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*Rev. Higinio Garcia, Pastor*



*Fourth Sunday of Advent*

#### Mass Schedule

First Friday 7:00pm & First Saturday 9:00am  
Saturday 5:00pm-Sunday 8:30am, 11:00am, & 12:30pm (Spanish)  
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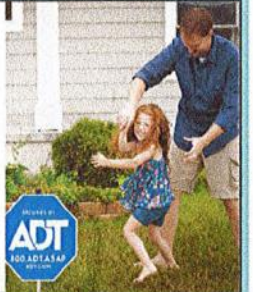
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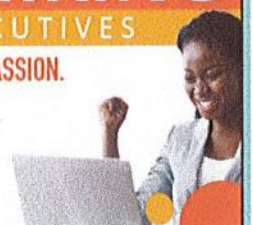
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## Gospel Meditation

ENCOURAGE YOURSELF TO A DEEPER  
UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE



An entire town is wiped out by fire, a tornado rips through several neighborhoods, a bomb claims a maternity hospital and a sudden heart attack takes the life of a soul mate. Life is unpredictable and dramatic. Many buy into the sad illusion that the securities and familiarities we see around us today will remain forever: our homes, our friends, our spouses, our churches, and even our health. We are stunned and shaken by a sudden change, finding ourselves bewildered, mortified, and even embittered. We do not like change, especially change driven by sources beyond our control. Are there any guarantees in life? We often live as if our lives come with lifetime warranties. When they break, they can be fixed or replaced. Such is not the case. Many things are irreplaceable and unable to be fixed. During life's inevitable chaos, God says: "Do not be afraid." Seriously? How can one not be afraid when things are falling apart? Fear is normal and it has a purpose. It is unrealistic, and somewhat unhealthy, to strive to live without any fear. Fear teaches us lessons and can be a catalyst to discovering more profound things. What we do with fear and how we understand it is critical. Fear can either cripple us or move us forward. God does not want fear to cripple us. If we look around at all that can change in our lives and consider what we might have to do, we can easily wallow in the mire of self-misery. Or we can step up to the challenge, as Mary did, and do what needs doing! We can stand tall, as did Joseph, and do the right and just thing! What gives us this courage? Faith. God is with us. This is the focus of our Advent preparations. We need to be reminded that we are not in this alone. God not only made us and loves us, but God keeps us! In the person of Jesus Christ, God is the sign we need to persevere! Do not be afraid and do not be unbelieving! Hold fast to what God has done in giving us His only begotten Son. We do not have to anxiously attempt to control life's unpredictability. God has blessed us with the birth of His Son. Trust that He is with us and will not abandon us, even in death. ©LPi

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

### St. Joseph the Steward

St. Joseph is one of the greatest examples of stewardship we have in the Gospels. Here is a man who understands care and reverence for the property of God, a man chosen to be steward over the very life and breath of God's Son and Spouse.

Joseph was mindful. He recognized what belonged to God. When he understood that Mary was to be the mother of God, he was not jealous or bitter. He did not presume to claim ownership over her.

Joseph was prayerful. He accepted the opportunity to be in relationship with God, even if it was in a radical and unexpected way. How many of us would trust a crazy dream we have where an angel tells us our fiancée is carrying the Son of God? Well, those of us who are already profoundly connected to God through prayer. Joseph was open to receiving God, and so he was open to the truth in a way many of us would not have been.

Joseph was gracious. Even before he had full understanding of the situation, he was unwilling to expose Mary to shame. He did not give himself over to feelings of betrayal.

Joseph was committed. He persevered. The Lord had no shortage of strange and even dangerous-sounding tasks for Joseph, but he submitted to each one.

Joseph was accountable. When he awoke from his dream, "he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him, and took his wife into his home."

Joseph was a man entrusted with many gifts, and he gave of them wisely. Let us pray that we have the grace to follow in his example.  
— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

The Year of Grace



## ST. PIUS X JAMUL

Meets every Tuesday at 6:30pm  
(Fun, Religion and Snacks)

## MOTHER MARY'S LADIES GUILD

Meets 2nd Thursday  
of the month at 6:00pm

Contact Ana Knudsen:  
ana.knudsen@cox.net



## 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!



All are invited to join us for coffee, donuts and fellowship every Sunday after 8:30 mass.

