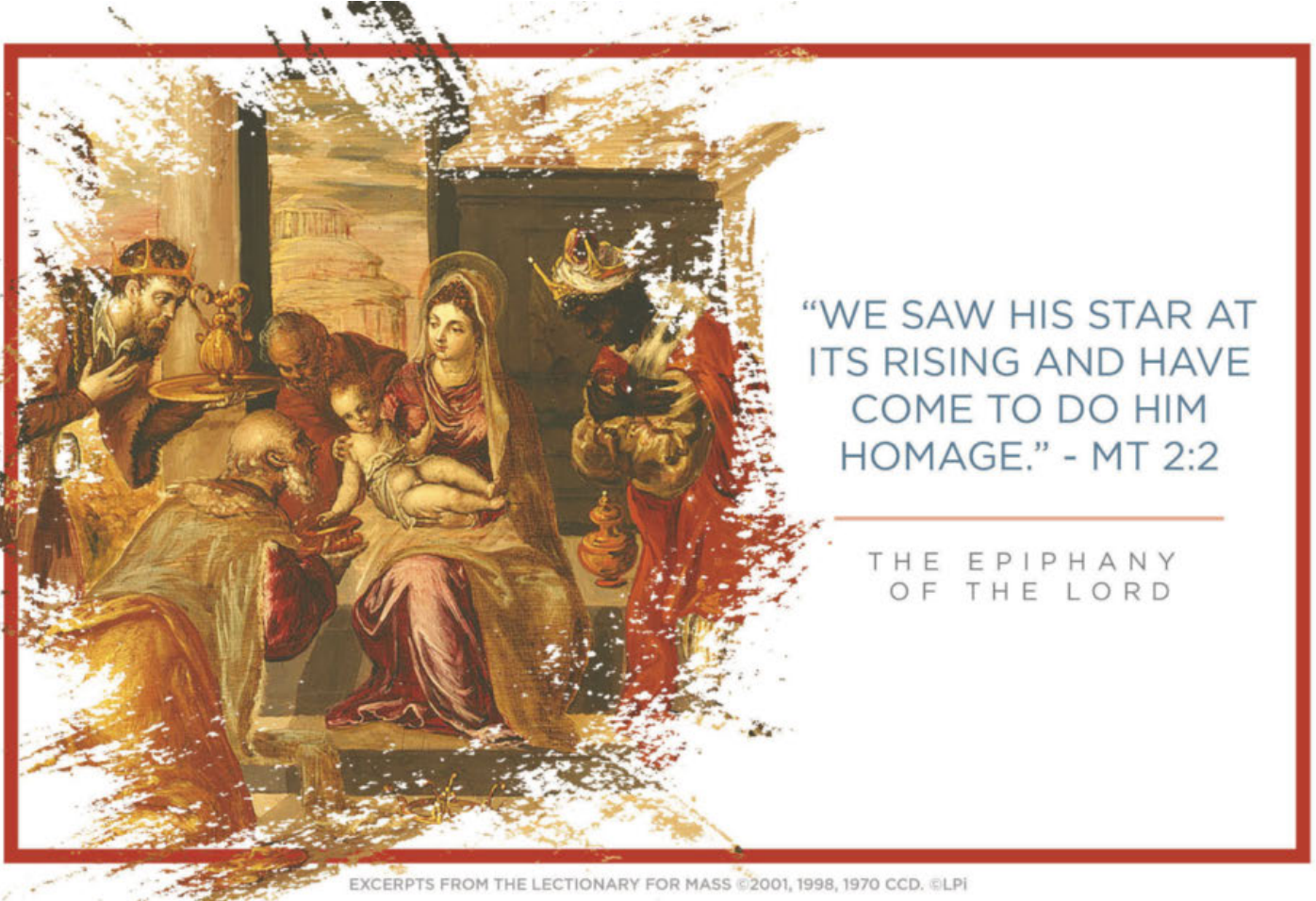


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JANUARY 7, 2024 | THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



OUR MISSION

We, the family of St. Angela Merici Catholic Church, welcome all to our parish of spirit-filled worship. We celebrate our love for Jesus and our diversity through faith formation, evangelization, and service.

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Rev. Manuel Lopez

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Bruce Patterson

In Residence

Parish Deacon

Deacon Benjamin Flores

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Monday - Thursday *

8:30 AM - 7:00 PM

Friday *

8:30 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday - Sunday

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

*Closed for lunch 1:00-2:00PM

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Monday - Friday:

8:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Confession

Saturday:

3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Adoration

24 Hours a day 7 days a week

Weekend Mass

Saturday:

8:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.

Sunday:

7:45 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

11:15 a.m.

12:45 p.m. Spanish

5:00 p.m. Youth/Young Adult

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Sunday

7:45AM

9:30AM

11:15AM

12:45PM

5:00PM

January 8

Yarmniz Garcia

Patrick Giacomi †

January 9

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January 10

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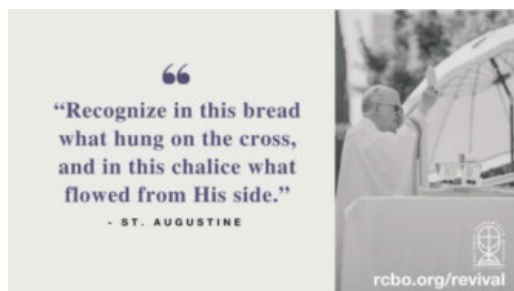
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HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST OR NEED A PASTORAL VISIT?

