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**OAKLAND APOSTOLATE AT
SAINT MARGARET MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, 2022
FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY
(Mass Propers available in the Parish Bulletin)

Dear faithful,

Blessed Sunday of the Holy Family to all! May the virtues of self-sacrifice and disinterested charity ever flourish in our souls, so that the burning charity of Jesus, Mary and Joseph would reign in the midst of our earthly families.

Due to unfortunate electrical problems at St. Margaret Mary's, there is currently very little lighting and no heat in the church. To those in particular who will be assisting at the **7 am Mass: please be sure to dress warmly!** We hope to have both lights and heating in church again by mid-week. Please keep this intention in your prayers.

On that note, I would like to extend a special word of gratitude to one of our faithful: Sergio Raya. Many of you may be aware that Sergio helps the apostolate in a variety of ways. Sergio is now taking on the project of repairing lights and heating in church. Pray for him, and be sure to thank him. Thank you for all you do, Sergio!

A good number of you, thankfully, were able to be present for the Solemn Blessing of salt and water for the Vigil of the Epiphany. Thank you for coming and for your piety, the ceremony unfolded beautifully, to the edification of all involved.

Now that you have your chalk blessed on the Feast of the Epiphany, do you know what to do with it? Most of you probably know about the **Epiphany blessing of doors**, but here's a refresher: This formula should be inscribed above the doors of the home: **20 + C + M + B + 22**. The letters have two meanings. First, they represent the initials of the Magi — Caspar, Malchior, and Balthazar — who came to visit the Infant Jesus in His first dwelling. They also abbreviate the Latin phrase, "Christus mansionem benedicat": "May Christ bless this house." The "+" signs represent the cross, and the "20" at the beginning and the "22" at the end mark the year. This blessing is a wonderful way of reminding ourselves of our need for Christ's blessing in our homes and our lives if we wish to persevere to a happy eternity. The chalking of the doors is a centuries-old practice throughout the world.

When in church, we want to hear the ringing of the church bells, not the ringing of your ringtones! We kindly ask you to remember to **silence your phones** before entering the church. Similarly, let us remember the presence of the Blessed Sacrament and, out of respect, limit our conversations with other individuals in church to the strictly necessary.

Our monthly **Sursum Corda event for young adults will be this Thursday January 13**, starting at 6 pm with the Rosary recited in church. As I will be out of town, this will just be a social gathering; there will not be the usual thirty-minute conference. There is also a **special event** for Sursum Corda on the evening of **Saturday, January 15**. For those interested, please come to the Chabot Theater in Castro Valley (2853 Castro Valley Blvd) for a 6:30 pm viewing of the film "Restless Heart," about the life of St. Augustine.



Solemn Blessing of Salt and Water for the Vigil of Epiphany

I will be returning home to Northern Virginia to visit my family for several days from Monday January 10 – Saturday January 15. Please keep me in your prayers while I'm gone. Because of the electrical problems in the church, **there may need to be a modification of some of the Mass times this week**. This will be dependent upon the schedules of the priests substituting for me. Please be attentive for updates and check the liturgical calendar in the bulletin.

Wishing you a blessed Sunday,
Canon Benjamin Norman

Reminder: For the comfort and peace of mind of our fellow parishioners, we encourage everyone to follow County health and masking guidelines. During this cold and flu season and the heightened incidence of Covid, please avoid attending church and other gatherings if you are sick or unwell.

OAKLAND APOSTOLATE'S FLOCKNOTE

For the past months, Flocknote has served the apostolate well in keeping the faithful informed via text and email of important information (bulletins, event reminders, etc.) Sign up by going to website icksOakland.flocknote.com, or by texting "ICKSPOakland" to 84576. Please provide your cell phone number if you would like to receive text messages, which would be helpful during the current electrical problems at church.

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Date	Time	Mass of the Day	Celebrant	Intention
Sun., 1/9	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	Feast of the Holy Family <i>2nd Class / White</i>	Canon Norman	Justin Ahlstrand†
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			Efren Gardenas† & Josefina Perez†
Mon, 1/10	12:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of the First Sunday of Epiphany <i>4th Class/ White</i>	Fr. Staal	Refad Bader Family
Tue., 1/11	12:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Hyginus, Pope & Martyr <i>4th Class/ Red</i>	Fr. Morgan	Raed, Dina & Leah Bader
Wed., 1/12	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Votive Mass of St. Joseph <i>4th Class/ White</i>	Fr. McTeigue	Rami Bader Family
Thurs., 1/13	12:30 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	Commemoration of the Baptism of Our Lord <i>2nd Class/ White</i>	Fr. Morgan	Ramon Lanzar†
Fri., 1/14	6:00 pm <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Hilary, Bishop, Confessor, Doctor of the Church <i>3rd Class/ White</i>	Fr. Wankar	Maria Cristina Brito†
Sat., 1/15	10:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	St. Paul, the First Hermit, Confessor <i>3rd Class/ White</i>	Fr. Wankar	Ramon Lanzar†
Sun., 1/16	7:00 am <i>Low Mass</i>	2nd Sunday after the Epiphany <i>2nd Class / Green</i>	Canon Norman	Afaf & Rafael Bader†
	12:30 pm <i>High Mass</i>			Carlos Diaz† & Guadalupe Mares†

SACRAMENTS

Confessions are heard 30 minutes before each Mass, and also during the Adoration after the 6 pm Mass each Friday.

Please contact Canon Norman if you are in need of or have questions regarding reception of any of the Sacraments.

CATECHISM CLASSES

Weekly catechism classes on Zoom Please contact Canon Norman or Lisa Caputi (henshinx@pacbell.net) to request the Zoom link.

Youth Class: Tuesdays at 4:00pm **Adult Class:** Saturdays, at 2:30pm

EMAIL LIST: send your request to

oakland@institute-christ-king.org

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PRAYER LISTS

In your kindness, please keep these requests in your prayers. Thank you.

For the sick:

Thomas Henriksson	Nancy Duenas	Gigi Cunningham
Dario Gonzalez	Paula Case	Veronica Seder
Elizabeth Pawek	Diane Kasdan	Courtney Shoda
Catherine Rose Eich	Canon Fragelli	Dobbins family
Peter Trong Nguyen	Paulann Dymond	

For the repose of the souls of our beloved departed:

Jeff Glass	James Metran	Ramon Lanzar
Marie-Terese Karel-Michaan		
Jesus Cristobal *	Rita Cristobal*	<i>Requiescant in pace.</i>

*Please note: The Requiem Mass for Jesus and Rita Cristobal is scheduled to take place on January 19. More details will follow.

If you would like post a name to these lists, for yourself or a loved one, please send an email to oakland@institute-christ-king.org

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 13—Sursum Corda (***rsvp**)

January 22—Walk for Life West Coast

January 29—Feast of St. Francis de Sales, Patron of the Institute

* **RSVP:** Please email the following to sign up for these events

Sursum Corda, January 13: Noe Perez at

n_perez3@u.pacific.edu

NEW! — DIRECTORY OF SERVICES

FOR THE OAKLAND APOSTOLATE

Do you have a skill, service or small business? We are starting a directory for parishioners to connect with each other. If you would like to be included, or have a question, please email Jennifer at msjenniferlj@gmail.com. Please include your name, skill, product or business & the best way to contact you. Thank you so much!"

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