

# First Sunday after Christmas

Sunday, December 28, 2025 ♦ 10:00 am

*Celebrant and Preacher: The Rev. Jason Shelby*

*Deacon: The Rev. Celeste Stump*

*Guest Organist: Yun Lee*



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*We warmly welcome you if you are here with us for the first time today. We joyfully welcome all people into our community without exception. Whoever you are, and whatever the status of your relationship with God, you will find fellow travelers here. Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service.*

*St. Francis Episcopal Church welcomes all people to receive Holy Communion. If you have not been baptized but would like to be, please talk to Father Jason after the service.*

*Consider making a donation of altar flowers in honor of a special occasion or in memory of someone you love. (The suggested donation is \$50.) Contact Gina in the church office at 310-375-4617 or [Gina.McQueen@stfrancispalosverdes.org](mailto:Gina.McQueen@stfrancispalosverdes.org).*

*Please take a moment to silence your cellphone. Thank you.*

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## This Week at St. Francis

### **Sunday, December 28**

- 8:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite I, Chapel)
- 9:10 am "Who is Jesus" Spiritual Formation Class (Library)
- 10:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite II)

### **Wednesday, December 31**

- There will be no mid-week Healing Service on Dec. 31. It will resume on Jan. 7.

*The church office will be closed through Friday, Jan. 2, 2026.*

*For more worship opportunities, events, and small groups, visit our website at <https://stfrancispalosverdes.org/>*

*The Preludes*

*Far, Far Away on Judea's Plains  
Away in a Manger*

*John Menzies Macfarland, arr. Keith D. Rowley  
William J. Kirkpatrick, arr. Keith D. Rowley*

# The Word of God

*Please stand as able and join in singing.*

## The Processional Hymn

### How Bright Appears the Morning Star

Hymnal #497

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef, key of D major (two sharps), and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes, with line breaks corresponding to the musical phrasing. The score includes measure numbers 4, 8, 12, and 17 at the beginning of their respective staves. The final measure of the fifth staff is a double bar line.

How bright ap - pears the Morn-ing star, with mer - cy beam-ing  
Re - joice, ye heavens; thou earth, re - ply; with praise, ye sin - ners

4  
from a - far; the host of heaven re - joic - es; O right-eous Branch, O  
fill the sky, for this his In - car - na - tion. In - car - nate God, put

8  
Jes - se's Rod! Thou Son of Man and Son of God! We, too, will lift our  
forth thy power, ride on, ride on, great Con-quer - or, till all know thy sal -

12  
voic - es: Je - sus, Je - sus! Ho - ly, ho - ly yet most low - ly,  
va - tion. A - men, A - men! Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

17  
draw thou near us; great Em - man - uel, come and hear us.  
Praise be giv - en ev - er - more, by earth and hea - ven.

Words: William Mercer (1811-1873), after Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608).  
Music: "Wie schön leuchtet," melody att. Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608);  
arr. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

## The Opening Acclamation

*Celebrant  
People*

Blessed be God: ✙ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
**And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

## The Collect for Purity

*Celebrant* Almighty God,  
*People* to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that  
we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through  
Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Gloria

Gloria in excelsis Deo

Hymnal #96

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in 4/4 time and B-flat major. The melody is a simple, hymn-like tune. The lyrics are: "Glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o." The score is divided into two systems, each with a treble and bass staff for the choir and a grand staff for the piano. The piano accompaniment is simple, with chords and moving lines in both hands.

Words: French carol, tr. James Chadwick (1813-1882), alt.; By permission of Fleming H. Revell Company.  
Music: "Gloria," French carol, arr. Edward Shippen Branes (1887-1958).

## The Collect of the Day

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have poured upon us the new light of your incarnate Word: Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*Please be seated.*

## The First Lesson: Isaiah 61:10--62:3

*Reader*            A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

<sup>10</sup>I will greatly rejoice in the LORD,  
my whole being shall exult in my God;  
for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,  
he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,  
as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,  
and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.  
<sup>11</sup>For as the earth brings forth its shoots,  
and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,  
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise  
to spring up before all the nations.  
<sup>62:1</sup>For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,  
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,  
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,  
and her salvation like a burning torch.  
<sup>2</sup>The nations shall see your vindication,  
and all the kings your glory;  
and you shall be called by a new name  
that the mouth of the LORD will give.  
<sup>3</sup>You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,  
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

## The Response: Psalm 100

*Reader*            Let us read from Psalm 100 responsively (the People reading the text in **bold**).



Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: George Frederick Handel (1685-1759);  
adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

<sup>1</sup> Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \*  
**serve the Lord with gladness**  
**and come before his presence with a song.**

<sup>2</sup> Know this: The Lord himself is God; \*  
**he himself has made us, and we are his;**  
**we are his people and the sheep of his pasture. ....Refrain**

<sup>3</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving;  
go into his courts with praise; \*  
**give thanks to him and call upon his Name.**

<sup>4</sup> For the Lord is good;  
his mercy is everlasting; \*  
**and his faithfulness endures from age to age. ....Refrain**

## The Second Lesson: Galatians 3:23-25; 4:4-7

*Reader* A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Galatia.

<sup>23</sup>Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. <sup>24</sup>Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup>But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian.

<sup>4:4</sup>But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. <sup>6</sup>And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord

*People* Thanks be to God.

*Please stand as able and join in singing.*

## The Sequence Hymn

### God Rest You Merry, Gentleman

Hymnal #105

God rest you mer-ry gen-tle-men, let noth-ing you dis-  
From God our heav-en-ly Fa-ther a bless-ed an-gel  
"Fear not, then," said the an-gel, "Let no-thing you af-  
Now to the Lord sing prais-es, all you with-in this

4  
may; re-mem-ber Christ our Sa-vior was born on Christ-mas  
came and un-to cer-tain shep-herds brought tid-ings of the  
fright; this day is born a Sa-vior of a pure vir-gin  
place; and with true love and char-i-ty each o-ther now em-

8  
Day, to save us all from Sa-tan's power when we were gone a-  
same; how that in Beth-le-hem was born the Son of God by  
bright, to free all those who trust in him from Sa-tan's power and  
brace; this ho-ly tide of Christ-mas doth bring re-deem-ing

12  
stray. O tid-ings of com-fort and joy, com-fortand joy; O  
name. O tid-ings of com-fort and joy, com-fortand joy; O  
might." O tid-ings of com-fort and joy, com-fortand joy; O  
grace. O tid-ings of com-fort and joy, com-fortand joy; O

17  
tid-ings of com-fort and joy!  
tid-ings of com-fort and joy!  
tid-ings of com-fort and joy!  
tid-ings of com-fort and joy!

Words: London Carol, 18th cent., by permission of Fleming H. Revell Co.  
Music: "God Rest You Merry," melody from "Little Book of Christmas Carols," 1850;  
harm. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944).

*Please remain standing as able.*

## The Gospel: John 1:1-18

*Deacon*            **✙ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.**

*People*            **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup>All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being <sup>4</sup>in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. <sup>5</sup>The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

<sup>6</sup>There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup>He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup>He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. <sup>9</sup>The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.

<sup>10</sup>He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup>He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. <sup>12</sup>But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, <sup>13</sup>who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

<sup>14</sup>And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. <sup>15</sup>(John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'")

<sup>16</sup>From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. <sup>17</sup>The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup>No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

*Deacon*            The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*            **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

## The Sermon

*The Rev. Jason Shelby*

*There will be a moment of silence for reflection following the sermon.*

*Please stand as able and join in saying the Nicene Creed.*

## The Nicene Creed

*All*                **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*Please remain standing as able.*

The Prayers of the People (the People read the responses in **bold**)

*Deacon* Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

*People* **That we all may be one.**

*Deacon* Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

*People* **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

*Deacon* We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

*People* **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

*Deacon* We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

*People* **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

*Deacon* Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

*People* **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

*Deacon* For all those who serve in the armed and foreign services, and for their families, especially Alyssa Capellino Baxter, Barry Witt, Drew Deley, Jonathan Zimmerman, Joseph Leahy, Mark Kappelmann, Michael Strong, Michael Valiquette, Scott Ruston, Steve, Thomas Dawson, TJ Malzahn, Will Piepenbring, let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Deacon* For those who are ill, recovering from surgery, or in any other kind of need or trouble: Andrea, Anne Sharp, Barbara Shelby, Billy Whelan, Bob Cook, Brad, Bruce Schaefer, Carlos, Celeste Stump, Ceri Falk, Chris, Colette Furbush, Connie, Dana Genzel-Diaz, Daniel Drayling, Elizabeth Beadle, Erica, Joseph and Danielle Diestel, Judy Morgan, Kathy Falk, Kerry Myers, Kristen, Krystal, Loren, Miguel Diaz, Natalie Massey, Patt Parker, Phyllis Massey, Richard Cantine, Roxanne Wall, Roz Hadley, Sally Hill, Susie Zimmerman, Tommy, the people of the Middle East, the victims of violence everywhere, and for those who commit violence, that they may cease their evil ways and know the Love of Christ. Let us pray to the Lord.

