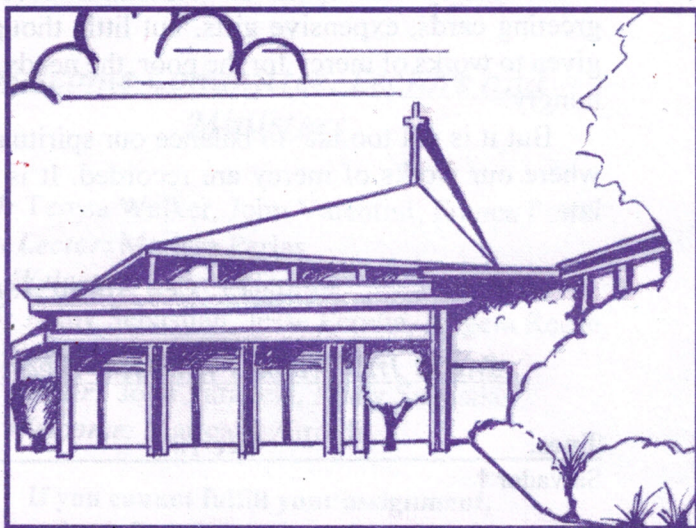


St. Rose of Lima Church

555 Third Ave. • Crockett, California 94525-1114 • Tel. (510) 787-2052

Fr. Leo Asuncion, Administrator



TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

RECTORY / OFFICE..... (510) 787-2052

BAPTISMS: By appointment with the priest at least one month in advance.

WEDDINGS: By appointment, at least six months in advance.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Notify the priest regarding those who are ill, hospitalized or homebound.

MASSES:

Saturday	Crockett..... 4:30 pm (vigil)
Sunday	Crockett.....9:00 am
	Port Costa.....11:00 am
Weekdays	Crockett
	Tues. - Fri.....12:00 noon
Holy Days	Crockett..... 12:00 noon & 7:00 pm

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 3:30 to 4:00 pm



St. Patrick Mission, Port Costa

WELCOME! Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether longtime resident or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God for you! If you are not on our parish list—please fill out the form below and place in the collection basket or mail to the office.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

New to Parish New Address New Phone # Moving Send Envelopes



From the Desk of Fr. Leo

Recent statistics tell us that more than four hundred and sixty million people today are starving. One billion cannot work or play, and have no energy or joy, because they lack essential nutrients that provide healthy bodies and give normal strength. They live and go to bed every night with pangs of hunger. Thousands of the hungry die every day.

Advent is the time to balance the books, not our financial accounts, but the spiritual accounts where our works of mercy are recorded. How much more have we done to help others in their misery and utter need? Christ came two thousand years ago to bring peace and joy to humankind, but when millions are starving and

more than that lack the energy to live a normal life, then the Christian world should ask itself what it is doing to build a better world, a world in which the goods of every one are more equally shared. It is not merely a matter of the richer nations rectifying the situation. Let each Christian take a good look at himself to see how responsible he might be for the needs and sufferings of those in his immediate vicinity or of those over whom he or she is placed.

What are the crooked paths that the herald in this weekend's Gospel would have straightened out? They are many and various, but today we will do well to turn our attention to the material goods of life. One crooked path is surely greed, that insatiable striving to accumulate ever greater amounts of money, regardless of whether it is needed or not. Another is waste, a great deal of waste in the form of food, clothing, light, water and luxuries in general. A crooked path is likewise reckless spending on commodities not at all necessary nor even useful for decent living or for our state in life. A further crooked path is the devious transactions and shady projects that bring in plenty of increase of wealth but leave the soul burdened with sin and guilt. Another crooked path is finally extravagance, in our homes or possessions in general. And all these whole millions of our brothers or sisters for whom Christ became a Babe and died on the cross are dying of starvation.

Is not this perhaps one of the reasons why many Christians do not experience the full impact of the Christmas peace on the Birthday of Him who came to bring peace and the love of God to humankind? Why is it that the celebration of the Birthday of Christ has

no lasting effect on their lives? Because the crooked paths were not straightened out, the spiritual preparation for the renewal in Christ was not made. Much money was spent on Christmas decorations, greeting cards, expensive gifts, but little thought was given to works of mercy for the poor, the needy and the hungry.

But it is not too late to balance our spiritual books where our works of mercy are recorded. It is not too late.

