

WEEK AT A GLANCE
December 24th - January 1st

Sat.	4:30 p.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart (John Wolf†)
	7:00 p.m.	Misa en Español
	10:00 p.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart
Sun.	8:15 a.m.	Mass – St. Anne (Patrick Seale†)
	10:00 a.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart (Amelia Worth)
Mon.	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	
	8:00 a.m.	Mass (Mr. and Mrs. Archie MacIsaac†)
Tue.	11:00 a.m.	Rosary at Rosie DelaTorre's home
	6:00 p.m.	Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos
Wed.	8:00 a.m.	Mass (Rev. Alfred Kaster†)
	9:00 a.m.	Hospitality in the Parish Hall
Thu.	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	
	8:00 a.m.	Mass (Barbara McDonald†)
	11:00 a.m.	Rosary at Oak River Rehab
Fri.	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	
	8:00 a.m.	Mass
	11:00 a.m.	Mass at Oak River Rehab
Sat.	10:00 a.m.	Confessions
	4:30 p.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart
	5:30 p.m.	New Year's Eve Prime Rib Dinner
Sun.	8:15 a.m.	Mass – St. Anne (Sacred Heart Parishioners)
	10:00 a.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart (Patrick Seale†)
	12:00 p.m.	Misa en Español

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon.** Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Matthew 10:17-22
(St. Stephen – Feast)
- Tue.** 1 John 1:1-4; John 20:1a, 2-8
(St. John, Apostle – Feast)
- Wed.** 1 John 1:5—2:2; Matthew 2:13-18
(The Holy Innocents – Feast)
- Thu.** 1 John 2:3-11; Luke 2:22-35
- Fri.** Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14; Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23
(Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph)
- Sat.** 1 John 2:18-21; John 1:1-18
- Sun.** Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12

PRAYER CONCERNS

Frank Quinn, Ann Whitmore, Clementine Mills, Anita Walsh, Joy Giles, Mary Jarvis, Ross Clark, Francisco Flores, Ben Bowers, David Jacobs, Dee Long, Jay Burns, Jorge Ortiz, Delaney Valles, Bill Thurman, Ilene Duval, Tom and Lorraine Cummings, Stan MacIsaac.

FOR UNTO US
A CHILD IS BORN



STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Collection Summary

December 4/5:	\$7,822
December 8:	\$1,404
December 11/12:	\$4,864
December 17/18:	\$5,072

For fiscal year 2016–2017

Budgeted for Collections: **\$280,000**

Total for 25 weeks: \$131,931 weekly Goal: \$5,385

Average Weekly Collection: **\$5,277**

Second Collection

The Second Collection this weekend is for our Christmas Charities. This collection greatly helps our ministry of providing emergency services to local families who are experiencing difficulty. Thank you for your generosity.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Our beautiful Christmas flowers were donated in memory or honor of the following: *Stella and Madeline, Margaret & Joe Fitzpatrick, Louis Smith, Katherine Coonse, Judith Coonse, Walter Matthews, Chuck Bennett, Pat Matthews, Rayce Altermatt, Elise Wagner, Elsie Stuart, Guiseppa and Ida Parisotto, Frank Tona, Sr., James W.H. Hayes, Donna & Bert Brouclet, Albert Blahut, Arnold Blahut, Lucille Martin, Gretchen Cunningham, Dottie and Pete Burchfield, Elizabeth & Albert Blahut, Arthur and Violet Lang, Mark Lang, Mike Brooks, Edward Engel, George & Shirley Decker, Kiyo Inouye, Howard & Leona Smith, Chuck & Sally Smith, Howard Smith, Jr., Paul Smith, Joan Dichtl, Patricia Hinton, Daniel Cloutier, Sr. Mary Clarone, Joe & Edie Yanko, Wade Williams.*

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

Question of the Week (Feast of the Holy Family)

For Children: When is it the hardest for you to obey your parents?

For Youth: In Colossians, St. Paul lays out a way of life for the followers of Christ. As you read through this list, which one of these is most difficult for you to follow? Which one is easiest?

For Adults: We are invited to let the word of Christ dwell within us and direct our daily lives. Which one of the lifestyle suggestions in this reading speaks most loudly to you?

