



Saint Victor Catholic Church

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 Office Hours: 8:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M. Monday-Friday
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Christmas — The Nativity of the Lord December 25, 2016

Rev. Mark Gazzingan, Pastor — mgazzingan@dsj.org
 Rev. Vincent Tinh Dang, Pastoral Associate
 Rev. Peter Seimas, Ph.D., Pastoral Associate
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Business Manager: Alice Trigg Bookkeeper: Rosalinda Nieva
 Catechetical Ministry Clerk : Christine Pashby

Administrative Assistants: Irmina Carpio & Tammy Nelson
 Maintenance Supervisor: James Weismann

MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekday Mass 8:00 A.M.

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

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

CONFESSIONS: Saturday afternoons: 3:30-4:30 P.M.
 First Friday: 8:30 A.M. or by appointment

First Friday: 7:30 P.M.

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

Saturday: 8:00 A.M. & 5:00 P.M. **[First Saturday:** Anointing of the Sick at 8:00 A.M. Mass]

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--2nd Sunday of June)

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:
 Marc Evanchik 1-650-455-8442

HALL COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE:
 Alice Trigg 1-408-923-3922

LITURGICAL MINISTRY:
ALTAR SOCIETY PRESIDENT: Judi Smith 1-408-859-0556
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
USHER COORDINATOR: Bill Frey 1-408-926-4952

ADULT MINISTRY:
BAPTISMS: By appointment only 1-408-251-7055
 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
RCIA/CHILDREN'S CATECHUMENATE:
 Sister Sara Michael 1-408-928-1632

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: Angie Ahmad 1-408-258-2552
VIETNAMESE CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:
 Trieu Pham 1-408-729-0441

LAY CARMELITE COORDINATOR: Alphonse Gokey 1-408-772-6711
LEGION OF MARY: Grace Valdez 1-408-209-3944
SHARED SCRIPTURE PROGRAM: Mary Morris 1-408-251-9931
COUPLES FOR CHRIST: Eli P. Macasiray 1-408-441-8036
MARIAN PRAYER GROUP: Claire Hare 1-408-258-1736
EVANGELIZATION COMMITTEE: Trevor Burke 1-408-945-1044
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Tom Pearson 1-408-667-3495

**DIOCESE OF SAN JOSE, OFFICE FOR THE PROTECTION OF
 CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS: 1-408-983-0113
 Emergency Line 1-408-983-0141**

MINISTRY TO YOUTH—CATECHETICAL MINISTRY: 1-408-251-0165
 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
 Early Childhood: Anne Gleason
 Elementary: Anne Gleason
 Junior High: Debbie Santos
 Sacrament Coordinator: Anne Gleason
 Confirmation Coordinator: Angela Giampaoli
 Special Ed needs: Angela Giampaoli
 Catechetical Ministry Board: Len Alvear
 Children's Liturgy of the Word: Fe Magat

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY:
 MINISTRY COORDINATOR: Debbie Santos 1-408-251-0165


SCOUTS:
SCOUTING COMMITTEE COORDINATOR:
 Dave Bunger 1-408-923-3115
BSA SCOUT MASTER: Mike Nelson 1-408-937-9987
CUB SCOUT MASTER: James Mayled 1-408-806-5314

SOCIAL MINISTRY:
GUADALUPE SOCIETY PRESIDENT: Elizabeth Craft 1-408-679-1037

VIETNAMESE CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION OF ST. VICTOR:
 Trieu Pham 1-408-729-0441
CHINESE COMMUNITY OF ST. VICTOR CHURCH:
 Kam Chow 1-408-824-8963
ST. VICTOR FESTIVAL: Edsel Dumanig 1-408-838-9061

COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRIES:
SOCIAL JUSTICE CONCERNS: 1-408-251-7055
GALVATE CATHOLIC CEMETERY 1-408-258-2940
CARE OF HEAVEN CATHOLIC CEMETERY 1-650-428-3730
BEREAVEMENT/HOME BOUND VISITS: Sister Sara 1-408-928-1632
ST. VINCENT de PAUL - ST. VICTOR CONFERENCE 1-408-389-7027

**A Savior
has been born
for you**



**The Nativity of
the Lord
December 25, 2016**

The light shines in
the darkness,
and the darkness
has not
overcome it.

— John 1:5

THE GIFT OF GOD'S WORD

On this day of gifts and gift-giving, it seems appropriate that we take a moment to reflect on the great gift of God's Word. Because it is creative, God's Word always points to its author, always calls us to respond. Because it is powerful, God's Word can link the sublime with the ridiculous, the transcendent with the immanent, the divine with the human. Because it is graceful, God's Word establishes a relationship of deep intimacy between us and God.

