

WE ARE A EUCHARIST CENTERED PEOPLE WHO, AS THE BODY OF CHRIST, LIVE OUR FAITH IN WORD AND DEED BY SHARING OUR TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE TO SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER AND SERVE THOSE IN NEED.

January 11, 2026

Mass intentions during January 12th - 18th

Mon.	8:00	Veronica Girolo, John H. Adams, Jr.
Tues.	8:00	Sylvia Samija and Family (L)
Wed.	8:00	Matthew Ty Snook, Romario Razo
Thurs.	8:00	Maureen Nelson and Family (L)
Fri.	8:00	Luigi Bozzi, Ira Cohen
Sat.	8:00	The Gonzalez Family (L)
	5:00	The Morgan Family (L)
		Donna Morgan
	7:00	Ramon Torres Mireles
		Miguel Herrera Chavez
		Esther Figueroa, Pablo Lino
Sun.	7:30	Norbert Galego (L)
	9:00	Mario Gabriel Naal (L)
		Nina Annette Sable-Lavery
	10:30	Pro Populo
	12:00	Ignacio and Emma Gonzalez and Family (L)
		Mario Herrera, Ramon Ochoa Diaz
		Alfonso and Elidia Pulido

The Baptism of the Lord

Matthew 3:13-17

Apple ran a commercial not long ago called “Behind the Mac – Greatness.” It shows artists and creators, such as Kendrick Lamar, Billie Eilish, and Lady Gaga, working behind their MacBooks. The narration says, “There’s a certain kind of person who doesn’t wait for greatness. They make it.” It’s a compelling message. There’s beauty in using our gifts with passion and purpose. But there lies a hidden weight in that idea: If you are what you make, what happens when you can’t anymore? When the project fails, the passion fades, or the spotlight moves on, where is greatness then?

Today’s Gospel offers a differing vision of greatness. Jesus steps into the Jordan River. He hasn’t preached, healed, or performed a single miracle. Then the heavens open, and the Father speaks: “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.” It’s not a reward for success. It’s not earned. Before he does anything

“great,” Jesus receives the greatness of his identity from the Father.

And so do you. At your baptism, God said the same thing over you: “You are my beloved.” That is your true identity, not constructed or earned but received. When we see ourselves and others this way, everything changes for the better.

We discover a greatness that can never be taken away.

This week, reflect on your baptism: look up the date, thank God for it, pray for those baptized with you, or visit the church where it happened. Let your identity be rooted there.

— Father John Muir ©LPI



**St. Vincent’s Church
Beautiful Christmas Decorations**



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of their family members and friends who have died...**

Bonifacio Gonzalez, Jerry Dixon, Debbie Dixon, Frederic Holden, Antonio and Felisbina Pardal, Don Borg, Mr. and Mrs. Holden, Hazel Foot, Mr. and Mrs. Hudgins, Manuel Vasquez, Mary Traverso, Arthur and Marie Barboni, Eugene and Dorothy Williams, Jim Williams, Sandra Shannon, Marie Aggio, Sister Marie Louise Williams, Dora and Olympio Lanzi, Mary Nunes, Marlene Stewart, Stella Weber, Pat Doherty, Mr. and Mrs. Aladino Marcucci, Mr. and Mrs. Egidio Mancini, Theresa and Henry Morth, John Radtkey, Charles L. Piezzi, Rose Piezzi, Evelyn D. West-O’Rourke, Joseph and Virginia Sled, Philip and Nina Respini, Bernardine Wong, Charles and Frances DeCarli, Ed and Teddi DeCarli, John and Georgia Terzian, Bob and Loretta Foulds, Mark Kostielney, Jim and Leticia Rivara, Dr. Frank Lemus, The Dollar Family, Evelyn O’Rourke, Ed Iacopi, Cathy Cerrone, Charles Cutrera, Gloria Rodriguez, Jose Cisneros, and Ben Osegura.

ST. VINCENT’S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CRAB FEED 2026

Sponsored by your St. Vincent’s Knights of Columbus Council #11431, will be Saturday, January 31, 2026.

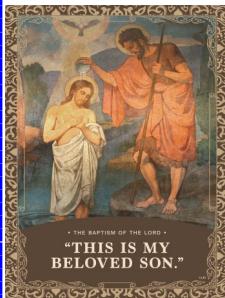
 Tickets will be available for purchase after all weekend masses-look for your friendly Knights of Columbus at the water fountain. Dinner includes salad, pasta, bread, dessert and fresh Dungeness Crab, Crab, Crab! The Crab feed will be at St. Vincent de Paul College Prep, 849 Keokuk St, Petaluma. Doors open for no-host cocktails at 6:00 pm and feeding frenzy starts at 7:15 pm. Tickets are STILL \$75!! Cash, Check or Credit cards accepted. Questions? Need Tickets - Call Kevin Johnson 619-993-3687 or Ron Beltramo 510-725-2706.

