



St. Pancratius

CHURCH

JANUARY 5, 2025 | THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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Mass Schedule

Weekdays: 6:30am
Saturday: 8am, 4:30pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 6:30am, 8am, 9:30am (*Español*) & 11am

Confessions Saturday: 3:30-4:30pm

Adoration Monday-Friday 5:00pm-7:15pm

Rosary Monday-Friday 6:15pm



Stewardship of Treasure

WEEKLY OFFERING

Sunday Collection	Church	School	Family Ministries
Dec. 1	\$13,898.67	\$65.00	\$363.00
Dec. 8	\$15,169.82	\$29.00	\$147.00
Dec. 12	\$992.85	-	-
Dec. 15	\$11,342.97	\$660.00	\$20.00
Dec. 22	\$14,431.03	\$325.00	\$390.00
Christmas Eve/Day	\$16,387.10	-	-
Dec. 29	\$10,918.78	\$55.00	\$36.00
Additional Christmas Donations	\$3,833.00	-	-
Faith Direct Dec. 4	\$11,722.00	\$395.00	\$215.00
Faith Direct Dec. 15	\$8,865.00	\$340.00	\$195.00
Faith Direct Christmas	\$1,915.00	-	-
Total Offertory	\$109,476.22	\$1,869.00	\$1,366.00
December Goals	\$103,525.00	\$1,463.00	\$1,318.00

Thank you for your generosity

We also thank all those who contributed to this week's flower fund! Donations can be made directly to the parish. Please make sure to indicate it's for the flower fund.

Called to Renew Campaign Update

(as of 12/31/24):



Parish Goal: \$670,000.00
Total Pledged: \$1,816,490.00
Total Paid: \$731,641.34

***Per campaign policy:** Fifty percent of every dollar collected will be returned to the parish to be used for projects mentioned on their respective case statements. Once the goal is reached, the parish will receive 100% of each dollar collected above goal.

DID YOU KNOW?

Our mission to protect vulnerable adults

Nearly 1 in 4 U.S. adults report living with some kind of disability, ranging from physical limitations to diminished mental capabilities. Misunderstandings and misconceptions about a person's individual disabilities can put that person at risk for abuse. By adopting practices that aim to understand a person's unique circumstances, abilities, and challenges, we can work to protect those who are vulnerable in our communities. Some examples which can help foster safety and community include: asking questions instead of making assumptions, focusing on a person's abilities and using positive language. For more information, read the VIRTUS® article "Our Mission to Protect Vulnerable Adults" at lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

Read the VIRTUS® article "Our Mission to Protect Vulnerable Adults" [here](#).

¿SABÍA USTED?

Nuestra misión de proteger a los adultos vulnerables

Casi 1 de cada 4 adultos estadounidenses vive con alguna discapacidad – desde las limitaciones físicas hasta la disminución de las capacidades mentales. Los malentendidos e interpretaciones equivocadas sobre las discapacidades de una persona pueden ponerlo en peligro de sufrir abusos. Adoptando prácticas con el propósito de comprender las circunstancias, capacidades y retos únicos de cada persona, podemos trabajar para proteger a las personas vulnerables de nuestras comunidades. Algunos ejemplos de cómo fomentar la seguridad y crear comunidad son hacer preguntas en lugar de hacer suposiciones, centrarse en las capacidades de la persona y utilizar un lenguaje positivo. Para obtener más información, lea el artículo en inglés de VIRTUS® "Our Mission to Protect Vulnerable Adults" (Nuestra misión de proteger a los adultos vulnerables) en lacatholics.org/did-you-know/.

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Today we celebrate the feast of the Epiphany, where the Magi find the newborn king and offer him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.



In the spirit of the Magi, please put your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box so that comfort and peace can once again be given to a newborn child.

Dear St. Pancratius Family,

I am often asked by people how to make a good confession. I thought I would take this opportunity to share with you some practicals that can help one make a good confession. For starters, it is important to note that one must not fall into scrupulosity and start thinking that their confessions have been bad if they haven't met the criteria I am going to share. The criteria are merely steps that can help improve one's experience in confession. As long as you've approached the sacrament with a humble, loving, and contrite heart, you have had a good confession.

