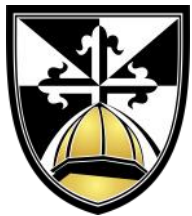


Third Sunday of Advent

December 12, 2021

Zephaniah 3:14-18a
Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6
Philippians 4:4-7
Luke 3:10-18

*“Cry out with joy and
gladness: for among you is
the great and
Holy One of Israel”*



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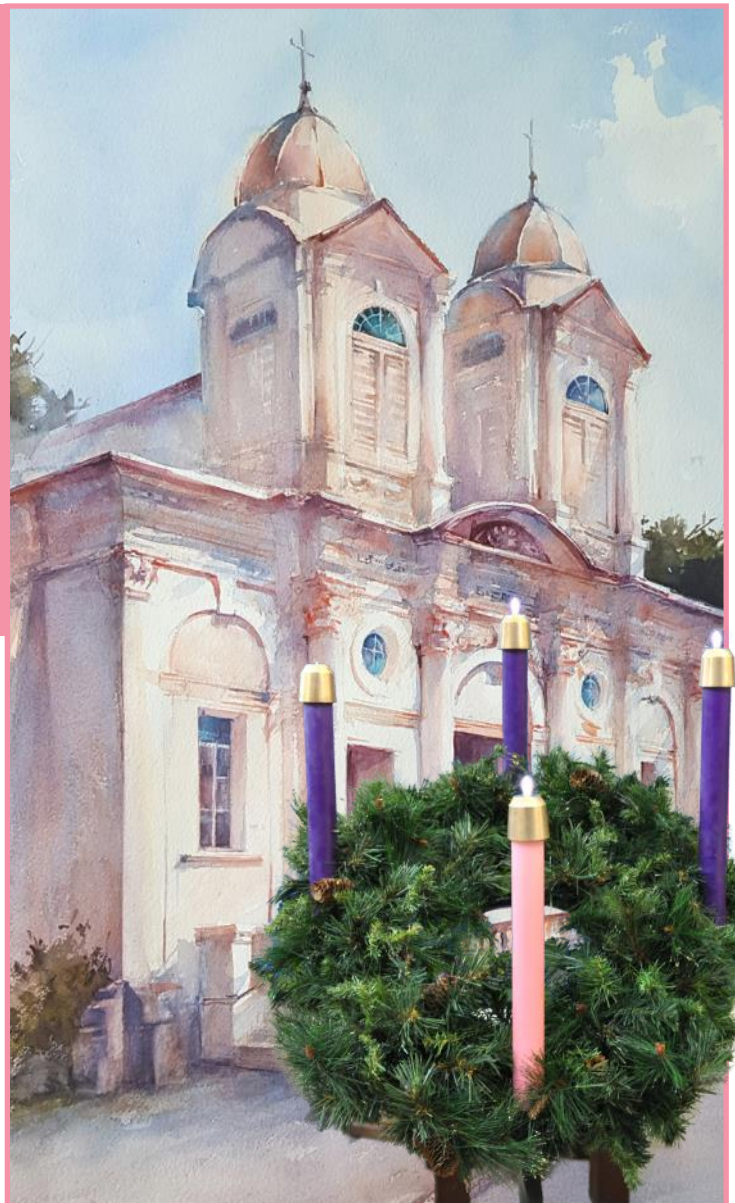
Altar Flowers for the Birthday of Lootsee Lustan

Sun	12/12	7:00 a.m.	(R) Nida T. Bolfango
		9:00 a.m.	(R) Valerie Quillin Miller
		11:00 a.m.	(R) Eduardo Omana
		1:00 p.m.	(T) People of the Parish
Mon	12/13	6:45 a.m.	(B) Kit M. Gamboa
		8:15 a.m.	(T) Emilio Ermio
Tues	12/14	6:45 a.m.	(R) Ernest L. Mathews
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Harry Shoup
Wed	12/15	6:45 a.m.	(B) Maribel Nino
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Vergilio & Theodora Rodriguez
Thurs	12/16	6:45 a.m.	(B) Peter Nino
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Celedonio Hernandez
Fri	12/17	6:45 a.m.	(A) Puring & Timoteo Rubio
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Carmen & Juan Espinosa
Sat	12/18	8:15 a.m.	(R) Alan Cueto
		5:00 p.m.	(R) Fr. Finbarr Hayes
Sun	12/19	7:00 a.m.	(R) Wilfredo Bernabe
		9:00 a.m.	(R) Members of the Callao Family
		11:00 a.m.	(R) Nancy Quillin
		1:00 p.m.	(T) People of the Parish

