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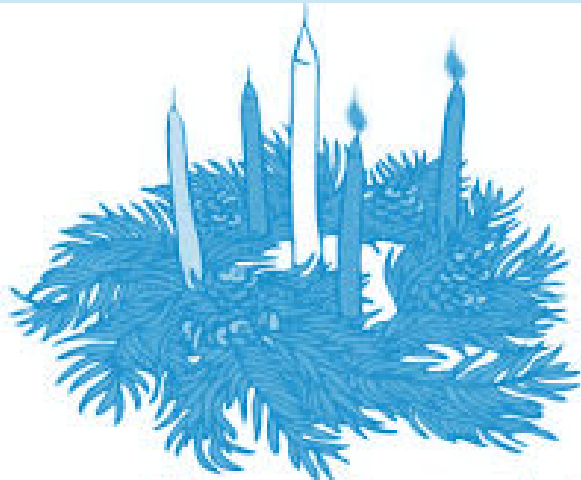
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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday:	8:00 AM;
Vigil of Sunday:	5 PM; 6:30 PM (Spanish)
Sunday:	6:30 AM, 8 AM (Spanish), 9:30 AM, 11 AM; 12:30 PM (Sp), 4 PM (Sp), 5:30 PM, 7 PM (Sp)
Holy Days:	Vigil: 5:30 PM; 7 AM, 9 AM, 12:15 PM, 5:30 PM, 7PM (Spanish)
Weekdays:	St. Anne Chapel: Vigil 4 PM 7:00 and 8:00 AM; (Tuesday & Thursday in Spanish) Wednesdays 7:00 PM (Spanish)
St. Anne Chapel	9 AM (Confessions before Mass) Communion Service: Tuesday and Friday 9 AM
Confessions:	Saturdays: 9 - 11 AM; Wednesdays 6:00 PM
Baptisms:	Sunday 2 PM, (Registration: two weeks before Baptism)
Weddings:	Arrangements six months in advance.
Funerals:	Arrangements - 479-8231



Second Sunday of Advent

DECEMBER 7, 2014

Every valley shall be filled in,

every mountain and hill

shall be made low.

— Isaiah 40:4

MASS INTENTIONS December 8 - 14, 2014

Mon	7:00	Valdamar Cortez - Valdamar & Eufracia Cortez
	9:00	Dick Gordon - Family
	12:15	Efrain Alvarez - Familia Alvarez
	4:00	(<i>St. Anne</i>) People of St. Anne
	5:30	Ambrosio Flores - Family
	7:00	Novenario Guadalupano - Guadalupe Guillen - Rigoberto y Maria
Tue	7:00	Raulino & Victoria Gomes - Gomes Family
	8:00	Danielle Sandoval - Kurt & Lourdes Cappelluti
Wed	7:00	Dick Gordon - Family
	8:00	Adele Spinelli - Family
	7:00	Novenario Guadalupano - Jose Rodriguez - Familia
Thu	7:00	Jerry Barsotti - Jim Barsotti Family
	8:00	Agustine Contreras - Esposa e Hijos
	7:00	Novenario Guadalupano -Guadalupe Guillen - Rigoberto y Maria
Fri	6:00	Ignacio Alejandre - Family
	8:00	Michael Granados - Jairo Granados
	12:30	Guadalupe Sanchez, OSJ - Family
	6:30	Guadalupe Madrigal - Familia
Sat	8:00	Adele Spinelli - Valorosi Family
	12:00	Memorial - Maria M. Rivera (19th Anniv)
	1:00	Wedding - Nicholas Barragan & Alexandra Champagne
	2:00	Sra Jesus de Rodriguez (90th Birthday)
	3:00	50th Anniversary of Miguel & Socorro Vasquez
	5:00	Jesus Hernandez - Rosemary & Children
	6:30	Freddy Vasquez - Family
Sun	6:30	Deceased Orozco & Baca Family - Sarah Baca
	8:00	Adella Rodriguez - Gregoria Rodriguez
	9:00	(<i>Raymond</i>) Lottie Kocan - Doris Brown
	9:30	Roy & Wilma Toschi - Ola Toschi Family
	11:00	For the People of the Parish
	12:30	Saul Solorio - Julie Solorio
	4:00	Ruben Barajas - Familia Barajas-Lopez
	5:30	Fernando Ruiz - Family
	7:00	Maria Hernandez - Family

**TODAY 2ND COLLECTION FOR
THE BUILDING FUND DEBT & OUR FAITH, OUR FAMILY,
OUR FUTURE CAMPAIGN**

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO RECENTLY DIED

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace: *Elpidio Herrera Lara, Teresa Sanchez, Amy Pimentel (infant)*

The church has 2 fairly new General Electric Self Cleaning 30" Ranges for sale for \$150.00 each. If you are interested, please contact Sally Bompreszi @ Rectory Office 673-3290 Ext, 206.

