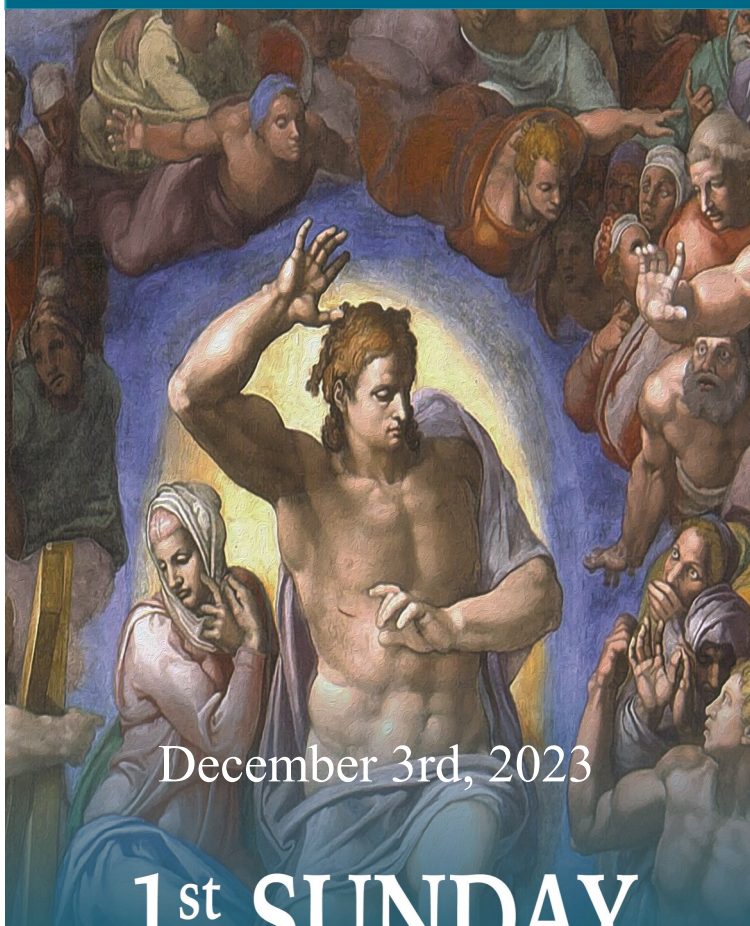


# ASCENSION CATHOLIC CHURCH



December 3rd, 2023

## 1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“Watch, therefore; you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning.” - Mk 13:35

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

### Feast Of The Immaculate Conception

Friday, December 8th

Mass at 8:30 AM and 7:00 PM

(Holy Day of Obligation)

### Sunday Mass

Sunday, December 24th

Masses at 8:30AM, 11:00AM

### Christmas Eve Mass

Sunday, December 24th

4:00 PM, 6:30 PM

& 10:00 PM

### Christmas Day

Monday, December 25th

Masses at 8:30 AM, 11:30 AM

(NO 5:30 PM Mass)

### New Year's Eve

Sunday, December 31

Mass at 8:30am, 11am & 5:30pm

11292 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.. San Diego, CA 92124

#### Mass Times:

Mon, Tue, Wed, & Fri., 8:30am

Thurs., 8:30am Communion Service

Saturdays Vigil: 4:30pm

Sundays: 8:30am, 11am, 5:30pm

Confessions: Sat. 3:00-4:00pm

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[deaconadam@ascension-sd.org](mailto:deaconadam@ascension-sd.org)

# Welcome to Ascension

## Chaplet of Divine Mercy & Adoration

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday  
& Friday 3PM  
Tuesday 7PM

A co-worker of mine is an older widower. I heard his birthday was the next day, so before work that day, I bought him a special meal and slice of cake and dropped it off to him as a surprise.

Glorifying God through Holy Moments

**THE POWER OF A SINGLE MOMENT**

holly moments

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:bonnie@ascension-sd.org)

## Local Advent Penance Service times

All Hallows

Sunday, December 3rd @ 4:00pm

Holy Family

Monday, December 4th @ 7:00pm

St. Columba

Thursday, December 7th @ 6:00pm

Mary, Star of the Sea

Sunday, December 10th @ 4:00pm

The Immaculata

Monday, December 11th @ 7:00pm

Mission San Diego

Monday, December 11th @ 7:00pm

Our Mother of Confidence

Tuesday, December 12th  
@ 12:00pm  
& 7:00pm

## 1st Sunday, Advent December 3rd

Beginning the Church's liturgical year,

Advent (from, "ad-venire" in Latin or "to come to") is the season encompassing the four Sundays (and weekdays) leading up to the celebration of Christmas.

The Advent season is a time of **preparation** that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and to the anniversary of Our Lord's birth on Christmas



# 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.

### Christmas Flowers

Please consider donating poinsettia flowers through Dec. 16th.



