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Daily Masses

Monday - Friday

7:00 am

12:10 pm

Saturday

7:00 am

Sunday Masses:

Vigil 5:15 pm (Sat.)

7:30 am (quiet)

9:00 am

10:30 am (French)

12:15 pm

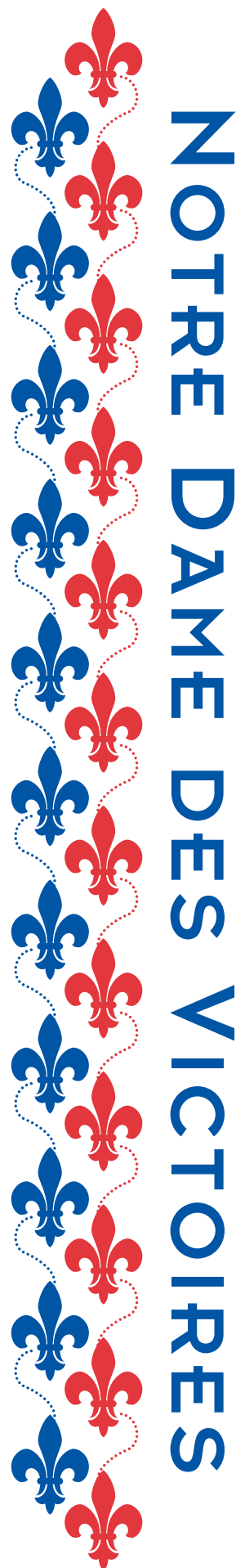
The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before each weekday Mass

Every Saturday from

4:30 pm to 5:00 pm

Our Lady of Victories Church and School community founded to serve French Immigrant Catholics; serving God's people; proud of our past; living our today



First Sunday of Advent – December 1, 2019

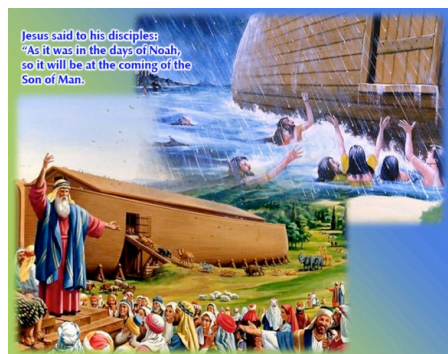
LEFT BEHIND

In the Gospel Reading, Christ gives a warning about his coming again. Stay awake and wait for me, he says, or else it will be for you the way it was for the people left behind in Noah's time. Those people watched Noah build his big boat on dry land, and they must have laughed at him. *They* weren't worried. They ate their dinners and held their weddings just as always. And then the flood came. In one day, it swept them all away. It will be like this when I come again, Christ says. Those who weren't waiting for me will be left behind when I return. These are puzzling words. Are we supposed to expect Armageddon any day now, for every day of our lives? Will we be left behind if we don't?

Well, look at Noah's flood. Human beings had gotten so evil that it began to look as if God had made a mistake in creating them. So, in the flood, God did something like an autologous bone marrow transplant on the human race. God sifted through the bad cancerous lump of humanity and found a few human beings who looked morally and spiritually healthy. The idea was to reproduce those spiritually healthy human beings after the flood, when the evil people were gone. By this means, the human race could have a rebirth. The people who laughed at Noah's boat were so evil that they could be waked up to their spiritual peril only when the water rose. Their only chance of salvation came in the catastrophe of the flood when the fear of death may have prompted them to turn to the Lord for salvation. There are things much worse than physical death.

But physical death is the end of the line as far as chances for salvation go. Those who will not turn to the Lord before they die will just be left behind, without the Lord, as Christ says. They will have missed the boat permanently. So Christ isn't directing us to keep an anxious eye out for Armageddon's advent. Any day now—who knows when—we may die. What we need to be waiting for while we live is Christ. If we live in expectation of the Lord's coming for us, we will not be left behind on that day.

Eleonore Stump



FRENCH CORNER

Dieu va venir, tenons-nous prêts

Nous vivons à l'heure de l'Internet, des téléphones cellulaires et des ordinateurs à grande vitesse, si bien que nous supportons de moins en moins l'attente. Aux impatients que nous sommes, la liturgie propose quatre semaines pour se préparer à Noël.

