

Saint Athanasius Church

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MASS SCHEDULE/Horario de Misas

Saturday (sábado): 9:00 AM (English)
1st Saturday of the month ONLY

Vigil 4:30 PM (English)
6:30 PM (Español)

Sunday (domingo): 8:00 AM (English)
9:30 AM (Español)
11:00 AM (English-Livestream)
1:00 PM (Español-Transmisión en vivo)

Daily Masses/Misas Diarias:

Monday - Friday: 9:00 AM (Bilingual/Bilingüe)

RECONCILIATION/CONFESIONES

Wednesday/miércoles: after the 9 AM Mass
Saturday/sábado: 5:30 PM (Bilingual)
or by appointment with the Priest/*Por cita.*

To reach a priest after office hours in an EMERGENCY situation, such as a death or the need for the Last Rites, please call: (650) 582-5833.

JANUARY 2, 2022

The Epiphany of the Lord

Magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying,
"Where is the newborn king of the Jews?
We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."

~Matthew 2:1-2

SCRIPTURE READINGS
Is 60:1-6
Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
Mt 2:1-12

SAINT ATHANASIUS

The Epiphany of the Lord

Gifts are everywhere at this time of year. Christmas gifts. Hostess gifts. Hidden gifts. Wrong-size gifts. Unexpected gifts. Unwanted gifts. Unreciprocated gifts. And in today's readings we hear about even more gifts: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. But we know intuitively (or, one hopes, eventually!) that gifts are symbols of something much deeper and less tangible. The gift of God's Son is, of course, at the heart of our Christmas festivities. We are not—and never—alone, because "God is with us." (Thus the name Emmanuel.) But wait, that's not all! The liturgy reminds us over and over that this is a "holy exchange." As Christ came to share in our humanity, we come to share in his divinity. The full significance of that mystery is a gift we have yet to unwrap completely.

WHAT KIND OF GOD IS THIS?

Christmas is a season of abundance. Christmas cookies and carols. Parties and presents. Mangers and mistletoe. The same is true in our church. Within a period of nine days we celebrate Christmas, the Holy Family, Mary Mother of God, and today the Solemnity of the Epiphany. Truly an embarrassment of liturgical riches. (And we are not finished yet!) However, for many people, Christmas is already over. Trees litter the curbside or make their way back to the attic. Presents are put away or returned. We prepare to go back to school or work. But as Christians we have barely dipped our toes into the profound mystery of a God who walks among us. What kind of a God is this whose kingdom is not limited by our borders, fears, expectations, or imaginations? Today's psalm reminds us, "Lord, every nation on earth will adore you." Diversity and inclusion are not new to God's agenda.

TRADITIONS UNCOVER MEANING

Two traditional rituals, one liturgical and one domestic, help underline the meaning of the Epiphany. The Proclamation of the Date of Easter is an option for inclusion at Mass today. This text which formally announces the dates of the upcoming major feast days reminds us that Christmas is best honored in the context of the whole story of salvation that culminates in Easter. Or as writer Nathan Mitchell reflects, the wood of the crib becomes the wood of the cross.

The second tradition connected to Epiphany is the blessing of the door of one's home with chalk. It includes a prayer for protection for all who enter therein. One explanation of this tradition ties it to the Passover in the Book of Exodus: the marking of the doorposts with the blood of the lamb kept the Israelites safe. This tradition too offers a connection between Christmas and Easter.

