

On that day,
a shoot shall sprout
from the stump of Jesse,
and from his roots
a bud shall blossom.

ISAIAH II:I

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Monday - Friday ~ Lunes - Viernes
9:00AM

Saturday ~ Sábado
8:00AM

SATURDAY ~ SÁBADO POR LA NOCHE
English 5:00PM Español 6:30PM

SUNDAY MASSES~ MISAS DEL DOMINGO
English 7:30AM & 9:30AM
Español 11:30AM

SECOND
SUNDAY OF
Advent
December 4, 2022

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION ~
SACRAMENTO DE LA RECONCILIACIÓN**

Saturdays 3:30PM - 4:30PM

**EXPOSITION AND ADORATION
EXPOSICIÓN Y ADORACIÓN**

Of the Blessed Sacrament ~
Del Santísimo Sacramento

Thursday/Friday ~ Jueves/Viernes 9:30AM-10:30PM

PRAYER LINE ~ LÍNEA DE ORACIÓN

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FUNERALS ~ FUNERALES

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PRIVATE PRAYER ~ ORACIÓN PRIVADA

Church open Mon-Sat ~ Iglesia abierta de lunes a sábado
10AM-4PM

INTENTIONS/INTENCIONES

**Monday: 9:00AM
November 28**

**Therese Montag †
By Chuck Coscarelli**

**Tuesday: 9:00AM
November 29**

**Shirle Fauvre †
By Dick and Kathy Sebek**

**Wednesday: 9:00AM
November 30**

**Larry Shields †
By David Rioux**

**Thursday: 9:00AM
December 1**

**Larry Shields †
By David Rioux**

**Friday: 9:00AM
December 2**

**Barbara Fitzgerald †
By Bereavement**

**Saturday: 8:00AM
December 3**

**John Moss †
By Charles Coscarelli
Jacob Javier Hernandez †
By Hernandez & Pizana
families**

5:00PM

**Sunday 9:30AM
December 4**

**Fr. Pat Keane †
By Chong Crisp**

Share your blessings

St. Vincent de Paul & Food Pantry

*Donate non-perishable food in bins at the back of
the church Place Financial Donations in an en-
velope and drop in the slot at the parish office*

Youth Choir

Come Sing with Us

We are forming a Youth Choir to sing at the Christ-
mas Eve mass at 5:00pm

Students in Grade 3 and up, including High School
are welcome!

There will be 3 rehearsals in the choir area of the church

Sunday, December 11, from 1pm to 2pm

Sunday, December 18, from 1pm to 2pm

Friday, December 23, from 3pm to 4:30 pm

Contact Lisa Boyd by calling the church office

Or Speak to her after any 9:30am Sunday Mass

Casa Hogar La Gloria, an orphanage in Tijuana, Mexico that has been a ministry of the Augustinians for the past 43 years. This is a wonderful opportunity to make a real difference in the lives of abandoned and neglected children in Tijuana. Please visit www.hogar-infantil.org to learn more about our mission and to view a short documentary video.

Casa Hogar La Gloria, un orfanato en Tijuana, México que ha sido un ministerio de los agustinos durante los últimos 43 años. Esta maravillosa oportunidad de hacer una verdadera diferencia en las vidas de los niños abandonados y desatendidos en Tijuana. Por favor visite www.hogar-infantil.org para aprender más sobre nuestra misión y para ver un breve video documental.

Emmanuel

Refrain

Come, come, Emmanuel! Son of God, appear.
Heaven and earth, rejoice! Salvation is drawing near.
Salvation is drawing near.

Verse 1

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel.
That mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.

Refrain

Verse 2

O come, O Wisdom from on high, who ordered all things mightily.
To us the path of knowledge show and teach us in her ways to go.

Refrain

Verse 3

O Come, O Rod of Jesse's stem; from ev'ry foe deliver them.
That trust your mighty pow'r to save and give them vict'ry o'er the grave.
Refrain



Let the Valleys Be Raised

Refrain

Let the valleys be raised and the mountains made low.
Ev'ry meadow and field overturn.
Make the pathway straight and the highway run smooth
For the coming of God in our day.

Verse 1

God, you come to your people as you promised of old.
You have raised up a Savior in the sight of us all.

Refrain

Verse 2

You, little child, go before him like the prophets of old,
Bringing news of his coming by the mercy of God.

