



Holy Cross Catholic Church

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The Baptism of the Lord January 12, 2025

Eucharistic Liturgy Schedule (Mass)

Saturdays: 4:00 p.m.
 Sundays: 7:30, 10:00 a.m.,
 12:00p.m. (Spanish)

Weekdays:
 Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m.
 Thursday- 7:00 pm (Spanish)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Thursdays: 5:30-6:30 p.m.
 Other times: By appointment only

Marriages:
 Arrangements must be made six months in advance.

Baptisms:
 Required pre-baptismal classes for parents and godparents. Please call the office two months prior to anticipated baptism date.
 Sponsors (Godparents) must be practicing Catholics.

Matrimonios:
 Los arreglos deben hacerse con seis meses de antelación.

Bautismos:
 Se requiere clases pre-bautismales para padres y padrinos. Por favor llame a la oficina dos meses antes de la fecha prevista para el bautismo.
 Los padrinos (padrinos) deben ser católicos practicantes.

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SUNDAY READINGS**First Reading:**

Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together;
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. (40:5)

Psalm:

O bless the Lord, my soul. (Ps 104)

Second Reading:

He saved us through the bath of rebirth
and renewal by the Holy Spirit. (Ti 3:5)

Gospel:

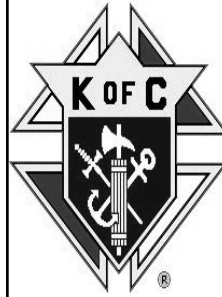
After all the people had been baptized
and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying,
heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended
upon him
in bodily form like a dove. (Lk 3:22)

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Readings for the week of January 12, 2025

Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-
25, 27-28, 29-30 (1)/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-
7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
Monday: Heb 1:1-6/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c,
9/Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/
Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-
9/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday: Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11/
Mk 1:40-45
Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7,
8/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday: Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mk
2:13-17
Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10
(3)/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

**Knights of Columbus Council 9969
for the weekend of 1/11-1/12**

Join the OneLifeLA family on
Saturday, January 18, 2025, to
celebrate the beauty and dignity of
every human life from conception to
natural death. The 2025 theme is "LET
US STAND UP TOGETHER." We
will walk from Olvera Street through
Downtown Los Angeles to LA State

Historic Park for a family-friendly day of inspiring
speakers, live music, food trucks, and works of mercy.
Bring your friends and family and join us to celebrate,
defend, and embrace life.

The Holy Cross and Simi Valley Knights of
Columbus councils have arranged and paid for a large
Pegasus Transit coach to take pro-lifers to OneLifeLA
2025.

· The bus will depart on Saturday, January 18th at 10AM
from St Rose of Lima Church at 1305 Royal Avenue in
Simi Valley, and return about 5 PM.

· There is no cost to anyone who wants to go;
however, we request you reserve a seat in advance
· Reservations are on a first-come/first-served basis
Please call or text Michael Mars (805-529-2722) or
Kenny Rodriguez (805-209-9762) to make a
Reservation.

All are invited to join the Holy Cross Knights of
Columbus Council 9969 as we recite our Scriptural
Rosary on Wednesday, January 29th at 7:30PM at the
Chapel. If you wish to attend the Scriptural
Rosary via Zoom, please contact Leonard Cruz at (805)
889-1620 or E-mail leonardcruz386@yahoo.com.

Why not join your Brother Knights for the February
General Business Meeting on Thursday, February 13th at
the Chapel? We will recite the Rosary @ 6:45PM and our
Worthy Warden will make sure there is a delightful
pre-meeting meal before the 7:30PM start time. Please
consider volunteering your time and effort on one (or
more!) of the many charitable efforts your council
supports. We need your help!

