



SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHOLIC CHURCH  
PARROQUIA DE SAN FRANCISCO DE ASÍS

JANUARY 13, 2019

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



**VISION**

Saint Francis of Assisi is a welcoming, intergenerational and multi-cultural Catholic community which embraces the teachings of Jesus Christ to foster Spiritual growth.

**MISSION**

The mission of Saint Francis of Assisi Catholic Church is to develop a welcoming and dynamic parish. Through liturgical gatherings, faith formation, and the grace of the Holy Spirit, we confidently live out the Gospel message in service to the community and to the Diocese of Oakland.

**LA VISIÓN**

La parroquia de St. Francis es una comunidad católica acogedora, intergeneracional, y multicultural. Toma a pecho las enseñanzas de Jesucristo para promover el crecimiento espiritual.

**LA MISIÓN**

La misión de La Iglesia de St. Francis es de desarrollar una parroquia acogedora y dinámica. Por medio de las asambleas litúrgicas, la formación de la Fe, y las gracias del Espíritu Santo, nosotros con confianza vivimos el mensaje de Evangelio en servicio a la comunidad y a la Diócesis de Oakland.



The Rev. Ismael Gutierrez  
*Pastor*

The Rev. Rafal Duda  
*Parochial Vicar*

The Rev. Mr. Charles Palomares  
The Rev. Mr. John Mazibrook  
*Deacons/Diáconos*

**ADDRESS/ DIRECCION**

860 Oak Grove Road, Concord, CA 94518  
Telephone (925) 682-5447 • Fax (925) 682-5491

**OFFICE HOURS / HORAS DE OFICINA**

Monday (Lunes) to Friday (Viernes) 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM  
[www.sfaconcord.com](http://www.sfaconcord.com)



**The Baptism of the Lord  
January 13, 2019**  
He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit.

• *Titus 3:5*

**El Bautismo del Señor  
13 de enero de 2019**

Lo hizo mediante el bautismo, que nos regenera y nos renueva, por la acción del Espíritu Santo.  
— *Tito 3:5*

**SCHEDULE OF MASSES**

**Saturday Vigil Mass**

5:30PM (English), 7:30PM (Portuguese)

**Sunday (Domingo)**

**English** 7:00AM; 10:00AM; **Spanish** 8:00AM; 1:00PM;  
11:30AM; 5:30PM 7:00PM

**Daily Mass**

8:30AM Mon—Sat (English)  
Tuesday, 7:00 PM (Spanish)

**Reconciliation/Reconciliación**

**Tuesday (Martes)** 6:00PM to 7:00PM (Español)  
**Saturdays (Sábados)** 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

**Sacrament of the Sick/Unción de Enfermos  
Holy Anointing/Prayers and Pastoral Care for the Sick.**  
Call/Llamar (925) 682-5447

**Eucharistic Adoration/Adoración Eucarística**  
**Mondays (Lunes)** 7:30-8:30PM in the Chapel/Capilla

**DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS**  
**Monday to Friday, after the 8:30AM Mass.**

**St. Vincent de Paul/San Vicente de Paul**  
**Monday, Wednesday & Fridays** 9:30AM –11:30AM  
For those who need food or assistance/Para aquellos que  
necesiten comida o asistencia  
(925) 682-5811

**St. Francis of Assisi School**  
866 Oak Grove Rd., Concord CA 94518  
Phone:(925) 682-5414 FAX (925) 682-5480  
Mrs. Patti Calton, Interim Principal Ext #101

**ATTENTION. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED EVERY TUESDAY FROM 11AM TO 1:00PM. THIS IS TO ALLOW THE STAFF TO HOLD MEETINGS AND THEIR PRAYER GROUPS AT A SET TIME AND DATE EACH WEEK. THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING.**

