

# HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PARISH

## JANUARY 2022 BULLETIN



### ECCLESIASTICAL CHALLENGE FOR JANUARY

As you continue to view the various Christian symbols around our new sanctuary (remember peace doves and the *chi rho* shown above to the right?), have you noticed



the symbols  $\Lambda$  and  $\Omega$  on the altar linen covering the rear altar under the tabernacle? Check them out. What do the symbols stand for and why are they embroidered on the altar cloth? Hint: they are both Greek letters.

**Check out page 7 for the answer.**

### HOLY FAMILY PRAYER

*May God bless each family present and bless our entire Holy Family Parish. Make it like the family of your Son. May our moments of sorrow give way to the seasons of joy. May the memory of harsh words fade before the warmth of a loving touch. May the tears of sorrow be replaced by the music of laughter. May resentment be banished from our families. And may forgiveness reign in our hearts today and everyday. Amen.*



**Holy Family Catholic Church**

**American Canyon, CA**

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## Holy Family Catholic Church

American Canyon, CA

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Tuesday - Friday: 8:30 AM

Saturday: 5:15 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 & 11:30 AM

Every 3rd Sunday @ 11:30 AM - Youth Mass

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Monthly Calendar



- Dec. 31 - New Years Eve  
Mass 7:30pm**
- Jan. 1 - New Years Day Mass 9:00am and 5:15pm**
- Jan. 2 - Epiphany celebrated**
- Jan. 6 - Feast of the Epiphany**
- Jan. 8 - Children’s Rosary 2:00pm in church.  
Children and parents invited.**
- Jan. 15/16 - Special collection to help payoff  
the church loan**
- Jan. 18 - Women’s Club meets at 6:00pm. Site to  
be determined and announced later**
- Jan. 22/23 - Special collection for the Church in  
Latin America**
- Jan. 25 - Pastoral Council Meeting 6:00pm in  
church administrative office**
- Jan. 27 - Knights of Columbus Council meeting  
7:00 pm in secondary meeting room**



temperatures, sanitize, mask up and sign up for contact tracing. It is always the right thing to do in the midst of this terrible pandemic that is mutating from Delta to Omicron and seems never ending. It is my prayer that God will bring this terrible disease to an end, so that life will resume to normalcy. What else can I talk about? You are all a blessing to me and to our Church and I hope we will keep up the good work always. Very soon we will resume our Breakfast Fundraisers and I am inviting the computer guys to come again, so that our parishioners and school kids will have something for school; thanks to Tony and Juan Nieto. They are a blessing in disguise to us. May their project grow from strength to strength. I am focusing on FUNDRAISING EVENTS this year 2022. May God bless us to succeed in beefing up our coffers to service our New Church Loan. I invite you all to share your fundraising ideas for us to move forward with this. I try to do my best always. May His Name be glorified. Seasons Greetings to you all and I wish you all A HAPPY HAPPY NEW YEAR AND GOOD THINGS TO COME OUR WAY. Amen.

With every good wish, I continue to remain your humble Pastor.

- - Reverend Father Frederick K.A. Kutubebi

Fr. Fred’s Corner

Grace and Peace of God the Father be with you all. I would like to thank God in a special way for bringing the year 2021 to a close peacefully. A lot has happened throughout the year but rain or shine, we give thanks to the Almighty for his gracious assistance. We have lost quite a number of souls from our families and our Church Community and is not fun at all. May their souls rest in perfect peace. We did our best in the course of the year with the support of everybody. I would like to thank my brother Knights, Women's Club, Men's Club, Linen Society, Choir Groups, Cleaning Groups, Recycling Group, most especially Erika and Steve Myers, the Communication Media Outreach, the Banyuhay Group USA, Fil-Am, the Hispanic Community, the Missionary Families of Christ, Revelation Youth Group, the Donation Counters, Arlene and John Collins and their group always beautifying our Church and all those who contribute their time and talents to make Holy Family what it is. I say God bless you all. I express my deepest gratitude to you all for supporting me and my Deacons to build a healthy parish. We have also been good in observing all the

COVID-19 protocols and we have not had one single problem. I hope you will continue to check your

Remember to continue to check out our parish website at: <https://holyfamily-amcan.church/>

## Sunday Mass Readings for January

(See the bottom of the next page for a comment about January 1st)

### Sunday, January 2nd (Epiphany of the Lord)

**First Reading from the Book of Isaiah 60:1-6** - The Lord provides light over a darkened world. The Lord appears in His glory and shines His light on all who gather. Caravans of dromedary and camels will come from the East bearing gold and frankincense and praising the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13** - "Lord, every nation on earth will adore you."

