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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT — DECEMBER 5, 2021



Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary

*in the first instance of
her conception, by a
singular privilege and
grace granted by God, in
view of the merits of Jesus
Christ, the Savior of the
human race, was
preserved from all stain of
original sin...*

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Dear families of the Immaculate Heart of Mary,

When John proclaimed a baptism of repentance, as today's Gospel relates, he called people to a deep change of heart. For John the Baptist, repentance was not simply regret for past failings, but a commitment to orient life around God's desires and purposes. What might living in alignment with God's desires look like?

Our readings offer some clues. Baruch indicates that when mercy and justice are embraced like a royal garment, we may see the fruits of repentance. Paul notes how the Holy Spirit has been active within the church in Philippi, forming them to live in a loving and united community of faith, so they may witness to the love of God. And John himself suggests that a repentant heart clears a path for God to enter, leveling the mountains and valleys of our resistance, so that God might dwell within.

During this Advent let us witness the love of God and repent, opening a way to our hearts and allow God to dwell with us.

On December 17th, we will have Christmas Caroling in the Church. Come and join the singing of Christmas Carols.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us.

Fr. Quang

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Queridas familias del Inmaculado Corazon de Maria,

Cuando Juan proclamó un bautismo de arrepentimiento, así como lo relata el Evangelio de hoy, él llamó a las personas a un cambio profundo de corazón. Para Juan el Bautista, el arrepentimiento no era simplemente un remordimiento de las flaquezas, sino un compromiso a orientar la vida en torno a los deseos y propósitos de Dios. ¿Cómo podría ser una vida adecuada con los deseos de Dios?

Nuestras lecturas ofrecen algunas pistas. Baruc indica que cuando la misericordia y la justicia se abrazan como un ropaje majestuoso, podemos ver los frutos del arrepentimiento. Pablo señala cómo el Espíritu Santo ha estado activo dentro de la iglesia de Filipos, formándola para vivir en una comunidad de fe amorosa y unida, para que pueda dar testimonio del amor de Dios. Y el mismo Juan sugiere que un corazón arrepentido limpia un camino para que Dios entre, emparejando los valles y montañas de nuestra resistencia, para que Dios pueda habitar en él.

Durante este Adviento seamos testigos del amor de Dios y arrepintámonos, abriendo un camino a nuestros corazones y permitiendo que Dios habite con nosotros.

El 17 de diciembre, tendremos villancicos en la Iglesia. Vengan y únanse al canto de villancicos.

Inmaculado Corazon de Maria, ruega por nosotros,

Padre Quang

Weekday Masses/Misas Diarias

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:00AM (English) - Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday: 8:00AM (Bilingual)

Saturday Vigil Mass

5:00PM (English)

Sunday Mass/Domingo Misa

7:30am (English) 9:00AM (English) - 10:45AM (Español) - 12:30PM (English) - 2:00PM (Spanish)
5:00PM - Traditional Roman Rite (Latin)

Confessions

Tuesdays 6:00PM - 7:00PM — Saturdays 3:30PM - 4:30PM

Prayers & Weekly Scriptures/Oraciones y Lecturas de la Semana

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK INTENCIONES PARA MISAS DE LA SEMANA

Sat. Dec. 4th

8:00 am Legión de María - Special Intention
5:00 pm † Toni Sloan

Sun. Dec. 5th

7:30 am † Doris Sablan
9:00 am † Angelita & Carol Morris
10:45 am IHM Parishioners
12:30 pm Steve and Cecile Coaker -Anniversary
2:00 pm Emiliano Hernandez -Birthday
5:00 pm Fr. Jose Zepeda -Birthday

Mon. Dec. 6th

8:00 am † Frank Jacobs

Tues. Dec. 7th

8:00 am † Primitivo Samudio
7:00 pm † Robert Leroy Gray

Wed. Dec. 8th

8:00 am † Lourdes "Gin" Carranceja
7:00 pm † Douglas Eugene Valley

Thurs. Dec. 9th

8:00 am † Beatriz R. Alinea

Fri. Dec. 10th

8:00m Manny and Flor Galban - Thanksgiving

Sick Relatives & Friends Parientes y Amigos Enfermos

Ryan McCloud, Ramon Antonio Toledo, Lyndsey Burrow, Chris Heuer, Meghan Heuer, Jan Cooper, Louise Delia, Art Silvergleid, Dcn. Ron Horan, Gina Lilly, Giselle Honore, Kay Aviani, Patti Hitch, Dawn Lanphere.*****

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Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation

Extra Masses for December 7th and 8th

There will be a Vigil Mass on December 7th at 7:00pm and also a 7:00pm Mass on December 8th for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. These Masses will be in addition to the 8:00am Mass on those days.