REMEMBRANCE ANGELS

Please pick up your Remembrance Angel (s) from the Remembrance Service in December. They will be in a basket at the entrance of the church, on a small table, behind the last pew. For more information, please call the parish office at 707-762-4278.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 12TH - 18TH



Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/
Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/
Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a,
8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/
Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/
Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5,
6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2 and 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/
Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH is open from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday. Weekday Mass is at 8:00 am and Rosary from 8:30 to 9:00 am.

CONFessions are held in the church on Thursdays at 6 pm and on Saturdays at 3:30 pm; please enter through the confessional (left) side.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



Thursday mornings after the weekday mass for one hour, and the first Thursday evening of the month from 6 – 7 pm.

PLEASE PRAY FOR - Norbert Galego, Msgr. Daniel Whelton, Elo Carrillo, Mary Barber, Irene Carnazola, Colin Lagos, and Michelle Paskal.

OUR SYMPATHIES go out to the families of Maria Barajas de Perez who passed away December 25th, Alvin Russell Silva who passed away December 4th, and Dana Leah Unruh who passed away November 27th. May the souls of the faithfully departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.

PRO-LIFE PRAYER GROUP is meeting on Tuesday afternoons at 2:00 pm at St. Vincent's church. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at 707-762-4278.

BIBLE STUDY: Our parish Bible study, Jesus: The Way, The Truth, and The Life, meets on Tuesdays from 6:45 pm to 8:30 pm, Jan. 13, 20, 27, Feb. 3, 10, and 17. You are welcome to join at anytime! Please contact Joanne Ferris jferrispetaluma@gmail.com or call 707-481-6431.

THE 22ND ANNUAL WALK FOR LIFE will be held on Saturday, January 24, 2025 at Civic Center Plaza, San Francisco. The Walk begins at the Civic Center Plaza at 12:30 pm and after the Rally, will proceed down Market street to Embarcadero Plaza. Transportation is available, departing from St. Joseph's Church at 7:30 am. The cost is \$40 per seat (includes light snack). For more information or to register, call (415) 658-1793 or email: info@WalkforLifeWC.com.

SAVE THE DATE: The Diocesan Men's Conference "Pray Without Ceasing" will be held March 20th - 21st at the Cathedral of St. Eugene. For more information or to register, go to www.srccatholicmen.org or email Stephen Morris at dsryouth@srdiocese.org

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Last Sunday's offering:

Sunday Basket	\$12,164
On-Line Giving	<u>12,128</u>
Total	\$24,292

The collection for the Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, was \$2,982.

Thank you for your generosity.

There will be a second collection this weekend for the Church in Latin America.

ONLINE GIVING AT ST. VINCENT'S

To sign up for online giving, go to <https://www.svdppetaluma.org> and look for the red "Donate" button on the upper right of the front page. You can also use this QR code to take you directly to the website. For more information, please contact the parish office at 707-762-4278.



BIRTHRIGHT OF PETALUMA

Do you or someone you know need free diapers, bottles, baby clothes, maternity clothes, children's toys and more? Visit BIRTHRIGHT center in Petaluma, 370 Sonoma Mountain Pkwy. Open Monday - 1:30 - 3:30 pm, Wednesday and Friday from 10 am - 12 pm. For more information, please call 707-763-9888. The office is located around the back in the Church of Christ building (no affiliation to the church).

WEEKLY INTERFAITH FOOD PANTRY: Free bags of groceries are provided to low-income families and individuals in Petaluma, through Petaluma Interfaith Pantry, which operates every Thursday evening. No paperwork needed; we serve all in need. Thursday Evening Interfaith Pantry opens at 5:00 pm at the Elim Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall at 504 Baker Street. For more information, please call 762-4081.

VILLAGE NETWORK OF PETALUMA PROGRAMS:

Find the online calendar at <https://petaluma.helpfulvillage.com/events>. Most of our programs and interest groups are designed for members and active volunteers. Social events and some interest groups welcome guests for one session to learn more about becoming a member and/or volunteer in the Village community. If you are interested in learning more about membership or volunteering, come to a "Get to Know the Village" monthly info meeting or contact us at info@VillageNetworkofPetaluma.org or 707-776-6055.

THE CATHOLIC ADULT SINGLES ASSOCIATION OF MARIN AND SONOMA COUNTY:

The Catholic Adult Singles Association of Marin and Sonoma is a group of 55+ single or single again Catholics who are interested in making new friends, taking part in social activities, sharing opportunities for spiritual growth and becoming involved in volunteer projects that will benefit our parishes, our community, and one another. We welcome those who are interested. For Membership & Event information, please call Bob at 415 897-0639.