**Second Reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6** - The promise of Christ Jesus in the Gospel has been given to me, Paul, so I may pass it along to people of this generation, yes, even Gentiles. His mystery has been revealed to His apostles and prophets by the Spirit.

**Gospel of Matthew 2:1-12** - We know well the story of the Magi: learned, wise men from the East who saw the STAR and sought out its purpose over Judea. They presented themselves to King Herod asking where they might find the child spoken about in scripture. Herod feared for his own power if a new King of the Jews had been born in Bethlehem. He sent the Magi to find the child and told them to report back to him the location so Herod could (supposedly) offer homage himself. Following the star once again, it led them to the place where Mary, Joseph and Jesus were and they paid the baby homage, gifting the baby with treasures of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Before departing to return to their own lands, the Magi were warned in a dream not to return to Herod, so they traveled back home directly.




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### Sunday, January 9th (Baptism of the Lord)

**First Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7** - The Lord says, here is my servant in whom I am pleased. I have put upon Him my Spirit and He shall bring forth justice to all nations and bring light to the darkness.

**Responsorial Psalm 29:1-4, 9-10** - "The Lord will bless his people with peace."

**Second Reading from the Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38** - After the baptism that John preached, God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit, and Jesus went about doing good works and healing those sick in both body and spirit.

**Gospel of Luke 3:15-16, 21-22** - The people were asking if John was the intended Messiah, but John told them that one greater than he is yet to come who will baptize the people not with water but with the Holy Spirit. After Jesus was baptized by John, the heavens opened and the Spirit descended on Jesus in the form of a dove, proclaiming Him the Son of God.

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### Sunday, January 16th (Second Sunday in Ordinary Time)

**First Reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah 62:1-5** - Israel will no longer be called desolate or forsaken. God will make the land His spouse; as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so shall God rejoice in Israel.

**Responsorial Psalm 96:1-3, 7-10** - "Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations."

**Second Reading from Paul's 1st Letter to the Corinthians 12:4-11** - A listing of the different spiritual gifts given to each person by the Spirit. Each has their own gifts but the same Spirit produces all of those gifts, distributing them to all.

**Gospel of John 2:1-11** - The well-know story of the Wedding Feast at Cana where Jesus performed His first public miracle: At the request of His mother, he turned water into wine so the wedding party would not be embarrassed. With this miracle, He revealed his power and glory, and His disciples began to believe in Him.

## Continued Sunday Mass Readings for January

### January 23rd (Third Sunday in Ordinary Time)

**First Reading from the Book of Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10** - Ezra the scribe and priest spoke to all the people gathered in the assembly place. He read the scroll containing the laws of God and the people understood what Ezra interpreted for them. He told them that today is a day holy to the Lord. They should never be saddened but should rejoice in the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 15** - “Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.”

**Second Reading from Paul’s 1st Letter to the Corinthians 12:12-30** - Although the body has many parts, it is one body. All people baptized in the spirit are one body whether Jew or Gentile, slave or free. Every part of the body must remain a part. An eye cannot say that “since I am an eye, I do not belong to the body.” And so it is with other parts of the human body and other parts of the Body of Christ. All parts of the body have a role and all parts of the Body of Christ have a role. If one part of any body suffers all parts of that body suffer.

**Gospel of Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21** - The beginning of Luke’s Gospel and Luke’s reason for writing it. He tells of Jesus’ return to Nazareth where He grew up where He entered the synagogue each Sabbath to teach. He unrolled the scroll of the prophet Isaiah and read from it: *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.* When Jesus finished, He said to those assembled, “Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.”

