

ASCENSION CATHOLIC CHURCH



January 28th, 2024

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

11292 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.. San Diego, CA 92124

Mass Times:

Mon, Tue, Wed, & Fri., 8:30am
Thurs., 8:30am Communion Service
Saturday Vigil: 4:30pm
Sundays: 8:30am, 11am, 5:30pm
Confessions: Sat. 3:00-4:00pm

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Welcome to Ascension

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MARDI GRAS

* Dress in your favorite Mardi Gras gear: Masks, Umbrellas, Beads etc.

February 10, 2024

St. John Paul II Parish Hall

11292 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., SD 92124

6:00pm to 10:00pm

Cocktail hour 6:00pm - 7:00pm Dinner served at 7:00pm Ticket cost: \$50 each

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Proceeds 50/50 to Renovation Loan and Military Outreach Mission - San Diego

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Pray with Us!

PRAY FOR PEACE

God of Comfort,

send your Spirit to encompass all those whose lives are torn apart by violence and death in Israel and Palestine.

You are the Advocate of the oppressed and the one whose eye is on the sparrow. Let arms reach out in healing, rather than aggression
Let hearts mourn rather than militarize.

God of Love,

we lift up Palestine and Israel — its people, its land, its creatures.

War is a monster that consumes everything in its path.

Peace is a gift shared at meals of memory with Christians, Muslims, and Jews.

Let us burn incense, not children. Let us break bread, not bodies.

Let us plant olive groves, not cemeteries.

We beg for love and compassion to prevail on all your holy mountains.

WE'RE LOOKING FOR A YOUTH MINISTER!



Are you an enthusiastic individual who loves our Catholic faith and seeking a rewarding opportunity to share your faith with the teens of our parish? Look no further!

Ascension is looking for you to join our team and play a vital role in mentoring our middle school and high school teens and fostering a deeper connection to our rich Catholic spiritual heritage.

Flexible Part-Time Hours: This vital role will require about 15-20 hours per week. To learn more or to apply for this staff position, please contact Bonnie Curtis at bonnie@ascension-sd.org.



We are also looking for adult volunteers to assist our new Youth Minister. Please let us know if you would like to be involved with faith sharing, Bible studies, fund raisers, annual retreat, social events food, etc. Please contact the office or Bonnie Curtis at bonnie@ascension-sd.org

MASS Intentions

Sat, Jan 27th	4:30pm	Jacqueline Parsons† Anna Tam Nguyen†
Sun, Jan 28th	8:30am	Anna Tam Nguyen† For the Souls in Purgatory
	11:00am	Emma Ferrer Melot Moral†
	5:30pm	Parishioners of Ascension
Mon, Jan 29th	8:30am	Eileen Phein† Anna Tam Nguyen†
Tues, Jan 30th	8:30am	Anna Tam Nguyen† Sisters in Faith
Weds, Jan 31st	8:30pm	Bernadaine Bogdano Nikolajs Bogdano Anna Tam Nguyen†
Thru, Feb 1st	4:30pm	Communion Service
Fri, Feb 2nd	8:30am	Frances Moore† Holy souls in purgatory
Sat, Feb 3rd	4:30pm	Parishioners of Ascension
Sun, Feb 4th	8:30am	Juanita & Emilo Ayala† Jewell Jones†
	11:00am	Mr. Amorsolo Fernandez Fernando Sr. †
	5:30pm	For the return of those who left the Catholic Faith

PRAYER REQUEST



If you have name/s to be included in this prayer list, please contact the parish office. The “†” indicates that the person is deceased. Your prayer will remain on the list for one month (space providing).

Ella Lopez	Fr. Michael Garcia	Paul Sevilla
Manuel De La Vega	Roger Hoffman†	Chris Cronin
Mark De La Vega	The Hoffman Family	Alex Polifka
Georgia Olsen	Mari-Beth Turner	Michelle Nadeau-Patterson †
Whitney Colleen Hantz	Christiane Hoffman-Frank	David Egan
Beth Falcao	Fidel Salazar	Maria Belflower
Frances Gargaro†	Mary Lou Platon†	Elizabeth G. Laxamana†
Luigi Gargaro	Lucian Platon†	

Church Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

What Have You to Do with Me, Jesus of Nazareth?

Inevitably, when we read the story of the Garden of Eden, my children try to imagine what life would be like if Adam and Eve had not sinned against God.

“Would we have to go to school?” they ask me. “Would we get sick? Could we eat whatever we want? Would we get older?”

I tell them the only thing I know for sure about a world without sin is that we would be happier. I can see confusion in their faces — *Why? How?* — but I have none of the concrete answers they want. I don’t know how to describe a happiness untouched by sin.

