

# Saint Athanasius Church

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Rev. Walter Suarez

## PAROCHIAL VICAR

Rev. Rolando Santoianni

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## MASS SCHEDULE/Horario de Misas

**Vigil (Saturday):** 5:30p.m. (English)  
7:30p.m. (Español)

**Sunday (Domingo):** 8:00a.m. (English)  
9:30a.m. (Español)  
11:15a.m. (English)  
1:00p.m. (Español)  
5:30p.m. (English)

## Daily Masses/Misas Diarias: (solo en Inglés)

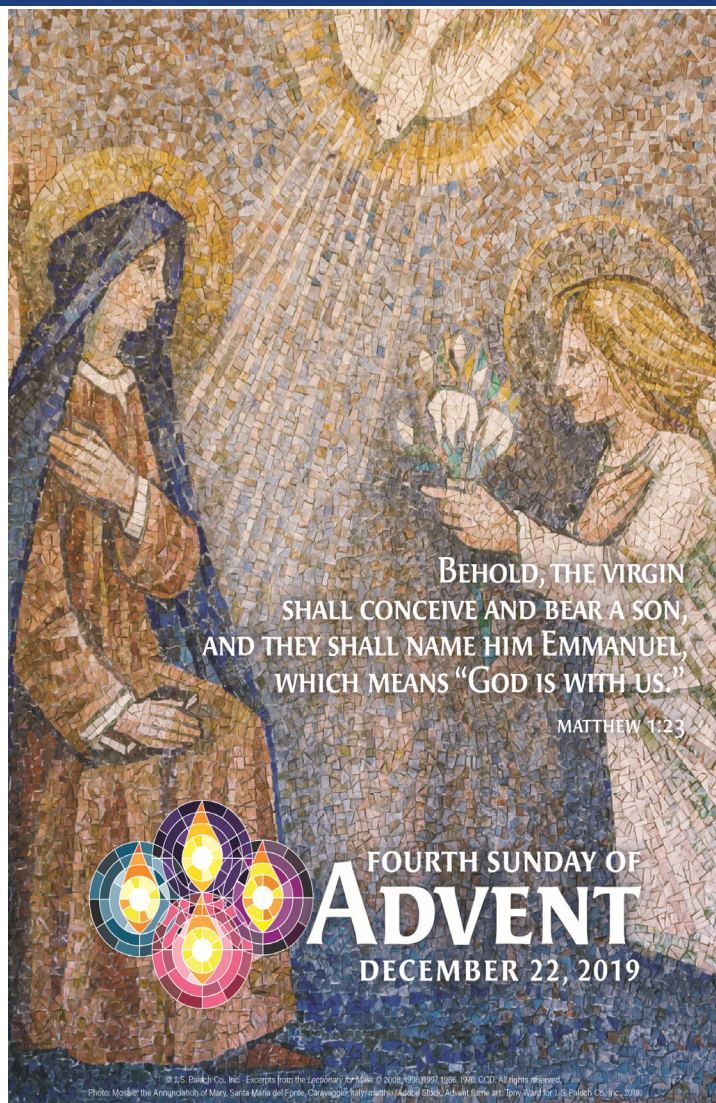
Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m.  
Wednesdays 6:30p.m.  
Saturdays: 9:00 a.m.

**Holy Days:** 6:45a.m., 9:00a.m.,  
7:00p.m (Bilingual)

## RECONCILIATION / CONFESIONES

Saturday/Sabado: 4:00 - 4:30 p.m. (English)  
6:30 - 7:15 p.m. (Español o Inglés)

OR anytime by appointment with a priest/  
*También con cita.*



BEHOLD, THE VIRGIN  
SHALL CONCEIVE AND BEAR A SON,  
AND THEY SHALL NAME HIM EMMANUEL,  
WHICH MEANS "GOD IS WITH US."