## ADORATION

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Every Thursday

8:30am

5:00pm

Photo taken from an open door at

St. Pius X Jamul vestibule

## BIBLE STUDY

Meets every Monday at 7:00pm  
(except on Holiday's)

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



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Meets 2nd Tuesday of the  
month at 6:30pm

Contact Olga Mc Invale at  
619.468.9269



## Knights of Columbus®

Meets 1st Tuesday of each month  
at 7:00pm

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Guzman  
Margaret Barnes  
Jose Angel Velarde  
Terry Nafso  
Fr. Jorge Ramirez  
Sara Allenbach



WEEKLY STEWARSHIP	
December 11, 2022	
Envelope Giving	\$1,269.00
Plate Giving	\$2,452.97
Online Giving	\$837.04
Immaculate Conception	\$270.15
Total	\$4,829.26
Weekly funds needed for church operations	\$5,000.00
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Join us in Praying the Rosary

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and their upcoming trip to World Youth Day in  
August 2023 to Portugal. Other Youth activities  
include:

The Steubenville Conference, Fun, Religion,  
Snacks, Volunteer Opportunities, the L.A. RE  
Congress Youth Day and Retreats. Thank you for  
helping these young people achieve their goals.



## REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE

Complaints about Sexual Abuse by a member of the  
Clergy, a parish Catholic Employee or a Volunteer  
can be made <https://www.safeinourdiocese.org/> or call (858)  
490-8353 [misconduct@sdccatholic.org](mailto:misconduct@sdccatholic.org).

## BUILDING A BETTER MARRIAGE

Diocesan Marriage Enrichment Series: The Office for Family  
Life and Spirituality is inviting all couples of the diocese to  
attend one or more of their upcoming six-part series on an  
assortment of topics including healthy communication and  
conflict resolution, love languages, managing differences,  
cultivating the virtues, and learning to forgive. This series is  
open to ALL couples including those preparing for marriage,  
newlyweds, and more seasoned couples. Join us on Wednesday  
nights at 7 pm between **January 11 and February 15** at the  
Pastoral Center (3888 Paducah Dr, San Diego 92117). What  
a great way to prepare for Valentine's Day! To register, please  
call 858-490-8256 or visit [tinyurl.com/dmarriageenrichment](https://tinyurl.com/dmarriageenrichment).

## I ITH SAN DIEGO WALK FOR LIFE

Changing Hearts, Saving Lives: Join Cardinal McElroy and  
2,000 faithful's to stand up for the lives of the unborn on  
**Saturday, January 14, 8:30 a.m.** at Waterfront Park,  
Downtown San Diego. Bring your loved ones with  
life-affirming posters and enjoy inspirational speakers, live  
music, exhibitors, and raffles. Go to  
[www.sandiegowalkforlife.org](http://www.sandiegowalkforlife.org).

## RACHEL'S VINEYARD ABORTION HEALING WEEKEND RETREAT

Have you been Emotionally and Spiritually impacted by a past  
Abortion experience? Do you feel like you are the only person  
walking through the pain and grief of your past? Do you long  
for someone to take your hand and say they have been there  
too? The Rachel's Vineyard Abortion Healing Retreat team  
for Military, Veterans, and Families would like to invite you to  
a weekend healing retreat on **Feb. 10-12, 2023** near  
Columbus, Georgia. The retreat is free thanks to generous  
donors. He is calling you to be whole. God wants to speak  
truth to those places in your heart that have been broken by  
abortion. For information or to register: Military, Veterans, and  
Families contact Jody Duffy at [military@pathatl.com](mailto:military@pathatl.com) or (404)  
247-9046

The Letter: A Catholic Creation Care film airs on KPBS, Dec  
21, 8-9:30 p.m. Looking for a thought-provoking, faith-based  
Advent season movie to enjoy with family? Created by the  
award-winning producers of My Octopus Teacher, this  
documentary follows five people from around the world who  
receive a special invitation to visit Pope Francis, share their  
stories of climate change impact, and join him in pursuit of  
bringing about creation care action around the world,  
responding to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.  
Watch the trailer at [https://www.pbs.org/show/letter-  
message-our-earth/](https://www.pbs.org/show/letter-message-our-earth/). To view the film in Spanish, contact  
[cslentz@sdccatholic.org](mailto:cslentz@sdccatholic.org).