As we continue to mine the richness of this season we hum along with the angels, *Gloria in excelsis Deo!*

Today's Readings: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sat (01) 11:00 Hall Twins -- Birthday (B)

1:00 _____

6:30 _____

Sun (02) 8:00 Francis Braz -- 1st Death Anniv. (†)

9:30 _____

11:00 Julie Hidalgo -- Deceased (†)

Joel Villareal -- Deceased (†)

Patrick Cang -- Deceased (†)

Aurora Silayan Go -- Deceased (†)

1:00 _____

Mon (03) 9:00 Job Lopez -- Death Anniv. (†)

Aurora Silayan Go -- Deceased (†)

Tues (04) 9:00 Aurora Silayan Go -- Deceased (†)

Wed (05) 9:00 Aurora Silayan Go -- Deceased (†)

Thurs (06) 9:00 Maya Angelica Villareal -- Birthday (B)

Aurora Silayan Go -- Deceased (†)

Friday (07) 9:00 Aurora Silayan Go -- Deceased (†)

†—Deceased; T—Thanksgiving; H—Healing;
S.I.—Special Intentions; B—Birthday; S—Sick

Death Anniversary Remembrance Week of January 2

Catherine S. Angeles

Luciano Dingle

Florence Janda

Theresa Soper

Nieves A. de Vera

Charles A. Manning

Charles A. Rossi

Mona Sana Sivila

Manuel D. Urango

Maria R. Ylate

Mario Ambra

Wyatt Lee Coffman

Gene Norton

Theodore Blanchard

Robert Dirrim

Troadio Domayas

Claire Stead

Anastacio Yumul

Enos Cortinas

Richard Herzing

Martin Mongan

Socorro R. Trujillo

Tecla Cauton Briones

Kathleen Harper

Janet Parker

Florentina Roquero

Palmyra Thompson

Louise Cortinas

Martita N. Oseguera

Carl Ressler

Frank Valette

Eladio Ventura

REST IN PEACE



Please Pray for the Sick

Theresa and Clyde Thirbenny, Kevin O'Leary, Gloria Ramirez, Ellen Poso, Soledad Jara, Danilo Fidel, JoAnne Arnold, Isaura Aguilar, Romulo Prieto, Josephine Sierras, Vi Brietich, Stacy Goodman, Michael Fernandez, Flavio Mauricio, and Teresa Altman.



PRAY FOR THE END OF ABORTION

Come pray with us for the end of abortion in our country. A group of volunteers meets every week for peaceful prayer and witness.

WEDNESDAYS, 11 AM - 12 PM at Planned Parenthood located at 2500 California St., Mountain View. For more information please contact Cris at (650) 279-5909 or cfgoodman13@gmail.com.

The Epiphany of the Lord

January 2, 2022

“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)



Thank you for your continued support during this tough period.

If you are not able to join us in-person, please make your Sunday offering online, scan the QR code with your smart phone or visit:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/athanasius>

You can also mail in (160 N. Rengstorff Ave., Mountain View, CA 94043) or drop off your Sunday contribution to the Parish office.



This Weekend's 2nd Collection is for our **PARISH MAINTENANCE FUND**
Thank you for your generosity and support!



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

January 7, 2022
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
After the 9:00 AM Mass.
Benediction at 11:00 AM

SAVE THE DATE

Friday, January 28
at St. Francis High School



6pm Doors open | 7pm Game Tip-off



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HOSPITALITY is back!

January 9, 2022



We would like to invite everyone for coffee, donuts and other refreshments after the **11 AM Mass on January 9 in the Parish Hall.**

We hope to see you there!

DRIVE THRU FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Saturday, January 8, 2022

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM



No registration needed.

Friday Mass December 17	
9:00 AM	\$121.00
Saturday/sábado December 18	
4:30 PM	\$1,062.00
6:30 PM	\$404.35
Sunday/domingo December 19	
8:00 AM	\$324.25
9:30 AM	\$965.00
11:00 AM	\$405.00
1:00 PM	\$926.00
Mail In/Por Correo	\$1,631.00
Online Giving	\$225.00
Total	\$6,063.60
Goal/Meta	\$6,000
Variance/Diferencia	\$63.60

CORAM DEO "In the Presence of God"

Join us **Thursday, January 6, 2022, at St. Lawrence the Martyr Parish from 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM** for a night of encounter with God through music, silence, the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. This event is in partnership with the local Young Adult Community of the Diocese of San Jose.

Join us in encountering Christ and leading the young Church to the heart of Jesus through the sacraments, uplifting artistry, and fellowship. We hope to see you there!