MATTHEW 1:23



FOURTH SUNDAY OF  
**ADVENT**  
DECEMBER 22, 2019

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 7:10-14 (10A)  
Psalm 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6  
Romans 1:1-7  
Matthew 1:18-24

# SAINT ATHANASIUS

Dear all,

Some time ago I found the following prayer which filled me with emotion, called:

***When Every Night is Winter***

*Lord, you split no sky when you came among us, And you rose not from the sea. A star was seen in the heavens-but only by those who looked.*

*A choir of angels was heard-but only by those who listened.*

*No thunder, no storm, no cataclysm announced you,*

*Just the cry of a lowly refugee, Turning to no one, turning to everyone, Saying, "Will you let me in?"*

*And so, when every night is winter, And every town is Bethlehem, And every inn seems filled, And on every ear those words are heard, "Will you let me in?"*

*May we have eyes to see the star, May we have ears to hear the choir, May we have hearts that finally speak:*

*Yes, yes, by all means, come in. Come in and stay.*

*Amen*

Our great Christmas party that is reflected in the colors, in the Christmas tree, in the lights, in the gifts, in our tasty meals and in the family gatherings ... are centered on Our Lord Jesus Christ. That personal encounter with the Lord that is born again for us is the reason for our Christmas joy. May each of us open the doors of our hearts so that he stays with us and transforms us. As the disciples of Emmaus ask him to "stay with us, Lord."

On behalf of all the staff and volunteers of our community at Saint Athanasius we want to wish you a very merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year full of blessings.

In Christ and Mary,

Fr. Walter Suarez  
Pastor

## Mass Intentions For The Week



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**Sat (21) 9:00**  
**5:30** Gloria Martinelli & Yolanda Molinari -- Deceased (†)

**Sun (22) 8:00** Mariano Family -- Spec. Intentions (S.I.)  
Reynaldo Quintos -- Thanksgiving (T)  
**11:15** Marina Zumudio -- Birthday/ Deceased (†)  
**5:30**

**Mon (23) 9:00** Nenita Pineda -- Birthday (B)  
Teodoyo, Petronila, Geno & Justin Quintos -- Deceased (†)

**MASS SCHEDULE**  
**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24 CHRISTMAS EVE**  
 4:00 PM Christmas Bilingual Family Mass  
 (With Gospel Pageant)  
 6:00 PM Spanish Christmas Eve Mass  
 8:00 PM English Christmas Eve Mass  
**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25 CHRISTMAS DAY**  
 9:00 AM Mass (English)  
 11:15 AM Mass (English)  
 1:00 PM (Spanish)

**Thu (26) 9:00** Antonio Maggay, Jr. -- Birthday (B)  
Quirino, Leoncia, Tony, marivic, Enoi & Ramon Lapitan -- Deceased (†)

**Fri (27) 9:00** Fidel B. vanzado, Sr. and Rmily A. Avanzado -- Deceased/Wedding Anniv. (†)  
Herminia Vilorio & Carlos de Guzman -- Deceased (†)

†—Deceased; T—Thanksgiving;  
S.I.—Special Intention; B—Birthday; S—Sick

### Death Anniversary Remembrance Week of December 22

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|----------------------|------------------------|
| Herbert Broyer       | Mercedes Pike          |
| John Flores          | Ernesto Agbulos        |
| Antonio Garcia       | Gerolomo Cesano        |
| Silvecio Coleta      | Maria Concepcion Ruiz  |
| Maria Francisco      | Vera Vlasoff           |
| William Stoesser     | Alfredo De Hoyos       |
| Estela Acosta        | Armando Mendoza        |
| Luis Salvatierra     | Victor Angelo Molinari |
| Susan Arroryo Valdez | Luciano Montoya        |
| Angelina Curiel      | Joseph Bianco          |
| Abigail Guevara      | Crispin Castaneda      |
| Martin Harris        | Fr. John Cooper        |

**REST IN PEACE**

### **Please Pray for the Sick**

Julie Hidalgo, Gloria Ramirez, Ellen Poso, Soledad Jara, Danilo Fidel, JoAnne Arnold, Lucie Bianco, Isaura Aguilar, Romulo Prieto, Bernie Barron, Josephine Sierras, Richard Sanchez, Henry Sanchez, Michael Fernandez and Joel Villareal .



## 4th Sunday of Advent



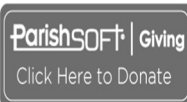
Next Weekend's 2nd Collection will be for the **Saint Vincent de Paul Society**. Thank you for your support and generosity

*"Give to the Most High as he has given to you, generously, according to your means. For the Lord is one who always repays, and he will give back to you sevenfold" (Sirach)*

**Due to early bulletin deadline, the total for the Sunday Collection for last week is not available.**

Saint Athanasius is now offering Online Giving!

It's safe and secure, and you decide exactly when your gift is made and where it goes. Please check our website at [www.stathanasiusparish.com](http://www.stathanasiusparish.com) to find out how to give online.



### BEREAVEMENT COMFORT AND SUPPORT GROUP

If you have experienced the death of a loved one, please join us as we share our losses, and develop coping strategies.

**OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27 AT 7PM IN THE RECTORY.**



*Tuesday Prayer Group*

### Family Prayer Night Group

Due to the Holiday season, there will be **NO** Family Prayer Night on **Tuesday, December 24, 2019 and Tuesday, December 31, 2019.**

We will meet again on Tuesday, January 07, 2020 at 7 PM in the church.

May your hearts be filled with peace and faith in God. May your days of doubt be replaced with days of hope and cheer. May you and your family get nurtured with lots of love!

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you and to your loved ones!



# COME SEEK & PRAY

**JANUARY 24-26, 2020**

Open to Men 18 years and older

St. Lawrence the Martyr Parish  
Santa Clara, CA

RSVP at [bit.ly/DSJV-menr20](http://bit.ly/DSJV-menr20)



*Remember to honor our advertisers listed in the back of the Sunday Bulletin. Remember to tell them you saw their Ad in St. Athanasius Bulletin!*

**December 22, 2019**



### Adult or Teen Volunteers Needed to Decorate the Church For Christmas

Can you spare just a couple hours of your time to help decorate and make ready our church for Christmas? No special talents are required for this opportunity to give back to God. We could use 1 hour or more of your help to decorate the church for Christmas on **December 24, starting at 9:00am.** Please contact Mike Cavera (650) 961-8600 ext 104 or email: [Michael.cavera@dsj.org](mailto:Michael.cavera@dsj.org) as soon as possible if you can help on either date.



### Poinsettias Needed for Church for Christmas

Your donation of Poinsettia plants, or the money to buy some, would be most appreciated. Drop the Poinsettias off at the church (in the Sacristy) when you come to Mass or on Tuesday morning December 24th between 9:00am and Noon. If you write a check, please put "Christmas Flowers" in the memo line and drop it in the collection or at the office. Thank you for your generosity!



### The Saint Athanasius Parish Office will be closed from:

**Tuesday, December 24, 2019 through**

**Wednesday, January 1, 2020.**

We will be reopen on Thursday, January 2, 2020

*On behalf of all the staff we would like to wish you and your family a blessed Christmas!*



### 60th Anniversary Dinner Report

A heartfelt THANK YOU to all the volunteers and staff that contributed to the success of our 60th Anniversary Dinner Dance last month. The following report is a summary of all income and expenses of the event.

INCOME	\$6,025.00	(150 tickets sold + \$25 donation)
	\$1,268.00	(Silent Auction)
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$7,293.00</b>	
EXPENSES		
DJ	\$400	
Wine	\$720.85	
Photo booth	\$81.81	
Venue	\$4,945.88	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$6,148.54</b>	

**PROFIT= \$1,144.46 (\$7,293 - \$6,148.54)**

Thank you again for the continuous support and commitment to our community, we are grateful. Gob bless you and repays your generosity. Have a very Merry Christmas!



## BOLETIN HISPANO

Queridos todos,

Hace un tiempo atrás encontré esta oración que me llenó de emoción, llamada **“cuando todas las noches son invierno”**:

*“Señor, no dividiste ningún cielo cuando llegaste entre nosotros, y no surgiste del mar. Una estrella fue vista en los cielos— pero solo por aquellos que miraron. Se escuchó un coro de ángeles— pero solo por aquellos que escucharon.*

*Ningún trueno, ninguna tormenta, ningún cataclismo te anunció, solo el clamor de un humilde refugiado, buscando a nadie, buscando a todos, diciendo, “¿Me dejarás entrar?”*

*Y entonces, cuando todas las noches son invierno, y cada pueblo es Belén, y cada posada parece llena, y en cada oído se escuchan esas palabras, ¿“Me dejarás entrar?” que tengamos ojos para ver la estrella, que tengamos oídos para escuchar el coro, que tengamos corazones que finalmente digan: Sí, sí, por supuesto, entra. Entra y quédate aquí.*

*Amén”*

Nuestra gran fiesta de la Navidad que se refleja en los colores, en el árbol de Navidad, en las luces, en los regalos, en nuestras sabrosas comidas y en las reuniones familiares... tienen como centro a Nuestro Señor Jesucristo. Ese encuentro personal con el Señor que nace de nuevo para nosotros es la razón de nuestra alegría de Navidad. Que cada uno de nosotros abramos las puertas de nuestro corazón para que se quede con nosotros y nos transforme. Como los discípulos de Emaús pidámosle “quédate con nosotros, Señor”.

