

St. Angela Merici

Catholic Church

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Saint Angela Merici A Stewardship Parish

The Pastoral Ministry

Rev. Michael-Dwight

Pastor

Rev. Anthony Vu

Parochial Vicar

Deacon Benjamin Flores

Deacon Mike Shaffer

Deacons

Rev. Dan Mc Sweeney

Sunday Ministry

Celebration of the Eucharist

Monday-Friday

6:30 am & 8:00 am

Saturday

8:00 am & 5:00 pm Vigil,

Sunday

7:45 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am

12:45 Spanish & 5:00 pm

Adoration Chapel

Monday-Friday

9:00 am - 12:00 midnight

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm or
by Appointment

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

8:00 am - 2:00 pm

4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Friday

8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Saturday & Sunday

8:30 am - 12:00 Noon



Feast of The Baptism of Christ
January 10, 2016
The Year of Mercy

Ready to take a dip? Well, not literally and not again, but the Feast of the Baptism of Christ is our yearly reminder that at one time all of us *took a dip* into the waters of baptism and that *dip* infused us with the possibility of experiencing God, our lives, and our perception of the world in a way that we would have not experienced otherwise. Baptism is truly the feast that never ends! It awakes within us the beauty that exists in each of us because it is our baptism that transforms our perceptions of ourselves and boldly proclaims in an intimate tone from heaven: *that we are God's beloved ... in whom he is well pleased* (Luke 3). Our baptism is that constant reminder that we are redeemable. ... when *the kindness and generous love of God our savior appeared not because of any righteousness we had done but because of his mercy* (Titus 2). It is precisely in our common baptism that we are reminded that it is God who makes the impossible --- possible, and that we are literally filled to the brim with what we have always thought is beyond our reach. Our commitment to the waters of life is that constant reminder over and over again that God offers to us the very best, and it is Christ Jesus who makes sense of our lives which we often experience as "making no sense" and giving it purpose, meaning, and dignity. It is our share in Christ's baptism that what we often "reject" within ourselves is embraced by God and in his mercy proclaims we are a people worth being redeemable: ... *comfort, give comfort to my people ... speak tenderly and proclaim that her service is at an end; her guilt is expiated* (Isaiah 40).

READY TO TAKE THE DIP?

The Baptism of Christ and our baptism invites us to become the "meeting place of the mind of our culture that often does not embrace the goodness of each person, but only enhances the personal pleasure of life. We are invited to be that central core of mercy and hope when the faith life of world is saturated more by doubt and fear and who surrender to the hopelessness and despair of a disinterested world. Our baptism promises invites us in a world that is saturated by "one up and profit" to ...*open the heart of God's mercy* when our global experience is one of hatred, violence, and filled with fear and terrorism. *Baptismal Mercy* embolds us to stand up for what is right and not merely curdle in a fetal position and the world go to hell in a hand-basket!

Christ's life never ceases to move forward and our faith must be one which also moves with the "flow of the waters of baptism" that was once poured on our heads and bodies taking us from the depths of the waters to rise, stand up and become witnesses of *not what is impossible ...but what is possible: ... every valley shall be filled in ... every mountain and hill shall be made low; the rugged land shall be made a plain, the rough country, a broad valley ...* (Isaiah 40). God does not demand that we all become #1, but that our lives lived in Christ and grounded in his baptism will be the motivate grace us to make a difference so mercy will surely transform and transfigure all who touch upon our lives. A tall expectation? Perhaps, but *not* an impossible dream that can become a living experience of life.

Today's feast is *our* feast! Living our baptismal promises is *not* about living out our personal needs that disrespects the baptismal dignity of others, rather, it is that constancy that reminds us of the mercy of God which boldly and loudly proclaims that we are all embraced in the dignity of Christ in our shared baptism. Baptism is our redemption from hedonism. Without baptism we live lives which ultimately become grounded in the values that robs us our true potential and reduces others to a New Year Sale in which we begin to perceive ourselves and others as merely as "80% off the regular price." God has made us 100% and our baptism and this feast reminds us that our faith is about being a people who have been touched by the mercy of God beyond words ... to the washing of water in which mercy is poured literally over our bodies and makes its way into the paths of our lives: ... *here comes the Lord God .. like a shepherd he feeds his flock; in his arms he gathers ... carrying and leading the ewes with care and mercy ...* (Isaiah 40). The invitation on this wonderful feast: ... *ready to take a dip again into the life we once professed?* It is in remembering, recalling, and reclaiming the water that once pierced our lives that we will be renewed, rejuvenated, and energized to once again venture into our world transforming lives and hearts and paving a way into the ... *heart of God's Mercy!*