At the heart of God's Word lies a tantalizing tension between the mysterious and the mundane. In our liturgical celebration, this unresolved tension both reveals the meaning of life for us and calls us to respond, to act upon that meaning.

Once accepted and opened, the gift of God's Word is a gift that keeps on giving and keeps on calling us to give in return. It dares us to be like the gift-giver and to become gifts for others, not only at Christmas, but at every moment of life.

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What is Christmas? Over the years because of commercialism, we have slowly misinterpreted the meaning of Christmas. We have misinterpreted it as a season to go beyond our financial means just to give a gift; we have misinterpreted it as a season that we have to give something material to make others happy; we have misinterpreted it as THE season of giving. I have read somewhere what Christmas truly means: *"Every time a hand reaches out to help another, that is Christmas. Every time someone puts anger aside and strives for understanding and forgiveness, that is Christmas. Every time people forget their differences and realize their love for each other, that is Christmas. Every time we become a source of peace and love, that is Christmas. Every time we give ourselves unconditionally to love, serve and forgive, that is Christmas."*

I would like to thank all of you my dear parishioners for yet again a great and wonderful year of love and support to our parish. May this Christmas bring us closer to the blessings which the Child Jesus came to bring in our lives and in our world. And may this spirit live in all of us today and everyday in our lives and share this with everyone we encounter.

Fr. Mark

**PLEASE!
NOTE**

The Parish Office will be closed on **Monday, December 26, Friday, December 30 and Monday, January 2.**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

January 1, 2017

Numbers 6:22-27

Galatians 4:4-7

Luke 2:16-21

School and Development News

Enroll Now for 2016-2017

K-8 Core Curriculum

Religion, Science, Math, Music, Language Arts,
Physical Education, Social Studies, Art



Application information is available online at: www.stvictorschool.org. A \$200 application fee is required. A kindergarten child needs to be the age of 5 by September 1, 2017 for the 2017-2018 school year.



The U.n.I. Lord Youth & Young Adult Ministry, along with the Knights of Columbus, will be holding their Annual Coat Drive on Sunday, January 8, 2017 from 8:00 am - 1:30 pm in our Parish Center to benefit Sacred Heart Community. New or gently used coats for men, women & children will be accepted.

Coming soon! Three adult faith formation classes will begin in January:

"Knowing the Catholic Faith" — will meet on Thursdays from 7:30—9:00 pm, beginning January 12th.

"Living the Catholic Faith" — will meet on Tuesdays from 9:00 — 10:30 am, beginning January 3rd.

"Peter" — 2 days/time offered — will meet on Wednesdays from 7:00—9:00 pm, beginning January 11th **and** on Sundays from 10:15 am—noon, beginning January 15th.

For more information, call Trevor Burke at (408) 945-1044 or email popesboy@gmail.com. Registration is available online.

Grief Support Group

Have you recently lost a loved one? Would you like to join with others who are grieving? Do you feel lost or lonely since your loved one died?



St. Victor Parish Bereavement Ministry is offering a Grief Support Group, led by Fr. Peter. We will begin our 10-week program on Monday, January 9, 2017 from 7:00 –8:30 pm. The program will be held in the chapel behind the Church. Please contact the Parish Office to register.



Walk for Life West Coast 2017

Join fellow Catholics and Pro-Lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the littlest among us at the 13th Annual Walk for Life West coast in San Francisco on January 21, 2017. The pre-walk rally begins at 12:30 pm in San Francisco's Civic Center Plaza, and the Walk, down the city's Market Street, begins at 1:30 pm. Last year's Walk drew 50,000+ people. This year we are honored to welcome Pam Tebow, pro-life activist and mother of Heisman Trophy winner Tim Tebow, as one of our speakers. For complete information about the Walk, visit www.walkforlifewc.com or call 415-658-1793.