En nombre de todo nuestro staff y voluntarios de nuestra comunidad de San Atanasio les deseamos una muy feliz Navidad y un prospero Año nuevo lleno de bendiciones.

En Cristo y María

P. Walter Suarez  
Párroco



**Giving Tree 2019 de San Atanasio**  
Gracias por su generosidad para el proyecto El Árbol Generoso Navideño. Hemos bendecido a más de 42 familias con más de 103 regalos el día de ayer. Gracias especialmente a nuestros dedicados voluntarios de SVDP, a la familia Caligaris y a nuestros grupos juveniles. Este proyecto no sería posible sin su apoyo año tras año. Muchísimas gracias por los regalos y oraciones. ¡Les deseamos a todos una muy feliz Navidad!



### **Necesitamos Voluntarios Adultos o Adolescentes para decorar la Iglesia para Navidad**

¿Podrías ofrecer un par de horas de tu tiempo para decorar la Iglesia para Navidad? No se requieren talentos especiales. Necesitamos ayuda el **Martes 24 de diciembre a partir de las 9:00am. Favor de contactar a Mike Cavera** (650) 961-8600 ext 104, email: Michael.caver@dsj.org si esta interesado.



### **Se Necesitan Nochebuenas para la Iglesia en Navidad**

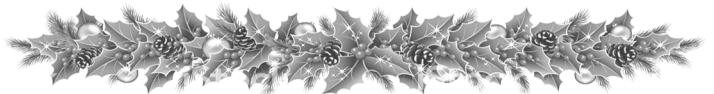
Necesitamos donación de plantas de nochebuena o el dinero para comprarlas. Favor de dejar las nochebuenas en la Iglesia (en la Sacristía) el martes 24 de diciembre entre las 9AM y las 12PM. Si decide enviarnos un cheque, favor de escribir "Flores de Navidad" en la línea de memo en el cheque. ¡Gracias por su generosidad!



**La Oficina Parroquial**  
**Estará cerrada a partir del:**  
**Martes 24 de diciembre del 2019**  
**Hasta el miércoles 1 de enero del 2020**

**Reabriremos el jueves 2 de enero del 2020.**

*¡A nombre del personal de la iglesia de San Atanasio les deseamos una bendecida navidad!*



### **BAUTIZOS**



La próxima fecha para bautizar será el **25 de enero a las 11 AM**. La clase de preparación será el **8 de enero** (Se requiere previa registración). Llame para una entrevista inicial (650) 961-8600.

### **BODAS**



Este es un llamado a las parejas de novios o también los que ya están viviendo juntos. Si usted esta considerando casarse por la Iglesia, llame a la oficina al 650.961.8600 y con mucho gusto le ayudaremos.

Se necesita hablar con seis meses de anticipación.

**Mission Statement for St. Athanasius Parish --“St. Athanasius Church’s mission is to build disciples of Jesus Christ and assist them in responding to God’s call to love and to serve”**

**Misión de la Parroquia de San Atanasio -- "La Misión de la Iglesia de San Atanasio es construir discípulos de Jesucristo y ayudarles a responder el llamado de Dios a amar y servir"**

**JUNTOS COMO HERMANOS** Lunes - 7:00 PM

**FAMILY PRAYER HOUR** Tuesdays - 7:00 PM

We need only to look around to see the tremendous pressures facing our families and how those pressures pull our families apart. There’s little doubt that we live in a society of instant everything, one of the major contributions to family deterioration. Family Prayer Night is a response. It is a way for families to set aside an hour a week to be together in the presence of God, to pray and appreciate the most important people in our lives. Join us every Tuesday in church, 7-8 pm for Adoration, Benediction and Prayer.

**OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP MASS**  
Wednesdays - 6:30 PM

**HIJOS DE MARIA SANTISIMA** Jueves - 7:00 PM

**JOVENES PARA CRISTO**

Viernes a las 7 de la noche se reúne el grupo de Jóvenes para Cristo en el salón parroquial. Mayores de 18 años únicamente.

**ST. ATHANASIUS BEREAVEMENT, COMFORT AND SUPPORT GROUP**

Meets every 4th Friday of the month at the Rectory at 7PM. For details, please call (650) 961-8600

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament All Day the First Friday of the month starting after 9:00 AM Mass. Please sign-up for an hour of adoration on the sign-up sheet in the back of church. Benediction at 12 PM.