Father Michael-Dwight

BAPTIZED INTO RECOGNITION OF SIGNIFICANCE

In this Holy Year of Mercy, one thing to consider is the notion of "Compassion Fatigue." It is a phenomena experienced by many care givers who work frequently or regularly with suffering people or animals. It's a rather complex condition, but in many ways it is simply a "deadening" of the heart. Human beings can only handle so much stress and suffering before they become affected by those they encounter, and begin a form of emotional withdrawl. The Baptism of the Lord presents us with an analogous but less consequential problem that we can think of as "Wonder Fatigue."



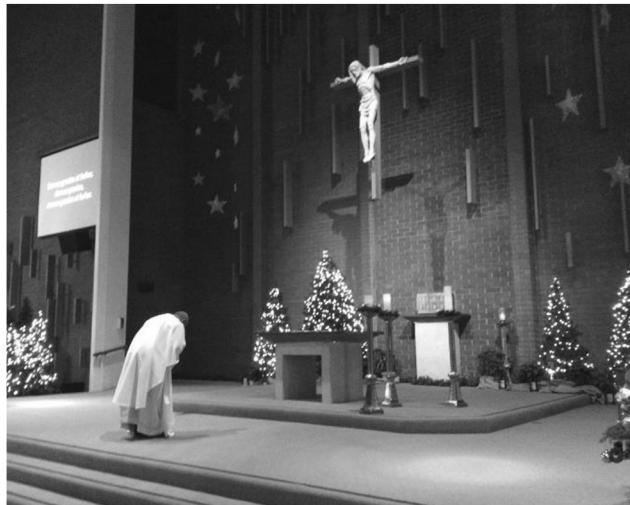
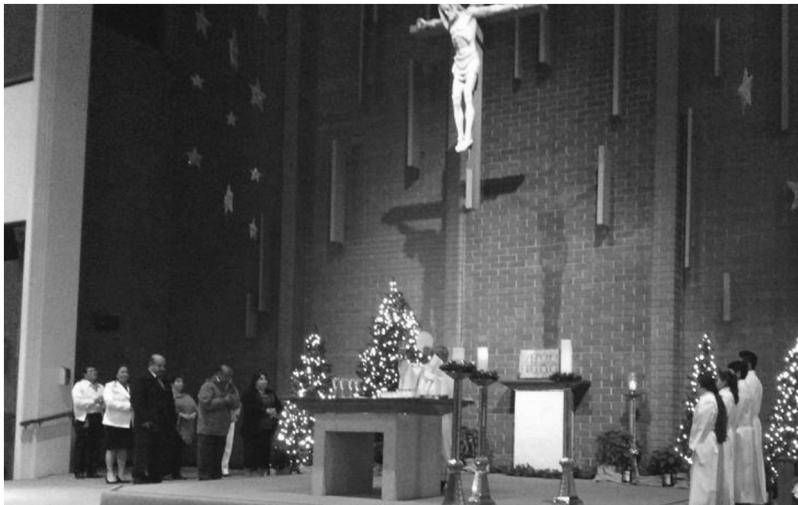
At the end of the Christmas Season each year we encounter the story of Jesus being baptized by John the Baptist. We are so familiar with the idea of baptism that we treat the events as simply familiar facts; however, because of our Wonder Fatigue, perhaps we don't even bother to wonder about what might actually be going on. When we quit asking questions, we begin to withdraw from the important Gift of the Holy Spirit, which is Wonder and Awe. Perhaps, the basis of Compassion Fatigue is Wonder Fatigue, when we close ourselves off from the gift and mystery of creation, often revealed in the suffering of others.

