



December 3, 2023

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First Sunday of Advent

MASS INTENTIONS

Table with columns for Day, Date, Time, and Intention. Includes entries for Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

be vigilant at all times LUKE 21:36

WATCH OUT - In Advent, we celebrate our hope that the Lord might come more fully into our lives.

Like the gatekeepers in Jesus' Gospel parable, we need to keep our eyes open for him.

The Corinthians were also watching for the Lord to come. They were thinking of Jesus as coming in glory.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE on Tuesday, December 5, at 7:00 PM. Whether you've gone to confession recently, or haven't for many years, this is a great chance to Prepare for the Lord.



CHRISTMAS NOVENA MASSES - One of the best things about celebrating a Catholic Christmas are the final days leading up to Christmas Eve.

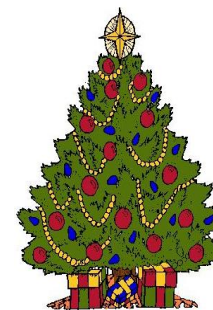
9 Day Christmas Novena Mass Schedule: December 15, and 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 & 22, at 6:30 PM. December 16 and 23, at 5:30 PM (Saturday Vigil.)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - What is Children's Liturgy? It is the liturgy of the word for children (ages 3-7) which covers the Sunday Gospel and Readings at a level for children to understand and enjoy.

GIVING TREE - Mom's ministry are proud to introduce the GIVING TREE located at the back of the Church. Give the gift of joy to a less fortunate individual. It's a simple process:

- 1. pick a tag off the tree
2. buy the item on the tag
3. return the unwrapped item & tag by placing back under the tree, or drop off at the Parish Office during office hours

Thank you for giving generously and for bringing joy to others during these holidays.



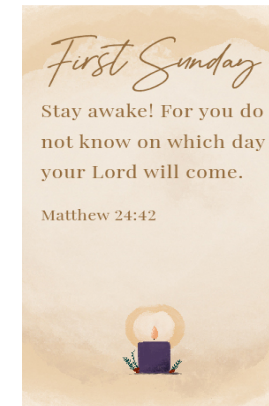
SERVICE

Weekly Budget Goal: \$4,271.00
Collection November 12: \$3,888.00

This Sunday, the 2nd Collection is for the Maintenance fund. Next upgrade will be for the Church carpet.

Remember Our Lady of Grace Church when shopping online at smile.amazon.com

Thank you for your loving support!



PRAYER

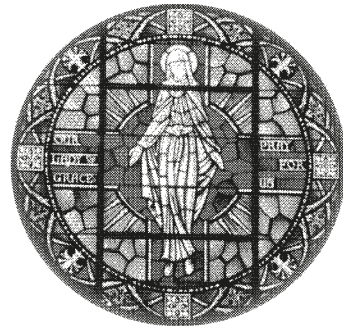
Tuesday, December 5: Advent Penance Service at 7:00 PM.
Friday, December 8: Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a holy day of obligation. Mass Times: 7:00 AM; 8:30 AM OLG School Mass; and 7:00 PM.

FORMATION

MARY'S SINFULNESS AND SIMPLICITY - It has been my mission lately to live as simply as possible. One of my mottos has become: "Make Due". One of my models for living simply is the Blessed Virgin Mary, whose Immaculate Conception we celebrate on December 8.

HOSPITALITY

SUNDAYKIDZ logo and a word search grid with words like FALL, RAKE, LEAVES, etc. and a cartoon character.



**PASTORAL & FORMATION SUPPORT -**  
Call the Parish Office: (916) 371-4814 for spiritual formation assistance.

**Communion for the Homebound or Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick -**  
Call the Parish Office to schedule a visit. One need not be in immediate danger of death to request support.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL (SVDP) -**

If anyone in our Parish or greater community needs assistance, or if anyone would like to volunteer their time to work with our Parish SVDP program please call: (916) 371-5264.

**Life Long Catholic Faith Formation**

**Baptism** - Mandatory class for parents and godparents is scheduled for the first Wednesday of the month at 7pm in the rectory. Baptisms will be scheduled for the First Saturday at 11:30 am after completion of the class and all required paperwork. Please call the Parish Office to register for the class or to schedule the Baptism.