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### Sunday, January 30th (Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

**First Reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19** - Jeremiah proclaims that the Lord knew him before he was conceived in the womb, that the Lord dedicated him to be a prophet to the nations. People may oppose Jeremiah, but the Lord told him that they would not prevail over him for the Lord is with him in his endeavors.

**Responsorial Psalm 71:1-6, 15-17** - “I will sing of your salvation.”

**Second Reading from Paul’s 1st Letter to the Corinthians 12:31—13:13** - You will recognize these words of Paul - you have heard them many times proclaimed at weddings! If you do anything without love, the action is meaningless. Love is patient, kind, never fails, etc. Throw off childish ways and reason as an adult. The three great virtues are faith, hope and love, which always remain. But the greatest of these is love!

**Gospel of Luke 4:21-30** - After Jesus read from the scroll of Isaiah (see the Gospel above), the people were amazed at His teaching, wondering how this was possible since Jesus was merely the son of a carpenter. Jesus told them that no prophet is accepted in his own land and gave examples of this. This angered the people and they drove Him out of town.

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## Happy Theotokos Day January 1st!

The most recent issue of the *North Coast Catholic* (The Santa Rosa Diocesan magazine) has an article about January 1st, when we celebrate the **Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**: In the year 431, there was debate in the Church about a specific title for Mary. An Ecumenical Council was held at Ephesus and two different titles were presented. One bishop proposed *Christokos* (“Christ-bearer” or “Birth-giver of Christ” in Greek). Another bishop proposed that Mary be referred to as *Theotokos* (“God-bearer” or “Birth-giver to God” in Greek). The latter was decided on by an overwhelming majority of bishops assembled, as this terminology affirmed that Jesus is one person in two natures (divine and human) which are united in the act of Mary giving birth to Jesus who is God. The former title wrongly assumed that Mary gave birth only to Jesus’ human flesh and not His divine being also. The Orthodox traditions of Christianity continue to prefer *Theotokos* as their title for Mary.

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Monday, January 3rd  
 1 John 3:22-4:6  
 Psalm 2:7-8, 10-12  
 Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25

Friday, January 14th  
 1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22  
 Psalm 89:16-19  
 Mark 2:1-12

Tuesday, January 25th  
 Acts 22:3-16  
 Psalm 117:1, 2  
 Mark 16:15-18

Tuesday, January 4th  
 1 John 4:7-10  
 Psalm 72:1-4, 7-8  
 Mark 6:34-44

Saturday, January 15th  
 1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19;  
 10:1  
 Psalm 21:2-7  
 Mark 2:13-17

Wednesday, January 26th  
 2 Timothy 1:1-8  
 Psalm 96:1-3, 7-8, 10  
 Mark 4:1-20

Wednesday, January 5th  
 1 John 4:11-18  
 Psalm 72:1-2, 10, 12-13  
 Mark 6:45-52

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Monday, January 17th  
 1 Samuel 15:16-23  
 Psalm 50:8-9, 16-17, 21  
 and 23  
 Mark 2:18-22

Thursday, January 27th  
 2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29  
 Psalm 132:1-5, 11-14  
 Mark 4:21-25

Thursday, January 6th  
 1 John 4:19-5:4  
 Psalm 72:1-2, 14, 15, 17  
 Luke 4:14-22

Tuesday, January 18th  
 1 Samuel 16:1-13  
 Psalm 89:20-22, 27-28  
 Mark 2:23-28

Friday, January 28th  
 2 Samuel 11:1-10, 13-17  
 Psalm 51:3-7, 10-11  
 Mark 4:26-34

Friday, January 7th  
 1 John 5:5-13  
 Psalm 147:12-15, 19-20  
 Luke 5:12-16

Wednesday, January 19th  
 1 Samuel 17:32-33, 37,  
 40-51  
 Psalm 144:1-2, 9-10  
 Mark 3:1-6

Saturday January 29th  
 2 Samuel 12:1-7, 10-17  
 Psalm 51:12-17  
 Mark 4:35-41

Saturday, January 8th  
 1 John 5:14-21  
 Psalm 149:1-6 and 9  
 John 3:22-30

Thursday, January 20th  
 1 Samuel 18:6-9; 19:1-7  
 Psalm 56:2-3, 9-13  
 Mark 3:7-12

