

During the month of November, all Masses will be said for ALL SOULS with the exception of Missa Pro Populo.

Novena Prayer to Our Lady, the Immaculate Conception
November 30th – December 8th

Most Holy Virgin, who was pleasing to the Lord and became His Mother, Immaculate in body and spirit, in faith and in love, look kindly on us who implore thy powerful patronage. The wicked serpent, against whom the primal curse was hurled, continues fiercely to attack and ensnare the unhappy children of Eve. Do thou, Mary, our Blessed Mother, our Queen and Advocate, who from the first instant of thy conception did crush the head of our enemy, receive these special prayers (*mention your requests here*) that we unite single-heartedly to thee and beg thee to offer at the throne of God. Help us, that we may never fall into the snares that are laid for us, and may all arrive at the port of salvation; and in the midst of so many dangers, may holy Church and the fellowship of Christians everywhere sing once more the hymn of deliverance, victory and peace. Amen.

Advent Prayer – St. Andrew Christmas Novena
November 30th – December 25th (Said 15 times a day.)

Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born Of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires, [here mention your request] through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother. Amen.

Mary's Handmaids Item Collection for Babies & Children

Our Mary's Handmaids Ministry will be collecting items for Walking with Mom's in Need every Sunday after Mass during Advent and at our upcoming December parish events.

Walking with Moms in Need is a nationwide, parish-based initiative that works to ensure that any woman who finds herself unexpectedly pregnant, or parenting in difficult circumstances, can turn to her local Catholic Church and be connected with the resources she needs.

Requested items include: new baby and children's clothes or shoes, diapers, pull-ups, diaper bag, wipes, burpees, breast pads, breast pumps, blankets, gallon Ziploc bags.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Keep Christ in Christmas Poster contest for children between the ages of 5 and 14. Each poster must be an original work that reflects the Keep Christ in Christmas theme with a visual image. Posters should be approximately 11x17 in size. Please include the name and age of the entrant on the reverse side of the poster. Posters are due by Sunday, December 7th. If your child would like to participate, please pick up an entry form from the Knights of Columbus.

COMMUNION OF REPARATION – Dec. 5th – 6th

First Friday - First Saturday Devotion in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary with its basic elements of Rosary, Eucharist, Confession & Holy Hours of Adoration. **Dec. 5th:** 7:00 PM Holy Mass (Sacred Heart of Jesus), Exposition, 9:00 PM Nine Offices of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. **Dec. 6th:** 12:30 AM Holy Scripture Rosary (20 Decades), 3:00 AM Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, 3:15 AM Saturday Office of Reading (Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary), 5:45 AM Benediction & Reposition, 6:30 AM Latin Mass (Immaculate Heart of Mary). Live out the devotions of the Fatima and the Sacred Heart revelations!

INTENTIONS FOR THE SICK

Maria Hale, Frank & Yvonne Batista, Marilou Topacio, Sylvia Todd, Mary Quinn, Phyllis Schabow, Emma Romero, Curt Spolar, Minerva Johnston, Johnathan Arredondo, Isaac Lopez, Peter Drake, Jasleen Villian, Catalina Abreo, Shaw Shan Anwya, Cecilia Varela, Tiffany Lane, Cruz Benedict Alverardo, Norman Arredondo, Ruben Pimental, Sister Margaret Barrett, Iliana Aguirre, Renee Rivera, Cecilia Diaz, Griselda Paz, Liam L. Topacio, Allen B. Topacio

INTENTIONS FOR THE DECEASED

Fr. Louis Marx, Pope Francis, Gary Francis Strahan, Carmen Roberts, Barbara Spriggs, Michael Brummel, Jean Nomura, Juan Felix, Sr., Linda Miranda, Russel James Santistevan, Jennifer Rivera, Saul Ortiz, CJ Hixson, Lisa Von Sydow, Dwight Gelford, Fernando Montenez, Art Foltz, Manuela Cabrera, Roseanna Ruiz, Perfecta Flores, Gustavo Marquez, Frenky Casas, Samuel Avila, Lourdes Villamil, Sarah Von Sydow, Karen Pimentel, Nada Soraya

