

Saint Augustine Catholic Church

Oakland, California

• Third Sunday of Advent •

December 17th, 2023

[Dear St. Augustine Parishioners.](#)

Though we are only beginning the 3rd Week of Advent, it is essentially the final one, since this year, the 4th Week of Advent lasts about half a day. I hope that you are able to find some time for prayer or meditation and peace during this final week before Christmas. Perhaps you can use the words from the prophet Isaiah in the first reading from the third Sunday of Advent:

**I rejoice heartily in the LORD,
in my God is the joy of my soul;
for he has clothed me with a robe
of salvation**

**and wrapped me in a mantle of justice,
like a bridegroom adorned with a diadem,
like a bride bedecked with her jewels.**

Let us rejoice in the Lord!

Maranatha - Come, Lord Jesus!



Fr. John Prochaska

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Weekend Mass schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm Vigil Mass
Mass: Sunday, 10:00 am & 6:00pm

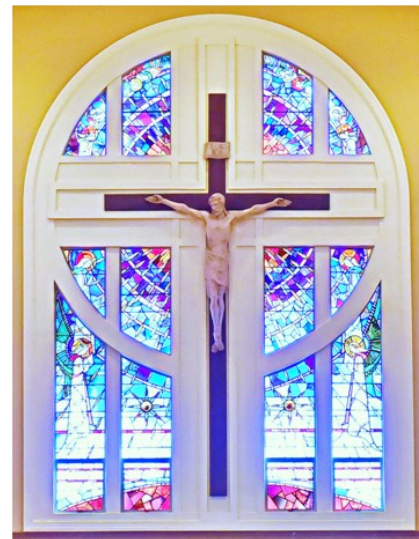
• Weekday Eucharist •

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 8:30 a.m.
Communion Service: Wednesday, 8:30 a.m.

• Sacrament of Reconciliation •

Saturday at 4 p.m.
Also upon Request

“ We are called by Christ to love Him, to follow Him and to bring Him to the world.”



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PARISH NEWS

Welcome

If you recently moved into the neighborhood and have been attending our parish, we would love to invite you to pick up a registration form located on the table in the back of the church next to the hospitality table. You may drop it off in the collection basket at your convenience.

December 10th plate Collection—\$1,245. Thank you for your generosity.

Donations

For anyone who would like to donate to our parish via PayPal, please go to the website and click the Donate link.

If you would like to mail a check, you may send it to 400 Alcatraz Ave.,
Oakland, CA 94609

If you would like to drop it off at the rectory, you may put it in the slot by the rectory front door. It is located on the bottom left side wall. Please do not leave an envelope in the mail box.

Important Websites and TV Channels

EWTN—Masses televised daily.

AT&T UVerse—Channel 562—No HD.

Comcast: 33 (SD), 291 (SD), 1668 (HD)

Vatican website: Vatican.va

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: usccb.org

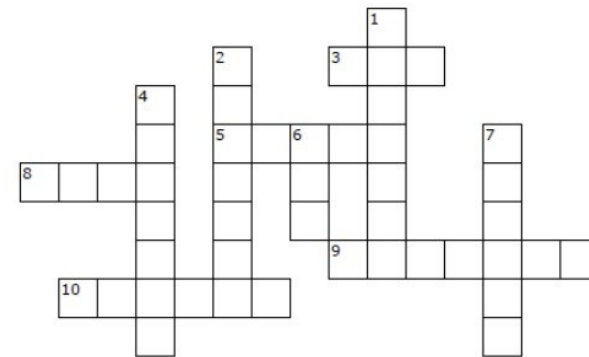
Bishop Barron: wordonfire.org

Our SVDP second collection is scheduled for the weekend of December 30th & 31st

Question of the Week

For Adults: What work of justice could you do this week to bring someone joy?

For Children: What could you do for someone this week to make them happy?



ACROSS

- 3. An adult male human
- 5. A source of illumination, such as a lamp, or a lantern
- 8. The man sent from God to prepare the way for Jesus
- 9. To give evidence based on personal knowledge
- 10. To reply to a question

DOWN

- 1. To immerse in water
- 2. To be convinced that something is true
- 4. To admit that something is true
- 6. The creator of the heavens, earth and its people
- 7. The Messiah, as foretold by the prophets

CHRIST	ANSWER	MAN	JOHN	BAPTIZE
TESTIFY	LIGHT	BELIEVE	CONFESS	GOD

The Light of the World

There came a man who was sent from God; his name was John. He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light. John 1:6, 8 (NIV)
 Based on John 1:6-8, 19-28 (NIV)



R L P R O P H E T E M E S V X
 F N W E G I W Y N Y Z A U N K
 R K A L E C Y H N I Y C N T P
 U L T I O G O A T N S H S C R
 J T E J X J D P A K Y R N O I
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BETHANY	JOHN	BELIEVE	SENT	LEVITES
CHRIST	TESTIFY	NAME	GOD	WATER
JORDAN	BAPTIZE	JERUSALEM	CONFESS	PRIESTS
LIGHT	PROPHET	ELIJAH	MAN	WITNESS

WEEKLY CALENDAR

- 8:30 am Holy Mass
Thursdays
- 4 pm Reconciliation
Saturdays
- 5:00 pm Vigil Mass
Saturdays
- 10:00 am Sunday Holy Mass
- 6:00 pm Sunday Holy Mass
- 7:00 pm Weekday Rosary on Zoom

IN OUR PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill:
 Sam Wolfe, Laura Patterson, Antonio Custodio, Kaitlyn Riddle, Laura Ferreira, and Anabelle Espe.

And those who have died:
 Fr. Bob Mendonca, Clifford Wiesner, all the victims of the Coronavirus, and all the souls in Purgatory who have no one to pray for them.

Mass Intentions

10 am Holy Mass
Gustavo Hernandez (-)

6 pm Holy Mass
Parishioners & Benefactors

SCHEDULE OF CHRISTMAS MASSES AND SERVICES

Fourth Sunday of Advent
Sunday, December 24
Holy Mass @ 10:00 am

Christmas Eve
Sunday, December 24
Children's Mass @ 5:00 pm

No 6 pm Mass

Lessons and Carols @ 11:30 pm
Midnight Mass @ 12:00 am

Christmas Day
Monday, December 25
Holy Mass @ 10:00 am

Holy Family Mass
Sunday, December 31st
Holy Mass @ 10:00 am

No 6 pm Mass

New Years Day Mass
Monday, January 1
Holy Mass @ 10:00 am