One of the tendencies of people is to conflate the Matthew account of the Lord's Baptism with the Luke account, which we encounter this year. The testimony of the Father that, "This is my beloved Son..." is a public proclamation in Matthew, but a more intimate and intense moment for Jesus in Luke's account. There is a lot that could be said about the different renditions of the events following the baptism itself, but for our purposes we cannot go into all of that. Suffice it to say that in St. Luke's account, the baptismal event has already taken place and Jesus is gathered in prayer with unnamed others when the Spirit bodily descends in the form of a dove. Most likely, the intent of the writer was to convey an actual physical event, not purely a symbolic one. Right after that, according to the Gospel account, Jesus is thrust into the wilderness to undergo the temptations we hear about in Lent.

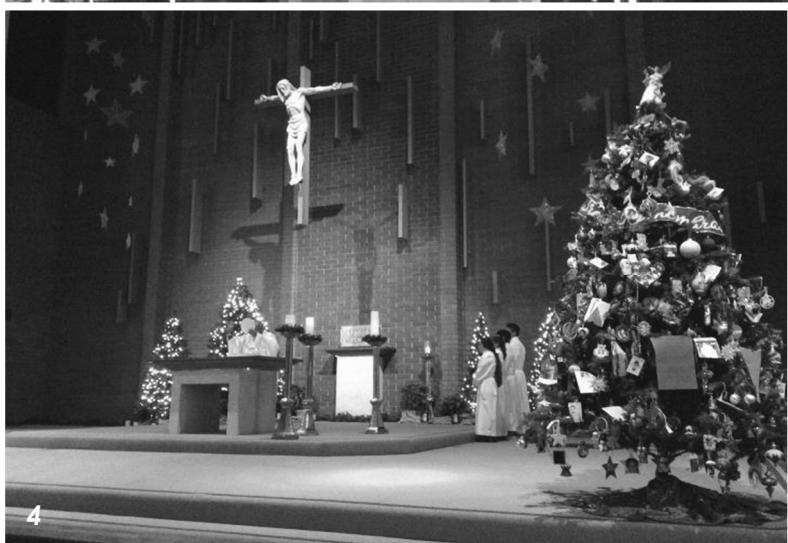
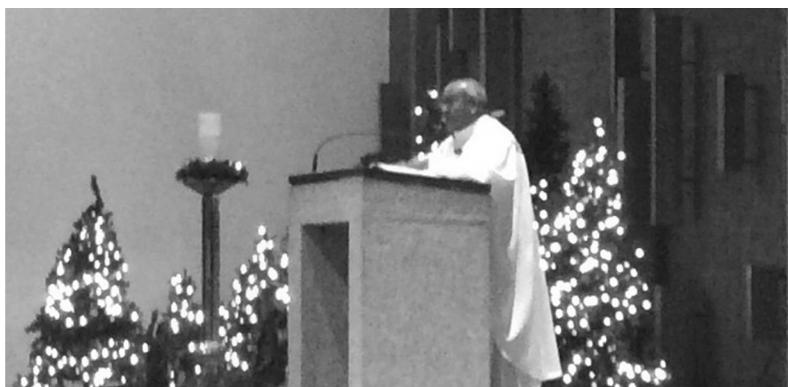
Was the affirmation of the Father a sort of generic testimony to the whole life of Jesus, or did Jesus accomplish something really special by being baptized by John in the Jordan? We can't really know for certain, but when we don't even ask such a question, is that because of indifference or Wonder Fatigue? Either way, the Holy Year of Mercy is going to be a difficult experience if we close ourselves off from the blessings of the Holy Spirit because we no longer allow ourselves to engage in wonder and awe. Maybe the Baptism of the Lord is a heart check for us in discerning how much capacity we have to care enough to actually be merciful. So often we mouth words of assent without actually engaging ourselves at a heart level when it comes to some of those difficult gospel demands.

We do not know what Jesus' life was like after his adventure in the Temple we heard about two weeks ago. There is much speculation about all the hidden aspects of our Lord's journey from age twelve to thirty. Perhaps, like us, he had to encounter his own demons as grew and matured, which may have led him finally to be baptized in the Jordan. We have no idea of the relationship Jesus had with his cousin John—many have debated such things over the twenty-two centuries since those events occurred. We only know that Jesus was baptized and God was pleased. Perhaps, while Jesus' baptism was not sacramental in the same way ours are, maybe it demonstrates a whole new way of looking at sacraments—as demonstrations of significance in the growth of our relationship with God. Who can say? All we can do is wonder and ask for mercy from one another.

