

Sat: 5:00pm (SJE) | Sun: 8:00am/10:30am (QR) | 9:15am (SJE) Daily: 8:15am M/W/F (SJE) | Tu/Th/Sa (QR)
Reconciliation: Wed 7:00pm (SJE) | Sat 12:00pm (QR) —Check schedule for holy days of obligation/holidays.



OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

*He will baptize you with
the Holy Spirit and fire.
—Matthew 3:11*



Second Sunday of Advent | December 7, 2025

Under Mary's mantle, and with the guidance of the Holy Trinity, Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament seeks to share God's love by celebrating the sacraments, proclaiming the gospel, and serving the needs of all His children.

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School – Queen of the Rosary School: 690 Elk Grove Blvd | qrschool.org | (847) 437-3322

As we turn the page to December, I'm filled with joy and gratitude. This will be my first Advent and Christmas with you as your pastor! In the Philippines where I'm from, we begin celebrating Christmas in September, so I'll admit I've already been listening to Christmas music for quite a while now. I hope it helps set a joyful tone for all of us as we enter this holy season together.

If you haven't received it yet, my first Christmas letter should be arriving in your mailboxes soon. In it, you'll find a full list of our Advent and Christmas activities. Last week we also made available Advent reflection books, each with a bookmark that includes our complete Advent and Christmas schedule. If we have any left, please feel free to take one home if you haven't already.

I'm excited to introduce a new tradition this year—one that comes from my previous parish. At each of our Advent Sunday Masses, a different family will be invited to light the candles on the Advent wreath. My hope is that this small but meaningful act will draw our whole community more deeply into the joyful anticipation of the Advent season and become a tradition we will cherish here at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish for years to come.

A few important dates to note:

- **Monday, December 8** is the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**, a **Holy Day of Obligation**. To allow our school students to join us, the **8:15am Mass will be moved to Queen of the Rosary Church**, and we have also **added a 7:00pm Mass at St. Julian Eymard Church**. Please note that the usual school Mass at 1:40pm on Tuesday, December 9 will not take place since students will be attending Mass on Monday.
- To give our new leadership team time to process this year's data, our **Annual Report** will be distributed next Sunday, December 14.
- Our **Parish Advent Reconciliation Service** will be held on **Wednesday, December 17 at 7:00pm at St. Julian Eymard Church**, with additional priests available to hear Confessions.

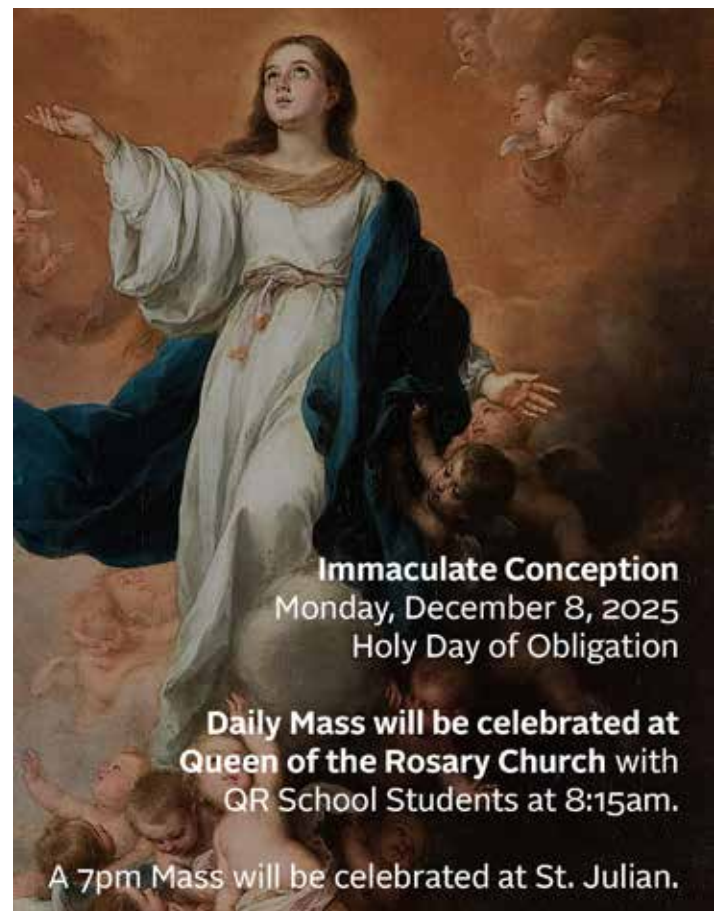
We also have several beautiful Advent celebrations you won't want to miss:

- **Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass** – Friday, December 12 at St. Julian Eymard
- **Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols** – Sunday, December 14 at St. Julian Eymard
- **Simbang Gabi** – Saturday, December 20 at the 5pm Mass at St. Julian Eymard (this will be a bilingual celebration, and worship aids will be available to help everyone participate fully)

And of course, later this month we rejoice together at the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We will celebrate six Christmas Masses, and I truly hope to see you at one—or more—of them. You can see our complete Advent and Christmas schedule here: olbsegy.org/christmas25/

May this Advent be a time of hope, healing, and joyful expectation for all of us. Please know of my prayers for each of you. Thank you for the blessing of being Companions on the Journey during this beautiful season of Advent.

—Fr. Art



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:15am (QR) 7:00pm (SJE)	December 8 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception <i>Please note, daily Mass moved to QR</i> + Maria & Antoni Biskup For the people of the parish
Tuesday 8:15am (QR) 1:40pm (QR)	December 9 + Sheila King School Mass
Wednesday 8:15am (SJE)	December 10 + Renee Prost, + Jean Pientka, + Donna Green
Thursday 8:15am (QR)	December 11 + Bill Fitzgerald
Friday 8:15am (SJE)	December 12 + Tomasz & Maria Frac, + Frann & Darrell Griffin
Saturday 8:15am (QR) 5:00pm (SJE)	December 13 For the people of the parish
Sunday 8:00am (QR) 9:15am (SJE) 10:30am (QR)	December 14 Barbara Burke Maria Makowska, + Dennis Cepelcha + Raymond Jakimczyk, + Lou Gennuso, + Ken Zabella, + Carol Bachochin, + Robert Schott

MINISTRY & EVENTS



7:45am 8:00am 8:45am 2-5:00pm	Mon-Sat: Morning Prayer (Tele or App) Mon-Sat: Divine Mercy Prior to Mass Mon-Sat: Rosary Follows Mass Tue-Fri: Teen Center Hours
Monday 6:30pm	December 8 Guadalupe Rosary & Novena (SJE)
Tuesday 7:00pm 7:30pm	December 9 Guadalupe Rosary & Novena (SJE) RE Advent Reconciliation Service (QR) Respect Life Ministry (SJE)
Wednesday 8:15am 9:30am 3:00pm 6:30pm 7:00pm 7:30pm	December 10 Adoration begins with daily Mass (SJE) Bible Study (SJE Shea Hall) Divine Mercy Prayer (SJE) Guadalupe Rosary & Novena (SJE) Reconciliation (SJE) Bell Choir Practice (QR) AA (SJE Ministry Center)
Thursday 6:30pm 7:00pm	December 11 Guadalupe Rosary & Novena (SJE) Choir Rehearsal (SJE)
Friday 7:30pm	December 12 Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe AA/Al Anon (SJE Ministry Center)
Saturday 8:15am 9:30am Noon 4:30pm 6:00pm	December 13 Adoration begins w/Mass (QR) Prayer Shawl Christmas Potluck (SJE) Reconciliation (QR) Christmas Angel Dropoff (SJE) Families of Christ Jesus (SJE)
Sunday 8am to Noon 10:30am 5:30pm 6:00pm	December 14 Christmas Angel Dropoff (SJE) CLW (QR) Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols (SJE) OCIA (Virtual)



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

December 13/14

Mass Time	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
5:00pm	Bob Lester	Linda Fink Jill Meister Peter Meister
8:00am Fr. Art	Ian Padua	David Bergman Kathy Bergman Julie Beesley
9:15am	Joe Wozniak	Joyce Leach Dan Storto Theresa Storto
10:30am Fr. Art	Diane Ambrose	Deacon Jerry Donna Tognocchi Paul Tognocchi



SICK RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Rosemary Beatty, Richard Conrad, Johnny Cogill, Marilyn Foss, Eileen & Fran Gascon, Sandy Gran, Michael Grear, Victoria Grzesiakowski, Mayor Craig Johnson, Edward Lang, Eileen Meyer, Amy Norbot, Debby Novoryta, Randy Olsen, John Schneider, William Seiwert, Eileen Showalter, Thomas Smith, Mary Beth Tomaso, Luis Alfredo Villacress, Jackie Vrtis, Marge Yackem, Ben's Sister

Please contact the parish office at (847) 979-0901 to continue to have sick relatives or friends included here.

