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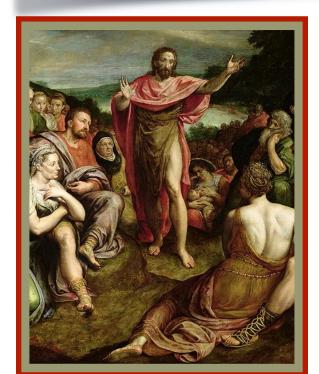
There are many terrific opportunities within our family of faith, to Love, Grow & Serve. Please see our lists of Activities, Organizations, & Events, inside this bulletin!



December 17, 2023 Third Sunday of Advent

## Our Lady of Light

9136 Riverside Drive Descanso, CA 91916 www.ourladyoflight.church Catholic Parish



A Man Named John Date Unknown Artist Unknown

## Daily Mass Weekdays at

8:00 AM

Vigil on Saturday 5:30 PM

Sunday Mass 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

First Saturdays 8:00 AM

#### Reconciliation

Fridays following the 8:00 AM Mass, Saturday, 4-5 PM, or By Appointment

## Benediction/ **Exposition**

Fridays following 8:00 AM Mass

### **Divine Mercy** Devotion

Fridays following 8:00 AM Mass



Parish Office Phone 619-445-3620 <u>FAX</u> 619-445-3621 E-Mail office@ourladyoflight.church Website ourladyoflight.church Office Hours The office is temporarily closed

#### **Our Pastor**

Reverend Enrique Fuentes 619-445-3620 Phone Emergency 619-445-4972 frfuentes@ourladvoflight.church

for any scheduled hours

### Baptism & Marriage Contact Father Rick

R.C.I.A. Contact Father Rick

CYM Classes

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.



Mass Schedule

Sunday, December 24th Christmas Vigil Mass 5:30 PM

Monday, December 25th Christmas Day Mass 9AM

Two wonderful opportunities to celebrate Christmas with family, friends and fellow parishioners.

## Please!

## Remember in your prayers

Liz Sioquist, Annette Musco, Paul Colwell, Jan Nasland, Pat Schumacher, Betty Ward, Fr. Rick, Mike Delvac, Carmen Dale, Jamie Lenore, Dorothy Lenore, Teri Morgan, Noah Anderson, Carmen Holt, Lisa Coda-Jones. Patti Treantafilos, Yvonne Harris, Katie Costello, Mary Ann Peterson, Brandon & Lauren Casey and their twin daughters, Chuck Cramer, David Abel, Steven Schwab, and Debbie Barella.

Pray for the repose of these souls For all those who have gone before us.

## Mass Intentions for This Week

Saturday, December 16 Vigil Mass

Abigail & Luis, Wedding Blessings 5:30 PM

Sunday, December 17 Third Sunday of Advent

Christmas Novena begins

8:00 AM 10:00 AM Ana Jeffrey, RIP Gus & Gary Nystrom, RIP

Monday, December 18 Christmas Novena

Parishioners & Benefactors 8:00 AM

Tuesday, December 19 Christmas Novena **Christopher Bernens** 8:00 AM

Birthday Blessings

Wednesday, December 20Christmas Novena

8:00 AM For Our Parish Family

Thursday, December 21 St. Peter Canisius

**Priest and Doctor of the Church** Christmas Novena

Bernadette Shackelford

Peace and Healing

Friday, December 22 Christmas Novena 8:00 AM Joan Pernicano

8:00 AM

**Birthday Blessings** 

## Organizations & Contact Info

Altar & Rosary Society Charlene Phelps	Meetings; 2nd Thursday of each Month 9933char@gmail.com 619-659-0488		
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## Parish Office Hours

Please note that the Parish Office is temporarily closed for scheduled hours. If you have an emergency and need a priest, please call Fr. Rick at 619-445-4972. Otherwise you may leave a message at 619-445-3620 or contact us by email at office@ourladyoflight.church. You may continue to use the mail slot up in the Parish Hall to the right of the main double doors, under the OFFICE sign.

# A Message From Father Rick

How will the people know that the long awaited Messiah has come already? John the Baptist knows how. The key is "Isaiah 61." This particular passage from the book of Isaiah is echoed by the Gospel of St. Luke (Luke 4). Prophet Isaiah began by saying: "The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the afflicted...". John the Baptist believed that the fulfillment of this passage was the definitive mark of the Messiah. The central message of the ministry of Jesus is the proclamation of the Kingdom of God. God wants all of humanity to be delivered from all kinds of afflictions and to receive the Good News and the Word of God. which is Jesus himself. Jesus is the Word made flesh. During the time of Advent we continue to prepare ourselves for the coming of the Lord. Many of us suffer from different afflictions. We long to hear the Good news and become victorious against all evils. Jesus correspondingly recognized John's role and acknowledged him as, "no one born of a woman is greater than John the Baptist, Matthew 11:11" May God's Kingdom truly reigns in our lives.

## **Parish Offerings** December 8 and 10

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Plate Collections		789
Envelope Tithes		2,898
Donations (Restricted)		533
Coffee & Donuts		12
Flowers		50
Building Fund (Restricted)		340
Total		4,622
Average Weekly		

**Operating Expenses** \$ 3,215

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

## The Latest Topics!

## \*Cross Blessing

Construction is completed! There will be a blessing of the new Cross that sits atop our Church cupola on Sunday, December 24 following the 8 AM Mass (weather permitting) Mark your calendars!

## \*Roof Construction Update

The work on our new Church roof and Cross is complete. Special thanks to James O'Keefe/BuildMasters Contracting and DK Nasland for a project well done.

## \*CYM/CCD Christmas Break

This Sunday, December 17 will be the final CYM/CCD class until after New Years. Continue to check the weekly bulletin for updated information.

#### \*Save the Date

Be a witness for Life! San Diego Walk for Life, January 13, 2024, 8:30 AM- Noon at Waterfront Park, 1600 Pacific Avenue in San Diego. More details to follow as the date gets closer.

## \*A Good Time was had by all...

Last Sunday many parishioners gathered in the Parish Hall for the annual Family Christmas Potluck. We feasted on turkey, ham, and many other tasty side dishes, salads, and desserts. Thank you to everyone who participated and provided the parishioners with a delightful bounty of food. We even had a visit from Santa himself. Special thanks to Claire Donivan for bringing her bells and to all who helped to ring in Santa's arrival. And last but not least a well deserved nod of appreciation to the Altar and Rosary Society for pulling this event together. Well done ladies!

### \*Coffee and Donuts

The hospitality crew is taking a break the weekends of December 24 and December 31

#### \*Catholic Chat

Our next Catholic Chat gathering will be on the 4th Sunday of January which is the 28th. Hope you are able to join us after the 10 AM Mass up in the Parish Hall.

#### \*Piano Available

We have an extra piano available to anyone who is interested. Please spread the word and if you are interested or know anyone who may be contact Fr. Rick.



## Mary's Corner

O Lady, who outrage thee. but thou art also offended by those who neglect to ask thy favors. He who neglects the service of the Blessed Virgin will die in his sins. He who does not invoke thee. O Lady. will never get to Heaven. Not only will those from whom Mary turns her countenance not be saved. but there will be no hope of their salvation. No one can be saved without the protection of Mary."

Saint Bonaventure