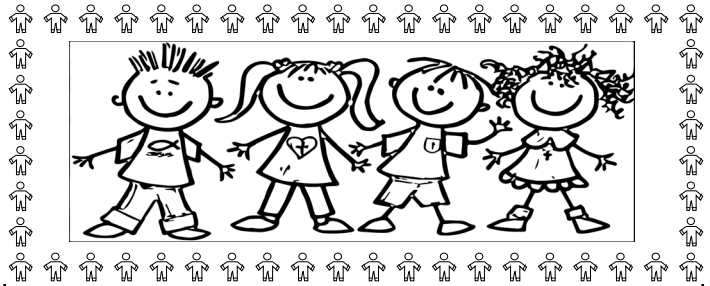
Please consider joining the 9969 Foundation (a 501(c)3
organization) GEM program. Signing up through your
bank's auto bill-pay service is simple and easy and offers
a host of benefits to both you and the Foundation. You
can choose a monthly amount that's comfortable, and
every dollar donated above your annual dues amount is
tax deductible and benefits local Moorpark charities.
And since the 9969 Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization,
your donations may be eligible for matching funds if your
employer offers that benefit.



Pray for ...

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Did You Know?

January 11-12

The REPORT Act protects minors online

A bipartisan bill passed last year is helping internet platforms protect children from abuse and enticement in their online interactions. The REPORT Act, passed in May 2024, requires U.S.-based online platforms to report child sex trafficking and online enticement to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). To assist with this, NCMEC has issued guidelines intended to help online platforms play a crucial role in protecting children by recognizing key signs and indicators of child sexual exploitation. For more information, visit <https://www.missingkids.org/blog/2024/first-line-of-defense-guidelines-to-help-online-platforms-detect-sexually-exploited-kids>.

La ley REPORT protege a los menores en línea

Un proyecto de ley bipartidista está ayudando a las plataformas del Internet a proteger a los menores de edad de abusos y seducción en sus interacciones en línea. La ley REPORT, aprobada en mayo de 2024, exige a las plataformas en línea con sede en los Estados Unidos a denunciar la seducción y el tráfico sexual de menores en línea a El Centro Nacional para Niños Desaparecidos y Explotados (NCMEC, por sus siglas en inglés). El NCMEC publicó unas directrices destinadas a ayudar a las plataformas digitales a proteger a los niños mediante el reconocimiento de los signos e indicadores claves de la explotación sexual de menores. Para más información, visite <https://www.missingkids.org/blog/2024/first-line-of-defense-guidelines-to-help-online-platforms-detect-sexually-exploited-kids>.



Moorpark Pantry Plus Priority Items

We will accept and appreciate all food donations

Small jar of peanut butter	Pasta Sauce
Jelly / jam	Bagged beans 16oz.
Canned mixed vegetables	Jell-O
Canned fruit	Mac n Cheese
Pasta	

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"The people were filled with expectation," writes Luke. And so we find ourselves, two thousand years later, filled with expectation, with longing. Who can give us what we seek? Only the one upon whom the dove descended. Follow him.

VIVIR LA LITURGIA - INSPIRACIÓN DE LA SEMANA (Live the Liturgy)

"La gente estaba llena de expectación," escribe Lucas. Y así nos encontramos, dos mil años después, llenos de expectación, de anhelo. ¿Quién puede darnos lo que buscamos? Solo aquel sobre quien descendió la paloma. Síguelo.

Our Religious Gift Store is open after each Mass on the first and third Sundays of each month and for Special Sacraments.

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

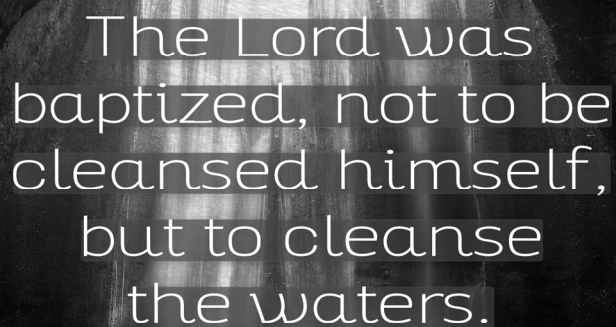
January 12, 2025
The Baptism of the Lord
Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

In my second year of theology studies, I went to confession to a priest visiting the seminary for a three-day retreat. My heart wasn't in it. I was going through the motions. I confessed my sins and waited for his response. The priest said, "For your penance, I'd like you to go into the chapel and repeat the words 'You are my beloved Son, with you I am well pleased' (Luke 3:22) until they mean something to you." Easy penance, I thought.

