



## *Encounter Jesus, Be Disciples*

NOVEMBER 21, 2021 - OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

### **Weekend Schedule**

Saturday, 4:00 pm Mass on the Grass

Sunday, 7:30 am Mass in the church

Sunday, 9:00 am Mass on the Grass

Sunday, 11:00 am Mass in the church and livestreamed



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**Fiona Shea**  
GUEST SOLO VIOLINIST



**Radu Paponiu**  
GUEST CONDUCTOR



**Alexander Tseitlin**  
CYAS ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

## Fall Concert

California Young Artists Symphony  
Sunday, November 21, 6:30 pm

Padre Serra Parish is pleased to present the CYAS orchestra, a new, pre-professional ensemble featuring exceptionally gifted young musicians in their inaugural concert, bringing Debussy, Bruch, and Beethoven to life with guests violinist Fiona Shea and conductor Radu Paponiu.

This concert is open to the public free of charge. Please RSVP at [www.padreserra.org/fall-concert](http://www.padreserra.org/fall-concert)



## Thanksgiving Day Liturgy

Thursday, November 25  
9:00 am, outdoors

Did you know that Eucharist means thanksgiving? Start your holiday with fellow parishioners at Mass.

Our local tradition is to bring the bread, wine or cider that will be shared at the Thanksgiving table to church. We lay them on the altar steps where they will be blessed before we take them back home to serve to those we love.



## Advent: Waiting in Joyful Hope

Begins November 30

Weekly Faith Sharing Groups

VIRTUAL

Tuesdays, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Wednesdays, 7:00 - 8:00 pm

IN-PERSON

Thursdays, 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Fridays, 8:45 - 9:45 am

Advent is a time filled with God's love, grace, and hope as we await the most wonderful event of Christmas, the coming of Jesus into our lives in new ways, and Christ's return at the end of time.

You are invited each week for an hour of scripture, stillness, and sharing as we wait in joyful hope.

Please register at [www.padreserra.org/advent-faith-sharing](http://www.padreserra.org/advent-faith-sharing)



**GATHERING**

**In Christ Alone**

Keith Getty & Stuart Townend



**VERSES**

1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found. He is my  
 2. In Christ a - lone, Who took on flesh Full - ness of  
 3. There in the tomb His bod - y lay Light of the

light, my strength, my song. This cor - ner-stone, this so - lid  
 God, in help - less babe. This gift of love and right - eous -  
 world by dark - ness slain. Then burst - ing forth in glo - rious

ground Firm through the fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of  
 ness Scorned by the ones He came to save. 'Til on that  
 day Up from the grave He rose a - gain. And as He

love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when striv - ings  
 as Je - sus died, The will of God was sa - tis -  
 stands in vic - to - ry, Sin's curse has lost its grip on

cease, My com - fort - er, my all in all, Here in the  
 fied, For ev' - ry sin on Him was laid, Here in the  
 me. For I am His and He is mine, Bought with the

love of Christ I stand. 2. In Christ a -  
 death of Christ I live. 3. There in the  
 pre - cious blood of

Christ.

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**Reading 1**  
 Daniel 7:13-14

**Reading 2**  
 Revelation 1:5-8

**Gospel Reading**  
 John 18:33b-37



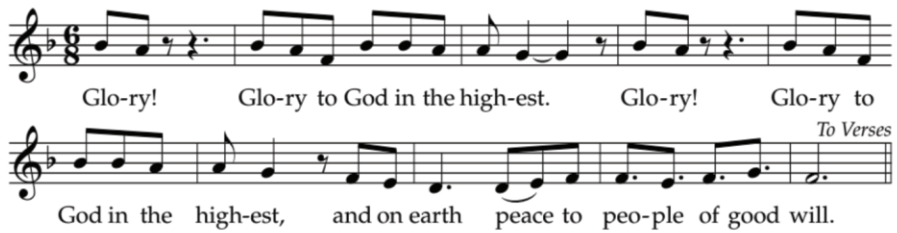
*Blessed* is  
 he who comes  
 in the name  
 of the Lord!