**WEEKLY Mass Intentions**

Saturday, January 12th, 2019 (Vigil)  
5:30PM– Vigil Sp. Int.—Mary Ann Pairier & family  
Sunday, January 13th, 2019 The Baptism of the Lord  
7:00 am + Conchita Cabangon  
**8:00AM + Erasmo Montenegro**  
10:00AM + Venancio M. Gaddi  
11:30AM + Oy Ye Tom  
**1:00pm Int. esp.— Fr. Fernando Rubio-Boitel**  
5:30PM + Floro & Librada de la Pena  
**7:00PM Int. Esp.—Hermilo J. Bautista**  
Monday, January 14th, 2019 ,  
8:30am + Mauro Arizapa  
Tuesday, January 15th, 2019—  
8:30am + Gregorio Cruz  
**7:00pm + Rogelia Gutierrez**  
Wednesday, January 16th, 2019  
8:30 am + Angelo Maraccini  
Thursday, January 17th, 2019  
8:30am Spec, Int.—Oscar Ruiz  
Friday, January 18th, 2019  
8:30am Spec. Int.—David Espinosa  
Saturday, January 19th, 2019  
8:30AM Spec. Int.– Colleen Fitzsimmons  
(Vigil Mass): 5:30pm- + Harry Fegan  
Sunday, JAN.20th, 2019– THE 2nd SUNDAY IN O.T.  
7:00am + Jack Fitzsimmons  
**8:00 AM + Adolfo & Amelia Carrillo**  
10:00am + Kim Plut  
11:30am + Jean Marie Palomares  
**1:00PM Int. Esp.— Fr. Fernando Rubio**  
5:30pm + Lolita Limosnero  
**7:00 PM Parishioners of St. Francis**

**Bold masses in Spanish**

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**CHURCH WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORTING**

**Sunday, Jan. 5 & 6 \$11,582.**  
**Faith Direct eGiving Jan 4 \$ 3,500.**  
**TOTAL \$15,082.**

**Y.T.D. Shortfall (\$918)**

**The parish needs \$16,000 weekly just to meet all expenses. Thank you to those who use envelopes and eGiving.**

## FAITH DIRECT

As you may know, we have a program for electronic offertory donations called *Faith Direct*. This program has already had a positive impact on our Sunday collection. I am hopeful that you will join other parishioners and sign up for this service. The program is a cost effective way for the parish to receive donations. For every family that has signed up with *Faith Direct*, we have been able to eliminate the cost of purchasing and mailing envelopes. This method has also reduced the handling of cash and checks in the rectory and has proven to be a safe and secure method of making a church offering.

I share with you our concern about the economic situation in which we now find ourselves. We very much feel the impact of the present economy. I am tremendously grateful that parishioners have remained consistent in their financial generosity to the parish. Our increased enrollment with *Faith Direct* will continue to stabilize our parish finances. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me or *Faith Direct* at 866-507-8757 (toll-free). To enroll in the program, pick up an enrollment form from the parish office or visit [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use our parish code: **CA762**

God bless you.  
Fr. Ismael Gutierrez

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**The Knights of Columbus will hold their annual Crab Feed on Saturday, Jan. 19 at the Family Center/Gym. All are invited. The Knights will be selling tickets after mass during the month of January.**

**SFA Knights of Columbus Crab Feed**

**Saturday, Jan. 19th at 6:00PM**

**\$50 for an adult ticket**

**\$25 for kids 12 and under/**

**Contact the following to reserve your tickets.**

**Craig Frant, (925) 899-8625,**

**[cwillyf15@gmail.com](mailto:cwillyf15@gmail.com)**

**Ron Melvin, (925) 708-1178, [ron@ronmelvin.com](mailto:ron@ronmelvin.com)**

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**Could you be a friend to the Caring Hands program?**

*The next Caring Hands Volunteer training is coming up on Jan. 25th. If you have just an hour or two each week to offer friendship and occasional rides to a senior in your neighborhood, please consider joining the team as a non-medical volunteer caregiver. Enriching matches and deep relationships are created with frail or isolated Contra Costa County seniors who treasure a friendly visit, a walk, a social outing, or a ride to the doctor. Reading mail or providing occasional respite care are services which make a big difference. The program is flexible and you can help someone in your own neighborhood. The program provides substitutes for when you're away.*

*Perhaps you'll be that friend who gives a waiting senior hope and help—or maybe you know just the person to do so! For an application or more information about John Muir Health's Caring Hands Program, please contact Stacy Appel, Volunteer coordinator, at (925) 952-2999 or email: [caring.hands@johnmuirhealth.com](mailto:caring.hands@johnmuirhealth.com)*

## YOUTH GROUPS

### Sacrament of Confirmation for Teens

Sunday, Jan. 20th from 3-6:30PM in Pope JP II Center  
Class: After Retreat Sharing

Sunday, Jan. 27th from 3-6:30PM in Pope JP II Center  
Class: Bella

### Youth Ministry

Youth Group for all 7th –12th Graders Meet  
Monday's from 7-9PM in the Gym and Youth Room

### Teen Sacraments of First Rec. & First Comm. For 7th to 12th Graders

Year One meets on Tues from 4-5:30pm in the POC  
Year Two meets on Wed from 4-5:30pm in the POC

### SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES– Must Sign Up Ahead of time with Kathy D.

Every **Sunday** from 8 –10am and 1-3pm

Help K of C distribute food outside the JP II Center.