Tendremos Misa de vigilia el 7 de diciembre a las 7:00pm y Tambien a las 7:00pm Misa el 8 de diciembre para conmemorar la fiesta de la Inmaculada Concepcion de la Santisima Virgen Maria. Estas son Misas adicionales a la Misa de las 8:00am en esos dias.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Monday:	181: Is 35:1-10	Ps 85:9ab, 10-14
	Lk 5:17-26	
Tuesday:	182: Is 40:1-11	Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13
	Mt 18:12-14	
Wednesday:	689: Gn 3:9-15, 20	Ps 98:1-4
	Eph 1:3-6, 11-12	Lk 1:26-38
Thursday:	184: Is 41:13-20	Ps 145:1, 9-13b
	Mt 11:11-15	
Friday:	185: Is 48:17-19	Ps 1:1-4, 6
	Mt 11:16-19	
Saturday:	186: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11	Ps 80-2ac, 3b,
	15-16, 18-19	Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Sunday:	9: Zep 3:14-18a	(Ps) Is 12:2-6
	Phil 4:4-7	Lk 3:10-18

Lectura

Primera lectura

Bar 5, 1-9

Jerusalén, despójate de tus vestidos de luto y aflicción,
y vístete para siempre con el esplendor de la gloria que Dios te da;
envuélvete en el manto de la justicia de Dios y adorna tu cabeza con la diadema de la gloria del Eterno,
porque Dios mostrará tu grandeza a cuantos viven bajo el cielo.

Dios te dará un nombre para siempre:
"Paz en la justicia y gloria en la piedad".

Ponte de pie, Jerusalén, sube a la altura,
levanta los ojos y contempla a tus hijos,
reunidos de oriente y de occidente,
a la voz del espíritu,
gozosos porque Dios se acordó de ellos.
Salieron a pie, llevados por los enemigos;
pero Dios te los devuelve llenos de gloria,
como príncipes reales.

Dios ha ordenado que se abajen todas las montañas y todas las colinas,
que se rellenen todos los valles hasta aplanar la tierra,
para que Israel camine seguro bajo la gloria de Dios.

Los bosques y los árboles fragantes le darán sombra por orden de Dios.

Porque el Señor guiará a Israel en medio de la alegría y a la luz de su gloria,
escotándolo con su misericordia y su justicia.

Salmo Responsorial

Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

El Señor ha estado grande con nosotros, y estamos alegres.

Segunda Lectura

Flp 1, 4-6. 8-11

Hermanos: Cada vez que me acuerdo de ustedes, le doy gracias a mi Dios y siempre que pido por ustedes, lo hago con gran alegría, porque han colaborado conmigo en la propagación del Evangelio, desde el primer día hasta ahora. Estoy convencido de que aquel que comenzó en ustedes esta obra, la irá perfeccionando siempre hasta el día de la venida de Cristo Jesús.

Dios es testigo de cuánto los amo a todos ustedes con el amor entrañable con que los ama Cristo Jesús. Y ésta es mi oración por ustedes: Que su amor siga creciendo más y más y se traduzca en un mayor conocimiento y sensibilidad espiritual. Así podrán escoger siempre lo mejor y llegarán limpios e irreprochables al día de la venida de Cristo, llenos de los frutos de la justicia, que nos viene de Cristo Jesús, para gloria y alabanza de Dios.

Evangelio

Lc 3, 1-6

En el año décimo quinto del reinado del César Tiberio, siendo Poncio Pilato procurador de Judea; Herodes, tetrarca de Galilea; su hermano Filipo, tetrarca de las regiones de Iturra y Traconítide; y Lisaniás, tetrarca de Abilene; bajo el pontificado de los sumos sacerdotes Anás y Caifás, vino la palabra de Dios en el desierto sobre Juan, hijo de Zacarías.

