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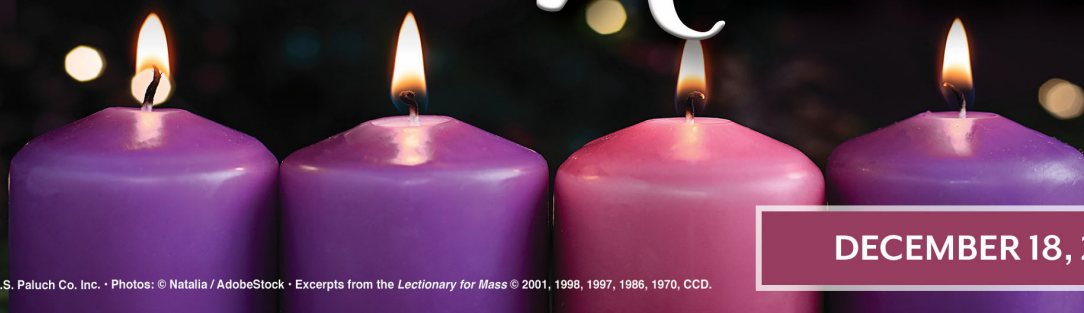
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FOURTH  
SUNDAY OF

# Advent



DECEMBER 18, 2022

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*Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel, which means "God is with us."*

MATTHEW 1:23

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## IN RESIDENCE

**Fr. Emmanuel Adams**

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**Daily Mass:** 8:45am Mon.—Sat.  
**Sunday Masses:** Sat. Vigil at 5pm,  
Sundays at 8am, 10am, and Noon (*Chinese*)  
**All Masses Livestreamed except Sunday 8am**

**Confessions:** Saturday @ 4:30—4:55pm  
and 30 minutes before each Sunday Mass

**Office Hours:** Mon.—Fri., 9a—4:30p

**Baptisms:** 2nd Sat. of month, 12:30pm  
(*Registered Parishioners only*)

**Baptismal Prep:** 3rd Sat. of month, 10:00am  
(*Registered Parishioners only*)

## Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 18, 2022



### God Wants to Be One with Us

What great lengths God will go to in loving and saving us! Think of the most outlandish circumstance you might conceive. That seems to be what the Lord is saying to Ahaz in today's first reading. "A virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel." Not only is the idea of a virgin conceiving beyond comprehension in Ahaz's time, so would the concept of God wanting to be with us be, as the name Emmanuel indicates. And yet, this is what we celebrate in the Incarnation—God wants so completely to be one with us that God came to be with us in a son born to a virgin, the Blessed Virgin Mary. There is more to this story than even these amazing and outlandish occurrences, however. God wants to be one with us so deeply that God partners with us to make God's presence known.

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### Wedding Anniversary Mass February 4, 2023

**10:00am at the cathedral with Archbishop Cordileone followed by reception.** Young couples (married 5 years or less) are particularly encouraged to attend.

Couples celebrating 5-year "milestone" anniversaries (5, 10, 15, 20...) will be recognized during the Mass. Register at [www.anniversarymass.info](http://www.anniversarymass.info)

**MARRIAGE FOR LIFE:** St. Mary's Cathedral, S F  
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**Lead Couple: Joe and Connie D'Aura**

415-664-8108 [icdaura@marriageforlifef.com](mailto:icdaura@marriageforlifef.com)

**2023 dates: Jan 28, Apr 23, May 20, Aug 26, Oct 28**

### Pastor's Column

**Our Lady of Guadalupe Shows God's Closeness** – On Dec 12, 2022, celebrating the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe at St. Peter's in the Vatican, Pope Francis shared during his homily that "God never stops watching over our world – needy and wounded – to assist it with His compassion and mercy. His way of intervening, of manifesting Himself, always surprises us and fills us with joy." In 1531, Our Lady went to Mexico to offer God's consolation at a time of historical upheaval. "Nearly 5 centuries ago, at a complicated and difficult time for the inhabitants of the new world, the Lord wanted to transform the upheaval brought about by the encounter between two different worlds into a recovery of meaning and dignity, into openness to the Gospel." And the Pope connected that time of upheaval to our own time, reminding us to set aside selfishness and embrace fraternity. He adds, "Mary wants to stay with us. She begs us to allow her to be our mother, to open our lives to her Son Jesus and to welcome His message so as to learn to love like Him." And to the many people in the Americas who endure poverty and exploitation, he said "Mary is in the midst of the caravans that come in search of freedom traveling northward. She is in the midst of this American people threatened in their identity by a savage and exploitative paganism, wounded by the active preaching of a practical and pragmatic atheism. And she is there. 'I am your Mother,' she says to us." The Pope concluded, praying that the Lord might grant us days filled with joy and peace, "so that the peace of the Lord may dwell in our hearts and in the hearts of all men and women of good will."