But to my surprise, I struggled to say those words. I sensed a strong interior resistance blocking them. How could God be well-pleased with me? He couldn't be, I thought. A battle within me ensued. Two hours later, the resistance vanished, and I found myself able to speak, and claim as my own, those marvelous words. I emerged from the chapel with a new, deep, peaceful conviction that I was indeed God's beloved son.

Those words are a precious gift from heaven to all of us. Jesus' baptism, which we celebrate this week, offers them to us. Are we willing to receive these words anew? Many things can block this deepening of our baptismal identity: failings, sins, disappointments, traumas, problems, and so on. Yet God's love is always greater. This week I challenge you to prayerfully repeat these words over yourself — or perhaps over someone you're struggling to love — until those words find a home in your heart.

— Father John Muir



The Lord was
 baptized, not to be
 cleansed himself,
 but to cleanse
 the waters.

— St. Ambrose of Milan —

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QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Gospel Question:

The Holy Spirit affirms Jesus as the Christ, the beloved Son of God. When do you sense the presence of the Holy Spirit in your life?

1st Reading Question:

The prophet Isaiah brought words of comfort and hope from God to the Israelites exiled in Babylon. Is there someone in your life who needs hope for the future?

2nd Reading Question:

Paul challenged Titus to reject godless ways and worldly desires. Do you have any family or friends you consider a role model in living an exceptional life?

PREGUNTAS DE LA SEMANA

Pregunta del Evangelio:

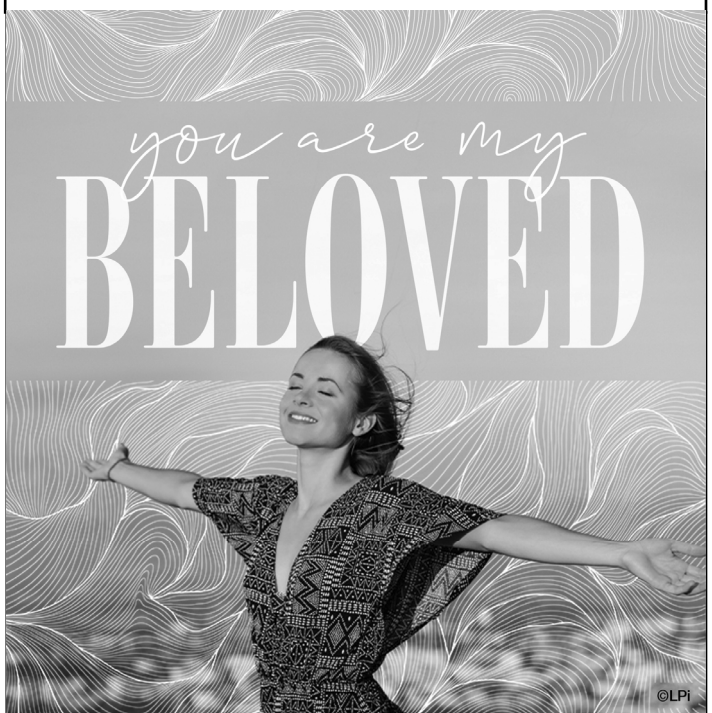
El Espíritu Santo afirma a Jesús como el Cristo, el Hijo amado de Dios. ¿Cuándo sientes la presencia del Espíritu Santo en tu vida?

Pregunta de la 1ª lectura:

El profeta Isaías trajo palabras de consuelo y esperanza de Dios a los Israelitas exiliados en Babilonia. ¿Hay alguien en tu vida que necesite

Pregunta de la 2ª lectura:

Pablo desafió a Tito a rechazar los caminos impíos y los deseos mundanos. Tienes familiares o amigos que consideres un modelo a seguir para vivir una vida excepcional?