**SENIORS LUNCH**

Meet the second Tuesday of the Month (October-April) in the Parish Hall at 11:30 AM. For more information please call the Rectory (650) 961 8600 Ext 102.

**RESPECT LIFE GROUP**

Supports the sacredness of all human life through direct service to women in crisis pregnancies, education, advocacy and direct action on behalf of human life. Meets every first Saturday at 10 AM in the Marian Rm. For more information please call Carmel Caligaris at (650) 967-3807.

**ST. PAUL DISCIPLESHIP GROUP**

The St. Paul Discipleship Group is a group of parishioners that walk together in their spiritual journey. **We meet most Tuesday nights (8:30-10:00 pm)** to praise God, pray together, discuss various topics about our faith, and reflect on Scripture. We invite you change with us! Contact the Parish Office at (650) 961 8600 for more infor-

**Sacrament Preparation for Children & Teens**

Preparation for the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist (Grades 2-12) and for Confirmation (Grades 9-12) is a one year process. For more information please contact the Catechetical Office at (650) 961-8600 Ext 111.

**Faith Formation for Children, Teens and Adults**

Our Faith Formation program seeks to empower our most important Catechists—our parents—to guide the faith formation of their children. We deepen our faith in Jesus through Scripture stories, reflection, prayer and seasonal celebrations in large and small groups. Formation sessions will be provided to the parents and students in Grades 2-5 on Sunday mornings during the school year. Our Middle and High School Youth Formation program features a variety of small and large group activities. For more information, please contact our Catechetical Office at (650) 961-8600 Ext 111.

**Baptism of Children**

Parents are invited to contact our parish office to set up an appointment for an initial interview with one of our priests. Parents and Godparents are required to attend a Baptismal preparation session prior to the Baptism. No Baptism date can be set until the interview with the priest. Children age 7 or above are required to participate in our Children’s Faith Formation program to prepare for this sacrament. Para bautizos en Español, llamar a la oficina al (650) 961-8600.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

Parish volunteers serve the needy of our area through our Food Pantry and Emergency Assistance program. Interested Parishioners are welcome to join us at our board meetings held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm, to see how we carry out our mission.

**ALTERNATIVES TO ABORTIONS**

REAL OPTIONS (650) 559-1550  
298 San Antonio Rd. Suite 100, Mountain View, CA 94040

**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**

For burial information and pre-planning assistance, please call **888-715-2150**. We help you meet eternal life with faith, hope, and love.



**Office for the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults / Oficina de Protección de Niños y Adultos Vulnerables**

Diocese of San Jose– Anthony Gonzalez (408) 983-0113 **Emergency Line:** (408) 983-0144.  
<https://opcva.ethicspoint.com>.

# Horario de Adviento y Navidad 2019 de San Atanasio

(NO habrá Misa de 6:45am del 2 de diciembre  
al 6 de enero)



**Diciembre 22**

**4o domingo de Adviento**

Simbang Gabi a las 5:30am desayuno después de Misa en el salón de la parroquia.

**Diciembre 23 (lunes)**

Simbang Gabi a las 5:30am desayuno después de Misa en el salón de la parroquia.

**Diciembre 24**

(martes) Simbang Gabi a las 5:30am desayuno después de Misa en el salón de la parroquia.

**No habrá Misa de las 9:00am.** Decorar la Iglesia para Navidad (9:30 AM—Medio Dia)

**Vispera de Navidad: Misa Familiar (con el evangelio actuado) @**

**4:00pm (Bilingüe), 6:00pm (español), 8:00pm (ingles)**

**Diciembre 25**

(miérc)

**Navidad: 9:00am (ingles), 11:15am (ingles) y 1:00pm (español)**

**(NO habrá Misa de las 9:30am (español) o Misa de las 5:30pm )**

**Diciembre 26**

(jueves)

*Misa de las 9:00am únicamente*

**Diciembre 28, 29**

**Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia** - Horario normal de Misas de fin de semana

**Diciembre 31**

(martes)

**Vigilia de la Solemnidad de la Virgen María— 6:00pm (Bilingüe)**

**Enero 1ero**

(miércoles)

**Solemnidad de la Virgen María, Santa Madre de Dios**

*9:00am (Bilingüe). (Dia de Precepto) (No habrá Misa de 6:45am)*

**Enero 4, 5**

**La Epifanía del Señor** Horario normal de Misas de fin de semana



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*As you celebrate the glory of this miraculous season, may your home be filled with love, peace, and joy. May these blessings follow you throughout the New Year.  
Merry Christmas!*

