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Our Mission

The Cathedral Parish of Annunciation is a Community of Disciples called to **WELCOME** all to **CELEBRATE** God’s love in Eucharist and Sacrament, and to **GROW** in our faith and commitment in order to **SERVE** others in justice and love.

**Nuestra Misión**

La Catedral de la Anunciación es una Comunidad de Discípulos llamados a **ACoger** a todos, a **CElebrar** el amor de Dios en la Eucaristía y los Sacramentos, y a **Crecer** en nuestra fe y compromiso para **Sernir** a los demás en la justicia y el amor.

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| **Second Sunday of Advent** | 7:00 pm: YAM Night: Parish House  
2:30 pm: Estudio Bíblico: Salón del Coro |
| 9:00 am: Family Faith Formation Sessions: Gym  
2:30 pm: Bautizos: Iglesia | |
| **Monday, December 10, 2018** | Friday, December 14, 2018 |
| 6:00 pm: Youth Group (18-21): Church  
6:30 pm: RCIA for children: Parish School  
7:00 pm: Scriptures Study: Parish House  
7:00 pm: Grupo de Oración: Salón del Coro | 7:00 pm: Platicas para parejas: Escuela Parroquial  
7:00 pm: Crecimientos: Escuela Parroquial  
7:30 pm: Practica de Coro de Niños: Salón del Coro |
| **Tuesday, December 11, 2018** | Saturday, December 15, 2018 |
| 6:30 pm: Legion de Maria: Escuela Parroquial  
7:00 pm: RCIA Catechumenate: Parish House  
7:00 pm: Men’s Ministry– TMIY: Parish School |  |
| **Wednesday, December 12, 2018** | Sunday, December 16, 2018 |
| 5:30 pm: Jr. High Youth Group: Gym  
6:00 pm: Programa Adelante: Escuela Parroquial  
6:45 pm: Cathedral Choir Practice: Choir Room  
7:00 pm: High School Youth Group: Gym | Third Sunday of Advent  
11:00 am: Sesiones de Formación de Fe: Gimnasio  
2:30 pm: Baptisms: Church  
2:30 pm: Posada: Gimnasio |
| **Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe: Wednesday, December 12** |  |
| Join us on this special day for Mary. We will begin the festivities with the traditional  
Mañanitas, which is singing to Our Lady of Guadalupe early in the morning at 5:00 am.  
Mass celebrated directly after at 5:30 am.  
After Mass, join us to continue the celebrations with a fellowship in the parish center (Gym). Enjoy hot, delicious menudo, coffee, and pan dulce. |  |
| **Fiesta de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe: el Miércoles 12 de Diciembre** |  |
| Acompáñanos en este día especial para María. Los festejos comienzan con las tradicionales Mañanitas  
a la Virgen de Guadalupe temprano a las 5:00 de la mañana.  
Misa celebrada a las 5:30 am.  
Después de la Misa, los invitamos a continuar las celebraciones en la convivencia en el centro parroquial (Gimnasio). Venga y disfrute menudo calientito, café y pan dulce. |  |
| **Save the date: Monday, December 17 at 7:00 pm**  
Communal Penance |  |
| **Apunte la fecha: el Lunes, 17 de Diciembre a las 7:00 pm**  
Servicios Penitenciales |  |
Schedule of Masses / Horario de las Misas:
Saturdays / Sábados: 5:30 pm
Sundays / Domingos: 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm Español
Weekdays / Entre Semana: 6:30 am

Our Family
- Congratulations and blessings to the Mayer Family who had a baptism last week.
- Please pray for those in our community who are ill, hurt, or going through a difficult time, especially, Rose Rios, Marie Shane, Johnie Jones, Mary Hiersh, Michael Madueña, Maria and Ken Gates, Estela Benavides, Rosemarie McGuire, Emile Monk, Marie Nagy, and Lidia Zerna.
- Please pray for those who have passed through death into a new life with Christ, especially Mary Lillian Torres, Ema Herrera, and Tom Suerdieck. May God grant them eternal rest.

Mass Readings for Sunday, December 16, 2018
Third Sunday of Advent
Reading 1: ZEP 3:14-18A
Reading 2: PHIL 4:4-7
Gospel: LK 3:10-18

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Giving honor to His word by our lives.
“Those who lack the courage will always find a philosophy to justify it.” - Albert Camus

