

St Pius X Catholic Church

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Rev. Higinio Garcia, Pastor

Mass Schedule

First Friday 7:00 pm

First Saturday 9:00 am

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am, 11:00 am,
& 12:30 pm (Spanish)

Weekdays 7:30 am

Tuesday through Friday
(except First Friday)

No Mass on Mondays

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday at 4:00 pm
(or by appointment)

Second Sunday of Advent



Mission Statement

“A Tiny Church with a Big Heart” We, the people of God at St. Pius X Church in Jamul, Seek to live the Christian life by celebrating God’s Word, Living the Eucharist, and reaching out in peace and justice to all of God’s People. We are to build a loving supportive community in Jamul, By listening and sharing with each other. We believe, with God’s grace, the power of Jesus’ example, and the gifts of the Spirit, we will fulfill Christ’s Mission to love one another and establish the Kingdom of God on earth.

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Gospel Meditation

ENCOURAGE YOURSELF TO A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE



We like to think we are totally free, but the bitter truth is we simply are not. Or better put, our freedom is limited on every side — by governments, corporate giants, physical and mental frailties, genetic shortcomings, and even the boundaries of time and space, and above all, the burden of our sins and pending deaths. In our day, we are perhaps particularly aware that we are not free to disconnect from the technocratic rulers of the air. If you doubt me, try not paying your internet bill and see what happens. We are not totally free. It's nothing new, of course. In Jesus' day, everyone felt the crushing weight of the Roman Empire. You can say you're free all you want. But try not paying your taxes to Rome and see what happens. Once we feel this burden in our own lives — however it comes — we are ready to hear the stunning announcement that commences Mark's gospel, "The beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God." It's not a simple perfunctory introduction, but a dramatic announcement of new freedom. The word "gospel" was a political, even military, term. It meant: a great victory has been won and a new king is in charge. This Jesus — not the Roman emperor — is God's son, and he has defeated all that crushes human freedom. It's time to follow him and be truly free. This week let's refuse to submit our freedom to false rulers — especially that of sin. And let's rejoice that Christ is coming to make us perfectly free from all our oppressors.

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

The World Is Pregnant

There is a character, Rose of Sharon, in John Steinbeck's *Grapes of Wrath* who is pregnant with her first child. As her impoverished family migrates from their native Oklahoma to California, Rose of Sharon's all-consuming preoccupation is her unborn child. Everything she eats, every drink she lets pass her lips, every action she takes — none of it is done without thought for the child that is still so small as to make his mother's expectancy barely discernible to the naked eye. "For Rose of Sharon was pregnant," wrote Steinbeck. "And the world was pregnant to her." It is the same for us Christians in the Advent season. We can feel a change coming, and the hope of this change consumes us. It shapes our actions and our plans, we feel it in our hearts and in our souls and in our limbs. From the food we eat to the clothing we wear to the words we use, the unseen Child lives and breathes and works in every small part of this blessed season. Even the commercial clamor that is the secular "Christmas holiday" cannot fully distract us from the holy sense of anticipation we have. We are baptized, and so it is inside of us, this voice that cries out in the desert. When we hear it, we cannot help but listen. The Virgin is pregnant, and the world is pregnant to us. "We await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells." — 2 Peter 3:13

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QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading: The prophet Isaiah offers comfort and hope to the Israelites who were captive in Babylon in proclaiming that the glory of the Lord is returning to Israel. Do you have family or friends who could use words of encouragement from you?

Second Reading: Peter speaks of being at peace while we wait for the promise of new heavens and a new earth when Christ returns. What gives you peace of mind these days?

Gospel: Fulfilling the prophecies of Isaiah, John the Baptist proclaimed the arrival of Jesus, "one mightier than I...(who) will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." Where do you sense the Holy Spirit present in your life?

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THE YEAR OF GRACE

HEALING MASS
Next Healing Mass
Tuesday, February 20, 2024
At 7:00 pm

YOUTH MINISTRY

ST. PIUS X JAMUL
Meets every Tuesday at 6:30pm
(Fun, Religion and Snacks)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Every Saturday at 4:00 pm
or by Appointment

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm
Contact Olga McInvale at 619.468.9269

CHILDREN'S CRY ROOM
ST PIUS X JAMUL
This room is designated for infants and toddlers accompanied by their parents or guardians. Thank you for reserving this room for their exclusive use.

