



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

NOVEMBER 4TH, 2018

THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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.



Fear the Lord,
your God,
and keep,
throughout
the days of
your lives,
all God's
statutes and
commandments.
Deuteronomy 6:2

The Rev. Ismael Gutierrez
Pastor

The Rev. Rafal Duda
Parochial Vicar

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

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OFFICE HOURS / HORAS DE OFICINA

Monday (Lunes) to Friday (Viernes) 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM
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**Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 4, 2018**

You shall love the LORD, your God,
with all your heart, and with all your soul,
and with all your strength.

- Deuteronomy 6:5

**Trigésimo Primer Domingo
del Tiempo Ordinario
4 de noviembre de 2018**

Amarás al Señor, tu Dios, con todo tu corazón,
con toda tu alma, con todas tus fuerzas.
— Deuteronomio 6:5

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
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**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 MEET-
INGS AND THEIR PRAYER GROUPS AT A
SET TIME AND DATE EACH WEEK. THANK
YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING.**

WEEKLY Mass Intentions

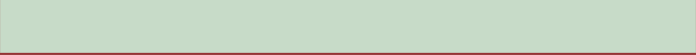
Saturday, November 3rd, 2018 (Vigil)
5:30PM- + Lucio Merin
Sunday, November 4th, 2018—31st Sunday in O.T.
7:00 am + Lupito Fasquelle
8:00AM + Elodio y Jose Maria Ochoa
10:00AM + Dec'd members De Los Santos & Vera family
11:30AM + Maximino A. Lomboy
1:00pm + Hortensia Sevilla
5:30PM + Barbara Balsley
7:00PM + Rafael Flores Diaz
Monday, November 5th, 2018
8:30am + Robert Frisbie
Tuesday, November 6th, 2018
8:30am + Katie Winters
7:00PM + Adela Gonzalez Romero
Wednesday, November 7th, 2018
8:30am + Angelo Maraccini
Thursday, November 8th, 2018
8:30am + Anna Manh Thi Nko
Friday, November 9th, 2018
8:30am Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
Saturday, November 10th, 2018
8:30AM + Thomas Bucher
(Vigil Mass): 5:30pm- Spec. Int.—Sharlene Kavanaugh
Sunday, NOVEMBER 11TH, 2018— 32nd SUNDAY IN O.T.
7:00am + Mary Soares
8:00 AM + Luis & Salud Garcia
10:00am + Venancio & Lucrecia Gaddi Angeles
11:30am + Betty Young
1:00PM + Josefina Martinez
5:30pm + Teresa Fasquelle
7:00 PM + Maria Medrano Baltazar

Bold masses in Spanish

**Questions on our programs should be ad-
dressed to one of the following coordinators:
Religious Education in Spanish for children and
adults: (925) 375-1066 orScar-
lett@sfaconcord.org.**

**Religious Education in English for children and
adults: (925) 375-1067 or Nat-
han@sfaconcord.org.**

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



An Invitation to all our daily parishioners: As some of you know already, we recite the rosary daily before the 8:30am mass Mondays thru Saturdays. The Rosary begins at 8:10am and concludes before mass begins. It is a lovely way to begin your day by praying the rosary with others. If you are interested, please come a little earlier and join with others before mass.

Carondelet High School's Open House for interested 6th, 7th and 8th grade girls and their parents/guardians, will be held on Sunday, November 4 from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. at 1133 Winton Drive (corner of Treat Blvd.) in Concord. To register for this event, please visit www.carondeleths.org/admissions .

HEALTH MINISTRY- FLU SHOT PROGRAM

The Health Ministry will be providing "Flu Shots" on Sunday, Nov. 4th in the Hospitality Room from 9am to 1pm. People with Medicare will be covered without charge: Medicare will be billed. (You must have your Medicare Card available). The cost for other is \$30. Those having private insurance will receive a receipt to present to their insurance company for possible reimbursement. If people are unable to pay the \$30, the health ministry may cover or partially cover the cost of the shot. You are encouraged to bring friends and relatives. Everyone is welcome.

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS TO OUR CHURCH!
It has come to our attention, that many of you are using the wrong exit from the church parking lot. Please do not use the entrance as an exit to avoid the light system. . This is for the safety of all coming and going from our Church Parking Lot. Thank you!

<u>CHURCH WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORTING</u>	
Sunday Collection Oct 27 & 28	\$ 8,870.
Faith Direct eGiving Oct 15	<u>\$ 2,907.</u>
Parish Repairs 2nd Coll	\$3,480.
TOTAL	\$15,257.
YTD (SHORTFALL \$25,006.)	
Jan- Sept Expenses	\$877,459.



YOUTH GROUPS

Sacrament of Confirmation for Teens

Sunday, **Nov. 4th** from 3-6:30pm in JPll Center
 Class: Prayer & Devotions
 Sunday, Nov. 18th from 3-6:30pm in the JPll Center
 Class: Human Experience

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. & Frist 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 JPll Center.

