

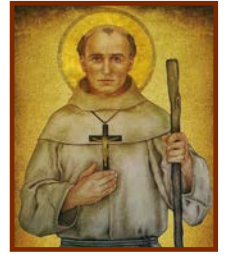
# Mission San Diego de Alcalá

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December 16, 2018



Saint Junípero Serra  
Founder, 1769



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**Rev. Bill Springer and Rev. Billy Zondler, Associate Pastors**  
**Deacon Ernest Grosso**

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

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**SUNDAY MASS TIMES**

5:30 p.m. Saturday— Congregational Singing  
 7:00 a.m.  
 8:00 a.m. Congregational Singing  
 9:00 a.m. Folk Music in St. Francis Chapel  
 10:00 a.m. Congregational Singing  
 11:00 a.m. Congregational Singing  
 11:00 a.m. Spanish in St. Francis Chapel  
 12:00 noon Mission Choir  
 5.30 p.m. Congregational Singing

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

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturdays 4:00 - 5:00 & 6:30 p.m.,  
 or by appointment, please call the Parish Office.

**ADORATION IN LA CAPILLA**

**First Friday** 9 a.m.-5 p.m.  
**First Saturday** 7:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.  
 Call the Parish Office to volunteer.

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 (619) 283-7319

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 deacon at least 9 months in advance.

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 Dr. Colleen Mauricio, (619) 641-7987

## Mass Readings and Intentions

**Sunday, December 16**

**Third Sunday of Advent**

Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-6; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

**7am** John Trujillo **8am** Jane Popelski

**9am** Dennis & Kathy LaHood

**10am** Patricia Bueno

**11am** Abelardo Rodriguez **11amSp.**

**12pm** **5:30pm** Ricamor Custodio

**Monday, December 17**

Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17

**7am** Jesse Russell **5:30pm** Robin Hallgring

**Tuesday, December 18**

Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19;

Mt 1:18-25

**7am** Linda Miguel **5:30pm** Kevin Robinson

**Wednesday, December 19**

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab,

16-17; Lk 1:5-25

**7am** Jamal Khashoggi **5:30pm** Pedro Flores

**Thursday, December 20**

Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-6; Lk 1:26-38

**7am** Mike Ebiplane **5:30pm**

**Friday, December 21**

**St. Peter Canisius**

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12,  
20-21; Lk 1:39-45

**7am** Cindy Coyne **5:30pm** Jose R. Yanez

**Saturday, December 22**

1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lk 1:46-56

**7am** Richard Peyronel

**5:30pm** Deceased members of the Blum Family

**Sunday, December 23**

**Fourth Sunday of Advent**

Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19;

Heb 10:5-10; Lk 1:39-45

**7am** Jesus & Maria Casillas **8am** John Resch

**9am** Agnes Ryan **10am** Patricia Bueno

**11am** Samuel Beamon **11amSp.**

**12pm** **5:30pm**



### REJOICE!

Today has traditionally been called Gaudete Sunday. The Latin tag is derived from Paul's appeal in the second reading to rejoice always in the Lord, and the Latin Mass text based on that reading. The irony and paradox of this Christian joy is underlined by the fact that Paul wrote those words in prison. But from there he could see the progress of God's work.

Is it obvious to us? We feel that this is not the time for joy when there is so much suffering and moral evil. It is interesting, then, that the first reading is from the prophet Zephaniah, who is almost exclusively concerned with gloomy visions of Judgment Day. Today the Church selects the only optimistic text in Zephaniah, in which the prophet has been touched by the spirit of joy.

This, we are assured on all sides, is the season of joy. Let us recapture that feeling of joy in our lives and reflect it to those who are joyless.

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### Events this week at the Mission . . .