## WHY DO WE DO THAT? Las Posada

**Question:** What is the Hispanic Advent custom of "Las Posadas"?

**Answer:** "Posada" is the Spanish word for inn or lodging. "Las Posadas" refers to a traditional Advent custom in preparation for the birth of Jesus, beginning on December 16. For nine successive evenings, groups reenact the search of Mary and Joseph for shelter in Bethlehem. Two children dress as Mary and Joseph, sometimes with Mary riding on an actual donkey. They are usually accompanied by children dressed as angels and shepherds along with the Wise Men. Adults accompany them as they process to designated homes where they sing Christmas songs and request lodging. Part of the group enters the home and becomes the chorus that responds to the request for lodging. In the beginning the request is rebuffed. They move to several more homes where the ritual is repeated. Eventually, at the last home, their need is recognized, and they all enter the home where a party ensues. This is repeated in different neighborhoods and homes each of the nine days. While this custom teaches children an important aspect of the Christmas story, it also emphasizes the need for hospitality to strangers and the continual need we all have to make room for Jesus in our "posada." As we struggle to arrive at a fair and just immigration policy, it would be good to recall the fact that Mary, Joseph, and Jesus were also immigrants looking for a hospitable place to dwell. ©LPi

## LIVE THE LITURGY

"God is with us." This is the one constant in the unpredictability of life. The particulars of our lives can change, not only instantly but dramatically. People experiencing a time of peace can easily find themselves at war. Times of prosperity can rapidly become times of want. Our vision for the future can be destroyed, and our securities placed in jeopardy. These final days of Advent allow us to make final preparations. The true safety and security we seek can only come from God. The rest, harmony, and peacefulness we desire are found in God alone. How do we know this to be true? God Himself gave us a sign: Emmanuel, God with us. Do not be afraid, and do not be unbelieving. Hold fast to what God has done in giving us His only begotten Son. We do not have to anxiously attempt to control life's unpredictability. All we need to do is make sure that our hearts are in the proper place and seeking the right things! ©LPi

## GIVING TREE

*Christmas is a time for giving & to reflect all of the blessing we have received from God. As we count our blessings, God puts in our hearts the need to bless those who have less than us. We have set up a Giving Tree in the vestibule, as you exit the church please take a red tag and return it to the office along with a gift card or you may deposit it in the collection baskets.*

## QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

**First Reading:** Isiah prophecies to King Ahaz of Judah the coming birth of Emmanuel, meaning "with us is God." When do you feel God's presence in your life?

**Second Reading:** Written about twenty years after the death and resurrection of Jesus, Paul's opening words in his Letter to the Romans provides one of the earliest testimonies to the divinity of Jesus Christ. And now as believers, Paul tells us we are "called to be holy." How has this season of Advent help you develop holiness?

**Gospel:** In recounting the birth of Jesus, Matthew focuses on how Joseph came to terms with this miraculous event. Can you name a time when you had to discern how God is working in your life? ©LPi





Sun:	Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24
Mon:	Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/Lk 1:5-25
Tue:	Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38
Wed:	Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45
Thur:	1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk 1:46-56
Fri:	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Lk 1:57-66
Sat:	Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Lk 1:67-79



*Keep them, I pray Thee dearest Lord. Keep them for they are Thine. Thy priests whose lives burn out before Thy consecrated shrine. Keep them, for they are in the world, yet from the world apart; When earthly pleasures tempt, allure—shelter them in Thy heart. Keep them, and comfort them in hours of loneliness and pain, When all their life of sacrifice for souls seems but in vain. Keep them, and O remember Lord, they have no one but Thee. Yet they only have human hearts, with human frailty. Keep them as spotless as the Host, that daily they caress; Their every thought word and deed, deign, dearest Lord, to bless.*

**Mary, Queen of the clergy, Pray for them.**

Sunday: Rev. Jose Castillo  
Monday: Rev. Richard Castro Huergo, MC  
Tuesday: Rev. Ricardo Chinchilla. CJM  
Wednesday: Rev. Benjamin Chinnappan  
Thursday: Rev. Joseph Chinnici, OFM  
Friday: Rev. Msgr. Francisco Cinco III  
Saturday: Rev. Bede Clark, OSB

