preparation Class Required—preferably prior to birth of child

MARRIAGES: Arranged at least 6-12 months in advance

Marriage Preparation Class: Adora & Eric Tigmo 1-408-251-7055

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Hours: 8:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday

8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Wednesday (Class Days)

8:30 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. Saturday (Class Days)

Director: Angela Giampaoli

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Second Sunday of Advent December 10, 2017



Like a shepherd he feeds his flock

A voice proclaims: "In the wilderness
prepare the way of the LORD!
Make straight in the wasteland a
highway for our God!
Every valley shall be lifted up, every
mountain and hill made low;
The rugged land shall be a plain, the
rough country, a broad valley."
Isaiah 40:3-4

NEWS OF COMFORT

In a time of preparation, much of it having to do with material things, it is good to hear the words of Isaiah, "Comfort, give comfort to my people, / says your God" (Isaiah 40:1). In a time of such stress and rush, when our usual burdens are augmented by piles of Christmas preparations, we can choose to slow down, take some time to heal, and appreciate the enormous gift we are about to receive. Christ, the Son of God, has become one of us, and knows our human limitations. Yet God, even now, is freeing us from the burdens that our inattentiveness to our God and to our deepest inner longings have heaped upon us. The Lord comes, not as a king with mighty armies, but as a shepherd leading the flocks with care and tenderness. Isaiah prophesies good news: our oppression is over, our sins forgiven. The savior we have awaited is coming, not the first time, but in the end times, as our salvation.

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PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD

Saint Peter shows us a characteristic of God that we normally do not think about. He tells us that for God, "a day is like a thousand years and a thousand years like one day" (1 Peter 3:8). Because early Christians sometimes complained that Jesus' second coming had been delayed, Peter is trying to tell us that what seems like a long time to us is nothing to God.



Like the early Christians, we may wonder how long it will take for God to answer our prayers. We may be praying for someone who is looking for a job, a sick relative, an end to abortion, or world peace. Some prayers require us to change, and we may not be ready.

What Peter means is that a thousand years is not too long for God if someone needs that long to repent. God is far more patient than we are. God has been "waiting" over two thousand years for us to preach the gospel to all nations. God has been waiting for millennia for people to give up war as a means for solving our problems. God has been waiting since the beginning of the human race for us to learn how to love our neighbor.

We might not be as patient as God, but we can help. Saint Peter says that we are not just waiting for the Lord's return, we are hastening it. When we make a choice that is based on faith rather than selfishness, we make it a little easier for people to believe in God. Jesus is the light of the world; he asks us to let our light shine, so that people can see Jesus in us. May our light "prepare the way of the Lord" (Mark 1:3).

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

December 17, 2017

Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11
1 Thessalonians 5:16-24
John 1:6-8, 19-28



Stewardship Report Week ending 12/3/17

Offertory by Mass

Saturday	5:00 PM	\$2,417.50
Sunday	7:00 AM	\$2,467.00
Sunday	8:00 AM	\$1,522.00
Sunday	9:15 AM	\$2,747.00
Sunday	10:45 AM	\$2,591.00
Sunday	12:15 PM	\$1,847.00
Sunday	5:00 PM	\$1,337.00
Received in Office		\$1,541.40
Parish Pay Receipts		\$1,377.43
Adjustment		\$221.00
Total		\$18,068.33
Weekly Goal		\$16,250.00

Percent of Goal - 111.19%

Second Collection: Building & Maintenance Fund - \$5,079.50

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Christmas Altar Flower Donations Needed

Donations for the Altar Society Flowers may be made in our CHRISTMAS FLOWERS envelopes located on the tables around the Church. Your contribution will help defray some of the expenses used for beautifying the Church at this special time of the year. Please make checks payable to St. Victor's Altar Society and place these envelopes in the collection basket or take them to the Rectory Office. Thank you!



Advent Reconciliation Service

All parishioners are invited to an Advent Reconciliation Service on Tuesday, December 19 at 7:00 pm in the church. The service will include scripture readings, time for reflection and individual confession and absolution. Come and experience the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the community setting during this season of Advent.



There will be an Usher's Meeting on
Tuesday, December 12th at 7:00 pm in
the 8th Grade Classroom.