Fr. Leo Alban Asuncion

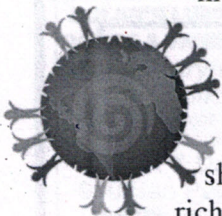
Mass Intentions for the Week

Tues.	Dec 10	Noon
Salvador †		Lucy
Wed.	Dec 11	Noon
Thanksgiving		Winnie Mariano
Thur.	Dec 12	Noon
Thanksgiving		Ed & Mae
Fri.	Dec 13	Noon
Edgar Allan		Mom & Dad
Sat.	Dec 14	4:30pm
Dave & Clare Alvarado †		Jensen Family
Sun.	Dec 15	9am
Juliet Posadas †		Ed & Mae
Port Costa		11:00am
People of the Parish		

****Monday, December 9th, there will be a special 9:00AM Mass to celebrate The Immaculate Conception! ****

Prayers for the Deceased

In your prayers, please remember in a special way, Rita Stakenburg.



Sunday Collection - December 1

St. Rose, Crockett/Regular Sunday \$1607

St. Patrick Mission, Port Costa \$210

Thanks to all who support our Parish!

Welcome Committee, Lectors and Ministers

Dec 14: Teresa Walker, John Valentini, Franca Ponti

Lector: Marissa Perlas

Welcome: John Valentini

Dec 15: Jenny Sebastian, Jesse Peralta, Angela Reese,

Evelyn Banaga, Dixie Peralta

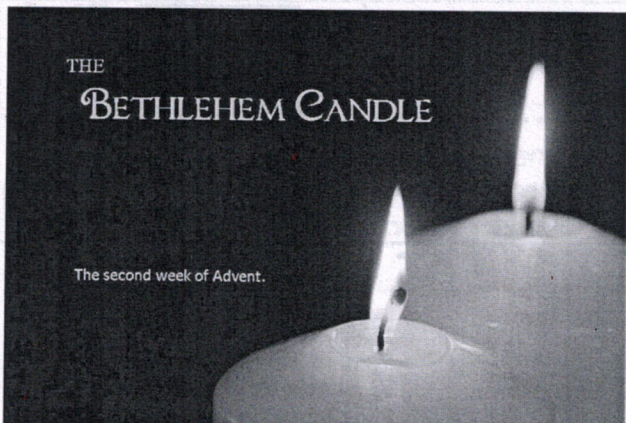
Lector: John Paradela, Jenny Sebastian

Welcome: Marleana Airoidi

If you cannot fulfill your assignment, please find your own replacement.

CC Café/ Senior Outreach Services

Enjoy a hot, nutritious lunch at the CC Café! Offered for adults 60+, Monday thru Friday. Reservations required one business day in advance. \$3 donation suggested. 850 Pomona St. Crockett. Call today to make your reservations 787-1341.



Special Second Collection

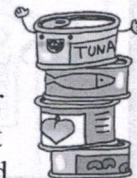
Support aging religious. Our second collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Many senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests served for little or no pay. Today, religious communities often do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Your gift helps provide medications, nursing care and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good works of the elders. Please be generous.



Crockett Christmas Committee



In the next few weeks we will be collecting canned/nonperishable food items and new toys in the vestibule. The items collected are redistributed by the Crockett Christmas Committee to those in this community. If you know a family in our area that is in need of this help please let us know! You may call the office or contact Debbie directly. Please don't be afraid to speak up, your suggestion will remain anonymous. For more information or questions, contact Debbie at (510) 3364-1323. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please make checks out to Crockett Christmas Committee.



Communal Anointing of the Sick

On the Fourth Sunday of Advent (Dec 21st/Dec 22nd), we will be having our annual Advent Communal Anointing of the Sick at all masses at St. Rose of Lima and St. Patrick. If you have family members or friends who need this sacrament, invite them to these masses. Come and be healed with God's healing touch.



PLEASE SUPPORT THESE ADVERTISERS

the Real Way to do Sweet!



