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December 13, 2020  
Third Sunday  
of Advent



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"St. John the Baptist Preaching"  
 Detail, c. 1665  
 Mattia Pieti

There are many terrific opportunities within our family of faith, to Love, Grow & Serve. Please see our lists of Activities, Organizations, & Events, inside this bulletin!

**Mass Schedule as of November 14**  
**Please continue to check our website for changes.**

Sunday Mass  
**11:00 AM in The Grotto**

Daily Mass  
 Monday, Tuesday,  
 Wednesday, Thursday,  
 and Friday  
**11:00 AM in The Grotto**

Vigil Mass on Saturday  
**11:00 AM in The Grotto**

**Reconciliation**  
 Thursday during  
 Benediction/Exposition,  
 Before and following  
 all Masses, and  
 By Appointment

**Benediction/Exposition**  
 Due to the recent COVID restrictions, Benediction and Exposition is canceled until further notice.

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 Contact Father Rick

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 Contact Gloria White  
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 Contact Father Rick

The mission of *Our Lady of Light Church*, is to provide an amicable environment of Catholic worship, education, evangelization and service, to all of God's people. Together we strive to be instruments of God's love, peace, and joy, following the example of *Our Lady of Light*.





## Parish Christmas Picnic

**Cancelled**  
December 13  
11 AM Mass

Due to new restrictions from the Diocese of San Diego there are to be no parties or gatherings for the next 3 weeks.

All Masses will be celebrated outside in The Grotto.

Looking forward to 2021 and getting things "back to normal."

*Merry Christmas One and All!*

## Mass Intentions for This Week

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| <b>Saturday, December 12</b>  | <b>Vigil Mass</b><br><b>Our Lady of Guadalupe</b><br>11:00 AM Parishioners & Benefactors                |
| <b>Sunday, December 13</b>    | <b>Third Sunday of Advent</b><br>11:00 AM Xavier Tan & Family, Healing & Prayers<br>Glenn LaRocque, RIP |
| <b>Monday, December 14</b>    | <b>St. John of the Cross</b><br><b>Priest and Doctor of the Church</b><br>11:00 AM Kelly Bonds, RIP     |
| <b>Tuesday, December 15</b>   | 11:00 AM The Seeman Family, VIV/RIP   |
| <b>Wednesday, December 16</b> | 11:00 AM Dorothy Lenore & Family, Prayers   |
| <b>Thursday, December 17</b>  | 11:00 AM Christmas Novena Begins  |
| <b>Friday, December 18</b>    | 11:00 AM Christmas Novena   |



## A Message from Father Rick



Our preparation for the celebration of the birth of Jesus takes on a different and unusual manner this year. No Christmas parties or any big gatherings of any kind. Curfew is being enforced upon us. We are restricted from celebrating Mass inside the Church. Never has anything like this happened before. Nonetheless, the call for repentance and renewal is the same. John the Baptist proclaimed the same message two thousand years ago. John humbly admitted that he was not the Messiah. He was not the light. He said, "I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, 'make straight the way of the Lord'." Prophet Isaiah in our first reading reminds us of the qualities of the Messiah being promised in the Old Testament. Jesus would later fulfill such qualities as Healer, Liberator, and Bearer of Good News. Today, we rejoice because as announced by John the Baptist, the coming of the Messiah is imminent. The wait is over for us. Jesus is here among us. He comes to reveal his healing power. We have to put our faith in Him who conquered even death. Saint Paul says, "If Christ is with us, who can be against us?"

## The Latest Topics!

### Christmas Mass Schedule

Thursday, December 24 at 2:00 PM in The Grotto

Friday, December 25 at 11:00 AM in The Grotto

Please remember to wear a mask and bring a blanket or cushion to sit on during the services.

### Christmas Novena

Cards and remembrance envelopes will be available in The Grotto at each Mass. The Novena begins December 17 and continues until Christmas.