Family Prayer Night - Tuesdays at 7 PM

Come join us for Benediction, Rosary, Scripture, and Prayer. Please take an hour out of your very hectic schedule to come and be at peace with our Lord for one hour. Please wear a mask.

Happy New Year



La Epifanía del Señor

Los regalos están por todas partes en esta época del año. Regalos de Navidad. Regalos de anfitriona. Regalos ocultos. Regalos de tamaño incorrecto. Regalos inesperados. Regalos no deseados. Regalos no correspondidos. Y en las lecturas de hoy oímos hablar de aún más regalos: oro, incienso y mira. Pero sabemos intuitivamente (o, esperamos, eventualmente) que los regalos son símbolos de algo mucho más profundo y menos tangible. El regalo del Hijo de Dios está, por supuesto, en el centro de nuestras festividades navideñas. No estamos -y nunca- solos, porque “Dios está con nosotros”. (De ahí el nombre de Emmanuel.) Pero espera, ¡eso no es todo! La liturgia nos recuerda una y otra vez que se trata de un “intercambio sagrado”. Así como Cristo vino a compartir nuestra humanidad, nosotros venimos a compartir su divinidad. El significado pleno de ese misterio es un regalo que aún no hemos desenvuelto del todo.

¿QUÉ CLASE DE DIOS ES ESTE?

La Navidad es una temporada de abundancia. Galletas navideñas y villancicos. Fiestas y regalos. Pesebres y muérdago. Lo mismo ocurre en nuestra iglesia. En un período de nueve días celebramos la Navidad, la Sagrada Familia, María Madre de Dios, y hoy la Solemnidad de la Epifanía. Un verdadero cúmulo de riquezas litúrgicas. (¡Y aún no hemos terminado!)

Sin embargo, para mucha gente, la Navidad ya ha terminado. Los árboles están en la acera o vuelven al desván. Los regalos se guardan o se devuelven. Nos preparamos para volver a la escuela o al trabajo. Pero, como cristianos, apenas nos hemos sumergido en el profundo misterio de un Dios que camina entre nosotros. ¿Qué clase de Dios es este cuyo reino no está limitado por nuestras fronteras, miedos, expectativas o imaginaciones? El salmo de hoy nos recuerda: “Señor, todas las naciones de la tierra te adorarán”. La diversidad y la inclusión no son nuevas en la agenda de Dios.

LAS TRADICIONES DESCUBREN EL SIGNIFICADO

Dos rituales tradicionales, uno litúrgico y otro doméstico, ayudan a subrayar el significado de la Epifanía. La Proclamación de la fecha de la Pascua es una opción para incluir en la Misa de hoy. Este texto que anuncia formalmente las fechas de las próximas fiestas mayores nos recuerda que la Navidad se honra mejor en el contexto de toda la historia de la salvación que culmina en la Pascua. O como reflexiona el escritor Nathan Mitchell, la madera del pesebre se convierte en la madera de la cruz.

La segunda tradición relacionada con la Epifanía es la bendición de la puerta de la casa con tiza o gis. Incluye una oración de protección para todos los que entran en ella. Una de las explicaciones de esta tradición la relaciona con la Pascua en el libro del Éxodo: marcar los postes de la puerta con la sangre del cordero mantenía a salvo a los israelitas. Esta tradición también ofrece una conexión entre la Navidad y la Pascua.

Mientras continuamos extrayendo la riqueza de esta temporada, tarareamos junto con los ángeles: *¡Gloria in excelsis Deo!*

Lecturas de hoy: Is 60:1-6; Sal 72 (71):1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Ef 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

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La segunda colecta de este fin de semana es para nuestro **Fondo de Mantenimiento** Se les agradece su generosidad



ADORACION DE PRIMER VIERNES
7 de enero del 2022
Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento
empieza a las 7:30 PM
Dentro de la Iglesia



DISTRIBUCION DE COMIDA POR AUTO
Sábado 8 de enero
de las 10 AM a las 12 PM
No se necesita registración previa. NO puede venir en persona? Puede mandar algun familiar o amigo a recoger su despensa por usted.