*Blessed* is the  
 kingdom of our father David  
 that is to come!

Mark 11:9, 10

**Glory to God (Mass of St. Ann)**

Ed Bolduc



Glo-ry! Glo-ry to God in the high-est. Glo-ry! Glo-ry to  
 God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,  
 We give you thanks for your great glory,  
 Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
 Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
 You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
 You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
 You are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
 have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
 You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
 With the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

**Glory! Glory to God in the highest...**



**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Psalm 93: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Benjamin Cortez



**℟. The Lord is king; he is robed in maj - es - ty.**

The Lord is king, in splendor robed;  
robed is the Lord and girt about with strength.  
And he has made the world firm, not to be moved.  
Your throne stands firm from of old; from everlasting you are, O Lord.  
Your decrees are worthy of trust indeed;  
holiness befits your house, O Lord, for length of days.

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**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Easter Alleluia

Marty Haugen

Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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**INTERCESSION RESPONSE**

In Memory We Hold You

Bob Hurd



Hear us Lord, O hear our prayer.

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**PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS**

Here I Am to Worship

Tim Hughes

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see  
Beauty that made this heart adore You. Hope of a life spent with You.



**REFRAIN:**

So, here I am to wor-ship, here I am to bow down, here I am to



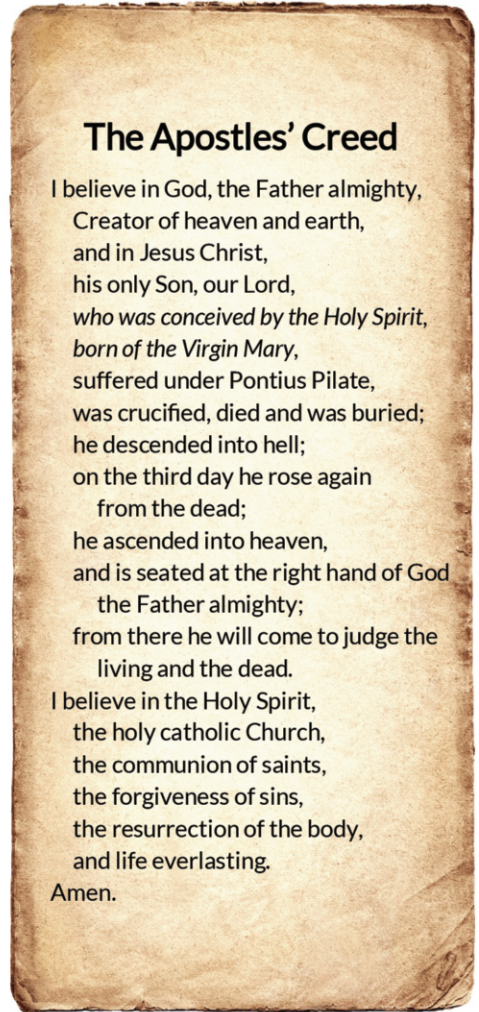
say that You're my God. \_\_\_\_\_ And You're al - to - geth - er love - ly, al - to - geth - er



wor - thy, al - to - geth - er won - der - ful to me. \_\_\_\_\_

King of all days, oh so highly exalted, glorious in Heaven above  
Humbly You came to the earth You created. All for love's sake, became poor.

So here I am to worship...



**The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord,  
*who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,*  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again  
from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God  
the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the  
living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting.  
Amen.





### EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

#### “Mass of the Incarnate Word”

Bob Hurd

#### Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of  
 hosts. Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.  
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high -  
 est. Blessed is he, blessed is he  
 who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na,  
 ho - san - na in the high - est.

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#### We Proclaim Your Death

We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your  
 Res - ur - rec - tion un - til you come a - gain.

