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SAINT MARGARET MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024
THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
(Mass Propers available in the Parish Bulletin)

Dear Faithful,

We celebrate this Sunday the **Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**. In his 1854 encyclical, *Ineffabilis Deus*, which solemnly defined this article of faith, Bl. Pope Pius IX taught that the Church's tradition of honoring the conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the 8th of December is a proof in itself of its immaculate nature. The Church only honors with feast days saints and that which has been sanctified, therefore, the conception of the Blessed Virgin, being honored with its own feast day, must have been made holy and set apart from the transmission of original sin which ordinarily occurs in human conception.

The 12:30 Mass will be followed by **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**, with the chanted Litany of Loreto and the *Tota Pulchra*, followed by the recitation of the **Act of Consecration** to Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception. Please note that this will add about twenty-five minutes to the ceremonies. Afterwards, join us in Fr. Kozina Hall for a **special reception (and a raffle** for a lovely statue of Our Lady!) in honor of this feast day. On Monday, December 9, there will be an **extra Mass at 10 am**. Both the 10 am and 6 pm Masses this Monday will be Votive Masses of the Immaculate Conception.

Our diocese has **suffered a loss**. This past Tuesday morning, December 3, **Bishop Emeritus John S. Cummins**, the second Bishop of Oakland, passed away at the age of ninety-six. Please be sure to pray for the repose of the soul of this shepherd of souls. Please also read the letter of Bishop Michael Barber, and the funeral details, included in Flocknote.

It's the **Second Sunday of the month**, which means it's time to stop by Fr. Kozina Hall after the 7 am Mass to be refreshed with the company of your fellow faithful, and the breakfast of champions – hot coffee and donuts! Many Americans rely on this time-tested staple, including certain canons...

A big **"Thank you!"** to all who stopped by Fr. Kozina Hall last Sunday to sign Christmas cards for the **seminarians**. Your generosity will certainly be the source of **much comfort to these men** who persevere in their formation even when they cannot be with their loved ones over the holidays. There are a few cards left to sign, which will be made available in the hall after both the 7 am and 12:30 pm Masses.

The monthly dinner for our Apostolate's Men's Group, the **Men of St. Joseph**, will be **this Wednesday, December 11 at 7:15 pm** in Fr. Kozina Hall. Join us for a talk on **Our Lady of Guadalupe!** Also: time for Q&A, and a delicious catered dinner. Catholic men need fraternity among themselves, so we hope to see you there! RSVP by Tuesday morning, December 10, to Felipe Vázquez: MANofStJoseph@gmail.com or: 510-432-8995.

We will celebrate the **Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe this Thursday, December 12**. After the Mass, we will recite the **Act of Consecration** to Our Lady of Guadalupe, composed by Cardinal Raymond Burke, and thus bring to a close the nine-month Novena requested by His Eminence last April. Our Lady of Guada-



The Immaculate Conception, Francesco Preciado, 1750

lupe is the **Empress of the Americas**. Following this apparition, about nine-million Indians were converted to the Catholic Faith in just several years by looking upon the miraculous image she left on the tilma of St. Juan Diego.

Our monthly Sursum Corda event for **young adult Catholics** will take place next **Thursday, December 12**. The evening will begin at 6 pm with the Rosary recited in church, followed by a talk at 6:30 and then a social dinner. RSVP to Omar Jadallah-Karraa at: ojadallah858@gmail.com or (510) 612-7376.

There will be a **Chivalry Conference for young men** (ages 8-18) next **Saturday, December 14 from 11:30 am - 1:30 pm**, followed by lunch. Email Canon Norman to RSVP, for more information or to help with the organization.

Next **Sunday, December 15** is Gaudete Sunday. The parish **Christmas Market** is taking place after all Masses. We will not have our regular Sunday reception, but some refreshments will be made available on the sidewalk.

A **half-day Men's Retreat** is planned for Wednesday, February 19 from 9 am to 2 pm at St. Vincent's School for Boys in San Rafael (1 St. Vincent's Way). Email Canon Norman for more information or to RSVP.