Saturday, Nov. 3rd from 6-10PM in the FC/Gym
 Help the Knights of Columbus with Bingo Night

Friday, Nov. 16th from 6:30- 8:30PM in the FC/Gym
 Help Prepare Thanksgiving Food Baskets

Saturday, Nov. 17th from 9-11am in the FC/Gym
 Help Distribute Thanksgiving Baskets

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.

GOD'S LAWS

God's laws are not intended to burden or torment us. Instead they are guideposts that point us in the direction of good living. Accordingly, good living requires loving God and loving one another. We should not follow God's laws out of fear of what might happen if we don't, but rather view them as a foundation for building relationships and trust with one another and with God.

The *Shema* prayer of Orthodox Jews is based on the reading from Deuteronomy today, "Hear, O Israel." Every morning people recite the prayer as a profession of their love for God and pledge their obedience to God throughout the day. They pass on their love of God to their children, from one generation to the next.

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Something to think about this week:

What false master have you allowed to rule your heart?
 What happened?

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MINISTRY

OFFICE HOURS ARE MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY FROM 9:00AM TO 11:30AM. CLOSED ON TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND WEEKENDS. CALL THEM AT (925) 682-5811.

SFDP is still accepting monetary donation to help with the Holiday Food Baskets.

St. Joseph Prayer for the Protection & Renewal of the Church: *To you, St. Joseph we bring our broken hearts and all of the discouragement that weights us down. Impurity and scandal have wounded our Church and have brought much shame, sorrow and tears. We ask you dearest St. Joseph, to be our guide along this very dark path, for you are the model of faith, purity and devotion that we need so desperately. May the Lord send forth the burning fire of the Holy Spirit and renew the face of the Church, and the world. O St. Joseph, pray ceaselessly for the Church during this time of suffering and great mourning. May this current pain inflicted upon the Church be transformed by the power of Christ's cross, and lead to further renewal and continued purification. Amen*

The next Senior Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, November 13th 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).

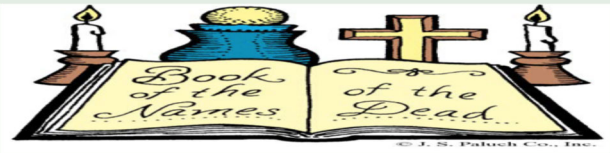
The Senior Luncheon is still looking for people to help with this ministry. If you could set up or clean up, or even prepare a meal or two, then please contact Marian Morbeto at (925) 676-6158.

REFLECTING ON THE WORD....

When the scribes asked which Commandment was first, Jesus' answer showed that God demands nothing less than our whole selves. Jesus said that we are to love with our whole heart, mind, soul, and strength. In other words, we can leave no part of our being out of loving God. If we allow distractions to our faith, our heart will be filled with other loves rather than God. The masters of time, wealth, power, and prestige are fickle and always want more. When we love God with our whole heart, and through that, ourselves and our neighbors, we will find that God will fill us with love..

So the question is ?

What is stopping you from loving God?



In November, we will have a Book of the Dead (October 28th through November 18)for you to write in the names of your deceased family members and friends to be remembered at mass throughout the month of November.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Just two years ago, we engaged in one of the core activities of our democratic system: a presidential election. Actually, the institution of election can be traced to traditions in the Church, and although bishops are no longer chosen in this way, abbots and abbesses (heads of monastic communities) have almost always been elected by full voting members of their communities. The lifetime appointment begins when the monks or nuns are gathered in "chapter" at the death or resignation of the abbot, and fortunately for all involved, campaigning is not allowed! The members of the community discern, with prayer to the Holy Spirit, who among them is the best suited for leadership. Once chosen, the new leader requests the blessing of the local bishop, who usually presides at a ceremony of consecration or investiture. The ballots are always secret, and a simple majority must be achieved.

In our American system the Electoral College is the determining voice in the presidential election, not the popular election on a November Tuesday, just as the monastic chapter is the electorate. Today, most religious orders elect general superiors in "chapter" by delegates of the professed members, and usually for a term of six years. A few, like the Jesuits, elect for life. At least we don't have that weight on our shoulders when we choose a president. Four years at a time will do!

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD

Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and offer our prayers for them.

—St. John Chrysostom

NEITHER DESPAIR NOR PRESUME

Two criminals were crucified with Christ. One was saved; do not despair. One was not; do not presume.

—St. Augustine

LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — Guarden los mandamientos y normas del Señor. Ama al Señor, tu Dios, con todo tu ser (Deuteronomio 6:2-6).

Salmo — Yo te amo, Señor, tú eres mi fortaleza (Psalm 18 [17]).

Segunda lectura — Jesús permanece para la eternidad y no cesará de ser sacerdote. Él se ofreció una vez por todas por los pecados de su pueblo (Hebreos 7:23-28).

Evangelio — Ama al Señor y a tu prójimo como a ti mismo. No hay ningún mandamiento más importante que estos (Marcos 12:28b-34).

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INSTITUTO CATEQUETICO SERRA Diócesis de Oakland

Certificación de catequistas en California
Para catequistas, maestros de escuela católica, padres de familia.

