

Parish of St. Margaret Mary

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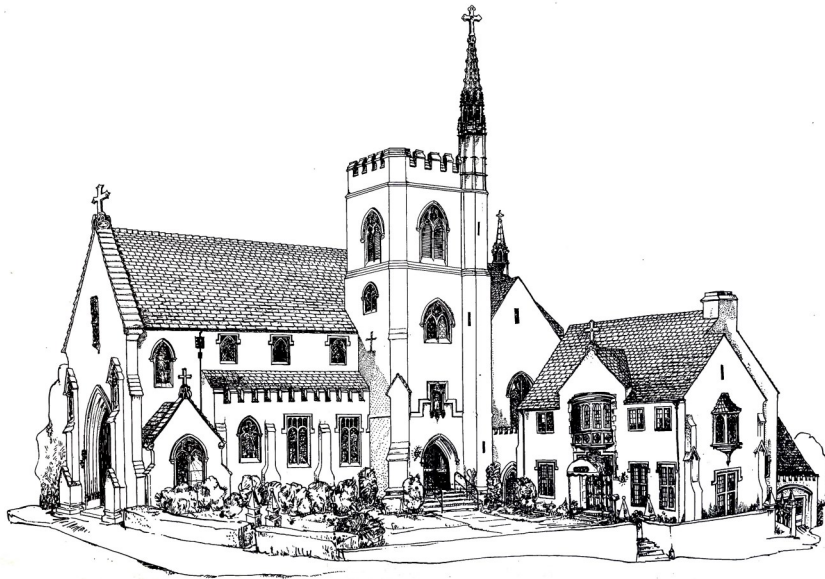
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Masses in the Ordinary Form

Monday – Saturday: 8am

Saturday Vigil: 5pm

Sunday: 8:30am & 10:30am

Masses in the Extraordinary Form

Monday -Wednesday & Friday: 6pm

Thursday: Noon

Saturday: 10am

Sunday: 7am & 12:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

One half hour before all Masses except Wednesday mornings; Confessions heard also on Saturdays from 4pm to 4:45pm

Liturgy of the Hours – Lauds

Weekdays: 7:40am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every First Friday of the Month, after the 8am and 6pm Masses

Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions

Every Tuesday after the 8am Mass

Fatima Devotions

13th of the month from May – October: On weekdays the devotions follow the 6pm Mass; on Saturdays the devotions follow the 8:30am Mass; on Sundays, the devotions follows the 10:30am Mass

For Anointing of the Sick call (510) 482- 0596 (Extension 250).

Jennifer Sacramento-Streett,

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WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS OF THE PARISH

If you would like to register, please complete the form, send it back to us, or drop it in the collection basket.

Name: _____ Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

New Parishioner New Address/Phone Moving (remove from list) Send offering envelopes Interested in volunteering

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Saturday/Sunday, December 7-8, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 7

5pm: †Geraldine Lum

Sunday, December 8

7am: Anna Gelo
8:30am: Joseph Vu & Family
10:30am: *Pro populo*
12:30pm: Jerome Ducasse

Monday, December 9

8am: †Felicia Porcuna
10am: Cn. Benjamin Norman
12:10pm: *Pro populo*
6pm: Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, December 10

8am: Ana Maria Sandoval
6pm: Cody McClintock

Wednesday, December 11

8am: †Vangie Abellon
6pm: †Albert Bocek

Thursday, December 12

8am: Bereketeab Ogbagebriel
Noon: †Laura Jane Buckley

Friday, December 13

8am: Julie Gourley
6pm: Alexandre Silva

Saturday, December 14

8am: †Hilarie Cariaga
10am: Gonzalez Family
5pm: *Pro populo*

Sunday, December 15

7am: †Neil DeCourley, Jr.
8:30am: †Silvia Kennedy
10:30am: †Bishop John Cummins
12:30pm: †Candace Neely

To offer a Mass Intention please complete the Mass Intention envelope found in the vestibule, enclose your



Anthem To Our Lady During Advent

**Alma Redemptoris Mater, quæ pèrvia cæli
Porta manes, et Stella Maris, succurre cadènti,
Surgere qui curat pópulo: tu quæ genuísti,
Nátura miránte, tuum sanctum Genitórem
Virgo prius ac postérius, Gabriélis ab ore
Sumens illud Ave, peccatórum miserére**

Loving Mother of the Redeemer, who remains the accessible Gateway of Heaven, and Star of the Sea, give aid to a falling people that strives to rise; O Thou who begot thy holy Creator while all nature marvelled, Virgin before and after, receiving that "Ave" from the mouth of Gabriel, have mercy on sinners.

