

JANUARY 8, 2023 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



St. Pancratius

CHURCH

3519 ST. PANCRATIUS PLACE, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712

ALL SHARE IN THE PROMISE

Picture a nativity scene in your mind's eye. The scene likely includes figures arriving on camels, some elaborately dressed, with jeweled boxes containing precious gifts. These magi arrived from distant lands to pay homage to the Christ Child. We know little about the magi, but we do know that these visitors were not Jews. They represent people of all nations who will be drawn to the Lord. "Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance." The Good News of Jesus cannot be limited to one people; all share in the promise of God's mercy through our Lord Jesus Christ.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalms — All the nations will worship you, Lord (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrive looking for the newborn king of the Jews (Matthew 2:1-12).

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MASSSES:

WEEKDAYS: 6:30 AM,

SATURDAY: 8 AM, 4:30 PM

SUNDAY: 6:30, 8, 9:30 (SPANISH), 11 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: SATURDAY: 3:30-4:30 PM

DEVOTIONS: MIDDAY PRAYER & CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY
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ROSARY: MONDAY - FRIDAY 6:15 PM



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Month of January 2023

Sunday	Church	School	Family Ministries
January 1 Contributions	\$40,344.49	\$245.00	\$491.00
January 8 Contributions	\$	\$	\$
January 15 Contributions	\$	\$	\$
January 22 Contributions	\$	\$	\$
January 29 Contributions	\$	\$	\$
Faith Direct - January 4	\$	\$	\$
Faith Direct - January 14	\$	\$	\$
TOTAL OFFERTORY	\$40,344.49	\$245.00	\$491.00

Goals for January	\$60,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
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What a way we finished 2022--surpassing our goal! We are looking into improving our church restroom floors, adding a baby changing station, working hand wash stations and such. I would like to highlight today Richard Townsend, a faithful parishioner who loved St. Pancratius. He passed away a couple years ago, but he left us a generous gift that will continue to give. Please say a little prayer for him. God bless him and all of you who help support this beautiful parish. Fr. Andrew

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End of Year Statements

This year because of the increase of stamps, paper & envelopes we will be emailing statements. If you do not have an email & would like a hard copy please call the Rectory. If you need to update your email in our records please call 562-634-6111 or email stpanrectory@gmail.com to do so. Thank you for your support.

FEEDING THE HOMELESS

We will be providing food and clothing to our homeless brothers and sisters in Downtown LA on January 8th. If you would like to join us, please meet behind the rectory garage at 1:30 p.m. Donations of hygiene products, clothing suitable for living on the street, socks, tennis shoes, towels and tents are needed. If you have any questions please contact George McCurdy 562-477-0485 or Mary McCurdy at 562-477-7494.

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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.

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Epiphany Blessing

Traditionally on the feast of Epiphany, Catholics bless their homes by writing the letters C, M and B and the numbers of the new year at the top of their doors. The letters stand for the names of the three Magi: **Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar**. They also represent the Latin blessing "*Christus mansionem benedicat*", which means "May Christ bless this house."

20+C+M+B+23

*Prayer*

Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Serious Illness Group

Join us Monday January 9th at 6:30pm! We meet the second Monday of every month. All are welcome (including spouses, care-givers, friends & relatives). We encourage you to bring a poem, scripture reading or anything that brings you comfort. These faith-based meetings are held at the Tanner Residence 5530 Wagner Ave, Lakewood. Contact Diane if you have any questions 562-896-2405.



DON'T MISS OUT!

- Baseball offered through Catholic Baseball League
- Registration deadline January 31, 2023
- Your child will learn the fundamentals of baseball, good sportsmanship, comradery and more importantly the teachings of the Catholic Church.
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***Once uniforms have been ordered or rosters have been submitted (whichever comes first), registrations fees are no longer refundable.**
- Registration fee includes: hat, jersey, pictures, umpire fees and end of season awards/ceremony
- Season will be played March - May 2023 (Practices will begin in February)

If you are interested in coaching or being a team parent, please fill out a volunteer application. All coaches, assistant coaches, team parents and other volunteers must be VIRTUS certified and fingerprinted under the Archdiocese of Los Angeles before the beginning of the season.

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 stpanbaseball@gmail.com

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SPIRIT NIGHT DETAILS

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1/10/2023

Date

4PM - 8PM

Time

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FAMILY MINISTRIES

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Dear St. Pan Fam,

As the year comes to an end, we send our prayers to you and your family for a blessed Christmas Season filled with hope and joy!

We've provided a brief update here of a few things going on with Family Ministries. All of our work is possible through the intercession of your prayers, through the support of our volunteers, and because of all who continue to consider Family Ministries with their weekly offering envelope.

We are filled with gratitude for all the ways in which you contribute, so that we can continue to serve all of our Parish families.

Thank you for your generous support of St. Pancratius Family Ministries!

Merry Christmas.

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St. Pancratius Family Ministries Update

FAMILY MINISTRIES CENTER

Our Family Ministries Center functions as offices for the Family Ministries Team as well as a large gathering space for various activities.