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#### Amen

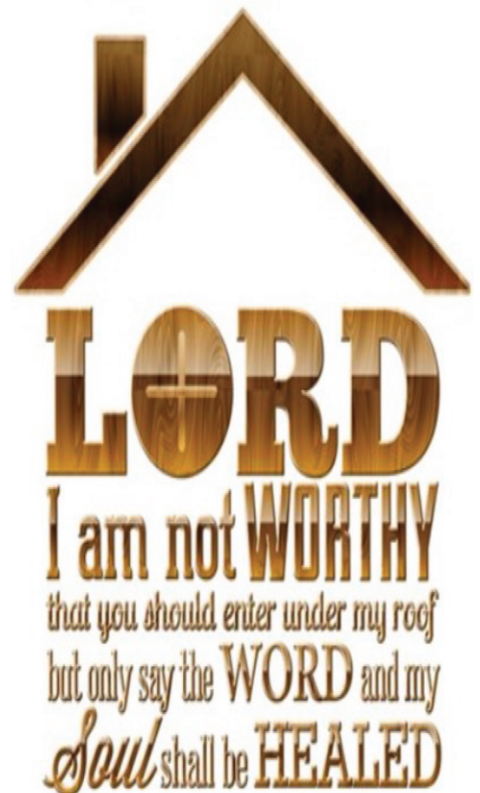
A - men, a - men, a - men.

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#### Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the  
 world, have mer - cy on us.  
 world, grant us peace.

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**COMMUNION SONGS**

**Come and Eat This Living Bread**

Rob Glover, Gather #942

Come and eat this liv-ing bread, take and drink this wine.

Come be nour-ished, healed and fed, shaped in - to God's sign.

Gath - ered 'round as fam - i - ly, man - y are made one.

Form - ing love's com - mu - ni - ty, one we now be - come.

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Saint and sinner welcome in to this meal of harmony.  
Lonely people, next of kin journey toward the glory tree.  
Gathered strangers, scattered sheep, at this table all are fed.  
Blood and body bonds run deep as your kingdom feast is spread.

May we see the Christ revealed in the breaking of the bread.  
Living stories, holy meals, we become what we are fed.  
Broken shattered, fragile life, now received by you and me.  
Eating, drinking, joy and strife, Gospel living sets us free.

See the Christ in saddened sighs, blood poured out in every land.  
Wounded people, wailing cries lie upon our outstretched hands.  
Jesus is the way through death; truth beyond the present rage.  
Life unfolding, healing breath now enfleshed in youth and age.

Bless us, Lord, and these your gifts, fruit of vine and human hands.  
With our hearts and minds we lift all the goodness of these lands.  
Praise and thanks we shout and sing, from your bounty we are blessed.  
Joyfully all gifts we bring to receive our Lord and guest.

Death and life in water meet, drenching us in floods of light.  
Marking us with oil so sweet, clothing us in glorious white.  
Priest and prophet, spirit led, we are God's new living sign.  
Feeding on this holy bread, drinking of this holy wine.

Witnessing to love and peace, hands of blessing we remain.  
Helping fear and hate to cease, we bring forth God's wondrous reign.  
Strength and power here we find, given in this kingdom feast.  
We go forth to heal and sign everyone, both great and least.

**SENDING FORTH**

**The King Shall Come**

Trevor Thomson

Verses 1, 2

1. The King shall come when morn-ing dawns And  
2. O bright-er than the ris - ing morn When

1. light tri - um - phant breaks, When beau - ty gilds the  
2. he, vic - to - rious, rose And left the lone - some

1. east - ern hills And life to joy a - wakes.  
2. place of death, De - spite the rage of foes.

1. Not, as of old, a lit - tle child, To  
2. O bright-er than that glo - rious morn Shall

1. bear, and fight, and die, But crowned with glo - ry  
2. this fair morn - ing be, When Christ, our King, in

1. like the sun That lights the morn - ing sky.  
2. beau - ty comes, And we his face shall see!