Chuck Andersen
Worship Council



MISA DE GALLO





WELCOMING THE NEW YEAR!



Response Procedures Quick Reference Guide

George Ullrich, our *Emergency Awareness Coordinator at Saint Angela* has created a detailed *Emergency Plan* for our parishioners in the event of a natural disaster. The next few weeks we will be presenting our *Parish Plan* in segments. Please take the time to review the document. Often we do not adequately prepare ourselves. Be pro-active and prepare! Be ready for unexpected so all of us will be knowledgeable of how to respond in an event of emergency.

- Keep Calm
- **CALL 911.** Do not hang up on the 911 Operator unless instructed to do so.
- Quickly evaluate the situation and determine the need for additional outside assistance.
- Notify 911 Operator of the following:
 - o **School Address:** 575 South Walnut, Brea CA 92821 (near the intersection of Fir & Walnut)
 - o **Church Address:** 585 South Walnut, Brea CA 92821
 - o Type of Emergency
 - o Level of Emergency
 - o Number of persons injured or missing
 - o Any other helpful details

DOWNED POWER LINES

- Call "911" and provide the exact location (e.g., building, room, area) of the downed lines and any known injuries.
- Do not touch power lines.
- If water and power lines made contact, isolate the area and do not enter or touch the areas or victims in contact with water.
- If gas, water or an electrical line is broken, an effort should be made to turn off water or power to the affected area and only if it is safe to do so, notify the Incident Leader immediately.
- Upon notice of loss of utilities, the Incident Leader will initiate appropriate Immediate Protective Actions, which may include SHELTER-IN-PLACE, or EVACUATE BUILDING (see section 17. & 18. Protective Actions).
- If the loss of utilities may generate a risk of explosion, such as a gas leak, refer to section 9. EARTH-QUAKE OR EXPLOSION.
- The Incident Leader will notify Maintenance personnel.

- Local Maintenance personnel, working with administration, will contact the affected utility company to determine whether their assistance is required and the potential length of time service will be interrupted.
- As needed, emergency supplies will be utilized to compensate for the loss of a utility.

MEDICAL EMERGENCY

- Call for help in a loud voice; Dial 911 and provide the exact location, nature of emergency and number of persons needing medical assistance.
- Remain with the individual(s) having the medical emergency.
- Stay calm and disperse bystanders if necessary.
- If necessary, locate an individual with First Aid, CPR and AED training while awaiting emergency service.
- If possible, determine the person's name, age, complaint and medications being taken.
- Provide appropriate First Aid
 - o See attached section 19. CPR & Choking First Aid
- Avoid handling bodily fluids or clothing stained by them.
- During Mass, Ushers should assist with the following:
 - o Locating a parishioner with First Aid, CPR and AED training
 - o Clearing parking area for emergency equipment
 - o Providing crowd control
 - o Assisting priest, if necessary, in making an announcement
- Location of AED Equipment:
 - o Parish Center AED and First Aid Kit: in left closet behind front desk
 - o Church AED: In Usher's Room
 - o Church First Aid Kit: In Bride's Room

Open your heart and pantry to your neighbors in need!

Food Drive for the A.C.T. Office

Please bring your filled bags and boxes to Eucharist on
Saturday, January 16th
Sunday, January 17th

Place your gifts at the collection tables in the plaza.

*Cash, checks, and
Cougar grocery store
scrip gladly accepted!*

Food donations may also be
brought to the parish

A.C.T. Office,

Mon. Wed. • Fri

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

*The Active Christians Today
ministry sincerely thanks you for
your generosity!*



Another
PACK 811
Community Service
Project



ITEMS NEEDED MOST

- Bottled Water
- Pancake Mix
- Pancake syrup
- Canned Chicken
- Ravioli
- Tuna
- Spam
- Corn Beef
- Cooking Oil
- Sugar
- Old Fashioned Oatmeal
- Cereal dry
- Oatmeal Packets
- Canned Fruits
- Corn
- Peas
- Mixed Veggies
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Gatorade/Powerade
- Small Juices
- Snack Chips Varieties
- Powdered Milk
- Can milk
- Cake mix
- Brownie mix
- Olives
- Flour
- White and brown rice (1lb bag or larger)
- Pinto beans (1lb bag or larger)
- Canned Soups
- Razors
- Deodorants

Father Michael-Dwight's THANK YOU!



