



# Mission San Diego de Alcalá

## December 27, 2015



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**SUNDAY MASSES:** 5:30 p.m. (Saturday -  
 Congregational Singing)  
 7:00 a.m.  
 8:00 a.m. (Congregational Singing)  
 9:00 a.m. (Folk Music) St. Francis  
 10:00 a.m. (Congregational Singing)  
 11:00 a.m. (Congregational Singing)  
 11:00 a.m. (Spanish) St. Francis  
 12:00 noon (Mission Choir)  
 5:30 p.m. (Congregational Singing)

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** 7:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

**ADORATION IN LA CAPILLA**  
**First Friday** 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.  
**First Saturday** 7:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 & 6:30 p.m. or by  
 appointment.

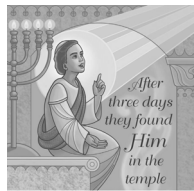
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**MARRIAGES:** Preparation with priest/deacon at least 9  
 months in advance.

**MSGR. HALTER ARCHIVES:**  
 (619) 283-6338  
 Hours - Tuesday and Thursday  
 from 10 a.m. to 12 Noon  
 library@missionsandiego.org

**NAZARETH SCHOOL:** Dr. Colleen Mauricio, Principal  
 (619) 641-7987

### Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



Joseph and Mary find the lost Jesus in the temple in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking questions (Luke 2:41-52).

### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

There will be no Jan. 1 adoration due to the holiday.

### FIRST SATURDAY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Jan. 2, 7:30 am to 9:30 am - La Capilla

Pray for the enlightenment of mind and change of heart for those entering abortion clinics that morning, and for the safety of those praying in front of those clinics.

### Holy Door



Mission San Diego de Alcalá has been chosen as one of six sites in the Diocese of San Diego that will host THE HOLY DOOR during the Year of Mercy.

A holy door or *porta sancta* has been used since the fifteenth century as a ritual expression of conversion. Pilgrims and penitents pass through it as a gesture of leaving the past behind and crossing the threshold from sin to grace, from slavery to freedom, and from darkness to light. Often these rituals are associated with prayer, pilgrimage, sacrifice, confession and indulgences. But the door finds meaning only when the believer associates the door with Christ. Jesus is the Door!

### Monthly Canned Food/Loose Change Collection

On the first Sunday of January, all loose change placed in the collection basket during the Masses will be sent to the Holy Family Food Pantry. Also, please bring large bags of beans and rice to assist Sister Margaret Kelly in her ministry.

Additionally, please bring canned/packaged food for Holy Family and diapers, sizes newborn-6, to benefit Birthline, paper products and biodegradable laundry soap for the North County Aids Project. Collection boxes for the food and diapers will be at the courtyard entrance to the Mission Church and at the St. Francis Chapel. Thank you.

### Year-End Charitable Gifts

A gift of your securities, including stocks or bonds, is an easy way to make a gift to the Mission Parish. By making a gift of your appreciated securities, you can avoid paying capital gains tax that would otherwise be due if you sold these assets. Contributions made by December 31<sup>st</sup> may be deducted on this year's taxes. For more information on giving a gift through securities, please visit our diocesan website at [www.diocese-sdiego.org](http://www.diocese-sdiego.org) and click on Giving – Stock Donations at the top of the website. Or you may contact the Office for Stewardship and Development, **Damian Esparza**, at 858-490-8277.

**Priests, Deacons, Religious and Parish Staff**  
wish all a joyous Happy New Year  
There will be only one Mass at 9:00 am  
(no 7 a.m. or 5:30 p.m. Masses)  
**Parish Office and Gift Shop will be closed on Friday, January 1st.**

### Mission San Diego Bible Study

Come join us every Tuesday evening in the California Room for a series of Bible studies starting January 19 at 7pm.

January 19, 2016 - Bible Introduction

What is it all about?

Who wrote it and why?

January 26, 2016 - Comparison of the Four Gospels

Why are there four Gospels?

Who is it written for?

In February and March for 7 weeks, we will study the Gospel of Mark.

February 2 – Introduction and Jesus' Galilean Ministry

February 9 - Parables

February 16 – Death of John the Baptist and First Feeding Miracle

February 23 – Second Feeding Miracle and Bread Narrative

March 1 – The Mystery Begins to be Unveiled

March 8 – Full Revelation of the Mystery

March 15 – Jesus' Last week in Jerusalem, His Passion and Resurrection.