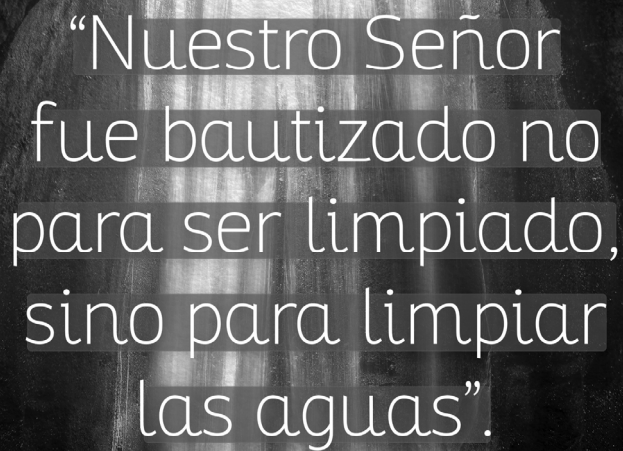


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MEDITACIÓN EVANGÉLICO

Si pudiéramos recordar nuestro propio Bautismo, tal vez sentiríamos algo muy especial sobre la invitación de Dios a sentirnos predilectos hijos e hijas amados por Dios. Ahí, en la pila bautismal, ese día tan especial, recibimos el Espíritu Santo. Ojalá, hoy estemos dispuestos a escuchar en nuestro corazón las mismas palabras que Jesús escuchó en el Río Jordán: “Tú eres mi Hijo, hoy te he dado la vida” (Lucas 3:22). Pidamos al Señor que nos ayude a sorprendernos y llenarnos de asombro y alegría, con las cosas pequeñas que Dios pone en nuestro camino cotidiano; sabiendo que el Espíritu Santo nos guía y lleva a tener una relación personal con Dios.

De cada uno depende que la semilla sembrada el día de nuestro Bautismo germine y crezca, dando frutos en abundancia para el bien propio, de la familia y de la comunidad. La vida entera de Jesús fue ser reflejo del Padre y hacer su voluntad; siempre fue su prioridad. ¿Qué hago yo para reflejar que Dios existe en mí? ¿De qué modo hago su voluntad en mis acciones? “El Bautismo es el más bello y magnífico de los dones de Dios... lo llamamos don, gracia, unción, iluminación, vestidura de incorruptibilidad, baño de regeneración, sello y todo lo más precioso que hay” (Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica, numeral 1243). Señor, abre mis ojos y mis oídos a tu Palabra para escuchar tu voz y poner en práctica tu amor.



“Nuestro Señor
fue bautizado no
para ser limpiado,
sino para limpiar
las aguas”.

San Ambrosio de Milán

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LECTURAS DOMINICALES

Primera lectura:

Entonces se revelará la gloria del Señor, y todos los pueblos a una la verán; porque la boca del Señor ha hablado. (40:5)

Salmo:

Bendice, alma mía, al Señor. (Sal 104)

Segunda lectura:

Nos salvó mediante el baño de regeneración y renovación por el Espíritu Santo. (Tit 3:5)

Evangelio:

Después de que todo el pueblo había sido bautizado y Jesús también había sido bautizado y estaba orando, el cielo se abrió y el Espíritu Santo descendió sobre él en forma corporal, como una paloma. (Lc 3:22)

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Las lecturas de la semana del 12 de enero de 2025

Domingo: Is 40, 1-5. 9-11/Sal 103, 1-2. 3-4. 24-25. 27-28. 29-30 (1)/Tit 2, 11-14; 3, 4-7/Lc 3, 15-16. 21-22