Legend: (R) Rest in Peace (H) Health
(A) Anniversary (B) Birthday (T) Thanksgiving

Mass & Flower Intentions January Intentions Open

ONE Mass Intention per family, please visit the office.



Please pray for the recovery of the sick listed in our Book of Intentions and the following:

Gregory Quillin, Eric Gramlow, Marsha Morse,
Albert Tan Co, Russell Ho, Ron Pearman,
Merlynne Lucero, Patricia Weber, Bernice Cure,
Margaret Haddad, Mary McCurry, Michele and Binns
Melander, Tom Gavin, Donna W., Gladys Haddad,
Julia Haddad, Sadie Shama, Pete & Dorothy Szabo,
Carol Bacher, Lisa Santini, Bessie Sharp, Jane Gasper
**Please remember the following recently deceased
(and their families) in your prayers:**
Eduardo G. Padilla, William Emes, Jr., Jeri Lange, Michael
Hayes, Michael Lopretta, Ed Borkowski, Aguisella
Cartagena, Eric Turner, Dale Demaray, Martha Anderson,
Jesus Ramos, Ricky Rojas, Dr. Robert Madsen,
Benny Lira, Josie Apilado Banez, Carol Wharton,
Peter Cech, Penny Basso, Rob Perez, John Henry,
Francisco Sison, Quartney Lassalle, Georgette Zeidan
~names will be listed approximately 3 months as space allows



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Pastor's Corner

Excerpts from the December 6, 2021 letter from Bishop Soto on Roe v. Wade

"January 22nd, 2022 marks the 49th anniversary of the lamentable 1973 U.S. Supreme Court Decision, Roe v. Wade. Recognizing the tragedy of legalized abortion still gripping our nation, I designate Friday, January 21st, as a Diocesan Day of Reparation. The Catholic Faithful and all people of goodwill are encouraged to observe this Day of Reparation with prayers for the legal protection of human life, works of mercy, and penance for the persistent violations of human dignity by the practice of abortion. In the activities of January, I would like all the faithful to emphasize the importance of prayer within our ministry."

"The continuing Pandemic requires us to be responsible and safe. Parishes can rent buses for the annual Walk for Life in San Francisco on Saturday, January 22nd. San Francisco has stricter COVID-19 regulations. I ask that each parish be mindful of the Covid-19 regulations in the local county. Everyone is encouraged to wear a mask for their own safety as well as the safety of others. Diocese of Sacramento/Protect Every Life masks are available from the Respect Life office."

"The Offices of Family & Faith Formation and Youth & Young Adult Ministry will provide the following local Respect Life activities in January. Information can be found on our website at: <https://www.scd.org/protecteverylife>.

- January 12-20th - The Diocesan Pro-Life Eucharistic Adoration Novena will be led by different parishes each day. This will be an opportunity to unite our pro-life efforts with the saving work of Jesus in the Eucharist. May Jesus, "the Bread of Life" (Jn. 6.35), help us nourish the world with the gospel of life. Each day will focus on a specific pro-life theme.
- January 20th - A gathering for young adults called "Into the Mix" focused on pro-life issues.
- January 21st - Respect Life Mass at [the] Cathedral [of the] Blessed Sacrament"

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Help St. Vincent de Paul during the Holiday Season!

SVDP's Holiday Giving Tree

The Giving Tree is up in the church. Please consider taking an ornament and buying the requested gift. Then return the ornament with the wrapped gift to the church **THIS WEEKEND**. We will be delivering the gifts and holiday food boxes on Saturday, December 18th in the Parish Hall. Please join us! If you have any questions, please email us at svdp@stdombenicia.org.