**Supporting the Vatican and the Archdiocese** – As we draw close to the end of the year, if you haven't done so yet but would like to support the Archdiocese and the Vatican, you can donate to the **Archdiocesan Annual Appeal (AAA)**. 26% of this fund supports **parishes & schools** (such as subsidies to poorer schools & parishes as well as tuition assistance for students); 21% goes to **Social Ministry** (such as ministry to crime victims, and chaplains to hospitals & prisons); 30% to **support the Clergy** (from the seminary, ongoing education of deacons & priests, to priests retirement); and 23% goes to support the **Universal Church** (which includes Social Media, TV mass, the US Bishops Conference and the Vatican). St. Anne has been assessed \$53,375. So far we've raised 63% (\$33,399) and hope to raise the other \$20,000 before the end of the year. If you can assist us, it'll be a great help to me. **If you are able to join me and give 1% of this assessment (\$533) or half a percent (\$267), we'll invite you to a Champagne Brunch in the New Year.** This is a worthwhile collection and I'm grateful for your support.

—Fr Dan



*Saint Anne Parish*  
**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**WEEK of December 18, 2022**

**Sunday, December 18**

**8:00am** Madie Krois (D)  
Arnel Torres (D)

**10:00am** Sixto Posadas (D)  
Manuel and Celerina Carpio (D)  
Intentions, Aning Laguda

**Noon** People of the Parish  
Fr. John (D)

**Monday, December 19**

**8:45am** Joseph Chen (D)  
Sixto Posadas (D)  
Fr. Mario Rosso (D)

**Tuesday, December 20**

**8:45am** David Liu (D)  
Antonio Regidor (D)  
Benjamin Flores (D)

**Wednesday, December 21**

**8:45am** Alice Liu (D)  
Sr. Bernie Sabin (D)  
Ramon Flores (D)

**Thursday, December 22**

**8:45am** Carmen Alonzo Hernandez (D)  
Mary Deely (D)

**Friday, December 23**

**8:45am** Rotor and Luna Families (D)  
Francisco and Amparo Vasallo (D)

**Saturday, December 24**

**8:45am** Confraternity of Saint Anne

**5:00pm** *Christmas Vigil*  
People of the Parish

**8:00pm** *Chinese Christmas Vigil*  
People of the Parish

**12:00am** *Midnight Mass*  
People of the Parish

**SAVE the DATE! St. Anne Athletic Dept. CRAB BASH**

**Saturday, March 4, 2023**

*5pm in Moriarty Hall*

\$60 per Adult by Jan. 1st,

\$70 per Adult after Jan. 1st.

\$15 per child (12 yrs & younger)

Kids enjoy movie in the gym with a kid's meal (no crab)

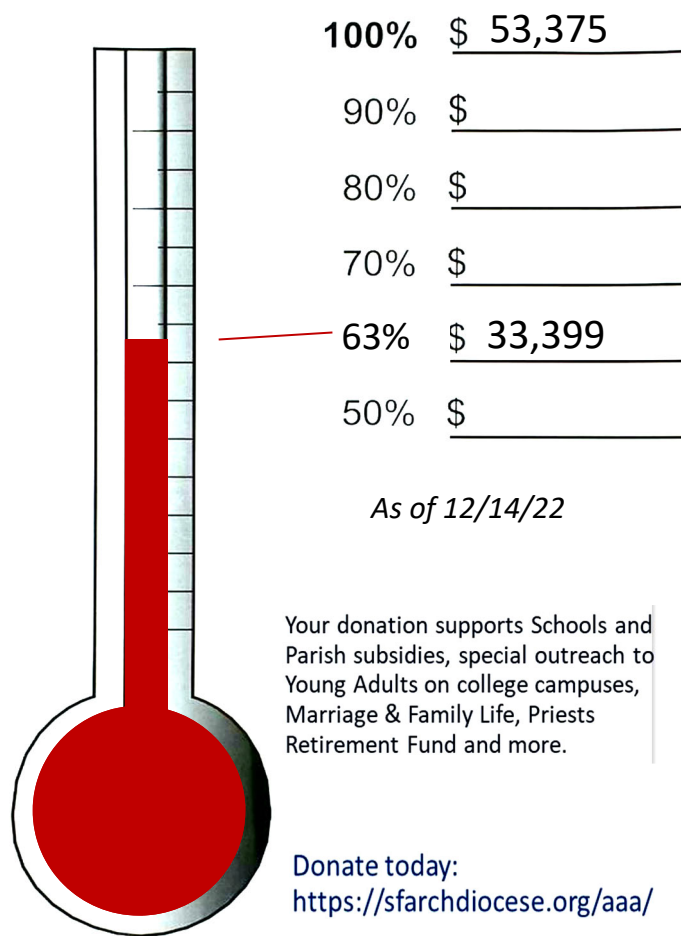
Adults enjoy all you can eat hot or cold crab and pasta

Contact: BeverlyPerea@gmail.com



**ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL 2022**

*TIME IS RUNNING OUT!*



If you wish any donation to be included in this year's **TAX LETTER**, please be sure to get it to the rectory no later than **Friday, Dec. 30**. Any donation received **after** that date will be counted as **a 2023 donation**.

**SIMBANG GABI @ St. Anne Church**  
**(Christmas Novena Masses)**

**Sun., Dec 18 @ 5pm**

**Mon., Dec 19 – Fri., Dec 23 @ 6pm**



*Previous Week's Collection*

Immaculate Conception, Dec. 8— \$629.00  
First Collection, December 10, 11— \$4,188.00  
Retirement Fund for Religious— \$910.00

*This Week's Second Collection*  
Property and Insurance Fund

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