PASTOR'S CORNER

"I am the Immaculate Conception." Two hours before his arrest by the Gestapo, the future priest-martyr of Auschwitz, St. Maximilian Kolbe, penned the single most important theological reflection of his life. "*I am the Immaculate Conception.*" These words fell from the lips of the Immaculata herself. Hence they must tell us in the most precise and essential manner who she really is." ...Kolbe points out a simple but key point: At the apparitions in Lourdes, Mary didn't say to St. Bernadette, "I was immaculately conceived," but rather, "*I am the Immaculate Conception.*" This seems to be a problem. After all, Mary *was* immaculately conceived. In other words, through a special grace from God, she was conceived in the womb of her mother, St. Anne, without any stain of original sin by the foreseen merits of her Son. So why does she speak so strangely? Why does she make the grace she received at her conception *her very name*? Doesn't this almost seem as if she were making herself divine? Clearly, Mary is not God. Kolbe wrestled with this apparent "divinity problem" for decades, and it led to the following solution. The Immaculate Conception is divine. But the one I'm talking about isn't Mary. It's the Holy Spirit. In other words, Kolbe believed there are two "Immaculate Conceptions": Mary and the Holy Spirit. Mary is the *created* Immaculate Conception and the Holy Spirit is the *uncreated* Immaculate Conception. ...This truth has to do with *the union between the Holy Spirit and Mary.*" This is deep. To ponder it more fully, I recommend the Do-It-Yourself-Retreat book, [33 Days to Morning Glory](#) by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, available in the St. Marelo Book Store. The above reflection was adapted from Day 9 of the retreat in Fr. Gaitley's book.

Blessings, Fr. John

ST. MARELLO BOOKSTORE

Lisa Hendey, will sign her new book "The Grace of Yes: Eight Virtues of Generous Living" after the 5 pm Mass on next Saturday and after the 6:30, 9:30, 11 am and 5:30 pm Masses on Sunday. Come and meet Lisa at a special afternoon Open House from 2:30 to 6 pm. Lisa is an author, media personality and the founder of www.CatholicMom.com and is fueled by a lifelong passion for her faith. In her new book she guides readers through pivotal moments of her faith journey and the eight virtues that have helped her and will help the readers of the book to learn how to say Yes to God. We will be open on Sunday, December 14 from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. for your Christmas shopping convenience.

CATHOLIC PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS CLUB

Friday December 12, 7:20 - 8:30am (Doors open at 7am)
Pardini's Banquet Room - Van Ness & Shaw Avenue, Fresno
Cost:\$20 non-members; \$15 members & guests of members.
RSVP by Noon, Wednesday, December 10.

St. Anne Chapel

•Chapel Board Meeting today

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

December 8 - Holy Day of Obligation

Mass Times:

7, 9, am; 12:15 (Spanish), 5:30 & 7pm (Spanish)

St. Anne - 4 pm



“Elvis” will be at Holy Spouses Hall on Saturday, December 13, performing a Spiritual Holiday Concert to benefit the St. Joachim Christmas Basket Program.

There will be 100 V.I.P Tickets for a Pre-Event Reception from 6:15 to 7:15 pm available for \$25. General admission tickets are \$5 or bring to the event 3 can goods items for free admission. For information call 673-3290 or 673-7254

RESTORATION

Have you noticed the shiny altar cross used during Masses offered by Fr. Gustavo? That’s the original altar cross from the old Saint Joachim church restored to its original beauty. We have a few other items that need restoration: another altar cross, a chalice, and a set of candle stands. Call Mary Ann at the bookstore, 662-0682, for details.

CLASS ON THE MASS

Give us 2 hours and you’ll come away with a better understanding of the greatest prayer on earth: the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. You are invited to join the RCIA class as Fr. Gustavo explains step-by-step all the parts of the Holy Mass. Don’t miss this opportunity! **Monday, Dec. 15, 6:30 pm in the church.**

THE VIRGIN OF TEPEYAC

The Family of St. Joseph has chartered a bus to San Juan Bautista Mission, December 14 for the play “La Virgen del Tepeyac”, dramatizing the four apparitions of Our Lady of Guadalupe to Juan Diego in 1531. Cost: \$48 per person. Please pay at the parish office. Call 673-1716 or 674-4398.

Walk for Life ▪ West Coast 2015 Mark your calendars for Saturday, January 24, 2015 Join upwards of 25,000 pro-lifers for the 11th Annual Walk for Life in San Francisco as we peacefully proclaim our message that abortion hurts women and we all deserve better than abortion. Registrations are available in the youth ministry office. Early bird discount ends December 5. Information: call Lucy Magdaleno, [674-9069](tel:674-9069).