Refrain



St. Thomas Aquinas Financial Status- October 2022

	Monthly (Aug 2022)	Monthly (Sep 2022)	Fiscal Year 21/22 (7/1/2022-09/30/2022)
Unrestricted Income*	\$30,301	\$59,239	\$127,522
Restricted Income**	\$1,495	\$11,030	\$20,755
Expenses	\$50,759	\$52,157	\$154,902
Net	-\$18,963	\$18,112	-\$6,625

* Unrestricted income includes: plate and envelope collections, online giving, donations, fundraisers, etc.

** Restricted income includes: The Building Fund, Religious Education, and donations with specific use designations by the donor.

The table above indicates the financial status in the recent two months ending on September 30, 2022. The last column provides the Fiscal Year 22/23 income and expenses to date. With staff Holiday and vacation schedules the month of October full reconciliation has not yet been completed. The unrestricted income is approximately \$12,000 lower for the first 3 months of the current fiscal year as compared to the same timeframe for the last fiscal year. The Parish requested and received a \$20,000 transfer from its Investment Pool (with the Los Angeles Archdiocese) in September to cover operating expenses. Without this transfer the net listed above for September would have also been negative. The bottom line is that the Parish monthly income does not meet monthly operational expenses. As we have all experienced, in these times of high inflation, utilities, food, etc. all cost significantly more than they did last year. The Parish administration has done a very good job in reducing costs where ever feasible and advisable but further reductions will be very challenging. Therefore, the Parish administration will be focusing more on means to raise income to offset these expense increases.

The parish Festival netted just over \$25,000 in income thanks to the hard work of the Festival planning committee and the multitude of volunteers and donations. The Thanksgiving Community Dinner fed over 100 attendees and volunteers and raised over \$1200 that will go to the St. Vincent de Paul Society to provide food and assistance to those in need.

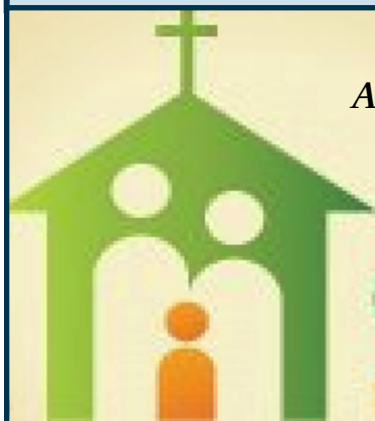
The Together in Mission campaign is still active. The goal for our Parish is just over \$37,000. As of November 21, 2022 the Parish pledges total just over \$21,000 or approximately 57% of the goal. If you have not done so already and were planning on contributing to the campaign, please do so as soon as feasible. Should you have misplaced your contribution envelope please contact the Parish office.

Coming soon the Parish will begin a partnership fundraising project with the Archdiocese of Los Angeles known as the "Call to Renew." The funding raised will be utilized to repair and upgrade the Parish facilities. One of the identified projects includes the complete resurfacing and restriping of the parish parking lot. Look for information in the bulletin and pulpit announcements about this exciting opportunity.

If you have any questions on this report, please contact the Finance Council (805-646-4338, xtn 102).

God Bless

Mark your Calendar



This Sunday, December 4 at 11 am
Adult Formation Presentation on The Bible
Presenter—Taylor Boubel
A light brunch will be offered

CATHOLIC FAITH
F O R M A T I O N

Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe

A novena begins at 6pm on Sunday, December 4, & continues through the evening of the 12th
For the feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe



Las Manañitas will begin at 5am on the 12th
Mass at 6:30am, 9am, and 6:30 pm



Advent Penance Service
Tuesday evening, December 13 at 7pm.



December 13, and every 2nd Tues of the month
Fellowship after the 9am Mass
In the Club House

For more information call Mary Wood (805) 640-5243 or Greg Sinicrope (805) 455-4619

Pastorela Nativity Play



Wednesday, December 14
6pm

The Aquinas Center
our young people enrolled in religious education & their catechists
Come Support Our Youth

**BI-LINGUAL ADVENT VESPERS AT
THE MISSION BASILICA**



**SOLEMN VESPERS WITH ADORATION
AND BENEDICTION**

**SUNDAYS OF ADVENT
DOMINGOS DE ADVIENTO
7:00 PM**

NOVEMBER 27, DECEMBER 4, 11, 18
MISSION BASILICA SAN BUENAVENTURA

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — He shall bring justice for the afflicted; the earth shall overflow with the knowledge of the LORD (Isaiah 11:1-10).

Psalm — Peace and justice will come in the day of the Lord (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — Glorify God by living in harmony with one another, welcoming each other as Christ welcomed you (Romans 15:4-9).