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Monday, January 31st  
 2 Samuel 15:13-14, 30;  
 16:5-13  
 Psalm 3:2-7  
 Mark 5:1-20

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Monday, January 10th  
 1 Samuel 1:1-8  
 Psalm 116:12-19  
 Mark 1:14-20

Friday, January 21st  
 1 Samuel 24:3-21  
 Psalm 57:2-4, 6 and 11  
 Mark 3:13-19

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**\$\$\$\$\$\$ Financial Status:**  
**November**

\$45,700.00 = Income (All Masses and Online)

\$17,000.00 = Income (Pay Off the Loan)

\$43,800.00 = All Parish Expenses (payroll, utilities, insurance, loan interest, etc.)

Tuesday, January 11th  
 1 Samuel 1:9-20  
 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-8  
 Mark 1:21-28

Saturday, January 22nd  
 2 Samuel 1:1-4, 11-12,  
 19, 23-27  
 Psalm 80:2-3, 5-7  
 Mark 3:20-21

Wednesday, January 12th  
 1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20  
 Psalm 40:2, 5, 7-10  
 Mark 1:29-39

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Monday, January 24th  
 2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10  
 Psalm 89:20-22, 25-26  
 Mark 3:22-30

Thursday, January 13th  
 1 Samuel 4:1-11  
 Psalm 44:10-11, 14-15,  
 24-25  
 Mark 1:40-45

**Thank you all for your ongoing generosity.**



# <=== Here's #14

This list was compiled for our 25th Silver Anniversary celebration of Holy Family Parish held in June of 2019 (with #14 still pending at the time). The list is now complete with our 14th different location for holding Mass under the name of Holy Family Church. How many of these other sites do you remember?

1. The American Canyon Multi-use Community Center on Elliott Drive.
2. The American Canyon Baptist Church at 2 Andrew Road (now called the American Canyon Community Church).
3. Donaldson Way Elementary School cafeteria.
4. Daily Mass at the rectory on Donaldson Way.
5. McIntyre Ranch for Mass and first parish picnic.
6. Boys' and Girls' Club on Benton Way: Ash Wednesday Mass when the school cafeteria was not available plus First Reconciliation Service.
7. Harvest Baptist Church at 240 Rio Del Mar Way: for a First Communion Mass when the school cafeteria was not available.
8. American Canyon Middle School gymnasium on Benton Way.
9. American Canyon Middle School multi-purpose room: Ash Wednesday Mass when the gymnasium was not available.
10. American Canyon Middle School parking lot when the gymnasium floor was being resurfaced.
11. Canyon Oaks Elementary School cafeteria: Holy Thursday Mass and First Communion when the gymnasium was not available.
12. Gaia Hotel on Hiway 29 (now called Holiday Inn Express): Ash Wednesday Mass with Reconciliation (with permission from the bishop when the gymnasium was not available).
13. Our most recent past location at 101 Antonina Way (the former Visitors' Center).
14. Our New Place: the sanctuary dedicated at 200 Antonina Way for Mass on our own land.

We made it finally to our own actual church with the help of all of you. A big **THANKS**.

## A Great Upcoming 2022 for Religious Education

### Mark your calendars ==>

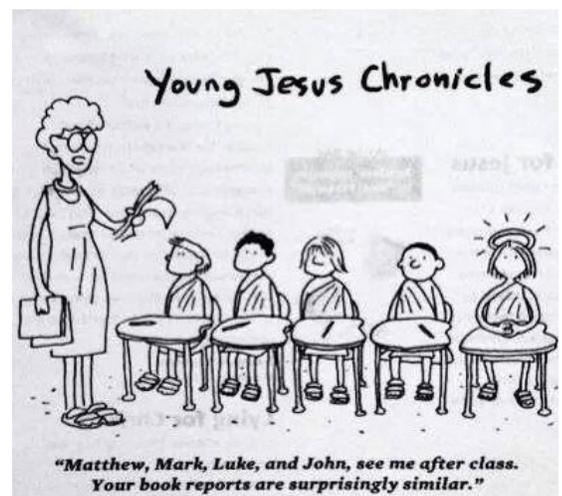
First Reconciliation: Saturday, February 19, 2022 (Time TBA)

