



**December 15, 2019**  
*Third Sunday of ADVENT*

### *Masses*

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 9:45am, 11:30am,  
1:15pm (Spanish), 6:30pm (Spanish)

Monday-Friday: 8:00am (English)

Wednesday: 6:00pm (Spanish)

Filipino 2nd Sunday: 3:00pm

Indonesian 4th Sunday: 3:00pm

### *Confessions*

Saturday: 4:00pm

Wednesday: 5:00pm

### *Adoration*

Thursday: 8:30am - 9:00pm

### *Pastor*

**Fr. Giovanni Gamas**

### *Parochial Vicar*

**Fr. Joseph Sebastian, C.M.I.**

### *Pastor Emeritus*

**Fr. Martin Moroney**

### *Deacons*

**Rev. Mr. Walter Little**

**Rev. Mr. Daniel Rangel**



# Formed

## OUR MISSION

*Devoted to Jesus Christ as disciples, we help others become disciples, and work to renew our culture.*

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent, December 15, 2019**  
**FORMED.ORG; sjvparish.formed.formed.org**

*Note: FORMED's parish wide study, "Opening of the Word" every Sunday from 9:30-11am in the Unity Room.  
Monday night's FORMED class from 6:30 to 8pm is open only to the parents of those children going to CCD.*



**Video Overview:** Who hasn't felt discouraged at some point in life; just as John the Baptist did when languishing in prison? He was wondering if all he said and done had any meaning after he recognized Jesus wasn't the Warrior-King to overthrow the Romans and restore Israel to glory. John's faith was shaken when he told his followers to ask Jesus, "Are you the one?" Jesus tells them to look at what he has done: healing the sick, raising the dead, bringing the good news to the poor. John immediately recognized those actions as the ones Isaiah prophesized. By focusing on those deeds, John knew Jesus was the one. Even though the plan wasn't going the way John thought it would, he could be comforted by knowing God was powerfully at work. Just as we too recognize also that the mission of Jesus is not to establish an earthly kingdom, but to restore us to the fullness of life.

**Featured Study (Use FORMED search tool):** Advent Reflections: Preparing for the Birth of Our Savior with Tim Gray

**Topics of Interest:** Jesus cites, the signs of the coming messianic age from Isaiah 35, as proof that his ministry is it. "Blessed is the one who takes no offense at me." Jesus makes a similar point when addressing the crowds after John's messengers depart. He asks, "What did you go out into the desert to see? A reed swayed by the wind?" The reed, a symbol for King Herod, suggested Herod had made a truce with the Romans, which would turn to Israel's advantage. Just as God had become a stumbling block to Israel then, Jesus would be now, because Jesus would not bend to the current political wind, as had Herod and the Jews who collaborated with Rome to maintain their power. God's people must turn to the messianic King who's coming and reign is signaled not by the rich trappings of a royal court, but by the lone voice of a prophet crying in the wilderness proclaiming the good news to the poor.



# Homily Notes

Sunday Readings:

**1st Reading:** Is 35:1-6a, 10 (7A)

**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10

**2nd Reading:** Jas 5:7-10

**Gospel:** Mt 11:2-11



# School

**St. John Vianney School**  
[www.sjvschool.org](http://www.sjvschool.org)



Many individuals will make charitable donations late in the calendar year to take advantage of tax benefits. If you are in a position to make end-of-year contributions, please consider our parish school, St. John Vianney School, as a beneficiary of your financial support.

Approximately 20% of the students attending SJV meet the income eligibility requirements to qualify as Title I students. These students' parents are stretching every dollar of their family budget and receiving financial aid to make it work. If you would like your donation to support future scholarships, simply write a note when you send in your check and we promise to honor your wishes. Thank you!

## POINSETTIAS

**Poinsettias may be dropped off in the Church starting December 16 through December 24. Please leave them by the tabernacle area. Thank you!**

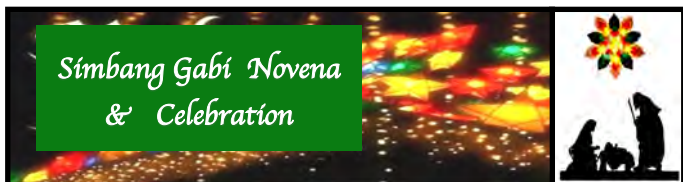




# Spirituality

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK— 3rd Week of Advent

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6&7bc, 8-9; Mt 21:23-27  
 Tuesday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17  
 Wednesday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25  
 Thursday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25  
 Friday: Is 7:10-14, Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38  
 Saturday: Sg 2:8-14; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45



Join us in celebrating the nine days leading up to Christmas with this Filipino Tradition. After every 8am daily Mass we will be having a potluck and fellowship in the Fr. Moroney room, and will end with a final celebration on December 24 with a gift exchange. For more information feel free to contact **Connie Lagerstrom, 916-635-3865**.

