



# St. John Vianney Parish

**December 20, 2020**  
**Fourth Sunday of ADVENT**

## *Masses*

### **NEW MASS SCHEDULE**

**(All Outdoor Masses in the Plaza, weather permitting)**

Monday – Friday: 8am English (**Livestream**)

Saturday Vigil: 6pm English (**Indoor Livestream**)

**Sunday Public Mass - Outdoors**

Sunday English: **10am & 12pm**

Sunday Español: **2pm** Spanish (**Livestream**)

## *Confessions*

**Wednesday: 5pm ♦ Saturday: 4pm**

## *Adoration*

Thursday & 1<sup>st</sup> Friday: Cancelled

## *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.*

**December 20, 2020 Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
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**Video Overview:** When we are asked to entrust our lives to someone, we should consider to whom we are entrusting them very carefully. Many of us entrust our lives to our spouses, but not before careful discernment, time, and prayer. Have you ever considered entrusting your life to God? Have you gotten to know him through Scripture, the Church, and prayer in a way that allows you to surrender your life to him? Today we will read about two people who entrusted their lives to God in radical ways—David and Mary. Will we also accept the Lord’s invitation to surrender to him this Christmas season?

### **Featured Study: Love Sacrifice Trust by Fr. Mike Schmitz**

**Topics of Interest:** Luke carefully recorded the Annunciation scene in his Gospel to illustrate the ultimate fulfillment of the greatest promises of the Old Testament. In saying that Gabriel goes to “a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph of the house of David,” Luke is alluding to the unforgettable prophecy that Isaiah gave to the house of David: “A young virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel” (Isaiah 7:14). Immanuel means “God with us,” and thus this child of Mary is nothing less than the presence of God himself as foretold by Isaiah. Gabriel also tells Mary that her child will inherit “the throne of David his father . . . and of his kingdom there will be no end.” The angel’s declaration is an explicit claim that the great promise made in God’s covenant with David has now been fulfilled. In the First Reading, the Lord promised David: “I will raise up your heir after you. . . . Your house and your kingdom shall endure forever.” This is the promise of promises for the Jews. It meant that they would one day have a king whose kingdom would last forever. After promising David that one of his descendants would rule over an everlasting kingdom, God tells David, “I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me.” In the fulfillment of that promise, the angel tells Mary that her son will be called the “Son of the Most High.”



# From the Pastor

My dear brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ,



Christmas is an invitation to follow the star, which means the light. Jesus is the real light that came to this world. When Jesus was born a light, a star, came up in darkness. When Jesus died, another light, the sun, went off in midday. It shows Jesus is the light of this world and our lives.

If we think that we are in darkness with problems, we must invite Jesus to our life. Our dark life will turn to be bright and if we go away from Jesus, even if we think we have everything, we are in the mid noon, our light may turn to be dark. So, the determining factor of light in our lives is nothing external but the presence or absence of Jesus.

Dear Friends, let this Christmas be a time to invite Jesus again to our lives and let us follow the light in Jesus. Wishing you a wonderful Christmas!

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Joseph Sebastian  
Parochial Vicar



# School

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



**FROM ALL OF US AT**  
**ST. JOHN VIANNEY SCHOOL,**  
**WE WISH YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES**  
**A BLESSED AND JOYFUL CHRISTMAS!**



# Spirituality

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29;  
Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38 (Lectionary 11)  
Monday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21;  
Lk 1:39-45  
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; Ps 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Lk 1:46-56  
Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 & 14; Lk 1:57-66  
Thursday: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25  
(Christmas Eve) Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25  
Friday: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18  
(Christmas Day) or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14  
Saturday: Acts 6:8-10, 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6& 8ab, 16bc & 17;  
Mt 10:17-22



## SOLEMNITY OF MARY, HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

**JANUARY 1ST, 2021**

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

10:00am Bilingual Mass

Livestream Outdoor




# Stewardship Report

## SUNDAY OFFERTORY

December 13, 2020: \$11,575.60

## SJV PARISH BUILDING FUND As at 12.13.2020

Roof Replacement (Total Cost = \$171,667.00)  \$55,275.00 (32.20%)