TACO SALE

Friday, December 12, 11 am to 2 pm, at the school
Proceeds go toward St. Joachim School Scholarships
and our sister school in Haiti

RINCÓN DEL PÁRROCO

“Yo soy la Inmaculada Concepción.” Dos horas antes de su arresto por la Gestapo, el futuro santo de Auschwitz, San Maximiliano Kolbe escribió la observación teológica más importante de su vida. “Yo soy la Inmaculada Concepción.” Estas palabras salieron de la boca de la Inmaculada misma. Por lo tanto deben indicar con la máxima precisión y en lo esencial quién es Ella.” ...Kolbe señala un punto clave: en las apariciones en Lourdes, María no se identificó a Bernardita como “concebida sin pecado” sino que declaró: “Yo soy la Inmaculada Concepción”. Esto parece ser un problema. Después de todo, María fué concebida inmaculadamente. En otras palabras, por medio de una gracia especial de Dios, fue concebida en el vientre de su madre, Santa Ana, preservada de toda mancha del pecado original en previsión de los méritos de su Hijo. Entonces, ¿por qué habla tan raro? ¿Por qué hace de la gracia recibida en el momento de su concepción *su propio nombre*? ¿No es esto como si se divinizará ella misma? Obviamente María no es Dios. Kolbe luchó con este aparente “problema de divinidad” durante décadas y lo llevó a la siguiente solución. La Inmaculada Concepción es divina. Pero no estoy hablando de María. Es el Espíritu Santo. En otras palabras, Kolbe creyó que hay dos “Inmaculadas Concepciones”, María y el Espíritu Santo. María es la Inmaculada Concepción *creada* y el Espíritu Santo es la Inmaculada Concepción *increada*. Esta verdad tiene que ver con *la unión entre el Espíritu Santo y María.*” Esto es profundo. Para reflexionar esto más a fondo, te recomiendo que hagas un retiro personal de el libro, 33 Días hacia un Glorioso Amanecer por el Padre Michael Gaitley, MIC, disponible en la Librería de San Marelo. La reflexión anterior fue adaptada del Día 9 de el retiro personal del libro del Padre Gaitley

Bendiciones P. John

8 DICIEMBRE

Fiesta de la Inmaculada Concepción

Día de Obligación - Misas en español

12:15 & 7 pm

NOVENARIO GUADALUPANO CON EL PADRE JOAQUÍN



La Sociedad Guadalupana de Madera les invita al Novenario del 3 al 11 de Diciembre. Horario 6:30 pm el Santo Rosario; Lunes, Viernes y Domingo. La Santa Misa a las 7 pm. Sábado Santo Rosario a las 6 pm. La Santa Misa a las 6:30 pm

NOCHE DE ALABANZA

Posadas empiezan el 15 de Diciembre a las 6pm en la cafetería de la escuela. Pastorela y Cena de Navidad el 23 de Diciembre a las 6pm en el Salón Santos Esposos. Todo gratis

ESPERANZA DE VIDA

Tiene venta de churros después del novenario de la Virgen de Guadalupe afuera de la Iglesia. Informes al 664-2498.

LA VIRGEN DEL TEPEYAC

La Familia de San José ha alquilado un autobús a la misión de San Juan Bautista el 14 de diciembre para ver la obra: “ La Virgen del Tepeyac” que dramatiza las cuatro apariciones de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe a Juan Diego (1531). El costo es \$48 por persona. Puede pagar en la rectoría. Información: 673-1716 o 674-4398.

VENTA DE TACOS

El Ministerio Panes y Peces va a tener una venta de tacos el jueves 12 de Diciembre, en la escuela St. Joachim. 11 am - 2 pm. Los fondos recaudados se destinarán a apoyar a nuestra escuela hermana en Haiti. Hay formas disponibles en la oficina de la escuela para ordenar por adelantado.

Caminata Pro-Vida – Costa Oeste 2015 Marquen sus calendarios para el sábado 24 enero. Acompañenos junto con más de 25,000 personas para protestas a favor de la vida en la 11ava caminata anual por la vida en San Francisco. Proclamemos de una manera pacifica que el aborto lastima a las mujeres y que todos merecemos algo mejor que el aborto. Descuento termina el 5 de diciembre. Las inscripciones están disponibles en la oficina de pastoral juvenil. Información: Lucy Magdaleno, 674-9069 .



SEGUNDO DOMINGO ADVIENTO

**Que todo valle se eleve,
que todo monte y colina se rebajen.**

--Isaiah 40:4