If you know anyone who could use St. Vincent de Paul's help, please have them call **707-746-1773**.
Become a Vincentian - svdp@stdombenicia.org



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YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Group Scavenger Hunt

Sunday, December 12, 2021 - 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Cards for Caring (Christmas)

Wednesday, December 15, 2021 - 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Knots for Love Service Project

Wednesday, December 15, 2021 - 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Gift Deliveries (Parent/Teen) - Parish Hall

Saturday, December 18, 2021 - 9:00 a.m.

If interested in any of the above youth activities, please RSVP by emailing Lisa Toomey at ltoomey@stdombenicia.org

YR II CONFIRMATION

Sunday, December 12th

Sponsor/Teen attend 9:00 or 11:00 a.m. Mass followed by *Walking Together* Activity.

YR II Candidates, pick-up finals kit after Mass.

YR I CONFIRMATION

Monday, December 13th

Parent/Teen Meeting via Zoom from 6:30-8:00 PM



Christmas Tree Recycling by the Benicia Scouts

FIRST 2 WEEKENDS
AFTER CHRISTMAS

Sign Up Your Tree at:

beniciascouts.org
707-551-4520



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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. – In Church

Sunday: 7:00 a.m. – In Church & Live-streamed*

9:00 a.m. – Outside (Small Lot)

11:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. – In Church

First Sunday of month Vietnamese Mass – 3:00 p.m.

Daily Mass

Monday – Saturday: 8:15 a.m.

In Church & Live-streamed*

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ADVENT STATIONS

Veni, Veni Emmanuel

Friday, December 17, 2021

7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

What are the Advent Stations?



Like the traditional Stations of the Cross, the seven Advent Stations provide a way to ponder the mystery of how God prepared the world to receive his Son. Each station includes the chanting of the *O Antiphons* using Dominican tones, an Old Testament reading foreshadowing of the Incarnation, and a short reflection. The evening will conclude with Night Prayer. Come and enter into the Advent season as we await in anticipation for the Lord's Nativity.

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December 12, 2021 - Third Sunday of Advent

Zephaniah 3:14-18a

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Zephaniah:

Shout for joy, O daughter Zion! Sing joyfully, O Israel! Be glad and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The Lord has removed the judgment against you he has turned away your enemies; the King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst, you have no further misfortune to fear. On that day, it shall be said to Jerusalem: Fear not, O Zion, be not discouraged! The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a mighty savior; he will rejoice over you with gladness, and renew you in his love, he will sing joyfully because of you, as one sings at festivals. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6

Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel

God indeed is my savior; I am confident and unafraid. My strength and my courage is the Lord, and he has been my savior. With joy you shall draw water at the fountain of salvation.

Give thanks to the Lord, acclaim his name; among the nations make known his deeds, proclaim how exalted is his name.

Sing praise to the Lord for his glorious achievement; let this be known throughout all the earth. Shout with exultation, O city of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel!

Philippians 4:4-7

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians:

Brothers and sisters: Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Luke 3:10-18

+ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke:

The crowds asked John the Baptist, "What should we do?" He said to them in reply, "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized and they said to him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He answered them, "Stop collecting more than what is prescribed." Soldiers also asked him, "And what is it that we should do?" He told them, "Do not practice extortion, do not falsely accuse anyone, and be satisfied with your wages." Now the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Exhorting them in many other ways, he preached good news to the people.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer for the Sick during the Pandemic

O God, our refuge in trials, our strength in sickness, our comfort in sorrow, spare your people, we pray, and hear our prayers for all who are sick: Grant them, we implore you, your merciful help, so that, with their health restored, they may give you thanks in the midst of the Church.

Your Only-Begotten Son took on our human nature and bore our infirmities; protect and strengthen also we pray, nurses, doctors, first responders, and all others on the front line of this pandemic, who put themselves in harm's way to serve the needs of others.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

Our Lady of Guadalupe	Pray for us!
St. Joseph	Pray for us!
St. Patrick	Pray for us!
Holy Father St. Dominic	Pray for us!