830 Loring Avenue, Crockett, CA 94525
510-787-2121

Cont. Lic #903947



HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING SERVICE & REPLACEMENT SPECIALISTS
Family owned, local business, since 1973
1-888-Kel-Aire • 510-245-4140
4 Parker Ave., Rodeo
www.Kelaire.com

Healing Touch
Bodywork/Skin Care
Bobbie Sanford, CMT39412
Licensed Esthetician, Z63297
(510) 334-7832

CROCKETT BOOKKEEPING & TAX SERVICE
Payroll Services • Income Tax Preparation
Bookkeeping • IRS Audit Representation
Business Tax Preparation
628 2nd Ave. • Ste. 105
Crockett, CA 94525
(510) 787-1603
Fax (510) 787-1031

RODEO HARDWARE
MON: 8-5 TUE-FRI: 8-6
SAT: 9-5 SUN: 9-1
670 Parker Avenue
Rodeo, CA 94572
(510) 799-6420

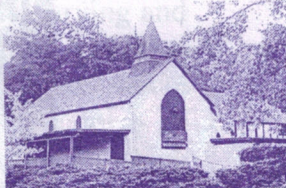
Better Homes Realty
JAN ORSI-McCULLOUGH
— BROKER —
Top Producer/Chairman's Club
Specializing in Crockett and serving Contra Costa County
Cell: 510-541-5776 CalBRE#00824246

Flippy's Restaurant
The Best Breakfast In Town
Weekdays 6 am to 2 pm
Sat & Sun 7 am to 2 pm
240 Parker Ave. • Rodeo
510-799-4400


ITALIAN CATHOLIC FEDERATION
 SAN CARLO
BRANCH #14
Meets Second Tuesday

Wilson & Kratzer Mortuaries
Serving Our Families for 100 Years

DOLAN'S LUMBER, DOORS & WINDOWS
Sells Everything to Build Anything
Redwood & Cyclone Fencing • Patio • Decking
Discount on All Lumber & Building Supplies
OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK
990 San Pablo Ave., Pinole
724-8753



Wilson & Kratzer
Hossekus Chapel - FD 933
(510) 799-1411



Wilson & Kratzer
Chapel of the Mission Bells - FD 881
(510) 232-6552

Sugar City Pet Supply
Locally Owned & Operated
Hours:
Tues. - Sat.
10:30 - 7:00
1308 Pomona St. • 510-722-3084

La Strada Where Sweet Memories Begin
Tel. (510) 237 - 9047
www.LaStradaSanPablo.com
2215 Church Lane, San Pablo, CA 94806
Get a complimentary tiramisu with purchase of 2 entrees.
Not valid with other promotions. Good until 8/31/2020.

Larry Porteous, D.D.S.
Linda Porteous, R.D.H.
RODEO SAFEWAY CENTER
665 PARKER AVE.,
RODEO, CA 94572.
(510) 799-1100
WWW.LARRYPORTEOUSFAMILYDENTISTRY.COM

To Advertise Here, Call
MISSION PUBLICATIONS
888-253-4358
WE ACCEPT   

PROFESSIONAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT
Management - Retail - Sales
Residential - Commercial - Leasing
510-758-5636
ppm4rent.com
CA BRE 01902148


J&L MARKET
491 POMONA ST., CROCKETT
(510) 787-1805
Open 7 am to 10 pm 7 days
SERVING OUR COMMUNITY
FOR OVER 25 YEARS

ST. JOSEPH
CEMETERY & FUNERAL CENTER FD1960
Start planning today:
Funeral | Cremation | Cemetery | Family Estates
(855) 894-6540 | cfcsoakland.org
Call to inquire about available discounts.
Serving all faiths throughout the Bay Area!

cfcs
Living Our Mission
CATHOLIC FUNERAL & CEMETERY SERVICES
A MINISTRY OF THE DIOCESE OF OAKLAND

SENIOR care
A non-medical care provider for seniors.
Companionship • Light Housekeeping
Meal Preparation • Medication Reminder
Care for people with Alzheimer's
Call now for a free, no obligation inquiry!
(510) 327-4007
1500 Sycamore Ave., Ste. B9B • Hercules, CA 94547

PAT PRENDIVILLE
with
Security Pacific
Real Estate Brokerage
3223 Blume Dr., Richmond
FREE MARKET ANALYSIS OF YOUR HOME
KNOWLEDGEABLE • CARING • EXPERIENCED
Office: 662-8546 Cell: 851-4663 Fax: 222-6393



FOR FAVOR APOYE A ESTOS ANUNCIANTES

Mission Publications FOR ADS CALL 1-888-253-4358
December 2019
#12 St. Rose, Crockett