The first step towards a good confession is preparation. One way in which we prepare for the sacrament is through an examination of conscience. An examination is time in prayer where one reflects over moments in their life since their last confession to determine where they may have fallen short of virtue and engaged in sin. If one googles "Examination of Conscience" one will find a variation of reflection questions that walks you through this process.

The next step is in confession and it is the actual saying of one's mortal sins. This part can get a little tricky to explain but it is essential. You must say all of the mortal sins that you can remember from the last time you went to confession. Any sins that you have forgotten about are forgiven. One cannot, however, intentionally withhold any mortal sins from confession. Doing so would invalidate the whole sacrament.

Connected to this step is also taking responsibility for one's own sins. If in confession, we find ourselves giving excuses or blaming our sins on others, then we have not taken full responsibility for them. This does not invalidate the sacrament, but it does make it more difficult to reject a life of sin when we always shift blame for our sins. A practical tip on how to avoid giving excuses or shifting blame is by only stating your sins in confession and not sharing stories. Jesus does not need the background to your sin, he is there to love and forgive you for the sins you've committed. He only needs to know your sins to do that.

There's a lot more that can be said, but I hope you can find these tips helpful in your next confession. God bless you all.

In Christ,

Father Miguel

Querida familia de San Pancracio:

A menudo la gente me pregunta cómo hacer una buena confesión. Pensé que aprovecharía esta oportunidad para compartir con ustedes algunos consejos prácticos que pueden ayudar a hacer una buena confesión. Para empezar, es importante señalar que uno no debe caer en la escrupulosidad y comenzar a pensar que sus confesiones han sido malas si no han cumplido con los criterios que voy a compartir. Los criterios son simplemente pasos que pueden ayudar a mejorar la experiencia de uno en la confesión. Siempre que se haya acercado al sacramento con un corazón humilde, amoroso y contrito, habrá tenido una buena confesión.

El primer paso hacia una buena confesión es la preparación. Una forma en que nos preparamos para el sacramento es a través de un examen de conciencia. Un examen es un momento de oración en el que uno reflexiona sobre los momentos de su vida desde su última confesión para determinar dónde puede haber fallado en la virtud y haber cometido pecado. Si uno busca en Google "Examen de conciencia", encontrará una variedad de preguntas de reflexión que lo guiarán a través de este proceso.

El siguiente paso es la confesión, que consiste en decir los propios pecados mortales. Esta parte puede resultar un poco complicada de explicar, pero es esencial. Debes decir todos los pecados mortales que puedas recordar desde la última vez que te confesaste. Todos los pecados que hayas olvidado quedan perdonados. Sin embargo, no se puede negar intencionalmente ningún pecado mortal a la confesión, ya que ello invalidaría todo el sacramento.

Este paso también está relacionado con la asunción de la responsabilidad por los propios pecados. Si en la confesión nos encontramos dando excusas o culpando a otros de nuestros pecados, entonces no hemos asumido la plena responsabilidad por ellos. Esto no invalida el sacramento, pero sí hace que sea más difícil rechazar una vida de pecado cuando siempre echamos la culpa a otros de nuestros pecados. Un consejo práctico sobre cómo evitar dar excusas o echar la culpa es solo declarar tus pecados en la confesión y no compartir historias. Jesús no necesita saber el contexto de tu pecado, él está ahí para amarte y perdonarte los pecados que has cometido. Solo necesita conocer tus pecados para hacerlo.

Hay mucho más que se puede decir, pero espero que estos consejos te resulten útiles en tu próxima confesión. Dios los bendiga a todos.

En Cristo,

Padre Miguel

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OneLife
LA

Walk for Life on January 18, 2025

LET US STAND UP *Together*

12:00PM Meeting Point @
Mural of Our Lady of Guadalupe
Our Lady Queen of the Angels
Catholic Church (La Placita)
Corner of Main St. & Paseo Luis Olivares

