

**Third Sunday  
of Advent  
December 16, 2007**



**Question of the Week**  
**“What are the signs of Jesus’ presence  
in the world today, and in our lives?”**

Parish Web Site - [www.presentationparish.org](http://www.presentationparish.org)  
School Web Site – [www.presentationsschool.net](http://www.presentationsschool.net)

Pictures of recent events are posted on the Parish Web Site.

*Intentions  
For the Week*

**Monday, December 17, 2007**

**6:30 am**

Henrickson Fam. (L&D) Peggy Tabarez

**8:00 am**

Brenda Gallagher.(D) Brian Gallagher

**Tuesday, December 18, 2007**

**6:30 am**

Neidaberger Fam (L&D) Peggy Tabarez

**8:00 am**

Bill Simpson (D) John Simpson

**Wednesday December 19, 2007**

**6:30 am**

Hagus & Tabarez Fam (L&D) Peggy Tabarez

**8:00 am**

Jo Andreozzi (D) Andreozzi Fam.

**Thursday, December 20, 2007**

**6:30 am**

Krystyna Platek (D) Barbara Fay

**8:00 am**

Glen Mapes (D) Eamon & Peggy Scribner

Jerry McCarthy (D) Catherine McCarthy & Family

**Friday, December 21, 2007**

**6:30 am**

Joseph Buechel (D) Rosemary Nadeau

**8:00 am**

Chuck Krajniak (L) Eleanor Cates

Chuck Eiler (L) Eleanor Cates

**Saturday, December 22, 2007**

**8:30am**

Teresa Cabrero, Ryan & Hilayna Brooks (L)

**5:30 pm**

Marge Miller (D) Jack & Celeste Smith

Carolyn Serafin (D) Jean Serafin

**Sunday, December 23, 2007**

**8:00a m**

Joseph McTiernan (D) Wally Dondero

**10:30 am**

For success of the Walk for Life to fill our Bus

**4:30 pm**

Hugh McDonald (D) Eleanor Cates

Bob, Shelley, Marla Moes-singer(D) Family

Beau Beresford (D) Family

**Weekly Offering  
December 9, 2007**

\$6842

**Thank you very much**

December Combined Offering

\$2309

**What's Going On**

*...in the Parish*

*Gracias!!!*

*Many Thanks for your participation and support of our Fiesta of the Blessed Virgin*

**Advent Giving Trees are here!**

The charities represented are WIND (for teens on the street), Saint Vincent de Paul and Wellspring Women's Center.

**Meditation Books (Little Blue Book)** for Advent are on sale after each Mass.

**Stewardship Opportunities** – We need more parishioners in many of our ministries, including those of Usher, Lector and Welcome (Sunday Hospitality) Ministry.. Please consider yourself to serve our parish in any of the ministries, call the rectory: 482-7441

**Saint Vincent de Paul**

We still need about 40 more turkeys or hams for Christmas meals for the needy. Donations can be dropped off at either the Rectory or at Nano Nagle Center. Thank you for your support of this important ministry during the Holiday season.

Our **Youth Group** meets after the 4:30 pm Mass on Sunday and at 6-pm on Tues & Thu in Habits in the Nano Nagle Center.

**End-of-Year Tax Planning?**

Remember the Parish and our ministries while planning your end-of-year donations. All parish donations are tax deductible! Make checks out to "Presentation"

**Junior Bulletins** If your children attend Mass make sure they take one of our age targeted bulletins home with them.

*Save The Date*

**Jan 30**, Kings Presentation School Night Out, by Booster Club Contact Wendi 486-3763 for info

**Feb 2 - 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Crab Feed & Auction.** Tickets \$50 sales begin Dec 1 after Mass.

*...In the Community*

**Abbey of New Clairvaux- Sacred Stones Sponsorship** \$360. online at [www.sacredstones.org](http://www.sacredstones.org)

*Parish Religious Education*

**Advent Service for St. Vincent de Paul** During the Advent Season, the families in Religious Education will be collecting food items from the St. Vincent de Paul wish list. No RCIA meeting on Dec 26, or Jan 2.

*...Children's Church*

**Children's Church** Christmas Vacation Dec 22 to Jan 6, 2008

*...Adult Education In the Diocese*  
**University of Sacramento** Opens registration for Spring 2008, starting December 1, 2007 to January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

*"Introduction to the Catechism of the Catholic Church"*

Call office 443-4760 ex 16 or

[lmcperson@universityofsacramento.org](mailto:lmcperson@universityofsacramento.org)

**Retreats**, take the opportunity to learn more about our religion and beliefs at the following Retreat Centers. Go on-line for lists of offerings

**Christ the King Passionist**

[www.Passioist.org/retreats/christheking](http://www.Passioist.org/retreats/christheking)

**San Damiano**

[www.sandaimiano.org/](http://www.sandaimiano.org/)

*...Respect Life*

**Feast of the Holy Innocents Candlelight Rosary Procession and Mass.** Main Cathedral to Our Lady of Guadalupe. Fri, Dec 28 Questions? Carol 791-1819

**4<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk for Life**, San Francisco, Jan 19, bus from Presentation. Call Paula at 485-7287 or Peggy at 531 2121.