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BAUTIZOS

La próxima fecha para bautizar será el **15 de enero a las 11 AM** (Se requiere previa registración). Llame para una entrevista inicial (650) 961-8600.



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"

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.

ST. ATHANASIUS BEREAVEMENT, COMFORT AND SUPPORT GROUP

The St. Athanasius Bereavement, Comfort, and Support Ministry meets every 4th Friday of the month at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall.

We hope that you will be able to attend. If you have experienced the death of a loved one, please join us as we share our losses, and develop coping strategies.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is the First Friday of the month starting after 9:00 AM Mass in the church. Benediction will be at 11:00 AM.

EXPOSICION AL SANTISIMO SACRAMENTO

El primer Viernes del mes a las 7:30 PM dentro de la Iglesia.

ST. PAUL DISCIPLESHIP GROUP

If you have missed connecting and praying with your fellow parishioners, we invite you to visit the St. Paul Discipleship Group virtual meeting **Tuesday nights from 8:30 PM -10:00 PM**. The meetings consist of prayer, reflection on our faith journeys in general and on evangelization in particular, and the daily readings. Email us at Athanasius@comcast.net for the Zoom meeting details.

SOCIETY of ST. VINCENT de PAUL

Parish volunteers serve the needy of our Mountain View area through our Emergency Assistance program. The Food Pantry is closed due to COVID-19 because the room is too small for safe distancing. Interested Parishioners are welcome to join us at our virtual board meetings held on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM to see how we carry out our mission. Please leave your contact information on our Helpline (650) 562-1000 or at the Parish Office (650) 961-8600.

JOVENES PARA CRISTO

Nos reunimos todos los viernes a las 7 PM en la Iglesia, compartimos temas para profundizar nuestra fe, alabanzas y adoración al Santísimo.

HIJOS DE MARIA SANTISIMA

Somos un grupo de oración familiar, nos reunimos los jueves de 7 - 9 PM en la Iglesia para compartir temas, rezar el rosario, y adoración al Santísimo.

JUNTOS COMO HERMANOS

Los invitamos a venir los lunes de las 7 a las 9 PM en la Iglesia para alabar al Señor, y escuchar testimonio y temas para profundizar nuestro conocimiento en nuestra fe.

Faith Formation and Sacrament Preparation for Children, Teens and Adults

Our Faith Formation and Sacrament preparation programs seek to empower families to deepen their faith in Jesus through Scripture stories, reflection, prayer and seasonal celebrations. Preparation for the sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist (Grades 2-12) and for Confirmation (Grades 9-12) is a one-year process. Out of an abundance of caution we will conduct our classes via Zoom for the first semester this year. For more information, please contact our Parish Office at (650) 961-8600 Ext. 100.

Baptism of Children (English & Spanish)

Parents are invited to contact our parish office at (650) 961 - 8600 Ext. 100 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. All Baptisms are indoors the **3rd Saturday of the month**.

10:00 AM in English

11:00 AM en español

Favor de llamara al a oficina (650) 961-8600 Ext. 100 para hacer una cita para una entrevista inicial con uno de nuestros sacerdotes. Todos los Bautizos son dentro de la Iglesia el 3er sábado del mes.

**DRIVE-THRU FOOD DISTRIBUTION
DISTRIBUCION DE COMIDA POR AUTO**
Saint Athanasius Church

**Saturday, January 8 / sábado 8 de enero
from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

No Registration Needed Beforehand - Registration will be done on-site. **If you would like to volunteer, please contact the Parish Office at Athanasius@comcast.net**

No se necesita registraci3n previa, las registraciones se hacen el día de la distribuci3n. Si le gustaría ser voluntario para las distribuciones de comida, favor de enviar un correo electrónico a la oficina a Athanasius@comcast.net.