Entonces comenzó a recorrer toda la comarca del Jordán, predicando un bautismo de penitencia para el perdón de los pecados, como está escrito en el libro de las predicciones del profeta Isaías:

*Ha resonado una voz en el desierto:
Preparen el camino del Señor,
hagan rectos sus senderos.
Todo valle será rellenado,
toda montaña y colina, rebajada;
lo tortuoso se hará derecho,
los caminos ásperos serán allanados
y todos los hombres verán la salvación de Dios.*

Credo de Nicea

Creo en un solo Dios, Padre todopoderoso, Creador del cielo y de la tierra, de todo lo visible y lo invisible.

Creo en un solo Señor, Jesucristo, Hijo único de Dios, nacido del Padre antes de todos los siglos: Dios de Dios, Luz de Luz, Dios verdadero de Dios verdadero, engendrado, no credo, de la misma naturaleza del Padre, por quien todo fue hecho; que por nosotros, los hombres, y para nuestra salvación bajó del cielo, **y por obra del Espíritu Santo se encarnó de María, la Virgen, y se hizo hombre;** y por nuestra causa fue crucificado en tiempos de Poncio Pilato, padeció al tercer día, según las Escrituras, y subió al cielo, y está sentado a la derecha del Padre; y de nuevo vendrá con gloria. Para juzgar a vivos y muertos, y su reino no tendrá fin. Creo en el Espíritu Santo, Señor dador de vida, que procede del Padre y del Hijo, que con el Padre y el Hijo recibe una misma adoración y Gloria, y que habló por los profetas.

Creo en una iglesia, que es santa, católica y apóstolica. Confieso que hay un solo bautismo para el perdón de los pecados. Espero la resurrección de los muertos y la vida futura del mundo. Amen.

Readings

First Reading

Bar 5:1-9

Jerusalem, take off your robe of mourning and misery;
put on the splendor of glory from God forever:
wrapped in the cloak of justice from God,
bear on your head the mitre
that displays the glory of the eternal name.
For God will show all the earth your splendor:
you will be named by God forever
the peace of justice, the glory of God's worship.

Up, Jerusalem! stand upon the heights;
look to the east and see your children
gathered from the east and the west
at the word of the Holy One,
rejoicing that they are remembered by God.
Led away on foot by their enemies they left you:
but God will bring them back to you
borne aloft in glory as on royal thrones.
For God has commanded
that every lofty mountain be made low,
and that the age-old depths and gorges
be filled to level ground,
that Israel may advance secure in the glory
of God.
The forests and every fragrant kind of tree
have overshadowed Israel at God's command;
for God is leading Israel in joy
by the light of his glory,
with his mercy and justice for company.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

God has done great things for us; filled us with
laughter and music.

Second Reading

Phil 1:4-6, 8-11

Brothers and sisters:
I pray always with joy in my every prayer for all of
you,
because of your partnership for the gospel
from the first day until now.
I am confident of this,
that the one who began a good work in you
will continue to complete it
until the day of Christ Jesus.
God is my witness,
how I long for all of you with the affection of
Christ Jesus.
And this is my prayer:
that your love may increase ever more and more
in knowledge and every kind of perception,
to discern what is of value,
so that you may be pure and blameless for the day
of Christ,
filled with the fruit of righteousness
that comes through Jesus Christ
for the glory and praise of God.

Gospel

Lk 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius
Caesar,
when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea,
and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee,
and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region
of Iturea and Trachonitis,
and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene,
during the high priesthood of Annas and
Caiaphas,
the word of God came to John the son of
Zechariah in the desert.
John went throughout the whole region of the
Jordan,
proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the
forgiveness of sins,
as it is written in the book of the words of the
prophet Isaiah:
*A voice of one crying out in the desert:
"Prepare the way of the Lord,
make straight his paths.
Every valley shall be filled
and every mountain and hill shall be made
low.
The winding roads shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth,
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."*

Nicene Creed

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.



