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Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30AM-12:00 PM and
1:00 PM-7:00 PM

Saturday & Sunday: 9:00 AM-1:00 PM

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Evening – English - 5:00 PM
Spanish - 6:30 PM

Sunday – English - 8:00 and 10:00 AM
Spanish - 12:00 Noon
Vietnamese - 3:30 PM
English - 6:00 PM

Daily Mass:

Monday - Saturday - 8:00 AM English
Tuesday & Thursday- 6:30 PM Spanish

Holy Days of Obligation:

Vietnamese (Vigil)-7:30 PM
English – 8:00 AM
English – 9:00 AM
English – 12:15 PM
English – 6:00 PM
Spanish – 7:30 PM

Sacrament of Penance (Confession):

Saturdays – 3:00 to 4:00 PM

Baptisms: (From birth through six years old.) A pre-baptismal class is required for parents. Please call the Parish Center for an appointment. Baptisms are held Sundays at 1:30 PM. Baptisms in Spanish are on the first Sunday. Baptisms in English are on the fourth Sunday.

Marriage: Contact the Parish Center six months prior to the wedding date.

RCIA Inquiry:

RCIA is the process by which adults (seven years and older) may become Catholic or complete their Sacraments of Initiation. Adults who would like to know more about their faith are welcome to come to our inquiry sessions. For more information, please call 491-3468.

School Office:.....524-4170
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Website:.....www.olfcatholicsschool.com
Religious Education:.....491-3462
RCIA:.....491-3468
Music Ministry:.....491-3466
Youth Ministry:.....491-3465

How to Contact the Clergy: Call the receptionist at the Parish Center Monday-Friday at 524-7421. The receptionist can help you make an appointment with a priest. If your need is extremely urgent, please make that clear, so that the priest on call can be contacted. Also, tell the receptionist if you need a Spanish or Vietnamese speaking priest. The priest on call should only be contacted for the dying or those in deep grief. Contact is made through the answering service at the parish phone, 524-7421.

CHURCH ETIQUETTE

1. Please turn off or silence all cell phones and pagers.
2. Please keep respectful quiet in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist before and after Mass.
3. Please remember appropriate clothing especially during the summer. Gentlemen, please remove hats and caps upon entering the church building.
4. Please no cups of coffee or other drinks.
5. Please remember, except in the case of true need, bottles of water are not needed.
6. Please, chewing gum by anyone (any age) is not acceptable ever, anytime in church.
7. Please refrain from reading the bulletin, emails, or TXT messages before and during Mass.
8. Please do not arrive late, leave after communion or before the Mass has ended.
9. Please participate in the Mass: body, mind, and spirit through singing, responding, praying, and attending with heart and mind.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 18, 2016

They shall name him Emmanuel,
which means "God is with us."

— Matthew 1:23



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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — You will be given this sign: the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel (Isaiah 7:10-14).

Psalm — Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory (Psalm 24).

Second Reading — God has called us to belong to Jesus Christ (Romans 1:1-7).

Gospel — The son born of Mary shall be called Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins. He shall be Emmanuel, "God is with us" (Matthew 1:18-24).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a;
Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25

Tuesday: Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38

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

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

Friday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lk 1:57-66

Saturday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Lk 1:67-79

Sunday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27-29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

Please remember in your prayers
those who have died...
Eduardo Velazquez
and all the faithful departed.



Please remember in your prayers
all who have no one else to pray for them.

GETTING EVEN

The only ones you should try to get even with
are those who have helped you. —Anonymous



Mass Intentions for the Week

December 17—December 25, 2016

Saturday	8:00 AM	Modesto Toro†
	5:00 PM	Mary Carmo†
	6:30 PM	Oscar Lopez†
Sunday:	8:00 AM	Parishioners
	10:00 AM	Jesse & Frances D'Accardo†
	12:00 PM	Esperanza Prado†
	3:30 PM	Phero†
	6:00 PM	Jesus Espinoza, Jr†
Monday:	8:00 AM	Joe Pinheiro—Sp Int
Tuesday:	8:00 AM	Marty Spitulski—Sp Int
	6:30 PM	Alberto Lopez—Sp Int
Wednesday:	8:00 AM	Pamela C Cruz†
Thursday	8:00 AM	Peter Janopaul, Jr.†
	6:30 PM	Daniel & Antonia Quinones†
Friday	8:00 AM	Juanita Macarubbo†
Saturday	All Masses	Parishioners
Sunday:	All Masses	Parishioners

CAN YOU SPEND ONE HOUR WITH ME?