**Monday, 12/17 . . .** Martha and Mary Guild, Mission Church, 9:30am  
Simbang Gabi Novena and Mass, SFC, 6:30pm  
Parish Penance Service, Mission Church, 7pm  
Centering Prayer, California Room, 7pm

**Tuesday, 12/18 . . .** Folk Group Practice, St. Francis Chapel, 6:15pm  
Simbang Gabi Novena and Mass, **Mission**, 6:30pm

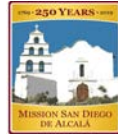
**Wednesday, 12/19 . . .** Young Adults Adoration, Mission Church, 6pm  
Simbang Gabi Novena and Mass, SFC, 6:30pm  
Young Adults Bible Study, Fr. Serra, 7pm

**Thursday, 12/20 . . .** Simbang Gabi Novena and Mass, SFC, 6:30pm  
RCIA, California Room, 7pm  
Mission Choir Practice, Mission Church, 7pm  
Sr. Mary's class on the Mass, La Sala, 7pm

**Friday, 12/21 . . . .** Nazareth's Children's Mass, St. Francis Chapel, 8:30am  
Simbang Gabi Novena and Mass, SFC, 6:30pm

**Saturday, 12/22 . . .** Lectors Practice, Mission Church, 9am  
Spanish Prayer Group, Alcalá Room, 4:15pm  
Simbang Gabi Novena and Mass, Mission, 5:30pm

## 2019 Jubilee Corner



250th Logo merchandise is available after all Masses this weekend. We've restocked and have a wide assortment of items, sizes and colors available for immediate sale. Stop by outside of the east Mission entrance or in front of St. Francis Chapel.

**Events in the new year:** January 10, Opening event, "Reflections and Prayers", Linda Hewett, Program Chair, Jack and Lynn Elmore, Reception Chair; February 16-17, Heritage Weekend, Carol Gamara, Chair; March 11-19, St. Joseph's Novena, Fr. Bill Springer, Chair; March 22-23, Scholars' Symposium, Janet Bartel, Chair. All can be reached through our committee email address listed below.

One commitment our Jubilee Steering Committee made was to engage parishioners in as many ways as possible. Serving on an event sub-Committee or volunteering to work at an event is an important part of our celebration. A list of committees and their chairperson's contact information is printed below. If you have already signed up as a Volunteer - we are calling you and asking for help! So far we have called seeking merchandise sales, bakers, cooks and set up. Don't be left out saying you were never called — please contact us if you see something advertised you would like to help with!! If you would like to get involved, you can contact the Chairperson directly or our Volunteer Coordinator, Blanche Cumiskey Walsh at the email address listed below. We are all volunteers serving our community and each other in this celebration year!

**Jubilee Steering Committee:** Fr. Peter M. Escalante, Chairperson; Janet Bartel, Culture; Carol Gamara, Education; Linda Hewett, Spiritual; Rachel Peniche, Sponsorships; Becky Tallarida, Social; Veronica Meyers, Treasurer; Blanche Cumiskey Walsh, Volunteers. You can contact any committee member by emailing [250jubilee@missionsandiego.org](mailto:250jubilee@missionsandiego.org).

**Girl Scouts Troop #4889** will be collecting gently used jackets for needy families. They will be accepting them outside of the St. Francis Chapel after the 9 a.m. Mass TODAY, Sunday, December 16. Thank you for your help.

## Christmas Schedule 2018

### Mass Schedule, Monday, December 24, Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m. Mission Church  
 4:00 p.m. St. Francis Chapel—Children's Mass  
 6:00 p.m. St. Francis Chapel—Folk Choir  
 8:00 p.m. Mission Church  
 10:00 p.m. Mission Church  
 12:00 (Midnight) St. Francis Chapel—Mission Choir



### Mass Schedule, Tuesday, December 25, Christmas Day

7:00 a.m. Mission Church  
 8:00 a.m. Mission Church  
 9:00 a.m. Mission Church  
 10:00 a.m. Mission Church  
 11:00 a.m. Mission Church  
 11:00 a.m. (Spanish) St. Francis Chapel  
 12:00 Noon Mission Church

**No Evening Mass**

### Christmas Eve Children's Liturgy, 4:00pm in the St. Francis Chapel

All children, ages 3-12, are invited to participate in the dramatization of the Gospel for this Liturgy. ***There will be one practice after the 9am Mass, TODAY, Sunday, December 16.***

### Our Penance Service is Monday, December 17 at 7pm in the Mission Church.

As we prepare for the coming of Christ at Christmas we want to be ready to accept his love and be able to do whatever he asks of us. In order to do so, the Church encourages the parish community to come together to hear the Word of God, to pray and to sing in a formal liturgy. Gathered together we recognize our individual sinfulness and the harm it does to the whole community, and so, pray for one another as well as for ourselves. With song, prayer and scripture we ready ourselves for the opportunity for private confession and absolution.