**Saturday, Jan. 19th** from 6-10PM in FC/Gym

Helping with K of C Crab Feed

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***If you have any questions, you can contact our Youth Minister & Teen Sacrament Coordinator, Kathy De Lemos at her direct line (925) 375-1057 (or office (925) 682-5447 Ext 29, or at [Youth@SFAconcord.org](mailto:Youth@SFAconcord.org).***

## ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI SCHOOL!!

**Enrolling NOW for the 2019-2020 School Year**

St. Francis of Assisi School is a private Transitional Kindergarten (TK) Through the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Catholic school. Our value-centered academic programs empower students to be faith - filled people, lifelong learners and problem solvers and globally responsible citizens. We invite you to the following upcoming events.

***The School will be having an Open House on Sunday, Jan. 27th from 11am until 1:00pm at 866 Oak Grove Road Concord 94518***

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***The School will also be having a "Peek at our TK and Kindergarten " on Thursday, Jan. 24th at 6:30PM (No Children Please). To make a reservation for this program or if you have any question, please call the school at (925) 682-5414.***

Please feel free to call the school office to schedule to tour and to get additional information about the events above or any of our academic programs.

Peace & Blessings,  
Mrs. Patti Calton  
Interim Principal  
925-682-5414  
[www.sfaconcord.org](http://www.sfaconcord.org)

**St. Vincent de Paul Ministry**

**OFFICE HOURS ARE MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY FROM 9:30AM TO 11:30AM. CLOSED ON TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND WEEKENDS. CALL THEM AT (925) 682-5811.**

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*The next Senior Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at 12:15pm in the Pope John Paul II Center. All seniors are invited to our luncheons celebrated on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from September thru May (except January).*

The Senior Luncheon is still looking for people to help with this ministry. If you could set up or clean up, or even prepare a meal or two, then please contact Marian Morbeto at (925) 676-6158.

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This weekend is our annual diocesan-wide Seminary collection. In the pews you will find a brochure which introduces you to our 19 seminarians and the different seminaries they are attending. Also in the pews you will find special collection envelopes for the Seminary Collection this weekend. We ask you to please be generous in financially supporting those called to serve us in the Oakland Diocese as future priests. Thank you for your continued generosity.

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**CALLED TO SERVE**

For many weeks now, we have been celebrating the appearance of the divine presence in human form. As a child, he came to Mary and Joseph, was seen by the shepherds, and then by some wandering magi from the East. Today we celebrate another showing, later in time, to a group gathered at the Jordan River.

John hesitated to baptize Jesus, whom he recognized as "one mightier than I." But he did as Jesus asked, and the "Holy Spirit descended" and heaven's voice spoke to Jesus, "You are my beloved Son." Jesus was beginning his public life of teaching and service. Soon he would start calling others to join him.

Peter was one of the first to be called by Jesus. In today's second reading, he announces the heart of the message, "peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all." Peter was called, and you and I are called to spread that message and to serve God's word. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Questions on our programs should be addressed to one of the following coordinators: Religious Education in Spanish for children and adults: (925) 375-1066 or [Scarlett@sfaconcord.org](mailto:Scarlett@sfaconcord.org).

Religious Education in English for children and adults: (925) 375-1067 or [Nathan@sfaconcord.org](mailto:Nathan@sfaconcord.org).