Coffee and donuts
All are invited to join us for Coffee, Donuts and Fellowship every Sunday!

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Every Thursday
8:30am
5:00pm

Photo taken from an open door at St. Pius X Jamul vestibule

Altar flowers are compliments of Bill Hendrickson in memory of his wife Caroline's many years of service to our parish.

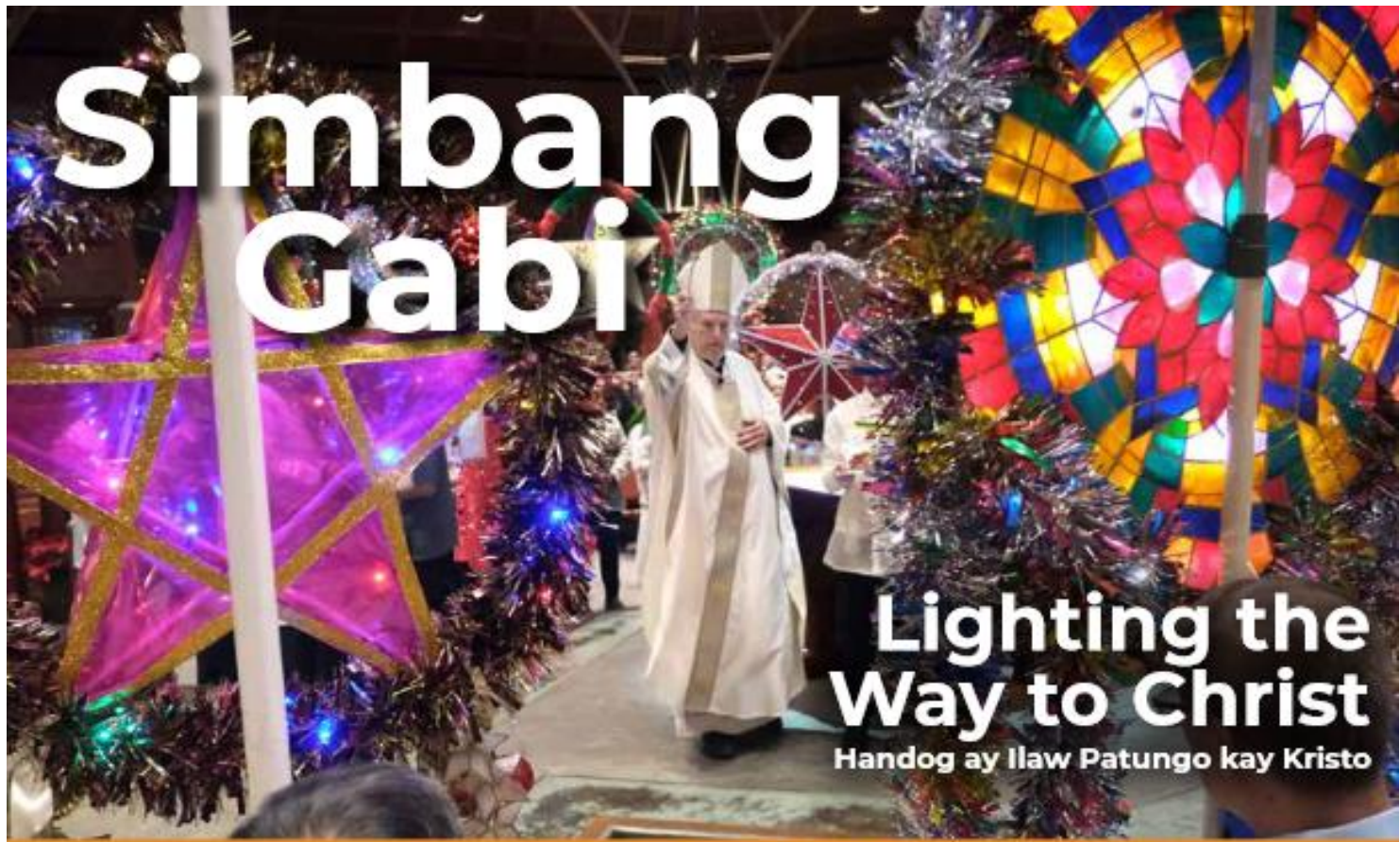
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Faith FORMATION

MOTHER MARY'S LADIES GUILD
Meets 2nd Thursday of the month at 6:00pm
Contact Ana Knudsen: ana.knudsen@cox.net