GRANT UNTO THEM ETERNAL REST

May God bless them and keep them...

Margaret, Mary Berry

Please pray for lives lost to violence and natural disasters.

SEASON OF *Giving*

Now Collecting

Wings Pantry Drive
See donation instructions with
link to Wish List in the vestibule.
Drop gifts in the bins, or follow
directions to donate directly.



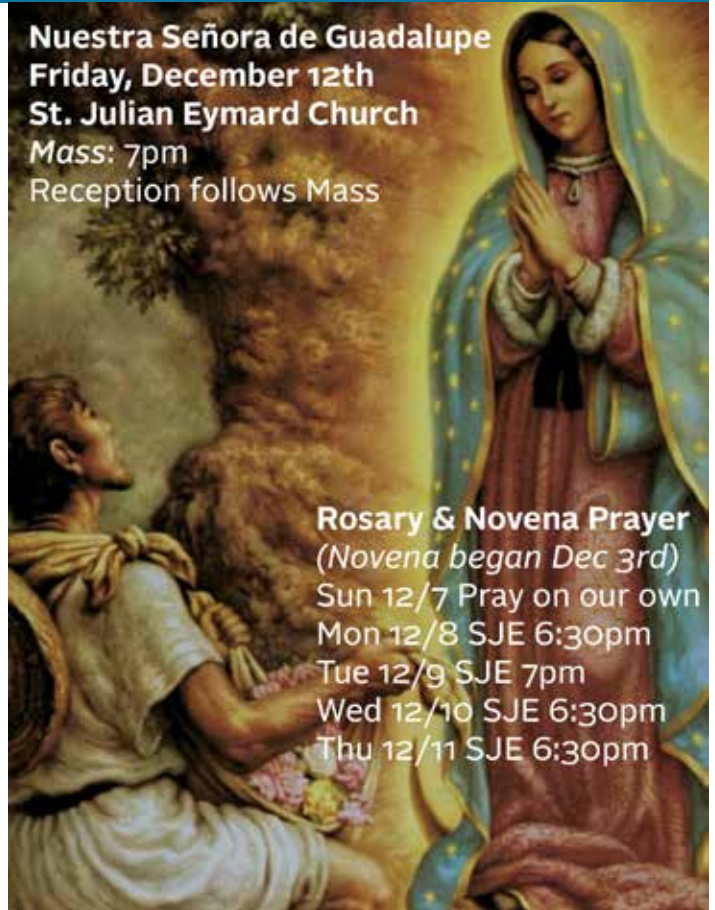
SEASON OF *Giving*

Now Collecting

Angel Tree Sleigh
Bring back your Angel Tree gifts
at St. Julian Eymard Church by
Sunday, Dec 14 at Noon. Assemble
wrapped gifts into a bag or box
marked with the family number.
Thank you for your generosity!



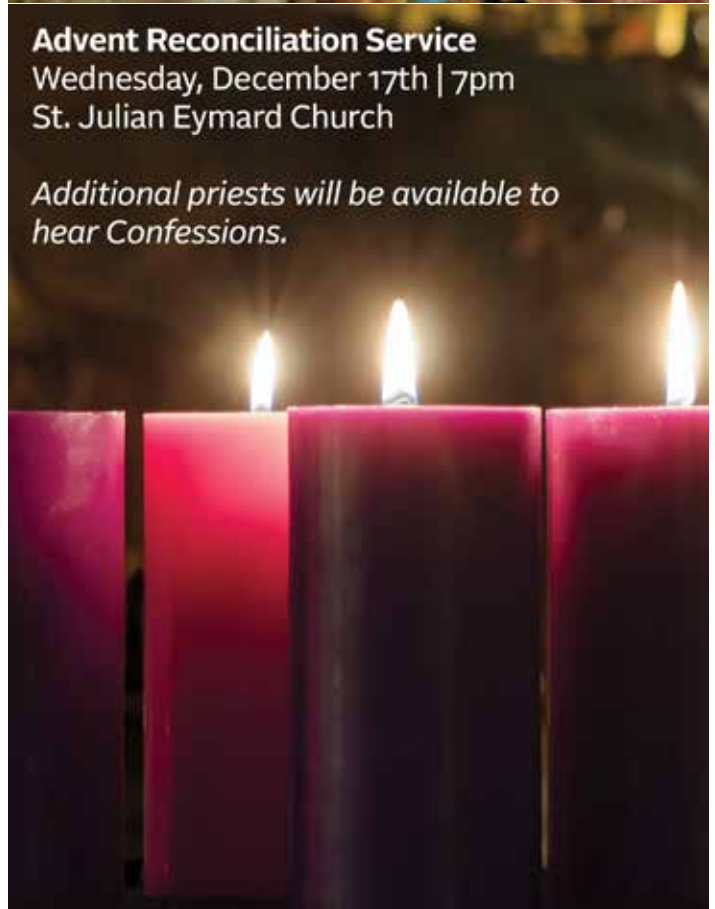
Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe
Friday, December 12th
St. Julian Eymard Church
Mass: 7pm
Reception follows Mass



