

Saint Augustine Catholic Church

Oakland, California

• The Nativity of the Lord •

December 25th, 2023

[Dear St. Augustine Parishioners.](#)

May you be filled with the Christmas blessings of joy and peace. On that first Christmas night, the angels announced to the shepherds:

I proclaim to you good news of great joy and “Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”



Yes, life can be difficult and even unfair. Yet, we believe in God who desired to become one with us, with all the joys and sorrows, and all the blessings and challenges of life.

May we find our true and lasting joy and peace in Christ, born to us as our Savior.

A very blessed Christmas to you.

Fr. John Prochaska

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Weekend Mass schedule

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

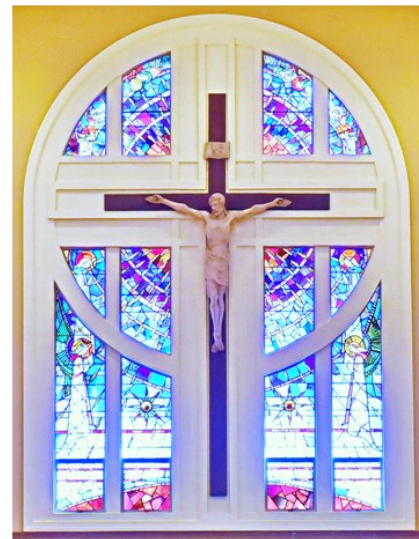
• Weekday Eucharist •

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 17th plate Collection—\$1,139. 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 next weekend, December 30th & 31st

Question of the Week

For Adults: How do you open your heart to what God wants for you? How do you follow the pathway that leads to happiness?

For Children: Is there something hard you need to do this week? What might make it easier?

An Angel Visits Mary

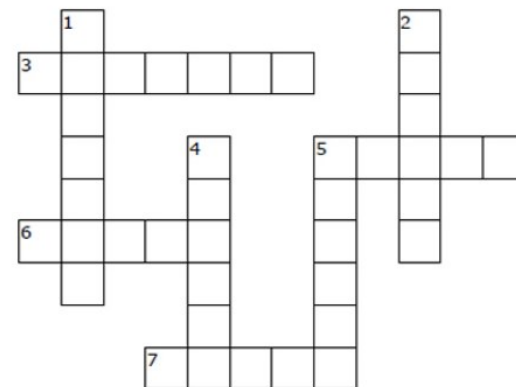
You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. Luke 1:31 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 1:26-38



K V G J E U J H T U Z G T J N
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 P D N W U E J N F O R M O O B
 C J K G L L I O W N N O R S D
 H B E E D G X E S N R O N Z B
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ELIZABETH	JESUS	JOSEPH	BORN	AFRAID
SON	KINGDOM	DAVID	GABRIEL	BIRTH
MARY	TOWN	ANGEL	THRONE	VIRGIN



ACROSS

- 3. To be joined together as husband and wife
- 5. A heavenly being; a messenger for God
- 6. The son who was born to Mary
- 7. A very young person especially between infancy and youth

DOWN

- 1. The name of the angel who appeared to Mary
- 2. A young unmarried woman; a maiden
- 4. The man to whom Mary was engaged to marry
- 5. To be filled with fear

JOSEPH	MARRIED	AFRAID	VIRGIN
GABRIEL	CHILD	ANGEL	JESUS

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

Childrens' Christmas Mass
Parishioners & Benefactors

Monday Christmas Mass
James McGonagle (+)

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