Currently the Center is used for Teen Confirmation Sessions, First Communion Parent Sessions, Middle School Gatherings, Meetings, Trainings, and more.

This summer we were blessed to update the flooring in the Center which turned out beautifully and made the entire room seem brand new.





FAITH FORMATION

Year 1 Retreat

In October we had a beautiful day out with our Year 1 Confirmation Students. The weather was perfect as we spent half the day on a hike stopping to hear a few talks and testimonies. We then had free time for fun and games, a BBQ meal, and ended the day with Mass under the stars.

NCYC

In November, a group of teens from our Parish had a blast attending NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference) in Long Beach. All in attendance were treated to a blessed few days of prayer, fun, and sessions to learn and be challenged to boldly live out the faith.

Parent Prayer Nights

This month we wrapped up our monthly XLT parent sessions. XLT stands for "Exalt", which is a night of prayer that includes praise and worship, a message, and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Our speakers at each XLT share brief teachings of the faith as well as ways for parents to live the faith at home and in their daily lives with their families.



FAMILY TIME

Parish Gatherings

With our Pastor, Fr. Andrew's guidance, our Family Ministries Team strives to provide opportunities for our Parish families to gather, to learn, to pray, and most of all to have fun as we grow as a Parish Family. We had a blast this summer at the Dodgers Game and at the Parish Picnic. We can't wait to see what God has in store for us in 2023!



If you would like to be added to our Parish email list for important announcements and happenings at the Parish, please text " **PAN22** " to 84576 or visit: www.stpancratiuschurch.flocknote.com

Dear St. Pancratius Family,

They were overjoyed! Yes, the three Magi following the star to the place in which Christ was born. They were overjoyed in the revealing of the Savior. Epiphany comes from the Latin *epiphania*, meaning “to reveal.” Today we celebrate the revealing of the Incarnation. God decided to take flesh at an appointed time in history and God was announcing and offering salvation to all, not just the Chosen People of Israel.

So this weekend, we invite you to take a bulletin with you and a blessed chalk. It is tradition to mark your doors with the chalk as instructed. It is to mark our homes as holy ground. A place we are privileged to live in and place of protection. We are overjoyed that salvation is offered to all.

BUT, it is equally important to recognize that we as members of Christ’s Body, the Church, are invited to respond to this gift. Can we in this upcoming year do better in our spiritual life as individuals and families. Let’s take the steps that the Magi took to meet Jesus. If you only go to Mass once a month, can you make it two times a month? If you go to Mass everyday, can you add a day to stop by adoration during the week? Can you make the Sacrament of Reconciliation a weekly or monthly routine? Maybe begin with reading Scriptures for the upcoming weekend or reflecting on the daily readings. Maybe we can just begin by praying as a family once a day. I believe that if we journey as the Magi did, we too will be overjoyed!

In Christ,
Fr. Andrew

Querida familia de San Pancracio,

¡Se llenaron de inmensa alegría! Sí, los tres Reyes Magos siguieron la estrella hasta el lugar donde nació Cristo. Estaban llenos de gozo ante la revelación del Salvador. Epifanía proviene del latín *epiphania*, que significa “revelar”. Hoy celebramos la revelación de la Encarnación. Dios decidió hacerse carne en un momento señalado de la historia. Dios estaba anunciando y ofreciendo la salvación a todos, no sólo al Pueblo Elegido de Israel.

Así que este fin de semana, te invitamos a llevar contigo un boletín y una tiza/gis bendita. Es tradición marcar las puertas con la tiza según las instrucciones. Es para marcar nuestros hogares como lugar santo. Un lugar en el que tenemos el privilegio de vivir y un lugar de protección. Nos llena de alegría que la salvación se ofrezca a todos.

PERO, es igualmente importante reconocer que nosotros, como miembros del Cuerpo de Cristo, la Iglesia, estamos invitados a responder a este regalo. ¿Podemos hacerlo mejor en nuestra vida espiritual como individuos y familias en este nuevo año? Sigamos los pasos que dieron los Reyes Magos para encontrarse con Jesús. Si solo vas a misa una vez al mes, ¿puedes hacerlo dos veces al mes? Si vas a misa todos los días, ¿puedes agregar un día para pasar a la adoración durante la semana? ¿Puedes hacer del Sacramento de la Reconciliación una rutina semanal o mensual? Tal vez comienza leyendo las Escrituras para el próximo fin de semana o reflexionando sobre las lecturas del día. Tal vez podamos comenzar orando en familia una vez al día. Creo que si caminamos como lo hicieron los Reyes Magos, ¡nosotros también nos llenaremos de alegría!

En Cristo,
Padre Andrés



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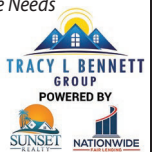
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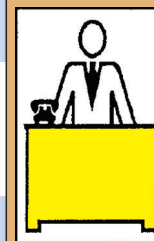
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