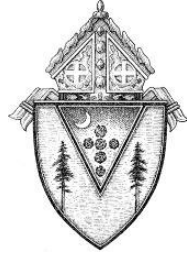


St. Joseph Parish and St. Patrick Mission



Saint Joseph Parish
14th and N St.
Fortuna, CA 95540



Diocese of Santa Rosa in California
Deanery Humboldt - Del Norte



Saint Patrick Mission
Park & Pershing Sts,
Loleta, CA 95551

Sunday, December 22, 2013
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



The virgin
shall
conceive,
and bear
a
Son



Mass Schedule - Horario de Misas

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m. (at St. Patrick's, Loleta)
Sunday: 10:00 a.m.
Domingo: 12:00 noon (Spanish)

Daily Mass

Redwood Memorial Hospital

3300 Renner Dr., Fortuna
Monday - Friday: 12:00 noon

Benediction and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday after noon Mass

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:15-4:45 or by appointment

Parish Office - Oficina Parroquial

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9:30-11:45 a.m. & 1-3:30 p.m. Lunes a Jueves

Parish Staff: Fr. Manuel Chavez, Pastor

Deacon Thomas Silva, Deacon Francisco Núñez

Deacon Abraham Castillo, Deacon Rafael Meraz

Deacon Jon Pedicino

Secretary—Ginny Fox



Dee Eschliman, Alberta Johnson,
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Giacomini, Dave Mangin, Margarida
Black, Katelyn Dickey, Charles
(Buzz) Rigney, Arlete Alves, Daniel
Salazar, Ruth Allen, Margarita

Reveles, Jessie Lepas, Amy Toroni, Frances
Dunleavy, Carmen Chavez, Joaquin Rodriguez,
Brice Powers, Debbie Austrus, John Wunderlich,
Gina Dillard, Madeline Streight, Julian
Maldonado, Cameron Toroni, Alice Kiler, Donald
Peebles, Bernice McWhorter, Carol Palasek, Dawn
Mortensen, Denise Anaya, Evie & Jerry Colivas,
Jack Thompson, Milton Freitas.

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Let us pray for all those facing an unexpected pregnancy: that they may have the strength and courage to joyfully accept and love their unborn child.

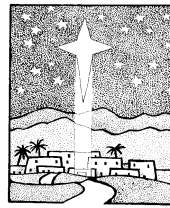
Christmas Music



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CHOIR FOR MIDNIGHT MASS

We will celebrate Midnight Mass on December 24 at 8 p.m. in St. Joseph Church. If you would like to sing with the choir for this Mass, please call Rene Brown at 725-5040. Also, if you have a child who would like to sing with us at the 5 p.m. Vigil Mass, please call Rene. Practice will be on Sunday, December 15 and 22 at 6 p.m. at the Church.



LOLETA ALTAR SOCIETY

The Loleta Altar Society will be decorating the Church for Christmas on Sunday, December 22 at 10 a.m. We would appreciate having some strong men stay after Mass to help bring the decorations down from the choir loft. For information, please call Peggy at 725-8851.



Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 21

5 p.m.

+Dorothy Pegolotti

req by Elly Burger & Family

Sunday, December 22

8 a.m.

+Katherine Sweeney

req by Thomas Family

10 a.m.

+Ted and Mary Renner

+Karen Wise

req by Mary Wise

12 noon

+Socorro Avila

req by Amelda Herrera

Thursday, December 26

12 noon

+Delphine Alves

req by Alves/Laplace Families

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Jan. 12—Maintenance Fund
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CHRISTMAS

A young mother, her eyes shining with fatigue, who is arranging her hair; a father who finds himself alone with his pretty wife and baby, straightening the stable to make himself useful in some way; shepherds who bring cheese and perhaps also some curdled milk; sheep who look at their shepherds while bleating; a donkey who is eyeing his manger changed into a cradle; an adorable swaddled baby whom one calls Savior, Christ and Lord: This is the manifestation of the goodness and the tenderness of God. This is the most fantastic birth in the history of humanity, the one which changed the face of the world! This is how far God humbled and compromised himself with us! This is Emmanuel!

--From God's Word Is Our Joy, Vol. 1 by Lucien Deiss, CSSp, copyright (c) 1998, World Library Publications. p. 73

St. Stephen—December 26

The day after Christmas, we celebrate St. Stephen, first martyr. Stephen was a deacon and his story is recounted in Acts, chapters 6 and 7. He died with his eyes firmly fixed on God and looking forward to being with Him in Heaven.

St. John the Apostle—December 27

Author of one of the Gospels and the Book of Revelation, John was a close friend of Jesus.



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Our schedule for Christmas is as follows:

Christmas Eve

Tuesday, December 24

5 p.m.—Vigil of Christmas

8 p.m.—"Midnight" Mass—
bilingual

Christmas

Wednesday, December 25

8 a.m.—Loleta

10 a.m.—English

12 noon—Spanish

January 1—

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

10 a.m.—bilingual

EMMANUEL

To name someone or something means that we have a relationship with that entity. Family names identify us with our heritage; nicknames denote familiarity or a special bond. In the Old Testament, the meaning of a name ran deep. It identified one's mission, even one's very being. The amazing name "Emmanuel" was first uttered by Isaiah as he described to the frightened King Ahaz the promised one who would come to redeem the people. Emmanuel is not a frightening philosophical name, such as Omnipotent, Omniscient, Almighty. It does not connote distance and transcendence. It does not generate reverential fear. The name Emmanuel implies closeness and intimacy and compassion. Emmanuel is the name given to the one who is coming. It means "God is with us." God is entrusted to the care of a virgin, who will bear this child. Only God would be so compassionate to draw so near, to be so available and vulnerable. Only God could love this well.

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I am New. Change of address I would like Sunday envelopes

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Address: _____