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**Cantate Domino**

by Nancy Hill Cobb

Cantate Domino canticum novum,  
*Sing to the Lord a new song,*  
cantate Domino omnis terra.  
*sing to the Lord all the earth.*

Cantate Domino,  
*Sing to the Lord,*  
benedicite nomini ejus.  
*bless his name.*

Anuntiate inter gentes gloriam tuam.  
*Declare his glory among the nations.*

Quoniam magnus dominum  
*For the Lord is great*  
et laudabilis nimis.  
*and greatly to be praised.*

3. The King shall come  
when morning dawns  
And light and beauty brings.  
Hail, Christ, the Lord! Thy people pray:  
Come quickly, Kings of kings.  
Come quickly, King of kings.



## Gratitude

It just might be possible that you're too worn out for gratitude, but I hope not. It's my sincere hope that you are filled with gratitude, and empowered by it. Why?

First of all, gratitude is a biblical value. The psalmist proclaimed, "Oh Lord, my God, forever will I give you thanks (Psa 30:12), and repeatedly commanded us to be grateful (30:2; 107:1; 118:1; etc.), as did the prophets Isaiah (Isa 12:4; 38:19) and Daniel (3:89-90). The Israelite people gave thanks for all God had done for them (1 Chron 16:8). Paul thanked God for the faith of the Roman Christians (Rom 1:8), for the grace given to the Corinthians (1 Cor 1:4), for the joy he experienced when remembering the Philippians (Phil 1:3), and for the love and faith of Philemon (Philem 4).

Jesus was moved by the gratitude of the Samaritan who, healed of his leprosy, fell at His feet, giving thanks (Luke 17:16). In the moment of greatest intimacy with us, before offering Himself on the cross, Jesus picked up a cup, *gave thanks*, and invited us to share in His blood of the covenant (Matt 26:27).

Why would the Scriptures both model gratitude and then require it from us? Well, as we pray at every Mass, when invited to "give thanks to the Lord our God," it *is* "right and just." Our lives are filled with blessings, if we look for them, and it's right that we recognize that. It's also just that we lift up our voices and hearts to say as much. So, gratitude is at the heart of the prayer of the church since the earliest recorded Eucharistic Prayer of St. Hippolytus 1,800 years ago.

Beyond being right and just, it is also good for us. This is no surprise. God always wants the good for us. If only we'd cooperate with God's plan for our happiness! So what is the evidence of this? Well, if you want to be a happier person, have increased sense of well-being, live with positive feelings, have an increased sense of your own value, then live in gratitude. The social scientists tell us that this is true.

If you want people to like you, have more romance in your life, be closer to your friends, enlarge your circle of friends and strengthen your closeness with your family, even in stressed times, then live in gratitude. If you want to have a more optimistic outlook, to improve your spiritual outlook, to increase your generosity, and to move beyond materialism, then live in gratitude. If you want to manage your home and business more effectively, to move beyond impatience, to find deeper meaning in your work, and to improve your mental outlook while at work, then live in gratitude. If you're trying to move beyond depression, to improve your blood pressure numbers, to have better sleep, to have more energy for exercise, and to improve your general health and well-being, then live in gratitude.

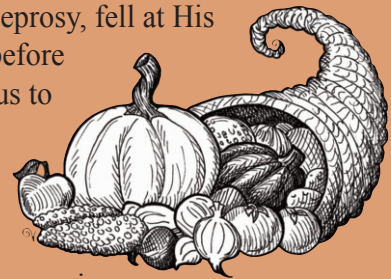
All of these benefits of gratitude are amply tested and proven in one study after another. So we have this wonderful day, Thanksgiving Day, to remind us yearly of our need to recognize all that God has already done for us, and to respond with deep appreciation.

Wishing you all the most joyful times with fami

Happy (and grateful) Thanksgiving,

*Fr. Patrick*

Fr. Patrick  
Pastor





## Everyone

### La Posada ~ December 1

See page 12.

## Children

12 months to Grade 8.