Please contact the Parish Center Office if you are interested in having a name added to our prayer list or if you would like to offer a weekly Mass intention for a loved one.

* † denotes recent passing

REFLECTION FOR THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

How strange it is to think that if not for Herod's directions, the magi would not have known where to find Jesus. They were not Jews, they knew nothing of the old prophecies. It was Herod who convened the scholars. It was Herod who pointed the way — for ulterior motives, certainly, but nonetheless, this is the part he played. It was Herod who made the Epiphany possible.

"Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance," writes the prophet (Isaiah 60:3). A king may keep to the shadows, suspicious of the light — he may foolishly imagine he can snatch it from the sky to keep as his own possession, and, upon finding the light cannot be governed, grow to loathe it, and even seek to extinguish it once and for all.

But all his grand designs will come to nothing because there is no king so powerful that he can see in the dark. And even a man like Herod — a man so jealous that he sought to kill God — cannot prevent the breaking of day.

The Epiphany marks the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles. It is a celebration of truth reaching places it was not expected to reach, of brightness illuminating corners of the world long ago consigned to shadow. It is a reminder that the battle has already been won, the night is over. All that remains is for us to decide: will we step into the light? "See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory." — Isaiah 60:2

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REFLEXIÓN PARA LA FIESTA DE LA EPIFANIA DEL SEÑOR

Qué extraño es pensar que, si no fuera por las indicaciones de Herodes, los reyes magos no habrían sabido dónde encontrar a Jesús. No eran judíos, no sabían nada de las antiguas profecías. Fue Herodes quien convocó a los sabios. Fue Herodes quien señaló el camino; con motivos ocultos, ciertamente, pero, de todos modos, este es el papel que desempeñó. Fue Herodes quien hizo posible la Epifanía.

"Caminarán los pueblos a tu luz y los reyes, al resplandor de tu aurora," escribe el profeta (Isaías 60:3). Un rey puede permanecer en las sombras, sospechando de la luz; puede imaginar tontamente que puede arrebatársela del cielo para conservarla como posesión suya y, al descubrir que la luz no puede ser gobernada, llegar a detestarla e incluso tratar de extinguirla de una vez por todas.

Pero todos sus grandes diseños quedarán en nada porque no hay ningún rey tan poderoso que pueda ver en la oscuridad. E incluso un hombre como Herodes, un hombre tan celoso que buscó matar a Dios, no puede evitar el amanecer.

La Epifanía marca la manifestación de Cristo a los gentiles. Es una celebración de la verdad que llega a lugares donde no se esperaba que llegara, del brillo que ilumina rincones del mundo que hace mucho tiempo estaban relegados a la sombra. Es un recordatorio de que la batalla ya está ganada, la noche ha terminado. Lo único que nos queda es decidir: ¿daremos un paso hacia la luz?

"Mira: las tinieblas cubren la tierra y espesa niebla envuelve a los pueblos; pero sobre ti resplandece el Señor y en ti se manifiesta su gloria." — Isaías 60:2

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DO YOU KNOW...

Catholic Trivia?

1. Who was the first non-Italian Pope after 1523?
2. What is the prime language of the Roman Catholic Church?
3. What does the term "Amen" mean?
4. What is the largest religious order in the Catholic Church?

Answers: 1. Pope John Paul II 2. Latin
3. "So be it" 4. The Jesuits

¿SABÍAS QUE...

¿Trivia católica?

1. ¿Quién fue el primer Papa no italiano después de 1523?
2. ¿Cuál es el idioma principal de la Iglesia Católica Romana?
3. ¿Qué significa el término "Amén"?
4. ¿Cuál es la orden religiosa más grande de la Iglesia Católica?

Respuestas: 1. El Papa Juan Pablo II 2. Latín
3. "Que así sea" 4. Los jesuitas

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An Announcement from Fr. Daniel **Parish Kitchen Update**

After several decades of loving ministry and outreach, we have been notified by the Orange County Health Department that we need to update our parish hall kitchen facility in order to receive a health permit to serve food. That being said, the cost of the project to complete the conditions for use, require the Diocese of Orange Office of Construction to implement and oversee the restoration. Sadly, we will not be able to use the kitchen facility during the restoration and the use of the kitchen will be suspended effective December 18, 2023.

We are excited about what will be, in the coming months ahead, an up-to-date and fully-functional kitchen. Once completed, St. Angela Merici Church and School will have a health permit and improved kitchen that is compliant with health, safety and building codes.

Christmas blessings to you all,
Rev. Daniel B. Reader

St. Angela Merici School is Hiring!

Job Description:

Extended Care at St. Angela Merici School is hiring! The St. Angela Extended care program is looking for someone who enjoys working with children and is able to plan activities, and help with homework. Extended care staff ensures the safety of all students and is willing to work as a team, creating an enriching, fun, and safe environment.