Please keep in your prayers... Fr. Paul Schmidt, Catherine Willis, Dove Pierce, Joshua Nascimento, The McBride Family, Xavier Figueroa, Daniel Guerrero, Miguel Guerrero, Bonita Evert, Perpetuo Tito Tayco, Nate Larrabee, Sergio Bianchi, Gloria Torres, Takisha Upshaw, Nick Glumac, Lois Belmessieri, Lillian Jimenez.

In memoriam: †Allen Kuhl, †Alex Porcuna, †Fr. Stan Zak, †Fr. Alexander Snyder, †Canon Henrique Fragelli, †Dermot Harris, †Rose Stone, †Mary Murphy, †Julian Martinez, †Holly Raineri, †Diane Kasdan, †Louise Grayson, †Benjamin Ocampo, †Mildred Correia, †Paulann Dymond, †Jerome Ducasse, †Scholastica Keimon, †Gabriel Angel Barrera Yoc, †Betty & Harry Garland, †Ramon Lanzar, †Andree Crawford, †Patricia Ann Butler, †Jesus & Rita Cristobal, †Jeffrey Glass, †Jeffrey Gurmendi-Marshall, †Theresa Hamilton, †Barbara Powell, †Mike Martinez, †Maya Martinez, †Walter Wagoner. **May they rest in the peace of Christ.**

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MESSAGE FROM BISHOP BARBER

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

It is with great sadness but hope in our Risen Lord that I share with you that Bishop Emeritus John S. Cummins, the second Bishop of the Diocese of Oakland, entered into eternity peacefully this morning, December 3, 2024. Bishop Cummins was 96 years old and leaves a legacy of service to the people of God through his priesthood and episcopacy as the longest serving bishop of Oakland.

Bishop Cummins was ordained to the priesthood on January 24, 1953, at the Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption in San Francisco. On May 16, 1974, he was ordained a Bishop and installed as Auxiliary Bishop to the Diocese of Sacramento. Upon the death of Bishop Floyd L. Begin, founding Bishop of the Oakland Diocese, Bishop Cummins was appointed the second Bishop of Oakland and installed on June 30, 1977. He led the diocese for 26 years, retiring at the mandatory age of 75, on Oct. 1, 2003.

Our diocese has lost a father, grandfather, shepherd and true priest of Jesus Christ. May Christ the Good Shepherd welcome Bishop John into the eternal reward prepared for him who served the flock of Oakland so well.

Please remember Bishop Cummins, his family and our Diocesan family in your prayers.

Funeral arrangements are pending. [*See update below*]

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him; may he rest in peace.

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

With the assurance of my continued prayers, I am
Yours sincerely in Christ,

The Most Reverend Michael C. Barber, S.J.
Bishop of Oakland

Postscript Update:

Funeral arrangements for Bishop Emeritus Cummins are as follows:

Friday, Dec. 20th, Friday: Cathedral

Viewing: 1pm-5:30pm

Vigil Service: 6pm

Saturday, Dec. 21st, Saturday: Cathedral

Solemn Funeral Mass: 11am



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The schedule of services for the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**, December 9th (Monday) is as follows: The Masses in the Ordinary Form are at 8am and 12:10pm (Latin). The Masses in the Extraordinary Form are at 10am and 6pm. Because the Sundays of Advent take precedence, the commemoration of Our Lady's Immaculate Conception has been moved from to Dec. 9th this year. Dec. 9th is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. Please join us.

The Novena of Masses in honor of Our Lady in Advent (*Missa Rorate*) will be offered at 6am from December 16-24, except on Sunday when the Mass begins at 5am. Please join us.

Join us at the **Gaudete Sunday Christmas Market & Bake Sale** next Sunday, **December 15, 8am to 4pm in Fr. Kozina Hall**. Many vendors will be selling interesting and delicious items! Shop for yourself, or as gifts for friends and family. Funds raised will be used to offset the cost of our altar flowers and other parish needs. If you have any questions, contact stmaryhands@gmail.com or the parish office and leave a message for Lily.

The Parish's **St. Vincent DePaul Society** is organizing a collection of maternity clothes, baby clothes, diapers, and other items for donation to the **Gabriel Project** of the Diocese of Oakland.

At the same time, St. Vincent DePaul is also collecting larger-sized diapers, children's clothes, warm clothing for women (eg, sweat suits), umbrellas, and other items for homeless and low-income women and their children.

Please bring these items listed above on the last weekend of December and the first two weekends of January. These items will be stored in a designated location in Kozina Hall.