Meets every Monday at 7:00pm (except on Holiday's)
BIBLE STUDY
Contact David Block: p620d124@gmail.com

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GATHERING
Come and join the men of the parish to make new friends and get to know your brothers in Christ.
Meets First Saturday of the month at 7:30am

Knights of Columbus
Meets 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm
Grand Knight—Joe Coppola
Deputy Grand Knight—Jose Franco



Lighting the Way to Christ
 Handog ay Ilaw Patungo kay Kristo

Dec. 14, 2023 • 6:30 p.m.
St. Michael Church
 2643 Homedale St., San Diego 92139

DIOCESAN VIGIL AND COMMISSIONING MASS
 Cardinal Robert McElroy, main celebrant,
 with Auxiliary Bishops Bejarano, Pham and Pulido

Everyone is invited to join the Filipino Catholic community for this beautiful celebration that lights the way to the birth of our Savior. It's followed by Simbang Gabi services at parishes across the region.



Schedule of Masses at sdcatholic.org/simbanggabi2023



Readings for the Week of December 10, 2023

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8
 Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 5:17-26
 Tuesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
 Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30
 Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/Mt 11:11-15
 Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19
 Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Observances for the week of December 10 2023

Monday: St. Damasus I, Pope
 Tuesday: Our Lady of Guadalupe
 Wednesday: St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr
 Thursday: St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church



Daily Prayer for Vocations

Jesus, Lord of the harvest, Look with love on this portion of your vineyard. Bless the Diocese of San Diego with more priests to shepherd your people, Priests with hearts like your own.
Amen.

Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

Sunday: Rev. Alexander DePaulis
 Monday: Rev. Pablo De Soza, MC
 Tuesday: Rev. George Decasa
 Wednesday: Rev. Ignatius DeGroot, OFM
 Thursday: Rev. Kenneth Del Priore
 Friday: Rev. Manuel Del Rio
 Saturday: Rev. Nicholas Dempsey



MASS INTENTIONS

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP	
December 03, 2023	
Envelope Giving	\$2,151.00
Plate Giving	\$1,353.02
Online Giving	\$1,267.54
Total	\$4,771.56
Weekly funds needed for church operations	\$5,000.00
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December 10	Sunday	8:30am	+ Jim Altomare
December 10	Sunday	11:00am	+ Larry Brown
December 10	Sunday	12:30pm	(SI) Cecilia Peñuelas
December 11	Monday	10:00pm	Vigil- Our Lady of Guadalupe
December 12	Tuesday	5:00am	Mañanitas– Our Lady Of Guadalupe
December 12	Tuesday	6:00am	Mass (Spanish)
December 12	Tuesday	7:30am	N O M A S S
			Our Lady of Guadalupe
December 13	Wednesday	7:30am	For the Parishioners
December 14	Thursday	7:30am	+ Jackie Connelly
December 15	Friday	7:30am	For the Parishioners
December 16	Saturday	5:00pm	+ Caroline Hendrickson

IF YOU HAVE ADULT DIAPERS AND INCONTINENCE PRODUCTS THAT YOU NO LONGER NEED AND WISH TO DONATE, WE WILL GLADLY ACCEPT THEM. FATHER GARCIA WILL TAKE THEM TO MEXICO TO PEOPLE IN NEED.
 THANK YOU!!!

REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE
 Reporting allegations of sexual misconduct: The Diocese of San Diego treats all allegations of sexual misconduct by clergy or Church personnel seriously and deals with them in a prompt, confidential and thorough manner. To report sexual misconduct by clergy or Church personnel, including abuse, please call Mary Acosta, Victim Assistance Coordinator, (858) 490-8353, email misconduct@sdcatholic.org, or visit www.safeinourdiocese.org. Situations of recent or ongoing sexual abuse should be reported to local law enforcement.



LIVE THE LITURGY

Christ is making a journey into each of our hearts this Advent. Clear away whatever blocks his way. Make straight the path. Invite him in. ©LPI

WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Can Catholics Gamble?

Question: The Bible says that Jesus condemned gambling, but I notice that so many parishes have them at festivals and other events. What's correct?

