SAINT AMBROSE
CATHOLIC CHURCH
Second Sunday of Advent
December 8, 2019

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LITURGY
Saturday Vigil
4:30 pm - English

Sunday Masses
8:30 am & 10:30am - English
12:15 pm - Spanish

Monday-Saturday Mass
8:30 am - English

Wednesday
Liturgy of the Word
8:30am - English

Rosary
Monday - Saturday
8:00 am, Church

Holy Day Masses
8:30am English
7:00pm Spanish

Eucharistic Adoration
Fridays 9:00 - 9:30 am

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
All classes on Sundays
(In church hall)

First Communion
Grades 2-8
(in English)
9:20 am - 10:20 am
(in Spanish)
11:00am - 12:00pm

Confirmation
9:00 - 10:30am

Baptism Class
(English & Spanish)
3rd Wednesday of each month; register in the office one week prior.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM
Arrangements to be made at least one month in advance.

RECONCILIATION
Saturday, 3:30pm-4:30pm or by appointment.

WEDDING
Appointments should be made at least six months in advance. Church dates should be confirmed with a priest before making other arrangements.

FUNERAL
Should be arranged by family with the Parish office and the mortuary.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK
Please call for home or hospital visit.

Catholic Funeral and Cemetery Services
Holy Angels / St. Joseph Cemetery
San Pablo—510-223-1265
St. Mary Cemetery • Oakland 510-654-0936

EXTRA SACRAMENTS

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Bernardine Franciscan Sisters Florence Kruczek (right), 91, and de Lourdes Okoniewski, 87, each entered religious life in the 1940s, barely out of high school. For decades, prayer and teaching filled their days. Yet a lifetime of serving others has only increased their own gratitude. “I get up each morning and say, ‘O Lord, thank you for the gift of another day,’” says Sister Florence.

Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

For Sisters Florence and de Lourdes—and 30,000 other senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who benefit from the Retirement Fund for Religious—service is a way of life. Most ministered in Catholic schools, hospitals, parishes, and social service agencies, usually for little or no pay. Today, hundreds of religious communities lack adequate savings for retirement and eldercare. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious offers vital support for necessities, such as medications and nursing care. Please be generous.

Almost 94 percent of donations directly aid senior religious.

retiredreligious.org
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Weekly Offering
Weekly Goal: $5,000  Monthly Goal: $20,000

### Mass Intentions For The Week
December 7 - December 14, 2019

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**Intention**

#### Requested by

- Victims & Veterans of Pearl Harbor
  - Kathleen Shiring
- Ernesto Martin Sanchez
  - Beatriz Sanchez
- Raul Munoz Birthday
  - Marta Fearing
- Concepcion Gonzalez
  - Maria Moreno
- Raquel Rosas Birthday
  - Rosas Family
- Francisco Gonzalez Martinez
  - Isabel Gonzalez
- Liturgy of the Word
  - Carmen Gonzalez
- Families traveling for holidays
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- St. Ambrose Community
  - Olympia Campos
- Poor Souls
  - ----- 

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND AND THOSE IN CONVALESCENT HOMES**
(and their caregivers)

**Connie Casiano, Rose Arcol, Romanda Scott, Frank Flynn, Rosa Maria Sanchez, Martha Valdivia, Rene Cerna**

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** Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe **

- **December 8, 2019**
- **Celebration following 12:15 Mass**
- **Mañanitas will be Thursday, December 12th at 6:00am**
- **8:30am English Mass**
- **7:00pm Spanish Mass**

Thank you to everyone who contributed with donations and time.

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**Melvin Shiavon, 91, of Berkeley, CA**
passed away on Saturday, November 23, 2019. **Mel** was born on January 27, 1928 to Teresa and Guido Schiavon in Oakland, CA. In his early years, Mel was a football and track and field athlete. After graduating with honors from Technical High School in Oakland in 1946, he joined the U.S. Army where he served as a Technician Fifth Grade and was decorated with the World War II Victory Medal and Army of Occupation Medal. After his service in Japan, he earned a trade certificate as a Structural Steel Fabricator in 1954. He worked for Herrick Corporation in Hayward as an ironworker, fitter and layout man for 40 years, advancing to foreman and superintendent. After retiring in 1988, Mel spent his time gardening, jogging, walking, cycling, fishing, drinking wine (never water!!!) and volunteering at his neighborhood church. Never having children of his own, his sister’s children and grandchildren, his lifelong friends and the communities of Saint Ambrose Catholic Church and Stannage Avenue (where he was dubbed “The Ambassador”) became his family. Mel was predeceased by his parents, his brother-in-law, Anthony Crescenti and his dearest friend, Jennie Lim Lee. He is survived by his sister, Elsie Crescenti; his niece, Toni Fischer and her husband Charles Fischer; his nephew, David Crescenti; his great niece, Ashley Fischer Stern and her husband Michael Stern, his great nephew, Brandon Fischer; and many close friends.