CHOOSE LIFE – Pregnancy Hot Line (909) 398-4838

"Having received the gift of the Gospel of Life, we are the people of life and a people for life. It is our duty to proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. To proclaim Jesus is to proclaim life itself. Gratitude and joy at the incomparable dignity of the human person impel us to

bring the Gospel of life to the hearts of all people and make it penetrate every part of society."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
"The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary"

THANKSGIVING MASS SCHEDULE – November 27th

6:30 AM, 8:00 AM, and 7:00 PM

Thanksgiving Baskets

On November 23rd after our Christ the King Mass and Procession we will be offering our Thanksgiving Baskets to any attendee who is in need of a little help this holiday season. We would genuinely love to help our parishioners and our community. If you or anyone you know, is in need of a Thanksgiving Basket please feel free to stop by our San Secondo Food Pantry table after the Procession.

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, November 27th and Friday, November 28th for Thanksgiving.

SIMBANG GABI – Dec. 15th – 23rd

Every night beginning on December 15th up until December 23rd, there will be a special 9:00 PM Mass (Novus Ordo) for Simbang Gabi (Filipino tradition leading up to Christmas). Light refreshments will be available after Mass most nights.

CHRISTMAS POSADA - Dec. 20th

Join us for our Annual Posada (the Spanish tradition of telling the Christmas Story)! It will begin with the Rosary inside the church at 3:00 PM. The posada itself will begin at 3:30 PM right outside of the church and continue back towards the Parish Hall. From 4:30 PM – 7:00 PM there will be a family potluck, traditional piñatas and games and crafts for kids. Hope to see you there!

EUCARISTIC MONTHLY ADORATION – Dec. 4th – 5th

We will be having our Eucharistic Monthly Adoration inside of the church from Thursday, December 4th at 9:00 AM until Friday, December 5th at 6:00 AM. Please consider adding your name to the sign-up sheet in the back of the church. This helps us know which hours are still in need of adorers.

**J.M.J.
CHRIST THE KING**

November 23, 2025

Solemnity of Christ the King

Jesus is King because he witnesses to Truth

Jesus of Nazareth revealed himself to be a king, in the sense that he made himself known as the Messiah for whom the Jewish people awaited: the Messiah had been proclaimed as the ideal king who was to crown all the aspirations of a nation full of hope.

It is this figure of the ideal king that Andrew discovered, who then enabled his brother Simon to discover the same truth by telling him: "We have found the Messiah" (Jn 1:41).

Jesus bore no resemblance to a king. Up to the age of 30, he did not make himself known and had no recognizable title. In the little-known village of Nazareth he simply exercised the craft of carpenter, which did not prepare him for a royal destiny.

At the time when he left the village and began his preaching mission, there was nothing to suggest that he had the qualities or power of a king: he was a king without an army and without a people.

A different kind of Kingdom

Nevertheless, there was a group that wanted to recognize him as an ideal king, a messianic king. This was the multitude that had benefited from the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves. Those who had been fed free-of-charge and had been able to eat bread in abundance wished Jesus to take on the role of Messiah and provide for the people's needs.

But this is not what Jesus wanted: indeed, he announced the gift of a spiritual food for the foundation of a spiritual kingdom. So just what kind of kingdom was this?

The question was asked specifically during the trial before Pilate. Jesus' adversaries were accusing him of challenging the sovereign power of the Roman Emperor by desiring to make himself King of the Jews.

Pilate therefore asked the accused: "Are you the King of the Jews?" (Jn 18:33). The Roman Procurator had been informed of the sentiments of envy and rivalry that had given rise to the accusation; but he had to interrogate Jesus about his intentions in order to report to the Emperor on this possible Jewish King.