The moment sin entered the world, a chasm erupted between God and mankind. There is now a space between humanity and the divine, a cavernous and seemingly impassable void into which God calls for us, unendingly. And because we are lost in the dark, and miserable, instead of following his voice when we hear it, instead we reply: “What do you want?”

“What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth?”

Did the unclean spirit know, when he cried out all those thousands of years ago in Capernaum, that he was giving voice to a question which defined the human condition? They are the words of a demon, yes, but they are also my words. Far, far more often than I care to admit, when God is reaching for me, I look upon His hand with contempt and confusion. When I am grappling with a problem or a sin which overwhelms me, again and again I forget that I already know the solution.

The tragedy of original sin is not that we live in a world where we cannot eat what we want, where we age, and where we become sick and die. The tragedy of sin is that we have forgotten how to be happy. We look at happiness and we think: “What do you want with me?”

“If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.” — Psalm 95:7

Encounter Night

**January 30th, 2024
6:00 pm**

Come join us for an evening of prayer and adoration with a guided meditation and music by John Sperrazzo.

This will be followed by ice cream & fellowship in the hall.



Love our Priest Prayer Group Starting our New Year with Prayers

Dear Friends,
During the month of January, please pray fervently for these wonderful priests.

His Holiness Pope Francis 1

Our Holy Father, Vatican City, Vatican.

Cardinal Robert W. McElroy

Bishop of the Diocese of San Diego, CA.

Most Reverend Ramon Bejarano

Auxiliary Bishop of San Diego

Most Reverend Micheal M. Pham

Auxiliary Bishop of San Diego

Most Reverend Felipe Pulido

Auxiliary Bishop of San Diego

Rev. Edwin Tutor

Our Pastor

Rev. Thomas Thompson

Retired Hospital Chaplain,
Good Samaritan
Retirement Home, El Cajon, CA

Time, Talent, Treasure

Your Gift of Treasure

Weekend of Jan 14th, 2024

With gratitude for the gifts we have received, parishioners and visitors made a joyful return to the Lord of the following:

	01/21/24	01/21/23
Collection	\$8,134.57	\$6,491.73
Fiscal YTD	\$233,082.13	\$249,880.64

ACA 2023 Goal: \$36,116.00

Amount paid as of Nov. 4th: \$34,717.88

Church Renovation Donations: \$2,192.27

Thank you for your support & generosity!

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 Assist. Coord. 858-490-8353, email misconduct@sdcatholic.org or visit www.safeinourdiocese.org.**



Adoration Cancelations

Please make note of the following dates
Feb 1st, 8th, 15th, & 22nd

Deacon will be leading adoration Feb 29th

Caring for the Whole Person Ministry

An opportunity for you, as a faithful disciple of Jesus, to take a step deeper into Gospel life.

What is CWP?

CWP is primarily a Ministry of Presence

We tend to those who are alone, have illness or are dying. We want to listen & journey with our parishioners in need through difficult times.

GET INVOLVED

If you feel the Holy Spirit prompting you, **Please join!**

We invite you to be part of the Caring for the Whole Person Ministry

Contact: Deacon Jim
deaconjim@ascension-sd.org
858-279-2735

First Friday Adoration

Feb 2nd, 2024

**Following the 8:30am Mass
Benediction is at 5:45pm.**

Please come spend an hour in the silent awesomeness of our Lord.

Sign up sheets are available in the church vestibule this week
Please wear your medal.

Eucharistic
REVIVAL



WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

Altar Flowers: Ann Galbraith	858-279-2735
Altar Servers: (Children) Tom Tomp	858-496-9267
Altar Servers: (Adult) Carlos Becerra	858-337-6474
Altar Committee: Angela Jones	
Parish Fellowship: Henry Ng	858-223-3380
Men's Fellowship: Deacon Adam	858-279-2735
Baptisms: Deacon Adam	deaconadam@ascension-sd.org
Bereavement Ministry: Pat Berkebile	858-278-5497
Caring for the Whole Person:	858-279-2735
Deacon Jim & Mattie Scull	
Children's Liturgy of the Word:	858-279-2735
Coffee & Donuts: Sharla Hank	619-315-5553
Eucharistic Ministers: Fran Lebron	858-442-1826
Fiesta Chair: Henry Ng	858-279-2735
Finance Council: Joe Kennedy	858-279-8413
First Friday Adoration: Maxima Agnas	858-278-4543
Golden Circle: Dennis & Yolanda James	858-715-8697
Grief Support: Sandy Canzoneri	858-565-2101
Knights of Columbus: Mark Elfman	858-775-4647
Lectors: Fran Lebron	858-442-1826
Love Our Priests: Jean Hosenkamp	858-560-7132
Marian Prayer Group: Rosa Germain	858-279-7397
Military Outreach: Rick Kania	858-405-3013
MOC: Deacon Jim	deaconjim@ascension-sd.org
Ministry to the Sick: Deacon Jim	858-279-2735
Music Ministry:	
(Sat 4:30 PM) Billy Fallon	855-279-2735
(11:00AM) Marianne Gutierrez	marianne@ascension-sd.org
(Sun 5:30PM) John Sperrazzo	john@ascension-sd.org
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Pastor	revetutor@ascension-sd.org
Pastoral Council:	858-279-2735
Prayer Quilts: Gail Janes	858-414-6361
Pro-Life: David Akers	858-437-1445
RCIA: Bonnie Curtis	858-279-2735
RCIC: Abby Gonzalez	858-279-2735
R.E Coordinator: Abby Gonzalez	858-279-2735
Single Seniors Fellowship: Danielle Deaton	858-278-0755
Ushers/Hospitality: Ray Lebron	858-775-6734

