

Fourth Sunday of Advent December 18, 2022

Isaiah 7:10-14
Psalm 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6.
Romans 1:1-7
Matthew 1:18-24

*Let the Lord enter;
he is king of glory.*



**St. Dominic's is a Catholic
Parish Inspired by
Dominican Spirituality
Igniting the Faith for the
Salvation of Souls**

**Altar Flowers for Repose of the
Soul of Gracelee Chatman**

Mass Intentions

Sun	12/18	7:30 a.m.	(T) People of the Parish
		9:00 a.m.	(R) Florencio Abude, Sr.
		11:00 a.m.	(A) Tim & Puring Rubio
		1:00 p.m.	(A) Antonio & Antonia Gomez
Mon	12/19	6:45 a.m.	(R) Ambrosio Acero
		8:15 a.m.	(T) Noelle Martha Lee
Tues	12/20	6:45 a.m.	(R) Jack Morton Hay
		8:15 a.m.	(B) Rogelio Co
Wed	12/21	6:45 a.m.	(T) Erwin Ngo
		8:15 a.m.	(R) Juan Espinosa, Jr.
Thurs	12/22	6:45 a.m.	(R) Gracelee Chatman
		8:15 a.m.	(B) Rogelio Co
Fri	12/23	6:45 a.m.	(T) Edgar & Tess Oteyza
		8:15 a.m.	(B) Lootsee Lustan
Sat	12/24	8:15 a.m.	(R) Bernard Basilio



Legend: (R) Repose of the Soul (H) Health
(A) Anniversary (B) Birthday (T) Thanksgiving

**Mass & Flower Intentions
February will open January 3!**

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



Tim Heney, Jerry Schilz, Arthur Cardoso, Pauline Soop,
Alma Johnson, Lee Schaffner, Joe "Lefty" Kroner,
Barbara Flores, Angela Taylor, Rob Lustan, Nita Calvo,
Diane Dawes, Mel Gaoaen, Sean Daly, Jackie Ho,
Robert Krupp, Laura Carnes Dietrich, Lisa Santini,
Liz Thurin, Rosie & Don Klatt, Don Sterkel, Aurora Basilio,
Lionel Cruel, Mark Nees, Lilian Fajardo, Margaret Lobo,
Gregory Quillin, Albert Tan Co, Russell Ho, Ron Pearman,
Patricia Weber, Bernice Cure, Margaret Haddad,
Donna W., Gladys Haddad, Julia Haddad,
Pete & Dorothy Szabo

**Please remember the following recently deceased
(and their families) in your prayers:**

Louis Bacher, Gracelee Chatman, Tom Gavin,
Rosita Cruz, Maurice Edward Huguet, Jr.,
Kathleen D. Snider, Al Talamantes, Lorraine Brigham,
Marie Rachal, Daniel Foley, Gerry Cillo,
Fr. Thomas "Tommy" James Hayes, O.P., James Garrett,
Lubomir Panov, Galina Panova, Roberto Diaz,
Arleen McDaniel, Bill McGuckin, Dorothy Patchell

~names will be listed approximately 3 months as space allows



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Pastor's Corner

Can you believe it?

Faith, like many decisions in our lives, has repercussions beyond us. Mary's acceptance to play a unique role in salvation history affected Joseph as well. The Archangel Gabriel did not leave Mary a scroll of instructions on how to be the mother of the Word-made-Flesh, or how this would change the rest of her life or even a trace of a suggestion on how to explain her pregnancy to her betrothed. Her one "Yes" left a myriad of unanswered questions in its wake; some would receive answers in time, others remain unanswered.

As a betrothed couple, Mary and Joseph already shared a deep level of non-sexual intimacy even though they did not live together. We can easily surmise finding out Mary was pregnant must have been difficult. Mary knew she had not been unfaithful and yet was pregnant; Joseph knew they had not had intercourse with Mary, so he could not be the father. Both knew the only "reasonable" explanation for her pregnancy was her infidelity. Both grieved not only for themselves, but the other, whom each loved so deeply. St. Joseph clearly did not care for any of his options: publicly denounce Mary as an adulterer (and know she would be executed), continue the betrothal and publicly acknowledge another man's child as his own (not to mention lingering doubts of the child's paternity) or break the betrothal.

When confronted with a difficult or seemingly impossible situation, Mary did what any of us ought to do: turn to someone who loves her. Joseph was already involved in her life and cared deeply for her. By now Mary realized that by her *fiat* (from the Latin phrase *fiat mihi secundum verbum tuum*; let it be done to me according to your word, Lk. 1:38), she also spoke for Joseph, her husband, and assented to his unique role in salvation history as Jesus' foster-father. By his actions (St. Joseph does not speak a word in any of the Gospels), shows his first concern to be always his family, Mary and Jesus. He could not offer a better proof of his love for them.