El mundo tiene preguntas ¿Le puedo ofrecer las respuestas que Cristo brinda?
En el instituto Serra: **Serás** capacitado para transformar e inspirar a otros. **Obtendrás** las respuestas a las preguntas difíciles de nuestra fe. **Creecerás** en tu fe, desarrollarás técnicas para compartirla, y conocerás a otros que buscan hacer lo mismo.

Las clases se reúnen una vez al mes los sábados de las 8:45a.m—3:30p.m. Primera Clase 12 de enero 2019, dirección Holy Names High School 4660 Harbord Dr. Oakland CA 94618.

Fecha límite de inscripción 21, de diciembre 2018. \$150 Inscripción (no reembolsable, costo \$450 cupo limitado, balance pagado en su totalidad en octubre, 2019. Se recomienda que se inscriba pronto.

Para más información e inscripciones, visite nuestro sitio web: www.oakdiocese.org/serra. Si necesita ayuda favor comunicarse con Sandra Martinez, (510) 267-8371.

LAS LEYES DE DIOS

Las leyes de Dios no intentan atormentarnos o ser una carga. Al contrario, son señales que nos guían por el sendero de la buena vida. Por lo tanto, la buena vida requiere que amemos a Dios y nos amemos unos a otros. No debemos seguir las leyes divinas por miedo a lo que pudiera ocurrir si no las seguimos, más bien verlas como un fundamento sobre el cual construir nuestras relaciones y entablar confianza con los demás y con Dios.

La oración *Shema* de los judíos ortodoxos se basa en la lectura de hoy del Deuteronomio: “Escucha, pues, Israel”. Cada mañana la persona recita la oración como una profesión de amor a Dios y un compromiso de obediencia a Dios a lo largo del día. Así transmiten el amor a Dios a sus hijos, de generación en generación.

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ALTAR DE LOS MUERTOS



Durante el mes de noviembre nuestra parroquia acostumbra a colocar el **altar para los difuntos**, en él pueden colocar fotos de sus seres queridos. El altar estará listo el primer domingo del mes de noviembre.

Libro de los fieles difuntos: Junto al altar de los difuntos tendremos el **libro de los difuntos** en el podrá inscribir los nombres de todos los seres queridos que han fallecido.

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Fil 2:1-4; Sal 131 (130):1bcde-3;
Lc 14:12-14
Martes: Fil 2:5-11; Sal 22 (21):26b-30ab, 30e, 31-32;
Lc 14:15-24
Miércoles: Fil 2:12-18; Sal 27 (26):1, 4, 13-14;
Lc 14:25-33
Jueves: Fil 3:3-8a; Sal 105 (104):2-7; Lc 15:1-10
Viernes: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Sal 46 (45):2-3, 5-6, 8-9;
1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
Sábado: Fil 4:10-19; Sal 112 (111):1b-2, 5-6, 8a, 9;
Lc 16:9-15
Domingo: 1 Re 17:10-16; Sal 146 (145):7-10;
Heb 9:24-28; Mc 12:38-44 [41-44]

MINISTERIO DE LA DIVINA MISERICORDIA

El ministerio de la Divina Misericordia le invita a quedarse ocho minutos después de las misas de 8:00a.m., y 1:00p.m., para rezar el Rosario de la Divina Misericordia.

ALMUERZO SEÑORES 50 +

El ministerio de Señores y Señoras necesita de voluntarios y voluntarias para los almuerzos de cada segundo martes del mes. La ayuda se necesita ya sea cocinando, sirviendo la comida, o limpieza después de los almuerzos. Personas interesadas en ayudar, favor de llamar a la oficina parroquial. El próximo almuerzo es el **martes 13 de noviembre**.

OFICINA PARROQUIAL

Estimados feligreses 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.

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Uno de los santos más populares de la época medieval fue el soldado húngaro conocido como Martín Caballero o Martín de Tours (c. 315-397). Esta popularidad se debió a su biografía escrita por un discípulo, Sulpicio Severo. Su vida fue el mejor ejemplo de santidad a través de varios siglos. Contiene esta biografía muchos de los acontecimientos, enseñanzas y milagros de la vida del santo que fue soldado en el ejército romano antes de su conversión. Muchos ignoran que fue monje, misionero y obispo por muchos años. Su imagen decora muchos almanaques latinoamericanos y él continúa siendo un santo popular. La representación más común de san Martín es la de un soldado romano sobre un caballo que rasga su manto rojo a la mitad con una espada para darle una parte a un pobre sentado a los pies del caballo. Según su biografía, Martín hizo esto durante el proceso de su conversión y resulta que el pobre limosnero se le aparece en un sueño revelándose como Cristo mismo, ya que lo que un cristiano hace por los pobres y marginados lo hace por Jesús.

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

ATENCION FELIGRESES Y VISITANTES

Entrada y Salida del estacionamiento, se les suplica de favor que usen las entradas y salidas del estacionamiento apropiadamente, salir por la Entrada del estacionamiento es erróneo y podría provocar un accidente, recuerde que muchos caminando por el área.

Observación del día de los Veteranos

El lunes 12 de noviembre nuestra oficina parroquial estará cerrada en observación del día de los Veteranos. Reabriremos el lunes 13 de noviembre a las 9:00a.m.



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**DÍA DE LOS
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