RACHEL'S SHELTER DINNER SERVICE:

Rachel's requests the help of local parishes to provide dinners for these women, and Ascension's scheduled date will be the **3rd Tuesday of each month**

Rachel's Shelter is located downtown near Father Joe's facilities.

It is operated by the Diocese and provides supportive, safe, short- and mid-term shelter for 35 women.

Ann Galbraith is the MOC leader for this, and typically cooks the day of and prepares side dishes in the JP2 kitchen prior to departing for Rachel's at 4:30 PM.

If you'd like to help with the cooking or serving, please contact her at anngalbraith1@gmail.com.

If you'd prefer to drop off prepared food or grocery donations of any kind, please feel free to leave them either in the JP2 kitchen refrigerator with a note, or at the church office.



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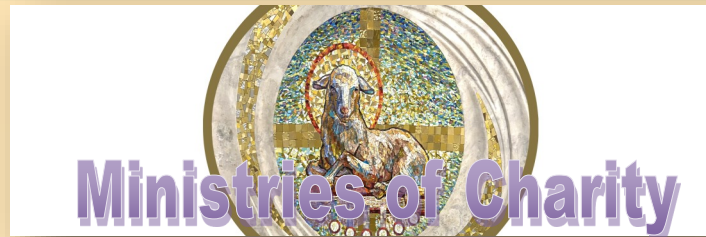
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MINISTRIES OF CHARITY UPDATE #2024 – 2
January 16th, 2024

Dear Friends in Christ,

Happy Ordinary Time! Only these times are anything but ordinary. Are you looking for a way to find Jesus, maybe in the needy or the homeless? Please join our MOC Team as we continue to serve those in need. Our next event is called

“Help for the Homeless.”

“What is “Help for the Homeless”

“Help for the Homeless”, is a project to serve the Homeless in San Diego. This event will be two separate, simultaneous projects.

The first project will benefit the children from the Department of Children and Youth in Transition (CYT), within the San Diego City Schools. This little known department serves all children within SD City Schools who are living in transitional situations and in great need.

What is their most critical need? Believe it or not, children’s underwear.

Many of these children do not have any underwear. CYT’s closets are empty. Please help MOC is accepting donations of new children’s underwear: Kindergarten to 12th grade, boys and girls, all sizes. Help us send these children to school with the things they most need for their day.

The second project, will be a collection of shoes (new or gently used) and socks for homeless adults (both men’s and women’s adult sizes). Please look through your closets for shoes you do not use, which are still in good condition, we can use them.

You can also shop for all these items. Walmart, TJ Max, and Marshall’s often have inexpensive shoes, socks, and underwear. If you cannot shop, please consider a donation to help defray the expenses of this event. We can shop for you. Just make your check out to Ascension Parish with MOC in the memo and place it in the collection basket.

Collections for all of these items have begun and will continue through the 1st week of February 2024. Donation bins are in the vestibule of the Church and in the parish office.

Please help fill our bins.

We will be having a distribution of these and other items, as well as, serving a meal at Catholic Charities’ Neil Good Center on Feb 10, 2024.

Sign-ups for the many volunteers we will need are taking place January 20/21 and 27/28 at the MOC Table after mass.

1. We will be looking for 25 volunteers to help organize all our items on **Monday, Feb 5th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** This is ideal for families to join in the work.
2. We will also need 15 volunteers to set up, distribute items and serve lunch at the event on **Feb 10th from 7:30 a.m. to 12pm.**

Please consider
helping us.

Please stop by our table after mass this or next weekend and sign-up. Join us as we serve the poor and the homeless. You will find Jesus there!!