ALTERNATIVES TO ABORTIONS

BIRTH AND BEYOND (331) 444-5433
12 N White Rd #5, San Jose, CA 95127

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

For burial information and pre-planning assistance, please call (888) 715-2150.



**Office for the Protection of
Children and Vulnerable Adults / Oficina
de Protecci3n de Niños y Adultos
Vulnerables**

Diocese of San Jose: Anthony Gonzalez (408) 983-0113

Emergency Line: (408) 983-0144 or www.opcva.ethicspoint.com.

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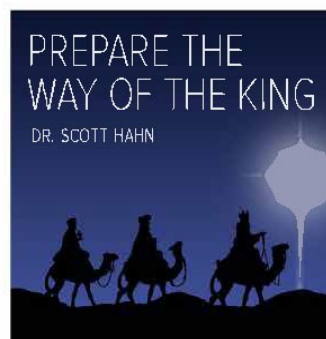
PICK OF THE WEEK

January 2, 2022

LISTEN

**PREPARE THE WAY OF THE KING
BY DR. SCOTT HAHN**

As we celebrate the Epiphany, Dr. Scott Hahn explains how we should understand the three Magi and their gifts to the Lord!



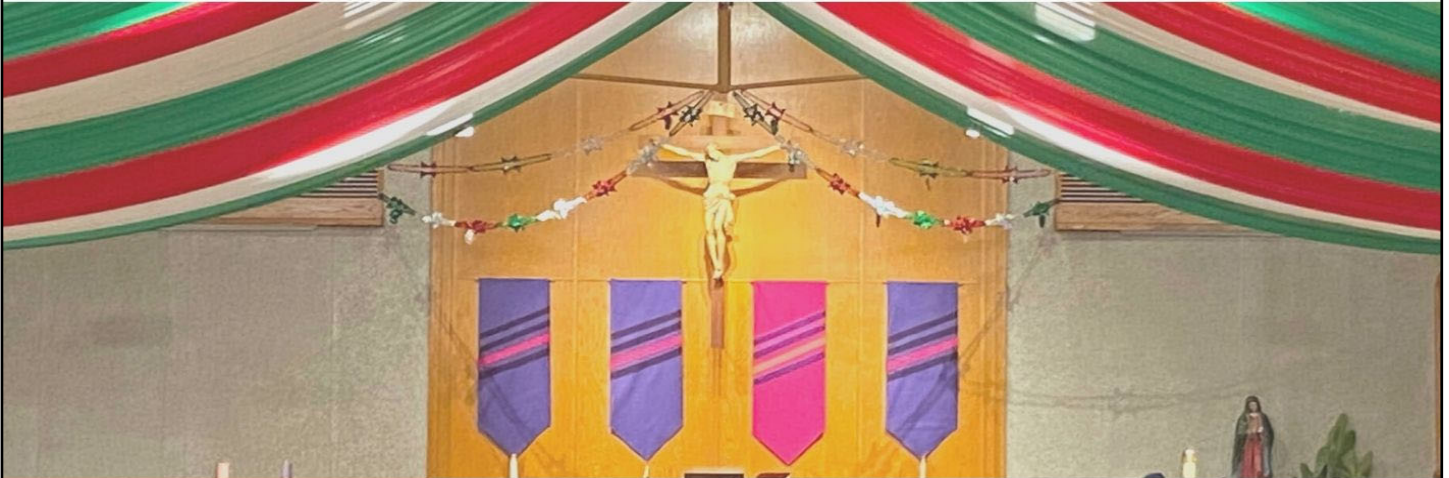
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Christmas at Saint Athanasius



“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!” Luke 2:14

MATCHING GIFTS FOR ST. ATHANASIUS



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Will your employer
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your gift?

**Double your donations through
corporate matching**

Do you know that you can double your gifts to St. Athanasius Church through the corporate matching program? With matching gifts, you may double or triple your gifts.

We are a member of Benevity. Please request your matching gift today.

Questions? Contact Betty at 650.961.8600