

Mary, the Holy Mother of God January 1, 2017

The Blessing We Receive

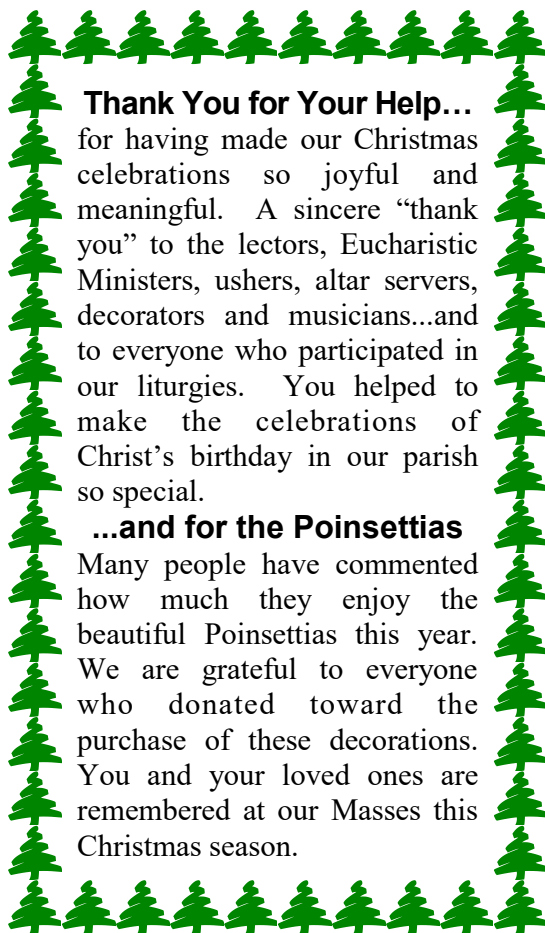
The blessing we experience in Christ Jesus is proclaimed in Numbers as the special blessing for the people of Israel. They and we are to be blessed by the invocation of God's loving kindness, the shining glory of God's face turned toward us in love, not away from us in anger. We are blessed by God's own peace!



Our wish and our hope are fulfilled in this blessing, which is made visible in the coming of Jesus. In Jesus, the image of the invisible God, God's face is shown to us and God's presence is made known to us in faithful and loving kindness. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Saints and Special Observances

- Sunday: Mary, the Holy Mother of God;
The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord;
World Day of Prayer for Peace;
New Year's Day
- Monday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen
- Tuesday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus
- Wednesday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
- Thursday: St. John Neumann
- Friday: St. André Bessette; First Friday
- Saturday: St. Raymond of Penyafort;
First Saturday;
Julian Calendar Christmas



Thank You for Your Help...

for having made our Christmas celebrations so joyful and meaningful. A sincere "thank you" to the lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, ushers, altar servers, decorators and musicians...and to everyone who participated in our liturgies. You helped to make the celebrations of Christ's birthday in our parish so special.

...and for the Poinsettias

Many people have commented how much they enjoy the beautiful Poinsettias this year. We are grateful to everyone who donated toward the purchase of these decorations. You and your loved ones are remembered at our Masses this Christmas season.

Women's Club

The Women's Club will share a salad luncheon and plan for the year ahead on Tues., Jan. 10th, 11:30 am in the hall. Please use the sign-up sheet at the church entrance if you plan to attend. This is a great way to meet friends, new and old, for the new year. Everyone is welcome to join in.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS



(Dec. 31-Jan.6)

- Sat., 5:00 pm- Int. Roy & Irene Hammond
Int. Marilyn Denner
- Sun., 9:00 am- Int. Zahaira Melendrez
+Justin Linn
- Sun., 6:00 pm- +Salvador Mendoza
+Hector Merlos
- Mon., 9:00 am- Communion Service
- Tues., 9:00 am- Communion Service
- Wed., 9:00 am- Sick of the Parish
- Thurs., 9:00 am-+Andy Becwar
- Fri., 9:00 am- Our Military Men & Women

New Book Celebrates Diocese

A beautiful new book has just been published to commemorate the 50th anniversary of our diocese, and there are a few copies available for purchase in our parish office. It is called "Grace Upon Grace: A History of the Diocese of Monterey in California", and it is a treasure trove of photos and history. If you are interested in purchasing one for \$30, please stop by the office before we run out.

Adult Faith Enrichment



Our sessions resume on Wed., Jan. 4th, in the hall at 9:30 am. Please join us weekly as we read and reflect on the upcoming weekend's readings. Don't miss this opportunity to enrich your faith. This is a wonderful way to begin the new year.

A Note from Toni & Abel Martinez...

Thank You! On Dec. 14th we delivered our truck fully loaded with donated items including winter warm clothing and blankets. Again this year we had many generous parishioners donate lots of needed items that will make a difference for people of the Eastern Navajo (Diné) Nation Reservation at the St. Bonaventure Indian Mission and School in New Mexico. For more info please call Abel at 927-4847.

Parish Council to Meet

The Council will meet next Sun., Jan. 8th, in the hall after the 9:00 am Mass. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Parish Offerings

Christmas: \$4,218.00
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Please pray for the sick...

Tommye Brennan, Roy Hammond, Alice Blankenship, Kelly Martinez, Joshua Martinez, John Pollock, Abel Martinez, Rita Brooks, Randy Brown, Irene Hammond, Todd Kasulka, Jerry Collins.