Gospel — Produce good fruit worthy of your baptism; repent, for the reign of God is near (Mat3:1-12).

Sunday: Second Sunday of Advent
Wednesday: Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
Thursday: The Immaculate Conception Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday: St. Juan Diego
Saturday: Our Lady of Loreto
International Human Rights Day

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13;
Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
Thursday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12;
Lk 1:26-38
Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19;
Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-10;
Mt 11:2-11

Did you know?

California act protects children online

The California Age-Appropriate Design Code Act, which was signed into law in September, requires companies to assess potential harm in how they use data from children (defined as any user under 18) in new services or features, and to enact plans to reduce risk. Companies are also banned from using minors' information in "materially detrimental" ways, such as routing searches for weight loss to photos of supermodels, and from collecting, sharing, or selling a minor's personal information by default. For more information about this new law, read "California takes child protection seriously with new online law" on [AngelusNews.com](https://angelusnews.com).

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Brotará un retoño del tronco de Jesé. Juzgará a los pobres con justicia, y herirá al violento con el látigo de su boca (Isaías 11:1-10).

Salmo — La paz y la justicia vendrán en el día del Señor (Salmo 72 [71]).

Segunda lectura — Vivan en perfecta armonía unos con otros. Por lo tanto, acójense los unos a los otros como Cristo los acogió a ustedes, tanto circuncidados como gentiles (Romanos 15:4-9).

Evangelio — Juan Bautista predica, "Arrepiéntanse, porque el reino de los cielos está cerca" (Mateo 3:1-12).

Domingo: Segundo Domingo de Adviento
Miércoles: San Ambrosio; Día para recordar Pearl Harbor
Jueves: La Inmaculada Concepción de la Virgen María
Viernes: San Juan Diego
Sábado: Bienaventurada Virgen María de Loreto;
Día Internacional de los derechos humanos

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Is 35:1-10; Sal 85 (84):9ab, 10-14; Lc 5:17-26
Martes: Is 40:1-11; Sal 96 (95):1-3, 10ac, 11-13; Mt 18:12-14
Miércoles: Is 40:25-31; Sal 103 (102):1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30
Jueves: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Sal 98 (97):1-4;
Ef 1:3-6, 11-12; Lc 1:26-38
Viernes: Is 48:17-19; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19
Sábado: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Sal 80 (79):2ac, 3b, 15-16,
18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Domingo: Is 35:1-6a, 10; Sal 146 (145):6-10;
Sant 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11

La ley de California protege a los niños conectados en línea

La Ley del Código de Diseño Apropriado para la Edad de California, que se convirtió en ley en septiembre, requiere que las empresas evalúen el daño potencial en la forma en que utilizan los datos de los niños (definidos como cualquier usuario menor de 18 años) en nuevos servicios o funciones, y promulgar planes para reducir el riesgo. Las empresas también tienen prohibido usar la información de menores de manera "materialmente prejudicial", como enrutar búsquedas de pérdida de peso a fotos de supermodelos, y recopilar, compartir o vender la información personal de un menor de forma predefinida. Para obtener más información sobre esta nueva ley, lea el artículo en inglés, "California takes child protection seriously with new online law" (California se toma en serio la protección de los niños con la nueva ley en línea) en [AngelusNews.com](https://angelusnews.com).

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HARMONY

Have you ever known a moment when, just for a brief instant, you felt that all was right with the world? It is just such a moment, stretched into eternity, that the writer of Isaiah describes in today's first reading: the perfection of everything, centered in God's spirit, where knowledge, justice, and awe in God's presence reign. In such a paradise, everyone sees eye to eye and thinks in harmony with each other, as Saint Paul describes in his letter to the Romans. Even animals with a natural animosity toward one another coexist peacefully. John the Baptist understood that such harmonious relationships do not simply happen. They are the fruit of living in right relationship with God and others.

HARMONÍA

¿Has conocido alguna vez un momento en el que, sólo por un breve instante, has sentido que todo estaba bien en el mundo? Es precisamente un momento así, que se extiende hasta la eternidad, el que describe el escritor de Isaías en la primera lectura de hoy: la perfección de todo, centrada en el espíritu de Dios, donde reinan el conocimiento, la justicia y el asombro ante la presencia de Dios. En ese paraíso, todos ven y piensan en armonía, como describe san Pablo en su carta a los Romanos. Incluso los animales con una animosidad natural entre ellos coexisten pacíficamente. Juan el Bautista comprendió que esas relaciones armoniosas no se producen sin más. Son el fruto de vivir en una relación correcta con Dios y con los demás.

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