I wanted to express my deep appreciation for all the cards, letters, messages, texts, emails, food and gifts! I am deeply touched by your care and prayers. I am doing fine. I am able to walk, dress, wash, and get around, and work in the office each day. I saw some of you at the Christmas Eve Eucharist and on the Feast of the Holy Family. Although the doctor and therapist say ... walk, walk, walk, I am still taking it slow, but I never expected to be up and moving within two weeks! I hope all of you had a blessed Christmas and I extend my very best for a new year that is filled with much happiness and peace.

Father Michael-Dwight

New Altar Server Training 2016

Mark your calendars!
Students in the 5th to 8th Grade
are welcome.

The student and a parent are required to attend the first session. Parents will be dismissed after the thirty minute introduction and review of the program.

**The child is also required to attend
3 of the 4 remaining sessions.**

Training dates are:

***** REQUIRED *****

Sat. Jan. 23, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

Sat. Jan. 30 10:00 AM-12:00 PM
Sat. Feb. 06 10:00 AM-12:00 PM
Sat. Feb. 20 10:00 AM-12:00 PM
Sat. Feb. 27 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

For questions, please contact:
Cynthia Weiner **714/529-8271**
Erin Johnnie **714/256-9323**

e-mail: stangelaaltarservers@gmail.com

START YOUR LENTEN SEASON WITH OUR PARISH MISSION

Monday 2/15 to Wednesday 2/17:
Sessions at 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Speaker: Fr. Tom McCarthy, O.S.A.



Father Tom is an experienced teacher, administrator, retreat director and parish mission preacher. He has given missions at many parishes throughout the whole country, including a few in our Diocese of Orange. Please start your Lenten journey on a good note with this faith-filled mission.

Theme:
*THE SACRAMENTS,
THE TREASURES OF OUR FAITH*

Evening 1
*The Sacraments of Initiation – Baptism,
Eucharist and Confirmation*

Where do you feel comfortable and welcome? Why did Jesus like to party so much? Do you know who the lost member of the Trinity is? What do bowling shoes have to do with Confirmation?

These questions and many more will be pondered and hopefully answered on Monday night. Will you be there to find the answers or will you miss out and wonder forever?

Evening 2
*The Sacraments of Healing – Anointing of the Sick
and Reconciliation*

Why is Hollywood boycotting Vatican II? What is the difference between the 5th and 6th Commandments? Find out why the Brea Police Department will be flooded with calls on Tuesday night.

You do not want to miss this night – come and find out why!

Evening 3
*The Sacraments of Vocation – Matrimony
and Holy Orders*

Find out why you should never get married. Come and get your dishtowel.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION SESSIONS

This year we will be sharing on a few but our main focus will be faith sharing on the Sunday readings. Please bring a Bible and writing paper.

January 14, at 7:00-8:30 PM

Topic: DVD-Confirmation

Faith Sharing Baptism of the Lord

January 17, at 8:00-9:15 AM

January 21, at 7:00-8:30 PM

Topic: DVD-Anointing of the Sick

Faith Sharing 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 19, at 7:00-9:00 PM (Tuesday)

October Baby-Movie (Rated PG-13)

All are invited! Credit for Confirmation and First Eucharist parents, and make up class for Confirmation students (student must be accompanied by a parent).

January 24, at 8:00-9:15 AM

January 28, at 7:00-8:30 PM

Topic: Eucharist-Guest Speaker Deacon Mike

Space is limited so please RSVP if you wish to attend one of the above sessions. Please contact Andrea Draper **714/529-1821 ext. 136** OR amd.stangela@gmail.com.

Please note: For those arriving 15 minutes (or more) after start time you will be asked to reschedule for another session.

ADORATION CHAPEL



A new Day! A new Time! A new Year! The Year of Mercy! Take all of your troubles and worries from last year, place them in a bag, and come to the Chapel! All of those arguments with your family over money, the deal you lost at work last year. neighbors who do not seem to like you, all of it goes into a bag and place it before the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel. Offer your bag to the Lord and He will take it from you, giving the answers that you need to go on with your life. This is the Year of Mercy!