*People* **Lord, have mercy.**

*Deacon* Give to the departed eternal rest;

*People* **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

*Deacon* We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

*People* **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

*Celebrant* O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, + Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*Please kneel or sit as able.*

## The Confession of Sin

*Deacon* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All* **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

## The Absolution

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy + on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

*Please stand as able.*

## The Peace

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Ministers and People exchange signs of peace in the name of the Lord.*

*Please be seated.*

## The Welcome and Announcements

*Anyone who has a birthday or anniversary in the next week is invited to come forward for a blessing:*

*All* **Watch over your child(ren), O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may the peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**



# The Holy Communion

## The Offertory Sentence

*Celebrant* Walk in love as Christ loves us, bring offerings of praise and thanksgiving to his table.

## The Communion Anthem

### Organ Meditation

Yun Lee, Guest Organist

## The Offertory Hymn

### What Child is This

Hymnal #115

*What child is this, who, laid to rest,  
on Mary's lap is sleeping?  
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,  
while shepherds watch are keeping?*

*This, this is Christ the King,  
whom shepherds guard and angels sing;  
haste, haste to bring him laud,  
the babe, the son of Mary.*

*Refrain*

*So bring him incense, gold and myrrh,  
Come, peasant, king, to own him:  
The King of kings salvation brings,  
Let loving hearts enthrone him.*

*Refrain*

*Why lies he in such mean estate  
Where ox and ass are feeding?  
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here  
The silent Word is pleading.*

*Please stand as able.*

## The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer C)

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

*People* **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

*Celebrant* At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

*People* **By your will they were created and have their being.**

*Celebrant* From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*People* **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

*People*      **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

The Sanctus                      Holy, Holy, Holy Lord                      Forest Green (Tune: #78)

Music: "Forest Green," English melody; adapt. and harm. Ralph Vaughn Williams (1872-1958).

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*All*      **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN.*

### The Lord's Prayer

*Celebrant* And now, as Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*All* **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the  
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

### The Breaking of the Bread

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.*

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast.**

### The Fraction Anthem

#### **Away In a Manger**

*Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,  
the little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head;  
the stars in the heavens looked down where He lay,  
the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.*

*The cattle are lowing, the Baby awakes,  
but little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes.  
I love Thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky  
and stay by my side until morning is nigh.*

*Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask Thee to stay  
close by me forever, and love me, I pray.  
Bless all the dear children in Thy tender care,  
and fit us for heaven, to live with Thee there.*

## The Invitation

*Celebrant*      The Gifts of God for the people of God, Holy gifts for Holy People.

*For our online community: an invitation to pray together the spiritual communion prayer from the National Cathedral. A spiritual communion is a personal devotional that anyone can pray at any time to express their desire to receive Holy Communion at that moment, but in which circumstances impede them from actually receiving Holy Communion.*

**My Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. I love you above all things, and long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.** (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787)

*If you have come with a particular prayer concern today, after receiving Communion you may come to the Nason Prayer Chapel to the right of the altar rail where you may light a candle and, if you wish, someone will be available to pray with you.*

## The Communion of the People

*All are invited to receive Holy Communion. Please follow the directions of the ushers. If you do not wish to receive, we encourage you to come forward to receive a blessing. Simply fold your hands across your chest when you come forward. The clergy will carry Communion to anyone in the congregation who is unable to come forward. Please notify an usher if you wish Communion to be brought to you. Gluten-free Communion wafers are available. If you require one of these, simply ask.*

# The Communion Song

## O Little Town of Bethlehem

Hymnal #79

O lit - tle town of Beth - le - hem, how still we see thee  
 For Christ is born of Ma - ry, and gath - ered all a -  
 How si - lent - ly, how si - lent - ly the won - drous gift is  
 O ho - ly Child of Beth - le - hem, de - scend to us, we

lie, a - bove thy deep and dream - less sleep, the si - lent stars go  
 bove, while mor - tal sleep, the an - gels keep their watch of won - d'ring  
 giv'n! So God im - parts to hu - man hearts the bless - ings of his  
 pray. Cast out our sin and en - ter in, be born in us to -

by; Yet, in thy dark streets shi - neth the ev - er - last - ing  
 love. O morn - ing stars, to - geth - er pro - claim the ho - ly  
 heav'n. No ear my hear his com - ing, but, in this world of  
 day. We hear the Christ - mas an - gels the great, glad ti - dings

light. The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee to - night.  
 birth, and prais - es sing to God the King, and peace to all on earth.  
 sin, where meek souls will re - ceive him, still the dear Christ en - ters in.  
 tell. O come to us, a - bide with us, our Lord, Em - man - u - el!