Requirements:

*Must be available Monday-Friday 6:30am-7:45am & 2:30pm-6:00pm

*Background in education/2 years of experience working with kids

*First aid and CPR certified

**Please send resumes and inquiries to: extendedcare@stangelabrea.org
or call (562) 650-1811.**



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DECEMBER/JANUARY

CLASS/MASS SUNDAYS 3PM-6PM

Confirmation 1

December 3 - Class/Mass

January 7 - Class/Mass

Confirmation 2

December 10 - Class/Mass

January 14 - Class/Mass



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WE COULD NOT BE AT THE FIRST ADORATION BUT WE CAN STILL ADORE HIM HERE AND NOW.

“This is the wonderful truth, my dear friends: the Word, which became flesh two thousand years ago, is present today in the Eucharist” ~ St. Pope John Paul II

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“Esta es la verdad maravillosa, mis queridos amigos: la Palabra, que se hizo carne hace dos mil años, está presente hoy en la Eucaristía” ~ San Papa Juan Pablo II



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The Crucified One Lives! Finding Comfort in the Passion of Christ.

The Passion of Christ and the sufferings of the members of His Body, the Church, form one mystery. This retreat will provide the opportunity to gain a deeper awareness and understanding of this mystery: The Passion of Christ and the sufferings of his Body - member for member - are one. The Center provides a private room and bath, delicious meals, beautifully landscaped grounds and the guidance of the Passionist Retreat Team. The atmosphere of this silent, preached retreat will lay paths for this exploration. Mater Dolorosa Passionist Retreat Center invites the Men of this parish to join on this epic adventure to the interior of our souls.

The date is Feb. 9-11, 2024

Reservations can be made by contacting our Parish Captain: Craig Kistler 714-904-2978 cskistler@sbcglobal.net or Brian Prieto prieto0200@gmail.com

Or you may register directly at:
<https://materdolorosa.org/calendar/>



St. Angela Merici

PARISH SCHOOL



SAVE THE DATE: SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK OPEN HOUSE



St. Angela Merici Catholic School invites our parishioners and local community members to join our faculty, students, and school families for our Open House on Sunday, January 28, 2024.

This event is part of National Catholic Schools Week, the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. The theme for National Catholic Schools Week 2024 is "Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community." Through a variety of events, SAM will focus on the value Catholic education provides to young people and its contributions to our church, our communities and our nation.



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HELP OUR 8TH GRADERS GET TO WASHINGTON, DC!

Our 8TH graders are excited about their upcoming field trip to Washington, DC! They have been busy fundraising all year to keep the cost manageable for their families. Donations from our valued parish community are welcome and appreciated! Thank you for your continued support in providing a high-quality Catholic education under the light of the Gospel.




Donations can be made via check to
St. Angela Merici Parish School by Feb 1, 2024

If you have any questions, please reach out to
Betsy Orona at (714) 388-9155 or
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The Mission of St. Angela Merici Parish Catholic School is to proclaim the Gospel, celebrate through worship, build community, serve others and achieve academic excellence through the discovery of each student's gifts and talents.

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Lenten Bible Study



I Am the Bread of Life

Gospel According to John Chapters 1-10

Six Wednesday evenings in Lent starting February 21 from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in St. Angela Merici Parish Hall.

Study guide cost \$15.

Pre-registration is required and will be available starting the weekend of January 6-7 after all Masses and after that in the Parish Office.

Info: rediscoverolg@gmail.com / phone or text (213) 703-5220


Social/Support for Singles after 50



Come join our group in the New Year! Anyone interested in joining please come and check out what we have planned in the New Year! On Wednesday, January 10th we have a trip to Knott's planned for dinner at the Chicken Dinner Restaurant. Any questions, please contact us via a text or phone call! You can also sign up through Flocknote to receive all of our latest information.


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Mass
For the Protection of Unborn Children
Presided by the Most Reverend Thanh Thai Nguyen




Bishop Thanh invites our Catholic community as well as all people of good will to join together in prayer for an end to abortion, healing for those involved in abortion, and an increased respect for all human life.

01-22-2024 7:00 PM Christ Cathedral
13280 Chapman Avenue Garden Grove, CA 92640

Come Pray for an End to Abortion with members of Clergy, members of Religious Communities, Representatives from all Parishes, and Centers in Orange County.

The Mass will be followed by a Walking with Moms Ministry Fair in the Cultural Center



Sponsored by the Office of Life, Justice & Peace of the Diocese of Orange, for more information or questions contact Greg Walgenbach at 714-282-3058 gwalgenbach@rcbo.org

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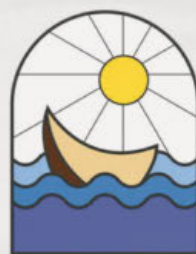
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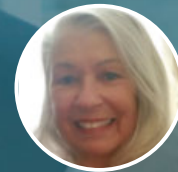
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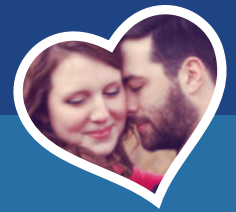


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