Pendant l'Avent, nous célébrons la venue future du Seigneur. Par deux fois, Jésus parle de l'avènement du Fils de l'Homme, et non pas de sa naissance, car sa venue n'aura pas lieu seulement à la fin des temps, c'est chaque jour qu'il vient, non seulement quand nous assistons à une messe, mais aussi au cœur de nos familles, dans nos milieux de travail ou dans les diverses réunions auxquelles nous participons. Il est présent dans nos moments de joie comme dans nos détresses car il veut partager notre bonheur et soulager nos misères.

Sommes-nous capables de le rencontrer dans notre vie quotidienne ? Savons-nous le reconnaître dans telle personne qui a besoin de notre aide, dans ce malade qui n'a pas de visiteurs, dans celui qui nous a blessés et qui a besoin de notre pardon ? L'Avent doit raviver en nous l'espérance de le retrouver, la foi de le mieux connaître et la charité de partager avec d'autres les dons qu'il nous a donnés.

Fr. Etienne Siffert, S.M.

FROM OUR SCHOOL

Dear Parishioners,

This week, we celebrated Thanksgiving mass as a school. At mass, we took time to reflect on the many people and gifts we are blessed with and offer thanks to God for them. One of our intentions was for you and your families this Thanksgiving week. Please keep us in your prayers as well.

NDV TK-8th grade is accepting applications for the 2020-2021 school year. If you or someone you know is interested in applying, please let us know at admissions@ndvsf.org.

God Bless,
Sarah Currier, Principal

Time to Register!

Now Enrolling TK-8th Grade Students



Mass Intentions for the Week

SATURDAY – VIGIL November 30th

5:15 pm Charlene Haught Johnson †

SUNDAY December 1st

7:30 am Single Catholics

9:00 am For the People of the Parish

10:30 am Christiane Pelletier †

12:15 pm Steve Siche †

MONDAY December 2nd

7:00 am Single Mothers

12:10 pm Gladys R. Frontera – Intentions

TUESDAY December 3rd

7:00 am Unemployed

12:10 pm Victims of Gun Violence †

WEDNESDAY December 4th

7:00 am Victims of Human Trafficking

12:10 pm Jean-Baptiste & Juliette Puts †

THURSDAY December 5th

7:00 am Victims of Racism

12:10 pm Victims of Sexual Abuse

FRIDAY December 6th

7:00 am Gary Frugoli †

12:10 pm Manuel Henry – Intentions

SATURDAY December 7th

7:00 am Vocations to Religious Life

WE REMEMBER OUR SICK

Fanny Alcosiba, Simone Ampillac, Wondifraw Asrat, Michael Bartholomew, Annalyn Carlos, Elizabeth Desta, Patty Espiritu, Zachary Espiritu, Mark Fischer, Jack Flynn, Ernie Fox, Annemarie Gallagher, María Cerón Gamero, Yunina Graham, Benjamin Haller, Georges Handras, Erich Herbitschek, Lupita Herrera, Louise Hughes, Diane Kelley, Rose Le Bail, Matthew Lech, Lynn Leininger, Tom Leskie, Mike Leskie, Candi McMahan Lewis, Maria Lim, Jacqueline Lira, Carmen López, Maria Manley, Grant Melton, Alma and Armando Morales, Dyan Ocampo, Catherine Stoner Persais, Rev. Matthew Peters, Joan Rasby, Cathie Reece, Vinod and Cynthia Sheth, Dani Stecko, key-Lang Tam, Dimitrios Tsokas, Ely Villacarlos, Alison Williams, Michael Wonderly, and Rosie Zedamoi.



WE REMEMBER OUR DECEASED

Alphonse Acheritogaray, Fr. George Baricar, Anna L. Bernadicon, Claire Casabonne, Denise Carrade, Jeannette Cornu, Magdalena Cravotto, Yvonne Delclaux, Paul Arthur Domergue, André Fournier, Jeannette Ganem, Barbara J. Higgins, Karine Jardin, Lydia A. Jewell, Barbara Charlene Johnke, Charlene Haught Johnson, Nasif Khoury, Ekho Lim, Paulette Lusinci, Frances McFarland, William McKnight, Christiane Pelletier, Bernard Picard, Rolande E. Pottier, Yolanda Prioto, Juliette Puts, Stephen Rice, Arlene M. Sullivan, Marcel Uharriet,

REMEMBER OUR SICK AND DECEASED:

Please note starting next week we will automatically remove anyone who has been on this list over a year unless we are notified not to remove. Thank you for your understanding.