December 5, 2021

Second Sunday of Advent

Bar 5:1-9 | Phil 1:4-6, 8-11 | Lk 3:1-6

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Today we have blogs and life coaches, Facebook groups and self-help books, all of which can help us become better human beings. These resources come to mind as I read St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians – I think St. Paul would be the ultimate life coach! All of his letters to the early Church offer wisdom, encouragement, and instruction, and the words we heard today are particularly significant as we prepare for Jesus' coming this Advent: "the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus." Unlike some of our modern-day resources, Paul's words go beyond simply helpful advice; they are rooted in faith and prayer, and in the truth of the Paschal Mystery. These words assure us that we are not alone on our journey, that what God has promised in the person of his Son will come to fruition: Christ will come again! And so, as John the Baptist did, we who are disciples are meant to witness to his coming, announcing the Good News and preparing for his – second – coming. Repent. Believe. "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." How do we do this? Engage with Scripture – read it and really hear what the Word of God is saying to you. Pray for insight, that the grace of God might transform you to go forth and announce the Gospel.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Even pre-Google, I spent more time than perhaps I should have hunting down the perfect gifts, especially for my young boys. I'd scour the ads, then get up early on Black Friday and hit the stores in search of deals and hard-to-find items. Perhaps that's why these words from St. Paul stopped me in my tracks: "And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, *to discern what is of value* [italics added], so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ." During Advent, these words can both assure and challenge us – to grow in love, knowledge, and a sense of what really matters during our time on earth. For me the challenge will be to spend less time shopping this season and more time focusing on deepening my relationship with God, who is preparing to turn the darkness into light. This doesn't mean we can't take delight in finding that perfect gift; but we ought also to increase our recognition that all gifts come from God, including our ability to have access to and means to purchase material gifts. We can find joy in God's presence (and presents?) among us.

ACTIONS Re-read today's Gospel, and then consider how Saint Paul followed in John the Baptist's footsteps in his Letter to the Philippians. Think of ways you, like John and Paul, can encourage one another, and be a voice crying out in the desert. Participate in the sacrament of reconciliation and pray that God may cleanse your heart to welcome him at Christmas, and when he comes again.

Oracion San Miguel

San Miguel Arcángel,
defiéndenos en la batalla.
Sé nuestro amparo contra la
perversidad y asechanzas del
demonio. Reprímale Dios,
pedimos suplicantes,
y tú Príncipe de la
Milicia Celestial,
con el divino poder de Dios,
arroja al infierno a Satanás
y a todos los espíritus
malignos que andan dispersos
por el mundo
para la perdición de las
almas. Amén.



Prayer to St. Michael

St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle,
be our protection
against the wickedness and
snares of the devil.
May God
rebuke him we humbly pray;
and do thou, O Prince of the
Heavenly host,
by the power of God,
cast into hell Satan
and all the evil spirits
who prowl about the world seeking
the ruin of souls.
Amen

Information/Información

St. Vincent de Paul for Friday's Food Pantry

For the weekend of December 12, 2021, please bring canned tuna and other meats. THANK YOU!

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Para el fin de semana del 12 de diciembre, 2021 por favor traigan tuna enlatada y otras carnes. GRACIAS!!!

SCHEDULE OF SECOND COLLECTIONS

December 12, 2021 - Christmas Flowers
December 19, 2021 - Maintenance Fund

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FECHAS DE SEGUNDAS COLECTAS

12 de diciembre, 2021 - Flores para la Navidad
19 de diciembre, 2021 - Fondo del Mantenimiento



FAITH DIRECT

"People rejoiced because they had offered so willingly, for they made their offering to the Lord with a whole heart."
- 1 Chronicles 29:9

Our to-do lists can get lengthy during this season, but Faith Direct's eGiving program will give you one less thing to remember each week. No more envelopes to find before you go to Mass, no more scrambling thru your purse for your donation.

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Thank you for your continued support.

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The Contra Costa Food Bank Mobile Produce Distribution Program distributes FREE produce on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month in the IHM parking lot from 12:00 noon to 1:00pm to families in need. This program is only for low-income families.

For more information, please call Ralph at 925-437-3509

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We now have a code for the website **FORMED.ORG** - Simply open a web browser and type in: www.formed.org. - Go to the lower right hand side and click on "Register" and follow the prompts. Our IHM code is: **CM7TFZ**

This is a dynamic website that has all things Catholic, on demand, all the time! Check it out!

Nights of Reflections at IHM

We had the first Night of Reflection on December 2nd in English. We will be holding a second one December 9th at 7:00pm in Spanish in the Church.

