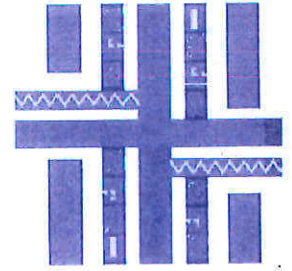


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Liturgy

Wednesday - Thursday : 8:00 AM (Mass)

Monday: 8:00 AM (Prayer Service)

Friday: 8:00 AM (Communion Service)

Rosary: Monday - Friday: 7:30 AM

Saturday Mass - 4:00 PM

Sunday Masses - 8:00 AM and 10:30 AM

Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM (closed 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM)

Sacraments

Baptism - Contact Margaret Roncalli

Marriage - Contact pastor 6 months in advance

Reconciliation

3:30 PM - 4:00 Saturday

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE

For communion/visits to the sick & homebound; mass intentions, prayer request & funerals

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Peace
&
Harmony

Mission & Vision

Through African American traditions, we are moved
by the Spirit to serve.

WE KNOW WHO & WHOSE WE ARE!

“WE SEE YOU”

December 4, 2016

SECOND SUNDAY

of

Advent



John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea and saying,
“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!”

Matthew 3:1



Please **turn off** Cell Phones before
entering Church. Thank you!

PREPARE THE WAY

Saint John the Baptist appears on the scene today as Advent enters its second week. The mysterious consumer of locusts and wild honey, John echoes the words of the prophet Isaiah as he calls for repentance in the face of the nearness of the kingdom of heaven. The rhythms of the Christian life are often confounding. Each year we meet the Baptist and hear his calls for repentance. Each year we see him pointing to the one who is coming after him, the Lord Jesus. Yet each year the words and actions of John the Baptist echo anew in our hearts, because we have fallen into old sinful traps again and again. Advent gives us the opportunity once again to turn away from our sinful ways and embrace the gospel way of life. John the Baptist invites us to prepare the way for the Lord, in whom we place our hope.
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**The Uninvited Guest This Holiday Season
"GRIEF"**

You and your family are welcome to join us. All are welcome regardless of religious faith.
Invite your neighbors and friends. **No registration is required.**

This is the last workshop for the holiday season

Dec. 25, 2016; 1:00PM - 3:00PM

St. John Vianney Parish, Mullen Commons
1650 Ygnacio Valley Road, Walnut Creek, CA 94598
For more information call (925) 939-8149
Facilitated by Fr. Padraig Greene

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**SAINTS AND SPECIAL
OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Second Sunday of Advent
Tuesday: St. Nicholas
Wednesday: St. Ambrose;
Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
Thursday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday: St. Juan Diego
Saturday: International Human Rights Day



ATTENTION PARISHIONERS

- Dec. 04, 2016** - World Aids Day
- Dec. 16, 2016** - Christmas Concert
- Dec. 24, 2016** - Christmas Vigil
- Dec. 25, 2016** - CHRISTMAS
- Dec. 30, 2016** - Feast of the Holy Family
- Dec. 31, 2016** - Memorial Crosse Service
- Jan. 01, 2017** - NEW YEAR'S DAY
- Jan. 09, 2017** - Baptism of Our Lord
- Jan. 14, 2017**—Chili Bowl Bingo

Bulletins / Announcements

Please remember to submit all information for the Bulletin and/or Sunday Announcements no later than Tuesdays before 4:00 pm.

Thank you.

Scripture Study

Come and join Scripture Study every Thursday evening with Sr. Amora at 7:00 pm in Mother Lydia's Chapel. For more information call Gillian Small at (510) 501-9726 or ggms@att.net

We welcome all who come to celebrate with us. If you would like to register or if you need to update your information, please complete this registration form and place it in the collection basket, return to office or send us an email. Be Blessed!

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Day _____ Eve _____

City _____ Zip _____

E-mail Address _____

- New Parishioner
- Change of Information
- Moving: Remove from list
- Please Call me - best time _____
- I would like to serve as _____