When you come to the Lord's Chapel, the Lord is always ready to listen. St. Clement of Alexandra says "Even if we speak with a low voice, even if we whisper without opening the lips, even if we call to God only from the depths of the heart, our unspoken word always reaches God and God always hears!"

This is the time to become an adorer (One who prays an hour in the Chapel a week.) Call Irene at **714/526-6011**. She will get you started. A new Day!, A new Time ! A new Year!

Please Pray For...



Please pray for those suffering the effects of terror and war, and for the safety of our soldiers & their families.

Please pray for the Sick of our Parish

including: Josefina Serna Lara, Patrick Hanifin, Eduardo Villareal, Martin & Marian Vertson, Brian Baggott, Marilyn Charron, Bob Murray, Martha Ramirez, Robis Garcia and Dan Nino.

Please also pray for the deceased of our Parish

including: Dorothy Brewer, Nemesio Vara, Pedro Gutierrez, Camille Stoebner, Christopher Mutch, Jose Carmen Gordillo and Lucy Del Vecchio.



INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Mon 01/11	6:30 am	David Scott
	8:00 am	Martha Ho & Our Parents †
Tue 01/12	6:30 am	Madeline Wheeler †
	8:00 am	Evelyn Francuz
Wed 01/13	6:30 am	Richard Bonin †
	8:00 am	Mary Ann Wray †
Thur 01/14	6:30 am	Cathryn Whiteman †
	8:00 am	Ramon & Corazon
Fri 01/15	6:30 am	Katherine Miller †
	8:00 am	Pam Dietrich & Deidre Allevato
Sat 01/16	8:00 am	Kathleen Hanifin †
	5:00 pm	Anita McElligott †
Sun 01/17	7:45 am	Blanca "Tita" Cosme †
	9:30 am	Yvette Velasco †
	11:15 am	Wanda Valenzuela
	12:45 pm	Maria Mendoza Miranda †
	5:00 pm	The People of St. Angela

Bereavement Support Group



The Bereavement Support Group will meet **Thursday, January 14, at 7:00 PM** in St. John Vianney. A guidance professional facilitator will be present for those who have recently experienced the death of a loved one. For more information please contact Beulah Eckes at **714/529-0639**.