Youth Ministry and Teen Sacraments:  
Kathy De Lemos call  
(925) 375-1057 or [Youth@Sfaconcord.org](mailto:Youth@Sfaconcord.org)

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**Grief support at St. Bonaventure's**

*The death of a loved one is unlike any other loss. Whether the death was unexpected and tragic, or one with warning and preparation, the reality of death leaves most of us in a state of shock, confusion and sadness. Grieving people need time and space to honor their grief.*

*Healing the Heart is a 6 week program that will meet on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 until 9:00pm from February 12th to March 19th in classroom B-1. The Grief Companions will share their experiences and there is time for small group sharing too. We invite you to join us and let us accompany you on your healing journey. For more information and to register, call Helene at (925) 681-8105.*

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**San Damiano Retreat Center, 710 Highland Drive (925-837-9141 Ext 312)**  
**[katerik@sandamiano.org](mailto:katerik@sandamiano.org)**

Jan. 25-27: "Can a Franciscan Be Angry/Spiritual Practice & Emotional Range in the Franciscan Tradition," Darleen Pryds, PhD.

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**Married Couples:** This New Year, make a Resolution to make your marriage the *best it can be* by attending a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!** The next **Marriage Encounter Weekends** include: **Jun 28-30, 2019 in DANVILLE, CA** and **Nov 15-17, 2019 in DANVILLE, CA.** For more information and/or to register for a Weekend, visit our website at: [oaklandwwme.org](http://oaklandwwme.org) or contact **Chuck & Annie** at [applications@oaklandwwme.org](mailto:applications@oaklandwwme.org) or **925-849-5466.**

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We are now accepting applications for Baptism in February onward for 2019. Please register at least three months before the Baptism to confirm your class and baptism dates. Some months fill up very quickly.

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## LECTURAS DE HOY

**Primera lectura** — Miren a mi siervo, en quien tengo mis complacencias (Isaías 42:1-4, 6-7) o *Isaías 40:1-5, 9-11*.

**Salmo** — Te alabamos, Señor (Salmo 29 [28]) o *Salmo 104 (103)*.

**Segunda lectura** — Dios ungió con el Espíritu Santo a Jesús de Nazaret (Hechos 10:34-38) o *Tito 2:11-14; 3:4-7*.

**Evangelio** — Después del bautismo de Jesús, el cielo se abrió (Lucas 3:15-16, 21-22).

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## TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

La costumbre del bautismo infantil debe ser mucho más que un acto social o una tradición cultural, donde el ropón y los regalos son más importantes que la doctrina cristiana, y los padrinos se escogen no por su buen ejemplo sino por su cuenta bancaria.

Según los Hechos de los Apóstoles, familias enteras se bautizaban cuando el padre de familia decidía hacerse cristiano. Esta práctica de bautizar, no solo al nuevo creyente sino también a su mujer y a sus hijos, poco a poco, quedó solo en bautizar los niños del original creyente. El mundo en aquel tiempo estaba basado sobre la familia así como muchas culturas latinas de hoy.

El bautizo infantil nació en la Iglesia primitiva y al pasar de los siglos llegó a transformarse en un rito religioso muy importante en la catequesis del nuevo cristiano. El niño viste de ropita blanca que recuerda la presencia de Cristo en su alma, se le regala una vela que lo invita a brillar con la luz de Cristo y se le da una madrina o un padrino que le enseñará a vivir en Cristo.

—Fray Gilberto Cavazos-Glz, OFM, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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## EL EJEMPLO DEL SALVADOR

Vean estos trocitos de paja que el mundo desprecia y pisotea: son las buenas cualidades que nuestro Salvador practicaba, y él te ha dado el ejemplo de mansedumbre, humildad, pobreza, penitencia, paciencia y autodisciplina.

—San Antonio de Padua

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## AUTODISCIPLINA

El más grande de todos los guerreros en el asedio a Troya no tenía la preeminencia porque la naturaleza le había dado fuerza y llevaba el arco más grande, sino que debido a la autodisciplina el sabía cómo doblar el arco.

—Daniel Webster

## INSCRIPCION PARROQUIAL

Si usted y su familia son nuevos en nuestra parroquia, o tiene tiempo asistiendo a nuestras misas y desea ser parte de nuestra parroquia; lo puede hacer, completando una **forma de registración parroquial, las que encontrara en la oficina parroquial**, a la entrada de la iglesia o también lo puede hacer vía electrónica entrando a la pagina [www. sfaconcord. Com](http://www.sfaconcord.Com).