Parish Building Fund  \$46,557.10

## ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT

Annual Contribution Statements will be ready for pick-up on **February 1, 2021**. If you plan to contribute before the year-end, please drop off or mail in your contributions to the Parish Office before **December 29, 2020**. This will ensure that your contributions will be included for the 2020 calendar year. If you need a copy, please submit the **Request Slip** available in the Church/Parish Office or online at: [www.sjvparish.com/about/annual-statements](http://www.sjvparish.com/about/annual-statements). **NOTE:** Be sure to update your parish registration. Parish Registration forms are available in the Church or online at: [sjvparish.com/reg](http://sjvparish.com/reg)

## Mass Intentions: December 19—26, 2020

**Saturday** 6:00pm Juan B. Panoringan †  
Mark Eulie Healing  
**Sunday** 10:00am Maria Z. Kho Healing  
Valerie Adeline Carrie †  
12:00pm Dorothy Chato Dela Cruz †  
Pacifico Dela Cruz, Sr †  
2:00pm Atziry Chavez & Family  
In Thanksgiving  
**Monday** 8:00am Linh Dang Sp. Intention  
Sen Nguyen Sp. Intention  
**Tuesday** 8:00am Asunta de Rivera †  
Michael Malone †  
**Wednesday** 8:00am Mari Z. Kho Sp. Intention  
Mary, Elizabeth & John Sp. Intention  
**Thursday** 6:00pm **Christmas Vigil Mass (Bilingual)**  
Christmas Eve - Livestream Closed Door  
**Friday** 12:00pm **Christmas Mass (English)**  
Christmas - Livestream Outdoor  
2:00pm **Misa Navideña (Español)**  
- Livestream Outdoor  
**Saturday** 6:00pm Lorie Latinio †  
Asuncion Lopez †



# Parish Staff

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Bulletin Articles Submission [office@sjvparish.com](mailto:office@sjvparish.com). (Friday 12nn)

**PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC**  
Please call the Parish Office if you have any questions.  
**MONDAY—FRIDAY, 8AM — 4:30PM**  
**(CLOSED FOR LUNCH 12:30PM-1:30PM)**



The Parish Office will be closed  
on Dec. 24 & 25  
in celebration of Christmas.



# Ministries

## SPOTLIGHT: SJV PARISH MINISTRIES

### PARISH VOCATION COMMITTEE

St. John Vianney Vocation Committee exists to foster vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Our purpose is to guide and encourage our parish community in prayer. We also assist in giving information about vocations, support and encourage promising candidates and re-direct them to our pastor or our Diocesan Office of Vocation.

If you are considering the religious life, or know anyone who is thinking about religious life, please contact:

[voc-comm@sjvparish.com](mailto:voc-comm@sjvparish.com)



Mis queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

La Navidad es una invitación a seguir la estrella, que significa seguir la luz. Jesús es la verdadera luz que vino al mundo.

Cuando Jesús nació una estrella en lo alto salió en la oscuridad. Cuando Jesús murió la luz del sol se fue en el medio día. Esto nos enseña que Jesús es la luz de este mundo y de nuestras vidas.

Si sentimos que estamos en la oscuridad con nuestros problemas, invitemos a Jesús a nuestras vidas. Entonces la oscuridad se aclarará con su luz.

Si nos alejamos de Jesús, aunque creamos que tenemos todo lo demás, nuestra luz del medio día se apagará y será oscuridad.

El elemento esencial de la luz en nuestras vidas no es nada exterior sino la presencia o falta de Jesús en nuestras vidas.

Queridos amigos, estas Navidades inviten a Jesús a ser parte de sus vidas y sigamos la luz que es Jesús. Les deseo una muy feliz Navidad.

Suyo en Cristo,  
Fr. Joseph Sebastian  
Parochial Vicar



### DISCERNMENT RETREAT

#### St. Patrick's Seminary, January 15-17, 2021

*Are you being called to discern your vocation to the priesthood?* The Office of Vocations invites you to contact us if you have thought of the priesthood as your possible vocation.