Jesus asked His Apostles, "Could you not keep watch with me for one hour?" This is a beautiful way to spend quiet time in the presence of our Lord. Hours for exposition are: **12 noon to 5:00 pm, Thursdays.**



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CALLING ALL MUSIC LOVERS

Do you enjoy music? Do you like to sing? Then this is the perfect time to join the OLF Adult Choir as we prepare for the beautiful Christmas season. No audition necessary! If you can make it to the 10 am Sunday Mass, you're in! Can't read music? No problem! We learn all the parts together. We meet in the Music room in the school every Thursday evening at 7 pm. Come join this wonderful parish ministry and help us "make a joyful noise unto the Lord."



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word is offered for children ages 4-9 at the 10 AM Mass.

Liturgy of the Word with Children offers an experience for the children to hear the Scriptures in words they understand and to share their own understanding of God's word.

For more information contact Joyce Teixeira at 524-7421.

FAITH: THE NEXT GENERATION – PASS IT ON!

Boldly go where many have gone before and help pass on the Good News of Jesus Christ and our Catholic faith! This fall, there are about 400 children and young people, grades 1 through 12, attending classes to learn more about Jesus and their Catholic faith. At this time, there are still classes which have no teacher or teacher's assistant. You can help by becoming a catechist. As you nurture the faith of our young, you will learn and grow as well! As one long-time catechist put it, "I learn so much from the children!" We provide you with training, materials, and support. Classes are offered Sunday mornings and Monday afternoons. If interested or for more information, contact Melinda Miramontes or Joyce Teixeira at 524-7421.

Our St. Vincent de Paul Society has need of **canned chicken, Hamburger/Tuna/Chicken Helper, canned meals, canned fruits, boxed side dishes, pancake mix and syrup, canned chili, hearty style soups and baked beans.** Your help is greatly needed. Thank you for your generosity.



THERE ARE EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES THIS NEXT MONTH DUE TO HOLIDAYS.

Send your announcements to bulletin@olfmodesto.com

SUMMONED BY GOD

As Christmas draws near, Advent's scriptures lure us into a world of dreams, signs, wonders, and the miracle of the virgin birth. Too often we allow the great stories of our faith, the ones that are most familiar, simply to wash over us. Today's Gospel account of the events leading up to the birth of the Lord reads like a present-day soap opera. Yet Joseph's courage, even in the midst of what must have been an incredibly confusing time, provides a model for us. Each week, we are summoned by God to embrace the way of goodness and truth through the proclamation of God's holy word. Like Joseph, we are called to do as the Lord commands us. As we stand at the threshold of Christmas, let us have the courage to be open to whatever it is that the Lord will require of us as we celebrate the miracle of Bethlehem.

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The King of



GLORY

CHRISTMAS CHILDREN

It is good to be children sometimes, and never better than at Christmas. —Charles Dickens

Married Couples: Give a Christmas gift that keeps on giving. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a gift of love. It's a weekend of fresh air, the rebirth of romance, and new beginnings. If you'd like to make your Marriage even more special than it already is – call now! The next Marriage Encounter weekend is February 10-12, 2017 in Modesto. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://www.stocktonwwme.org> or contact John & Angelica at applications@stocktonwwme.org or 209-691-0603.