But Jesus had other concerns and wanted to make Pilate ponder on the problem that arose from his mysterious kingly identity.

"Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?" he asks Pilate. If the Procurator was only repeating what others told him, the question did not require much thought; but if he had said it of his own accord, this would indicate that deeper reflection was required.

Jesus as King witnesses to truth

Pilate did not want to make this investigation. He limited himself to noting that he was not a Jew and that Jesus' conduct was the only point to examine: "What have you done?"

Nonetheless, the reflection that Pilate wished to avoid was imposed upon him by other words spoken by the accused.

Jesus drew the Procurator's attention to the unique and exceptional nature of his Kingdom: "My kingship is not of this world". He then states, "if my kingship were of this world, my servants would fight that I might not be handed over to the Jews".

This reasoning expressed an obvious truth, difficult to dispute. But in exactly what did this Kingdom, which was not of this world, consist?

It was the Kingdom that Jesus had proclaimed throughout his preaching. During the trial, he summed up its essential content: "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I have come

into the world, to bear witness to the truth. Every one who is of the truth hears my voice".

This declaration prompted a skeptical retort from Pilate: "What is truth?". However, as a fundamental piece of information about the Kingdom it requires those who read the Gospel to meditate on it. Christ is King since he bears witness to the truth. This witness entailed his supreme commitment in sacrifice. With the sacrifice of himself, Jesus established his Kingdom.

He was born and lived on this earth with a view to this witness. He became King with the total gift of his love and of his life.

--- Fr. Jean Galot, S.J.

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Dec. 8th

A Holy Day of Obligation. Our Mass times are as follows: 6:30 AM and 8:00 AM Novus Ordo and 7:00 PM High Latin Mass.

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE – Dec. 12th

Not a Holy Day of Obligation in the Diocese of San Bernardino.

Our Mass times are as follows: 6:30 AM and 8:00 AM Novus Ordo and 7:00 PM High Latin. Following the 7:00 PM Mass we will be having a small procession. The procession will begin from the church and lead to the Parish Hall where we will be having tamales and champurrado to share.

SAINT NICK'S BAZAAR – Dec. 6th

On December 6th from 3:00 PM – 7:00 PM we will be having vendor booths (food, crafts, baked goods, etc), a booth for children to take a photo with St. Nick, Gingerbread Houses of Loretto, games and additional crafts available for kids. It'll be Christmas fun for the whole family!

2025 DDF CAMPAIGN

Our next DDF appeal will be on December 13th – 14th!

This will be our LAST collection of the year.

Thanks to your generosity we are 90.11% of the way to our goal! If you haven't donated yet, please consider doing so to help us make one last push to reach our goal. Every little bit helps!

Thank you and God bless for your continued support of our Parish!

Diocese Goal: \$54,400.00

Gifts Received: \$49,019.30

Readings: Cycle 1, Weekday Readings; (Year C for Sundays)

11/22/25 1 Maccabees 6:1-13, Luke 20:27-40 (502) – *St. Cecilia*

11/23/25 2 Samuel 5:1-3, Colossians 1:12-20, Luke 23:35-43 (162) – *Christ the King*

11/24/25 Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20, Luke 21:1-4 (503) – *St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions*

11/25/25 Daniel 2:31-45, Luke 21:5-11 (504)

11/26/25 Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28, Luke 21:12-19 (505)

11/27/25 Sirach 50:22-24, Luke 17:11-19 (943-947)

11/28/25 Daniel 7:2-14, Luke 21:29-33 (507)

11/29/25 Daniel 7:15-27, Luke 21:34-36 (508)

Intercessions for Life: For all the faithful, may the Lord help us build a culture of life in vigilant expectation of His return; We pray to the Lord.

Papal Intention for November: Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

To Report the Sexual Abuse of a Child by Clergy, Deacon, Employee or Volunteer, call the toll-free Sexual Misconduct Hotline at 1-888-206-9090.