**Who can attend this retreat?** Young men age 21 or over who are strongly considering the priesthood with a recommendation from their pastor.

**How can I register?** You can contact the Office of Vocations for more information at [916-733-0258](tel:916-733-0258) or send an email to [msmith@scd.org](mailto:msmith@scd.org).

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

### PARISH MINISTRIES

#### LEARN

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

**Faith Formation (English/Español):** 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:**

[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:** Mass, Children ages 5-10 yrs. are 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 [gabrielproject@sjvparish.com](mailto:gabrielproject@sjvparish.com)

**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 Al Getz. For more info, go to [www.ranchoknights.com](http://www.ranchoknights.com).

**Loaves and Fishes:** Feeds the hungry & shelters the homeless. Joanne LeCompte 916-307-7907.

**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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**Vocation Committee:** [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:** Derek Ekwall [youngadults@sjvparish.com](mailto:youngadults@sjvparish.com)

**Youth Ministry:** Derek Ekwall [youthministry@sjvparish.com](mailto:youthministry@sjvparish.com)



### PREGNANT? WORRIED? NEED HELP?

You are not alone. We can help.

**The Gabriel Project**

Call: 1-800-910-0191





# Formation

## FAITH FORMATION / FORMACION DE FE

### Material Distribution for Home Faith Formation—December:

Monday 9am-3 pm; Tuesday 1pm-5:30 pm  
Main Faith Formation office.  
Gate access: press number **04** and then green bell button.



### Faith Formation Parents Classes

This Tuesday 12/22/20 we will continue with our zoom parents lessons. Please check your emails for information.

### Christmas Vacation

There will be no classes for Confirmation and Pre-confirmation for the next two weeks.



**Have a blessed Christmas!**



### Distribución de Material para Formación en Casa de Diciembre:

Lunes 9am-3:00 pm y Tuesday 1-5:30 pm  
Oficina principal de formación de Fe. En la reja, oprima números **04** y luego campana verde.

### Clases de padres Formación de Fe

Este Martes 12/22/20 continuaremos con nuestras clases via zoom para padres. Favor de checar sus correos electrónicos para mas información.

### Vacaciones de Navidad

Por las siguientes dos semanas no tendremos clases de Confirmación o Pre-Confirmación.

**Les deseamos una Navidad muy bendecida!**



For information please contact / Para más información favor de contactar a:

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



# Announcements

### THE GIVING TREE

The Giving Tree **will** happen this year (take THAT Covid 19!). Pick up a gift tag from the Giving Tree near the sign-in counter during Sunday Masses. The final Sunday for collecting presents will be **December 20**. Thank you.



### POINSETTIAS

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



### THE GABRIEL PROJECT ST. JOHN VIANNEY PARISH

Due to the pandemic, we have had more requests than normal from moms for diapers, formula, baby clothes and other items. While we have been able to keep up with the current need, our funds are running low.

Your generosity to us and the families we serve has been so very much appreciated in the past. Could we ask you, our supporters, to help us out as you are able? Please make your check payable to "The Gabriel Project" and drop off or mail to the church. Thank you so much!

ST. JOHN VIANNEY PARISH

### Christmas Schedule 2020



#### Christmas Eve – December 24

6:00pm Bilingual Mass, Livestream Closed Door

*\*No Midnight Mass*

#### Christmas Day – December 25

12:00pm English Mass, Livestream Outdoor

2:00pm Spanish Mass, Livestream Outdoor

*\*All Public Outdoor Masses will be held at the Plaza, weather permitting.*



**FAMILY BIBLE STUDY-** Come join us every Wednesday night from 6:30pm—8:00pm via ZOOM to open the Acts of the Apostles. We discuss one chapter every week. Prepare and read **Chapter 5** for this week. For a ZOOM link or questions, please contact: **Veronica Zeller, 916-369-8669, [faithformation@sjvparish.com](mailto:faithformation@sjvparish.com)**.

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