Faith has repercussions beyond oneself because we need one another. Mary needed Joseph to accomplish her mission; Joseph likewise depended on Mary. God calls us into community because it is in and through one another that God make clear each individual's mission and offers the support and graces needed to fulfill that mission. Even uncertainty and doubt can be transformed by drawing one closer to God and those we love most. Mary and Joseph give us a wonderful example as we seek to live faithfully, as they did.

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Advent Confession Times

Polish your halo in time for Christmas!

Monday, December 19th (Visiting Priests)
9:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Tuesdays & Thursdays 6:30 p.m.

Wednesdays 9:00 a.m.

Saturdays 3:30 p.m.

Advent Talks with Br. Kevin Peter

9:10 a.m. & 7:10 p.m.

December 19th, 20th, & 23rd

Monday, Dec 19th

*Advent, Christmas, and 'Deification,' or
'Holiness' (or: Becoming God, Without Being A
Pantheist).*

Tuesday, Dec 20th (9:10 a.m. only)

*Advent, Christmas, and Your Call to the
Contemplative Heights (Yes, You).'*

Friday, Dec 23rd

*'Advent, Christmas, and Your Life of Prayer As
An Embodied Being United With An
Incarnate God.'*

Christmas Eve (Vigil) Masses
Saturday, December 24, 2022

4:00 & 7:00 p.m.

9:00 p.m. Vietnamese Mass

Midnight Mass

12:00 a.m.

Christmas Day Masses
Sunday, December 25, 2022

8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

12:00 p.m. Spanish/English

New Year's Eve (Vigil) Mass
Saturday, December 31, 2022

5:00, 7:00, & 11:00 p.m.

New Year's Day Mass

Sunday, January 1, 2023

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
7:30, 9:00, 11:00 a.m.
& 1:00 p.m. (Spanish/English)



This year our gift giving and food deliveries has been a huge success, thanks to all of your support!

St. Vincent de Paul ministry meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Please join us and get involved this holiday season! To learn more about these events, our ministry, or to get involved contact svdp@gmail.com or svdp@stdombenicia.org.

Please help us stock our pantry. We are in need of mayo, tuna, peanut butter, jelly, pasta, pasta sauce, rice, canned vegetables, canned fruit, soups, beef stew, cereal, pancake mix, syrup, fruit cups, etc.

If you know anyone who could use St. Vincent de Paul's help, please have them call **707-746-1773**.

Parish Office

Current Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. - Livestreamed
9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

1:00 p.m. (Spanish/English)

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

Daily Mass

Monday – Friday: 6:45 a.m.

Monday – Saturday: 8:15 a.m. - Live-streamed

IMPORTANT

If you write checks to St. Dominic's,
please make payable to
"St. Dominic's Church"

Our bank has notified us that they will begin
returning checks that are not made out properly.

Youth Ministry Events

- January 9th at 6:30 p.m. – Adoration in the Church
- January 18th at 6:30 p.m. – Cookie Decorating Workshop
- January 25th at 6:30 p.m. – Service Palooza

Thank you to the teen and parent volunteers who have served over the past month. Thanks for your support of St. Vincent de Paul and your help with making Christmas cards, rosaries, and blankets. Thank you also for assembling epiphany kits. Our community is blessed by your kindness.

**Please support the following businesses owned by members of our parish community.
Their contributions each week underwrite our Parish Bulletin. Thank you!**

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David Galligan, Broker Twin Oaks Real Estate 231 First Street 707-319-5397 Text/Call DRE#00847290	Mr. Lawn Landscape Service Landscaping, Maintenance & Installation (707) 747-5273	Teresa Stone- Notary Services tstone@stdombenicia.org (707) 330-0773
Hamann Real Estate, 513 First Street Tim and Jeannie Hamann/Broker-Owners (707) 246-6567 DRE01348061	Napoli Pizza and Pasta Chris & Lisa Guerrero- Owners (707) 746-8906, www.napolibenicia.com	Tuolumne Street Auto Repair John McLaughlin, Parishioner (707) 648-3434
Healthy Options Vending Break room services, coffee & vending. (707) 750-3835, Tery or Shane Carnahan	New York Life Insurance Company Noah Moretti/Business Solutions, Retirement Planning (707) 656-1092	Up2Code Plumbing Owner Mike Pitta - 24 hour service (707) 751-1714
	Olson Realty, Inc. Kathleen McInerney Olson/Broker (707) 745-3602	Warring & Assoc. Realtors Bill/Diane Brokers/Owners, 829 First St. (707) 746-6990
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS FOR DECEMBER	Dec 04: Building Improvement Dec 08: Immaculate Conception Dec 11: Retired Religious Fund	Dec 11: SDS Tuition Assistance Dec 18: Building Improvement Dec 25: Christmas Jan 01: Solemnity of Mary

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