Invitation to Ministry



29th Evening Adoration:	(714)529-1592	Guerreros de Yahve:	(562)340-3599
John Garcia		Eloy Cabrera	
Active Christians Today (A.C.T.):		Grupo de Oración:	(714)529-1592
Maria Fulton, Coordinator	(714)529-6776 x 142	John Garcia	
Yarmniz Garcia	(714)529-6776 x 144	Healing Eucharist / Charismatic Prayer Group:	(714)525-8539
Jan Zylla	(714)529-6776 x 143	Jude Catania	
Adoration Ministry:		Jóvenes Españoles Eucaristía:	
Dave Engels	(714)992-1306	Jorge Pilo	(562)450-6913
Administrative Assistant/SP-Weddings & Quinceañeras:		Sonia Villanueva	(562)612-5622
Ana Rodriguez	(714)529-1821 x 110	Knights of Columbus:	
Adult Faith Formation		Fabian Fragiao	(714)577-8644
Andrea Draper	(714)529-1821 x 136	Las Posadas:	
Altar Server Ministry:		Gloria Wade	(714)529-5513
Cynthia Weiner	(714)529-8271	Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers:	
Erin Johnnie	(714)256-9323	Steve Allevato	(714)746-3677
Audio & Visual Ministry:		Marian Rosary & Sacred Heart Hour :	
Jason Padilla	(714)329-1917	Joan Hosek	(714)983-7560
Baptism Preparation:		Marriage Encounter:	
Andrea Draper - English	(714)529-1821 x 136	John & Maggie Lee	(714)873-5136
Jose Lopez - Spanish	(562)697-0650	Men's :	
Bereavement Support Group:		John Cushing - Fellowship	(714)213-1953
Beulah Eckes	(714)529-0639	Frank Locaino - Recon	(714)944-6946
Bible Study AM & PM:		Ministerio de Hospitalidad:	
Carolyn Mabie - AM	(714)738-8000	Tano Gonzales	(714)225-3540
Andrea Draper - PM	(714)529-1821 x 136	Ministerio Liturgico	
Bodas Comunitarias:		Maria Figueroa	(714)255-8365
Deacon Benjamin Flores	(714)240-1289	Monaguillos & Grupo Mikael:	
Boy Scouts:		Jose & Teresa Macias	(714)255-0928
Mark Jostin	(714)526-7606	Parish Life:	
Bread of Angels Ministry (Saturday Hospitality):		Sue de Grasse	(714)529-1821 x 126
Phil Vasquez	(714)390-1208	Pastoral Council:	
Children's Faith Formation :		Nick Pulone	(714)674-0650
April Carter	(714)529-1821 x 132	Pastoral Care Council:	
Lety Garcia	(714)529-1821 x 168	Bob Lanphar	(714)809-8753
Children's Liturgy of the Word		Quinceañeras:	
William & Karen Mangold	(714)993-2267	Yolanda Orozco	(323)350-4310
Church Sacristan Ministry:		RCIA & Breakfast and Travel Club:	
Rebeca Rodriguez	(714)256-0638	Mary Cobb	(714)529-1821 x 113
Franz & Lanny Liem	(714)529-1821	Receptionist:	
Confirmation Faith Formation:		Liz Lyles	(714)529-1821 x 146
Kristi Biederman	(714)529-1821 x 117	Sagrada Familia:	
Consejo de San Pablo - (Spanish Worship) :		Jesus Flores	(562)753-4659
Leticia Garcia	(714)529-2337	School (Principal):	
Coros Unidos:		Nancy Windisch	(714)529-6372
Rafael Bucia	(714)529-1821	Sick, Elderly, & Homebound:	
Cub Scouts:		Bob Lanphar	(714)809-8753
Jim Remley	(714)348-3711	Stewardship:	
Cursillo:		Gene Passafiume	(714)524-2874
Yolanda McCargar	(562)691-2818	Ushers & Restorative Justice:	
Detention Ministry:		Phil Vasquez	(714)390-1208
Jan Urban	(714)879-7663	Virgen Peregrina:	
Ejercito Azul (Spanish Rosary):		Rebeca Rodriguez	(714)256-0638
Lola Flores	(562)694-5878	Website-Bulletin Publication:	
Emergency Resource Response Ministry:		Dahlia Cortezano-Dean	(714)529-1821 x 164
George Ullrich	(714)267-6132	Wedding Coordinators:	
Empezar de Nuevo		Gloria Knapp	(714)990-2483
Vincente Pineda	(714)906-3040	Welcome, Fellowship & Hospitality:	
Encuentro Matrimonial:		Peter Toller	(714)528-4305
Jaime & Lorena Hernandez	(714)519-1688	Women's Group P.A.L.S.:	
Environment & Facilities Coordinator		Gloria Pena - AM	(714)879-0639
Bonnie Garcia	(714)529-1821 x 114	Donna Schafer - PM	(714)990-8414
Evangelization		Worship Council:	
Steve Allevato	(714)746-3677	Chuck Andersen	(858)539-3531
Faith Formation Council & Worship Council:		Worship Ministry:	
Parish Center Office	(714)529-1821	Nancy Peralta	(714)529-1821 x 162
Finance:		Chuck Andersen	(858)539-3531
Connie Lanzisera	(714)529-1821 x 111	Sue de Grasse	(714)529-1821 x 126
Finance Council:		Mike Neis	(714)528-6770
Dennis Dascanio	(714)680-6202	Eric LeVan - Accompanist	(714)313-9656
Formación de Fe para Niños:		Sydney Alcaraz - Youth	(714)529-1821 x 115
Leticia Garcia	(714)529-1821 x 134	Jenna Cushing - Youth	(714)529-1821 x 115
Girl Scouts:		Youth, Young Adult, Jr. Hgh & S.A.M. School:	
Amy Hinz	(562)253-8901	Danny Serna - Youth Ministry	(714)529-1821 x 147
Giving Tree:		Liz Serna - Youth Ministry	(714)529-1821 x 115
Janis Franz	(714)255-0685	Lety Garcia - Jr. Hi	(714)529-1821 x 169
Gospel Of Life Council (Restorative Justice):			
Phil Vasquez	(714)390-1208		