Flower donation envelopes are located in the pews or you can donate on our website [www.sdascension.org](http://www.sdascension.org) under the Donate Online Tab Christmas Flowers



FRIDAY DECEMBER 8TH  
Holy Day of Obligation  
MASS TIMES  
8:30AM & 7PM

## MASS Intentions

Sat, Dec 2nd	4:30pm	Augustine Doah † Robert B. Hoffman†
Sun, Dec 3rd	8:30am	Aurora Blaikie† Joseph Pham Quang Hiep
	11:00am	Parishioners of Ascension
	5:30pm	Michelle Nadeau-Patterson† Jacqueline Valliere†
Mon, Dec 4th	8:30am	Open Open Open
Tues, Dec 5th	8:30am	Nina Diez
Wed, Dec 6th	8:30am	Open
Thurs, Dec 7th	8:30am	Communion Service
Fri, Dec 8th	8:30am	Joan Robertson† Peter Wolfe†
	7:00pm	Open
Sat, Dec 9th	4:30pm	Manuel Neves† Robert B. Hoffman†
Sun, Dec 10th	8:30am	Aurora Blaikie†
	11:00am	Parishioners of Ascension
	5:30pm	Michelle Nadeau-Patterson† Jacqueline Valliere†

## 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

Roger Hoffman†	Chris Cronin	Ella Lopez
The Hoffman Family	Alex Polifka	Karen Garcilazo†
Mari-Beth Turner	Michelle Nadeau-Patterson †	Sam Beamon †
Christiane Hoffman-Frank	David Egan	Aurora Blaikie†
Fidel Salazar	Maria Belflower	Purificacion Tamayo
Mary Lou Platon	Elizabeth G. Laxamana†	Dan Trubovitz
Lucian Platon	Rosie Struyk	Cathy Wu†
Paul Sevilla	Mike Sullivan	Georgia Olsen

# Join Us



## A Gift for Baby Jesus

We're inviting the Parish children to bring a gift for Baby Jesus, beginning now until *Christmas*. Your gifts will be donated to the **Culture for Life Women's Center**.

Suggested Items: Baby formula (any kind), large size diapers, pull up diapers, clothing (winter pajamas), baby bottles, or baby toys. No need to wrap the gifts. Please bring them by the office or leave by the Jesse Tree in the church vestibule.

## Jesse Tree

We would like to invite all Parish Children to participate in our Advent Jesse Tree. Please feel free to take a paper ornament to color and decorate with your child and read the scriptures that go with each one. Add an ornament each week to our Jesse!

*Holy Moments* cards will be added to the Jesse Tree during the Christmas Season



## St. Andrew on November 30 Ends Christmas Eve

### Make the Sign of the Cross.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

### Say the St. Andrew Christmas Novena prayer

*Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother. Amen.*

**Name any intentions or other prayers you wish to share with God. Maybe consider your response to Jesus's call to follow Him; just as he called on Andrew and Peter, he also calls on us to let go and surrender.**

### Conclude with the Sign of the Cross.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**If you're praying this novena in the traditional fashion ...**

Repeat the above steps 14x throughout your day.

## Ascension's Posada

The Religious Education children & families will host a *Posada*  
**December 17th, 2023 in JP2 after the 8:30 Mass.**

All Parishioners are invited to celebrate the anticipated birth of Jesus with this wonderful Mexican religious celebration commemorating the journey that *Mary and Joseph* made to Bethlehem in search of safe refuge to give birth to Jesus. We will re-enact this story with a singing procession, and end with a celebration with tamales and pinata. **Please, come join us!**



## Baby Jesus Blessing on Gaudete Sunday

We invite all Parishioners to bring in your Nativity scene's Baby Jesus to ***Gaudete Sunday Masses on Dec 17th*** for a special blessing. Don't forget to wear pink (rose) and celebrate Joy!



## Children's Liturgy Volunteers Needed

Our parish is looking to restart

The Children's Liturgy Ministry and we are asking for volunteers for the 11AM Mass.

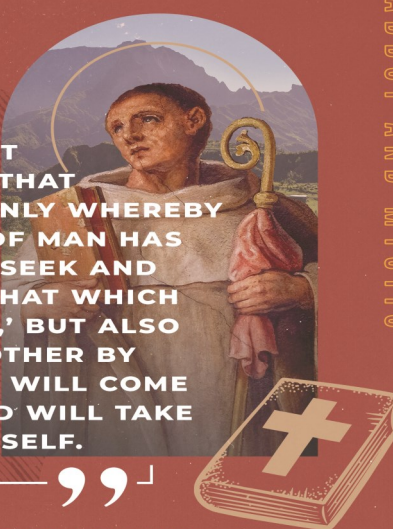
If you feel a call to help us spread the Gospel message to our parish children, Please contact

Abby Gonzalez, R.E. Coordinator at  
[rel.ed@ascension-sd.org](mailto:rel.ed@ascension-sd.org)

# Time, Talent, Treasure

“—  
LET US NOT  
THINK OF THAT  
ADVENT ONLY WHEREBY  
THE SON OF MAN HAS  
'COME TO SEEK AND  
TO SAVE THAT WHICH  
WAS LOST,' BUT ALSO  
OF THAT OTHER BY  
WHICH HE WILL COME  
AGAIN AND WILL TAKE  
US TO HIMSELF.  
”

