



# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## PARISH ADDRESS & OFFICE HOURS

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## MASS SCHEDULE

**SATURDAY VIGIL MASS:** 5:30PM (English)

**SUNDAY MASSES:** 7:30AM (English)  
9:00AM (*En Español*)  
11:00AM (English)  
1:00PM (*En Español*)  
5:30PM (English)

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** Monday - Friday  
6:30AM & 8:00AM

**SATURDAY MORNING:** 8:00AM only

**1<sup>ST</sup> FRIDAY OF THE MONTH:**  
7:00PM (Mass) Adoration until 10:00PM

**1<sup>ER</sup> VIERNES DEL MES:**  
7:00PM (Misa) Adoración hasta las 10:00PM

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 4:00PM - 5:00PM

## PRAYER SERVICES

**NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP**  
Every Wednesday, 6:30PM in the Church

**ROSARIO - LEGIÓN DE MARÍA (EN ESPAÑOL)**  
Cada Martes, 9:00AM en la Iglesia Antigua

## BAPTISM/BAUTISMO

**Baptisms in English:** Pre-Baptismal classes are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month. Parents and Godparents are required to attend. Baptisms are on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month. Stop by the rectory to Register.

**Bautismos en Español:** Clases pre-bautismales se ofrecen los primeros 3 lunes de cada mes. Es requisito que padres y padrinos asistan. Los Bautismos se celebran el 2<sup>o</sup> y 4<sup>o</sup> sábado de cada mes. Pasen a la rectoría para inscribirse.

## MARRIAGE/ARREGLOS PARA BODA

Engaged couples are strongly encouraged to contact the parish office for appointments and classes 6 months prior to proposed wedding date. Contact the parish office for details.

*Parejas que desean casarse necesitan ponerse en contacto con la parroquia para empezar hacer arreglos por los menos seis meses antes de la fecha propuesta.*

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, January 1

11:00AM Yesenia Enriquez (Birthday)  
1:00PM Spanish Mass

### Tuesday, January 2

6:30AM Evelin Jimenez (Birthday)  
8:00AM Junior Sandoval (Birthday)

### Wednesday, January 3

6:30AM Katia Corral (Birthday)  
8:00AM +Maria Librada Portilla+

### Thursday, January 4

6:30AM +Nam Nguyen+  
8:00AM +Alejandra Osorio+

### Friday, January 5

6:30AM +Maurice La Brie+  
8:00AM Intentions of Maria Machado & the Fodera Family  
7:00PM +Katherine Grace Pagbilao+

### Saturday, January 6

8:00AM Tiffany Mittal (Birthday)  
5:30PM +Rosaura de Ayala+  
7:00PM Spanish Mass

### Sunday, January 7

7:30AM +Roberto Castillo+  
9:00AM +Leo Mendez+  
11:00AM +Florence Ann Bushnell+  
1:00PM  
5:30PM Intentions of Father Nkem



## KEEP THEM IN YOUR SPECIAL PRAYERS

**Our brothers and sisters who are ill, especially:** Mariana Lozada, Hudson Koepnick, Vera Joya, Pancho Verdugo, Don Bohannon, Alfonso Andrade, Maricar DeGuzman, Patricia Flores, Karen Tankersley, Matthew Emery, Emy Marinas, Eleanor Bersano, Marco Veliz, Virginia Castillo, Raquel Bazaldua, Salvador Peralta, Adolfo Vasquez, Catherine Baker, Ana Veliz, Herb Griffitt, Angela Marino, Jeannie Okamoto, Mariano Felina, Flora Ibarra, Anita Carreras-Griffitt, Carrie Gorman, Anthony Ruiz, Catherine Dinnoo, Norma Chanman-Cordova, Joshua Ibanez, Brian Archambault, Ingrid Leggott, Laura Ponce, Alejandra Ramirez, Esther Huezo, Ethan Vargas, Jack Soltis, Robert Corona, Lupe Redondo, Martin Bravo, Maryann Sanchez, Arthur Sanchez, Yolanda Vasquez, Rene'e Harrell, Jose Ballesteros, Cesar Javier, Josette Milner,

**And remember those who have recently been called from this life especially:** Jim Duffy



## SUNDAY HOSPITALITY

### December 31st: Knights of Columbus

Will be selling coffee, donuts, and other food items after masses to raise funds for their program.

*Your support is appreciated!*



## ROSARY CRUSADE FOR PEACE



The Rosary will not be held on Monday, January 1st.