Answer: Although Jesus speaks of our relationship with material wealth and the very human struggle with greed, the gospels do not include any specific instructions related to gambling. At the same time, the Church is very sensitive to the needs of those who might struggle with an addiction to gambling, and pastoral care should always be offered to those who struggle with this reality in their life. While it is true that many parish or school communities include gambling or games of chance in festivals and fundraisers (e.g. bingo, roulette, ring tossing, dunking booths, etc.), there is nothing inherently wrong these sorts of events, given they are played fairly and within the limits of reason are not morally objectionable. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us: "Games of chance (card games, etc.) or wagers are not in themselves contrary to justice. They become morally unacceptable when they deprive someone of what is necessary to provide for his needs and those of others" (no. 2413). As in all things, moderation and a sense of healthy limits should be applied to gambling and games of chance. For those who find themselves living with addiction to gambling, help is available in various 12-step and addiction recovery programs. ©LPI



Our Lady of Guadalupe

When Mary appeared to Juan Diego as Our Lady of Guadalupe, she had encouraging words for him. "Am I not here, I who am your mother?" In the image on Juan Diego's tilma (tunic), Mary identifies herself with the Aztec people. She has their hair and features, their symbolic maternity dress. She incorporated their important symbols of the sun, moon, and stars. Today's Mass includes two Gospel options. Both are familiar passages from the Gospel of Luke - the Annunciation and the Visitation. Both are equally relevant to today's feast because Mary's yes to Christ isn't only to care for him but to come to us. Our Lady of Guadalupe is pregnant. The image bears witness to Mary's yes to conceive the Savior of the World. But even in her pregnancy, she goes to care for Elizabeth. Now Mother to all the world, Mary comes to the aid of her children, reminding them of her presence among them. ©LPI

THE YEAR OF GRACE

LOCAL ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

St. John of the Cross, Lemon Grove	4-Dec-23	7:00 PM
Santa Sophia, Spring Valley	5-Dec-23	7:00 PM
St. Pius X, Jamul	7-Dec-23	7:00 PM
Guardian Angels, Santee	11-Dec-23	7:00 PM
St. Martin of Tours, La Mesa	11-Dec-23	7:00 PM
St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Lakeside/Barona	12-Dec-23	7:00 PM
St. Therese, San Diego	13-Dec-23	7:00 PM
St. Luke, El Cajon	14-Dec-23	7:00 PM
Holy Trinity, El Cajon	15-Dec-23	7:00 PM
Queen of Angels, Alpine	15-Dec-23	7:00 PM
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lakeside	18-Dec-23	10:00 AM
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lakeside	18-Dec-23	7:00 PM
Our Lady of Grace, El Cajon	19-Dec-23	7:00 PM

Christmas
2023

Shepard's Play

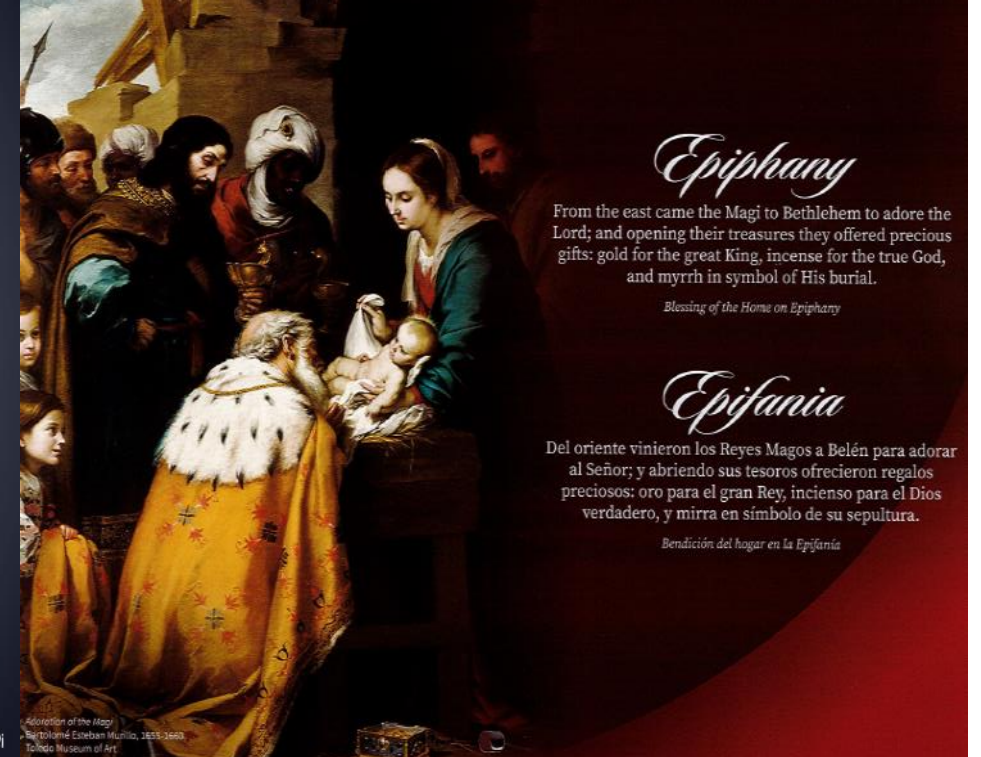
(Spanish)