Dates we will celebrate at our Parish:  
**Mon 12/16 - Sat 12/21 and Mon 12/23 -Tue 24.**



# Stewardship Report

**SUNDAY OFFERTORY**  
**DECEMBER 8, 2019: \$12,465.67**

## SJV PARISH BUILDING FUND Every 3rd Weekend

**THIS WEEKEND**, we will have a 2nd Collection for the "BUILDING FUND". This is your opportunity to participate in the improvement and upkeep of our parish. If you are not prepared this weekend, there are envelopes in the church entrances for you to take home. Simply return the envelope in the offering next week. Thank you for your support and generosity.

## SJV PARISH BUILDING FUND As at 12.8.2019

Roof Replacement (Total Cost = \$171,667.00)		\$38,260.00 (22.29%)
Parish Building Fund		\$16,619.85

## Mass Intentions: December 14—21, 2019

Saturday	5:30pm	Apolinario Z. Arevalo † Maria Bich Nguyen †
Sunday	8:00am	Dorothy C. Dela Cruz † Angeles Farmer †
	9:45am	<i>SJV Community</i>
	11:30am	Jesus Bajo <b>Happy Birthday</b> Mike Cava <b>Sp. Intention</b>
	1:15pm	Breast Cancer Victims Julia Hernandez †
	6:30pm	Mario Medina † Zenaida de Haro †
Monday	8:00am	Flor Manela † Charlie Holliday †
Tuesday	8:00am	Terry Anuszczyk † Robert G. Wales †
Wednesday	8:00am	Andy MacKenzie † Margarita Huppert <b>In Thanksgiving</b>
	6:00pm	Zenaida de Haro † Hilario Haro
Thursday	8:00am	Phyllis Boothe † Charlie Holliday †
Friday	8:00am	Marlene (Peterson) Leemstma † Lee Peterson †
Saturday	5:30pm	Viccel Belen † Helen Simms †



# Parish Staff

**OFFICE HOURS: 8AM-4:30PM CLOSED AT 12:30-1:30PM**  
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Youth Ministry - Samantha Ruiz	510-375-5149
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# Ministries

## SPOTLIGHT: SJV PARISH MINISTRIES

### CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS (CDA #2392)

Meets 3rd Tuesday, 7:00pm, Fireside Room

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) are dedicated to Mary, our Blessed Mother, the Immaculate Conception, our patroness. Our Mission statement: CDA strives to embrace the principle of faith, working through love in the promotion of justice, equality and the advancement of human rights. The spiritual life of the member is enhanced through the various spiritual and charitable activities of CDA. Catholic women are invited to attend our meetings (as many as three meetings) to discern if they wish to join this ministry.

Please contact: **Diane McDonald 916-316-5625** or email: [dmmart13@comcast.net](mailto:dmmart13@comcast.net).

### RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY

Meets 1st Sunday, 10am-11am, Fireside Room



Come join and learn how our ministry serves all, from the womb to the tomb. We pursue four major areas of service: Education, Pastoral Care, Prayer & Worship, and Advocacy for all human rights. There are so many activities available in our parish that meet one or more of these four areas. Go check out our webpage on the parish website under menu entitled, "Serve".

VISIT: <https://sjvparish.com/serve/respect-life-ministry>

For more info, call: **Chris Bailey (916) 361-1340**

### ST. JOHN VIANNEY PARISH Christmas Schedule 2019

#### TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

Monday, December 16, 7:00 pm

#### CHRISTMAS MASSES

##### Christmas Eve – December 24

5:30pm Children's Mass - English  
12:00am Midnight Mass - Bilingual

##### Christmas Day – December 25

8:00am / 9:45am / 11:30am English  
1:15pm Spanish

**Note:** No Spanish Mass at 6:30pm on December 25.



### Advent Penance Services

(American River Deanery Parishes)