**Adult Bible Study** - Tuesdays at 7pm in the Parish Center.

**Children's Religious Education/Catholic Faith Formation (CFF)**

**T K4 - 8th** - Tuesdays from 5:30 to 6:45 pm. Includes preparation in the 2nd grade to receive First Eucharist; and preparation in the 7th grade for Confirmation. Both sacraments require 2-year attendance in CFF. Classes for high school students available. Adult and Youth Catechists and Office Help needed. Call the Director of Religious Education: (916) 371-4814 for enrollment questions or to volunteer in our CFF program.

**Marriage Preparation** - Engaged couples should contact the Parish Office to begin preparation nine (9) months prior to the intended wedding date.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** - Thursdays 6pm-8:30pm in the Parish Center. All are welcome, baptized and un-baptized Christians seeking to complete their initiation into the Faith.

**Graced Youth Ministry** - Alternating Sundays at 4pm in the Parish Center.

**Parish Council:** Chair: Michael Babowal; Members: Sonja Craighton, Keith Doyle, Mike Fritz, Cara Giordano, Helen Kanowsky, Joe Matella, Courtney Schrag, and Casey Valine  
Email: parishcouncil@westsacolg.org

**Finance Council:** Chair: Kenneth Barrow; Members: Maggie Carson, Anthony Tassone, and Harry Valencia. Call the Parish Office: (916) 371-4814 for questions.

**Welcome to Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church!**

New to the parish? Like to register?  
Please fill in & tear this off & drop in the offertory basket.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

 <p>We meet @ 6:00pm starting with Hospitality 2nd Thursday of each month For details call: 916-371-5264</p>	<p><b>"Shop us first &amp; Save!"</b></p> <p><b>GROCERY OUTLET</b> bargain market</p> <p>\$3 off any \$30 or more purchase</p> <p>845 Harbor Blvd • 916-372-6575 Matt &amp; Jennifer Engstrom</p>
<p>AUGUSTINE ASSOCIATES REAL ESTATE SERVICES RE/MAX GOLD</p>	<p><b>Cristina Quirarte</b> DRE: #02133212 <b>916.541.8324</b> cristinaqremax@gmail.com HABLO ESPAÑOL</p> 
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<p><b>RIVER CITIES FUNERAL CHAPEL</b> Lic. FD1082 Jon R. Daniel - Fourth Generation Catholic Director Call Concerning Pre-Need Arrangements ... For Your Peace of Mind. <b>910 Soule St. West Sacramento 371-4535</b></p>	
<p>Consider Remembering Your Parish in Your Will. Please call the Parish Office</p> 	<p>God Bless America</p> 
<p><b>Mercy McMahon Terrace</b> Across from Sacred Heart Church Assisted Living At It's Best 3865 J St • 916-733-6510 Protecting Our Seniors During Difficult Times <a href="http://www.mercymcmahonterrace.org">www.mercymcmahonterrace.org</a> Holy Communion Available + Mass on Saturdays</p>	<p><b>West Coast</b> Painting &amp; Decorating 916-995-7798 Mauricio@wepnd.com Contractor License #1064790 Proposal/Contract for Painting Services</p>
<p>Our Lady of Grace Council #9469</p>  <p><b>Knights of Columbus</b> Meets 2nd Wednesdays at 7pm in the Convent Building, Our Lady of Grace School. For membership information contact Byron Paige, Membership Chairman: (916) 995-4570</p>	<p><b>MARY KAY</b> Isabelle Cammarota Beauty Consultant 916-247-6279 Try before you buy! (virtual / in-person) www.marykay.com/isabellec</p> 
<p><b>Good Counsel</b> Homes + Hope for Babies + Mothers</p> <p><b>Pregnant? Need a place to stay?</b> Call our helpline: <b>800-723-8331</b> or <b>916-395-9370</b> to speak with one of our counselors <a href="https://help.goodcounselhomes.org">https://help.goodcounselhomes.org</a></p>	

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**Mass Schedule**

Weekdays (except Thursday): 8:30am  
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm  
Sunday: 9am and 11am  
First Saturday (Immaculate Heart of Mary): 8:30am  
First Friday Eucharistic Adoration: 7 pm  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Saturday: 4:45 to 5:15 or by appointment

**Mission Statement** - We are a welcoming Eucharistic Community nourished by the Word of God, committed to extend Christ's unconditional love to ALL.

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