For more information, please contact Virginia McCarron at [eggrod0422@gmail.com](mailto:eggrod0422@gmail.com) or (818) 519-1769.

### Martha and Mary Guild

We welcome volunteers to join us as we meet one morning a week for an hour or two to give our beautiful church some tender loving care that it so richly deserves. The Mission is blessed with an amazing maintenance staff but as part of the Martha and Mary Guild, we will assist with more intricate dusting and attention. We plan to begin with coffee, planning and prayer and then proceed to do lightweight cleaning to the pews, kneelers, railings and sanctuary. Men and women of all ages are welcome to join. If dusting is not your choice come join us anyway for coffee, prayer and socializing. Please call either **Karen Rebelo (858) 277-6243** or **Janet Bartel (858) 560-9312**.

### RENEW your RELATIONSHIP

with a Marriage Encounter Weekend  
January 29-31

Register at [wwme-sandiego.org](http://wwme-sandiego.org) .

Call 866 473-7730 for more information  
Support is available after the weekend.



**Retirement Fund for Religious**

Religious give thanks. "We cannot begin to repay all who contribute," writes a Catholic sister. "So we pray to God, who is never outdone in generosity, to reward you." Heartfelt thanks for your donation to the Retirement Fund for Religious. May God bless you for your goodness!

**Youth Ministry**

We will have no meetings Dec. 27 as we observe Christmas break. A Blessed Christmas Season to All and Happy New Year!

We will resume Youth Group Jan. 3, 2016 with a Youth Mass at 5:30 and meeting in La Sala.

Save the Date: Retreat is Feb. 12-14. Registration forms are in the Youth Office. Registration forms due Jan. 24.

**Mr. Bernens (619) 640-0481**  
**youthministry@missionsandiego.org**

**Bereavement Ministry**

A new grief support group will begin on January 7, 2016, at 7 p.m. in the Alcalá Room. Grief is the natural reaction to loss. It is important to prepare for varying stages of grief. The Bereavement Ministry will meet January 13, 2016 at 7 p.m. in the California Room. New members are always welcome to join us in this important ministry; please call the parish office for information 619-283-7319.

Talking with others in a comfortable support group will allow you to be able to share your journey and receive support from members of the group. All grieving the loss of a loved one are welcome to attend.

**Senior's Men Group**

Did you know the Mission has a Senior Men's Group that meets for lunch on the 3rd Thursday of each month? Lunch takes place at various restaurants in the nearby area. If you would like to be added to our contact list, call **Fr. Peter (619) 283-7319** or email **frpeter@missionsandiego.org**. All Senior men are welcome.



**Young Adults 18-35 yrs**  
**January 23, 2016 at 9am-5pm**  
**Pastoral Center, 3888 Paducah Dr.**  
**Discernment and decision making.**  
**Who is God calling me to be?**  
**Cost \$5 for lunch**  
**alopez-ornelas@diocese-sdiego.org**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Dec. 27 Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**  
 Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28; Ps 128:1-5 or Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; Col 3:12-21 [12-17] or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24; Lk 2:41-52
- Dec. 28 Holy Innocents**  
 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18
- Dec. 29 Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Thomas Becket**  
 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
- Dec. 30 Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**  
 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40
- Dec. 31 Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; St. Sylvester I; New Year's Eve**  
 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
- Jan. 01 Octave of the Nativity of the Lord; Mary, the Holy Mother of God; First Friday**  
 Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
- Jan. 02 Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen; First Saturday**  
 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
- Jan. 03 Epiphany of the Lord**  
 Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

**Volunteers Urgently Needed For Adoration**

**There will be no First Friday Adoration on January 1st due to the holiday.**

I volunteer to spend one hour before the Blessed Sacrament on First Friday, **Feb. 5** in La Capilla (the Chapel behind the Mission Church).

Please check time (s):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 10:00-11:00 a.m.     | <input type="checkbox"/> 2:00-3:00 p.m. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11:00a.m.-12:00 p.m. | <input type="checkbox"/> 3:00-4:00 p.m. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 12:00-1:00 p.m.      | <input type="checkbox"/> 4:00-5:00 p.m. |



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

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