December 15, 2023 at 6:00pm

Keenan Hall

Dinner will be provided
at no cost, if you would like
to bring a dessert to share, it
will be greatly appreciated

Everyone is invited!



Epiphany

From the east came the Magi to Bethlehem to adore the Lord; and opening their treasures they offered precious gifts: gold for the great King, incense for the true God, and myrrh in symbol of His burial.

Blessing of the Home on Epiphany

Epifanía

Del oriente vinieron los Reyes Magos a Belén para adorar al Señor; y abriendo sus tesoros ofrecieron regalos preciosos: oro para el gran Rey, incienso para el Dios verdadero, y mirra en símbolo de su sepultura.

Bendición del hogar en la Epifanía

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Our Lady of Guadalupe

VIGIL

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11 10:00PM

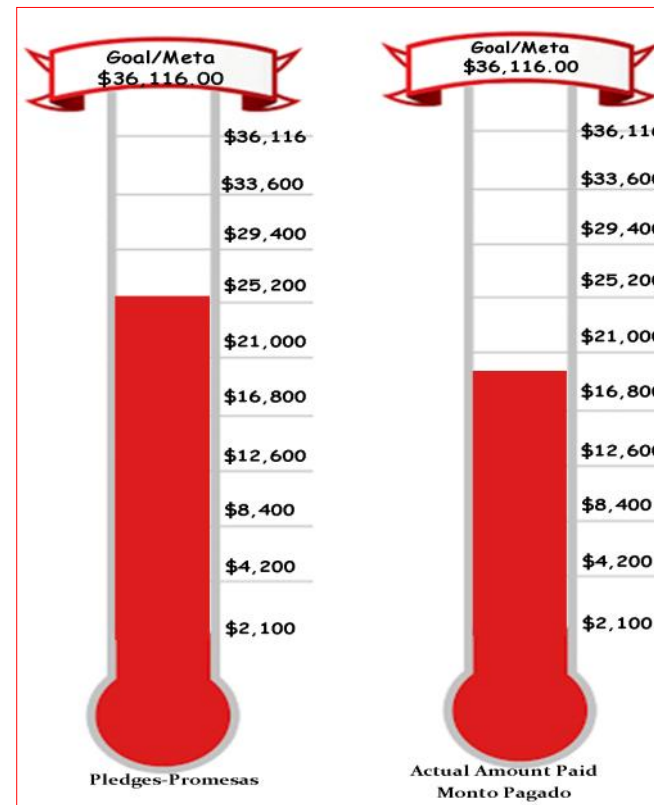
MAÑANITAS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 5:00AM

MASS (SPANISH)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 6:00AM

(No 7:30AM MASS)



Our Goal is:	\$36,116.00
Amount Pledged:	\$24,630.00
Amount Paid:	\$17,166.00
Owed:	\$7,464.00

Thank you for your Pledge! Please help our Parish reach



God Bless

- Patricia Konja
- Rob & Cheryl Brown
- Eugene & Karen Bennett
- John & Mary Collura
- Maria Juarez
- Robert & Kimberly Perry
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- Rick & Roseann Rinear
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Please help our Parish reach our ACA goal by turning in your pledge.



St Pius X Jamul Youth Ministry Calendar December 2023

Subject to Change

- 10 Sun. 9:50 AM G.O.L.F. – Generations of Living Faith with Father Ron Cochran
- 12 Tues 5:15 PM Christmas Caroling  at Good Samaritan Rest Home, 1515 Jamacha Way, El Cajon and Hot Cocoa outing at a local coffee shop (TBA) in Rancho San Diego. Meet @ St. Pius X to Carpool 5:15 PM Caroling: 6:00 – 7:00 (arrive at 5:45 for check in) Community Socializing 'til 8:30 p.m
- 13 Wed. 5:00 PM Ice Skating at Viejas, 5-8:00 pm. (Ck in 6-skate 6:30) *Viejas waiver required 
- 17 Sun. 7:30-10:00 AM Youth Serving Breakfast in Keenan Hall
- 19 Tues 6:30 PM Youth Gathering in Youth Room (Fun, Religion and Snacks) Youth Christmas Party/Game Night details to follow
- 26 Tues No Youth Gathering Merry Christmas!!!