Words: Phillips Brooks (1835-1893). "St. Louis," Louis H. Redner (1831-1908).

*Please kneel or stand as able.*

## The Post-Communion Prayer

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## The Prayer of St. Francis

*Celebrant* Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

*People* **Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.**

## The Blessing

*Celebrant* And, the blessing of God Almighty, ✙ The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit be with you always.

*All* **Amen.**

## The Sending Forth

*Deacon* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

*All* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

*Please stand as able and join in singing.*

## The Recessional Hymn

### Joy to the World

Hymnal #100

*Joy to the world; the Lord is come;*

*Let Earth receive her King;*

*Let ev'ry heart prepare him room,*

*And heav'n and nature sing.*

*Joy to the Earth, the Savior reigns;*

*Our mortal songs employ,*

*While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains,*

*Repeat the sounding joy.*

*No more let sins and sorrows grow,*

*Nor thorns infest the ground;*

*He comes to make his blessings flow*

*Far as the curse is found.*

*He rules the world with truth and grace,*

*And makes the nations prove*

*The glories of his righteousness,*

*And wonders of his love.*

*The Postlude*

*Christmas Postlude*

*Carl Moulding*



# CAMP PENDLETON AND FORT MACARTHUR COLLECTION

Saturday, January 10, 2026  
9:00am-12:00pm

## SUPPORT OUR MILITARY FAMILIES

Camp Pendleton is home to over 70,000 Marines and 10,000 children under 5. More than 160 babies are born there each month. Most families arrive with only what fits in their car and often lack essentials for newborns and small children, plus furnishings for their housing. The Rotary Clubs of District 5280 are collecting new and gently used items for these families to select from at Camp Pendleton's "Warrior Warehouse" and Fort MacArthur's "Airman's Attic", which is filled with donated items that are free for local military families.

## ITEMS NEEDED

- Diapers
- Baby & children's clothes
- Toys, books, bathtubs, strollers, cribs
- Dishes, cookware, meal prep tools
- Bedding
- Gift cards (\$25) to Target/Walmart

## DROP OFF


**Hawthorne High School**  
 4859 El Segundo Blvd.  
 Hawthorne, CA 90250

### For More Information:

David Henseler  
 Rotary Club of South Bay Sunrise  
 310-753-0929

Bring items by Friday, January 9, 2026 to the church office or Susie's house (call for address).

Items will be loaded to drop off at Hawthorne High School on Jan. 10. Meet at St. Francis at 8:15 a.m. to load. Leave at 8:45 a.m.

### St. Francis Contact:

Susie Zimmerman  
[susiezimmerman@gmail.com](mailto:susiezimmerman@gmail.com)  
 or leave text: (310) 316-5941

If you can help drop off items on January 10, please contact Susie.

## Prayers this Week

We pray for all those who serve in the armed and foreign services, and for their families, especially Alyssa Capellino Baxter, Barry Witt, Drew Deley, Jonathan Zimmerman, Joseph Leahy, Mark Kappelmann, Michael Strong, Michael Valiquette, Scott Ruston, Steve, Thomas Dawson, TJ Malzahn, and Will Piepenbring.

Those who are ill, recovering from surgery, or in any other kind of need or trouble: Andrea, Anne Sharp, Barbara Shelby, Billy Whelan, Bob Cook, Brad, Bruce Schaefer, Carlos, Celeste Stump, Ceri Falk, Chris, Colette Furbush, Connie, Dana Genzel-Diaz, Daniel Drayling, Elizabeth Beadle, Erica, Joseph and Danielle Diestel, Judy Morgan, Kathy Falk, Kerry Myers, Kristen, Krystal, Loren, Miguel Diaz, Natalie Massey, Patt Parker, Phyllis Massey, Richard Cantine, Roxanne Wall, Roz Hadley, Sally Hill, Susie Zimmerman, Tommy, the people of the Middle East, and for victims of violence everywhere.

We pray for all who have died, especially Joan Fenske, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

## Our Staff

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