Tuvimos la primera Noche de Reflexion en Ingles el 2 de diciembre a las 7:00pm y la segunda Noche de Reflexion sera el 9 de diciembre a las 7:00p en español en la Iglesia.

Nos gustaria verlos en esa noche!

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Queridos feligreses del Inmaculado Corazón de María,

Al entrar en la temporada de agradecimiento y reflexión, su Consejo de Finanzas quisiera agradecerles de nuevo su continuo apoyo a nuestra parroquia. Han sido 18 meses difíciles, y sabemos que aún no hemos salido de la pandemia, pero esperamos con ilusión el año 2022.

Sus contribuciones nos han permitido hacer muchas cosas grandes y pequeñas. Algunas de ellas se pueden ver simplemente caminando por la iglesia y notando las nuevas flores y el nuevo paisaje. La actualización del sistema de computadoras fue una gran inversión, pero pregúntale a cualquier miembro del personal y le dirá cuánto mejor y más eficiente está funcionando. La instalación de un nuevo sistema de seguridad nos ha hecho más seguros, pero también ha reducido los costos. Otra medida de ahorro que se instaló fue un nuevo servicio de teléfono e internet proporcionado por Sonic. Esto no sólo nos ahorra en costos mensuales, sino que también ha aumentado la cobertura de nuestro servicio de Internet.

Algunos de los elementos que se están programando para el próximo año son un sistema solar que reducirá el costo de nuestra factura de PG&E y será más eficaz. También estamos mirando a la sustitución de las luces exteriores de todo con bombillas LED. Hay algunas mejoras que necesitan ser hechas a la Rectoría y algunos equipos nuevos que se necesitan para nuestra Formación de Fe.

Su consejo de finanzas trabaja diligentemente para asegurarse de que todos los gastos sean rentables y una buena inversión de sus donaciones.

Sin su apoyo continuo, no podríamos hacer nada.

Deseándoles a todos una bendita y alegre temporada de fiestas,

Joyce Strand
Audrey Gonsalvez
Carlos Sanabria
Tim Guernsey



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Dear Parishioners of Immaculate Heart of Mary,

As we enter the season of thankfulness and reflection, your Finance Council would like to again thank you for your continued support of our parish. It has been a difficult 18 months, and we know we are not quite out of the pandemic yet but are looking forward to 2022.

Your contributions have enabled us to do many things large and small. Some can be seen by just walking around the church and noticing the new flowers and fresh landscaping. The upgrade to the computer system was a large investment but ask any staff member and they will tell you how much better and more efficient it is working. The installation of new security system has made us safer but also cut the cost to do so. Another cost saving measure that was installed was a new phone and internet service provided by Sonic. Not only does this save us in monthly costs but increased our internet service coverage as well.

Some of the items that are being budgeted for next year are a solar system that will reduce the cost of our PG&E bill and be more effective. We are also looking at replacing the outside lights all around with LED bulbs. There are some improvements that need to be made to the Rectory and some new equipment that is needed for our Faith Formation.

Your finance council works diligently to make sure that all expenditures are cost effective and a good investment of your donations. Without your continued support, we could not do anything.

Wishing everyone a blessed and joyous holiday season,

Joyce Strand
Audrey Gonsalvez
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Information/Información

Hours of Adoration are on Thursdays from 8:30am to 5:00pm with Holy Hour from 5:00pm to 6:00pm. On Fridays, 24 hour Adoration begins at 8:30am and continues until Saturday morning at 7:30am.



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Horas de Adoración son los jueves de 8:30am a 5:00pm. y la Hora Sagrada de 5:00pm a 6:00pm. Los Viernes, 24 horas de Adoracion empieza a las 8:30 am y continua hasta las 7:30am el sabado en la mañana.

New Ministry!

The God's Groundskeepers Ministry. Come Join!



Are you looking for a stress-free way to give some of your time and talent to your parish with little training, few if any meetings, and no set time commitment? Do you enjoy light gardening like deadheading roses, trimming small bushes, and weeding? The God's Groundskeepers ministry is for you! Over the past year, our Church has gone through a "vegetation makeover", is looking beautiful, and now needs some consistent TLC. We take care of the plants around the Plaza, Church building, and the Meditation Garden. We let the professionals do the rest! The only requirements are that you be a registered parishioner, and be at least 18 years old, or if under 18 attend with a parent. If you are interested, please call Tim at 925-457-4519 or text him at tguernsey@sbcglobal.net.