Liturgy of the Word

On this holy night, in the midst of our darkness a glorious light shines, ending our Advent season of waiting for the Lord. Hearing the holy word of God proclaiming freedom and peace in Isaiah, God's grace in Saint Paul's letter to Titus, and good news of great joy in the Gospel, let us sing to the Lord and bless God's name as the psalm says, announcing God's salvation day after day.

SACRED HEART THRIFT STORE

Sacred Heart Parish is in the process of hiring a new manager for our Thrift Store. This is a full time position and includes health benefits. All Catholic Church and School employees must be practicing Catholics in good standing with the Church. For more information and application, please call Father Wells at the parish office, 365-8573.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

If you are a Catholic man, 18 or older, married or single, and practicing your Catholic Faith, you are eligible to join our membership. We are looking for men who wish to help others in our parish and in the community. If you are interested in joining or would like more information, please call Ed Carpenter at 347-7009.

The Knights of Columbus meet on the third Tuesday of every month at 7:00pm in the Knights Hall. Please join us!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our Parish Thrift Store is in need of volunteers on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Volunteer responsibilities include: sorting, pricing and selling items and helping customers with purchases. If you can help, please call the Thrift Store at 365-5853.

WALK FOR LIFE WEST COAST

Join fellow Catholics and Pro-Lifers from all over California and beyond as we stand up for the littlest among us at the 13th Annual Walk for Life West Coast in San Francisco on January 21st. The pre-walk rally begins at 12:30pm in San Francisco's Civic Center Plaza, and the Walk, down the city's Market Street, begins at 1:30. Last year's Walk drew 50,000+ people. This year we are honored to welcome Pam Tebow, pro-life activist and mother of Heisman Trophy winner Tim Tebow, as one of our speakers. For complete information about the Walk, visit www.walkforlifewc.com or call 415-658-1793.

**FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS
CANDLELIGHT PROCESSION & MASS**

On Wednesday, December 28th, the annual Feast of the Holy Innocents Candlelight Rosary Procession and Mass will meet at 5:00pm at the steps of the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament (11th & K Streets) and pray for the sanctity of life as we walk to Our Lady of Guadalupe (7th & T Streets) for Mass at 6:00pm. This March for Life commemorates those male infants of Bethlehem who were killed by decree of King Herod, as well as those innocent unborn babies lost by abortion today.

Bring your family, sing with St. Mary's choir, and walk to Mass praying the rosary. Candles will be provided. Carpools will shuttle people back to their cars. For more information, please call Leticia at (916) 519-0417.

Mark Your Calendar... our Annual Crab and Prime Rib Feed will be held on Saturday, February 11th. Tickets go on sale after Jan. 1st.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Today is a day that shines for all days. It is a day when the world is silenced by the birth of a child, small and fragile – a child who grasps us with his tiny fingers and leads us in peace and justice. It is a day when we remember the stable, the shepherds, the star and the quiet of a day when all creation bows in wonder and worship. The creator of life has come to us, is one of us, and we are each reborn. The Light shines in the day and in the darkness. Nothing and no one can extinguish its glow, its fire. It burns this day and all days. It is the Christ Child. Let us rejoice!

*A holy day has dawned upon us.
Come you nations, and adore the Lord.
Today a great light has come upon the earth.*

May you all have a joyful, blessed Christmas! May the Spirit of Jesus fill each person and give you his joy, peace and love at Christmas time and in the New Year.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP

Our parish is looking for a new coordinator for our summer **Vacation Bible Camp**. Johanna Trenerry, who has coordinated this program for many years, is stepping down. If you would be interested in coordinating this important ministry to our children, please call the parish office. Johanna has graciously offered to advise and give guidance to the new coordinator.

**New Year's Eve
Prime Rib Dinner
Dec. 31st – 5:30pm
Cost: \$25/person**

Tickets must be **purchased in advance** at the parish office or make a reservation by calling Ed Carpenter, 347-7009.

Our theme for the evening is **"The Joyfulness of Matrimony."** Every couple or widowed person attending the dinner will be acknowledged for their years of marriage.