## MASS Intentions

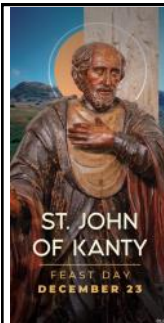
Dec 18	<b>Sun</b>	8:30am	+Sandra Altomare
Dec 18	<b>Sun</b>	11:00am	+Luis Valderrama +Miguel Leyva
Dec 18	<b>Sun</b>	12:30pm	For the Parishioners
Dec 19	<b>Mon</b>		<b>NO MASS</b>
Dec 20	<b>Tues</b>	7:30am	For the Parishioners
Dec 21	<b>Wed</b>	7:30am	For the Parishioners
Dec 22	<b>Thur</b>	7:30am	For the Parishioners
Dec 23	<b>Fri</b>	7:30am	For the Parishioners
Dec 24	<b>Sat</b>	5:00pm	Christmas Eve—Bilingual



Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,  
and they shall name him Emmanuel,  
which means “God is with us.” When Joseph awoke, he did  
as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took  
his wife into his home. — Mt 1:23-24

### Observances for the week of December 18, 2022

Wednesday: St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church  
Friday: St. John of Kanty, Priest  
Saturday: Christmas Eve



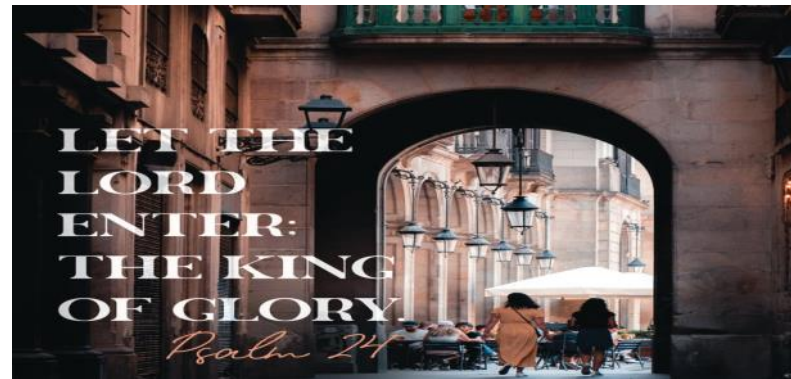
#### Saint John of Kanty | December 23

Saint John, sometimes called John Cantius, was born in the Polish town of Kanty in 1390. Not much is recorded about his early life, however, he was a bright young man who did well in his studies at the university in Krakow. He earned his doctorate in philosophy and went on to be ordained and earn a doctorate in theology as well. He began teaching at the university immediately following the conferring of his doctorate in philosophy. Unfortunately, his popularity worked against him, and he was dismissed from his post on false charges. Saint John was reassigned to a post as a parish priest in the town of Olkusz, Bohemia. His parishioners did not receive him with open arms, and he was unsettled in his new position. But John did not give up, his honest care for the people of his parish eventually endeared him to them. After a time, he was invited back to the university and he returned to teaching, filling leadership roles in the philosophy and theological areas until the end of his long life. Saint John deeply cared for the poor, giving everything but only what he needed to survive away. He lived an aesthetic life but was such an engaging man that he often dined with nobility. Saint John of Kanty died on December 24, 1473. He was canonized in 1767, by Pope Clement XIII. In 1998, a new religious community chose the saint for their patron and the Canons Regular of Saint John Cantius, was formed in Chicago, Illinois.

### ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES 2022

(27 Nov-24 Dec 2022)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lakeside	19-Dec-22	10:00am
Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lakeside	19-Dec-22	7:00pm
Our Lady of Grace, El Cajon	20-Dec-22	7:00pm



THE YEAR OF GRACE



## FOODLAND Mercado

We the people of God of St Pius X Catholic 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, supporting community in Jamul. In order to achieve this mission and build this community we have much support. Foodland Mercado on Cardiff St, is a perfect example of this. Their kindness and generosity through many years towards our different events have made them possible and successful. This year their donation made our Fundraiser for our Tamale Sale not just a reality but profitable for our Tiny Church. God Bless them and their families . Please show your support and gratitude by Patronizing the store located at 920 Cardiff Street San Diego, CA 92114

### Christmas Day & New Years Day Schedule

Saturday, December 24th	5:00pm (Bilingual)
Sunday, December 25th	8:30am & 11:00am 12:30pm (\$panish)
Saturday, December 31st	5:00pm (Bilingual)
Sunday, January 1st	8:30am & 11:00am 12:30pm (\$panish)

Parish Office will be closed on the following days:

Monday, December 26, 2022  
Monday, January 2, 2023  
No Bible Study on these days.

### Mission Statement

“A Tiny Church with a Big Heart”

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