12:30PM Walk for Life begins

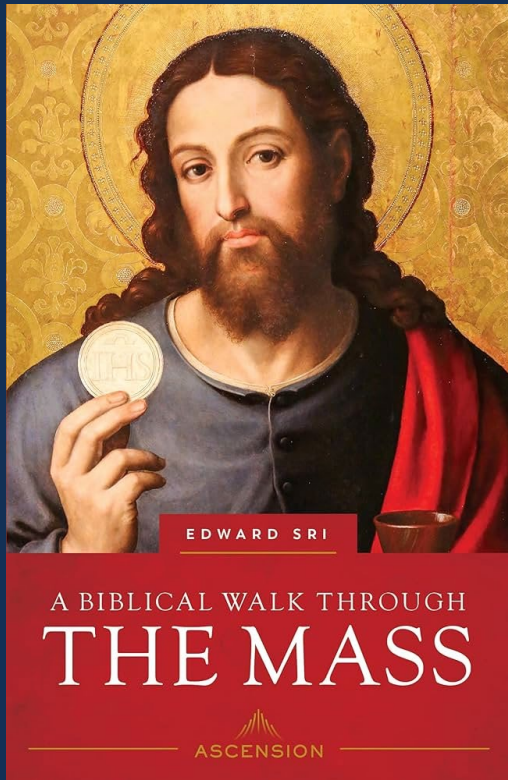
1:00PM OneLife LA Festival @
LA State Historic Park

5:00PM Requiem Mass for the Unborn @
Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels

Celebrating the beauty and
dignity of every human life from
conception to natural death.

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REGISTER TODAY!





Bible Study for Men

Men's Limited 4-Day Bible Study will be on Mondays:

January 13
January 20
January 27
February 3

Time: 7:15 p.m.

We will be using Dr. Edward Sri's "**A Biblical Walk through the Mass**". We recommend that all men interested commit to all 4 days as this is a series.

Jubilee Year

The Holy Father, Pope Francis, has proclaimed 2025 a Jubilee Year with the theme "Pilgrims of Hope." According to the Old Testament, a jubilee was to occur every fifty years as a special time of mercy. The Church celebrates a jubilee, or holy year, at least every 25 years as a time of prayer, pilgrimage, and pardon.

Throughout this Holy Year, a plenary indulgence in the usual form of the Church will be granted to all the faithful who are truly repentant and confess their sins sacramentally, receive Holy Communion, pray for the intentions of the Holy Father, and go on a pilgrimage visit to the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels or Mission Basilica San Buenaventura, or perform corporal or spiritual works of mercy.

With Pope Francis, we pray that this Jubilee Year will be "a moment of genuine encounter with the Lord Jesus...whom the Church is charged to proclaim always, everywhere, and to all as our hope."



Año de Jubileo

El Santo Padre, el Papa Francisco, ha proclamado el año 2025 como Año de Jubileo con el tema "Peregrinos de la esperanza". Según el Antiguo Testamento, cada cincuenta años debía celebrarse un jubileo como tiempo especial de misericordia. La Iglesia celebra un jubileo, o año santo, al menos cada 25 años como tiempo de oración, peregrinación y perdón.

A lo largo de este Año Santo, se concederá una indulgencia plenaria en la forma habitual de la Iglesia a todos los fieles que estén verdaderamente arrepentidos y confiesen sus pecados sacramentalmente, reciban la Sagrada Comunión, recen por las intenciones del Santo Padre y realicen una peregrinación a la Catedral de Nuestra Señora de los Ángeles o a la Basílica de la Misión de San Buenaventura, o realicen obras de misericordia corporales o espirituales.

Junto con el Papa Francisco, oramos para que este Año Jubilar sea "un momento de encuentro genuino con el Señor Jesús... a quien la Iglesia está encargada de proclamar siempre, en todas partes y a todos como nuestra esperanza".

ST. PANCRATIUS CHURCH



Santo Niño

January 15-23

6:00 p.m. During Adoration
Novena Prayer inside the Church
(Except January 18 & 19)

January 18 & 19

3:00 p.m.
Novena Prayer inside the Church

Feast Day

January 24th
Mass at 6:00 p.m.

You are cordially invited to visit our Open House!

Where: St Pancratius School

3601 St. Pancratius Place Lakewood, CA 90712

When: Sunday, January 26, 2025

Time: 9:00am - 12:00pm

**Visit our STEM Lab, Science Fair, Book Fair,
Library and Amazing Classrooms!**

**Pick up applications for the 2025-2026 school year, and
flyers for our TK/Kinder Information Night and Summer Programs.**

Visit our website: stpancschool.org



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Best Elementary
School!**



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**Your student could be eligible
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