Are you interested in joining our **St. Vincent DePaul Conference** or learning more about the Society of St. Vincent DePaul? You may call Bill Duffy at (510) 225-8667 for more information.

Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity for Men: The men of Knights of Columbus Council No. 04840 are excited to share the implementation of *Cor*, a new formation and fraternal opportunity for the men of St. Margaret Mary's Parish. *Cor* exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as mis-

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sionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation, and fraternity.

The next *Cor* meeting will be held on Thursday, at 6pm, January 2nd, beginning in the Church. Come join your brother parishioners in prayer, formation and fraternity. **James Brady** continues his presentation on Theological/Christian anthropology. If you have additional questions, please reach out to Carlos Gutierrez at Carlos.Gutierrez@kofc.org.



Parish Library is open on the 2nd Sunday of each month after all Masses. We have an incredible collection of Catholic books, DVDs, and CDs available for lending. If you have items checked out, please return them so they are available to other parishioners. Thank you.

Do you have books to donate OR want to volunteer in the library once a month on the 2nd Sunday after 1 Mass? Contact stmmmaryhands@gmail.com or call the Parish Office, ext. 201 and leave a message for Lily. More info can also be found at <http://stmargaretmaryoak.org/parish-library/>



Weekly update	November 17	Year-to-Date
5pm Mass (Saturday)	\$500	\$174,041 (Total from all Masses)
7am Mass	\$504	
8:30am Mass	\$302	
10:30am Mass	\$464	
12:30pm Mass	\$625	
WeShare -Regular	\$1,200	\$88,035
Total 1st Collection	\$4,795	\$263,276
Goal	\$6,000	\$276,000
Variance	(-\$1,205)	(-\$12,724)



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Schedule of Second Collections

December 7-8: Retirement Fund For The Religious
 December 14-15: Bishop's Appeal
 December 28-29: St. Vincent DePaul Society
 January 11-12: Diocesan Seminarians

Except from the Encyclical *Dilexit nos: On the Human & Divine Love of Our Lord Jesus Christ*

12. It must be said, then, that we have a heart, a heart that coexists with other hearts that help to make it a "Thou". Since we cannot develop this theme at length, we will take a character from one of Dostoevsky's novels, Nikolai Stavrogin. [*The Demons* (1873)] Romano Guardini argues that Stavrogin is the very embodiment of evil, because his chief trait is his heartlessness: "Stavrogin has no heart, hence his mind is cold and empty and his body sunken in bestial sloth and sensuality. He has no heart, hence he can draw close to no one and no one can ever truly draw close to him. For only the heart creates intimacy, true closeness between two persons. Only the heart is able to welcome and offer hospitality. Intimacy is the proper activity and the domain of the heart. Stavrogin is always infinitely distant, even from himself, because a man can enter into himself only with the heart, not with the mind. It is not in a man's power to enter into his own interiority with the mind. Hence, if the heart is not alive, man remains a stranger to himself". [Romano Guardini, *Religiöse Gestalten in Dostojewskijs Werk*, Mainz/Paderborn, 1989, pp. 236ff]

13. All our actions need to be put under the "political rule" of the heart. In this way, our aggressiveness and obsessive desires will find rest in the greater good that the heart proposes and in the power of the heart to resist evil. The mind and the will are put at the service of the greater good by sensing and savouring truths, rather than seeking to master them as the sciences tend to do. The will desires the greater good that the heart recognizes, while the imagination and emotions are themselves guided by the beating of the heart.

14. It could be said, then, that I am my heart, for my heart is what sets me apart, shapes my spiritual identity and puts me in communion with other people. The algorithms operating in the digital world show that our thoughts and will are much more "uniform" than we had previously thought. They are easily predictable and thus capable of being manipulated. That is not the case with the heart.

15. The word "heart" proves its value for philosophy and theology in their efforts to reach an integral synthesis. Nor can its meaning be exhausted by biology, psychology, anthropology or any other science. It is one of those primordial words that "describe realities belonging to man precisely in so far as he is one whole (as a corporeo-spiritual person)".

By The Holy Father Pope Francis
 (Continued next week)



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DIOCESAN APPROVED TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS APOSTOLATE
FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MOTU PROPRIO, *SUMMORUM PONTIFICUM*
IN THE DIOCESE OF OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024

PATRONAL FEAST OF THE INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING

(plenary indulgence available under the usual conditions)

INTROIT Isaiah 61.10

GAUDENS gaudébo in Dómino, et exultábit ánima mea in Deo meo: quia induit me vestiméntis salutis; et induménto justitiæ circumdedit me, quasi sponsam ornátam monilibus suis. Ps. 29. 2 Exaltábo te, Dómine, quoniam suscepísti me: nec delectásti inimicos meos super me. V. Glória Patri.