Rosary & Novena Prayer
(Novena began Dec 3rd)
Sun 12/7 Pray on our own
Mon 12/8 SJE 6:30pm
Tue 12/9 SJE 7pm
Wed 12/10 SJE 6:30pm
Thu 12/11 SJE 6:30pm

Advent Reconciliation Service
Wednesday, December 17th | 7pm
St. Julian Eymard Church

*Additional priests will be available to
hear Confessions.*



Gospel in Focus: December 14, 2025

John the prophet who has come before Jesus, the Messiah, to make straight his paths. "This is the one about whom is written: 'Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you.'" — Matthew 11:10

Discussion Questions

How might we prepare for the arrival of an important guest?

How do you think John the Baptist felt when he heard Jesus was the Messiah?

How would you feel if you knew you were standing in front of the Messiah? What do you think He would say to you?

52 Week Mass Guide for Families:
olbsegv.org/prayer-life/#MassGuide

Let's light up for a cause!

Join the Good Samaritan Ministry's
"Oh, SNAP!" Food Drive: Advent Edition

Grab a wish list and drop donations in the wicker baskets in the vestibules at both churches. Suggested items include canned meats and vegetables, soup, boxed cereal, stuffing mix, and other pantry favorites to support Catholic Charities.

Let's light up more than trees this Advent—let's fill hearts with gratitude and hope!



SAVE THE DATE!

Sunday, December 7th

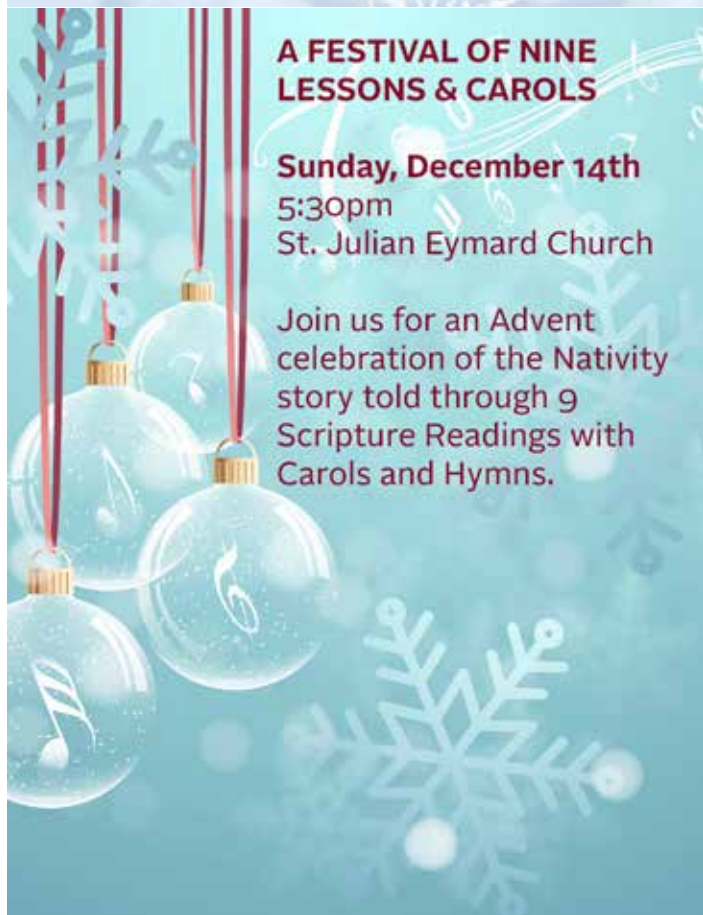
- **Pictures with Santa or the Grinch** in QR School following 10:30am Mass (sponsored by Parents Club).
- Last chance to buy **Grand Raffle** tickets at all Masses!



A FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS & CAROLS

Sunday, December 14th
 5:30pm
 St. Julian Eymard Church

Join us for an Advent celebration of the Nativity story told through 9 Scripture Readings with Carols and Hymns.