*...in the School*

**Christmas Pageant**, Dec 20, at 7:00pm.

**Christmas Vacation**, Dec 24 to Jan 4

Don't forget to purchase **SCRIP** (gift cards). **9 days to Christmas.** It makes great stocking stuffers, or Christmas gifts. Contact any student, or after Sun Mass

**HS Placement Test** Sat, Jan 26 8-12:15

Christian Bros 733-3690

Jesuit 482-6060 x 227

Loretto 482-7793 x103

St Francis 452-3461 x195

Cristo Rey 733-2660x2004

### Let's Talk: Heart to Heart

Welcome Bishop William Weigand! We are honored to host you in our community. Your presence will help us to meditate upon the God's Word in the Eucharist. We appreciate your time and pastoral ministry. Together we pray that the Holy Spirit will lead us through all events in our parish lifetime. Likewise, we continue to pray for the Blessing of our Lord in your pastoral lifetime

This year the Advent time is shorter than usually. We celebrate four Sundays of Advent, but the fourth week is so short, it has only one day: Monday December 24<sup>th</sup>. So, Christmas is just around the corner: a beautiful season of family prayer around the Manger, a miraculous time of sky rocketing faith fueled by Divine Love that God wanted to be a man, a wonderful time of Christmas Mass in an over crowded church at midnight, a special time when the children and church welcome the Holy Couple, Angels, Shepherds and Wise Men in the Christmas display and pageant.

In 2008, after the new year, the Pre-Inquiry team would like to have "Faith Campaign", similar to what happened in August 2007, asking all parishioners to approach their friends or family members who are looking for the faith, or simply need to renew their faith in the Catholic Church. We need to present them with an opportunity to find the answers for questions, doubts, misconception or misinterpretation.

We were very successful last Summer. Our six weeks of Pre-Inquiry initially gathered over twenty people, with increased numbers after first meetings. From this very vibrant group, those who were qualified for RCIA, passed to the regular program of Initiation. This success teaches us it was good approach. Help us in the new Pre-Inquiry campaign that we'll start soon.

God Bless --Fr. Andrew

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### Gaudete Sunday : The Joyful, Rose colored Week of Advent

The 3rd Sunday of Advent is the turning point in this sacred season as we focus our attention in the immediate preparation for the celebration of Christmas 2007, it is titled Gaudete Sunday, meaning Joyful or Rejoicing. We light the pink or rose colored candle along with the previous two purple candles and the priest may even wear rose colored vestments at Mass today. The hope filled expectation of the Messiah's Coming, so resoundingly proclaimed by Isaiah the Prophet, the Blessed Virgin Mary and John the Baptist, create a joyful symphony of spiritual anticipation that our Redeemer is truly Coming. On Monday Dec. 17, we begin the countdown to Christmas with the inclusion of the 'O' Antiphons, in the Mass and Liturgy of the hours in these pre Christmas days. These ancient prayers of the Church recall the biblical titles from the Hebrew Scriptures denoting the Coming of the Messiah of God. May Gaudete Sunday and the 3rd Week of Advent draw you ever nearer to Jesus Who Is the Christ.

Joy and Peace.....Fr. Troy

#### ...Parish Schedule

**Monday, Dec 17 Masses 6:30 and 8 am**

7pm School of Faith Liturgy, do you have Questions?

7pm Charismatic Prayer Group NN

**Tuesday, Dec 18 Masses 6:30 and 8 am**

5:30pm Legion Mary NN  
6-9pm Habits (Youth) Center

7pm Fr. Troy AN ADULT CHRIST AT CHRISTMAS (last day) NN

7:15pm Weekly Rosary

**Wednesday, Dec 19 Masses 6:30 and 8 am**

7pm RCIA NN

**Thursday, Dec 20 Masses 6:30 and 8 am**

8:30-4:30 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

5pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy

6-9pm Habits (Youth) Center

7 pm Christmas Pageant  
**Friday, Dec 21 Masses 6:30am & 8am**

**Saturday, December 22 Masses**



**Pray For** the sick in our community, especially, Crystal Aguilar, Congetta Andreozzi, Joe Antony, Leonard Bencken, Lois Billings, Joy Bissell,

Danielle Carpenter, Kathleen Chibnik, Polly Cooper, Edith Costa, Sheila Cox, Michelle Devincenzi, Tom Dooley, DeAnn Dunnigan, Rose Flowers, Dan French, Bud Golsong, Laura Grombach, Lucille Gruenwald, Josephine Holman, Nancy Junglas, Kimberly Kaufman, Melissa Keis, Bryce Leach, Joe Lease, Jack Lee, Guy Leggitt, Sal Lopez, Jeanette Marquardson, Rose Mauro, Jason Martinez, Desiree Mendoza, Nancy Moniz, Jimmy Mraule, Coquie Otterbine, Marge Pandorf, Fr. Troy Powers, Edna and Robbie Proaps, Margaret Rahn, Celia Ramos, Marianne Redmond, John Rochon, Bruce Sauer, Barbara Scott, Jean Serafin, Bob Shirley, Jack Smith, Colin Soucy, Phyllis Steele, Benjamin Trickitt, Paul Van Coutren, Barry Whittlesey, and Katheryne Walton

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**Next Sunday Bishop William K. Weigand** will continue the visitation to our parish, presiding the Liturgy of the Eucharist at the 4:30 Mass on Sunday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>. We are happy to show our parish life to Bishop Weigand and pray with him for God's Blessing.

#### ...HOLIDAY Mass Schedule

**Christmas Eve (Dec 24)** 4:30  
Children's Mass 12:00  
Midnight Mass,

**Christmas Day (Dec 25)** 8:00am and 10:30 am

#### 8:30am & 5:30 pm

8am-1pm Feed the Hungry

(SvDP)

4:30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

**Sunday, Fourth Sunday of Advent Dec 23 Masses 8am, Family 10:30am, & Youth 4:30pm**

4:30pm Mass Celebrated by

Bishop Weigand

#### Make a Needy Family's Holiday!

If you would consider yourself to be a sponsor for someone, Please call the rectory at 481-7991

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