### Little Church ~ No Session Today

Age 3 through Kindergarten. Little Church has returned to in-person sessions on Sundays during the 9:00 and 11:00 am Masses. Because of the pandemic, only children who are registered may participate. Limited spaces are available. Register today:

www.padreserra.org/registration. Contact [soraya@padreserra.org](mailto:soraya@padreserra.org)

### Spark! Grades 1 - 5

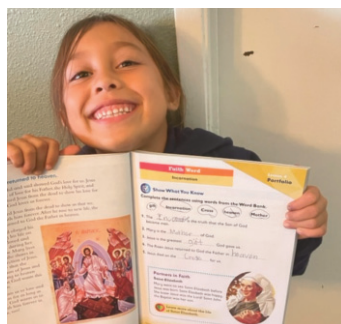
Happy Thanksgiving No sessions this week. See you on November 29!

### Three:Sixteen ~ Grades 6 - 8

Middle School Ministry. Happy Thanksgiving No sessions this week. See you on November 30!

### Living Faith

Share with us how you are living out your faith at home with your kids. Send your pics to [photo@padreserra.org](mailto:photo@padreserra.org)



## High School

Everyone 14 to 18 is welcome! [youth@padreserra.org](mailto:youth@padreserra.org)

### Confirmation Y1

Our next session is on December 5, the Gift of Right Judgment. Contact [youth@padreserra.org](mailto:youth@padreserra.org) for more information.

### Confirmation Y2

Teens are participating in weekly parish ministry this semester; please get in touch with [youth@padreserra.org](mailto:youth@padreserra.org) for your ministry assignments.

### 4:12

Join Brett and peer leaders for fun and fellowship on most Wednesday nights. Teens make connections, share insights and concerns, and grow in faith. Ask [brett@padreserra.org](mailto:brett@padreserra.org) or follow us on [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/padreserra).

## Youth Leadership

Everyone 14 to 39ish is welcome!

### Peer Leaders ~ Tuesdays

Peer leaders help engage our Confirmation candidates by acting as mentors and facilitators during our weekly Confirmation sessions, annual retreats, and at 4:12 youth nights. We meet every Tuesday at 6:30 pm. Ask [brett@padreserra.org](mailto:brett@padreserra.org) to add you to our GroupMe to keep you updated. If you are confirmed and are interested in joining our team contact [youth@padreserra.org](mailto:youth@padreserra.org)

## Young Adults

Everyone 18 to 39ish is welcome! [www.padreserra.org/young-adults](http://www.padreserra.org/young-adults)

### Bible Study and More

We gather the first and third Thursdays of the month from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. On the first Thursday, we do a Bible study, and on the third Thursday, we play a game. See our Instagram [@pspyoungadult](https://www.instagram.com/pspyoungadult) or Facebook [@PadreSerraYA](https://www.facebook.com/PadreSerraYA) for other events! Contact [brett@padreserra.org](mailto:brett@padreserra.org)

### Saints Among Us ~ November 21

A Sunday school program for specially-abled young adults. Each month we gather to read a Bible story, an art project, some fun singing and sharing, and a snack. Third Sunday, 1:30 pm, San Juan Capistrano room. Questions: Dr. Ross Porter [pointsite@aol.com](mailto:pointsite@aol.com). Learn more: [www.padreserra.org/news/special-families](http://www.padreserra.org/news/special-families)

## Adults

### Little Blue Books for Advent ~ Available Now

Little Books are beautiful daily reflections for the Advent and Christmas seasons designed to be insightful, inspiring, simple, and easy to read. Suggested donation of \$2 each, available in the church and office.

### Living Liturgy Bible Study ~ November 23

We're back in person for Dr. Paul Ford's weekly reflection and study of the Sunday scriptures, which helps us better understand the good news message of Jesus Christ and how He is present in our lives. Resource books are available for purchase, or bring your Bible or smart device. Tuesdays, 8:30 - 9:30 am at the Serra Center. Masks required.