Confirmation Retreat at Holy Family: Saturday, February 26, 2022  
from 8 am to 6 pm

First Communion: Saturday, May 7, 2022 at 10:00 am

Confirmation: Monday, May 9, 2022 at 6:30 pm

CCD registration for next year begins in May 2022



## Ecclesiastical Challenge for January

## Lector Schedules

1st reader / 2nd reader

The Greek letters **Α** and **Ω** are Alpha and Omega - the first and the last letters of the Greek alphabet. It would be like saying **A** and **Z** in the English language. So why are these two letters stitched onto the altar cloth in church? The rea-son is simple: they may be found in bible verses from the Book of Revelation (and indirectly in the Book of Isaiah).  
Read on ==>

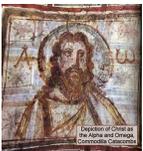
From Revelation 22:13: "I am the **Alpha** and the **Omega**, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

Simple enough! But also notice other verses from Revelation (1:8): "I am the **Alpha** and the **Omega**," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

Also check out on your own Revelation 21:6-7 and Revelation 1:17-18.

And what about the reference above to the Book of the Prophet Isaiah? Here it is - Isaiah 44:6: "Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: 'I am the first and I am the last. And there is no God besides Me'."

These symbols were used in early Christianity and appear in the Roman catacombs. The letters were frequently shown hanging from the arms of the cross in Early Christian art or to the left and right side of the face of Christ in religious icons. He is the beginning, the middle and the



end.

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### Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers:

Remember to pick up your cross medallions before Mass, be ready for the procession before Mass, and return the crosses after Mass to the Sacristy.

#### Saturday, January 1

9:00 am: Ernie Zambrano / Rose Tamoro  
5:15: MFC / MFC

#### Sunday, January 2

7:30: Lucy Datiles / Rosella Tamoro  
9:30: Kevin Kain / Bernie Borges  
11:30: Suzette Yturralde / Kevin Belton

#### Weekend of January 8/9

5:15: Shirlese Hayes / Marianne Beadril  
7:30: Hemmy Bacareza / Greg Bacareza  
9:30: Frank Lee / Josie Rubang  
11:30: Nidia Romabiles / Margarita Belton

#### Weekend of January 15/16

5:15: Milette Negranza / Alma Arcega  
7:30: Davet Mohammad / Ernie Zambrano  
9:30: Marie Walton / Carol Strausborger  
11:30: Mikayla Yturralde / Lorenzo Servente

#### Weekend of January 22/23

5:15: Catherine Pott / David Pott  
7:30: Roselle Tamoro / Lucy Datiles  
9:30: John Collins / Bill Walton  
11:30: Fernando Mendoza / Francisco Jimenez

#### Weekend of January 29/30

5:15: David Mezzera / Rollie Negranza  
7:30: Davet Mohammad / Ernie Zambrano  
9:30: Betty Lorenz / Erika Myers  
11:30: Numer Tamoro / Marina Maldonado

## EM Schedules

#### January 1

9:00am: Virginia Zambrano / Numer Tamoro  
5:15: MFC

#### January 2

9:30: Betty Lorenz / John Collins  
11:30: Marnel Yturralde / Marina Maldonado

#### January 8/9

5:15: David Pott / David Mezzera  
9:30: Bannie Lee / Bill Walton  
11:30: Kevin Belton

#### January 15/16

5:15: Shirlese Hayes / Rollie Negranza  
9:30: Erika Myers / Kevin Kain  
11:30: Suzette Yturralde / Danilo Barcelon

#### January 22/23

5:15: David Mezzera / Shirlese Hayes  
9:30: Carol Strausborger / Erika Myers  
11:30: Percy Barcelon / Rose Tamoro

#### January 29/30

5:15: Frank Lee / Bannie Lee  
9:30: Kevin Kain / John Collins  
11:30: Rose Tamoro / Suzette Yturralde