The Modesto Symphony Orchestra's Holiday Candlelight Concert returns to St. Stanislaus Catholic Church, Tuesday, December 20th at 8 pm. This community favorite celebrates the warmth, cheer and spirit of Christmastime and features traditional hymns and carols performed by the Modesto Symphony Orchestra and Chorus, Candy's Choristers, Johansen High School's Valkyrie Voices and the Opus Handbell Ensemble. Conducted by Dr. Daniel J. Alfonso, Jr., this is one holiday concert that reminds attendees of the true meaning of the season. Tickets are \$35-\$55 for adults and \$10-\$19 for youth. To purchase, call the Gallo Center for the Arts at 209.338.2100 or visit modestosymphony.org

COOK WANTED

Our Lady of Fatima Men's Club is looking for a volunteer cook for their monthly meetings. The meals are for 10- 20 people and all expenses are reimbursed. The Men's Club is open to all men of the parish and does great works for the parish, in addition to the monthly dinner meetings. For more information call Buddy Wesson at 499-8282.

STANISLAUS HOMEMAKER PROGRAM

Catholic Charities Homemaker Program has two immediate openings for the position of Homemaker in the Modesto and Patterson/Newman area. This position provides light housekeeping to seniors in Stanislaus County. Mileage reimbursement is provided.

Qualifications:

- ◆ Experience working with elderly
- ◆ Own transportation
- ◆ Good communication skills
- ◆ Must be able to pass criminal background check (209)396-6954 or email resume

to HRCatholicCharities@ccstockton.org.

A PATHWAY TO GOD

Join us for a three year, Spirituality & Spiritual Direction training program, approved by the Bishop of Stockton, facilitated by the Verbum Dei sisters, the Jesuit School of Theology, and the ICSSD Team. Starting January 29th 2017, classes will be held the last Sunday of each month at the Seeds of Life Spirituality Center 31448 Hwy 33, Tracy, CA 95304. For more information please contact Wilma 209-541-7996 or Vicki 209 968-1821 or visit www.ICSSD.org, or email info.icssd@gmail.com

WALK FOR LIFE

The 13th Walk for Life West Coast January 21, 2017, 12:30 pm ,Civic Center Plaza, San Francisco

<http://www.walkforlifewc.com/>



Name: _____

Our Lady of Fatima
Priest Visitation Request
Phone #: _____

Address: _____

Cell #: _____

Email address: _____

Please indicate any special needs connected with your visitation request i.e.: Anointing of the Sick, House blessing, etc. _____

Best day of the week _____ Best time of day _____

*Please, no hospitality is necessary.
Drop in collection basket or at the Parish Office

WELCOME KITS FOR REFUGEES

Please be sure to get your welcome kit items in as soon as possible. We need to get them to the refugees who need them.

LINEN MINISTRY

Could you find time to help out in a wonderful ministry of service in the parish? Our **Linen Ministry** cares for the altar linens—such as the corporals, purificators and hand towels from each Mass. With over 12 weekly Masses celebrated, many hands are needed. Would you be willing to volunteer a few hours per month? Call Lisa Rego at 872-1995. **Thanks be to God for our volunteers.**

MARY MOTHER OF GOD MISSION SOCIETY

Reviving the Roman Catholic Church in Eastern Russia has opened their new National office and Modesto area's newest Catholic Book and Gift store, **Gifts of Faith**. Art, gifts, clothing, home décor, bibles, monastery crafts, jewelry, statues, libros en Español, and more! Proceeds benefit the mission churches in Vladivostok. The National office and store are located in McHenry Village, 1700 McHenry Ave. Ste 80, Modesto. For more information, please call [209-408-0728](tel:209-408-0728)

SAVE THE DATE!

Join us for OLF's Annual Crab Feed which will be held on Saturday, February 4, 2017. Our feast includes all-you-can-eat fresh crab, salad, pasta, and dessert. Your evening will be completed with a raffle, dancing and entertainment. Our Supplier assures us that their crab is thoroughly inspected by the USDA and is perfectly safe to enjoy. Tickets are now on sale in the parish and school offices. All proceeds will go to our multi-purpose facility project. Don't miss the best Crab Feed in town!!





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CUARTO DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

18 de diciembre de 2016

A quien pondrán el nombre de Emmanuel,
que quiere decir Dios-con-
nosotros.