St. John the Evangelist, Carmichael	Dec. 17, 7:00pm
St. Ignatius, Sacramento	Dec. 18, 7:00pm
Our Lady of Assumption, Carmichael	Dec. 19, 7:00pm
Our Lady of Lourdes, Sacramento	Dec. 20, 7:00pm



## LITURGICAL MINISTERS: CHECK SCHEDULE ON PARISH WEBSITE UNDER "SERVE"

### PARISH MINISTRIES

#### LEARN

**Adult Bible Study:** Jean Pergande 916-857-1695.

**English Faith Formation:** Classes every Monday 6:30pm-8:00pm. Veronica Zeller 916-369-8669, [faithformation@sjvparish.com](mailto:faithformation@sjvparish.com)

**RCIA:** Tom Beigel [rcia-english@sjvparish.com](mailto:rcia-english@sjvparish.com)

#### SACRAMENTS

**English Baptism and Preparation classes:** Marilou Manela, [baptism-infants@sjvparish.com](mailto:baptism-infants@sjvparish.com)

#### SERVE

**Caring Connections:** Parish outreach to new parishioners. Linda Morales [caringconnections@sjvparish.com](mailto:caringconnections@sjvparish.com).

**Catholic Daughters of the Americas:** Diane McDonald 916-316-5625.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** Sunday, 9:45am Mass, Children ages 5-10 yrs. welcome. Contact: Lea Hernandez [clow@sjvparish.com](mailto:clow@sjvparish.com)

**Cordova Community Food Locker:** Gregg Huestis 916-364-8973.

**Divine Mercy Apostolate:** Consuelo Cardwell [divinemercury@sjvparish.com](mailto:divinemercury@sjvparish.com)

**Eucharistic/Homebound Ministry:** Jean Pergande 916-857-1695.

**Filipino-American Apostolate (FAA):** Linda Magadia [faa@sjvparish.com](mailto:faa@sjvparish.com)

**Gabriel Project:** Outreach program to pregnant mothers and their families. Claudia Beigel 916-342-7758.

**Indonesian Catholic Community:** Laura Lumenta or Surya Ginting [icc@sjvparish.com](mailto:icc@sjvparish.com)

**Kairos Prison Ministry:** Tom Beigel 916-212-4694.

**Knights of Columbus:** Grand Knight Derrick Andrade. For more info go to [www.ranchoknights.com](http://www.ranchoknights.com).

**Loaves and Fishes:** Feeds the hungry & shelters the homeless. Joanne LeCompte 916-369-0540.

**Martha and Mary Ministry:** Church cleaning. Connie Lagerstrom [Martha-mary@sjvparish.com](mailto:Martha-mary@sjvparish.com)

**Mr. & Mrs. Club:** Lloyd & Connie Lagerstrom 916-635-3865.

**Music Ministry:** English Rouselle Ekwall [music2@sjvparish.com](mailto:music2@sjvparish.com), Bill Githens [music@sjvparish.com](mailto:music@sjvparish.com); Spanish [musica@sjvparish.com](mailto:musica@sjvparish.com)

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**Respect for Life:** Chris Bailey, Respect Life Coordinator [respectlife@sjvparish.com](mailto:respectlife@sjvparish.com)

**St. Vincent de Paul:** Tom Beigel 916-469-1975.

**Vocation Committee:** Gina Garcia-Gonzalez [voc-comm@sjvparish.com](mailto:voc-comm@sjvparish.com)  
For discernment and vocations questions go to: [sjvparish.com/vocation](http://sjvparish.com/vocation).

**Young Adults:** Mark Sohl [youngadults@sjvparish.com](mailto:youngadults@sjvparish.com)

**Youth Ministry:** Samantha Ruiz [youthministry@sjvparish.com](mailto:youthministry@sjvparish.com)



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# Formation

## College Campus Ministry at our Newman Catholic Centers!

Did you know that CSU Chico, UC Davis, and CSU Sacramento all have active college campus ministry operating through the Newman Catholic Centers? Regular weekly programming and special events for young adult college students are available and conveniently located in the areas surrounding the campuses.

**Student Mass:** Wednesdays & Sundays at 7:00pm at NCC Chico, Sundays at 9:00 pm at NCC Davis, Sundays at 7:30 pm at NCC Sacramento

**Newman Nights:** Thursdays at 7:00pm at NCC Chico, Thursdays at 7:00 pm at NCC Davis, Wednesdays at 6:30 pm at NCC Sacramento

For more information about the centers, upcoming events, and how to reach out, please visit:

[www.scd.org/youth-and-young-adult-ministry/newman-catholic-centers](http://www.scd.org/youth-and-young-adult-ministry/newman-catholic-centers)

## ENGLISH FAITH FORMATION

Tomorrow **December 16** there will be regular Monday night classes for the lower grades. Grade 5 and up will participate in the "**Taize Prayer Service**". Attendance will be taken and all parents are welcome to join us.