### Mission Choir

#### Candlelight Meditation, Saturday, December 15 and Sunday, December 16 at 7:30pm in the Mission Church

You are invited this Christmas season to a very special evening at Mission San Diego. Our Choir will present the 42nd Candlelight Meditation in the historic Mission Church. This beautiful setting brings a joyous spirituality to the Christmas season, with a concert of traditional and contemporary music and seasonal Scripture readings to celebrate Christmas. For those who have never attended the Meditation, we invite you to fill your heart and mind with the peace and joy of Christmas. The Mission Choir is under the director of Gene Regard. The organist is Howard McCullough.

### Mental Health Ministry Network

For information about the San Diego Diocesan Mental Health Ministry Network visit [www.socialministriesandiego.com](http://www.socialministriesandiego.com).

## *What's Happening at the Mission and around the Diocese . . .*

**Thursday, December 20 at 7-8:30pm in La Sala.** Sister Mary Kiely is hosting a 7-week Bishop Robert Barron video study on “The Mass” which began November 8. Walk through the Liturgy with Bishop Barron and be transformed through insights on this most privileged and intimate encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ. See how the Mass brings us out of the fallen world and into the heavenly realm, how it resonates with a call from God and a response from his people, the Church and most importantly, how we are intimately joined with the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus through the Holy Eucharist. This course will help you understand how to fully, consciously, and actively participate in the source and summit of the Christian life.

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**Simbang Gabi at Mission San Diego de Alcalá**—Nine (9) nights of Filipino traditional Masses to celebrate the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Saturday, **Dec. 15** and Sunday, **Dec. 16**. Mass will be at 5:30pm in the Mission Church; Monday, **Dec. 17** through Friday, **Dec. 21**, Mass will be at 6:30pm in St. Francis Chapel. Saturday, **Dec. 22**, and Sunday, **Dec. 23**, Mass will be at 5:30pm in the Mission Church. On the ninth day, Sunday, **Dec. 23**, before the Mass, there will be a luncheon from 3:00-5:00pm in La Sala. Want to be involved? Call Emma Pearlman (619) 200-5374.

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**Religious give thanks.** “This money is pure gift,” writes a religious sister of the support made possible by the Retirement Fund for Religious. “it enables us to continue providing care for our elderly sisters.” Your gift to last week’s collection helps hundreds of religious communities meet pressing retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. *Thank you for your generosity.*

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**250<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Mission Bus Tour Pilgrimage**—Great News! Fr. Billy Zondler is going on the Bus Tour! Please call Marion Kelley at (858) 277-2971 to make a reservation. The price is \$1,499 per person, double occupancy, and they leave the Mission Church **May 14, 2019**. Marion will give you the details.

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The Social Action Committee wishes to thank all who supported the **Angel Giving Tree** for needy families. The gifts have been chosen and wrapped and are ready to make many children smile this Christmas Day. God bless all of you for your generosity.

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**Centering Prayer** is a method of silent prayer in which we experience God’s presence within us. This method of prayer is both a discipline and a relationship with God. The focus of this prayer is a deepening of our relationship with the Living Christ. We meet every **Monday evening from 7:00 - 8:15pm in the California Room** of the St. Francis Center. If you are new to Centering Prayer, come 15 minutes early to learn the simple method of Centering Prayer. For more information please contact Ardy at (858) 279-7278. All are welcome.