School and Development News
K-8 Core Curriculum
Religion, Science, Math, Music, Language Arts,
Physical Education, Social Studies, Art

St. Victor School applications are still being accepted for the 2017-2018 school year for Preschool and Grades K-8. Please contact the school at 408-251-1740 or email pwolf@stvictor.org

Do you have alumni news you would like to share with the St. Victor Community? Email development@stvictor.org

St. Victor does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national or ethnic origin, age, sex, or disability in the admission of students, the administration of educational policies, scholarship, and loan programs, and athletic or other school-administered programs.



Please pray for the sick, seriously ill and hospitalized members of our parish family, including those preparing for or recovering from surgical procedures and tests, especially **Deacon Mel Magat, Pete McGreevy, Betty Mazzula, George Mastrini, Bill Wagner, Robert Florio, Claire Rino, David Ojeda, Carlos Solomon, Lynette Murphy, Janet Azevedo, and Betty Bontigao.**

May God grant them speedy recovery.

St. Victor Parish Community would like to extend their sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of **Rogelia Hamilton, Robert Diaz, and Macaria Carpio** who recently passed away.



This weekend's sanctuary flowers are offered by Alvin and Myrna Sare in celebration of their wedding anniversary and the family December birthday celebrants.

If you would like to donate flowers for the Altar in memory of a loved one, in thanksgiving or in celebration of a baptism, birthday, or anniversary, please call Kitty Brady @ 408-259-8846 for information. Suggested donation is \$125-150.



New Shared Scripture Studies Beginning in January 2018!

Our Shared Scripture/Adult Faith Formation program provides you with life-changing opportunities to draw closer to Jesus Christ – the Way, the Truth and the Life. This January, our Parish will be providing two faithful, dynamic studies:

"Follow Me – Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John" is an 8-part study which is a guide to a personal encounter with Christ. Jesus wants you to be more than just a believer—he wants you to be his disciple and friend. *Follow Me* invites you to experience the joy of a renewed friendship with Christ. (Facilitators: Sam Milan, Lisa Miller, Trevor Burke, Mary Morris).

"Follow Me" will be offered on Sundays from 10:15am to Noon beginning on January 7th, or on Tuesdays from 9:00am to 11:00am beginning on January 9th, or on Thursdays from 7:30 to 9:00pm beginning on January 11th. Classes will be held in the Parish Center.

"The Roots of the Reformation" is a 10-part study which will review the roots of the Reformation as we survey the faith communities of our Separated Brethren. (Facilitator: Trevor Burke) The study will be offered on Wednesdays from 7:00 to 9:00pm beginning on January 10th. Classes will be held in the Parish Center.

This weekend is the last day to drop off gifts for the Giving Tree. Please bring the unwrapped gift or gift card in a bag with the tag from the Giving Tree on the bag.



We welcome new members of our Parish family who were baptized last week:

- Caden Louise Cansino Aguja**
- Candace Lourraine Cansino Aguja**
- Natasha Vy Ngo**
- Joseph Theo Tien Nguyen**
- Aleah Rielle Reyes**

St. Victor Catholic Church
OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE SOCIETY



You are invited to join in the celebration honoring

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Sunday, December 10th @ 12:15pm Mass


St. Victor Catholic Church
 3108 Sierra Road, San Jose, CA

Lunch will be served in the Parish Hall immediately after Mass.

Combination Plate: Tamales, Rice, Beans and Salad
Adults: \$5:00 Children: \$4:00

Live Entertainment by Los Dominos during dinner.

For more information, call Mary Ellen Esparza at 408-923-7179



Festival of Lessons and Carols

Let us join as one community to prepare for Christmas featuring a Scriptural overview of Salvation History along with traditional carols.



Peace on Earth

Friday, December 15 at St. Victor Church
7:00 P.M.
All are welcome.

Refreshments will be served after the service.