Please drop off ALL children at their regular classrooms. Pick up children in the 5th grade and up at the church. Children K through 4th grade will be picked up from their regular classrooms.

Please join us to celebrate Christmas at our traditional Christmas Eve Children's Mass on December 24, 5:30pm. All catechists, children and families are encouraged to attend.

**Dec. 23 & 30th**—No faith formation classes.

Contact: **Veronica Zeller, Faith Formation Coordinator**  
916-369-8669 • [faithformation@sjvparish.com](mailto:faithformation@sjvparish.com)



# Announcements

## WINTER SHELTER CLOTHING NEEDED

For the week of Sunday, Dec. 29 through Saturday, Jan. 4, St. John Vianney will host winter shelter in the parish hall for the homeless. We are asking the community to donate warm winter clothing (coats, sweaters, socks, jeans and beanies). Drop off your donation at the St. Vincent de Paul Office (adjacent to the Food Locker) from **9:00am to 2:00pm, Mon-Wed-Fri, beginning Dec. 9 and ending Dec. 20.**

*"Whatever you do for the least of these, you do for me." Matt 25:40.*

## BUNCO— Save the date!



**Jan. 11, 11:30am -3:00pm, Fireside Room**

The Catholic Daughters will be hosting BUNCO on January 11. We will serve a light lunch and will have opportunity drawings! Come join us for a lively dice game! Cost

\$20 per person. If interested please contact **Diane McDonald** 916-316-5625 or email [dmmart13@comcast.net](mailto:dmmart13@comcast.net). We need a headcount to set up tables and provide food."

## ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT

Contribution Statements will be ready for pick-up on **February 1, 2020**. If you plan to contribute before the yearend, please drop off your contribution at the Parish Office or in the collection basket before December 29, 2019. This will ensure we get your contribution in for the 2019 calendar year.

If you need a copy, kindly submit the Request Slip available in the church or online.

Please be sure to update your parish registration. Registration forms are available in the Church or online at:

[www.sjvparish.com](http://www.sjvparish.com)

*You and your family are invited to our first ever*

**PARISH CHRISTMAS PARTY (POTLUCK)**  
**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2019**  
**7PM TO 10PM**  
**PARISH HALL**

For more information, please feel free to email: [ministryfair@sjvparish.com](mailto:ministryfair@sjvparish.com)

This is a Potluck so please bring the following food item if your last name begins with the letter ...

A - E	appetizers
F - L	side dishes
M - S	main dish
T - Z	dessert

## CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S MASS REHEARSALS



The **5:30pm Christmas Eve Mass** has long been the Children's Mass at SJV and this year is no different!

◆ **Dec. 21, Sat. Noon— 1:00pm (Final Rehearsal)**

For more information, please contact:

Rouselle Ekwall via email: [music2@sjvparish.com](mailto:music2@sjvparish.com) or text at **916-213-6153**.

You can also visit the music ministry's page on the parish website (under 5:30pm Christmas Eve Mass for soundbytes).

# **Christmas Dinner for those in Need**

## **Hams and/or Turkeys Needed**

If it is within your power to help once more, please consider providing a turkey or ham to the Cordova Community Food Locker.

**[www.ranhocordovafoodlocker.org](http://www.ranhocordovafoodlocker.org)**

While the time is very short and we just celebrated Thanksgiving, it is difficult to come back to the community and beg for help in feeding over 1000 families for Christmas, as we did just last month. But that is who we are as community. Your continued generosity over the years has been nothing short of miraculous. That is just what we do. Because it is the right thing to do.

**Drop-offs any day at food locker. 10am.-3 pm.**

**Whatever is collected will be distributed on Saturday, December 21.**

Again, thank you for your most generous support of this mission. U R the Best.

Walter Little, Executive Director  
Cordova Community Food Locker  
10497 Coloma Rd.  
Rancho Cordova, Ca.

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## **Get on the Bus**

**Civic Center Plaza, San Francisco**  
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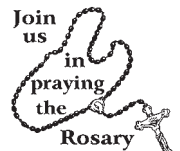


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