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**Save the Date**—The 250th Anniversary of Mission San Diego de Alcalá will include the revival of the Old Mission Cup Golf Tournament to be held on **April 26, 2019** at Admiral Baker Golf Course. It will feature a best ball scramble tournament on the North Course, land that was originally part of the Old Mission. The entry fee will be \$100 per person (\$360 a foursome) and includes the use of a golf cart (for 2), a continental breakfast on the patio, a putting contest, various special contests on the course and golf prizes. The tournament will commence at 12:00, preceded by an introduction ceremony and blessing and registration on the patio outside the Golf Shop. Registration and continental breakfast will begin at 10:00. Putting contest will be available throughout the registration pre-tournament period. Following the tournament, there will be a tournament celebration dinner at the Mission. More information email [joejanbart@aol.com](mailto:joejanbart@aol.com).

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**Communion for the Sick and Homebound**—If you or a family member are ill and unable to attend Mass and would like one of our *Lay Ministers to the Sick & Homebound* to bring you Communion, please contact the parish office. If you feel called to this ministry, please inquire at the parish office for information and training.

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**Senior Men’s Group**—The group meets for lunch the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Lunch takes place at various restaurants in the nearby area. If you would like to join this ministry, call **Pete Corrao at (619) 582-9386**. All senior men are welcome.

**Mission Deanery Advent Penance Services 2018**


Date	Parish	Time
December 17	Mission San Diego	7:00pm
December 18	All Hallows	7:30pm
December 18	Our Mother of Confidence	3:30 & 7:00pm
December 18	St. Columba	6:00pm
December 19	St. Therese of Carmel	7:00pm

**DECEMBER 16 and 21, 22, 23 4:00-8:00 PM Tickets \$14.99 Adult, \$9.99 Child** “Imagine walking at dusk with a hot chocolate in hand, in the cool of a December evening surrounded by brilliantly lit trees, magical cottages, and Santa’s workshop...Experience the magic at **Noah Homes** for the **Enchanted Village**: A brand new festival of trees & lights in San Diego. **Noah Homes** is a 501c(3) nonprofit that has served adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities since 1983. We now have 90 residents and 10 homes, and work to achieve our goal of maximizing each individual’s independence in a community environment that fosters dignity and respect, as well as personal and spiritual growth. Our **Enchanted Village** will be an opportunity for us to share our Noah Homes community with San Diego, and to employ some of our residents! For more information, volunteer opportunities, or to purchase tickets, please visit [www.NoahHomes.org/EnchantedVillage](http://www.NoahHomes.org/EnchantedVillage).”

After-Abortion Healing Retreat for Catholic Women given by Rachel’s Hope January 11-13. Professionally led, held at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 3888 *Paducah Dr.*, SD. Closing Mass included, group size is limited, Cost \$45, partial scholarships are available. Facilitator: Rosemary Benefield, RN, MA. To register, call Rosemary (858) 581-3022 or [rachels\\_hope@juno.com](mailto:rachels_hope@juno.com)

**MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT**—Start the New Year off right and give your marriage a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Celebrate the love you have for your spouse and help build, expand, and deepen that relationship. Sign up for the upcoming **January 18-20** weekend at the Courtyard Marriott in Rancho Bernardo. Food and lodging are provided. There is a \$75 fee and a voluntary donation requested at the end of the weekend. For many couples ‘their weekend’ is one of the most significant experiences of their marriages. **Sign up today at [www.wvme-sandiego.org](http://www.wvme-sandiego.org)**

**Spring Forward, Saturday, January 26, A Parish Leadership Conference—Guest Speaker—Fr. Tony Ricard of New Orleans.** Register online at [www.sdcatholic.org/oecmsd](http://www.sdcatholic.org/oecmsd), there will be no at-the-door registrations. Cost is \$35 per person or \$125 for a group of 5 from the same parish. Conference is from 9am to 3pm, at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 8200 Gold Coast Dr. San Diego, 92126.



**Volunteering** is a good way to stay healthy and active. The Mission has many opportunities. Best ones to start with are the Gift Shop and Docent Program. Call Rhonda (619.281.8449) or Janet (858.560.9312) to get started today.

*Directory of Ministries and Groups*

- 250th ANNIVERSARY . . . . . 250jubilee@missionsandiego.org
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