## Adults

### Social Spanish ~ November 23

All levels and ages are welcome. Learn and practice conversational Spanish to communicate practically with friends, neighbors, and people in our community, and to learn a new language and experience the benefits in mind and spirit. Tuesdays, 10:00 - 11:00 am, San Fernando room. Masks required.

Patricia [patty.g.14@gmail.com](mailto:patty.g.14@gmail.com)

### Meditative Movement Ministry ~ November 23

Join instructor Sheila Montgomery for an hour of prayerful, meditative movement using the practices of Tai Chi on Tuesdays and Yoga on Thursdays. Both classes are 2:00 - 3:00 pm in the Serra Center. Tai Chi is \$5, and Yoga is \$10.

### Caregivers Support Group ~ November 23

*Caritas* offers support to those who are caring for an aging parent, relative, or spouse. Fourth Tuesday, 7:00 pm, in the San Fernando room and via Zoom. Contact Patricia [sentclan@gmail.com](mailto:sentclan@gmail.com)

### Senior Exercise ~ November 24

All adults are invited to a weekly adaptive exercise class from 8:45 - 9:30 am, San Miguel room. Masks required. Marg (805) 405-9901.

## Becoming Catholic

### Rite of Acceptance

On November 21 at the 9:00 am Mass, five people will celebrate the Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens. This rite marks the next step on their journey toward Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. During the rite, they are signed with the cross and claimed by Jesus Christ as members of his "household." In turn, our community welcomes them as our own and promises to pray for them and to set a good example of Christian discipleship as we accompany them on their journey to the sacraments. In the months to come the catechumens will attend the 9:00 am Mass together and be dismissed after the homily to reflect on the scripture readings, thus deepening their conversion to the Catholic Christian way of life. For more information about Becoming Catholic call or email Catherine Shaddock: (805) 482-6417 x331 or [catherine@padreserra.org](mailto:catherine@padreserra.org)

## Giving

### Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Through this collection, you can support programs that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds remain in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and those working on the margins. For more information, visit [www.usccb.org/cchd](http://www.usccb.org/cchd)

### Stewardship Means Sharing

Give God the first serving, the first portion of our gifts. Giving is not based on the church's need for money, but on our need to give back to God as a way to say 'thank you.'



## Faith Sharing Question

*Reflection questions for every gathering around any table*

### John 18:33b-37 ~ My kingdom does not belong to this world.

In today's gospel, Jesus rejects the title, "King of the Jews," that Pilate gave to him because his kingdom is not of this world; he is the Messiah sent from heaven. The celebration as Christ the King gives an opportunity to contemplate how much or little do we let Jesus' truth rule our lives? How difficult is it for you to follow Jesus?

## Prayer Life

### Weekday Mass

Monday to Friday, 8:00 am in the church

### Reconciliation

Saturday, 2:30 - 3:30 pm or by appointment: [barbara@padreserra.org](mailto:barbara@padreserra.org)  
(805) 482-6417 x324

### Pray for Our Sick

Bob Alexander, Michelle Alexander, Kevin Benn, Rich Bergman, Shirley Brown, Michele Burger, Pearl Canon, Maeve Castillo-Reyes, Maria Castillo-Reyes, Thomas Collins, Morton Cook, Wyatt Davis, Roy Farmer, Toni Farmer, Jeanne Gaffney, Frances Garcia, Sharon Garcia, Esper Divina Gracia, Tim Graf, Jun Grey, Eugene Hatton, Jennifer Henderson, Tina Herford, Salvador Jimenez, Edna Jost, Tom Keens, Shirley Koval, Tom McAleer, Chuck Menerey Sr., Minerva Ortiz, Chuck Purcell, Dorothy Reason, Cristina Reyes, Esther Reyes, Lolita Reyes, Hilda Soller, Jeannie Wilkes and Kylie Wilson. *(Names are refreshed monthly.)*