World Youth Day 2019- Stateside Pilgrimage here in town- January 26– 27, 2019
World Youth Day (WYD) is an event for young Catholic people. It was initiated by Pope John Paul II in 1985. It is celebrated internationally every two to three years at different locations. Did you know that World Youth Day 2019 is taking place in Panama?!
Many of us are not able to make the pilgrimage to Panama so we are hosting a stateside pilgrimage!
The Family Faith Formation and Youth Ministries at Cathedral of the Annunciation are coming together to bring the experience of WYD to our local youth. Pick up your registration form at the Parish House or print it out online.
Www.annunciationstockton.org/ministries/world-youth-day-2019
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75th Anniversary Christmas Concert
Thank you to all who have donated to the Christmas Eve Concert! With these donations we are now able to hire a chamber orchestra and make this a wonderful event for our church. We are still accepting donations for this concert, which will go toward purchasing a beautiful Roland C-80 Digital Harpsichord, which sounds very much like a traditional harpsichord used during the times of Mozart and Bach! It also has beautiful organ sounds that we can use for all kinds of services, as well as for Sunday Masses with the choir. This instrument" cost 5,000 dollars and thanks to your generous donations we have purchased it. This instrument for the Cathedral will be used for generations to come! Maintenance will be minimal because it is a digital instrument! Checks can be made to "Cathedral of the Annunciation" or donations can be made online at our web page www.annunciationstockton.org and click on "Giving." From the bottom of our hearts we are grateful for your support and generosity.

Annunciation Advent Giving Tree
Traditionally, each year during the Christmas season, the Annunciation reaches out to help families experiencing difficult times in our community, to other parish communities and several agencies. How can you help? Here’s how . . .
There will be ornaments on the Advent Giving Tree with the age and gender of the recipients who will receive the gifts. We invite you to reflect on the many blessings you have been given. Perhaps you may want to discuss this with your family, a group of co-workers, or individually. We invite you to take as many ornaments as you’d like. Gift cards are welcomed and recommended. We ask that all items are new. Please bring the unwrapped items with the ornament attached, to Mass with you. You are invited to process up to the altar during the offertory procession. The Advent Tree works by referral. If you would like to refer a family from our parish, please call Alma or Mari at the Parish House at (209) 463-1305. Thank you for your generosity. Please bring gifts with you to Mass or to the parish house no later than December 16, 2018.

Annunciation School: Treasuring God’s Word
⇒ Save the date for the Annunciation School Crab Feed coming up Saturday, January 26, 2019, 5:30 pm - 11:00 pm. Tickets are on sale now on our website at www.annunciation-school.org/top-navigation/events. Enjoy this fun community event as you feast on steamed pacific oysters, delicious marinated crab, pasta, salad, Genova bread and dessert. Plus, you won’t want to miss out on some amazing raffle prizes and dancing. The Crab Feed is a great opportunity to gather together with your family, friends, and the longtime members of our Annunciation family! We hope to see you all there!
⇒ As part of their study of California missions, the fourth grade class spent the day on the ranch participating in various activities that reflected daily mission life.
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Invitation to SIMBANG GABI

Save the dates: December 16 to December 24, 2018

The Filipino-American Community of Annunciation Cathedral invites all parishioners to join the celebration of SIMBANG GABI, a series of nine (9) days of Novena Masses prior to Christmas. This starts on the evening of December 16 at 7:00 p.m. and ends at 6:30 in the morning of December 24, in preparation for the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Fellowship after each mass will be held in the Cafeteria, except on December 21 at St. Luke’s. Welcome ALL!

Las Posadas también comienzan el 16 de Dicembre
Por favor vea el calendario dentro de este boletín.

Catholic Charities ~ November

November is the month that brings to mind everything and everyone that we are grateful for. On behalf of Catholic Charities, I write to express deep gratitude for you and the Parish Community. Thank you for the generous support we received during the annual Catholic Charities Sunday appeal on September 23-24, 2018. The Parish’s contributions assist vulnerable people in need throughout the year and all of the funds help our neighbors within the Diocese of Stockton. Last year the Cathedral of the Annunciation collected $5,954.23, and this year the collection on CC Sunday totaled $7,039.45! On behalf of the many people served through our programs for seniors, veterans, immigrants, the homeless and low income individuals and families, thank very much.

Furthermore, the community of the Annunciation is also supporting the services of Catholic Charities Food Bank through the monthly food donations collected by the ministry “Sharing Our Daily Bread”. All of the food goes to struggling individuals / families within this neighborhood. Thank you for making these services possible during the holidays and all year.

Caridades Católicas ~ Noviembre

Noviembre es el mes que recordamos todo lo que agradecemos. En nombre de Caridades Católicas, escribo para expresar el profundo agradecimiento para usted y la comunidad parroquial. Gracias por el generoso apoyo que hemos recibido durante la colecta anual de Caridades Católicas el Domingo de apelación el 23 y 24 de Septiembre de 2018. Las contribuciones de la parroquia ayudan a las personas necesitadas durante todo el año y todos los fondos ayudan a nuestros vecinos dentro de la diócesis de Stockton. En la colecta del año pasado, la Catedral de la Anunciación dio $5,954,23 y este año subió a $7,039,45! En nombre de los que servimos con nuestros programas para seniors, veteranos, los inmigrantes, las familias y personas sin hogar y de bajos ingresos, muchísimas gracias.

Además, la comunidad de la Anunciación también apoya los servicios del banco de alimentos de Caridades Católicas a través de las donaciones de alimentos mensual recogidos por el ministerio de “Compartamos el Pan de Cada Día”. Toda la comida va a las familias necesitadas en la comunidad. Gracias por hacer estos servicios posibles durante los días festivos y durante todo el año.
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