Thank you and hope to see you soon!

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court #2714 needs you!

We need you because God needs you! And YOU need CDA!

CDA is a national organization dedicated to prayer, good works, and the helping of others less fortunate. CDA is an opportunity to engage in spiritual activities, along with helping those less fortunate. Also, you will make more new and dear friends and have fun while enriching your life and others. If you are a Catholic woman who is 18 years or older and interested to become a member of the Court and join CDA, please contact us, our information is below.

Regular meetings are held once a month. The Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA), is one of the oldest and largest organizations of Catholic women in the Americas.

Mission Statement: Catholic Daughters of the Americas strives to embrace the principle of faith working through love in the promotion of justice, equality, and the advancement of human rights and human dignity for all.

You can also visit our website at <http://catholicdaughtersbrentwoodihm.org> to know more about CDA.

We are also looking for a Treasurer that will help the Court organize its budget and finances. The Catholic Daughters of the Americas is dedicated to the principles of "Unity and Charity", and we are in big need to fill the Treasurer's position in order to continue our charity work in an organized fashion. CDA has templates that the Treasurer will simply fill and follow.

Marina Khayat, Regent 925-997-5927 or Irene Juarez, Vice-Regent 925-584-5452 Also the CDA State website is: <http://catholicdaughterscalifornia.org/> or the CDA National website: <https://catholicdaughters.org>

UPCOMING RETREATS FOR TEENS...please save these dates

DISCIPLESHIP Retreat

High School Retreat January 28-30th
for all students Grades 9-12
COST: \$50.00

SALT & LIGHT

Middle School Day Retreat
Saturday February 19th
for all students grades 6-8th
COST: \$25.00

Registration Forms available after December 1st in the vestibule of the Church, the parish office and at all youth ministry meetings! Retreats will be held at IHM Hall
For more info email ihmyouthbrentwood@gmail.com or call 925-634-4154 ext 107

Ministry Meetings/Reuniones de Ministerios

+ Confessions / Confesiones

Tuesday/Martes: 6:00 - 7:00PM
Saturday/Sabado: 3:30 - 4:30PM

Devotions/Devociones

Monday to Friday/Lunes a Viernes
7:30AM

Holy Rosary/Santo Rosario

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Wednesday/Miércoles
8:30AM

Mother of Perpetual Help Novena Novena Madre del Perpetuo Socorro

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Friday/Viernes
8:30AM

Divine Mercy Chaplet Novena Coronilla a la Divina Misericordia

Anointing of the Sick Unción de los Enfermos

Home Communion Comunión a los Enfermos

Contact a priest / llame a un sacerdote

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Marriage/Matrimonios

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Weekly Calendar/Calendario Semanal

DATE/TIME:

MEETING:

LOCATION:

Mon. Dec. 6th

8:00am	Men's Fellowship Group	Library
5:00pm	Legion of Mary/Eng	Library
7:00pm	Bible Study/Sp	Hall A
7:00pm	Escuela de La Cruz/Sp.Men	Luke

Tues. Dec. 7th

2:45pm	CCD- 1st. Communion	Library
	All classrooms/Hall A/B/C	
4:00pm	CCD Middle School	Hall A/B/C
6:00pm	Legion of Mary/Sp	Chapel
7:00pm	Spanish Parent Meeting	Church
8:00pm	CCD -1st. Comm/Sp	All classrooms/ Hall A/B/C

Wed. Dec. 8th

9:00am	Perpetual Help	John
3:00pm	Library Hour	Library
7:00pm	Confirmation/Teen	Church
		All classrooms/ Hall A/B/C

Thurs. Dec. 9th

4:00pm	RCIC	Mark
7:00pm	Discovering Christ	Library
7:00pm	RCIA	Mark
7:00pm	Young Adult Ministry	John

Fri. Dec. 10th

8:00am	San Vincent de Paul	Hall ABC
3:30pm	Bible Study/Eng	Library
6:30pm	Youth Group	Hall C
7:00pm	Confirmation Adult/Sp	John
7:00pm	Divine Mercy/Sp	Luke

Sat. Dec. 11th

9:00am	Faith Formation/Eng	All Classrooms and Library
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