# Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 23, 2018



**DAILY GOSPEL READINGS** 

Dec. 24-28, 2018

**Mon:** Luke 2:1-14

**Tues:** Luke 2:1-14

**Wed:** Mt 10:17-22

Thurs: Jn 20:1a,2-8 Friday: Mt 2:13-18

Micah proclaims the coming of a shepherd from the small town of Bethlehem. The prophet tells us that he will be strong, shepherd his flock and be peace! This Shepherd King of Peace, Son of God, will be born to young Mary of Nazareth, chosen by God and filled with the Holy Spirit. With our Savior in her womb, Mary travels through the hill country to visit and care for her much older cousin, Elizabeth, also with child. The visitation in today's gospel is a unique and beautiful encounter between two blessed women of faith. The

First Reading: Micah 5:1-4a; Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; Second Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10; Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

"He Shall Be Peace."

Spirit of God is present and acting on behalf of humanity. The God that Mary and Elizabeth praise, the God of Peace, promises to free the poor and the powerless. A time of fulfillment has begun for God's people!

Mary and Elizabeth sets the stage for us as believers. We too encounter and proclaim the gift and endless joy of Emmanuel—God with us. In the words of Elizabeth, "Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." Our Christian life is a journey beyond ourselves. Like Mary, moved by the Spirit, we bring God's love and peace to all the world!

# **Our Special Mass Schedule for Christmas**



Monday, December 24 Christmas Eve

4:30 pm Mass

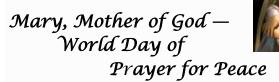
6:30 pm Christmas Concert 7:00 pm Mass

> Tuesday, December 25 Christmas Morning

> > 9:00 am Mass

11:15 am Mass (Bilingual)

New Year's Day, January 1, 2019



Special 12 Noon Mass (Bilingual)

# **Blessing of a Christmas Manger or Nativity** Scene

The custom of displaying figures depicting the birth of Jesus Christ owes its origin to St. Francis of Assisi, who made the Christmas crèche or manger for Christmas Eve of 1223.

God of every nation and people, from the very beginning of creation you have made manifest your love: when our need for a Savior was great you sent your Son to be born of the Virgin Mary. To our lives he brings joy and peace, justice, mercy, and love.

Lord,

bless all who look upon this manger; may it remind us of the humble birth of Jesus, and raise our thoughts to him, who is God-with-us and Savior of all, and who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.

"We must not be wise and prudent according to the flesh, but, instead, we must be simple, humble and pure." —Saint Francis of Assisi

"The Redeemer has come into the world to do this wonderful work. He became one of us. More than this, he became one with us. For this is the marvelous thing about the human race, that we are all one. He came to be one mysterious body with us: he our head, we his members."



—Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein)

## Welcome to Our Lady of Mount Carmel!

If you are new to our Parish we are very happy to have you with us! Please register as a member of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel so that we can get to know you better. Registration forms are available at the main entrance of the church. Thank you.

### Lectors and Ministers of the Eucharist Needed

We are always in need of more parishioners to serve as Lectors or Ministers of the Eucharist for our Saturday and Sunday Masses. Training will be provided. Please speak with Fr. Dennis if you would like to serve in one of the ministries. Thank you.

# Bishop Daniel Garcia to be Installed as Bishop of the Diocese of Monterey

We are very happy that Bishop Daniel Garcia will be installed as the Fifth Bishop of the Diocese of Monterey on Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at 2:00 pm at Madonna del Sasso Pro Cathedral in Salinas. Archbishop Jose Gomez, Metropolitan Archbishop of Los Angeles, will preside at the Installation Mass, in the presence of Archbishop Christophe Pierre, Apostolic Nuncio to the United States.

Bishop Daniel will use the next two months to complete his ministry in Texas, where he serves as Auxiliary Bishop for the Diocese of Austin. He will officially become the Bishop of Monterey upon his installation on January 29th. Please remember Bishop Daniel Garcia, our Diocese, and the Church throughout the world in your prayers.

## **Weekly Offertory Report**

**Dec. 16:** Offertory \$2,886; Building Fund \$75; Grounds & Bldg. Maintenance \$750; Social Outreach (Hope's Pantry, Manna, etc.) \$835; Other \$5,456; Total \$10,002.

## Mass Intentions Dec 22-28, 2018

Sat 4:30 pm Kim Davila - Health Sun 9:00 am +Helen Luedtke

11:15 am Sick and homebound

5:00 pm +Emma Solano

Wed 7:00 am Communion Service

Thu 7:00 am Communion Service

Fri 7:00 am Communion Service



#### ANUNCIOS ESPECIALES

Misa en Español: Cada domingo a las 5:00 pm.

Bautismos, Bodas, Presentaciones, Quinceañeras: Favor de hablar con Padre Dennis - 831-659-2224.

Confesiones: Los sábados a las 3:30 pm y por cita.

Coro: Todos los músicos están invitados cada domingo antes de la Misa de 5 pm, a las 4:15 pm.

#### **Las Posadas:**

Las posadas concluirán en Cachagua hoy, el domingo, 23 de dic., con la Misa de 5 pm.

¡Acompáñenos!

## Horario Especial de La Navidad

La Noche Buena el lunes, 24 de diciembre



4:30 pm—Misa en Ingles 6:30 pm—Concierto Navideño y Misa a las 7:00 pm en Ingles

La Navidad por la Mañana el martes, 25 de diciembre

9:00 am—Ingles 11:15 am—Misa Especial Bilingüe

Después de habernos preparado durante el Adviento, celebramos con gozo el nacimiento de Jesús: la Palabra eterna de Dios asume nuestra naturaleza humana, el Dios eterno entra en el tiempo como niño pobre y vulnerable—el Salvador del mundo—¡Emmanuel, Dios Con Nosotros!

# Youth Corner (Luke 1:39-45) O Come, Emmanuel!

Mary, a young teenager, was chosen by God to be the mother of Jesus, the Son of God. God has chosen us, too! We also carry the amazing power of God's life dwelling in us. Like Mary and Elizabeth, we are called by God to be a source of joy and blessings for others. May we bring Christ to those most in need of his love and peace at Christmas and during the year ahead.

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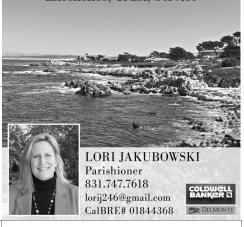
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**Pastor: Father Dennis Gallo** 

## Mass Schedule Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 9 am, 11:15 am, 5 pm (Spanish)

Weekday Masses:

Wednesday through Friday 7 am

#### Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm and by appointment

#### **Office Hours**

Wednesday through Friday 9 am – 12 pm; 2 – 4 pm

#### **Pastoral Council:**

Jeff Hawkins, *Chair*, Lori Jakubowski, *Secretary*, Tess Arthur, Concepción Jara, Alondra Klemek, Adele Margolis, Dede Woodhead

#### **Faith Formation:**

First Communion Year 1:

Patricia Merrifield, Kim Hlasny

First Communion Year 2:

Lorena Cabrera, Esther Valdez

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#### **Music Ministry:**

Kayleen Turner (4:30 pm Sat., 5:00 pm Sunday Mass) Louis Lebherz, *Director*, George Peterson, *Piano* (9:00 am and 11:15 am Masses)

Lectors: Dede Woodhead

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