Monday, December 26, 2016

8:00am Elizabeth Gasmin ☩
 Cecilia Jennifer Long Nguyen ☩
 Joseph Chung Nguyen ☩
 Natividad Family (Thanksgiving)
 Jay Rousseau (special intention)



Tuesday, December 27, 2016

8:00am Manuel Augusto (death anniversary)
 Cecilia Jennifer Long Nguyen ☩
 Felix & Enriqueta Garzon ☩
 Joseph Chung Nguyen ☩
 Joseph Ha Do ☩

Wednesday, December 28, 2016

8:00am Theresa Heinz
 Joseph Chung Nguyen ☩
 Cecilia Jennifer Long Nguyen ☩
 Rodolfo Nano Family (Thanksgiving)
 Joseph Ha Do ☩
 7:00pm Richard Shively ☩
 Hieu Hau Family (special intention)
 Claudia Vadas (healing)

Thursday, December 29, 2016

8:00am John Correa ☩
 Crescencia Yago (1st year death anniversary)
 Kelly & Carlito Maximo ☩
 Cecilia Jennifer Long Nguyen ☩
 Joseph Chung Nguyen ☩
 Antolin Maximo Family (Thanksgiving)

Friday, December 30, 2016

8:00am Eufemia L. Ikan (1st year death anniversary)
 Peter Doyle (1st year death anniversary)
 Raymundo Soriano (death anniversary)
 Josefina Medina ☩
 Esmyrna De La Cruz (birthday)
 Kristina Nguyen (30th birthday)
 Cecilia Jennifer Long Nguyen ☩

Saturday, December 31, 2016

8:00am Cecilia Jennifer Long Nguyen ☩
 Sergio Cenario (death anniversary)
 Luciana & Amparo Jaramillo
 Anthony Tran
 Sy & Manarpaac Family (Thanksgiving)
 Dominic Duc Hai Nguyen (special intention)
 5:00pm Mary L. Costa ☩
 Benjamin Maynigo ☩
 Diep Lan Huong ☩
 Baltazar Bernales (40th day death anniversary)
 All Souls

Sunday, January 1, 2017

7:00am For the Parishioners of St. Victor Parish
 8:00am Alphonse Tin Vu ☩
 Thanksgiving & Peace for the Nguyen Family
 9:15am Joseph Nguyen ☩
 Anna Maria Nguyen ☩
 Martin Nguyen ☩
 10:45am Rufino and Eva Pomar Rebong
 Jesusa Agnes Nano Family (Thanksgiving)
 Criseta L. & Laurentino R. Cuaresma ☩
 12:15pm Vinh Bui ☩
 Cam Doan ☩
 Ken Montoya ☩
 5:00pm Victorio & Elnora Rafanan ☩

Prayers for our St. Victor Parish Community:



Please continue to pray for the sick, seriously ill, and hospitalized members of our parish family, especially for **Deacon Mel Magat, Bernadette Tan, Pete McGreevy, Josie Jimenez, Chloe Bermudez, and Jane Azevedo.**

We welcome the new member of our Parish family who was baptized last week:



Xkie Aeron Biagtan

Wedding Anniversary Celebration



Bishop Patrick J. McGrath invites couples who are celebrating their **5th (or less), 25th, 40th or 50th** (or more) **Wedding Anniversaries in 2017** to a Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Joseph on February 4th, at 2:00 P.M. The couples will be invited to renew their wedding vows and will receive a blessing from Bishop Patrick McGrath who will preside over the celebration. A short reception will follow after.

For more information, call Annie Bui at 408-983-0126.
 Registration forms are available at the Rectory Office.

Pre-registration is required by January 20, 2017

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, wedding or anniversary, please call Kitty Brady @ 408-259-8846 for information. Suggested donation is \$125-\$150.



Spiritual Care Volunteer Training

January 4 from 5:00—7:00 pm

If you have a heart for compassionate listening and the ability to give 2 hours per week to patients in need of spiritual care while in the hospital, Valley Medical Center could use your help. We are looking for mature men and women in good standing in their own faith tradition and able to provide support to people from a variety of backgrounds. Volunteers receive five free classes in empathic listening before beginning practice and are supervised by qualified experienced chaplains. The next training begins January 4 and ends on Feb 1 from 5:00-7:00 pm at the hospital. Please call 408.885.6996 to sign up.

Looking for the 2017 Longest Married Couple!



Why? Because Worldwide Marriage Encounter, for the seventh year in a row, is conducting the Longest Married Couple Project. What an opportunity to honor couples married 50, 60 or 70+ years! And just maybe a couple who you know could be either the state or national winner. Winners will be honored during Valentine's Day Week, 2017. Nominations are open now through January 10, 2017. The nomination process is simple - just email the couple's names, wedding date and city they live in along with your contact information to wwwmelmc2017@gmail.com. It's that easy. Or, you can go to the wwwmelmc.com website for more information.

Next Week's Second Collection is for

St. Victor Parish Building & Maintenance Fund