Please let Steve Browne or Al Peterson know ahead of time if you will need a ride to any event.

All offsite events require a Permission Slip



**We need volunteers
for Adoration on Thursdays
for all shifts**

If interested, please contact the parish
office or Laura Dray

The Giving Tree!

Please take a red card and the attached ornament.
Please return the red card and a gift card to the parish office.
Please keep the ornament as a small token of our appreciation.

God Bless You!



¡El Arbolito de la Caridad!

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Por favor regrese la tarjetita roja y una tarjeta de regalo a
la oficina parroquial.
Por favor quédese con la decoración como una pequeña
muestra de nuestro agradecimiento.

¡Que Dios les bendiga!

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December 15-22, 2023 | 5:00-8:00 PM



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Santa has cleared his schedule for photos and we will keep an eye out, just in case the Grinch is lurking close by! This year brings new holiday "celebrity" characters like Barbie and Elsa, over one million lights, food trucks, kids' activities, and more.

All proceeds from this event benefit **Noah Homes**.

Purchase tickets today at early bird prices (until November 27) [on our website](#).

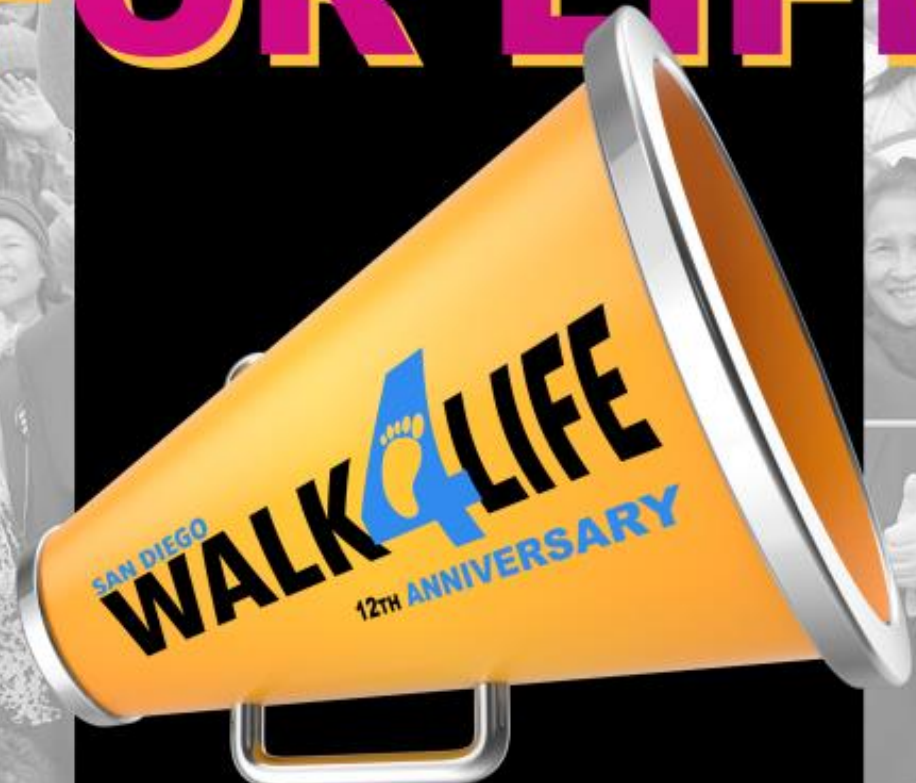
Early Bird Pricing*
\$19.99 Adults | \$11.99 Children

*Prices will go up to \$24.99 Adults | \$14.99 Children after November 27

In Loving Memory

We announce with great sadness the death of our
sister in Christ
Jackie Connelly
July 16, 1948 - November 12, 2023
Please join us in celebrating Jackie
at
St. Louise de Marillac
2005 Crest Dr. El Cajon, CA 92021
Monday, December 11 at 11:00 AM
Reception following

**WITNESS
FOR LIFE**





JAN. 13, 2024

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Waterfront Park
1600 Pacific Hwy.
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