



ST. TIMOTHY CATHOLIC CHURCH

IGLESIA DE SAN TIMOTEO

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Third Sunday of Advent

December 16, 2018

The King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst, you have no further misfortune to fear.
-- Zephaniah 3:15b

BEGIN WHERE YOU ARE

In today's Gospel, those who listened to John the Baptist's prophetic preaching were quite troubled, and moved to ask: What should we do? Although John had given dire warnings about what might happen if they did not sincerely repent, he did not suggest drastic actions. He recommended that people begin where they are, and work within their daily circumstances. Share generously. Treat people fairly. Be content with what you have. These were perhaps small steps turning them, in God's time, toward deeper change.

A first step for us might be to learn, however slowly, to listen to God speaking within the context of our lives. We can respond with small concrete actions and perhaps learn what God wishes to say through them. We can then listen anew for the next step.

EMPIEZA DONDE ESTÁS

En el Evangelio de hoy, aquellas personas que escuchan la predicación profética de Juan el Bautista estaban bastante preocupados y preguntaron: ¿Qué debemos hacer? Aunque Juan ya había advertido acerca de lo que podría pasar si no se arrepentían sinceramente, él no sugirió acciones drásticas. Él recomendó que las personas empezaran donde estaban, y trabajaran dentro de sus circunstancias diarias. Compartir generosamente. Tratar a las personas justamente. Contentarse con lo que se tiene. Estos fueron quizá pequeños pasos que los convirtieron, en el tiempo de Dios, hacia un cambio más profundo.

Un primer paso para nosotros podría ser aprender, aunque sea lentamente, a escuchar que Dios nos habla en aquello que ocurre en nuestras vidas. Podemos responder con pequeñas acciones concretas y quizá aprender lo que Dios desea decir por medio de ellas. Entonces podemos escuchar el siguiente paso.

MASS SCHEDULE/HORARIO DE MISAS

Saturday/Sábado 8 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Sunday/Domingo 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 a.m.

(12:00 p.m. *en Español*)

Monday-Saturday 8:00 a.m. (in the Church)

Lunes a sábado 8:00 a.m. (*en la Iglesia*)

PENANCE/CONFESIONES

Saturdays from 3:30 - 4:30 or by appointment

Sábados de 3:30 - 4:30 ó previa cita

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Aler Uy Nambatac, Pastor

Rev. Nick Paloso, Parochial Vicar

Jeanne Sentman, Parish Manager

TONGAN USA CHAPLAIN

Rev. Kapiolani Kakala, (650-342-2470) Rev. Saimone T. Moala



Adults: What might John the Baptist challenge you to do differently in your life?

Kids: Do you have extras that you can share with others this week?

Rev. Deacon Faiva Po'oi

Rev. Deacon Fred Totah

Rev. Deacon Benny Koloamatangi

Christmas Novena

Are you ready for Christmas? Are you ready for Christ?

One of the best things about celebrating a Catholic Christmas are the final days leading up to Christmas Eve. There are several long-standing Catholic cultural traditions that take us through these final days of Advent, heightened with anticipation in so soon welcoming of the birth of the King of Kings. The practice of marking special events with a nine-day period of preparation is quite ancient. In Spain and France, a novena of preparation was observed before the feast of Christmas, to mark the nine months that Christ spent in Mary's womb. The nine days also recall the nine days that the Apostles and the Blessed Virgin Mary spent in prayer between Ascension Thursday and Pentecost Sunday.

The Las Posadas ("The Inns") celebrated in Latin American countries, and **Simbáng Gabi ("Evening Mass")** in the Philippines are just two examples of nine-day celebrations beginning on December 16 and continuing until December 24. Our Church considers the Posadas at 7pm, Simbang Gabi at 6am, and 8am Masses from December 16-24 as our Christmas novena.

There are many options for praying the Christmas Novena, all of which aim to prepare our hearts for the coming of our savior, Jesus Christ. The Christmas Novena below which is nice because it uses the biblical titles of Jesus that correspond with the O Antiphons that appear in the Liturgy of the Hours at Vespers on the final eight days before Christmas. Pray the novena below daily from December 16th to Christmas Eve.

Las Posadas



Simbang Gabi

A Christmas Novena

December 16:

O Shepherd of Israel, who is great and the Holy One, come to guide and comfort us.

Recite one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and one Glory be.

December 17:

O Wisdom of our God Most High, guiding creation with power and love: come to teach us the path of knowledge!

Recite one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and one Glory be.

December 18:

O Leader of the House of Israel, giver of the Law to Moses on Sinai: come to rescue us with your mighty power!

Recite one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and one Glory be.

December 19:

O Root of Jesse's stem, sign of God's love for all his people: come to save us without delay!

Recite one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and one Glory be.

December 20:

O Key of David, opening the gates of God's eternal Kingdom: come and free the prisoners of darkness!

Recite one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and one Glory be.

December 21:

O Radiant Dawn, splendor of eternal light, sun of justice: come and shine on those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death.

Recite one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and one Glory be.

December 22:

O King of all nations and keystone of the Church: come and save man, whom you formed from the dust!

Recite one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and one Glory be.

December 23:

O Emmanuel, our King and Giver of Law: come to save us, Lord our God!

Recite one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and one Glory be.

December 24:

O Son of the Most High God, come, reign into my heart, rule into my life.