## Banquete de Cangrejo

Los caballeros de Colon le invitan al **banquete de Cangrejo** que se llevará a cabo el **Sábado 19 de enero 2019** en el centro familiar de la parroquia o mejor conocido como el gimnasio parroquial. Costo por boleto:

**\$50 por persona adulta \***

**\$25 para menores de 12 años.\***

El menú de la noche incluye:

**Cangrejo** (fresco y delicioso) o

**Pollo** (el costo de la cena con pollo es de \$30 por persona y tiene que ser especificado con anticipación).

**Pasta, ensalada, pan de ajo, postre, café y té. Bebidas inician a las 6:00p.m. (no incluidas)**

**Cena será servida a las 7:00p.m.**

**Rifas y subastas y mucho más.**

**Para boletos o para reservaciones contactar a Craig Frank, 925-899-8625, [cwillyf15@gmail.com](mailto:cwillyf15@gmail.com) Ron Melvin, 925-708-1178, [ron@ronmelvin.com](mailto:ron@ronmelvin.com)**

**Favor traer sus propios utensilios para partir el cangrejo y su salsa favorita.**

\* Los preciosos mencionados son por boleto reservado y compra adelantada. Favor reserve sus boletos con anticipación.

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## REUNION LABORAL

Favor tomar en cuenta que los martes entre 11:00a.m. y 1:00p.m., el equipo laborar de San Francisco de Asís ,se reúne ya sea para enriquecimiento espiritual o planeación pastoral, les pedimos de sus oraciones y de su comprensión.

## LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Heb 1:1-6; Sal 97 (96):1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9; Mc 1:14-20  
Martes: Heb 2:5-12; Sal 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mc 1:21-28  
Miércoles: Heb 2:14-18; Sal 105 (104):1-4, 6-9; Mc 1:29-39  
Jueves: Heb 3:7-14; Sal 95 (94):6-11; Mc 1:40-45  
Viernes: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Sal 78 (77):3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mc 2:1-12  
Sábado: Heb 4:12-16; Sal 19 (18):8-10, 15; Mc 2:13-17  
Domingo: Is 62:1-5; Sal 96 (95):1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

## Diez razones dar la colecta a través de Faith Direct

1. Elimina la necesidad de cheques y sobres para las colectas
2. 52 semanas de ingreso predecible para su parroquia
3. Es más seguro que el efectivo y los cheques
4. Ud. no paga un pago individual
5. Ud. maneja sus contribuciones directamente en línea—incluyendo las segundas colectas.
6. Reduce los gastos de las estampillas y los sobres para St. Francis of Assisi.
7. Menos trabajo para los empleados de la parroquia
8. Las cartas personalizadas indican el ofrecimiento de su tesoro a la parroquia
9. Ud. puede ganar puntos en su tarjeta de crédito
10. ¡Rev. Ismael Gutiérrez es miembro del programa!

Únase a los parroquianos que usan *Faith Direct* para contribuir a su parroquia. Visite [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net), nuestro código es **CA762** o llame 866.507.8757 (gratis; se habla español) para más información.

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## BODAS 2019

### Año Nuevo, Vida Nueva

Parejas planeando recibir el Sacramento del Matrimonio para el año 2019, pueden pasar a reservar fechas, la reservación se deberá hacer seis meses o un año antes.

Este año tendremos nuevamente bodas comunitarias para el 6 de abril.

Para requisitos y fechas disponibles, favor contactar la oficina parroquial al (925) 682-5447.

## MINISTERIO DE SAN VICENTE DE PAUL

El ministerio de San Vicente Paúl desea darles las Gracias por su apoyo durante las fiestas y atreves de todo el año. ¡Que Dios los bendiga a todos aquellos que nos ayudaron a cuidar de los más necesitados.

**HORAS DE SERVICIO SON :**  
**LUNES, MIÉRCOLES Y VIERNES**  
**DE 9:30 A 11:30. a.m.**  
**CERRADO: MARTES, JUEVES Y FIN DE SEMANA.**  
Para mas información Llame al  
**(925) 682-5811.**

## NOTICIAS ESCOLARES

La escuela parroquial de San Francisco de Asís, le invita a su **Open House a realizarse el domingo el 27 de enero 2019, de 11:00a.m. a 1:00 p.m. Venga conozca e infórmese del programa educativo que ofrece nuestra escuela.**

## EVANGELIARIO 2019

La Palabra comentada cada día, este libro de bolsillo, contiene los evangelios de cada día como también las reflexiones diarias. Este útil librito ya esta a la venta y lo puede encontrar en la tienda parroquial a un módico precio.