Monday, December 11, 2017

8:00am Joseph Chuong Nguyen †
Cecilia Jennifer Long Nguyen †
Dominic Huong Pham †
Yeong Hsiang Syu †
Paul Ho †
Andrew Caday (birthday)
Josephine Estrada Brown (death anniversary)

Tuesday, December 12, 2017

8:00am Joseph Chuong Nguyen †
Cecilia Jennifer Long Nguyen †
Francis Hare †
Charles Heinz (healing)

Wednesday, December 13, 2017

8:00am Joseph Chuong Nguyen †
Cecilia Jennifer Long Nguyen †
Mary Len Pham †
Peter Chen (birthday thanksgiving)
Joseph G. Estrada (death anniversary)
Jonas & Heather Bernardino (3rd year wedding anniversary)

7:00pm Danilo Nolasco †
Celing Gonzales †
Special Intention of Thanksgiving
Boon Yong Lim (death anniversary)

Thursday, December 14, 2017

8:00am Joseph Chuong Nguyen †
Cecilia Jennifer Long Nguyen †
Antonio Gamab, Sr. †
Abigail Roble †
Rupert Ramos (1st year death anniversary)
Louis Paganini (birthday memorial)

Friday, December 15, 2017

8:00am Joseph Chuong Nguyen †
Cecilia Jennifer Long Nguyen †
Gil Gundran †
Thanksgiving for Lam Vu Family
J. Norman G. Fernandez (birthday)

Saturday, December 16, 2017

8:00am Cecilia Jennifer Long Nguyen †
Joseph Chuong Nguyen †

5:00pm Manh Nguyen †
Judith Silveira (healing)

Sunday, December 17, 2017

7:00am For the Parishioners of St. Victor Parish

8:00am Maria & Manuel Alves †
Olympio Reyes †
Vincent Manh Nguyen †

9:15am Mac Senh Kin †
Reno & Lee Mazzanti †
Eduino Silva †
Ronald Caditan †
Cecilia Abastos †

10:45am Mauricio Bustamante †

12:15pm Joseph Chuong Nguyen †
Paulo Azevedo †
Maria Fatima Moitoso †
Annalisa Villas †

5:00pm Raymond Hebron †



Come and Join our Simbang Gabi, Novena of Masses before Christmas

Our parish community at St. Victor will celebrate Simbang Gabi (pre-dawn worship) from **December 16—24, 2017**. The theme of the Novena of Masses is JESUS, the Word made flesh, the leader and perfecter of faith (Heb 12.2—NAB). Our theme will enable us to go back to the roots of our Christmas celebrations and thus help us put JESUS CHRIST as the Center of Christmas and the Reason for the beautiful Season. This is a significant moment because it strengthens relationships among family members. It is also a time when our faith is intensified.

MASS DATE and TIME

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| • 6:00 AM | Saturday, December 16 | Fr. Jonathan Cuarto |
| • 5:30 AM | Sunday, December 17 | Msgr. Willie Manrique |
| • 6:00 AM | Monday, December 18 | Fr. Anthony Uytingco |
| • 6:00 AM | Tuesday, December 19 | Fr. Noel Sanvicente |
| • 6:00 AM | Wednesday, December 20 | Fr. Joseph Page |
| • 6:00 AM | Thursday, December 21 | Fr. Gener Geronimo |
| • 6:00 AM | Friday, December 22 | Fr. Allen Navarro |
| • 6:00 AM | Saturday, December 23 | Fr. Michael Gazzingan |
| • 5:30 AM | Sunday, December 24 | Fr. Mark Gazzingan |

If you would like to help host the
SIMBANG GABI breakfast or if you can volunteer,
please contact Edsel Dumanig at 408-838-9061



Grief Support Group

- *Are you grieving over a loss in your life?
-a death or divorce or job loss?*
- *Do you feel lost or lonely because of your loss?*
- *Would you like to join with others who are also
experiencing a loss?*

**St. Victor's Parish Bereavement Ministry invites you
to a Grief Support Program entitled:**

Seasons of Hope

**The seven sessions for Season #1 will meet
every Monday evening
from 7:00 PM-8:30 PM, usually in the Parish Office
or in the small room of the Parish Center**

The dates for this series in 2017 are:

- **January 8, (off on Jan. 15), 22, 29**
- **February 5, 12, (off on Feb. 19), February 26**
- **March 5 and 12**

*To register, please call the parish office (408) 251-7055 or
contact Sister Sara for more information.*

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