Recite one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and one Glory be.

MASS INTENTIONS
December 15 through December 22

Saturday, December 15	
5:00 pm	Sr. Connie Madden, PBVM Jovanie Crisostoma Zulueta
Sunday, December 16	
7:30 am	Tevita + & Ofa Hafoka 31st Wedding Anniversary All those in military services
9:00 am	Happy Birthday Michael Green Bienvenido Cornejo +
10:30 am	John Netzger + David Tavares—Healing
12:00 pm	Alex Raygoza +
Monday, December 17	
8:00 am	Albert Rensch +
Tuesday, December 18	
8:00 am	Juliette Totah
Wednesday, December 19	
8:00 am	Juliette Totah
Thursday, December 20	
8:00 am	Dominick Orlando +
Friday, December 21	
8:00 am	Happy Birthday George Musante
Saturday, December 22	
8:00 am	Happy Birthday Jim Musante

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED

Pray for our Sick and those who need our Prayers especially, Juliette Totah, Sia Holani, Navneet Mehta, Marietta Canda, and Bernardo Ganio Jr

For the Souls of all the faithful departed ~
Former President George H. W. Bush,
Ray Ficken, Eric Largo, Dominick Orlando,

Eucharist to the Sick or Homebound
To receive the Eucharist at home, call the parish office at 650-342-2468

Grief and Bereavement
Deacon Fred Totah, (650-342-2468, Ext. 17)

SAN TIMOTEO EN ESPANOL
Maritza Falla (650)342-2468 x20

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 2018

Thank you to ALL those who so generously donated towards the Breakfast With Santa this year!

TOTAL PROFIT: \$17,912.48



Our Office of Religious Education will be closed from December 20 through January 2 for the Christmas and New Year Holiday.

ST. TIMOTHY CATHOLIC SCHOOL
Michelle Basile, Principal (650) 342-6567
WWW.sttimothyschool.org GRADES K-8



School Holiday Schedule:
Early Dismissal at 12:25 on Thursday, December 20
School closed for Christmas Vacation - December 21 to January 4th
School back in session on January 7, 2019.

Upcoming Events:
Thursday, January 10, 2019 - 7 - 8 PM - Kindergarten 2019-2020 Information Night
Sunday, January 27, 2019 - 10 AM - 12 PM - Catholic Schools Week - Kindergarten -8th Grade Open House

2019-2020 SCHOOL ENROLLMENT
Parents interested in enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year are encouraged to sign up to attend a Family Tour on until January. Please visit www.sttimothyschool.org to learn more and to sign up. Applications are accepted now!

SACRIFICIAL GIVING/COLECCION

Gifts for God—Colección

December 9 Sunday Collection	\$ 4,162.00
Parish Youth Ministry/Y.E.S.	\$ 1,386.03
Immaculate Conception	\$ 710.00

ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2018

Goal:	100%		\$63,076
To date:	75%		\$47,058



FRIDAY NIGHTS

Doors open at 4:30pm
Games start at 7:00 pm

*Please note: **No be Bingo on December 28***

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM/BAUTISOS

Parents should call the Parish Office 3 months in advance.
Los padres deberan de informar a la oficina, con tres meses de anticipación.

CONFIRMATION/CONFIRMACION


Confirmation is now being offered to students entering the 8th grade and up if they have attended 7th grade religious education classes. Adults over 18 please contact Deacon Faiva, 650-867-4049.
Estamos recibiendo estudiantes para confirmacion del octavo grado en adelante con previa educacion religiosa en el septimo.
Adultos mayores de 18 años comuniquense con Deacon Faiva Po'oi.

MARRIAGE/MATRIMONIOS

Couples should call at least 6 months ahead of time.
Por favor avisenos con seis meses de anticipación.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK /UNCION A LOS ENFERMOS

For anyone experiencing chronic illness or preparing for medical treatment, or long term care, please call the parish office to arrange an appointment with a priest.
Toda persona experimentando una enfermedad cronica, tratamiento medico o atencion de largo plazo, por favor llame a la oficina para obtener una cita con el sacerdote.

 **MUSIC DIRECTOR:** Mr. Peter Mafi



December 16-24	6:00 AM <i>Christmas Novena of Masses (Simbang Gabi)</i> (Sunday, December 16 & 23 will be celebrated at the 7:30 Mass)
December 16, Sunday	Sunday Schedule <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i>
December 16-23	7:00 PM <i>POSADAS (Fitzpatrick Hall or Upper Room)</i>
December 23	Sunday Schedule <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>
December 24, Monday	4:30 PM Christmas Carols 5:00 PM Children/Family Mass 10:00 PM Christmas Carols 10:30 PM Christmas Eve Mass (Bilingual)
December 25, Tuesday	Sunday Schedule <i>Christmas Day Masses (No 7:30 AM Mass)</i>
December 30, Sunday	Sunday Schedule <i>Feast of the Holy Family</i>
December 31, Monday	8:00 AM Mass
January 1, Tuesday	8:00 AM Mass <i>Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)</i> 7:00 PM Bilingual Mass
January 6, Sunday	Sunday Schedule <i>Feast of the Epiphany</i>
January 13, Sunday	Sunday Schedule <i>Baptism of the Lord</i>



Your FLOWER ENVELOPES will be graciously
accepted to help decorate our church.