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, and my soul shall be joyful in my God: for He hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, and with the robe of justice He hath covered me, as a bride adorned with her jewels. Ps. I will extol Thee, O Lord, for Thou hast upheld me: and hast not made my enemies to rejoice over me. V. Glory be to the Father.

COLLECT

DEUS, qui per immaculátam Virginité Conceptionem dignum Filio tuo habitáculum præparásti; quæsumus, ut qui, ex morte ejúsdem Filii tui prævísa, eam ab omni labe præservásti, nos quoque mundos ejus intercessióne ad te pervenire concédas. Per eumdem Dominum nostrum.

O God, who by the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin didst prepare a worthy dwelling place for Thy Son: we beseech Thee, that as by the foreseen death of the same Thy Son, Thou didst preserve her from all stain, so Thou wouldst grant to us also, through her intercession, to come unto Thee with clean hearts. Through the same our Lord.

EPISTLE Proverbs 8. 23-35

DÓMINUS possédit me in initio viárum, suárum, ántequam quidquam fáceret a principio. Ab ætérno ordináta sum, et ex antiquis, ántequam terra fieret. Nondum erant abyssi, et ego jam concépta eram: necdum fontes aquárum erúperant: necdum montes gravi mole constítérant: ante colles ego parturiébar. Adhuc terram non fécerat, et flúmina et cárdines orbis terræ. Quando præparábat cælos, áaderam: quando certa lege, et gyro vallábat abyssos: quando æthera firmábat sursum, et librábat fontes aquárum: quando circúmdabat mari términum suum, et legem ponébat aquis ne transirent fines suos: quando appendébat fundaménta terræ. Cumeo eram: cuncta compónens: et dilectábar per singulos dies, ludens coram eo omni témpore, ludens in orbe terrárum: et delíciæ meæ esse cum filiis hóminum. Nunc ergo, filii, audíte me: Beáti qui custódiunt vias meas. Audíte discipliniam, et estóte sapiéntes, et nolite abjicere eam. Beátus homo qui audit me, et qui vígilat ad fores meas quotídie, et obsérvat ad postes óstii mei. Qui me invéniet vitam, et háuriet salutem a Dómino.

The Lord possessed me in the beginning of His ways, before He made anything, from the beginning. I was set up from eternity, and of old, before the earth was made. The depths were not as yet, and I was already conceived neither had the fountains of waters as yet sprung out; the mountains with their huge bulk had not yet been established: before the hills I was brought forth He had not yet made the earth, nor the rivers, nor the poles of the world. When He prepared the Heavens, I was there when with a certain law and compass He enclosed the depths; when He established the sky above, and poised the fountains of waters; when He compassed the sea with its bounds, and set a law to the waters that they should not pass their limits; when He balanced the foundations of the earth; I was with Him, forming all things, and was delighted every day, playing before Him at all times, playing in the world: and my delight is to be with the children of men. Now, therefore, ye children, hear me: blessed are they that keep my ways. Hear instruction, and be wise, and refuse it not. Blessed is the man that heareth me, and that watcheth daily at my gates, and waiteth at the posts of my doors. He that shall find me, shall find life, and shall have salvation from the Lord.

GRADUAL Judith 13. 23

BENEDÍCTA es tu, Virgo María, a Dómino Deo excélsio, præ omnibus muliéribus super terram. V. Tu Glória, Jérusalem, tu lætítia Isráel, tu honorificéntia pópuli nostri.

Blessed art thou, O Virgin Mary, by the Lord the most high God, above all women upon the earth. V. Thou art the glory of Jerusalem, thou art the joy of Israel thou art the honour of our people.

ALLELUIA Canticles 4. 7

ALLELÚIA, allelúia. V. Tota pulchra es, María, et mácula originális non est in te. Allelúia

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Thou art all fair O Mary, and there is in thee no stain of original sin. Alleluia.

GOSPEL Luke 1. 26-28

In illo témpore: Missus est Angelus Gabriel a Deo in civitátem Galilææ, cui nomen erat Náza-reth, ad Virginité desponsátam viro, cui nomen erat Joseph, de Dómo David et nomen Virginité, María. Et ingressus Angelus ad eam, dixit: Ave, grátia plena Dóminus tecum benedícta tu in muliéribus.