### Little Blue Books...for Advent and Christmas

These Six-Minute Meditation booklets are available at the back of the church. Supply is limited, so don't wait. God Bless you!

### AmazonSmile for Our Parish!!!



Our Parish is now registered as a Charity Organization on AmazonSmile. Use the link below when you make your purchases, and Our Lady of Light will receive donations based on the total amount of your invoice. PLEASE forward to your friends and neighbors now! Thank you for your support. <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/27-3974154>

### Take Home Your New Missalette

The new Missalettes are here to take home. We've ordered 50 copies, so one per family please. Be sure to mark with your name.

### Office Volunteer!

We are looking for an organized volunteer to help in our Parish Office. Skills required include computer, filing, completion of reports, Diocesan and Parish communications, etc. Part-time hours. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office via email at [office@ourladyoflight.church](mailto:office@ourladyoflight.church)

### Catholic Inquiry

Adults, if you or anyone you know is interested in becoming Catholic and would like more information, please contact Gloria White (619) 672-1637 or [gloria@ourladyoflight.church](mailto:gloria@ourladyoflight.church)

### Religious Education Coordinator Needed!

Please prayerfully consider volunteering for the position. This is an opportunity to serve God by leading our youth as they grow in their faith. We have wonderful catechists in place, as well as the support of Fr. Rick and of course, our parishioners. May God bless you, Gloria. Covid-19 Restrictions

## Please!

### Remember in your prayers

Cathy Oberreuter, Jan, Philip, Bill L., Annette Musco, Jason Williamson & Diane, Tom Mautner, Jerry Costello, Xavier Tan & Family, Donald Poor, Glenn Campbell, Sandi Bennett, Tom Kubiak, Mike & his wife Kelly, Liz Sjoquist, Martha Serrano, Peggy Machado, Fr. Tim Deutsch, Rey De Jesus family, Rocco DiTullio, Florence Brown, Sr. Juanita Myers, Paul "LP" Colwell, Marilyn Short, Linda A., John Costello, All Care-givers, All Souls with Covid, Comfort & Peace for families who have lost loved ones.

### Pray for the repose of these souls

Kelly Bonds, Pamela Martin, and Rey De Jesus.



## Organizations & Contact Info

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <b>Altar &amp; Rosary Society</b>           | Meetings; 2nd Thursday each Month, 4 PM                      |
| Charlene Phelps                             | 9933char@gmail.com 619-659-0488                              |
| <b>Prayer Circle</b>                        |  |
| Pat Hansen                                  | hansenpat@msn.com 619-445-3822                               |
| <b>Catholic Youth Ministry</b>              | Classes; every Sunday during School Year, 9AM                |
| Fr. Rick                                    | frfuentes@ourladyoflight.church 619-445-3620                 |
| <b>Our Ladies of Light</b>                  |  |
| Cathy Williams                              | claimcathy@hotmail.com 619-955-3597                          |
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| <b>Gus' Mission to Help Homeless</b>        |  |
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| <b>Pro-Life Ministry (40 Days for Life)</b> |  |
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|   | <a href="http://www.rachelshope.org">www.rachelshope.org</a> |

### The Pope's Prayer Intention for December

#### For a Life of Prayer

That our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.



### Peace in the Womb Christmas Caroling

**Saturday, December 19 at 10:30 AM**

at the Planned Parenthood Facility in El Cajon

For More Info Contact: [hansenpat@msn.com](mailto:hansenpat@msn.com)

### Parish Offerings

#### Sunday, December

|                          |                |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| Plate Collections        | \$ 358         |
| Envelope Tithes          | \$ 2,745       |
| Building Fund Restricted | \$ 425         |
| Other Income (Donations) | \$ 225         |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>\$3,753</b> |

**Average Weekly Operating Expenses \$ 3,450**

Please note the Building Funds cannot be used towards Operating Expenses.



## Mary's Corner

"Through the Mother we have access to the Son, and through the Son to the Father. With such guides to lead us, let us have no fear at all of being refused reconciliation."

**St. Albert the Great**