## NEW YEARS SCHEDULE 2018

### New Years Eve, Sunday, December 31st

7:30am, 9:00am (Sp), 11:00am, 1:00pm (Sp), 5:30pm

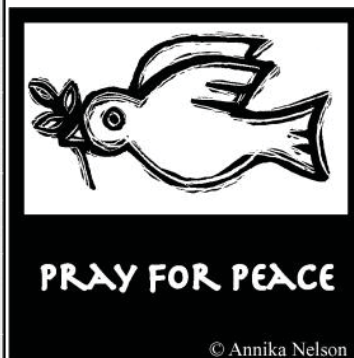
### Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, Monday, January 1, 2018

11:00am, 1:00pm (Sp)

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

There's no more unusual setting to celebrate today's Feast of the Holy Family than Barcelona, Spain and the towering unfinished sandcastle known officially as the Temple Expiatori de la Sagrada Familia. In 1882, the plan was hatched to build a vast place of worship in reparation for the revolutionary and liberal leanings of the city. The modern artist Antoni Gaudi dedicated his life to the project, living in the building, attending Mass daily, and giving up his personal wealth. When people pressed him to pick up the pace, he responded, "My client is not in a hurry." (Gaudi's cause for beatification is moving along, and he could be the first professional artist and architect to be beatified.) The Spanish Civil War, a disaster for the Catholic Church in which thousands of priests, brothers, and nuns were murdered, halted work in 1935. In the 1950s work began anew, speeded up by computers in the 1980s. Still, the final stage of construction is not due to end until 2026. If the original methods had stayed in place, it would take several hundred more years to complete the plan. So far there are eight towers, with four to go. The highest steeple is three feet shorter than the nearest hill, since the architect didn't want his work to surpass God's artistry. The three faces of the basilica each have three doors, with the faces named Passion, Nativity, and Grace. The interior is crammed with geometric figures that almost seem to spin, crazy-quilt windows, spiral staircases, and jumbles of statues and figures. Although inspired by ancient Gothic cathedrals, the style is called Expressionist, and very little is left unexpressed by the masonry. If you can't afford a visit, Sagrada Familia maintains a web site, and virtual visits are free.

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**BEARERS OF THE WORD**

The Church has placed a number of notable feast days immediately after Christmas. The feasts of Stephen, John the Evangelist, and the Holy Innocents form a summary of the life lived in Christ, the Word made flesh. What do these have to do with the feast of the Holy Family, which crowns the Octave of Christmas? These feasts remind us that suffering will occur in fulfilling the mission of Christ, and that we are all called to be bearers of this Word whose birth we celebrate.

We also see this manifested in the lives of Joseph and Mary, both of whom took social and religious risks in obedience to the will of God, and both of whom were open to the word of God sent to them from on high. In these ways they prefigured the life of Jesus himself.

Most likely, few of us found ourselves at Mass this past Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday, but the essence of these feasts and the essence of the holiness of Joseph, Mary, and Jesus remain central, a holiness we celebrate today.

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**PORTADORES DE LA PALABRA**

La Iglesia ha puesto unos cuantos días de fiesta notables enseguida después de la Navidad. Las fiestas de Esteban, Juan el Bautista y los Santos Inocentes forman un sumario de la vida vivida en Cristo, la Palabra hecha carne. ¿Qué relación tienen estas fiestas con la fiesta de la Sagrada Familia, que corona la Octava de la Navidad? Estas fiestas nos recuerdan que habrá sufrimiento al tratar de cumplir la misión de Cristo, y que estamos todos llamados a ser portadores de esta Palabra cuyo nacimiento celebramos.

También vemos la manifestación de esta verdad en las vidas de José y María, quienes se exponen a riesgos sociales y religiosos para obedecer la voluntad de Dios, y estaban abiertos a la Palabra que Dios les enviaba del cielo. Así ambos fueron prefigurados de Jesús.

Es muy probable que muy pocos de nosotros fuimos a la misa del jueves, el viernes o el sábado pasado, pero la esencia de estas fiestas y la esencia de la santidad de José, María y Jesús es central, santidad que celebramos hoy.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary,  
and Joseph  
My eyes have seen your salvation, which you  
prepared in the sight of all the peoples.  
--Luke 2:30-31



La Sagrada Familia de Jesús, María y José  
Mis ojos han visto a tu Salvador, al que has  
preparado para bien de todos los pueblos.  
--Lucas 2:30-31

**Benefit Dinner - Dance**

Saturday, February 24, 2018

Building Fund for the Poor Clare Missionary Sisters'  
Housing for Sick and Elderly Sisters.

**Event at:** St. Anthony of Padua's Parish Hall.

**Hours:** 6:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

**Tickets:** \$20.00 per person

**COME! HAVE FUN! HELP THE SISTERS!**

Sábado, 24 Febrero, 2018

Ayudará a la construcción de Casa de Convalecencia  
para las Hnas. Religiosas enfermas y ancianas de las  
Misioneras Clarisas

**Evento en:** Salón Parroquial de la Iglesia de  
San Antonio de Padua.

**Horas:** 6:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.

**Boleto:** \$20.00

**VENGAN! DIVIERTANSE! AYUDEN A LAS HERMANAS!**



**Gardena Valley Lions Club**

cordially requests your presence at their  
**36<sup>th</sup> Community Recognition Luncheon**  
to honor  
Former Miss America

**Principál Angela Grey**  
Of St. Anthony of Padua School  
and Lions Club's

**94<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

**Sat., January 27, 2018**

11:30 a.m.-Social Hour: No Host Bar

12:30 p.m.-Lunch

Entertainment: Accordionist John Dynice

**Holiday Inn LA Gateway - Torrance**

19800 S. Vermont Ave., Torrance

\$ 55.00 per person - RSVP by January 20, 2018

Business Attire

Please make check payable to:

Gardena Valley Lions

Mail to: Lion Frank Onderka

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To RSVP or for information call:

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