ABBOT AND MYSTIC



-ST. BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX

## Beads & Brew Ministry

Wednesday, December 13th  
@  
7:00pm  
in the Pavilion  
Contact Roger Jones 858-279-3164  
or Lewis Camp 858 715-3890

Rady  
Children's

## Breakfast with Santa

Saturday  
December 9th, 2023  
9:30 to 11:30am  
Tickets \$20 each  
Register online at

[www.rchaterrasanta.com/breakfast-with-santa.html](http://www.rchaterrasanta.com/breakfast-with-santa.html)

Coffee  
&  
Doughnuts  
Special Holiday Treats  
December, 3rd  
after the  
8:30am & 11am



## Your Gift of Treasure

### Weekend of Nov. 26th, 2023

	11/26/23	11/26-27/22
Collection	\$7,695.47	\$7,092.92
Fiscal YTD	\$171,195.29	\$177,19.29

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

ACA 2023 Goal: \$36,116.00

Amount paid as of Nov. 4th: \$26,286.80

Church Renovation Donations: \$2,313.50

Thank you for your support &  
generosity!

## MOC ANGEL TREE PROJECT

are in the  
vestibule now and in our weekly Flocknote  
Bulletin you can sign up for a gift to give to  
this wonderful cause.  
The gifts this year will again be  
donated to the  
children of the Pala Mission, one of the poorest  
parishes in our diocese.

Along with the many gifts we so gratefully  
receive from our generous parishioners, we will  
again be looking for donors for new boy's and  
girl's bicycles. These bicycles  
become the grand prize at Pala's Christmas  
party for the children.

If you are interested, please contact  
Deacon Jim or the Parish Office.  
This year the project will be coordinated again  
by the **Roldan Family**.  
Many thanks



# WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

Altar Flowers: Rosa Germain	858-279-7397
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	
(11:00AM) Marianne Gutierrez    marianne@ascension-sd.org	
(Sun 5:30PM) John Sperrazzo       john@ascension-sd.org	
Office                                    office@ascension-sd.org	
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:	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

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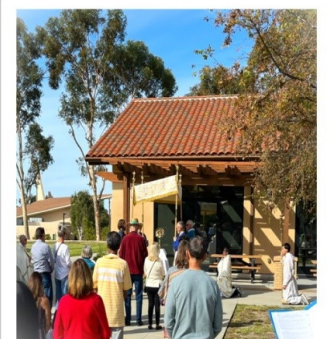
1. Visit [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup)
2. Enter our parish zip or name
3. Enter your name and email
4. Enjoy and share with others in our local community!

After you sign up, download the free FORMED app from App Store or Google Play.

**FORMED** THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON 24/7.

## Thank you to our Parish Community

For every ten that watch, only one comes forward to help. On Sunday, as on many occasion before, our volunteers were that unique and selfless community. From deacon, sacristan, altar servers, the canopy holders and cross bearers, musicians & choir members, to the Knights of Columbus who provided safe passage, the parish staff and ministry heads and to our wonderful parish community of more than **100 participants** who walked with Jesus and sang the Chaplet of Divine Mercy on this inaugural Christ the King Procession. We thank each of you for being a tireless volunteer community.



## GOLDEN CIRCLE POTLUCK

Thursday, December 14th  
in the  
Parish Hall  
Parishioners, 55+  
Please  
join us & wish  
everyone a special

*"Golden Circle Christmas"*

Please RSVP to one of the following:

A-E, Carol Shaw, 858-279-0489;

F-L, Chuck Cox, 858-277-8646

M-R, Rosie Struyk, 858-268-9566;

S-Z, Maria Montenegro, 619-889-1422



## Ascension Fellowship Christmas

### Potluck

Saturday, Dec. 9th @ 6:30pm

Location: Walter & Karen Potter's Home

4289 Cartulina Rd. SD, 92124

Please RSVP your attendance & potluck  
dish to 858-761-3589

## MINISTRIES OF CHARITY UPDATE #2023 – 20

Nov. 16, 2023

Dear Friends in Christ,

MOC is now into its fall schedule & looking towards winter. Please join us as we continue to serve those in need. You can read about all of our activities in the parish bulletin, and on the parish website.

Your Ministries of Charity are planning a number of opportunities for service to the homeless and the poor now and in the coming months. Here is your next **MOC Update #2023 -20**.

### ANGEL TREE CHRISTMAS PROJECT:

Please refer to page 5 of our bulletin for information

### RACHEL'S SHELTER DINNER SERVICE:

**Rachel's Shelter** is located downtown near the Father Joe's facilities. It is operated by the Diocese and provides supportive, safe, & short to mid-term shelter for 35 women. At the request of Rachel's Shelter MOC periodically serves dinner at the shelter.

**Our last scheduled date for 2023 is Dec 6<sup>th</sup>.**

*Ann Galbraith* is the MOC leader for this, & typically on the day of the dinner service prepares the meal in the JP2 kitchen prior to departing for Rachel's at 4:30 PM. If you'd like to help cook or serve, please contact Ann Galbraith at [anngalbraith1@gmail.com](mailto:anngalbraith1@gmail.com) and find out the ways you can help.

For More information on MOC click the banner on the website for full details.