— Mateo 1:23



LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

- Lunes: Jue 13:2-7, 24-25a;
Sal 71 (70):3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lc 1:5-25
- Martes: Is 7:10-14; Sal 24 (23):1-4ab, 5-6; Lc 1:26-38
- Miércoles: Cant 2:8-14 o Sof 3:14-18a;
Sal 33 (32):2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lc 1:39-45
- Jueves: 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-8abcd; Lc 1:46-56
- Viernes: Mal 3:1-4, 23-34; Sal 25 (24):4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Lc 1:57-66
- Sábado: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16;
Sal 89 (88):2-5, 27, 29; Lc 1:67-79
- Domingo: Vigilia: Is 62:1-5; Sal 89 (88):4-5, 16-17, 27, 29; Hch 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
Noche: Is 9:1-6; Sal 96 (95):1-3, 11-13; Tit 2:11-14; Lc 2:1-14
Aurora: Is 62:11-12; Sal 97 (96):1, 6, 11-12; Tit 3:4-7; Lc 2:15-20
Día: Is 52:7-10; Sal 98 (97):1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]

NIÑOS EN LA NAVIDAD

Es bueno ser niños algunas veces, y nunca mejor que durante la Navidad.

—Charles Dickens

ENCUENTRO MATRIMONIO MUNDIAL

¿Que es el encuentro Matrimonial Mundial? Es una experiencia para toda pareja que quiera enriquecer su matrimonio, a donde se nos brinda herramientas para mejorar nuestra comunicación. Para mas información llamar a Javier (510) 875-9326 o Amelia Durán (510) 401-7369

CAMINATA POR LA VIDA

La décima tercera Caminata por la Vida de la Costa Oeste tendrá lugar el 21 de Enero de 2017 a las 12.30 pm. Civic Center Plaza, San Francisco <http://www.walkforlifewc.com>

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — La señal del Señor es que la virgen estará embarazada y dará a luz un hijo varón (Isaías 7:10-14).

Salmo — Va a entrar el Señor: Él es el Rey de la Gloria (Salmo 24 [23]).

Segunda lectura — Jesús, descendiente de David biológicamente, fue establecido el Hijo de Dios en poder. (Romanos 1:1-7).

Evangelio — María, la comprometida de José, quedó embarazada por obra del Espíritu Santo (Mateo 1:18-24).

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Sociedad de San Vicente de Paúl

La despensa de San Vicente de Paul esta necesitando pollo enlatado, fruta enlatada, Hamburger/Tuna/Chicken Helper, comidas enlatadas, acompañamientos en caja, harina par panques y miel, . Gracias por ayudar a los mas necesitados de nuestra parroquia.

AJUSTAR CUENTAS

El único con el que debes tratar de ajustar cuentas es con aquél que te ha ayudado.

—Anónimo

¡MARQUE SUS CALENDARIOS!

La cena anual de Jaiba para la parroquia de Nuestra Señora de Fátima pronto estará aquí! Marquen sus calendarios para el sábado, 04 de febrero 2017 para nuestra deliciosa fiesta de fresca, todo lo que puedas comer, jaiva, ensalada, pasta y postre. Su velada se completará con una rifa, baile y entretenimiento. Los boletos están ya a la venta en las oficinas de la parroquia y de la escuela. Todos los réditos irán a nuestro proyecto salón de usos múltiples. No te pierdas la mayor cena de jaiba de la ciudad!



MINISTERIO DE LINO

Un ministerio maravilloso en nuestra parroquia es el Ministerio de Lino, que cuida de todos los linos del altar que se necesitan para cada Misa. Siendo que hay más de doce Misas por semana, se necesitan muchas manos. ¿Le gustaría donar su tiempo para ayudar unas cuantas horas al mes en este ministerio? Favor de llamar a Lisa Rego al 872-1995.

RENUÉVESE Y REGOCÍJESE.

18 de marzo de 2017

Reserve la fecha para el Día del Ministerio en St. Mary's High School, en Stockton. Venga a renovar su fe y a alegrarse en el amor de Cristo; Síguenos en Facebook. Contacte a Leticia Rodríguez para información al 209.466.0636