At that time, The Angel Gabriel was sent from God into a city of Galilee, called Nazareth, to a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David: and the virgin's name was Mary. And the Angel being come in, said unto her: Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.

OFFERTORY Luke 1, 28

AVE María, grátia plena: Dóminus tecum, benedícta tu in muliéribus, allelúia.

Hail Mary, full of grace: the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women, alleluia.

SECRET

SALUTÁREM hóstiam, quam in solemnité immaculátæ Conceptionis beátæ Virginité Mariæ tibi, Dómine, offérimus, súscipe, et præsta: ut sicut illam, tua grátia præveniénte, ab omni labe immúnem profitémur; ita ejus intercessióne a culpís omnibus liberémur. Per Dóminum.

Receive the saving Victim we offer to Thee, O Lord, on the solemn feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary: and grant that, as we confess that by Thy preventing grace she was kept free from every stain of sin; so, by her intercession, we may be delivered from all our offences. Through our Lord.

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PREFACE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN

VERE dignum et justum est, aequum et salutare, nos tibi semper, et ubique gratias agere: Domine sancta, Pater omnipotens, aeternae Deus. Qui cum unigenito Filio: tuo et Spiritu Sancto, unus es Deus, unus es Dominus: non in unius singularitate personae, sed in unius Trinitatis substantiae. Quo denique de tua Gloria, revelante te, credimus, hoc de Filio tuo, hoc de Spiritu Sancto, sine differentia discretionis sentimus. Ut in confessione verare, sempiternaeque Deitatis, et in personis proprietatis, et in essentiali unitate, et in maiestate adoretur aequalitas. Quam laudant Angeli atque Archangeli, Cherubim, quoque ac Seraphim: qui non cessant clamare quotodie, una voce dicentes:

It is truly meet and just, right and for our salvation, that we should at all times and in all places, give thanks unto Thee, O holy Lord, Father almighty, everlasting God and that we should praise and bless, and proclaim Thee, on the solemn feast of the Immaculate Conception of Blessed Mary: ever Virgin: Who also conceived Thine only-begotten Son by the overshadowing of the Holy Ghost, and the glory of her virginity still abiding, gave forth to the world the everlasting light, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through whom the angels praise Thy Majesty, the Dominions worship it, and the Powers stand in awe. The Heavens and the Heavenly hosts together with the blessed Seraphim in triumphant chorus unite to celebrate it. Together with them we entreat Thee, that Thou mayest bid our voices also to be admitted, while we say with lowly praise:

COMMUNION Psalm 88.36-38

GLORIOSA dicta sunt de te, Maria, quia fecit tibi magna qui potens est.

Glorious things are told of thee, O Mary, for He who is mighty hath done great things unto thee.

POSTCOMMUNION

SACRAMENTA quae sumpsimus, Domine Deus noster, illius in nobis culpae vulnera reparant; a qua immaculatam beatae Mariae Conceptionem singulariter praeservasti. Per Dominum nostrum.

May the Sacraments which we have received, O Lord, our God, heal in us the wounds of that sin, from which Thou didst alone preserve the Immaculate Conception of Blessed Mary. Through our Lord.

THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

On this feast day, the 12:30 Mass will be followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, with the chanted Litany of Loreto and the Tota Pulchra Es, followed by the recitation of the Act of Consecration to Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception. Handouts for the Litany and the Act of Consecration are available in the vestibule, and digital copies are available as attachments on Flocknote.

On Monday, December 9, Votive Masses of the Immaculate Conception will be offered at 10 am and at 6 pm.

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR SEMINARIANS

Thank you for the generous response to this year's Christmas Cards for Seminarians project. There are still a few more cards to be signed; please stop by the hall after the 7 am and 12:30 pm Masses today. Thank you all very much!

EXTRAORDINARY FORM MASSES AND DEVOTIONS:

MASSES:

Sunday, at 7:00 AM and 12:30 PM
Monday - Wednesday and Friday,
at 6:00 PM

Thursday, at 12:00 Noon
Saturday, at 10:00 AM

CONFESSIONS: 30 minutes before each Mass,
and during Adoration on Fridays

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION:

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ADORATION: Every Friday, after the 6 pm Mass

1ST FRIDAY AND 1ST SATURDAY:

Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed
Sacrament following Mass

MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

3rd Saturday of each month, after the 10am Mass
(Next: December 21)

CATECHISM CLASSES (ZOOM)

Youth classes: Tuesdays 4:00 PM

Adult classes: Saturdays 2:30 PM

Prospective Catholics: please contact

Canon Norman for the twice-monthly classes