Advent has a twofold character, for it is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered, and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight. The liturgical color for Advent is purple, just like Lent—as both are seasons that prepare us for great feast days. Also Advent (like Lent) includes an element of penance in the sense of preparing, quieting and disciplining our hearts for the full joy of Christmas. This penitential dimension is expressed through the color purple. Let us enter this season with expectant hope.



2019 GIVING TREE: It is that time of year again! Our Giving Tree will be near the Statue of St. Peter Chanel in front of the church (facing the right side) starting on Sat. Nov. 30th. Please consider purchasing a Christmas gift for local children and teens who need support during this special time of year. Detailed instructions will be on display next to the tree. Please email kpachla@hotmail.com with any questions. Thank you to those parishioners who have supported this project in the past.

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT: Thank you for your generous support last week for the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! As a parish, we raised **\$1,167.34** to support those who live on the margins and in poverty in the United States. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections, and click on "How to Give" on the left.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS: Give in thanksgiving. "The nuns left lasting impressions on me." Writes a donor. "I shall always be grateful for my Catholic education." Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. Next week's second collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Please give generously.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place on the First Friday of each month in the church from 10:00 a.m. thru 12 noon. At noon Benediction will be celebrated and the scheduled Mass will follow. The next date for adoration will be this Friday, December 6th. Come spend a time with the Eucharistic Lord in quiet meditation. You can sign up for a time to visit the Blessed Sacrament on our website; ndvsf.org. Please click the icon: Sign Up For An Adoration Time and follow directions. God bless.



Tuesday, December 24th
Christmas Eve
4:30 pm - 5:00 pm Christmas Carols
5:15 pm - Christmas Vigil Mass
8:30 pm - 9:00 pm Christmas Carols
9:00 pm - Christmas Vigil Mass

Wednesday, December 25th,
Christmas Day
Christmas Masses in English at 9:00 am and 12:15 pm, Mass in French at 10:30 am

Wednesday, January 1st
New Year's Day
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. Masses at 9:00 am in English and 10:30 am in French (A Holy Day of Obligation)

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SEEKS VOLUNTEERS FOR THE "CLOTHING CLOSET" Will you be compassion in action for the needy? St. Vincent de Paul's Homeless Help Centers, strategically located in South San Francisco, San Mateo, and Redwood City, offer clients basic survival necessities such as a hot meal, clothing, sleeping bags, bus tokens, ID cards, laundry, and mail services. We have now expanded our services by opening a Clothing Closet in Redwood City. We are in need of volunteers to help with this effort. Hospitality volunteers work one-on-one with SVDP clients to provide much-needed clothing, necessities, and dignity. Shifts are available on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. If you are interested, please contact Alicia at: arangel@svdpsm.org or 650-588-5734



If you would like to request a Mass for a specific intention, please call the Parish Office at 415.397.0113 and speak to our secretary Mertenesh. The Mass Book for 2019 is available to reserve a Mass Intention. Per the Archdiocese of San Francisco, the offering for a Mass request is \$10.00. If paying by check, please make the check payable to the order of: **MARIST FATHERS**.

SCRIPTURE FOR THIS WEEK			
December 1, 2019 – December 8, 2019			
Sunday	- Is 2:1-5	- Rom 13:11-14	- Mt 24:37-44
Monday	- Is 4:2-6		- Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday	- Is 11:1-10		- Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday	- Is 25:6-10a		- Mt 15:29-37
Thursday	- Is 26:1-6		- Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday	- Is 29:17-24		- Mt 9:27-31
Saturday	- Is 30:19-21, 23-26		- Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sunday	- Is 11:1-10	- Rom 15:4-9	- Mt 3:1-12

SUNDAY COLLECTION: November 23 & 24, 2019

Church Basket:	\$1,306.90
On-Line Giving:	\$170.00
TOTAL:	\$1,476.90

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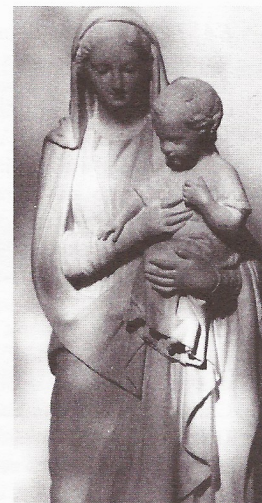


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which bears her name



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