QUEEN OF THE ROSARY
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

OUR LADY OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT
PARISH

*Where faith and learning
feel like home.*

We are grateful for the incredible support our parish community has shown for our Grand Raffle fundraiser—thank you for helping make it such a success! As we reflect on the first week of Advent, our school has been celebrating hope. Our Student Ministry offered a beautiful explanation of this virtue during our weekly school-wide Advent prayer service, helping us all begin the season with hearts open and centered on Christ. The halls of QR are filled with excitement as each class decorates their Christmas tree with handmade ornaments. The creativity, joy, and holiday spirit from our students brighten our school in the most wonderful way. Thank you for your continued prayers and support of our parish school. We are blessed by this community!



If you'd like to learn
more about our school,
we'd love to connect!



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Your Stewardship Treasure returned to God for the support of our Parish ministries and His Church.

Thank you for your generosity.

Weekly Offertory Goal	\$14,000
In-pew/Mail-in Offertory Nov 23, 2025 (Sunday Attendance: 1,098)	\$7,473.00
In-pew Campaign for Human Dev	\$2,583.00
In-pew/Mail-in Offertory Nov 30, 2025 (Sunday Attendance: 657 due to snow)	\$5,917.00
In-pew Thanksgiving for Poor Box	\$3,067.00
2025 Annual Catholic Appeal Pledges (Projected Rebate \$35,000)	\$97,745.00

Pray, Donate or Volunteer to help us launch Alpha at OLBS!

Donate:  Volunteer: 

Alpha

Retirement Fund for Religious



Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

Please donate at your local parish on December 14, 2025 or by mail at:
National Religious Retirement Office
3211 Fourth Street NE
Washington DC 20017-1194
Make check payable to Retirement Fund For Religious

retiredreligious.org

Visit retiredreligious.org/2022photos to meet the religious pictured.
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December is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception.



January is dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus.



February is dedicated to the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.



March is dedicated to St. Joseph.



Young Adult Ministry

If you're 18-39, find faith, friendship and fun through community events and spiritual growth!

Scan the code or contact the parish office to discover more. (847) 979-0901 or info@olbsegu.org.



Book Club

Dive into engaging discussions on faith-filled and inspiring reads—let's share stories that uplift!

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Grounds & Environment

Help Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament shine. Let's create an inviting, prayerful space—from the parking lot to the altar.

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Women's & Men's Groups

Build friendships and community with fellow parishioners. Come as you are and make it your own!

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Care Ministry

Bring Christ's presence through the Eucharist and compassionate visits to homebound parishioners.

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Bereavement

Walk with grieving families, offering compassion and guidance while planning funeral liturgies.

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Journey of the Heart

Be a beacon of hope for the bereaved, helping them discover God's love through their grief.

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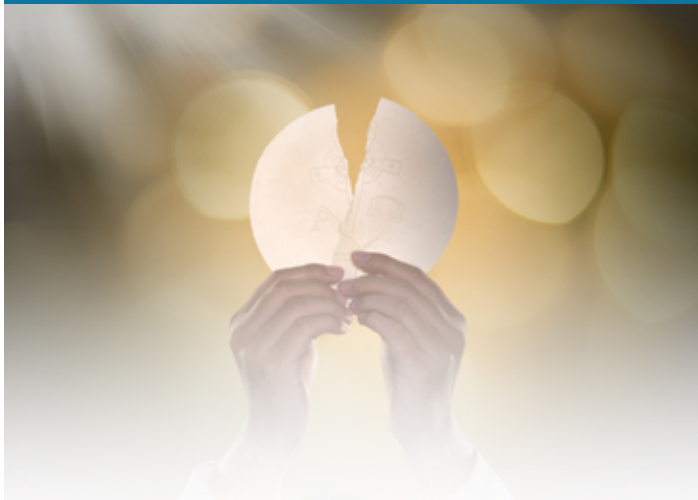


Respect Life

Pray, advocate and witness for the dignity of all human life, from conception to natural death.

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Liturgical Ministries

Proclaim God's Word, distribute the Eucharist or assist at the altar—serve with joy and purpose!

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Prayer Shawl

Knit, crochet and craft comforting shawls, blankets and more wrapping others in warmth and prayer!

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Adult Faith Formation

Grow deeper in faith through Bible studies, Scripture discussions and more spiritual learning opportunities!

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God's Work, Our Hands

There's something for everyone! Don't see your calling? Let's talk and explore how we can invite others to Christ—together!

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