Lunes: Heb 1, 1-6/Sal 96, 1 y 2. 6 y 7. 9/Mc 1, 14-20

Martes: Heb 2, 5-12/Sal 8, 2 y 5. 6-7. 8-9/Mc 1, 21-28

Miércoles: Heb 2, 14-18/Sal 104, 1-2. 3-4. 6-7. 8-9/Mc 1, 29-39

Jueves: Heb 3, 7-14/Sal 94, 6-7. 8-9. 10-11/Mc 1, 40-45

Viernes: Heb 4, 1-5. 11/Sal 77, 3 y 4. 6-7. 8/Mc 2, 1-12

Sábado: Heb 4, 12-16/Sal 18, 8. 9. 10. 15/Mc 2, 13-17

Domingo siguiente: Is 62, 1-5/Sal 95, 1-2. 2-3. 7-8. 9-10 (3)/1 Co 12, 4-11/Jn 2, 1-11

Faith Formation

Confirmation
Confirmation Year 1 this Sunday at 5:30P.
All candidates must attend with their sponsor or a parent if sponsor is unavailable.
 Thank you to everyone who visited our Holiday Bake Sale last month and for your generous donations. We raised over \$1700.00 to help defray the cost of our upcoming Confirmation retreat weekend. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

***Restored
 A Journey to Wholeness***

Join us for a one-day retreat of hope and healing for women whose lives have been touched by abortion.
 Saturday, February 1, 2025
 8:30-5:15 pm
 Center for Spiritual Development
 434 Batavia St, Orange, CA 92868
 Contact information to help with registration:
Office of Life, Justice and Peace
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DEVOTIONS, EXPLAINED! – CONNECT WITH TRADITION AND GROW YOUR FAITH

St. Blaise Blessing of the Throat - January 12, 2025

Mini Explanation
 Catholics traditionally receive a blessing of the throat on the feast day of St. Blaise (Feb. 3), who was a bishop and martyr of fourth-century Armenia. During the blessing, a cross is formed from two blessed candles that are held over the throat.

Holy Cross Parishioners!

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is offered the First Friday of every month. Adoration begins after the 8:00 am mass & continues until 6:00pm.
 From 6:00pm -7:00pm , there is a Holy Hour in Spanish with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
 We are currently in need of volunteers to commit to an hour of time with Our Lord. If you are available please contact: Kathy Johnston at 805-402-7856

Thank you !

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CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: What is the incense burner used at Mass called?

Answer: Thurible or censer.

TRIVIA CATÓLICA – SÓLO POR DIVERSIÓN

Pregunta: ¿Cómo se le llama al quemador de incienso que se usa en la Misa?

Respuesta: Turíbulo o incensario.

Prayer for Baptism

Oh God,
 You desire each of us to be a part of Your sacred family, called and invited into relationship with You. May the grace of our Baptisms surround us anew, who are beloved and chosen by You.
 Amen.

Oración para el Bautismo

Oh, Dios,
 Tú deseas que cada uno de nosotros seamos parte de Tu sagrada familia, llamados e invitados a tener una relación contigo. Que la gracia de nuestro Bautismo nos rodee de nuevo, quienes somos amados y elegidos por Ti.
 Amén.

Feligreses de la Santa Cruz!

La Exposición de El Santísimo Sacramento es ofrecida el primer viernes de cada mes. La Adoración comienza después de la misa de las 8:00am y continúa asta las 6:00pm.
 De las 6:00pm - 7:00pm, hay una Hora Santa en español con La Exposición de El Santísimo Sacramento.
 Estamos necesitando voluntarios que se comprometan y enlisten para acompañar por una hora a Nuestro Señor. Si tú estás disponible y deseas hacerlo por favor contacta a:
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We always welcome new members to our Ministries

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Mass Intentions for the week 1/12

Sunday 7:30 am For Parishioners
10:00 am Braxton Hamm
(Special Intention)
12:00 pm Javier Meza Ramirez (RIP)

Monday 8:00 am Ryan Morris (RIP)

Tuesday 8:00 am Robert Clements (RIP)

Wednesday 8:00 am Sue Michael (RIP)

Thursday 8:00 am Souls in Purgatory
7:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am Emily Farina (RIP)

Saturday 4:00 pm Jose Romero (RIP)

Prayer Request