### Remember Our Dead

*Prayers for family and friends of those who have died recently:*

Mary Little, RIP

Beloved wife of Bill Little

Carol Shook, RIP

Shirley Witlin, RIP

Beloved mother of Donelle Conley, Fredrick Gilbert-Austin & Sylvia Witlin-Rae

*May they enjoy peace in their life with Christ Jesus.*

### Prayer Opportunities

Daily Readings: [bible.usccb.org](http://bible.usccb.org)

Parish Book of Intentions: [www.padreserra.org/intentions](http://www.padreserra.org/intentions)

Prayer Chain: Prayers anytime

Bette (805) 482-0067 [bette\\_church@hotmail.com](mailto:bette_church@hotmail.com)

Shirley (805) 482-2617 [brownshehorn@gmail.com](mailto:brownshehorn@gmail.com)

or visit [www.padreserra.org/prayer-requests](http://www.padreserra.org/prayer-requests)

Stations of the Cross: [www.padreserra.org/stations](http://www.padreserra.org/stations)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help: [www.padreserra.org/news/olph](http://www.padreserra.org/news/olph)

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: [www.padreserra.org/prayer](http://www.padreserra.org/prayer)

## Memorial & Honorarium

### In loving memory of Zeke Mata

Sal & Edy Santangelo

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Contact Geralyn Moody, (805) 491-2602

For more information visit [www.padreserra.org/angel-tags](http://www.padreserra.org/angel-tags)




## La Posada

Wednesday, December 1

7:00 - 8:30 pm

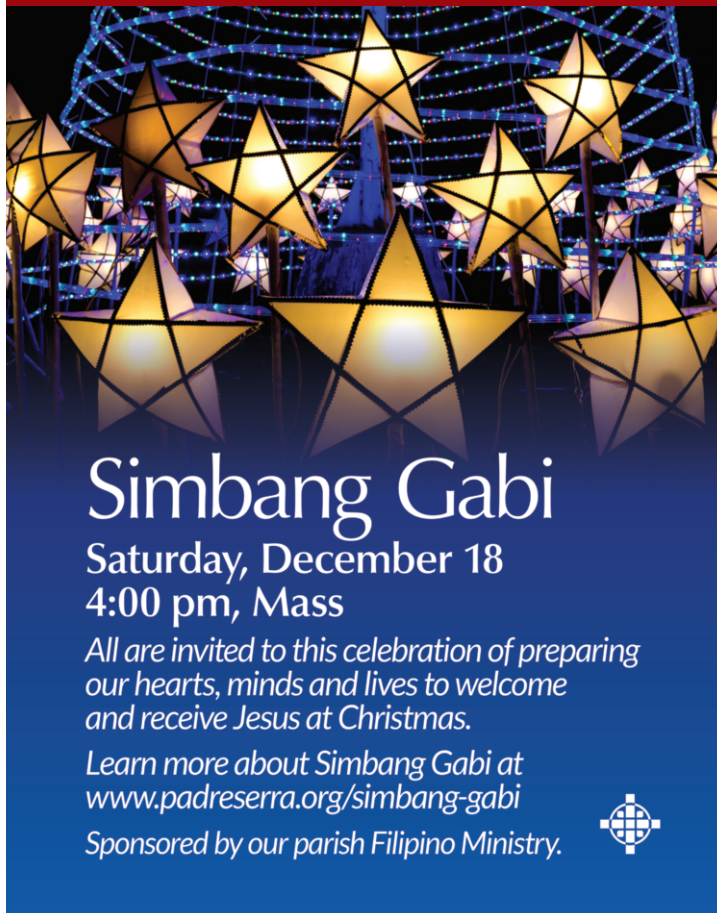
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*Let us come together for a fun, interactive, and enriching Advent celebration to prepare our hearts for Jesus' coming! Come and learn how to continue this joyful faith tradition in your homes. Everyone is welcome!*

*Fiesta with piñatas for the kids and goodies for the adults will follow at the Serra Center.*

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## Simbang Gabi

### Saturday, December 18 4:00 pm, Mass

*All are invited to this celebration of preparing our hearts, minds and lives to welcome and receive Jesus at Christmas.*

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