Wishing you a blessed Sunday,
Canon Norman
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LITURGICAL CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date	Time	Mass of the Day	Celebrant	Intention
Sun. 12/8	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary <i>1st Class / White</i> Exposition & Act of Consecration after 12:30 Mass	Canon Norman	Anna Gelo
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			Jerome Ducasse
Mon. 12/9	10:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of the Immaculate Conception <i>4th Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Canon Benjamin Norman
	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>			Souls in Purgatory
Tue. 12/10	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Feria / Mass of the Second Sunday of Advent <i>3rd Class / Violet</i>	Canon Norman	Cody McClintock
Wed. 12/11	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Damasus, Pope & Confessor <i>3rd Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Albert Bocek†
Thurs. 12/12	12:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Our Lady of Guadalupe <i>2nd Class / White</i> <i>Act of Consecration after Mass</i>	Canon Norman	Laura Jane Buckley†
Fri. 12/13	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr <i>3rd Class / Red</i>	Canon Norman	Alexandre Silva
Sat. 12/14	10:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Feria / Mass of the Second Sunday of Advent <i>3rd Class / Violet</i>	Canon Norman	Gonzalez Family
Sun. 12/15	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Third Sunday of Advent ("Gaudete Sunday") <i>1st Class / Rose</i>	Canon Norman	Nei DeCourley, Jr.†
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			Candace Neely†

SACRAMENTS

Confessions are heard 30 minutes before each Mass, and also during the Adoration after the 6 pm Mass each Friday. Please contact Canon Norman if you are in need of or have questions regarding reception of any of the Sacraments.

CATECHISM CLASSES

Weekly catechism classes online: Please contact Canon Norman to request the Zoom link.

Youth Class: Tuesdays at 4:00 pm

Adult Class: Saturdays, at 2:30 pm

Prospective Catholics: contact Canon

NB: My Catholic Faith is once again available for purchase!

Flocknote: Sign up at [icksopoakland.flocknote.com](https://www.icksopoakland.flocknote.com) or text "ICKSPOakland" to 84576

PRAYER LISTS *

For the sick:

Thomas Henriksson	Gigi Cunningham	Peter Trong Nguyen
Lianne Claver	Msgr. David Link	Steve Farinaro
Marianne Martinez	Angie Gonzalez	Eurydice Buenger
Sylvia Duenas	Catherine Willis	Fil Marquez
Joshua Nascimento	Rick Pawek	Catherine Duenas
Lillian Jimenez	Diana Henriksson	Noe Perez
Tim Irving	Monica Roberts	LesleeRose Thomas
Ana Maria Sandoval		

For the repose of the souls of our beloved departed:

Canon Henrique Fragelli	Mme. Guillemette de Guernon
Msgr. Luciano Giovanetti	Count Wolfgang von Waldstein
Bernadette Moreau	Thomas Apple
Louisa Siu	Gabriel Fernandez
Fr. Prokop Jozef Zboron, OCarm	Fr. Alexander Snyder
Alan Wong	Carole Jenkins
Miguel Muñoz Ruiz	Allen Kuhl
Bishop Emeritus John Cummins	Barbara Smith

Requiescant in pace.

***Prayer lists:** If you wish to add a name or revise an entry on the prayer lists, please send an email to oakland@institute-christ-king.org. A longer list of the Apostolate's faithful departed is attached to the weekly Flocknote. *Thank you!*

UPCOMING EVENTS AND LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

December 8—Institute patronal feast day, plenary indulgence may be obtained under the usual conditions

December 9—Votive Mass of the Immaculate Conception, 10am & 6pm

December 11—Men's Group Dinner, 7:15 pm in Fr. Kozina Hall, RSVP to Felipe Vázquez: MANofStJoseph@gmail.com or 510-432-8995 by Tuesday morning, December 10

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SUNDAY SERMONS, BULLETINS & LIST OF EVENTS

Audio recordings of the Sunday sermons and digital copies of the Sunday bulletin can be found at the following links, respectively:

<https://institute-christ-king.org/oakland-sermons>

<https://institute-christ-king.org/bulletins-oakland>

List of current Apostolate events can be found at this link:

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"ASK A PRIEST LIVE!" RADIO PROGRAM

Canons from the Institute of Christ the King participate in a new LIVE radio show on The Station of the Cross Catholic Media Network, at 3PM Pacific Time each weekday. <https://thestationofthecross.com/askapriest/> Archived videos of past programs are available on Youtube: <https://www.youtube.com/@AskAPriestLive>

HOLY YEAR PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY, MAY 6-15, 2025

Jubilee Year 2025! Join Canon Benoît Jayr (Rector of St. Stanislaus in Milwaukee) of the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest on a 10-Day Holy Year Pilgrimage to Italy! Rome ~ Orvieto ~ Siena ~ Florence ~ Gricigliano ... For more information, to register, or view the incredible itinerary, visit <https://stcharlespilgrimages.com/jayr>.